

**THURSDAY, SEPT. 11, 2025**

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**TODAY'S WEATHER**

Today: Mostly sunny.  
Tonight: Clear.



HIGH: 84 LOW: 54



# Dudes & dudettes have, like, totally bodacious fundraiser

## The REPORTER

The Carmel Fire Auxiliary recently held its annual BINGO tournament, this year featuring a fun and nostalgic 1980s theme.

Raising more than \$42,000, this totally "rad" event serves as a fundraiser for the Auxiliary's long-standing Community Assistance Program (CAP), which provides essential support to local families in need. Since its founding in 1967, CAP has been a cornerstone initiative of both the Auxiliary and the Carmel Fire Department. The program delivers holiday meals, gifts for children, and staple pantry items to families experiencing hardship.

In 2024, CAP supported 175 families, and this year, CAP is aiming even higher, with a goal of helping 200 families in the Carmel community.

Want to help? Here's how:

**1. Make a Tax-deductible donation.** Checks can be made payable to CFD Auxiliary, with CAP written in the memo line. Mail to:

Carmel Fire  
Department Auxiliary  
210 Veterans Way, Floor 2  
Carmel, IN 46032

**2. Sponsor a family.** Want to be matched with a family to sponsor this holiday season? Email [CAP@carmel.in.gov](mailto:CAP@carmel.in.gov) to get involved.

**3. Volunteer as a delivery driver.** Help deliver holiday cheer! Volunteer to deliver meals and gifts on Saturday, Dec. 13.

Together, everyone can make a meaningful difference for families in their community this holiday season. Thank you for your continued support!



Photos provided by Carmel Fire Department  
**Unconfirmed reports indicate Bingo fundraiser attendees thought it was totally gnarly that they could, like, raise \$42,000, you know. Not one single thing was bogus all night.**

## What's the worst that can happen?

Last Monday morning, I had a client meeting that had hovered over me a bit the weekend before. I work as a fundraising consultant, mostly to find and apply for grants. Due to several factors (thank you, federal government chaos) it's been a challenging year for grant professionals like me.

However, I'm working alongside my clients to stay on top, along with others in my field. Most of them understand what's happening in the world and how it's affected fundraising.

My meeting was scheduled for 11:15 a.m., and I would be talking to several board members from this nonprofit on Zoom. I had gotten a not-so-pleasant email from one of them wondering why they hadn't received a grant yet. Our working arrangement began last spring. Most nonprofits understand that getting grants takes time – an average now of six months or more.

Thankfully I viewed an excellent webinar two weeks ago about how to survive in these challenging times. I shared the webinar's tips with the organization's executive director. I also talked to a friend of mine who is involved in a similar nonprofit to hear what's been happening in their world. It was the same story.

As I thought ahead to last Monday's meeting, I decided to take one of my favorite tools out of my worry toolkit to deal with my stress. It's this simple phrase, "What's the worst that can happen?"

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**COLUMNIST**

**AMY SHANKLAND**  
*Perfectly Imperfect*

# Sheridan parents can learn about the tech their kids use at school

## Submitted by Sheridan Community Schools

For the 2025-26 school year, Sheridan Community Schools (SCS) rolled out a lot of new and updated technology items. The main addition included ParentSquare, with updates to Canvas and PowerSchool.

Because of the new updates and additions, parents and guardians are getting the chance this school year to go back to school themselves with "Parent Tech University." This digital learning hub is designed to make it easier for families to understand and use the technology that students

use every day. The page is organized like a college course catalog, with sections that individuals can "enroll" in to learn about specific applications and resources.

The "course list" includes:

- **PWR 101**, or PowerSchool Parent Portal, is where parents can learn how to track grades and attendance in real time.

- **CAN 102**, or Canvas Parent Observer, provides knowl-



edge on how parents can peek into student assignments, due dates, and class announcements.

- **COM 103**, or ParentSquare Communication Hub, is where individuals can learn about the district's new system for news, messages, forms, and event sign-ups.

- **WEB 201**, or Parent and Student Web Safety, is where individuals will get a guide to healthy screen habits, online privacy, and staying safe within school accounts.

Each of these "classes" provides resources, guides, and help links with the goal being that this webpage will help parents feel more confident in the same tools that their students and teachers are using every day. This brand-new addition has been added to the district website for parents to access and explore at [scs.k12.in.us](https://scs.k12.in.us) under the Services tab.

Even as students are working hard in class, parents can join in on the fun and become as tech-savvy as the young adults that SCS is growing to thrive, at no tuition cost.

## Meta's data center promises jobs, but at what cost to Hoosiers?

Another large data center is slated to come to Indiana, but can Hoosiers really afford it?

In late August, the Lebanon Planning Commission approved Meta's 1,500-acre data center. The project would be the largest data center ever built in Indiana. The company will break ground inside the LEAP District this fall, endorsed by state leaders as the crown jewel of Indiana's economic development.

But beneath the headlines about the unspecified number of jobs and hefty corporate tax breaks lies an even bigger story, one that Hoosiers can't afford to ignore.

Meta's new facility is projected to consume more than 1,500 megawatts of electricity each day, which is an almost unfathomable amount of energy. To put that into perspective, that is more power than many utilities currently deliver to all their residential customers combined. According to the Citizens Action Coalition (CAC), Indiana simply does not have the resources available today to meet this demand. New grid infrastructure and new power plants will need to be built to support this single development.

And who pays for that buildout? Not Meta. It's us, the ratepayers.

Utilities are already filing for major rate hikes across the state. Families are struggling to keep up with rising utility bills, yet now we're being asked to bankroll the infrastructure needed for some of the wealthiest corporations in history to expand their operations. These billion-dollar tech giants reap the benefits of generous tax incentives, while everyday Hoosiers foot the bill through higher monthly costs.

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**GUEST COLUMNIST**

**BRIAN DAGGY**



**GUEST COLUMNIST**

**JIM LOVE**

# Mission Hills Charity Jam will benefit Heart and Soul Free Clinic of Westfield

## Submitted

The Mission Hills Charity Jam returns from 2 to 9 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 20, bringing a full day of live music and community spirit to The Local Eatery and Pub, 14655 Gray Road, Westfield. Proceeds from the event will benefit Heart and Soul Free Clinic, which provides free health-care services to uninsured

and underinsured individuals in Hamilton County and surrounding areas.

Admission is free, but a \$25 donation is suggested.

For more info about the clinic, visit [heartandsoulclinic.org](https://heartandsoulclinic.org).

**Live Music Schedule**

- 2 p.m. – Fishers Bach2Rock
- 4 p.m. – Mission Hills



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WHERE HEALING MEETS HOPE

Band

- 6 p.m. – Foxy
- 7 p.m. – Groovesmash
- 8 p.m. – Enigma Fig

Guests can enjoy live performances and a silent auction

while supporting a vital community resource. Food and drink are available for purchase.

For details, donations, or tickets, go to [tinyurl.com/au-ja23mk](https://tinyurl.com/au-ja23mk).

# Gov. Mike Braun orders flags at half-staff in remembrance of victims of 9/11 terrorist attacks

## The REPORTER

Governor Mike Braun has directed that flags be flown at half-staff across the state of Indiana today, Sept. 11, 2025, in observance of Patriot Day.

Flags will be lowered at all state facili-

ties from sunrise to sunset in remembrance of the nearly 3,000 lives lost in the terrorist attacks of Sept. 11, 2001, and in honor of the first responders who acted with courage to save countless lives.

“The attacks of September 11 were an

unspeakable tragedy,” Gov. Braun. “To the families who lost loved ones, my deepest condolences and most heartfelt prayers are with you. To all Hoosiers, as we remember the lives taken and the heroes who responded, may we also remember that what carried us

through that dark time was not just our faith in our nation, but our faith in each other.”

Gov. Braun encourages all Hoosier businesses and residents to join in lowering their flags to honor the memory of the victims and show respect to the heroes of 9/11.

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## WORST

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If this client wasn't happy with my best efforts and decided to end our arrangement in October, would my company and I be okay? I gathered the facts, reviewed multiple factors, and saw that, yes, we'd all be fine. In fact, I have two potential clients I've met with that look promising. Both organizations have missions near and dear to my heart. Chances are strong that I'll be working with one or both this fall.

Once I accepted this potential outcome, relief washed over me. I still didn't look forward to the meeting Monday, but I

knew that no matter what, I'd survive. And I'm happy to say that, despite this board member's intense grilling, I did just that.

As of this writing, I don't know what this client will do, as my follow up meeting with their staff is taking place after my column deadline. But since I've already looked ahead if the worst happens, I'm feeling calm and at peace.

We're in a strange, uncertain time. When are we not in this imperfect world? When we dread a situation, we have many tools at our fingertips. Prayer is one of my favorites.

Even with prayer,

sometimes we may have to accept that, yes, the worst outcome may happen. Once we do this and switch to plan B (or C... or D...) things aren't quite as scary. In fact, maybe the worst outcome is exactly what God wants us to experience so we can move on to something better. It's hard for us to see at the time, but His plans are always greater than ours.

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## PROMISES

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The risks go far beyond our pocketbooks. Utilities have signaled that serving the demands of AI and hyperscale data centers could mean keeping old coal plants open longer, building new natural gas power plants, and rushing to expand grid capacity with little regard for environmental consequences. That means more pollution, more greenhouse gas emissions, and more coal ash dumped into our waterways – all to support Big Tech's insatiable appetite for energy.

There is already an impact. The CAC says Wabash Valley Power Alliance, which supplies electricity to Boone REMC, is increasing spending on local transmission projects by 1,300 percent, primarily to interconnect the massive new Meta data center in the LEAP district. The \$627 million in transmission upgrades will need to come from somewhere, and it's a safe bet that ratepayers will eventually be the ones holding the bag.

And energy isn't the only concern. Anyone who lives near a data center will tell you about the constant hum of equipment, backup generators, and cooling fans that never shut off. Noise pollution around the clock is not an abstract possibil-

ity; it's a reality that communities across the country are grappling with. Yet our officials seem unwilling to have an honest conversation about what this means for the quality of life of Boone County residents.

These data centers also consume enormous amounts of water to cool the server hardware – often millions of gallons each day. One city official tells us that the Meta site will use approximately five million gallons of water per day when it's completed. The consumption for data centers can be equivalent to that of entire towns and deplete local water resources. Officials tell us they've got a plan, but what happens if more companies move into LEAP? What happens if there's a drought in Indianapolis where the water will be piped from? We need long-term, sustainable solutions.

At the Boone County Preservation Group, we know it's too late to stop Meta's data center from being built. But that doesn't mean it's too late to ask hard questions or to demand accountability. We still don't know the full environmental impact of this project, nor do we have assurances that future projects won't follow the same pattern of secrecy and subsidy.

The bottom line is this: Meta may get the data center it wants, but Hoosiers will be left paying the bill for new grid infrastructure, higher utility costs, environmental damage, and the erosion of our community's natural resources. The LEAP District was sold to us as progress, but progress should never come at the expense of long-term sustainability.

We urge our fellow citizens and elected leaders to think carefully before greenlighting the next massive data center. Once the infrastructure is built and the farmland is gone, there's no turning back. Boone County deserves responsible development that protects our land, our resources, and our people – not a future where a corporation's profits come at our expense.

Brian Daggy and Jim Love are members of the Boone County Preservation Group, an organization formed in opposition to the LEAP project. The group's mission is to create a unified community voice focused on preserving local farmland and natural resources, while supporting responsible land development. You can follow the Boone County Preservation Group on [Facebook](#) or find out more on [their website](#).

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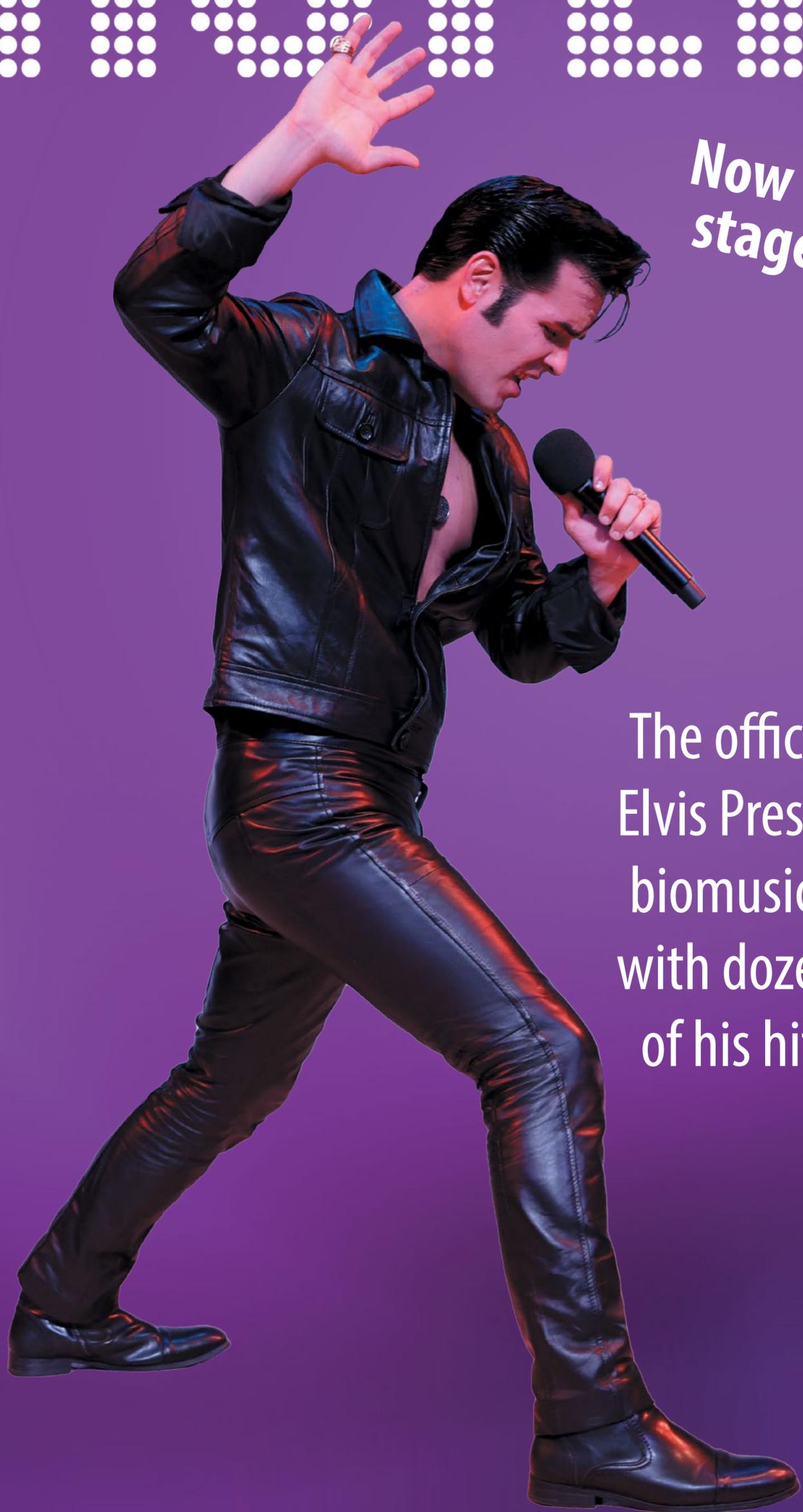
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# Carmel's own Connor Claymon is proof of Leadership Connection's impact on young people

## Submitted

More than 500 juniors and seniors from participating schools in Carmel and Indianapolis have come together in Leadership Connection since its inception in 2021.

The program has grown over the past five years. During the inaugural year, students who were invited to participate were also encouraged to apply for one of the five scholarships that were then offered. Five students were selected to be recipients of the monetary scholarship, along with a laptop computer.

These select students have had the opportunity to go on and reach the goals they set out to accomplish. It is a joy and honor to share their success stories. One of these students is

Connor Claymon.

Claymon is currently attending Indiana University and is enrolled in the Kelley School of Business working to attain a double major in Finance and Entrepreneurship & Corporate Innovation.

At the time he attended Carmel Leadership Day in 2021, he was already showing leadership skills as he was on the executive board of Carmel High School's DECA Club.

Claymon shared why Carmel Leadership Day was memorable for him.

"Carmel Leadership Day was memorable because it fundamentally shifted how I think about success and where it happens," he said. "Growing up, it's easy to assume that the most impactful entre-

preneurs and business leaders are in places like New York or California because that's what the media constantly highlights. But hearing from local leaders at this event made me realize that innovation, leadership and meaningful impact are happening right here in Carmel, Indiana, too."

He went on to explain how the speakers – people who had built real businesses, served in government or led major institutions – were proof for him that you don't need to leave your hometown to build something meaningful.

He also expressed how he came to understand



Claymon

the importance of networking through his interactions at Leadership Connection Day.

"Getting to interact with these leaders in a professional setting – and realizing they were open, approachable, and genuinely interested in helping students – boosted my confidence," he said. "I left feeling more comfortable speaking with high-level professionals and more motivated than ever to build my own network."

Claymon left the day with a powerful takeaway.

"Leadership is about using your voice to create momentum, whether in your school, job or commu-

nity," he said. "During the 'New Generation of Leaders' panel, I realized that leadership isn't just about being older or more experienced; it's about stepping into opportunities, asking tough questions and finding ways to lift up those around you."

He went on to share a message that is still affecting how he makes decisions in his life.

"That day challenged me to start thinking bigger about how I can make a difference, even right now as a student," he said."

Claymon said he is looking forward to graduating in 2026 with an honors degree in business from IU.

## About Leadership Connection

Leadership Connection was formed and continues

to share the goal of providing a forum for local high school students to engage with distinguished professionals from both the private and public sectors, allowing students to build professional and personal leadership skills while providing members of the community an opportunity to positively impact the next generation.

Leadership Connection is currently working with students at Carmel- and Indianapolis-based high schools and planning the Leadership Day for 2025 which will take place in November. For more information on how you can partner, volunteer for upcoming events, or support Leadership Connection, visit [carmelrotary.com/leadership-connection.php](http://carmelrotary.com/leadership-connection.php).

## Skender forms development team for \$105M mixed-use building in Westfield

### Submitted

Skender, one of the nation's top construction firms, is deepening its roots in central Indiana as part of the development team behind a \$105 million mixed-use project that will transform downtown Westfield.

Previously known as Jersey 32, the development was recently renamed The Grand on Main to better reflect its central role in Westfield's downtown identity. The Westfield City Council voted 6-0 on July 14 to approve the landmark development, which will anchor the southeast corner of State Road 32 and Poplar Street with new housing, retail, and commercial space.

The Grand will feature 216 residential units, 51,000 square feet of ground-floor retail, and more than 15,000

square feet of commercial office space – all designed to create a vibrant, walkable district. Skender's growing Indianapolis team will also move into office space within the development, reinforcing the firm's long-term commitment to the region.

"This project is about fueling smart growth and supporting communities where we live and build," Skender Senior Vice President Brian Simons said. "We're proud to be part of the team shaping a development that brings housing, jobs and energy to the heart of Westfield."

"The Grand on Main represents a bold step forward for downtown Westfield," Westfield Mayor Scott Willis said. "This project brings investment,

housing, and dynamic spaces that will draw people to live, work, and spend time downtown. We are proud to see partners like Skender investing in projects that reflect the momentum of our city."

The Grand on Main is being developed and built by BW Development and Skender, and designed by Studio M, with construction beginning later this year. With an anticipated completion in 2027, the project is expected to bring hundreds of new residents and daily visitors to Westfield's downtown core, activating public spaces, and boosting economic vitality.

Skender has steadily expanded its Midwest footprint in recent years, with a focus on projects that blend innovation, sustainability,



Rendering provided

and community impact. The Grand aligns with the firm's people-centric values and its expertise in delivering complex, community-oriented construction.

### About Skender

Skender is a full-ser-

vice building contractor and one of the nation's top 100 construction firms, according to Building Design & Construction. Skender combines lean process with high-performing teams to deliver unmatched results

and maximum value. Headquartered in Chicago with an office in Indianapolis, Skender serves its clients in the Midwest and across the country. For more information on Skender, visit [skender.com](http://skender.com).



## POSTER CONTEST (K-6) ESSAY CONTEST (7-12)

- Theme: History & Significance of Veterans Day
- Open to: Any student who lives in Westfield & Washington Township
- Open for Entries: September 9
- Submission Deadline: October 31

Show off your creativity and honor our heroes with Westfield's Veterans Day Poster & Essay Contests. Share your ideas on the *History & Significance of Veterans Day* for a chance to win prizes and have your work featured at the November 11 Veterans Day Ceremony!

Visit [westfieldin.gov/veteransdayceremony](http://westfieldin.gov/veteransdayceremony) to submit your entry and learn more!

# Zahm appointed to Hamilton East Public Library Board

**Submitted by HSE Schools**

Hamilton Southeastern (HSE) Board of School Trustees President Juanita Albright has appointed Michael Zahm to serve on the Hamilton East Public Library (HEPL) Board of Trustees, filling the HSE Schools' designated seat on the seven-member governing body that oversees the Noblesville and Fishers library branches.



**Zahm**

Elementary Education, 1983), he earned a master's degree in educational leadership and Curriculum Design from the University of Oregon (1987), and completed graduate work at Butler University for his Principal's License (1996-1998). He served as an elementary school principal at Hamilton Southeastern Schools from 1998 to 2014, before transitioning to the private sector as a financial advisor. He and his wife, Nancy, have two daughters, Sarah and Abby, both graduates of Fishers High School.

"I am honored to serve and to give back to the Fishers community that has given so much to me," Zahm said. "I look forward to supporting the library's staff and board as we continue to strengthen literacy and learning across our community."

Under Indiana law, the HSE Board President appoints one trustee to the HEPL Board; two appointments each are made by Noblesville Schools, the Hamilton County Council, and the Hamilton County Commissioners.

The HEPL Board typically meets on the fourth Thursday of each month at 6:15 p.m., alternating between the Fishers and Noblesville libraries. The HSE-appointed trustee serves a four-year term; the current appointment runs through August 2029.

Zahm will build on that foundation as he steps into the role, bringing his decades of experience and deep community ties to the position.

"Michael Zahm is a lifelong educator and community-minded leader whose experience aligns with HEPL's mission to be a welcoming, literacy-focused resource for every resident," Albright said. "His track record in HSE classrooms and buildings, as well as his continued service in our community, make him an excellent choice to represent HSE Schools in this capacity."

Zahm brings more than three decades of education and leadership experience to the role. A Ball State University graduate (B.S.,

## Two local officials to speak at Westfield GOP meeting

**Submitted**

The Westfield GOP Club will welcome County Councilman Ken Alexander and County Commissioner Mark Heirbrandt to the club's next meeting, which will take place from 6 to 8 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 16, at Viking Meadows Clubhouse, 15757 Viking Meadows Drive, Westfield. Please plan to attend to



**Alexander**



**Heirbrandt**

learn about various projects taking place at the county level.

RSVPs are required by Sept. 12 by emailing [westfieldingop@gmail.com](mailto:westfieldingop@gmail.com).

## Bragg Insurance Agency welcomes new insurance advisor Nick Zachery

**Submitted**

Bragg Insurance Agency announces the addition of Nick Zachery to the team as a licensed Insurance Advisor. He will specialize in helping clients with Home, Auto, and Commercial Insurance needs.



**Zachery**

A lifelong resident of Hamilton County, Zachery currently resides in Sheridan with his wife Annaka. He brings with him a strong background in community involvement, having previously worked in Westfield Washington Schools and Noblesville Schools. He has also been actively involved in coaching, running, and supporting the Special Olympics.

"I'm excited to join Bragg Insurance Agency and help families and businesses in our community find the right protection for their needs," Zachery said.

"Being able to serve my neighbors here in Hamilton County is truly an honor."

Bragg Insurance Agency owner Brian Bragg added, "We're thrilled to welcome Nick to our team. His strong ties to the community and his dedication to helping others make him a great fit for Bragg Insurance. We're confident he'll be an asset to our clients as we continue to grow."

Bragg Insurance Agency has been serving the insurance needs of central Indiana since 2011 by providing trusted insurance solutions with a personal touch.

Local residents and business owners are invited to stop by Bragg Insurance Agency's Sheridan office to meet Nick and learn how he can help with their insurance needs. Learn more at [bragginsurance.com](http://bragginsurance.com).

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Photo provided by City of Carmel

# Come take a Roundabout Ride through Carmel

**The REPORTER**

The City of Carmel and Bike Carmel invite cyclists of all levels to come out for one of the community's favorite annual traditions, the Roundabout Ride, taking place at 8 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 13.

This year's ride, presented by IU Health North, promises a morning filled with fun, fitness, and camaraderie. This fun event will have two distance options,

25 miles and 50 miles; the costs will be \$55 for the 25-mile option and \$75 for the 50-mile option.

The routes will be capped at 100 riders for the 25-mile ride and 50 for the 50-mile ride, so **register as soon as possible.**

The adventure begins and ends in the vibrant heart of Midtown Plaza, where participants will be greeted with a lively post-ride celebration. Enjoy a delicious

meal, relax to the sound of live music, and toast your accomplishment with a complimentary beer provided by St. Joseph Brewery and Public House.

While the roads will remain open to traffic during the ride, the Carmel Police Department will be stationed at key intersections to ensure safety and keep the event running smoothly.

For more information, visit the [Facebook event](#).

# Hamilton County GOP to hold 'Great Outdoor Party' with focus on border security & Indiana's future

**Submitted**

The Hamilton County Republican Party, along with Americans for Prosperity, will hold its annual Great Outdoor Party at 6 p.m. Friday, Sept. 26 at Forest Park in Noblesville. This year's event will feature a timely discussion on border security and how it impacts both our nation and Indiana communities.

The keynote speaker will be Chris T. Clem, retired Chief Patrol Agent of the U.S. Border Patrol in Yuma, Ariz., and senior advisor to RFK Jr.'s Department of Health and Human Services. With more than 27 years of frontline experience, Clem brings unmatched insight into the

challenges at the southern border. He will share his firsthand perspective on immigration, the growing influence of gangs, the dangers of fentanyl flooding into communities, and the devastating realities of human trafficking.

Joining him will be some of Indiana's top elected leaders, including Lt. Governor Micah Beckwith, Indiana Treasurer of State Daniel Elliott, and Indiana Secretary of State Diego Morales. Each will discuss how the crisis at the border directly affects Hoosiers – impacting public safety, the economy, and families right here in Indiana.

In addition to the program, guests will enjoy a re-

laxed evening of fellowship, food, and conversation with fellow Republicans and community leaders.

"The Great Outdoor Party is one of our most popular events of the year," Hamilton County Republican Party Chairman Mario Massillamany said. "We're excited to welcome Chris Clem and our state leaders to talk about the border crisis and what it means for Indiana. It's a chance to come together as a community, share a great meal, and discuss real solutions."

The public is invited to attend. Tickets are \$35, and kids attend free.

Tickets can be reserved online at [tinyurl.com/GreatOutdoorParty](https://tinyurl.com/GreatOutdoorParty).

# IUK summer students earn academic honors

**The REPORTER**

Seventy-three full-time Indiana University Kokomo students earned chancellor's list or dean's list honors for the summer 2025 semester.

Locally, 17 students are from Hamilton and Boone counties:

- **Atlanta:** Ella Rose Shields
- **Carmel:** Fengping Jin

and Jonathan Ostrander

- **Cicero:** Sandra Joyce Agre and Lindsay Biddle

- **Fishers:** Abdallah Alsalama, Brooklyn Haley, and Tayah Nicole Irvin

- **Noblesville:** Michelle Lorainne Fisher, Autumn Frazier, Krystal Hickman, Emily Jones, Tyane Robyn Milem, Katterine Nesta, and RJ Rundle

- **Westfield:** Shiva Latify

- **Zionsville:** Skylar Marie Ritchie

Chancellor's list students earned a 4.0 grade-point average (GPA), while dean's list students earned a minimum 3.5 GPA on a 4.0 scale, while carrying at least 12 credit hours throughout the grading period.

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# Heartland International Film Festival theme announced

**Submitted**

There's only one week until tickets go on sale for the 2025 Heartland International Film Festival presented by Alamo Draft-house Cinema at The Square.

The films and schedule will be announced next Thursday, Sept. 18, but on Wednesday, the festival branding was revealed. This year's theme is inspired by the early years of the internet with the tagline "Connect to What Matters."

As you prepare to dial into the festival, consider **becoming a Heartland Film Member**. Not only is it a great way to support Heartland Film, but you'll get 20 percent off your **Fest Pass**, tickets, merchandise, and more.

Every new Heartland Film Member who signs up by Wednesday, Sept. 17 will be entered into a drawing for a HIFF Theater 10-Pack.

Sign up today so your Member Perks are available for the fall festival!

Here are some of the member benefits:

**HIFF**

- 20 percent off HIFF Fest Passes
- 20 percent off HIFF Tickets
- 20 percent off Festival Merch
- Mailed HIFF Guidebook

**Indy Shorts**

- 20 percent off Indy Shorts Fest Passes
- 20 percent off Indy Shorts Tickets
- 20 percent off Festival Merch
- Mailed Indy Shorts Guidebook

**Year Round**

- 20 percent off Event Tickets
- 20 percent off Heartland Film Merch



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- Member Appreciation Party Invite
- Exclusive Event Invites
- Birthday Rewards

**Additional perks, based on membership level**

- Indy Shorts Ticket Packs
- Indy Shorts Fest Passes
- HIFF Ticket Packs
- HIFF Fest Passes
- HIFF Announcement Day Party Invite
- HIFF Opening Night Tickets
- HIFF Closing Night Tickets
- HIFF Guidebook Name Recognition

# Local Lions screen elementary students for vision impairment



Photos provided by Lisa Dick, Noblesville Lions Club. Noblesville, Zionsville, and Carmel Lions have been busy visiting elementary schools in Noblesville and Fishers to screen students for vision impairments. Using a high-tech screening device, the Lions check the children for visual disturbances. Children who are found to have a vision issue are then referred to an eye doctor for further evaluation. (TOP) Noblesville and Zionsville Lions screened eyes at Promise Road Elementary in Noblesville. (CENTER) Noblesville and Zionsville Lions screened eyes at Promise Road Elementary and Deer Creek Elementary in Noblesville and Brooks School Elementary in Fishers. (RIGHT) Noblesville and Zionsville Lions screened eyes at Hinkle Creek Elementary in Noblesville.

## REGISTER NOW FOR HOPE'S 5K



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# Hamilton County Veterans Community Page

## Are You Hungry? Want to Connect? Meet For Breakfast and Coffee Here In Hamilton County

**Fishers Legion**  
1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays

**LEGION BREAKFAST BUFFET**

**THIS SUNDAY**  
9AM - NOON  
\$13 ADULTS \$7.50 KIDS

**Carmel VFW 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Sat**

**VFW Post 10003 Breakfast**  
2nd & 4th Saturdays of the month  
**8am-11am**

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**Carmel Legion Every Weekend**

**AMERICAN LEGION**

Breakfast Every Saturday & Sunday: 8am to 12pm

American Legion Post 155  
832 W. Main Street  
Carmel, IN 46032

**Last Sat School House 7 1<sup>st</sup> Sat Remnant Coffee Arcadia**

**COFFEE With a VETERAN**

Last Saturday of Each Month  
8:00am-9:00am  
Hosted by Clifton Morlan  
University Veterans Post 360

A monthly veteran gathering to get to know veterans in your community.

SCHOOL HOUSE CAFE

Northern Hamilton County and Tipton County Veterans

Please join us

**Coffee Social**

A community gathering to get to know other veterans in the area

1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of the month  
9am - 10am

Remnant Coffee Shop  
101 West Main Street  
Arcadia, IN 46020  
Main St is 266th St

We are 5 miles east of US 31, 1 mile west of In 19  
post-911 veterans especially welcome

### 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> Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=61579386337708>

**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://hamiltoncountyvsvsc.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)

#### Sept 19 11a-2pm Construction Employment Opportunities at HVAF 45 E 10 St

**HVAF**  
of Indiana, Inc.

**EMPLOYER HIGHLIGHT**  
**SHIEL SEXTON**

This is an excellent chance to explore employment opportunities in construction:

- Laborer
- Finisher
- Estimator
- Installer
- Carpenter
- Safety Manager

Friday  
September 19, 2025  
Time  
11:00 AM - 2:00 PM  
HVAF  
45 East 10<sup>th</sup> Street  
Indianapolis, IN 46204

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[www.hvafofindiana.org](http://www.hvafofindiana.org)  
[www.shielsextont.com](http://www.shielsextont.com)

### Hamilton County Military Veteran

9/11-9/13 Come Honor our Fallen



#### 9/11 Memorial Ceremony Thursday, September 11, 2025 at 8PM-10PM

Location: Frank Huntzinger Noblesville American Legion Post 45  
273 S 8<sup>th</sup> St Noblesville, In

Join Us for a special 9/11 Memorial Ceremony

American Legion Post 45 will be honored to serve as the temporary home of the Traveling Dog Tag Memorial Wall by VAU Veterans and Athletes United from Thursday through Saturday.

This powerful memorial features a U.S. Flag created from the dog tags of fallen soldiers. Their kiosk computer allows visitors to search and honor the names of those who have made the ultimate sacrifice since 9/11.

On Thursday evening at 8 PM, we will hold a candlelight vigil and ceremony to Honor and Remember the lives lost.

This event is open to the public, and we welcome everyone to come pay their respects and reflect on the legacy of our Heroes.

Peer Mental Health Support via Zoom 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Mondays  
6pm Sign up here <https://forms.gle/XSJo7XxPpyVi3q1f9>

**NAMI**  
National Alliance on Mental Illness  
**Indiana**

**NAMI Connection Recovery Support Group for Indiana Veterans**

Peer Mental Health Support Group For Veterans and Military Service Members

**What it is:**  
A free, confidential, peer-led support group for Veterans living with mental health conditions or symptoms. Led by trained Veterans who understand the unique challenges of military and Veteran life.

**Why it Helps:**

- Talk openly without judgment
- Learn from others with shared experiences
- Build camaraderie and connection
- Gain strength in your recovery journey
- Hear from Veteran peers with similar lived experience

**Who it's for:**  
Veterans from all branches and eras of service -- whether you're currently serving, newly discharged or long retired looking for support for mental health.

**When:**  
Every first and third Monday of Every month starting September 15th

Sign up here for the Zoom link to join <https://forms.gle/bus6RnuS914zwsud7>

Please contact David Hudson, NAMI Indiana Military and Veteran Support Program Manager, at [dhudson@namindiana.org](mailto:dhudson@namindiana.org) or 317-925-9399 x111, with questions or to get involved.

#### Displays Honoring Vietnam War Veterans

Saturday, September 20 12 pm – 4 pm  
Sunday, September 21 12 pm – 4 pm

M20CW – Museum of 20th Century Warfare

Honoring Our Vietnam Veterans  
Living History Display

Join us for outdoor displays and indoor displays with artifacts and history discussing the men and women who served during the Vietnam War.

5753 Glenn Rd Building 711  
Indianapolis, IN 46216

463-800-2360 for more information

There is no fee for this event. Regular park admission fees apply.

### Activities & Events

#### Sept 15-21 Howard County Vietnam Veteran's 43<sup>rd</sup> Annual Reunion

Howard County Vietnam Veterans Org Proudly Presents  
The 43<sup>rd</sup> Reunion September 15 – 21, 2025

Food Live Music Vendors Displays Speakers Public is Invited

Gate entry armband prices - \$5/day for Mon, Tues or Wed  
\$20.00 for Reunion Site or Entire Week = the best price, \$20/day for Thurs, Fri or Sat

**Monday Sept 15**  
*Honoring our Veteran Organization*  
1100 Opening Ceremony Various Organizations Past and Present

**Tuesday Sept 16**  
*Honoring our Past*  
1100 Opening Ceremony and special program For WWOV, Korea, Vietnam & Cold War Vets

**Wednesday Sept 17**  
*Honoring our Diversity*  
Miami Indian Nation

**Thursday Sept 18**  
*Honoring our Hope*  
Mental Health, VA and other briefings  
4:00-5:30 S.R.A.  
6:00-7:30 2 for the Show  
8:00-9:30 Jason Wells  
10:00-12:00 Roughhouse

**Friday Sept 19**  
*Honoring our Nation*  
2:00-4:00 Russ Chandler  
4:30-6:00 The Cold Hearts  
6:30-8:00 Broken Vegas  
8:30-10:00 Sherwood Club  
10:30-12:00 Woombles Orchestra

**Saturday Sept 20**  
*Honoring our Supporters*  
2:00-3:30 Clara Haskett  
4:00-5:30 Sarah Barton  
6:00-7:30 Blackjack Davey  
8:00-9:30 Time Travelers  
10:00-12:00 Hippies and Cowboys

**Sunday Sept 21**  
*Honoring God & Country*  
10:00 Church

**The Healing Field**

Thank you for attending and WELCOME HOME  
Howard County Vietnam & All Veterans – 8313 E. 400 S. Greentown, IN 46936

#### Sept 17 Job Hiring Event 10a-2pm 8604 Allisonville Rd

**OPERATION: JOB READY VETERANS**  
Bringing life's transitional gaps for veterans, service members, and military families.

**Fall Job Hiring Fair 2025**

Join us for our **FREE** fall job hiring fair, designed specifically for veterans, transitioning service members, and military family members.

**WHEN:** Wednesday, September 17, 2025, 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.  
**WHERE:** 8604 Allisonville Road, Suite 330 (Conference Room) Indianapolis, IN 46250  
**WHO:** • Touchpoint Support Services  
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#### POW/MIA Escort and Ceremony Sept 19

**Rolling Thunder®, Inc.**  
Indiana Chapter #1  
**POW/MIA Recognition Day Escort**  
September 19, 2025  
Remembering those that are Still Missing

National Defense	WAR/Conflier	Service Ribbon	Nationwide	Indiana	POW Medal
	WWI		3,343	104	
	WWII		71,903	1,493	
	Korean		7,413	167	
	Vietnam		1,567	51	
	Cold War		126	0	
	Gulf/Libya		6	0	

Join Rolling Thunder® Indiana Chapter #1 in escorting our Former Prisoner of War (POW) and the family members of those that are still Missing in Action (MIA) from the Fort Harrison Veterans Center to the Indiana War Memorial for their POW/MIA Recognition Day Ceremony. This is a no cost event and open to the public.

**Staging Information**

Staging Location: Fort Harrison Veterans Center, 9450 East 59th Street Indianapolis, IN 46216  
Staging and Registration: 08:30 - 09:30am  
Opening Remarks and Departure Briefing: 09:30 - 10:45am  
Departure Time: 11:00 (Escorted by IMPD to the Indiana War Memorial)  
Primary POC: Mike Clark, Email: [smclark@comcast.net](mailto:smclark@comcast.net), Phone: 317-999-7927  
Secondary POC: Greg Thompson, Email: [wghome@aol.com](mailto:wghome@aol.com), Phone: 317-691-5109  
Pre-registration: Please pre-register at [www.indianarollingthunder.com](http://www.indianarollingthunder.com)

**POW/MIA Recognition Day Ceremony**

Location: Indiana War Memorial, 55 E Michigan St, Indianapolis, IN 46204  
Start Time: 12:00pm

"The nation which forgets its defenders will itself be forgotten." Calvin Coolidge, 1920  
We must not allow our POWs and MIAs to be Forgotten

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# Indiana AG eyes potential labor trafficking in the state

By GREGG MONTGOMERY  
WISH-TV | [wishtv.com](http://wishtv.com)

Indiana Attorney General Todd Rokita revealed Monday he issued a civil investigative demand to Exodus Refugee Immigration Inc. as part of an investigation that began in November into potential labor trafficking in Indiana.

Federal agencies sometimes use civil investigative demands, or CIDs, to gather documents, testimony, and other evidence in the early stages of a civil investigation before any formal lawsuit is filed. Unlike a typical subpoena, a CID does not require court approval and can demand extensive information to investigate potential violations of antitrust, consumer protection, or the federal False Claims Act laws.

The Republican's office said in a news release issued Monday that the investigation started in November is looking into the activities of nonprofits and private companies in Indiana, including Exodus Refugee Immigration Inc., which provides services to illegal



The Exodus Refugee Center is shown at 2457 E. Washington St., Indianapolis, in May 2024. Photo provided

aliens and others. Exodus Refugee has centers in Indianapolis and Bloomington.

The attorney general's office says the civil investigative demand sent to Exodus Refugee seeks information about possible interference with federal immigration enforcement activities in Monroe County. Officials with U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement informed the



Rokita

attorney general's office about challenges faced during a recent ICE operation in Monroe County, which may have been affected by coordinated efforts to help illegal aliens evade apprehension.

Rokita emphasized that the investigative demand is not an accusation of wrongdoing but a step to uncover facts and address potential issues related to human trafficking. The investigation is being conducted under Indiana's Deceptive Consumer Sales Act, the nonprofit portion of the law, and its indecent nuisance section.

News 8 reached out to Exodus Refugee for comment but did not immediately receive a response late Monday afternoon.

**Statement from AG Todd Rokita**  
"Hoosier communities are grappling with the consequences of the reckless open-border policies of the previous administration. The mass movement of illegal aliens and others into Indiana has exposed our communities to significant public safety risks, including increased concerns about labor trafficking, as many of them are brought to the state to provide low-cost labor. Worse, some organizations in Indiana – whether they are local officials like the Monroe County sheriff who operate sanctuary policies or private organizations that appear to encourage or assist illegal immigration – are making the problem worse."

*This story was originally published by WISH-TV at [wishtv.com/news/crime-watch-8/indiana-ags-eyes-potential-labor-trafficking-in-the-state](http://wishtv.com/news/crime-watch-8/indiana-ags-eyes-potential-labor-trafficking-in-the-state).*

## Community News

*Eat at Culver's of Westfield, support local FFA chapters*

Now through Sept. 21, guests can come into Culver's, 17651 Sun Park Drive, Westfield, and buy an FFA barn wall decal for \$1. Put your name on it along with the name of the Hamilton County FFA chapter you want to support.

All the money raised will go to a local FFA chapter chosen by customers.

October is National FFA Month, and Culver's will show its support with various programs in which customers can participate.

## Indianapolis Baroque Orchestra announces 2025-2026 season

### The REPORTER

The Indianapolis Baroque Orchestra announces its vibrant 29th season celebrating the genius of Johann Sebastian Bach – and the extraordinary legacy he inspired. Artistic Director Barthold Kuijken will lead and perform in two concerts.

"Our 29th season was designed to inspire audiences across the city with thrilling repertoire performed by some of the country's best period-musicians," IBO flutist and Managing Director Leighann Daihl Ragusa said. "We are delighted to share our performances with the community and hope everyone will join us for this unforgettable season."

This season unfolds across four thoughtfully curated concerts plus the return of the Blakeman Gerber International Baroque



**INDIANAPOLIS BAROQUE ORCHESTRA**  
Barthold Kuijken, Artistic Director

Competition. From the legacy of Bach's own family to the profound beauty of his sacred cantatas, the exuberance of Eastertide celebrations, and the cosmopolitan flair of Telemann and his contemporaries, audiences will experience a journey through Baroque music's most inspiring voices. Concerts will be presented in venues across Indianapolis, each featuring an engaging pre-concert talk to welcome listeners into the music.

General admission tickets are \$35, and seniors can get tickets for \$25 and students for \$15. Purchase a season subscription and enjoy a 20 percent discount at [IndyBaroque.org](http://IndyBaroque.org), where you can see the whole season lineup.

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-  **US Capitol and White House Tour Requests**  
My office can help arrange tours throughout our nation's capital.

# Turkle & Associates to host 23<sup>rd</sup> annual Girls' Night Out Indy

**Submitted**

Turkle & Associates Plastic Surgery and Phases Skin Care & Laser Center will play host to the 23rd annual Girls' Night Out Indy from noon to 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 18 at Ritz Charles, 12156 N. Meridian St., Carmel.

**Girls' Night Out Indy** will feature opportunities to speak with Turkle & Associates double-board certified plastic surgeons, Dr. Jan Turkle and Dr. Brandon C. Specht, about breast augmentation, tummy tucks, liposuction, facelifts, rhinoplasty and other cosmetic surgery procedures. Phases Skin Care & Laser Center aestheticians will also be on-site to speak with attendees about non-surgical cosmetic procedures and skin care products. In addition, attendees will have access to over 40 vendors in the health, beauty, fashion spaces, and more.

"We look forward to bringing this unique experience back to Carmel for the 23rd year," Dr. Turkle said. "We host this annual event to educate and inform people about options available in the world of aesthetics and cosmetic procedures.

This is done in a relaxed setting allowing them an opportunity to shop at our community partners' booths and receive education in a pleasant and fun environment."

Drs. Turkle and Specht will hold 30-minute breakout sessions for attendees to learn and ask questions about the latest in cosmetic plastic surgery, fillers, BOTOX and more. Turkle & Associates licensed medical aestheticians will also host breakout sessions.

The schedule is as follows:

- 4:30 p.m.: "What Can Phases Do For You"
- 5:15 p.m.: "Deciding When Plastic Surgery is Right for You"
- 6 p.m.: "Surgical & Non Surgical Ways to Look as Good as You Feel"

Girls' Night Out Indy will feature live patient demonstrations at various times throughout the event, including CoolSculpting, Everesse and Glo2Facial. Guests can also test the Emsella chair and enjoy the DiamondGlow and Hydra-facial treatments on their hands throughout the duration of the event.

**Registration** for Girls'



Photo courtesy Turkle & Associates  
**Dr. Brandon C. Specht and Dr. Jan Turkle are ready to help you learn about the potential benefits of cosmetic surgery.**

Night Out Indy is now open. While free to attend, registration is required and additional information can be found on the Girls' Night Out Indy website. Sponsorship and vendor booth opportunities for Girls' Night Out Indy are also still available. Interested businesses can find more information [here](#).

**About Turkle & Associates**

Turkle & Associates, led by double-board certified plastic surgeons Dr. Jan Turkle and Dr. Brandon C. Specht, has been a leading provider of plastic surgery in Indiana for over 30 years.

Within the same family, Phases Skin Care & Laser Center provides unmatched quality and results-driven aesthetic treatments. Drs. Turkle and Specht use their foundation of knowledge built on years of surgical experience to offer their patients natural looking results using the safest and most effective technology. Extending beyond results, they are committed to delivering comprehensive education about treatment options to empower our patients to make well-informed decisions at every step. Learn more at [turklemd.com](#).

# Farm Credit Mid-America names Brittney Miller as Financial Officer in Anderson

**Submitted**

Farm Credit Mid-America announces the appointment of Brittney Miller as a Financial Officer in the Anderson office. Miller, a resident of Warren, Ind., brings a wealth of experience and dedication to her new role.

Miller holds a bachelor's degree from Taylor University and has been with Farm Credit Mid-America for three years, beginning as an associate financial officer in the Bluffton, Ind., office. During that time, she had the opportunity to serve customers across four counties, gaining hands-on experience with the systems, processes, and credit practices.

"Farm Credit Mid-America is excited to have Brittney in this new capacity," said Gary Cole-

man, regional vice president for agricultural lending. "Agricultural producers in the area face a unique blend of challenges navigating rising input costs, unpredictable weather patterns, and evolving market demands. They're also embracing innovation – whether it's through precision ag technology, sustainable practices, or diversifying their operations. Brittney's role is to help them turn those challenges into opportunities by providing tailored financial solutions and being a trusted partner who understands the local ag economy. We look forward to the continued excellence in service and support she will provide to the farming community in Madison and Hamilton counties."



Miller's professional path has been shaped by a deep commitment to learning and serving the agriculture community. Growing up on a small grain farm started by her grandfather and now watching her daughters do the same has given Miller a personal connection to agriculture that fuels her passion for helping farmers succeed.

"As a Financial Officer, my focus is on building strong, long-term relationships and helping customers navigate the financial side of their business so they can focus on what

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The Westfield Chamber of Commerce will welcome Westfield High School Internship Coordinator Michelle Goudy for the September Coffee Connections from 8 to 9 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 30 at Westfield Washington Public Library, 17400 Westfield Blvd.

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High School and what work-based learning looks like students. Employers who have worked with high school interns, including Chelsea McCarty from the Westfield Washington Township, will also share more on their experiences.

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# New studies show substantial economic & community impact of Allied Solutions Center

**Submitted**

Two new studies show that Allied Solutions Center for the Performing Arts generates more than \$27 million annually in economic activity for Hamilton County and that its current nonprofit management agreement with the City of Carmel results in better programming at lower cost than would be expected from a contracted commercial operator or direct city management.

Allied Solutions Center is the independent nonprofit organization created to operate the Payne & Mencias Palladium, the Tarkington, and the Studio Theater under a 50-year lease agreement with city government, which constructed the three-venue campus at City Center to enhance quality of life and support the city's arts-based economic development strategy.

Allied Solutions Center commissioned the studies earlier this year to inform its strategic planning process.

The Indiana Business Research Center at Indiana University examined the economic and employment impact of Allied Solutions Center's operations. Among its key findings:

- **Employment:** ASCPA-related activities support 259 jobs in Carmel generating nearly \$12.6 million each year in employee compensation. Expanded to all of Hamilton County, the study tallied the equivalent of 302 jobs producing nearly \$15.4 million in payroll.

- **Economy:** ASCPA-related activities contributed nearly \$22.9 million in gross domestic product to Carmel's economy and \$27.4 million countywide.

- **Tax revenue:** ASCPA-related activities in Hamilton County generated an estimated \$1.5 million in annual revenue for local government units in the county and \$2.5 million in



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state government revenue.

A separate analysis was conducted by Huden Partners, a Chicago-based global destination real estate advisory firm. The scope included quantifying the fair market value of Allied Solutions Center's management and operational services, benchmarking against peer performing arts centers nationwide, assessing tangible and intangible benefits to the city and community, and evaluating the funding model within a national and local context.

The Huden report reached these key conclusions:

- **Near-optimal community value:** Performing arts centers typically require subsidies to sustain mission-based programming. ASCPA's nonprofit model leverages \$2.25 million in annual city support and up to \$3 million in private contributions each year to maximize community impact, while shifting to full city or private operation could increase costs and reduce program value.

- **Efficiency compared to peers:** ASCPA operates at approximately \$581 less per seat than the peer average while maintaining

competitive program revenue per seat, which reflects efficient use of resources and effective calendar utilization.

- **Strong regional visitation:** In 2024, ASCPA attracted nearly 100,000 visits lasting more than 60 minutes, with 79 percent of those visits from non-residents. This breadth of visitation encourages both on-site spending and off-site spending at Carmel shops, restaurants, festivals, hotels and other support amenities.

- **Significant community and mission-based programming:** ASCPA provides approximately \$760,000 annually in free or subsidized space for resident companies, along with educational programs, many free or subsidized, that draw more than 13,000 visits each year.

"These findings are a testament to the hard work of Allied Solutions Center's staff, board and volunteers in managing resources wisely while providing excellent programming and an exceptional visitor experience for the community," President/CEO Jeffrey C. McDermott said. "More fundamentally, the numbers prove that the City of Carmel's strategic investment in the arts is paying off as intended, both

economically and culturally."

**About Allied Solutions Center for the Performing Arts**

The mission of Allied Solutions Center for the Performing Arts, celebrating its 15th anniversary in 2026, is to engage and inspire the Indiana community through enriching arts experiences. The nonprofit organization's campus in Carmel includes the 1,500-seat Payne & Mencias Palladium concert hall, the 500-seat Tarkington proscenium theater and the black-box Studio Theater. Allied Solutions Center presents and hosts hundreds of events each year, including the annual Center Presents performance season, featuring the best in classical music, jazz, pop, rock, country, comedy and other genres. Educational and experiential programming for all ages includes children's concerts and camps, book clubs, lectures, and classes in music and stand-up comedy. Allied Solutions Center is home to the affiliated Great American Songbook Foundation and provides space and support services for six resident arts companies. More information is available at [TheCenterPresents.org](http://TheCenterPresents.org).

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**Norman Dale Riley**

*November 8, 1946 – September 7, 2025*



Norman Dale Riley was born on November 8, 1946, in Indianapolis, and passed away on September 7, 2025. A loving father, grandfather, and great-grandfather, Norman was known for his funny, compassionate, courageous, and loving personality.

Norman dedicated 20 years of his life as a firefighter to the City of Carmel, retiring in 2000. His bravery and dedication were recognized by his colleagues and community, earning him the title of Fireman of the Year three times and multiple merit awards.

Aside from his professional life, Norman was passionate about his hobbies. He was a tinkerer who loved to work on his yard, a history buff with a particular interest in aviation, and an avid *Star Wars* and Sci-Fi enthusiast. He was known as “Dad-quest” to his daughters due to his excellent navigational skills. One of his favorite pastimes was to go hiking with his wife, Candy. Above all, Norman was a man of faith and a devoted family man. He served as a Deacon and sang in the choir at Cicero United Methodist Church, demonstrating his commitment to his faith.

He is survived by his daughters, Jessica (Jason) Kindig, Jacqueline (Andy) Strange, and Jennifer Newby; his grandchildren, Lucas Strange, James Newby, Katelyn Wilson, Elizabeth Newby, Riley Kindig, Sadie Kindig, Jacob Kindig, Madison Kindig, Michella Kindig, and Vivian (Nick) Grafe; and four great-grandchildren. He also leaves behind his sisters, Mary Gingerich, Linda (Yvonne) Cook-Riley, Helen Riley, and Sheila (Tron) Hardy; and several nieces and nephews.

Norman was widowed from his wife, Earlene Riley, and was preceded in death by his parents, Harold and Elizabeth Riley, and brother, David Riley.

Visitation for Norman will be held from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, September 13, 2025, at the Cicero United Methodist Church, 100 E. Jackson St. A funeral service will follow at 1 p.m. with Pastor Ben Biggs at the same venue.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that you please make memorial contributions to Hoosier Burn Camp, 109 North St., Battle Ground, IN 47920 ([hoosierburncamp.org/donate](http://hoosierburncamp.org/donate)).

In commemoration of Norman’s life, we encourage you to share your memories and upload photos of him to the memorial page. Your contributions will serve as a comforting keepsake for all who loved and cherished Norman.

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**Cherita Ann Kittinger**

*December 6, 1940 – September 6, 2025*



Cherita Ann Kittinger, passed away on September 6, 2025. Born on December 6, 1940, in Noblesville, Cherita lived a spirited life filled with compassion and thoughtfulness. She was always reliable, a trait that endeared her to many. She was a devoted mother, a trusted sister, and a beloved grandmother.

Cherita found her calling in the restaurant industry, where she worked diligently as a cook until her retirement. She brought the same level of dedication and warmth to her work as she did to her family life. She was a member of The Noblesville Moose Lodge and was always a fun presence to be around. Her love for life was evident in her hobbies. Cherita loved jewelry, attending festivals, and going for joyrides. She took delight in playing Bingo, basking in the sun, and enjoyed her memorable trip to Brown County. Her compassionate nature extended towards animals, which she greatly adored.

Cherita is survived by her sons, John, Ronald, Donald, and Bob Kittinger; her daughter, Pam Schafer; her sister, Dorcas Crider; her brother, Joe Trout; and several caring grandchildren and great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband, Don Kittinger; parents, Bob and Sarah Trout; her son, Tim Junior Jester; and her sisters, Beth Yeary and Norma Fletcher.

Visitation for Cherita will be held from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Friday, September 12, 2025, at Hartley-Dunichay Funeral Home, 209 W. Jackson St., Cicero. The funeral service will follow at the same location, starting at 1 p.m. with Pastor JR Moffatt officiating. Burial will follow at Oaklawn Memorial Gardens.

We encourage everyone who knew and loved Cherita to leave memories and upload photos to her memorial page. Your shared remembrances will serve as a comforting tribute to the wonderful woman Cherita was, and the lasting impact she had on all who knew her.

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*Leviticus 22:29-33 (NIV)*

**Teresa B. Alexiou**

*December 23, 1955 – September 9, 2025*



Teresa B. Alexiou, 69, Indianapolis, passed away on Tuesday, September 9, 2025, at Community Heart & Vascular Hospital in Indianapolis. She was born on December 23, 1955, to Domingo and Florencia (Bayani) Sampang in the Philippines.

Teresa was a homemaker who loved cooking, gardening, and looking after her grandchildren. She enjoyed playing bingo and looking for bargains. Teresa attended Holy Spirit Catholic Church of Indianapolis. Teresa will be remembered for her love. She had a way of making everyone around her feel special. Her love is the legacy she is leaving behind.

She is survived by her husband of 38 years, Taso Alexiou; daughter, Allison (Chris) Inman; sons, Chris Alexiou and Alex (Mackenzie) Alexiou; four grandchildren, Taylor, Lucas, Wyatt, and Emma; six sisters, Priscilla, Nerissa, Susan, Thess, Dolly, and Cristy; and one brother, Joselito.

In addition to her parents, Teresa was preceded in death by her brother, Carling.

Visitation will be from 2 to 5 p.m. Sunday, September 14, 2025, at Randall & Roberts Fishers Mortuary, 12010 Allisonville Road, Fishers. Private graveside services will be held at Memorial Park Cemetery in Indianapolis.

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**Meeting Notice**

The Clay Township Board of Trustees will meet at 9 a.m. Tuesday, Sept. 16, 2025, at the John W. Hensel Government Center, 10701 N. College Ave., Carmel.

The Hamilton County Board of Parks & Recreation will meet in an executive session at 5 p.m. Monday, Sept. 15, 2025, pursuant to IC 5-14-1.5-6.1 (b)(6) Discussion of personnel, and IC 5-14-1.5-6.1 (b)(2)(B) Discussion of pending litigation. A regular meeting will follow at 6 p.m. at Osprey Pointe Pavilion, 19777 Morse Park Lane, Noblesville.

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**KruFit celebrates expansions & champion**

*Fishers facility opens 6,000 square-foot facility, launches Brazilian jiu jitsu program*

By **RICHIE HALL**  
[sports@readthereporter.com](mailto:sports@readthereporter.com)

KruFit in Fishers is growing, and owner Jamie Bradley invited everyone to celebrate on Saturday, Sept. 6.

The combat sports and fitness gym conducted a Community Kick-Off that afternoon to show off its expanded facility, which is located at 9824 North by Northeast Blvd., near 96th Street and Interstate 69. The facility now totals 6,000 square feet and with that is offering a Brazilian Jiu Jitsu program to go along with its popular Muay Thai and strength & conditioning programs.

The Community Kick-Off featured facility tours, food, games, face painting and an obstacle course for children that saw quite a bit of use during the afternoon. Bradley said she was “really excited” to see a solid turnout at the event.

“A lot of these people are our members, but there’s a lot of people I’ve never seen before and I’m meeting for the first time,” said Bradley. She said there were families, friends and people that followed KruFit online or saw social media posts there to check out the gym.

“It’s very intimidating to schedule a class, but I think this is not intimidating,” said Bradley. “I’m coming and I’m eating ice cream and I’m meeting people and my kids get to run around. We get a feel for what it is that we do there. That was really my goal, is just to take out the fear factor for people and let them see who we are and what we do and come into our space. And hopefully they want to return.”

One of the people at the Community Kick-Off was KruFit student Liana Mungovan, who showed off her champion’s belt after competing at the IKF Midwest Regional tournament February in Fort Wayne. Mungovan, from Indianapolis, won the 142-147 pound welterweight female novice division, taking the championship with a TKO 41 seconds into the third round.

“I actually didn’t know I won,” said Mungovan. “I was confused at what we were doing. I was sitting in the corner and they brought in a medic to check on (my opponent). Then I looked over at Coach Jamie and she had this giant smile on her face, and I knew I had just won the belt, and it was amazing.”

KruFit is already well known for Muay Thai and MMA fighting, and is expanding its offerings with the start of its jiu jitsu program. Bradley said KruFit has “really, really high-level jiu jitsu practitioners in the gym and one of them is already a Muay Thai coach for me, so I decided that he was going to be my head jiu jitsu coach. He’s already our head MMA coach, so it made the most sense for him to take over the program and then develop that.”

Families are also finding a home at KruFit. There are already programs for children, and KruFit will soon start a new class that allows parents and their children to participate at the same time.

“We love families here,” said Bradley. “We have so many families here.” Bradley said her vision has been a place where parents can get a workout in at the same

time their kids are getting a workout in.

“We can all go home sweaty, happy, healthy, and that’s what we want here,” said Bradley.

KruFit is growing, and Bradley is already thinking that her gym will need to grow some more soon.

“It’s crazy, you would think adding 1,900 square feet, we would be set for a while,” said Bradley. “But honestly, last week in class, the whole gym was packed. And I was like, ‘We need more space.’ We literally just got this space last month and I’m like, ‘Seriously?’ I guess if you build it, they will come. You get more space, you’ll fill it up. Future plans do include continuing to grow as much as we can financially justify. I’d also love to open a second location, so that is in the works as well. Hopefully someday I can make that happen.”

For more information, visit [kruFIT.com](http://kruFIT.com).



Reporter photos by Richie Hall

(ABOVE) KruFit owner Jamie Bradley (left) happily presented one of her students as a champion fighter Sept. 6 at the gym’s Community Kick-Off event. Liana Mungovan competed at the IKF Midwest Regional tournament February in Fort Wayne and won the 142-147 pound welterweight female novice division. (BELOW) KruFit invited the community to see its expanded facility, along with the introduction of a jiu jitsu program.



*Football Previews*

**20<sup>th</sup> Mudsock matchup, Sheridan starts HHC play**

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

In the blink of an eye, we are one-third of the way through the regular season of high school football. Five of the eight Hamilton County teams are making their presence known in their respective classes’ rankings.

Carmel (No. 3) has emerged back toward the top of Class 6A. Hamilton Southeastern is close behind at No. 5 with Westfield climbing back up to No. 6. Fishers is holding tight at 11th. Guerin Catholic is also holding steady in Class 3A at No. 9.

**No. 5 Hamilton Southeastern Royals (3-0) at No. 11 Fishers Tigers (2-1)**

Tomorrow night, the City of Fishers will feast their eyes on the Royals and Tigers from Clarian Field at Fishers for the 20th regular season meeting for the Mudsock. A split crowd of neighbors dressed in red and blue will fill the stands.

HSE leads the all-time series with a 17-13 record. Fishers took the Mudsock game last year (37-35) and

outlasted the Royals for the sectional championship, 44-41. Southeastern has won seven of the last 10, including playoff games.

Week 3’s battle with Avon to open Hoosier Crossroads Conference play was that and more for HSE. It wasn’t until 3:35 left in the first when Andrew Babb took his lone carry one yard into the end zone for the 7-0 lead.

The Orioles tied it 7-7 with a touchdown pass. Southeastern then scored rather quickly. Terry Walker III found top target Kendrick Pennybaker for a 76-yard TD pass to give the Royals a 14-7 halftime lead.

Avon scored early in the fourth for a 14-14 tie again. HSE kicker Luke Marchionni made a 27-yard game-winning field goal with 3:13 left to seal the 17-14 win for the Royals.

Walked completed 9 of his 16 passes for 114 yards, three of those were caught by Pennybaker for 81 yards.

Fishers took advantage right away last week at Noblesville. The Millers punted on their first series.

Running back Ryan Themblemu scored two rushing TDs in less than four minutes of game clock for a 14-0 Tiger lead after one.

The Millers got on the board with a 26-yard Caden Lytle field goal just into the second, but Fishers managed another three scores before halftime.

Quarterback Gage Sturgill threw two touchdown passes to Vincent Rozzi and Themblemu ran in his third on the ground to give the Tigers a 35-3 lead at halftime.

Fishers scored one more time just into the third on a Sturgill TD pass to Darian Gorton to go up 42-3.

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Photo by Joshua Herd

Hamilton Southeastern’s Terry Walker III threw a 76-yard touchdown pass during the Royals’ win over Avon last week. Southeastern plays the Mudsock game Friday against Fishers.

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# SPORTS SCHEDULE

## Girls Soccer

# Royals roll through second half for Mudsock win

By **RICHIE HALL**  
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Reporter photo by Richie Hall

**The Hamilton Southeastern girls soccer team put together a strong second half to beat Fishers 6-1 Wednesday, winning the Mudsock trophy.**

A Mudsock soccer game is never easy, even if your team winds up scoring six goals.

Hamilton Southeastern did score six goals in its 6-1 win over Fishers Wednesday to win the annual traveling trophy at the Tigers' field. But the Class 3A No. 1 Royals had to do it all in the second half: the score was tied 0-0 at halftime.

Southeastern broke through 57 seconds into the second half. Lauren Kutoski sent a corner kick into the box, and Blair Satterfield booted it into the net for that first goal.

"We were playing some really good balls and we had some really good opportunities in the first half and we didn't capitalize," said Royals coach Greg Davidson. "Finally, we made the right runs and we made the right shot to capitalize on one of our opportunities."

Southeastern eventually went up 3-0; Sydney May scored HSE's second goal, then Riley Boyd put in the Royals' third goal. Fishers got on the board with 22 minutes left in the game af-

ter Elise May put in a goal.

But Southeastern bounced right back and put in three more goals during the last 15 minutes of the game. Kherrington Patton scored the Royals' fourth and fifth goals, then Blair Satterfield completed with three minutes left, putting in her second goal of the game.

"She can get up into the attack," Davidson said of Satterfield. "That's why IU is loving her because not only is she one of the

states' best 1v1 defenders and she's an incredible athlete, but she gets up into the attack and she can score.

"Kherrington has gotten quite a few goals for us," said Satterfield. "She plays a reserve role of going in when our other forwards are just beating those defenders down, and then Kherrington goes in there, and she is very crafty around the goal and she's a good goal scorer herself."

Fishers' goalkeeper Sarah Maudlin made a pair of

tough saves during the second half and finished with six saves overall. Hannah Dodge made two saves for the Royals.

The Mudsock game is also a Hoosier Crossroads Conference contest, and the Royals improved to 5-0 in the league. Southeastern is 10-0 overall and plays at Fort Wayne Carroll Saturday morning.

The Tigers are 0-4 in the conference and 2-6-1 overall. Fishers plays at Homestead Saturday afternoon.

**Thursday, Sept. 11**  
**BOYS SOCCER**  
 Tri-Central at Sheridan, 5 p.m.  
 Hamilton Heights at Hoosier Conference tournament, 5:30 p.m.  
 University at Anderson Prep Academy, 5:30 p.m.  
 Fishers at Pendleton Heights, 7 p.m.  
 Guerin Catholic at Harrison, 7 p.m.  
 Southport at Noblesville, 7:30 p.m.

**CROSS COUNTRY**  
 Sheridan at Covenant Christian Charger Classic, 5:30 p.m.

**GIRLS SOCCER**  
 Sheridan at Delphi, 5:30 p.m.  
 University at Lebanon, 5:30 p.m.  
 Kokomo at Hamilton Heights, 7 p.m.  
 Roncalli at Guerin Catholic, 7 p.m.  
 Westfield at North Central, 7 p.m.

**GOLF**  
 Westfield vs. Fishers, 4:30 p.m. at Wood Wind  
 Hamilton Heights at Speedway (with Franklin Community), 5 p.m.  
 Pioneer Conference meet, 5 p.m. at Wood Wind

**TENNIS**  
 Covenant Christian at University, 4:30 p.m.  
 Avon at Hamilton Southeastern, 5 p.m.  
 Guerin Catholic at Heritage Christian, 5 p.m.  
 Hamilton Heights at Alexandria, 5 p.m.  
 Park Tudor at Carmel, 5 p.m.  
 Westfield at Fishers, 5 p.m.  
 Noblesville at Franklin Central, 5:30 p.m.

**UNIFIED FLAG FOOTBALL**  
 Hamilton Heights at Twin Lakes, 6 p.m.  
 Noblesville at Westfield, 6 p.m.  
 Hamilton Southeastern at Fishers, 6:30 p.m.

**VOLLEYBALL**  
 Western Boone at Guerin Catholic, 6:30 p.m.  
 Carroll at Sheridan, 7 p.m.  
 Fishers at Hamilton Southeastern, 7 p.m.  
 Hamilton Heights at Western, 7 p.m.  
 Westfield at Noblesville, 7 p.m.  
 University at Shortridge, 7:30 p.m.

**Friday, Sept. 12**  
**BOYS SOCCER**  
 Columbus North at Carmel, 7:30 p.m.

**FOOTBALL**  
 Carmel at Louisville Trinity, 7 p.m.  
 Clinton Central at Sheridan, 7 p.m.  
 Danville at Hamilton Heights, 7 p.m.  
 Hamilton Southeastern at Fishers, 7 p.m.  
 Noblesville at Westfield, 7 p.m.  
 Guerin Catholic at Brebeuf Jesuit, 7:30 p.m.

**TENNIS**  
 Guerin Catholic at Brebeuf Jesuit, 5 p.m.

**VOLLEYBALL**  
 Guerin Catholic at Brebeuf Jesuit, 6 p.m.

**Saturday, Sept. 13**  
**BOYS SOCCER**  
 Oak Hill at Hamilton Southeastern, 10 a.m.  
 Hamilton Heights at Hoosier Conference tournament, 11 a.m.  
 Guerin Catholic at Cardinal Ritter, 11:30 a.m.  
 Pendleton Heights at Westfield, 11:30 a.m.  
 University at Franklin Community, noon  
 Carmel at Brebeuf Jesuit, 12:30 p.m.  
 Columbus East at Fishers, 12:30 p.m.

**CROSS COUNTRY**  
 Carmel, Westfield boys at Brown County Eagle Classic, 8:30 a.m.  
 Hamilton Heights, Hamilton Southeastern, Noblesville at Indiana Wesleyan Wildcat Classic, 8:30 a.m.  
 All-Catholic Invitational, 9 a.m. at Guerin Catholic  
 Sheridan at Maconaquah Invitational, 9 a.m.  
 University, Westfield at Ben Davis Invitational, 9:30 a.m.

**GIRLS SOCCER**  
 Hauser at University, 11 a.m.  
 Bishop Dwenger at Guerin Catholic, 11:30 a.m.  
 Noblesville at Harrison, 11:30 a.m.  
 Hamilton Southeastern at Fort Wayne Carroll, 11:45 a.m.  
 Chesterton at Carmel, 1 p.m.  
 Fishers at Homestead, 3:30 p.m.

**GOLF**  
 Westfield at Bloomington North Invitational, 9 a.m. at Cascades Golf Club  
 Hoosier Conference meet, noon at Rensselaer Central  
 Carmel, Fishers, Guerin Catholic, Hamilton Southeastern, Noblesville at Courtney Cox Cole Invitational, 1 p.m. at Harbour Trees  
 Hoosier Heartland Conference meet, 2 p.m. at Angel Hill Golf Club

**TENNIS**  
 Fishers Invitational, 9 a.m.  
 Hamilton Southeastern at Center Grove, 9 a.m.  
 Westfield Shamrock Round Robin, 9 a.m.  
 Pioneer Conference meet, TBA

**VOLLEYBALL**  
 Westfield at Hamilton Southeastern Showcase, 9 a.m.  
 Noblesville Invitational, 9 a.m.  
 Sheridan at Lapel Invitational, 9 a.m.  
 Carmel at Brownsburg Round Robin, 9:30 a.m.

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## FOOTBALL

The Millers' Noah Shinkle had two rushing touchdowns to account for the final of 42-17.

Sturgill had another solid game passing, going 13 for 20 resulting in 278 yards. Thembulembu ran just nine times for 124. Rozzi caught nine for 225.

### Clinton Central Bulldogs (2-1) at Sheridan Blackhawks (1-1)

The Sheridan Blackhawk have been waiting since their last home game on Aug. 29 against Alexandria to take the field again.

After last week's game was cancelled by Tri-Central, the Trojans were forced to a junior varsity only schedule because of lack of players, leaving Sheridan with no game in Week 3 and a lot of time to get ready for their first Hoosier Heartland Conference game against Clinton Central.

Friday night at Bud Wright Stadium is the 50th game of the series with the HHC rivals. Sheridan leads



Photo by Joshua Herd

**Gage Sturgill, seen here during Fishers' Week 1 game against Carmel, completed 13 of 20 passes, resulting in 278 yards, during the Tigers' Week 3 win over Noblesville.**

with a commanding 45 wins to just four losses to the Bulldogs. The Blackhawk won last year in Michigan-town, 43-26.

The Bulldogs started off with a home win over 4A Frankfort, 30-0. They went on the road two weeks ago and took down Faith Chris-

tian with a 63-14 rout. Last week, Clinton Prairie handed Clinton Central its first loss, losing 32-0 at home.

Sheridan opened with a road win against Greenwood Christian at Beech Grove Middle School (32-29) and lost its home opener two weeks ago to Alexan-

dria, 54-14.

Senior Alex Cravens leads the backfield charge with 30 carries and 218 yards and a TD. Fellow senior Jonathan Barnes compliments with 18 for 138 and 4 scores. Barnes leads on defense with 14 tackles, two for a loss.

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 6:00 pm **Westfield vs Noblesville** | JV Boys Soccer | HCTV Sports  
 6:55 pm **Fishers vs Hamilton Southeastern** | Boys Soccer | Southeastern Sports  
 7:30 pm **Westfield vs Noblesville** | Varsity Boys Soccer | HCTV Sports

**Thurs Sept 11 - Volleyball and Boys Soccer**  
 5:30 pm **Westfield vs Noblesville** | Junior Varsity Volleyball | HCTV Sports  
 6:50 pm **Covenant Christian vs Heritage Christian** | Volleyball | Indiana SRN  
 7:00 pm **Westfield vs Noblesville** | Varsity Volleyball | HCTV Sports

**Fri Sept 12 - Varsity Football**  
 6:00 pm **SSN GameDay: Pregame Show** | Football | Southeastern Sports Network  
 6:45 pm **Clinton Central vs Sheridan** | Football | Bragg Sports Media  
 6:50 pm **4A #1 Chatard vs 5A #5 Cathedral** | Football | Indiana SRN  
 6:50 pm **Heritage Christian vs Covenant Christian** | Football | Indiana SRN  
 7:00 pm **Hamilton Southeastern vs Fishers** | Football | Fishers Sports Network  
 7:00 pm **Hamilton Heights vs Danville Community** | Football | Husky Sports (PPV)

**Sat Sept 13 - College & Freshman Football**  
 10:00 am **Hamilton Southeastern vs Fishers** | Freshman Football | Fishers Sports  
 1:20 pm **Hope vs Franklin College** | HCAC College DIII Football | Indiana SRN

**Sun Sept 14 - Concert**  
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## Girls Soccer

# Unstoppable team: Shamrocks maintain their undefeated streak

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**WESTFIELD** – The Westfield Shamrocks added another win to their undefeated season against the Noblesville Millers Wednesday by the score of 3-0.

The Shamrocks began the match with a determined mindset, knowing they were up against a tough opponent. Westfield's energy was evident from the opening whistle, setting the tone with an aggressive offensive start that quickly paid off.

"They were excited to play somebody that has always been a tough challenge for us, and to come out early and score within the first minute was a big thing for us to take control from the beginning," said Westfield's head coach, Rachel Fulkerson.

The Shamrocks' early energy, fueled by the excitement of Tatum Hauser's goal shortly after kickoff, ignited the entire team. As the first half wore on, their dominance only intensified. Midway through, Avery Van Den Berg found the back of the net, and just minutes later, Hailey McDaniel added another, giving Westfield a commanding 3-0 lead head-



(LEFT) Westfield's Tatum Hauser scored a goal within the first 30 seconds of the game, helping the Shamrocks to a 3-0 victory over Noblesville. (RIGHT) Noblesville's Addy Dye (17) and Westfield's Ella Carson (35) stay ready to make a play.

ing into halftime.

"This was a team win, we used everybody on our bench which was exciting. Things are starting to click and come together," said Fulkerson.

Coming out of halftime, the Millers regrouped and

showed promising focus. With improved passing, they began to generate momentum, bringing a noticeable energy to the field as they hoped to shift the tone of the game.

"I would like us to give a little more effort to start a



Reporter photos by Quinn Matthews

soccer game," said Noblesville's head coach, Mitch Holden. "I'm happy with the second half, we gave a little more effort."

The Millers worked the ball up the field and fired many strong shots on goal, but nothing could get past

the Shamrocks goalie, Leah Hunsucker. Despite their strong effort throughout the game, the Millers were ultimately unable to find the back of the net.

"We definitely have a team that can compete and play high level soccer, but

again it's the effort that matters to me right now," said Holden.

The Noblesville Millers play next at 11:30 a.m. on Saturday at Harrison. The Westfield Shamrocks play again at 7 p.m. tonight at North Central.

## Girls Golf

## Huskies win Senior Night meet

### The REPORTER

The Hamilton Heights girls golf team won its Senior Night meet Wednesday at Bear Slide.

The Huskies beat North-

western 221-242. Taylor Morrison was the meet medalist with a score of 47. Other Heights scores were Sammie Powers 55, Emma Trees 59 and Tanner Penwell 60.

## Volleyball

## Tigers, Millers get sweeps

### The REPORTER

The Fishers volleyball team swept Lawrence North 25-14, 25-11, 25-14 on Tuesday.

Milana Mays led the Tigers' offense with eight kills. Ava Tester served five aces, with Mays and Katie Brinkruff both hitting three aces. Tester and Caitlyn Gutt both handed out 16 assists.

Brinkruff led the defense with 10 digs.

Fishers is 9-4 and plays at Hamilton Southeastern tonight in the Mudsock match.

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Noblesville earned a sweep of McCutcheon, 25-

18, 25-21, 30-28 on Tuesday.

Reese Resmer hit 14 kills for the Millers, while Ella Coppock hit nine. Chloe Medley served four aces and Madison Brown hit three in addition to handing out 32 assists.

Maggie Hall made 14 digs, with Piper Endris collecting 13 and Brown and Kennedy Lutz scooping up 11 each. Coppock made four blocks, with Ashlynn Turner and Resmer both making three.

Noblesville is 8-1 and hosts Westfield tonight in a Hoosier Crossroads Conference match.

# Indiana renews partnership with InSideOut Initiative

### The REPORTER

The InSideOut Initiative – a nonprofit aimed to inspire, catalyze, and equip school leaders and communities to transform lives through Purpose-Based Sports – will relaunch in Indiana on Sept. 17, in partnership with the Indiana High School Athletics Association (IHSAA) Foundation.

Powered by the NFL Foundation and originally piloted in Colorado and Texas in 2015, the InSideOut Initiative has partnered with 24 NFL teams across 20 states. InSideOut partners with educational leaders, state athletic associations and NFL teams to inspire, catalyze, and equip school leaders and communities to transform lives through Purpose-Based Sports; connecting students to Transformational Coaches, in a Culture of Belonging, for their Human Growth and Development.

Seven years after piloting the Initiative, Indiana will be re-launching the fully developed InSideOut Leadership, thanks to comprehensive fund-

ing from the NFL Foundation and the Indianapolis Colts.

"Across the Hoosier state, school communities, educators, and coaches are working tirelessly to ensure that athletics remain a true extension of the classroom," said IHSAA Foundation Director Trip Lukemeyer, "The InSideOut Initiative empowers school leaders with the tools, guidance, and support needed to build a culture where character development, leadership,

and transformational growth are at the heart of every student-athlete's experience. We are thrilled to relaunch and revitalize the InSideOut Initiative within Indiana."

"The Colts are excited to partner with the IHSAA and the InSideOut Initiative once again to bring this innovative curriculum to Indiana high schools," said Andy Matis, Colts Senior Manager of Football Development. "The InSideOut Initiative and their purpose-based ath-

letics teachings have made amazing strides throughout the country, and we're excited to build transformational coaches to connect with Indiana student athletes."

For sports to provide students with human growth and development opportunities, there must be movement beyond defining success only by the scoreboard and create space in the culture for a higher purpose. Indiana is committed to creating this space, starting now.

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