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**TODAY'S WEATHER**

Today: Partly to mostly cloudy. Scattered showers.  
Tonight: Scattered evening showers, then partly cloudy.

HIGH: 77 LOW: 55



# Hare helps Prevail raise over \$170K at 2025 gala

**Submitted**

Prevail, a leading non-profit organization dedicated to supporting survivors of crime and abuse on their path to healing, announces the incredible success of its annual Celebration of Hope Gala, held Saturday, Aug. 9 at Embassy Suites in Noblesville.

With a turnout of over 260 passionate community members, the event raised more than \$170,000 in support of Prevail's mission to advocate for victims of crime and abuse throughout Hamilton County and beyond.

This year marked a special milestone for Hare Chevrolet, who returned for the 11th consecutive year as the Gala's Presenting Sponsor. Prevail extends its deepest gratitude for Hare Chevrolet's continued partnership and unwavering commitment to supporting survivors and building a safer community.

"At Hare Chevrolet, community is at the heart of everything we do—and for the past 11 years, we've been incredibly proud to stand alongside Prevail in their mission to support survivors



Photos courtesy Tenth Street Photography  
**The great success of this year's Celebration of Hope Gala would not have been possible without the outpouring of generosity of individuals and local businesses.**

See *Prevail* . . . Page 2



Photo provided by Amy Shankland  
**Our columnist is never without her tea during her slow mornings.**

## Take time to do nothing – it will yield everything

I love slow mornings. Most of us, if we take them, get to enjoy slow mornings only on the weekends, or whatever our days off happen to be.

When I first took the Dale Carnegie Human Relations course back in the mid-'90s, I was surprised to hear that taking breaks actually makes us more productive. I mentioned that fact in my *Joy at Work* series of columns.

At the time, I was always on the go. I was an energetic 20-something woman who was involved in anything and everything on the evenings and weekends. In fact, now that I'm 55, I still fight the impulse to join everything.

The world supports "busy." How often do we complain about how busy we are, or hear others saying that word? It seems to be the norm in our society. I'd like to challenge that today.

When I learned that I was a Highly Sensitive Person over 18 years ago, my world shifted. I discovered that I truly *need* downtime every day to recharge and be my best self. My gut instinct says that it's probably true for everyone.

One of my friends, Jennifer, told me something I've never forgotten. She said that it's crucial for us all to just take time to . . . breathe. Not think about the dozens of things we need to do today, tomorrow, or next week. Simply stop, do nothing, and breathe.

See *Nothing* . . . Page 2



**COLUMNIST**

AMY SHANKLAND  
*Perfectly Imperfect*

# Westfield recommends renewal with WM to control residential rates

**Submitted by City of Westfield**

Westfield city officials has recommended that the Board of Public Works and Safety (BPW) selects WM (formerly Waste Management) for trash and recycling services.

Following a competitive Request for Proposals (RFP) process, three companies submitted bids for consideration. All proposals were carefully reviewed and scored by city staff members based on pricing, service quality, and overall value to residents.

At the August meeting of the Board of Public Works and Safety, WM was recommended for trash and recycling services. If approved, the new service agreement will go into effect on

Jan. 1, 2026, and will remain in place for six years, through the end of 2031.

Under the proposed contract, residential rates will begin at \$16.45 per month (\$49.30 per quarter) in 2026, with gradual increases each year, reaching \$20.01 per month (\$60.03 per quarter) in 2031. As part of the proposed contract, Westfield residents will continue to receive weekly trash and recycling pickup, with service for up to three containers included.

The agreement will also include clear performance standards for trash and recycling services to ensure high-quality, reliable service. City officials will closely monitor WM's performance, and penalties may be applied for failure to meet

### Monthly Proposed Service Rates

Year	WM	Republic Services	Priority Waste
2026	\$16.45	\$18.48	\$22.25
2027	\$17.11	\$19.23	\$22.74
2028	\$17.79	\$19.99	\$23.24
2029	\$18.50	\$20.78	\$24.54
2030	\$19.24	\$21.61	\$24.54
2031	\$20.01	\$22.47	\$25.21

these standards, underscoring the commitment to accountability and protecting residents' interests.

"We are committed to providing cost-effective services to our residents," Mayor Scott Willis said. "After a thorough evaluation, we opted to continue with WM as our partner to help keep costs as low for our residents as possible."

According to city officials, having a single, city-wide trash and recycling provider offers several key benefits for resi-

dents. With just one service operating in each neighborhood, residents will see less wear and tear on roads, reduced traffic and noise from multiple trucks, and improved overall efficiency. Standardized service across the city means consistent pickup schedules, uniform containers, and clear expectations for everyone.

Residents should continue paying their WM bills as usual. Additional information will be available at [westfieldin.gov/trash](http://westfieldin.gov/trash).



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# Sheridan First Christian Church invites you to Music Fest & Cruise-In

**Submitted**

Sheridan First Christian Church invites the public to its annual Music Fest & Cruise-In from 3 to 7 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 6. The event promises an afternoon of live music, classic cars, food, family fun, and community spirit, all for a good cause.

Attendees can enjoy live musical performances throughout the afternoon while exploring a wide variety of vintage vehicles at the cruise-in. Refreshments will be available for purchase and a children's play area will keep younger guests entertained. Visitors will also have the opportunity to vote for their favorite vehicle in the People's Choice "Show & Shine" contest. The winning car will be

announced during the event. In case of rain, activities will be moved inside the handicapped-accessible church.

One of the highlights of the event is the raffle drawing for a hand-knitted, machine-washable blanket measuring 48 inches by 64 inches, made with Mary Maxim 100-percent acrylic yarn in a striking mix of black and white twist, black, red, and white. Raffle tickets are just \$1 each, or six for \$5, and can be purchased at the event.

All proceeds will go toward



the church's 2025 mission efforts. These efforts include supporting Hands of Hope Foster Family Support locally and Global Ministries internationally.

Sheridan First Christian Church has an ongoing collection of bras, cell phones, hearing aids, eyeglasses or shoes, which are distributed to charities supporting those in need. In the spirit of giving, attendees are encouraged to bring donations of these items if they are able.

For more information about the event or to purchase raf-

fle tickets in advance, contact Sheridan First Christian Church at (317) 758-4569 or email [sheridanchristian@att.net](mailto:sheridanchristian@att.net).

### About Sheridan First Christian Church

Sheridan First Christian Church is a God-centered and inclusive church. The mission of Sheridan First Christian Church is to provide a welcoming community to help anyone know, love, and follow Jesus. The church is committed to helping their community and neighbors through service and celebration. Sheridan First Christian Church is inclusive and welcomes all ages, races, genders, and abilities. Casual and friendly worship services occur every Sunday at 10 a.m.

## Goodbye, Saturday. Hello, Tuesday!

**The REPORTER**

Starting this week, there will be no more Saturday editions of The Reporter, but worry not, Hamilton County, because we are adding Tuesday instead. Digital subscribers will still get five heaping helpings of local news each week.

Until now, The Reporter has published in print every Monday and online Wednesday through Saturday. Monday print and digital editions have always been, and will continue to be, identical.

Now we will have digital editions every weekday, but not on the weekends. Our print editions will still go out each Monday.

There are behind-the-scenes reasons for this change, but we will not bore you with the details. The important part is that you will get the same number of editions you always have. Now it will be just easier to remember when those are coming.

Our only caveat is this: on the day after a holiday, we will not have digital editions [I'm looking at you, day after Labor Day]. We do that so our people can have holidays as they see fit.

On the other hand, holidays falling on Mondays never have impacted our print publication schedule, and they still will not.

Weekday local news, here we come!

## PREVAIL

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of crime and abuse,” Hare Chevrolet Commercial Sales Manager Todd Thurston said. “Our partnership goes beyond sponsorship; it’s a shared commitment to safety, empowerment, and hope for individuals and families in our community. We believe in the critical work Prevail does every day, and it’s been an honor to support their programs, events, and advocacy.”

Additional sponsors and partners also played a vital role in the Gala’s success, and Prevail is thankful for the outpouring of generosity from local businesses and individuals who helped make the evening both meaningful and memorable.

“Every contribution raised from the Celebration of Hope Gala directly impacts the lives of survivors,” Prevail Executive Director Tami Wanninger said. “We are truly grateful for the community’s generosity, making it possible to walk along survivors and offering hope in difficult times.”

As Prevail’s largest annual fundraising event, the

Celebration of Hope Gala plays a critical role in sustaining the organization’s comprehensive services. Every dollar raised goes directly toward providing free, confidential support to individuals and families impacted by crime and abuse – empowering survivors, educating communities, and advocating for lasting change.

**If you missed out on this event but would still like to make a gift, you can do so securely at [prevailinc.org/donate](http://prevailinc.org/donate). Your support makes a lasting impact.**

For more information about Prevail or to find out how you can get involved, visit [prevailinc.org](http://prevailinc.org).

**About Prevail**

Prevail is a non-profit organization based in Noblesville dedicated to offering crisis intervention and restorative support services for those who have experienced crime and abuse, free of charge, in a confidential, supportive, non-judgmental environment that is meant to empower those we serve.

# JJ Gaylor earns National Junior Honor Society volunteer hours

## COLUMNIST



MARK HALL  
The Feeding Team Feature

We love our volunteers; they are the lifeblood that makes any charitable enterprise work. We are especially honored when future generations believe in our mission to feed hungry neighbors.

This plays out as parents and grandparents show their children the importance of generational giving.

Over the years, we have had the opportunity to watch this in person many times. The mom of two deaf children signing to them teaching them about a pantry as they stock it, the firefighter father watching his daughter hoist the large jar of pickles onto a pantry shelf, the grandfather spending time working with grandsons purchasing and donating non-perishable meals into pantries, the mom preparing no-egg birthday kits with her children, the school classes that collect and donate thousands of canned goods, the single mom that donates with her son’s whatever she has leftover in her pantry each month and a hundred other examples that come to mind and that would make this month’s column too lengthy.

This month we are highlighting a 13-year-old young man who choose The Feeding Team to complete his

volunteer hours as part of his qualifications for the National Junior Honor Society. As a 501(c)(3), we get lots of requests to accomplish service hours. Some of these are voluntary, some are mandatory. Most are well intended, but each requires real and verified work either in food distribution, sorting, cleaning, or stocking. Volunteer hours are documented, approved, and reported as required in each situation.

JJ Gaylor isn’t your typical 13-year-old. He understands the value of service, helping others and the lessons learned doing good in his community. During his volunteer hours, JJ and his father worked supporting some of our most remote pantries. These pantries may not get as much attention as some in town or in higher traffic areas. These two were on a mission to help as many people as possible. JJ reports, “Dad would drive me to a pantry and he’d sit in the car while I worked, it became something that I wanted to do and that we did together ... We enjoyed it so much we’ll keep doing this.”

We can tell you the stories of hundreds of volunteers. We often feature their stories and interactions with neighbors at the pantries. This month, JJ Gaylor shows quiet leadership to his community through his simple acts of service to others.

Thank you for your service to our hungry neighbors. \*\*\*

If you want to help, please send an email to [lisa@feedingteam.org](mailto:lisa@feedingteam.org), call our office, or message us on Facebook to get details and sign up. We share our experiences to share moments of helping with you, our supporters. Without you, this doesn’t happen.

Imagine the moment for a second, the joy of helping a neighbor who can’t make



Photo provided

**JJ Gaylor (left) with Feeding Team Founders Lisa and Mark Hall.**

ends meet. Many of us have been there. Many are still there. Many will be there

in the future. That is why we exist. It’s not often that we have encounters with shoppers. It happens more than you’d think, more than we’d like, and while we know that hunger and poverty will never go away, we can make a dent in it. Together we can help feed hungry neighbors here in our communities.

With over 44,000 food-challenged neighbors in Hamilton County, [FeedingTeam.org](http://FeedingTeam.org) is a registered 501(c)(3) not-for-profit organization that provides outdoor 24/7/365 no-questions-asked free food pantries throughout the county.

The pantries exist to meet the food insecurity needs of gap families, neighbors who may not qualify for public assistance and could use a few meals before payday. The pantries serve as many food-challenged neighbors as possible, and our hearts are with those who, like my family, could not always make ends meet.

**FeedingTeam.org  
Facts**  
78 pantries  
14,000 meals per month  
Over 30 volunteer families

Thank you for supporting the pantries. We love serving with so many neigh-

bors across Hamilton County. In future columns, we will share more stories about how your generosity served neighbors in times of need. The face of hunger in Hamilton County is not what you may think.

In practical terms, this straightforward way to help neighbors is having real impact on lives, families, and our communities. Thank you. A few meals can change the course of a person’s life. A can of green beans means so much more when you have nothing to feed your kids.

Would you like to get involved? Volunteer opportunities are available. We are evaluating new pantry locations. If you think you have a potential location, please contact us.

Mark and Lisa Hall are the Founders of Feeding Team. They may be reached at [lisa@feedingteam.org](mailto:lisa@feedingteam.org) and [mark@feedingteam.org](mailto:mark@feedingteam.org) or by calling (317) 832-1123.

## NOTHING

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Whenever I do this during my slow mornings, I’m amazed at all the creative ideas that float into my mind. Column topics. New ways to approach problems. Solutions to said problems.

It turns out that my weekend ritual isn’t a new thing. If you look up “slow mornings” online and on social media, you’ll see that the concept is on numerous blogs and websites. Multiple sites state how this practice can help us stay mindful, manage stress, increase creativity and productivity, and

start the day on a calm note.

Last Saturday, I sat out on my deck just watching the sky change as the sun rose. I slowly sipped my matcha tea and listened to the lingering crickets and birds. The rest of my day was busy with one thing after another, but after that slow start to my day doing nothing, I felt like I could accomplish everything. And I did just that with a smile.

I know many of you are busy with so many things ... jobs ... parenting ... taking care of elderly relatives.

Right now, look at your calendar, and try to fit in one or two slow mornings a week. Even a half hour can make a huge difference.

Maybe this Labor Day weekend can help. Just remember, if we take the time to do nothing, it will often yield everything!

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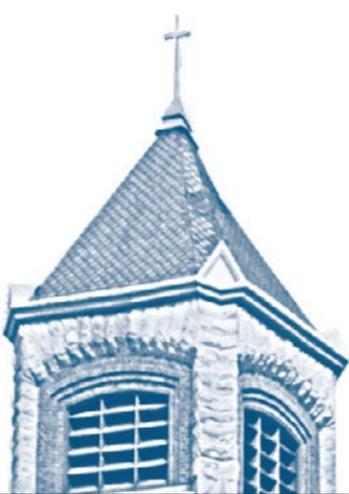
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# Westfield provides updates on downtown parking

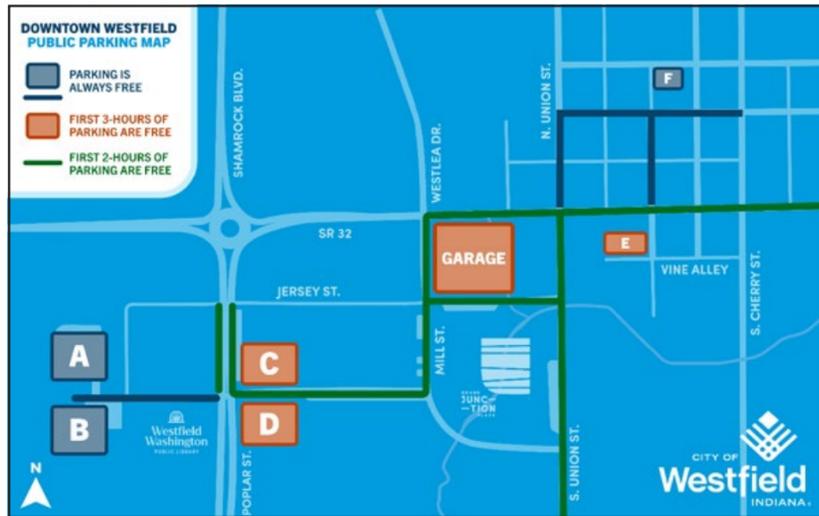
Submitted by City of Westfield

The City of Westfield has announced the opening of its first-ever parking garage, located at The Union in downtown. This new, 300-space garage will open Monday, Sept. 15 and marks a significant step forward in enhancing accessibility and supporting the continued growth of downtown.

With the addition of the garage, residents and visitors will have improved access to local businesses, restaurants, and events. The parking garage features a user-friendly rate structure: the first three hours are free, the first paid hour is \$2, followed by \$1 per hour after that, plus a small service fee ranging from 25 to 50 cents per transaction. For those parking between eight and 24 hours, a \$15 flat rate applies. Designated on-street parking will follow the same fee structure but is only free the first two hours. The city has partnered with Denison Parking and will use ParkMobile and HONK to streamline payment and enforcement.

“We’re excited to open our first structured parking garage to better serve our growing community and downtown businesses,” Mayor Scott Willis said. “This is a smart, long-term investment in Westfield’s future.”

To encourage frequent turnover and ensure park-



Graphic provided by City of Westfield

ing availability for patrons of local businesses, the city emphasizes that this garage is not intended for long-term vehicle storage. The parking fee structure is designed to promote active use of the space and discourage long-term parking that limits access for others.



Willis

Additionally, all collected parking fees will be deposited into a non-reverting fund dedicated solely to the maintenance, repair, and future improvements of the parking garage, helping to ensure its long-term sustainability.

Blue surface lots near Park and Poplar Streets will remain free and unrestricted throughout the day and designated 20-minute carry-out and loading zones are available on-street for quick stops.

### Parking Garage

First three hours: Free  
First paid hour: \$2  
Subsequent hours: \$1/hour  
8 to 24 hours: \$15 flat rate

### On-Street Parking

First two hours: Free  
First paid hour: \$2  
Subsequent hours: \$1/hour  
8 to 24 hours: \$15 flat rate

As part of this transition, valet services on Park Street will be evaluated, and active patrol hours will run from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m., Monday through Saturday. Parking is free on Sundays. An additional temporary lot, as indicated by Lot C on the map, will be added in the near future.

To promote compliance and fairness, a new phased approach to enforcement will begin this fall:

- Beginning in October, parking officers will distribute educational pamphlets to inform drivers of the new parking system, rather than ticketing.
- In October, formal

written warnings will be issued.

- After someone receives a written warning, citations for overtime and double parking will be \$35, while violations in handicapped-accessible spaces will carry a \$115 fine.
- Vehicles with three or more unpaid citations will be booted rather than towed, ensuring a more controlled and less disruptive resolution process.

The city will continue to share more information and resources, including an educational pamphlet, to help residents and visitors adjust to the new system at [westfieldin.gov/parking](http://westfieldin.gov/parking) as this process progresses.



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### Biblically, what is the gospel?

“Moreover, I declare to you the gospel which I preached to you, which also you received and in which you stand, by which also you are saved, if you hold fast that word which I preached to you—unless you believed in vain. For I delivered to you first of all that which I also received: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, and that He was buried, and that He rose again the third day according to the Scriptures.”



**Death**



**Burial**



**Resurrection**

### Biblically, how does one obey the gospel?

**2 Thessalonians 1:8** “in flaming fire taking vengeance on those who do not know God, and on those who do not obey the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ.”

**Romans 6:3-4** “Or do you not know that as many of us as were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into His death? Therefore we were buried with Him through baptism into death, that just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life.”

**Colossians 2:12** “buried with Him in baptism, in which you also were raised with Him through faith in the working of God, who raised Him from the dead.”



**Death  
of old man**



**Burial  
of old ways**



**Resurrection  
to a new way of life**

## Marching Huskies shine at ISSMA Summer Showcase

On Saturday, Aug. 23, the Marching Huskies competed at the Indiana State School Music Association (ISSMA) Summer Showcase contest and delivered an outstanding performance! The group earned a Gold Rating and was also honored with the award for "Visual with Distinction." Congratulations to the Marching Huskies' seniors, members, parents, and staff for all of their hard work and dedication this summer. Your commitment and passion truly paid off. From powerful formations to proud smiles, this collage celebrates the heart, hustle, and harmony of our seniors, members, staff, and families. **Go Heights!** (Photos provided by Hamilton Heights School Corporation)



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# From passion to progress: how the arts build a better Noblesville

By **CHRISTI CROSSER & ESTHER LAKES**  
*Noblesville Creates Board Members*

What truly makes Noblesville feel like home?

Beyond the historic brick streets and familiar storefronts, we feel it in the shared pride of a new downtown art installation or the energy of a local music performance – experiences that shape our city's vibrant identity. We believe our local arts and culture scene is the heartbeat of that spirit.

A thriving creative community strengthens our city by creating economic benefits and enriching our children's education, which together create that "this is home" feeling. As longtime residents, our experiences drawn from leadership roles – spanning the school board to supporting education, local business advocacy, and local nonprofits – have given us a front-row seat of how the arts intersect with and elevate our city.

This shared understanding is precisely why we have deepened our commitment to the city's creative future.

### The tangible impact of a creative economy

The economic impact of the arts in Noblesville is clear and measurable. In 2024, programming from Noblesville Creates alone generated nearly \$730,000 in household income for our neighbors and supported 37 full-time jobs, based on an Americans For The Arts study. This impact snowballs with every event.

For instance, last year, attendees added another \$530,000 to our local economy through their related spending. The direct financial benefit to our creative community is also significant: 161 local artists earned over \$69,000 from sales of their work.

These are not abstract figures. They are the tangible result of thousands of people gathering for beloved events like Fairyville, HATCH Fest, and our monthly First Fridays. These experiences, along with intimate offerings like children's art camps and adult drawing classes, are what build the connections that give our city its distinct character.

### A shared passion forged by service

Our passion for local arts comes from our experiences serving Noblesville. While our professional paths aren't the same, our work has revealed a simple truth: a community's health is directly linked to its creative



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**Noblesville Creates Board Members Esther Lakes (left) and Christi Crosser invite you to partner with them in building the economic vitality of Noblesville through promotion of the arts.**

culture. This truth is evident in our shared service on the boards of Noblesville Creates, Prevail, Noblesville Chamber of Commerce, Advancing Noblesville Chamber Foundation, Riverview Health Foundation, and Spotlight on Art.

From an educational standpoint, a strong arts scene is a critical asset. We recognize the power of the arts to enrich student learning while attracting and retaining talented families in our city.

This same principle applies to philanthropy focused on our youngest residents. We support Spotlight on Art, an event that merges art with philanthropy to benefit the Boys & Girls Club, Prevail, and Children's TherAplay. The community recognition for this work is proof that investing in the arts is a direct investment in our children.

This shared understanding of how the arts connect education and philanthropy to strengthen Noblesville's well-being led us to take on a new challenge together:

co-chairing this year's "Celebrate Noblesville Creates" gala.

### An invitation to invest in our creative future

This annual celebration is the primary fundraiser that sustains the programs and economic impact we've described. We invite you to join us for Celebrate Noblesville Creates on Thursday, Sept. 25, from 5:15 to 9:30 p.m. at the Embassy Suites in Noblesville.

Resources from this single evening are invested back into Noblesville for the entire year. It fuels the creation of public art, beautifying our shared spaces for everyone to enjoy.

### Building a creative legacy together

An investment in our creative community is an investment in the economic vitality and spirit that set Noblesville apart. We invite you to partner with us in this mission. Together, we can build a legacy of creativity that will define our city for generations to come.

Learn more at [noblesvillecreates.org/gala](http://noblesvillecreates.org/gala).

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# Hamilton County Veterans Community Page

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### Our Logic Model at Indy Vet To Vet Inc

We measure impact at Indy Vet To Vet. Our continuum of mentorship and community engagement provide veterans and family members with a safe and team oriented environment to grow and achieve. Indy Vet To Vet participants learn together, grow together, and serve together. We encourage veterans, family members, and community members to explore other opportunities for service all over the city. At Indy Vet To Vet, we are not looking to be the star of the show, we are just looking to bring the veterans to the show!



INPUTS	ACTIVITIES	OUTPUTS	OUTCOMES	IMPACT
<b>What do we invest in our programs?</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Staff, many of whom learned to serve in our programs</li> <li>Volunteers committed to our mission</li> <li>Equipment that is adapted for all ages</li> <li>Over 100 volunteer hours each month</li> <li>Funds, provided by donations, soldier's wish, and IDVA</li> </ul>	<b>What do we do?</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Inclusive veteran development</li> <li>Vet to vet peer support and family outreach</li> <li>Adaptive programming for people of all abilities</li> <li>Mentor or facilitator growth and training</li> <li>Veteran and senior programming</li> <li>Community outreach, non-profit partnership</li> </ul>	<b>What are the results in numbers?</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Indy Vet to Vet is committed to hosting over 20 events a month</li> <li>We have 2 monthly outreach events to include the community</li> <li>We spend quality time with over 50 veterans each week</li> <li>We serve more than 1000 veterans each year with our all-volunteer staff</li> </ul>	<b>What results are experienced?</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Improved self esteem</li> <li>Improved empathy</li> <li>Improved sense of community</li> <li>Stronger connection to others</li> <li>Broadened understanding of the veterans community</li> <li>The ability to participate in sober activities with friends, family, and community members</li> </ul>	<b>What is the ultimate benefit?</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Social:</b> Empowered people with broadened perspectives as a result of our programming</li> <li><b>Civic:</b> Strengthened commitment to the local community</li> <li><b>Leadership:</b> Our veterans begin to volunteer, our volunteers train to become mentors/facilitators, and our mentors become stewards of a connected community</li> </ul>

### https://indyvettovet.org

#### \* MEETING RULES

##### 1. THE RULE OF SAFETY

We promise to do no harm to ourselves or others.

##### 2. THE RULE OF ANONYMITY

What is said here stays here. (Unless we hear of someone in danger of violating Rule #1, in which case we owe it to that fellow Veteran to help keep him or her safe.)

##### 3. THE RULE OF HONESTY

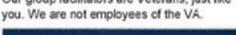
Say what you mean. Mean what you say. We are not here to try to impress each other with our military service or combat experiences. We are all in this together.

##### 4. THE RULE OF RESPECT

Please arrive on time. Please do not engage in side-conversations during the group. Please mute cell phones. If we do not see eye to eye, we can agree to disagree.

#### \* PEER FACILITATORS

Our group facilitators are Veterans, just like you. We are not employees of the VA.



#### To be a peer facilitator, all you need is interest, drive, motivation, a commitment to sobriety, and some experience navigating the mental health system.

If you are interested in becoming a peer facilitator, please talk with the facilitator of any meeting you attend.

#### GROUP LOCATIONS

**MONDAYS 10AM-11AM**  
VOLUNTEERS OF AMERICA  
611 NORTH CAPITOL AVE

**TUESDAYS 6PM-7PM**  
NEIGHBORCARE OF CHAPEL HILL  
230 WELCOME WAY BLVD

**WEDNESDAYS 6PM-7PM**  
VETERANS VILLA  
3731 STATION ST

**THURSDAYS 6PM-7PM**  
Lincoln Apartments  
530 North Holmes Ave

**FRIDAYS 8AM-9AM**  
ASSESSMENT & INTERVENTION CENTER  
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Donations are needed for us to continue to do our work, help veterans, maintain our non-profit, and travel the state for outreach. Indy Vet to Vet presently has five weekly meetings all over the city and holds outreach events monthly. Our volunteer force of dedicated veterans matches our all-volunteer force of dedicated soldiers and sailors, past, present, and future who have kept us free and safe. Donations provide support for Veterans of any age and in any way.

For general questions, contact Aaron Shaw at **317-737-6927**



### HamCoIn Veteran Service Orgs

You want to know what goes on at your Post, look at their Website & Facebook

#### American Legion Posts

**Carmel Post 155** Commander - Kim Kilburn  
Website <https://post155.org> Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100094085413679>

**Cicero Post 341** Commander - Tye Anderson  
Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/cicerolegion341>

**Fishers Post 470** Commander - Eric Stanley  
Website <https://legion470fishers.org>

**Noblesville Post 45** Commander - Gill Soria  
Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/people/Frank-Huntzinger-Noblesville-American-Legion-Post-45/61572125481943/>

**Sheridan Post 67** Commander - Tim DeLine  
Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=61564874995173>

#### VFW Posts

**Carmel Post 10003** Commander - Darin Bibeau  
Website <https://vfw10003.org/di/vfw/v2/default.asp?nid=1>  
Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=61565120759104>

**Noblesville Post 6246** Commander - Izzy Manchaca  
Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=61566071286753>

#### Non-Profit Veteran Orgs

##### Hamilton County Veterans Corp

P.O. Box 503  
Noblesville, IN 46061  
[secretary@hamiltoncountyveterans.com](mailto:secretary@hamiltoncountyveterans.com)  
Meets 7pm the 1<sup>st</sup> 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 4<sup>th</sup> Wed 530pm dinner 630pm meeting at Gingers Cafe 1111 S 10<sup>th</sup> St Noblesville

##### Stronger Veterans Stronger Communities Coalition

<https://hamiltoncountyinsvc.org/> Check us out and join as we connect our communities to the resources we need during our time of need. Eliminating suicide and saving lives.

##### Hamilton County Veteran Service Officers

317-776-9610 Hours – 9am-4pm Weekdays  
CVSO – Tom Logan  
[Tom.logan@hamiltoncounty.in.gov](mailto:Tom.logan@hamiltoncounty.in.gov)  
Assistant CVSO – Robin Wilson  
[robin.wilson@hamiltoncounty.in.gov](mailto:robin.wilson@hamiltoncounty.in.gov)  
Assistant CVSO – Caroline Franz  
[caroline.franz@hamiltoncounty.in.gov](mailto:caroline.franz@hamiltoncounty.in.gov)  
Admin Assistant – Christina Ellis  
[christina.ellis@hamiltoncounty.in.gov](mailto:christina.ellis@hamiltoncounty.in.gov)

##### Fishers Legion Breakfast 1&3 Sundays

Fishers American Legion - Post 470 Lowell Beaver - Fishers, IN  
9091 East 126<sup>th</sup> Street, Fishers, IN 46038, (317) 842-5944

### Breakfast Buffet

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Make your own Waffles  
Juices / Pastries or Muffins

### Hamilton County Military Veteran

#### Military Veteran Hiring Event Aug 28, from 11am to 3pm.

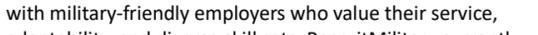
We're excited to announce the RecruitMilitary Indianapolis Hiring Event coming to Indianapolis Thursday, August 28, 2025, from 11:00 AM to 3:00 PM (ET) at Lucas Oil Stadium, 500 South Capital Avenue, Indianapolis, IN 46225. This exclusive in-person hiring event is a powerful opportunity for transitioning service members, veterans, military spouses, National Guard members, and Reservists to connect directly with military-friendly employers who value their service, adaptability, and diverse skill sets. RecruitMilitary currently features over 200,000 active job opportunities listed on [RecruitMilitary.com](https://recruitmilitary.com). Attending employers are eager to engage with and hire top talent from the Indianapolis area. Registration Link: [rmvets.com/IND0825](https://rmvets.com/IND0825) The Job Fair will take place in Exhibit Hall 2. From the South Lot, walk along the east side of the stadium toward the Pro Shop. Enter the stadium through the South East Entrance BEFORE you get to the Pro Shop. Take the NE Escalator down to the Event Level and follow the signage to the registration area.

#### Parking Information

COMPLIMENTARY Parking is available to Veteran Job Seekers in the South Lot. BE SURE TO MENTION YOU ARE ATTENDING THE RECRUITMILITARY JOB FAIR.

Enter the lot at Gate 6 off of Capitol Avenue. Enter the stadium through the South East Entrance.

See Parking and Entry Map [HERE](#).



### MILITARY COMMUNITY HIRING EVENT

Local, Statewide, National, and Remote Opportunities Available

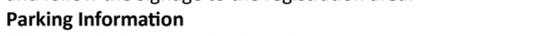
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Technology | Government & more...



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### Activities & Events

#### Veterans & Military Connected Artists, Register by August 29, to Display Your Art Creations at the Indy Art Center. You may enter up to 5 works for FREE

The Indy Art Center is now accepting submissions for our annual exhibition featuring work by military-connected artists. Entries are open to veterans, service members, military family members, and caregivers. This exhibition will highlight original works across all media. Artwork may explore any subject matter; all themes and forms of expression are welcome. Artists of all levels are encouraged to apply here: [2025 MILITARY COMMUNITY EXHIBITION APPLICATION](https://indyartcenter.org/2025-military-community-exhibition-application)

- Image Requirements: A clear image must be submitted for each artwork.
- Eligibility: Open to veterans, service members, military family members, and caregivers. All work must be original and created by the submitting artist. Artworks in any media are eligible for inclusion.

Questions, please reach out to Breyanne Urbin-Haynes at [burbin@indyartcenter.org](mailto:burbin@indyartcenter.org).

### CALL FOR ENTRIES

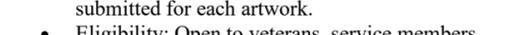
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### MILITARY COMMUNITY CREATIONS ANNUAL EXHIBITION

APPLY BY AUG. 29  
[INDYARTCENTER.ORG/CFE](https://INDYARTCENTER.ORG/CFE)

#### Veterans & Service Members, Get signed up for a FREE 10 week visual arts program starting Sept 6<sup>th</sup> on select Saturdays from 930am-1230pm at the Indy Art Center. Learn more about the program and apply using the links below:

- [Apply to ArtTroop](#)
- [Learn More About ArtTroop](#)



### ARTTROOP

Connecting Veterans Through Art

Fall 2025 Applications Are Open!

ArtTroop meets on select Saturdays from 9:30am - 12:30pm at the Indy Art Center, 820 E 67 St, Indianapolis, IN 46220.

Designed as an accessible entry point into the arts, the program highlights a different medium or technique each week, encouraging creativity and experimentation. ArtTroop offers a supportive atmosphere where participants can develop artistic skills, discover new interests, and connect with a creative community. All materials are provided. All experience levels are welcome to apply!



If you have questions about the ArtTroop Program, please contact Becca Nisenbaum at [BNisenbaum@indyartcenter.org](mailto:BNisenbaum@indyartcenter.org).

APPLY TODAY AT [INDYARTCENTER.ORG/ARTTROOP](https://INDYARTCENTER.ORG/ARTTROOP)

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# Look, up in the sky! It's a bird! It's a plane! No, it's Carmel Fire!

## The REPORTER

You may have noticed a helicopter over Carmel this last weekend. That was the Carmel Fire Department!

CFD partnered with the Indiana Air Search And Rescue (IASAR) to conduct specialized air search and rescue training to give the city's firefighters yet another option in special search and rescue circumstances.

CFD says this training helps the team sharpen air search techniques, directly enhancing efforts in the Project Lifesaver program. Project Lifesaver is a community-based initiative that provides rapid response to help protect individuals who wander due to cognitive conditions such as Alzheimer's, autism, and related disorders. Training like this makes CFD stronger, safer, and better prepared to serve Carmel.

To learn more about these programs, visit [iasar.org](http://iasar.org) and [projectlifesaver.org](http://projectlifesaver.org).



Photos provided by Carmel Fire Department

# Midwest Tandem Rally "Races Back to Indiana" on Labor Day Weekend

## The REPORTER

The Midwest Tandem Rally, the largest tandem cycling rally in the United States, will "Race Back to Indiana" this Labor Day weekend in Westfield. This year marks a special return to the Hoosier state, which has hosted the rally more times than any other since the first rally took place in Kokomo in 1976.

The rally is an annual event held every Labor Day weekend, rotating locations across the Midwest. The rally draws hundreds of tandem cycling enthusiasts from across the U.S. and Canada for four days of riding and socializing. Past Indiana host cities include Kokomo, Anderson, Indianapolis, Shipshewana, Fort Wayne, and Columbus. The 2025 Midwest Tandem Rally will feature daily group rides, with the highlight being the Saturday and Sunday mass starts, when more than 200 tandem teams will roll out together from Grand Park in Westfield. The spectacle showcases the energy and camaraderie of tandem cycling at its best.

This year's theme, "Race Back to Indiana," celebrates Indiana's central role in the rally's history and pays tribute to the state's world-famous motorsports heritage. The commemorative event jersey blends both traditions, depicting tandem bicycles sharing the track with iconic race cars.

As with all previous Indiana rallies, the 2025 event is hosted by Hoosiers Out On Tandems (HOOTs), part of Central Indiana Cycling, whose volunteers have been key to the success of MTR for decades.

"We're thrilled to bring the Midwest Tandem Rally back to Indiana, where it all began," Event Director Rick Stanley said. "Westfield provides the perfect blend of beautiful riding routes, vibrant community support, and easy access for riders from across the United States."

For more information and registration details visit [mtrally.org](http://mtrally.org).

Midwest Tandem Rally Bike Routes are available at [mtrally.org/more/route-information](http://mtrally.org/more/route-information).

# The importance of balance, part 1

"People are like bicycles. They can keep their balance as long as they keep moving." — Albert Einstein in a letter to his son Eduard, Feb. 5, 1930

Faithful readers, you may recognize this quote

as I have used it in a previous column topic about the importance of maintaining our balance and the repercussions if we do not.

That old saying "don't lie down if you can sit, don't sit if you can stand, don't stand if you can walk" is a bit misleading since, of course, we must do all of those things in our daily living ... lie down, sit, stand, and walk. However, we do get the meaning of it in that we must keep moving for our health and well-being, literally.

The professor was spot on with that whole theory of relativity thing, so let's explore the meaning of his re-

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SHARON McMAHON  
Be Well

mark noted above. The importance of balance and movement cannot be over-emphasized for us particularly as we age. Changes in muscle strength and flexibility lead to issues with balance in our everyday movements. As early as your 30s evidence suggests that skeletal muscle mass and strength decline, with up to 50 percent of your mass lost by the time you are in your 70s. This loss of muscle mass is called sarcopenia, which negatively affects balance and increases the risk and fear of falling, especially as we age.<sup>1</sup>

Retaining mobility is a major health goal for the 50-and-over population. Years of physical inactivity can hinder blood circulation allowing the body to weaken mentally and physically. Increasing movement in a safe manner can enhance

our ability to maintain balance. Remember how quickly you sprang up after falling as a child? Your strong bones, muscle tone, and flexibility enabled you to brush yourself off and keep on going!

Walking properly goes a long way in training our bodies to stay balanced and upright. Remembering to "look at the birds not the bugs" is important for good posture and balance. The body goes where the eye focuses. If you look down, you will go down.

I encourage my fitness class members to train themselves to walk properly, which most people do not. If you walk on the balls of your feet you will pitch your torso forward which can easily throw you off balance. If you place your heels down first (we have them for a reason!) your upper body will remain erect and your eyes will be focused forward, not down. Your body will be in alignment which

will help you maintain your balance. NOTE: These suggestions may not be applicable for those who suffer from spinal, muscular, or skeletal issues.

Independence is something we all value – youth are eager to become independent, and mature adults are eager to stay independent. Broken bones from falls which can be prevented can limit mobility and lead to a host of other health issues. What can be done? Glad you asked! Check out my next column (Part 2) coming soon which will provide you with some real and simple options to increase your balance and flexibility!

<sup>1</sup> [dartmouth-health.org](http://dartmouth-health.org)  
Sharon McMahon, CNWC

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

# Have lunch with defending U.S. Nationals Top Fuel winner Clay Millican

## Submitted

The AES Restaurant Group, headquartered in Zionsville, will welcome NHRA Top Fuel driver Clay Millican to the Arby's restaurant in Westfield this Friday, Aug. 29 for a special "Meat & Greet" fan event with the defending winner of the Cornwell Quality Tools NHRA U.S. Nationals.

Guests are invited to stop by the Arby's at 1399 Chatham Commons Blvd., between 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. to meet Millican, who is back in his 12,000-horsepower Arby's Top Fuel dragster this weekend for the 71st U.S. Nationals at Lucas Oil Indianapolis Raceway Park. He will be available throughout the Westfield event for pictures and to sign autographs.

At last year's U.S. Nationals, Millican defeated four-time NHRA Top Fuel champion Steve Torrence in the final round with a run of 3.792 seconds at 327.82 mph. It was Millican's first win at the "Big Go" and his seventh NHRA Top Fuel victory. Millican nabbed his eighth career victory earlier this season in Pomona, Calif., when he defeated Tony Stewart with an impressive .038-of-a-second reaction time.

Take part in the excitement of NHRA race weekend in Indy by enjoying great food and connecting with fellow racing fans. The AES Restaurant Group also invites guests to download the Arby's app for exclusive deals and updates throughout the year.

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# Gov. Braun awaiting lawmakers' feedback on White House meeting

By GARRETT BERGQUIST  
WISH-TV | [wishtv.com](http://wishtv.com)

Gov. Mike Braun on Wednesday said he's still waiting to see what state lawmakers want before he decides whether to call a redistricting session.

Braun's comments come a day after dozens of Republican state lawmakers traveled to Washington, D.C. to meet with Trump administration officials. Legislative leaders said those meetings covered many topics, but they did discuss redistricting. Braun said he hasn't yet had a chance to discuss the results of that meeting with lawmakers. He said he wants to give lawmakers time to decide if they want to proceed.

"We're going to do what makes sense," Braun said. "It will be driving by what I think Hoosiers need most, not by what's coming from a place that needs to drastically reform itself."

In a Tuesday morning protest at Indianapolis International Airport, Statehouse Democrats said a special session would waste taxpayer money. Sen. Andrea Hunley, D-Indianapolis, said every state lawmaker receives a per diem of \$213 whenever they're in session. So, a special session would likely cost \$32,000 per day, plus mileage reimbursements. That's in addition to any likely litigation costs. **Experts have told News 8** based on previous special sessions, a special session to redraw Indiana's Congressional maps could cost as much as \$500,000.

"This is why I'm calling upon every Republican who is on board with this ill-disguised power grab to commit to foregoing their daily pay should we need to

get into a special session," Hunley said. "It's time to put your money where your mouth is, not just the taxpayer's dime."

A spokesperson for Senate Republicans said the cost of a special session would come out of existing appropriations for the legislature's expenses within the state budget. Braun said estimates of how much a special session would cost are small compared to the overall state budget, but are not something lawmakers can ignore, though he added trying to put a price tag on a special session now is "getting way ahead of our skis."

Republican legislative leaders did not indicate in statements they released Wednesday which way they were leaning on redistricting.

Senate President Pro Tempore Rod Bray, R-Martinsville, said, "My colleagues and I are grateful for the opportunity to meet with White House officials, and all in all, I would consider the event extremely productive. The White House recognized the way Indiana is leading the nation on issues like school choice, election security and fiscally responsible Medicaid reform. Indiana



Braun



Huston

has strong alignment with the Trump Administration on these and other issues. While redistricting did come up and members were able to ask questions, we spent the bulk of our afternoon discussing issues like energy, immigration and preventing waste and fraud in government."

House Speaker Todd Huston, R-Fishers, said, "I appreciated the opportunity for me and members of our caucus to hear from Vice President Vance and others about the tremendous work of the Trump Administration. It was encouraging to hear how Indiana has been leading the way for many of their initiatives or was the genesis of policy ideas. A wide range of topics were discussed including education, energy, immigration, fiscal responsibility and redistricting, and members were able to ask questions and share their thoughts. We look forward to Indiana continuing to have a strong partnership with the Trump Administration."

*This story was originally published by WISH-TV at [wishtv.com/news/politics/gov-braun-awaiting-lawmakers-feedback-on-white-house-meeting](http://wishtv.com/news/politics/gov-braun-awaiting-lawmakers-feedback-on-white-house-meeting).*



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2025**

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4 Players registered after Aug. 15	\$2000	3:30-5:30 PM	Hospitality Reception & Awards / Raffle

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# New at Sheridan Public Library

## The REPORTER

Here are some of the new items that can be found at the Sheridan Public Library.

### Fiction

- Billion-Dollar Ransom – James Patterson
- Emma on Fire – James Patterson
- Every Summer After – Carley Fortune
- Flowers & Forgiveness – Shail Rajan
- Keep It In the Family – John Marrs
- Knife In the Back – Karen Rose
- Locked Ward – Sarah Pekkanen
- Smuggler's Cove – Fern Michaels
- Something to Look Forward To – Fannie Flagg
- Too Old For This – Samantha Downing
- Violet Hour – Victoria Benton Frank
- Wrong Sister – Claire Douglas

### Non-Fiction

- Mistakes That Made Me a Millionaire – Kim Perell

### Inspirational Fiction

- Cruising Family Style – Hope Callaghan
- Haunting Past in Sa-

- vannah – Hope Callaghan
- Hotshot in Savannah – Hope Callaghan
- Vanished – Dr. David Jeremiah

### Children's

- Big Nate: No Harm Done – Lincoln Peirce
- Cartoonist Club – Raina Telgemeier
- Cat Like That – Lester Laminak
- First Day, Hooray! – June Sobel
- How to Catch Bigfoot – Alice Walstead
- Magic of the Wizard Dragon – Tracey West
- This Little Monster – Coral Byers
- Tinysaurs Trick-or-Treat – Patricia Hegarty
- Wheels on the Fire Truck – Jeffrey Burton
- Whoa Panda! – C.S. Jennings
- Wild Guide to Starting School – Laura Bunting

### Movies

- 1923: Season 2
- Junebug/His & Hers (Hallmark)
- Next Goal Wins
- Picture Perfect Mysteries (Hallmark)
- Yellowstone: Season 5, Part 2

# Message to Indiana educators: we won't be protectionist forever!

As announced by the Indiana Commission for Higher Education (CHE) in late June, and as per a new state law, six of Indiana's public universities and colleges are cutting or consolidating over 400 academic degree programs.



**GUEST COLUMNIST**  
**NATE LaMAR**

With plenty of profit and loss (P&L) experience managing budgets in both the public and private sectors, I can understand the need to make tough budget-cutting decisions. My concern is that some decisions behind these cuts are short-sighted and will hurt Indiana industry and agriculture long-term.

According to the New Castle *Courier Times* of July 23, Ball State University (BSU) is suspending its bachelor's degree major in international business. In 2010, Dr. Ray Montagno invited some members of the Indiana District Export Council to join BSU's International Business Advisory Board. Even after years of speaking *pro bono* in classes at Ball State's Miller College of Business for various professors, we were not consulted about BSU doing away with its international business program. But not being asked our opinions is not as large an issue as is the short-sighted nature of this particular budget cut.

The current federal administration may be isolationist and is obviously protectionist. But administrations come and go; the next President may be a Democrat. Rather than adjusting to the "flavor of the day," all levels of education should plan for the future. Indeed, as many Republicans still are, the party will one day return to its internationalist/free

trade roots. No level of protectionism can halt capitalism. Countries will continue to trade one way or the other. When Brazil became protectionist in 2002, its people continued to find grey-market ways around new restrictions, in order to buy Indiana-made products made by a former employer. Therefore, we must continue education in international business, along with its accompanying foreign language and very valuable study abroad programs.

The BSU Teacher's College's elimination of its major to become a German teacher and IU's cuts to many foreign language programs are other short-sighted examples. While English may be a language of international business, businesses cannot count on artificial intelligence (AI) or translation services to create effective marketing materials (I have spent hours editing such imperfect translations for my current and previous employers). It is also disturbing that many Indiana school districts now offer only one foreign language. Too many school districts often find it easy to eliminate a foreign language when a teacher retires (it is unfortunate we don't have more basketball (and football) coaches, who just happen to teach a foreign language!). Indeed, we are not preparing for the future.

Indiana educators, please prioritize, and take the long view for our state's manufacturing and agricultural economy!

*Nate LaMar, an international director, was Henry County Council President 2009-2019.*

# Westfield Fire announces four promotions

## Submitted by Westfield Fire Department

The Westfield Fire Department (WFD) announces the following promotions:

**Nicholas Southerland to the merit position of Captain, effective Aug. 22, 2025.**

Captain Southerland brings an impressive 24 years of firefighting experience to his new role, including his service as an Army firefighter. Holding a bachelor's degree in Fire Service Administration, he combines extensive management and leadership experience to lead effectively. A lifelong resident of Westfield, except for his five years of military service, Captain Southerland resides in the community with his wife, Nicole, and their three daughters, Kennedy, Addison, and Reese.

"I am excited about the additional responsibility and continued opportunity to learn in this position," Captain Southerland said. "I am also honored to follow in my dad's legacy at WFD and proud to work for the same department as my brother."

Captain Southerland's promotion carries personal significance, as he follows in the footsteps of his father, Gary Southerland, a retired Operations Chief for WFD, who died from a line-of-duty cancer in 2020. Both of Gary's sons have continued his legacy of service as firefighters with the department.

WFD congratulates Captain Nicholas Southerland on his well-deserved promotion and looks forward to his continued contributions to our community.

**Josh Southerland to the merit position of Lieutenant, effective Aug. 22, 2025.**

With 18 years of experi-



**N. Southerland**



**J. Southerland**



**A. Miller**



**D. Anderson**

ence, Josh Southerland has been promoted to the merit rank of Lieutenant. He brings a wealth of knowledge with his associate's degree in Fire Science, bachelor's degree in Fire Service Administration, and near completion of his master's degree in Fire Executive Leadership/Public Administration.

Lt. Southerland is also very active within the fire service organizations. Some of his participation includes the Truman Fire Forum as a meeting facilitator, National Fire Service Research Agenda 2021 as a facilitator, National Fall-on Firefighters Foundation Life Safety Summit 2022 as a planning team member, U.S. Fire Administrators Summit on Fire Prevention and Control focusing on firefighter cancer, 2023 U.S. Fire Administrators Summit on Fire Prevention and Control as a planning team member, Firefighter Life Safety Summit 2024 as a facilitator, and World Fire Congress 2024 as a planning team member.

The Community Service award and the Distinguished Service award have been presented to Lt. Southerland for his service to the community and the department.

"This promotion is about honoring the traditions of the fire service, carrying on the responsibility that comes with the badge and rank, along with carrying the legacy of those who



have come before me," Lt. Southerland said. "Frank Viscuso said, 'Fancy titles or bars on your collar do not make you a leader. Leadership is determined by the amount of people you inspire, encourage, motivate, improve, and serve.' I don't want to be known or remembered for just having a fancy title."

A lifetime resident of Westfield, Lt. Southerland continues to live in Westfield with his wife Christi, daughters Makayla and Casey. His brother, Captain Nick Southerland, also works for the Westfield Fire Department, both following in the footsteps of their father, Westfield Fire Department, Deputy Chief Gary Southerland (deceased).

WFD wishes Lt. Southerland continued success in his career as well as his continued contributions to the fire service.

**Andrew Miller to the merit position of Merit Captain, effective Aug. 22, 2025.**

Captain Andrew Miller has 18 years of experience in the fire service, nine of

which are with WFD. His current appointed position is the Shift Training Officer (STO) on A-shift where he will remain and continue assisting with the ongoing training of the shift personnel and acting as the safety officer on emergency runs. In addition to his firefighting role, Captain Miller is also a paramedic with the department, which he completed in 2012.

Captain Miller has also completed his associate's degree in Fire Science and Safety Technology from Vincennes University.

"In addition to providing training and education at the shift level," Captain Miller said, "I am excited to continue to learn myself."

A resident of Burlington, Ind., Captain Miller lives with his wife Stephanie, stepdaughters Kyndra, Lexi, and Jaslynn, as well as dogs Emma and Chief.

**Division Chief Don Anderson to the merit position of Captain, effective Aug. 22, 2025.**

Division Chief Anderson, recently appointed to the position of Division Chief of Safety and Training, has also been promoted to the Merit rank of Captain.

**Notes:**  
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“The woman he marries must be a virgin. He must not marry a widow, a divorced woman, or a woman defiled by prostitution, but only a virgin from his own people, so that he will not defile his offspring among his people. I am the Lord, who makes him holy.”

Leviticus 21:10-15 (NIV)

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**Meeting Notices**

The Noblesville Firefighter Merit Commission meeting scheduled for 4 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 17, 2025, has been changed to 4 p.m. Monday, Sept. 29, 2025, in the City Courtroom at the Public Safety Building, 135 S. 9th St.

The Noblesville Economic Development Council Committee meetings scheduled for 10 a.m. Wednesday, Sept. 10, 2025, and Wednesday, Dec. 3, 2025, have been changed to 8 a.m. The meetings will be held in Room A213 at City Hall, 16 S. 10th St.

The Noblesville Common Council will meet in an Executive Session on at 5:15 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 28, 2025, pursuant to IC 5-14-1-5-6.1 (b)(2)(B). For discussion of strategy with respect to initiation of litigation or litigation that is either pending or has been threatened specifically in writing.

The Common Council also will hold a Special Meeting at 6 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 28, 2025, in the Council Chamber at City Hall, 16 S. 10th St.

The Noblesville Schools Board of Trustees will meet in a work session to hold a public hearing on pre-bargaining at 1 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 2, 2025, in the Board Room at the Noblesville Schools Educational Services Center, 18025 River Road, Noblesville.

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**LOCAL NEWS  
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*Hamilton County Reporter*

**Don't miss your chance to see the legendary Roger McGuinn**

**The REPORTER**

Singer-songwriter Roger McGuinn will grace the halls of the Allied Solutions Center for the Performing Arts in Carmel next month when plays at The Tarkington. “Stories and Songs with Roger McGuinn” is set for 8 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 13. This concert is part of the Katz, Sapper & Miller Pop/Rock Series.

McGuinn began his career at 17 and was active on the national music scene before co-founding the Byrds, who blended folk harmonies, Dylan-inspired lyrics and the Beatles’ electric sound to become one of the most influential rock bands of all time.

Led by McGuinn’s

12-string Rickenbacker guitar, the Rock and Roll Hall of Famers topped the charts with hits like “Mr. Tambourine Man,” helped launch the psychedelic era with “Eight Miles High,” and presaged the country-rock wave with their album *Sweetheart of the Rodeo*.

Throughout his long solo career, he has championed the preservation of traditional folk music. Don't miss this special solo performance.

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Plus! Read McGuinn's interview in the Summer 2025 issue of *Applause!* at [this link](#).



Photo by John Chiasson

**CIDE shines spotlight on next generation**

**Submitted**

Central Indiana Dance Ensemble (CIDE) is led by the powerhouse team of Ashley Jacob and Suzann DeLay. But what makes this team even more exceptional and unique is that Suzann and Ashley are mother and daughter.

Suzann Siler DeLay began her early dance training under Deane and Barbara Crockett, founders of the Sacramento Ballet and visionary leaders of the Pacific Region of the National Association for Regional Ballet. She performed a wide range of classical and contemporary roles before continuing her career with Pacific Northwest Ballet. Unfortunately, an injury led to her early retirement from professional performance.

DeLay founded CIDE, and last year CIDE proudly celebrated its 25th season. Under her leadership, the organization has become a respected part of the national dance community, many alumni dancing professionally. She served in leadership positions in the regional

dance movement for many years, furthering its advancement in not only the Midwest, but across the country.

She was featured on the cover of *Indianapolis Woman* magazine and was invited to attend the National Teachers Weekend at the School of American Ballet in 2010. Most recently, she was honored with the Outstanding Citizen Award from Carmel Mayor Sue Finkam and received the Distinguished Hoosier Award from Indiana Governor Eric Holcomb – one of the highest honors given to an Indiana citizen.

Suzann's daughter Ashley began her ballet training under her guidance. Ashley was a founding member of CIDE and performed a variety of soloist roles, including the Sugar Plum Fairy, Snow Queen, and Rose in *The Nutcracker*, Alice in *Alice in Wonderland*, Cinderella in *Cinderella* and Wendy in *Peter Pan*. Ashley began her college studies as a ballet major at the University of Utah before transferring to Indiana University. At IU, she earned a Bachelor of



Science in Kinesiology with a concentration in Dance Performance.

At IU, Ashley was awarded the Jane Fox Dance Scholarship through the Department of Kinesiology. She has taught at several studios, including Indiana University's Pre-College Dance Program and served as an assistant instructor for IU's freshman modern dance course. Most recently, she was a supervising teacher in Butler University's Ballet Department for the Pedagogy major. She is an ABT certified teacher®, is certified in all three levels of Progressing Ballet Technique, and has completed the Central Pennsylvania Youth Ballet Teacher Training Program.

Suzann founded CIDE when Ashley was just 12

years old and opened Central Indiana Academy of Dance to provide pre-professional training to support the Ensemble's growing reputation. In 2020, Suzann transitioned to the role of Executive Director, allowing Ashley to step into the role of Artistic Director and continue her mother's legacy. The following year, Suzann and Ashley became co-owners of the studio. Their shared vision and deep commitment to the school and company have led to continued growth and success – so much so that Suzann has joyfully postponed any retirement plans.

To learn more about CIDE, visit [cidedance.org](http://cidedance.org). You can also visit the website for the Central Indiana Academy of Dance at [ciaodance.com](http://ciaodance.com).

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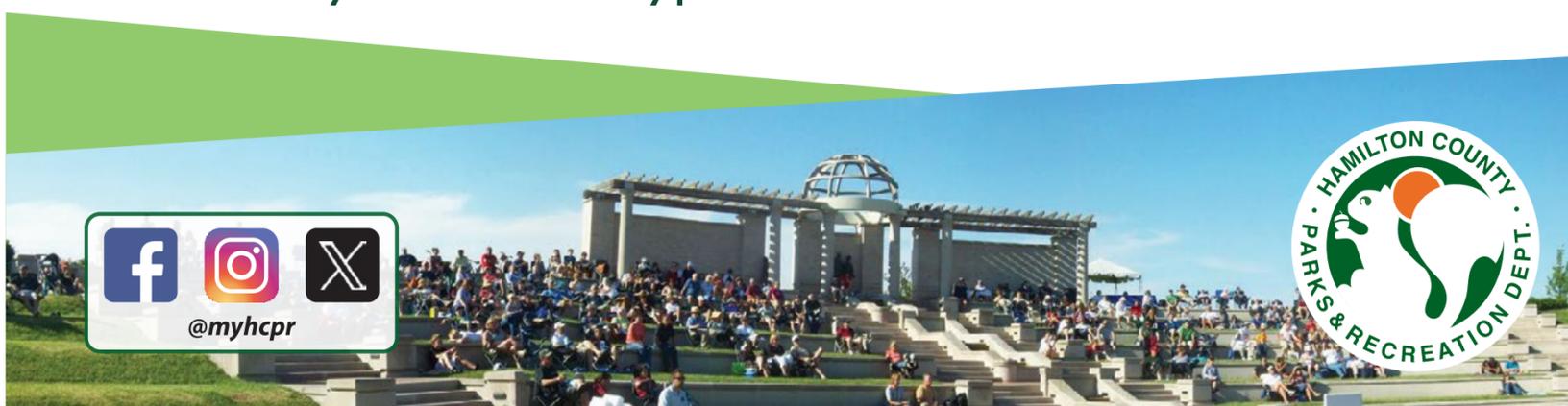
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## Girls Soccer

# Greyhounds rolling with three straight wins

By **RICHIE HALL**  
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**CARMEL** – After a tough loss to start the season, the Carmel girls soccer team has found its footing.

The Greyhounds, ranked No. 2 in Class 3A, fell to 3A No. 1 Hamilton Southeastern to start the season Aug. 16, but have since won their last three games. Carmel beat 2A No. 5 Guerin Catholic 4-0 last Friday, Aug. 22, then scored a 3-0 win against 3A No. 9 Bloomington South Monday.

The ‘Hounds kept their victory train rolling on Wednesday, beating Pendleton Heights 5-0. Adalyn Cameron led the way for Carmel with two goals, while Elsie Flanders, Ryan Weber and Olivia Ade all scored one goal.

“We didn’t do the best the first game. We struggled,” said Cameron. “But I feel like as time’s gone

on, we’ve gotten better together.”

The Greyhounds are back in action Saturday when they host their own invitational. Carmel’s first opponent is Walsh Jesuit from Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio; ‘Hounds coach John Simmonds said the Warriors are “highly-ranked” in the nation. 3A No. 4 Cathedral and 3A No. 10 Brownsburg are also participating in the tournament.

Simmonds said the team is going in the right direction. “I say that today, but sometimes it’s a roller coaster,” he said. “You’re up and down, so hopefully we stay on the upside of it.”

Westfield, ranked No. 7 in 3A, zoomed to a 6-1 Hoosier Crossroads Conference win against Franklin Central on Wednesday.

Kylie Ipsen scored the Shamrocks’ first goal, assisted by Elle Fischer. Hailey McDaniel kicked in the



**Cameron**



Photo by Julie Brown



Reporter photo by Richie Hall

**(LEFT)** Fishers’ Elise May scored the Tigers’ goal during their Wednesday game with Zionsville. **(RIGHT)** Carmel’s Emery Simmonds takes the ball down the field.

second goal. The Flashes scored their goal after that, but Ary Ali put in another Westfield goal before halftime on a corner kick. The Rocks led 3-1 at the break.

Zahara Ali scored first for Westfield in the second half, then later slotted a pass to Addie Colling. She played the cross to Ava Willis, who scored the goal.

Arri Cooke-Dennis completed the Shamrocks’ scoring off an Ella Carson pass.

Westfield is 2-0 in HCC play and 4-0 overall. The Rocks host Bishop Chatard tonight.

Fishers, ranked No. 18 in 3A, dropped an HCC game to 3A No. 11 Zionsville 3-1 on Wednesday.

Elise May scored the Tigers’ goal, with Delaney Allgeier making the assist.

Fishers is 0-2 in conference play and 1-2-1 overall. The Tigers play in the Evansville Reitz Panther Classic this weekend.

University won its first game of the season Monday, beating Scecina 5-0.

Bella Miller Krigger and Lia Stennis both scored goals for the Trailblazers in the first half. Rosie Levenshus added an early second-half goal, then Lauren Quinto and Mack Feeny both scored goals late. Annie Ingersoll got the goalkeeper shutout.

University hosts Hamilton Heights on Monday.

## Football

# Previews: Week 2 in Hamilton County, Part 2

## Noblesville opens home slate; Heights, HSE get their first road tests

By **CRAIG ADKINS**  
*For The Reporter*

Hamilton County teams went 6-2 in their openers and things amp up even more in Week 2. Beaver Stadium pits Homestead against Noblesville, while Hamilton Heights hits the road to Triton Central and Hamilton Southeastern is at North Central.

Week 1 had a few firsts for three football teams in Hamilton County and all three occurred on the road.

In his first game as head coach at Noblesville, John Hebert notched a road win at Mt. Vernon, 21-6. Carmel’s Kevin Wright got his second stint with the Greyhounds off with a bang with a 49-24 win at Fishers. First-year head coach Jake Chesney guided the Sheridan Blackhawks to a comeback win over Greenwood Christian in his first game, 32-29.

The Indiana Football Coaches Association poll entering Week 2 has half of the Hamilton County teams ranked. In Class 6A, Westfield (3), Carmel (6)

and Hamilton Southeastern (7) sit solidly in the Top 10. Guerin Catholic is ranked No. 9 in Class 3A.

The *USA Today* poll has Westfield up at No. 2, while HSE (6) and Carmel (7) flip-flopped spots. Guerin is at No. 11.

### Homestead (0-1) at Noblesville (1-0)

There’s a lot of newness for Noblesville. The Millers have a new head coach, some new assistants and new starters on both sides of the football, but most importantly a new offensive look.

Noblesville spread its scoring against the Marauders. Junior Noah Shinkle scored 40 seconds into the game for the early 7-0 lead. Shinkle scored a second time just past the midway point of the third and sophomore Woody Corey II put the icing on the cake halfway through the fourth. The Millers’ defense held tough throughout, as Mount Vernon scored with just five seconds left in the game.

Junior quarterback Windsor Hutchins completed 8 of 12 passes for 77

yards in his debut. Shinkle ran for 67 on 14 carries and sophomore Ethan Clark tallied 49 on 13 rushes. Senior Calvin Moody caught four passes for 37 yards.

The Spartans were blanked last week at Westfield, 35-0.

The Millers lead the series 2-1 and were 49-6 winners at Homestead in 2024.

### Hamilton Southeastern (1-0) at North Central (1-0)

Southeastern hits the road for an Hoosier Crossroads Conference/Metropolitan Conference battle with the Panthers. North Central snapped a 32-game losing streak last week with a 35-13 home win over Brebeuf Jesuit. The Royals lead the series with the Panthers 7-5, including a 49-26 home win in 2024.

No. 7 HSE faced a tough No. 15 Fort Wayne Carroll opponent at home in Week 1 and was able to grind out a 14-7 win.

The Royals used a wide receiver pass to get their first TD. Senior quarterback Terry Walker III caught a



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**Hamilton Southeastern’s Kendrick Pennybaker caught five passes last week during the Royals’ win over Fort Wayne Carroll.**

23-yard touchdown from fellow senior Kian Kelly three minutes into the game.

The Chargers scored in the second to tie the game 7-7 at halftime. Junior running back Carter Reed found

the end zone late in the third that wound up being the final score of the game.

Walker went 12-for-24 for 126 yards in his first start. Senior Kendrick Pennybaker caught five of those

passes for 65 yards.

### Hamilton Heights (0-1) at Triton Central (1-0)

The Huskies take their first road trip at 2A No. 11

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## Sheridan-Tri-Central football game canceled

### The REPORTER

Sheridan’s Friday, Sept. 5 football game with Tri-Central has been canceled.

The Trojans announced on Wednesday that the team has transitioned to a junior

varsity schedule for the remainder of the season. Tri-Central has notified all of its opponents, including Sheridan.

The Blackhawks are looking for a new opponent for their Sept. 5 game.

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Boys Soccer

# Golden Eagles off to solid start

By **RICHIE HALL**  
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**NOBLESVILLE** — When the Indiana Soccer Coaches Association's pre-season boys soccer rankings came out, Guerin Catholic was not on the Class 2A list.

Rather than get upset about any slight, the Golden Eagles earned attention the best way: by playing well.

Guerin Catholic won its first three games of the season, cruising past 3A Pendleton Heights 4-1 to open the season on Aug. 16. The Golden Eagles then stunned 2A No. 2 Park Tudor 5-0 on Aug. 19, then took care of Heritage Christian 5-1 on Aug. 21.

The voters on the coaches poll took notice. When this week's rankings were released, Guerin was ranked No. 2 in Class 2A. The Golden Eagles were also coming off a solid effort against Hamilton Southeastern, then ranked No. 2 in Class 3A. The Royals beat GC 1-0 on Aug. 23.

Guerin Catholic hosted Center Grove, the No. 13 teams in 3A, on Wednesday. Again, the Golden Eagles held their own before the Trojans got going in the second half and won 3-1.

"The last two games we played, both against HSE and tonight against Center Grove, two top 3A schools, we had our opportunities," said GC coach Jim Alvarez. "Sometimes the opportunities bounce your way, sometimes they don't."

Senior Will Scheu is leading the way for the Golden Eagles. He has seven goals so far, including



Photo by Mike Navarro  
**Guerin Catholic's Will Scheu is leading the Golden Eagles in goals scored this season with seven.**

three goals in Guerin Catholic's win over Pendleton Heights. Junior Gus Allen has four goals, with senior Christian Zermeno scoring twice this season.

Scheu and Zermeno both have five assists for the season. Zermeno assisted Adam Jurewicz on the Golden Eagles' goal against Center Grove.

Guerin Catholic is now 3-2 and hosts Westfield at 7 p.m. tonight, taking on its fourth 3A opponent of the season.

"We play the most difficult 2A schedule in the state by far," said Alvarez. "The goal of doing that is to get ready for the tournament, right? And that's what we're still trying to work to do."

Hamilton Southeastern, now ranked No. 3 in 3A, is also challenging itself to begin the season.

The Royals, sectional champions last season,

played to a 1-1 tie with 3A No. 12 Cathedral on Aug. 19. The Irish scored their goal in the first half, but Jack Barnes scored the equalizer in the second half.

Southeastern followed that with its win over Guerin Catholic on Aug. 23. The Royals then played their Hoosier Crossroads Conference opener on Tuesday, falling to 3A No. 10 Brownsburg 2-1.

The Bulldogs led 1-0 at halftime. Jonathan Ramos-Perez scored HSE's goal in the second half.

The Royals are 2-1-1 for the season. They play tonight at Pendleton Heights, then continue HCC play Saturday at Franklin Central.

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Westfield has won its last two games, recovering from a 0-2 start to the season.

The Shamrocks picked up their first victory on Aug. 21 by beating Pike 2-1. Brock Lingerfeldt and Bassel Khazal both scored goals.

Lingerfeldt stepped up for Westfield again Tuesday in its 1-0 HCC win over Franklin Central. Lingerfeldt scored the winning goal off a corner kick from Ian Lam.

The Rocks are 1-1 in conference play and 2-2 overall.

# FOOTBALL

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Triton Central team. The Tigers won their Week 1 game against Batesville, 11-10. Last season's matchup went to overtime with Triton Central winning 17-14.

Hamilton Heights has a record against TC of 6-2.

Heights dropped its season-opener last week to 2A No. 6 Lapel, 23-7. The Huskies got down right away when Lapel ran back the opening kickoff 95 yards for a score. The Bulldogs got a safety on a

blocked punt and scored again, creating a 16-0 deficit at halftime.

Junior quarterback Drew Woodruff threw a 22-yard TD pass to Cam Fleming for Heights' lone score in the third. Fleming caught five for 63.

"I'm excited for what the future's going to bring this season, because you can build upon that attitude and effort," said Hamilton Heights head coach Jon Kirschner.

# SPORTS SCHEDULE

## Thursday, Aug. 28

### BOYS SOCCER

International at Sheridan, 5:30 p.m.  
University at Seton Catholic, 5:30 p.m.  
Cathedral at Carmel, 7 p.m.  
Hamilton Heights at New Castle, 7 p.m.  
Noblesville at Brebeuf Jesuit, 7 p.m.  
Westfield at Guerin Catholic, 7 p.m.  
Hamilton Southeastern at Pendleton Heights, 7 p.m.  
Mt. Vernon at Fishers, 7:30 p.m.

### GIRLS SOCCER

Bishop Chatard at Westfield, 7:30 p.m.

### GOLF

Westfield vs. Brownsburg, 4:45 p.m. at Wood Wind

### TENNIS

Cathedral at University, 5 p.m.  
North Central at Guerin Catholic, 5 p.m.  
Noblesville at Zionsville, 5:30 p.m.  
Avon at Westfield, 6 p.m.  
Fishers at Brownsburg, 6 p.m.

### VOLLEYBALL

Bishop Chatard at Guerin Catholic, 6:30 p.m.  
Franklin Central at Westfield, 7 p.m.  
Hamilton Heights at Lawrence North, 7 p.m.  
University at International, 7 p.m.  
Avon at Noblesville, 7:15 p.m.  
Fishers at Zionsville, 7:30 p.m.

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Girls Golf

# Huskies win dual

## The REPORTER

The Hamilton Heights girls golf team won a dual meet 214-237 over Lewis Cass Wednesday at Bear Slide.

The Huskies' Taylor Morrison was the meet medalist with 39. Other Heights scores were Sammie Powers 53, Tanner Penwell 60 and Brooke Bentley 62.

Volleyball

# Huskies break New Pal drought

## The REPORTER

The Hamilton Heights girls volleyball team scored its first win over New Palestine in five years on Wednesday.

The Huskies won 26-24, 23-25, 25-21, 25-22 in a close match. Macie Smith played an all-around solid match for Heights.

The Huskies are 9-2 and play tonight at Lawrence North.

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Sheridan swept International on Wednesday, 25-15, 25-6, 26-24.

Lainey Mendenhall led the Blackhawks' offense with 10 kills, followed by

Amiyah Doss with eight, Emily Will with four and Adria Jump with three. Jump dished out 24 assists and also scored 13 service points, including three aces.

Meredith Krupp tallied 12 service points and served two aces. Beth Adams hit three aces and Eva Todd scored two.

On defense, Todd collected 13 digs, Mendenhall added 10, Krupp made seven and Jump collected six. Doss made two solo blocks.

The Blackhawks host Traders Point Christian on Tuesday in a varsity-only match. Start time is 6 p.m.

## Upcoming Broadcasts

### Thur. Aug 28 - Volleyball

6:00 pm Avon vs Noblesville | Junior Varsity Volleyball | HCTV Sports  
7:15 pm Avon vs Noblesville | Varsity Volleyball | HCTV Sports

### Fri Aug 29 - Varsity Football

6:00 pm SSN GameDay: Football Pregame Show | Southeastern Sports Network  
6:50 pm Hamilton Heights vs Triton Central | Indiana SRN  
6:50 pm Scecina vs Heritage Christian | Indiana SRN  
6:50 pm Franklin Community vs Mt Vernon | Indiana SRN  
7:00 pm Alexandria v Sheridan | 2025 Football | Bragg Sports Media  
7:30 pm Homestead vs Noblesville | HCTV Sports

### Sat. Aug 30 - Girls Soccer

6:25 pm Noblesville at Hamilton Southeastern | Southeastern Sports Network

### Wed. Sept 3 - Girls Soccer

6:00 pm Fishers vs Noblesville | Junior Varsity Girls Soccer | HCTV Sports  
7:30 pm Fishers vs Noblesville | Varsity Girls Soccer | HCTV Sports

### Fri Sept 5 - Varsity Football

6:40 pm Avon at Hamilton Southeastern | Southeastern Sports Network  
7:00 pm Sheridan vs Tri-Central | Bragg Sports Media  
7:00 pm Fishers vs Noblesville | HCTV Sports

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