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TODAY'S WEATHER



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Noblesville Schools dedicates Courtney Cox Cole Golf Center

Don't look away

Submitted by Noblesville Schools

Noblesville Schools has announced the dedication of the Courtney Cox Cole Golf Center with a ribbon cutting and unveiling of new signage.

Cole was a 1989 Noblesville High School graduate, distinguished high school and college athlete, and local business leader prior to her death in 2019.

The new dedication plaque hanging in the golf center highlights the following about Cole:

In Memory of Courtney Cox Cole
March 15, 1971 –
September 22, 2019

"Every day is a gift, and it is up to us to make the most of it."

This room is dedicated to the life and legacy of Courtney Cox Cole, a beloved daughter, sister, mother, friend, athlete and community leader.

A highly accomplished student athlete, Courtney earned multiple state championships in golf and basketball during her time at Noblesville High School and later continued to excel in both sports at Indiana University.



Photo provided by Noblesville Schools

(From left) Golf coaches Justin Werkley and Gary Deakyn, family members David and Jackie Cox, Monica and Darren Peck, Cayla Cole, Superintendent Dan Hile, and Athletic Director Leah Wooldridge.

- NHS State Championship Team in Golf (1986, 1987)
- NHS State Championship Team in Basketball (1987)
- Dial Corporation National Scholar Athlete of the Year (1989)
- NHS USA Today All-American in Basketball (1989)

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Sheridan's 2025 Fall Homecoming: inviting alumni & school spirit

Submitted by Sheridan Community Schools

Sheridan Community Schools (SCS) will welcome back Blackhawk alumni and the community for next week's Homecoming festivities.

Sheridan High School will honor the Classes of 2016 (10 year), 2001 (25 year), and 1976 (50 year) and recognizing members of the football team and cheerleaders from these years with a reception at 6 p.m. and introduction prior to the football game. The year's theme of "Superheroes" will be engaged during the week.

The week is packed with tradition and school spirit. The Homecoming parade will be held at a new time, Wednesday at 5:30 p.m., so more community members can join in the fun. SCS is hopeful that this change will allow more to enjoy the festivities. The parade will begin at Sheridan Middle School before traveling in front of Sheridan High School to Main Street in downtown Sheridan. The parade will then loop back up White Avenue before ending at Sheridan High School. The Powderpuff games will follow the parade at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 17.

The Homecoming football game kicks off at 7 p.m. Friday, Sept. 19, where the Blackhawks will take the field in front of students, alumni, and fans as they take on Clinton Prairie. At half-time, Homecoming King and Queen will be announced. Junior Student Council



Graphic created with Adobe Firefly & provided by Sheridan High School

members Beth Adams and Sadie Timme shared their excitement for Homecoming week.

"I always look forward to helping plan the dress days for homecoming," Adams said.

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"Watch Me Mindset" inspires Sheridan students

Submitted by Sheridan Community Schools

Ian Bowen, a life and success coach and the founder of the Positive Persistence and RINSE Method, spoke to Sheridan Middle and High Schools students on Tuesday, Sept. 9. His story of resilience and perseverance motivated the young adults in the crowd as he spoke about changing your mindset.

Bowen became paralyzed from the waist down after a spinal surgery in 2009, and with a lot of therapy, grit, and perseverance he is now able to walk, run, and share his story with thousands of young people every day.

During his speech, he encouraged students to embrace his "Watch Me Mindset." Essentially, in order to achieve your dreams, you need to change your mindset.

"Each one of you has the ability to do the unthinkable," Bowen said. "I'm not special,



Photo provided by Sheridan Community Schools

"Each one of you has the ability to do the unthinkable," Ian Bowen said. "I'm not special, I'm just a regular person ... If I can do it, you can, too."

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He shared with those in attendance that often we defer

dreams not because they are impossible, but because we aren't dreaming big enough or prone to giving up. He broke down his

method into three simple steps: Wash, Rinse, and Repeat.

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If you were unlucky enough to see the video of Charlie Kirk's assassination, I feel for you. It's the worst thing I've seen in a long time – because it was real.

Seeing a man's life end in a single, extremely violent moment ...

Don't look away.

Millions of people saw one of the many faces of Evil Wednesday afternoon. We think we know what Evil looks like. Sometimes it's big and ugly, but often it's small and seemingly harmless.

Regardless, don't look away. Faith enables us to overcome fear. Honestly, it demands it. One cannot be fearful and faithful. Fear is the natural response to Evil. Evil wants you to cower in fear and hide your face.

But don't look away. Only someone who is choosing not to understand what's going on would say Evil isn't real or it's not a serious problem.

I'm finished arguing with fools. Evil exists, and it's here.

We've put up with it for too long, and we're reaping the results of our inaction.

Our complacency.
Our inadequacy.
Our fear.
You can't look away.

I mourn all the innocent people murdered because we've allowed Evil people to live free.

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Here's a toast to September: apple cider, my fall lemonade

Apple cider is my lemonade of fall – refreshing, flavorful, and the perfect sip for crisp September days.

Here's something about apple cider that makes fall feel complete. Sweet, crisp, and comforting, it carries the flavor of September with every sip. And this year, I found that cider tasted even better when shared during a night filled with laughter and friendship.

Our ladies' talk-out evening at Urban Apples in Westfield was one for the books. It was a night of laughter echoing across the tables, of building connections, and of cheering each other on – wherever life's path is leading us right now. We reminded one another that no journey has to be walked alone, and sometimes the best way to keep moving forward is with encouragement from those who understand.

Of course, no gathering is complete without food and drinks, and the cider at Urban Apples was the star of the table. Each glass felt like fall in liquid form – crisp like the air outside, sweet like shared stories, and warm like the support we poured into one another. Paired with bites of good food, it was more than just a meal; it was nourishment for the soul.

That's the magic of a place like Urban Apples. It gives you more than cider – it gives you a space to slow down, connect, and celebrate the little joys of life. For me, September already feels special as my birthday month, but evenings like this remind me that the true gift of fall is the laughter, love, and friendships that make the season shine.

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

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COURTNEY

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This dedication plaque hanging in the golf center highlights Courtney Cox Cole.

- Indiana All-Star Basketball (1989)
- National Gatorade Player of the Year Basketball (1989)
- First team All-Big Ten in Golf (1991-1993)
- NCAA Individual Golf Qualifier (1992, 1993)
- High School All-American Basketball
- IU Four-Time Academic All-American

Courtney also achieved great success in her professional life, co-owning Noblesville's Hare Chevrolet with her sister Monica Peck. The dealership flourished under the leadership of the "Sisters of Savings", becoming the top volume General Motors dealership in Indiana.

Courtney's greatest joy and achievement was found in her role as mother to her children, Cayla and Blake.

Courtney's commitment, courage, optimism, and hard work inspired all who knew her. She will always be remembered for her sunny spirit, unshakable resilience, and the love she gave to her family, friends,

schools and community.

The golf center is an enclosed area in the high school's auxiliary gym and features a golf simulator and putting green for year-round student practice.

The district built the area as part of their recent athletic expansion project and was able to create the golf center thanks in part to generous contributions from both the Courtney Cox Cole family and the Miller Backers athletic booster organization.

"Our family has a long history with Noblesville Schools, including Courtney's outstanding achievements with Millers golf and basketball," Courtney's sister Monica Peck said. "I know she would be proud today that we're honoring her by helping foster a love of Miller golf in future generations. Thank you to the Miller Backers for partner-

ing with us on this initiative in celebration of Courtney's memory."

"We're thankful to the Cox family and the Miller Backers for their ongoing support of our student athletes," added Marnie Cooke, Noblesville Schools executive director of marketing and communications. "Courtney was a significant contributor to NHS athletics and to the Noblesville community overall, and we're proud to be able to honor her legacy."

Noblesville Schools offers several philanthropic and promotional opportunities across a variety of price points in support of athletics, academics, performing arts, and more. Organizations interested in partnering with Noblesville Schools can contact Adriann Young at adriann_young@nobl.k12.in.us or call (317) 773-3171 for additional information.

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Timme added by saying, "[We] have been working really hard on making sure everything is set for Wednesday's events and are super excited for the parade and Powderpuff."

Student Council Sponsor Mathew Hewitt said, "SHS Student Council has been hard at working planning a variety of festivities for Homecoming Week, including decorating life-size versions of the mascot, the Homecoming Parade, spirit dress days, Powderpuff and selection of the Homecoming Court. A lot of work has gone into planning but well worth it for the memories created."

Sheridan High School

Principal Rick Davis shared in the excitement, saying, "Homecoming is always a special time – especially at Sheridan High School, where we've proudly celebrated the tradition for more than 100 years! The week's activities and traditions bring excitement to our students while also welcoming back alumni and community members for that classic Friday night under the lights. We look forward to an incredible crowd this year as we continue this timeless Sheridan tradition."

Sheridan looks forward to celebrating its proud traditions, honoring alumni, and showcasing school spirit during this special week.

WATCH ME

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Wash focused on removing the negative thoughts before they turn into limiting beliefs. Bowen compared it to pulling weeds, and in order to achieve your dreams, your need to recognize and stop the doubt before it grows too big.

Rinse was spread out into Remember, Imagine, Notice, Shift, and Expect. He shared that by remembering their strength, imagining the possibilities, taking notice of small wins, shifting the focus to what they can do, and expecting the road to be difficult, students can build upon adversity to overcome the challenges and fulfill their dreams.

The final step of Bowen's "Watch Me Method" was Repeat. He reminded the students in the audience that in order to get better at

something you have to practice. He said, "If you believe it, you will achieve it." As he came to a close, he said, "My two options are either 'I make it. Or, I make it.'"

As Bowen shared his story of having to relearn simple tasks, such as making a sandwich and learning to walk, he showed that progress may be slow but perseverance will lead you to victory. He left students with a final saying: "Never let someone else's perception of your abilities become your reality."

Sheridan Community Schools and the middle and high school students are incredibly grateful for the opportunity the Sheridan Education Foundation provided by sponsoring Ian Bowen, and to Bowen for coming to speak to impressionable young adults.

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AG Rokita on Charlie Kirk: “We must pick up the baton he carried”

Submitted by Office of AG Todd Rokita

Indiana Attorney General Todd Rokita released the following statement Thursday morning regarding the murder of Charlie Kirk.



Rokita

“This assassination wasn’t just an attack on one man, it was assault on the very soul of our republic – just like President Trump said. They couldn’t beat Charlie in a debate with words, so a force of evil took him out with a bullet.

“To his family, shattered

by this unimaginable loss, and to every patriot grieving, let your sorrow fuel a righteous fury. Channel that outrage, not into despair but into the kind of bold, unyielding action Charlie embodied himself. Win hearts and minds through fearless dialogue and debate, just as he did on stages nationwide.

“We must pick up the baton he carried. God bless Charlie, God bless his cherished family, and the enduring spirit of freedom he leaves behind.”

Governor Mike Braun orders flags at half-staff in remembrance of Charlie Kirk

Submitted by Office of Gov. Mike Braun

Governor Mike Braun has directed that flags be flown at half-staff at all state facilities in accordance with President Donald Trump’s order for all U.S. flags to be lowered at federal facilities nationwide.



Braun

This order is being made in remembrance of Charlie Kirk and is effective immediately through sunset on Sunday, Sept. 14, 2025.

Gov. Braun encourages Hoosier residents and businesses to join state facilities in lowering their flags during this period of time.

LOOK

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It’s time to call it what it is. I’m not afraid anymore. There is no “middle ground” here. It’s a visceral feeling, and you know what Evil is when you see it. Stop acting like you can’t call it out.

Stop looking away. It’s already written that Evil will be eliminated in the end, but that doesn’t mean we have to let it run wild now. Stand up and look at it. Expose it for how powerless it really is. Then destroy it with love and truth.

Cultivate your righteous anger. Refuse to be weak.

Whatever you do, don’t look away.

Isaac Taylor is one of the owners of the Hamilton County Reporter, as well as the circulation director and page designer. You won’t find him anywhere online, so don’t bother looking.

Publisher’s note

The Hamilton County Reporter Newspaper has great respect for the media outlets that chose to pause the video playback during the shooting of Charlie Kirk. In some instances, they let the audio play, then resumed video playback after the camera turned to the crowd.

That shows a level of respect for the family and an awareness that young people everywhere are often watching the same things as the rest of us.

We applaud every news outlet that did not turn a man’s death into clickbait.

Thank you for that. To everyone who shared, without warning, the gruesome scenes in their raw and unedited form: you should be ashamed.

State Reps. Baird & Garcia Wilburn condemn murder of Charlie Kirk, call for end to political violence

Submitted by Office of State Rep. Victoria Garcia Wilburn

State Reps. Beau Baird (R-Greencastle) and Victoria Garcia Wilburn (D-Fishers), co-chairs of the Indiana Future Caucus, shared their united condemnation of the murder of activist and commentator Charlie Kirk on a college campus in Utah on Wednesday. The Indiana Future Caucus brings together bipartisan lawmakers 45 years of age and under.

The co-chairs released the following statement condemning the shooting and calling for civility.

“Political violence is never okay. Taking someone’s life is never an acceptable way to settle differences of opinion.



Baird



Garcia Wilburn

“Earlier this year, our bipartisan caucus spoke out against the tragic murder of a Democratic Minnesota state representative and her husband. Today, we unequivocally condemn the murder of Republican activist and commentator Charlie Kirk.

“As a nation, we must move beyond this horrifying trend of harming

or killing those you disagree with and return to a culture of spirited debate and respect for different viewpoints. The Indiana Future Caucus represents the bright tomorrow we can create for Hoosiers – and political violence should not exist in that future.

“Our prayers are with Charlie’s wife Erika, his children, and all who loved him during this heartbreaking time.”

The Indiana Future Caucus connects Gen Z and millennial lawmakers committed to working across party lines to deliver results for their communities. Currently, 32 millennial lawmakers serve in the Indiana General Assembly. A forthcoming release will share more details about the caucus’s recent leadership transition.

Hamilton County media producer recalls Charlie Kirk’s impact

By GARRETT BERGQUIST WISH-TV | wishtv.com

A media producer and recent college graduate on Thursday said Charlie Kirk made it OK to be a conservative on a college campus.

Jack Hudson started Babble Media, along with his wife, after he graduated from Butler University in May 2024. He interned for a Republican U.S. Senate campaign during his time in college, and deliberately avoided wearing any materials associated with the campaign while he was on campus.

“I remember I had an event right after class that I had to go film, and I thought, ‘Well, I don’t want to wear my polo with my campaign logo on it to class because I didn’t want to be judged by a professor, by peers, being asked questions, maybe being put on a list as one of the conservative kids on campus,’” Hudson said.

Hudson said he discovered Charlie Kirk the way many of his fans did: Through social media. He said Kirk reached young people because he met them where they are, something older generations of Republican leaders had not mastered.

“Charlie Kirk let me know that one day, when my kids go off to college, maybe that divide won’t be there,” Hudson said. “Hopefully, people are more willing to talk once again.”

Hudson’s company helps produce content for political campaigns, as well as businesses and nonprofits. He is also active with the Hamilton County Young Republicans.

Hudson met Kirk once, at the end of this past June. He went to Kentucky to shoot video of an event for a candidate. An event where Kirk was a featured speaker.

“I think you see Charlie Kirk online and he seems

very approachable because he’s willing to talk to anybody, but on the other hand, you don’t realize just how powerful the organization he’s built is,” Hudson said. “And that’s what blew me away, is he showed up with probably over a dozen staff members there to help organize, promote the campaign, promote Turning Point’s activities across the country. He went from being on stage to going to another room to film a podcast. He was a man on the move with one mission, but at the end of the day, you knew that he would turn everything off to be with his family and put that first.”

Hudson said he was editing video when word spread in a group chat that Kirk had been shot. When the news broke that Kirk had died, Hudson said he and his team went home. He said the news did make them wonder if it’s safe for them to continue in their

line of work or how they could prevent something similar from happening in the future. He said now is the time for both liberals and conservatives to talk to each other and try to understand why they believe what they do.

“Now, we all need to get out and be righteous leaders and continue speaking our voice, continue having an open dialogue, and the result should not be a pendulum swing to cancel culture towards the left,” Hudson said. “There are bad actors on all sides of politics and at all levels of government. It’s our turn as young Republicans, as young conservatives, to move the conversation forward with dialogue and the best ideas.”

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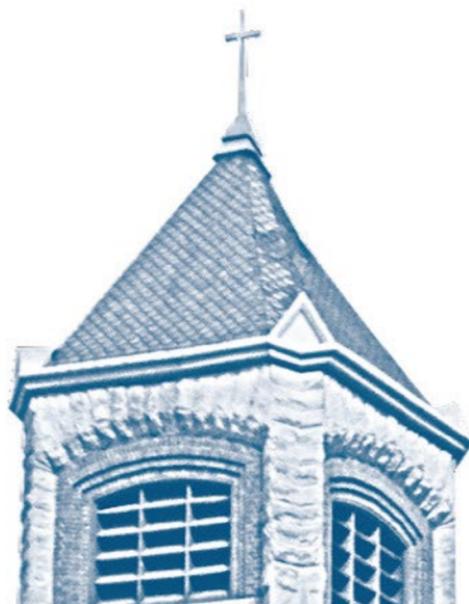
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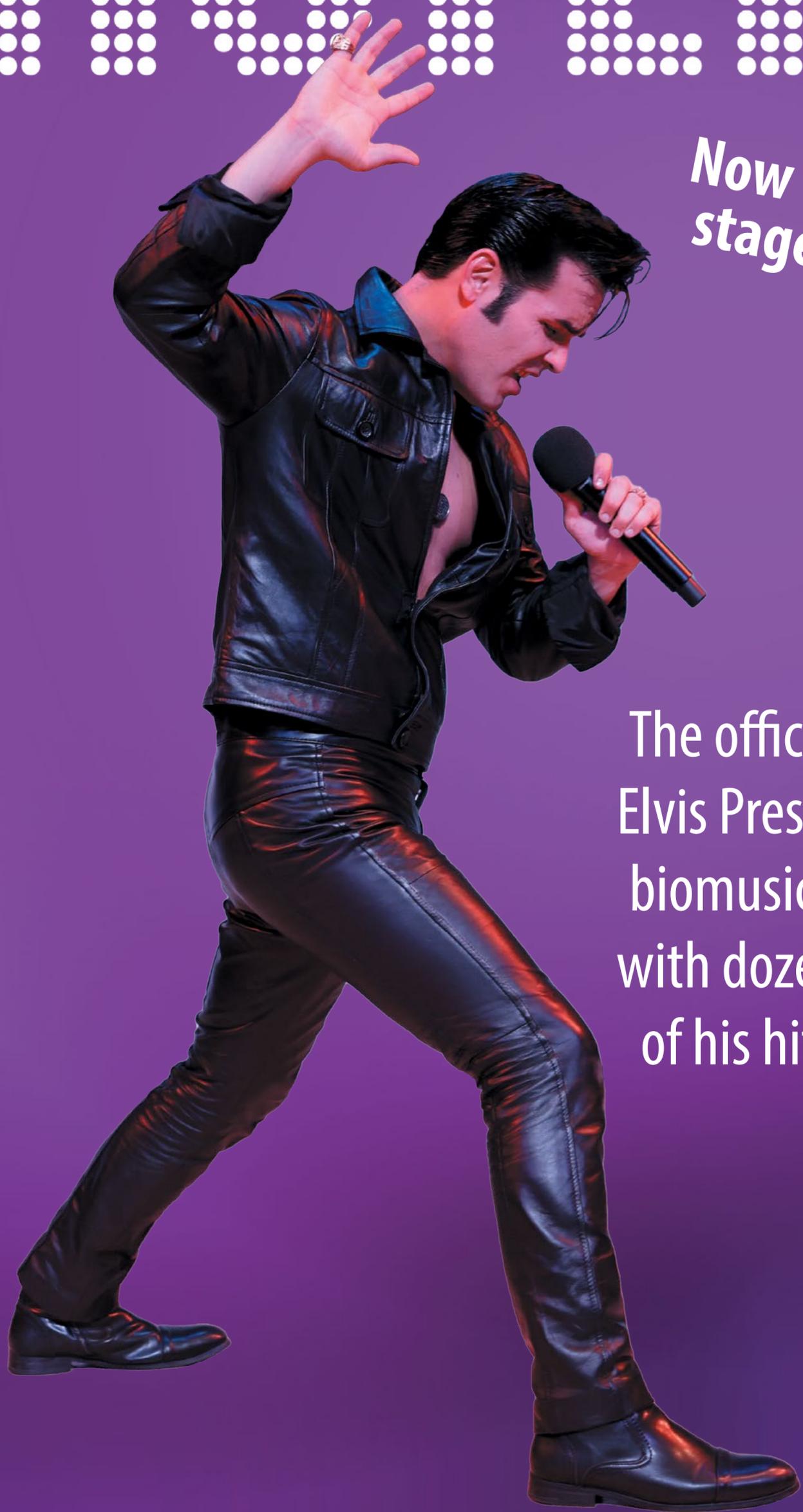
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Day in the life of a student-athlete

Editor's note: The following column does not necessarily reflect the opinions of The Reporter, its staff, or its owners. As a column, it is an opinion piece and should not be taken as news.



AVERY HILLS
Sheridan High School Student

Being a student-athlete is not for the weak. Being a student-athlete means early mornings, long nights, and a whole lot of bumps and bruises.

I am a part of the 57 percent of students who participate in a sport. I play soccer for my high school, Sheridan, as well as being a player on the Indy Eleven ECNL 2010 team. This means that year-round, I play soccer and attend high school.

I'm here to tell you what a typical game day looks like for me while playing high school soccer.

My morning starts bright and early at 6:00. Waking up this early gives me enough time to get ready, and hit snooze. By 6:15 I'm out of bed and heading to the bath-

room to brush my teeth and wash my face. If the game is home, I have to dress up for school, and if it's an away game, I have to wear Sheridan gear. I usually lay out my clothes the night before to eliminate stress; however, I still tweak a few things about my outfit the morning of.

Next, I do my hair and put on mascara. If my hair is clean, I'll curl or braid it, and if it's dirty, a slick back to hold until the game. After that, I pack all my things for the game. My gameday necessities include gel, brush, deodorant, perfume, lip balm, and lots of hair ties and hair spray. I also check to make sure all my jerseys are in my bag, along with cleats and shin guards.

By 7:15, everything is packed and ready for the day, so I dig through my sock bin to find matching socks, and put on my shoes. At 7:20, I grab my lunch,

eat a quick protein bar, and head out the door by 7:30.

I arrive at school by 7:45 and head inside at 7:45, chatting with my friends. My first period is weights, which is easier on game days. Next, I head to math, then Spanish, SRT (homeroom), chemistry, and language arts. This part of my day takes forever, but it helps that I am with a lot of my friends this year. After language arts, I have lunch, where I get to sit with almost all of my friends. After lunch, I only have two class periods, AP US History and study hall. I spend study hall working on any homework or talking to teachers about events coming up.

After school ends, I head to one of my friends' cars. Together, along with some freshmen, we go to her grandparent's house to eat, hang out, and get ready before the game. Then it's back to the school to meet in the locker room or get on the bus for an away game. The bus rides to games are filled with music, talking, and braiding hair.

Home games mean a locker room full of energy and music. Once warm-ups begin, the focus shifts to the game, and soon enough, it is kickoff. Games last around an hour and 45 minutes, and after that I either head home with my parents or take the bus back from away games.

At home, I eat a snack, shower, and lay out whatever clothes and other items that I need for the next day before starting on homework. By the time I crawl into bed, it's usually around 11:00.

The days are long, but I'm grateful for the opportunity.

Being a student athlete is tough, but it has helped me become the person I am. I have learned how to manage my time, work well under pressure, and be resilient. Without soccer, my life would be completely different, and I am so grateful for the opportunities it provides me.

My days may be long, but time has flown by, and I couldn't be more grateful for them.

Community News

All-you-can eat fish fry at Wayne Fall Lions Club

The Wayne-Fall Lions Club invites the community to an all-you-can-eat fish fry from 4:30 to 7:30 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 20, at the Wayne-Fall Lions Club, 11940 E. 191st St., located at the intersection of De-shane Road and Victory Chapel Road, Noblesville.

The meal will include the Lions Club's famous fried cod, fries, baked beans, coleslaw, and a drink. The meal will cost \$15 for adults and \$8 for kids aged 10 and under.

Desserts and Coney dogs will be available for \$3.

Sheridan Phi Beta Psi's annual Lasagna Dinner

Friday, Sept. 19, 5 to 7 p.m.

Sheridan High School cafeteria

Lasagna, breadsticks, salad, dessert & drink
Advance Adult Tickets: \$12 (\$15 at the door)

Children 12 and under: \$7

Gluten-free & carry-out available

Proceeds benefit a scholarship toward medical studies for a Sheridan High School senior

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.

VETERANS DAY CEREMONY
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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

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Visit westfieldin.gov/veteransdayceremony to submit your entry and learn more!



Latest Westfield road construction updates

See Dr. Atha's first State of the Schools address

The REPORTER

The Westfield Chamber invites business leaders, community members, and guests to attend the annual State of the Schools Luncheon.



Atha

Westfield Washington Schools Superintendent Dr. John Atha will give his first address at this year's luncheon, set for 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 18, The Bridgewater Club, 3535 E. 161st St.

Hear directly from Dr. Atha as he provides an update on the Destination Westfield initiatives, shares the district's core priorities, and outlines plans for the upcoming school rebalancing process. He will also highlight recent success stories in the school system.

This event typically sells out due to high interest, so register to reserve your seat right away at [this link](#).

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Closure: Towne Road

Towne Road from 146th Street to Towne Run Road will be closed to construct a roundabout tying into Old 146th Street. Please detour utilizing 146th Street to Ditch Road to 151st Street. This closure will tentatively last 60 days. All dates and timelines are subject to change due to weather, utilities, etc.

Partial Closure: 171st Street

A portion of 171st Street near Ditch Road is closed, which will last approximately 45 days. Ditch Road going north and south will



Graphic provided by City of Westfield

Above is the detour to avoid the closure at 146th Street and Towne Road.

remain open to thru traffic, but be aware of construction crews working in this area. There will still be access to Maple Glen Elementary. This construction is part of the 171st Street and Ditch Road roundabout.

171st Street & Ditch Road roundabout

Road work to construct a roundabout at 171st Street and Ditch Road is underway. Closures are not expected at this time, but flaggers will be on-site to direct traffic. Please use caution in this area.

Lane restrictions: 181st Street

As Sept. 3, work has begun on an accel / decel lane for Westfield Collective on the north side of 181st Street between Wheeler Road and Grand Park Boulevard. Lane restrictions are possible during this work, which

is expected to last two to three days.

Patch replacement: 161st & Gray Road, Casey Road

A city contractor is replacing patches at 161st Street and Gray Road, as well as on Casey Road between the Ditch Road roundabout and 186th Street. There will be traffic control with lane restrictions. Delays are expected.

Lane restrictions: 161st Street

In anticipation of the 161st Street Path project, crews will be removing trees on the south side of 161st Street between Oak Road and Carey Road. This will likely result in lane restrictions on the eastbound lane. Flaggers will be on-site to direct traffic. Please use caution in this area. The project is anticipated to last two weeks.

Road closure: 151st Street

151st Street is closed between Buchanan Lane and Shelbourne Road for approximately three weeks to reconstruct the road as part of the Kimblewick development. Residents will be able to access their homes, but thru traffic will not be permitted. Please use Towne Road, 146th Street, and

Shelbourne Road as detours.

Transmission line extension project

Citizens Gas will begin the second phase of its transmission line extension project that began in 2024. Operations will be along the east side of Oak Ridge Road, between Oak Ridge and Holly Farms Drive (Viking Meadows entrance).

Closure: 161st Street & Spring Mill Road

The intersection of 161st Street and Spring Mill Road is closed for roundabout construction. The roundabout construction has been slowed due to utility relocation delays. This project is roughly one month behind the revised opening date (two months behind the original opening date) due to delays with utility relocation work.

The city, field staff, and contractor are working diligently to complete the remaining construction as efficiently as possible. A number of alternatives were considered, including the possibility of partially opening the roundabout with lane restrictions; this would have extended the timeline by an estimated 45 days. Due to that, the decision was made to keep the intersection fully closed until construction is complete.

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Trans-Siberian Orchestra to rock Indianapolis with 2025 winter tour

By **ASHLEY FOWLER**
WISH-TV | wisthv.com

Trans-Siberian Orchestra is returning to Indianapolis for one night only this December.

The multi-platinum rock group will bring its 2025 Winter Tour to Gainbridge Fieldhouse on Thursday, Dec. 4.

TSO promises a reimagined and expanded presentation of "The Ghosts of Christmas Eve," a powerful holiday tale that follows the

journey of a runaway child who breaks into an abandoned vaudeville theater on the day before Christmas.

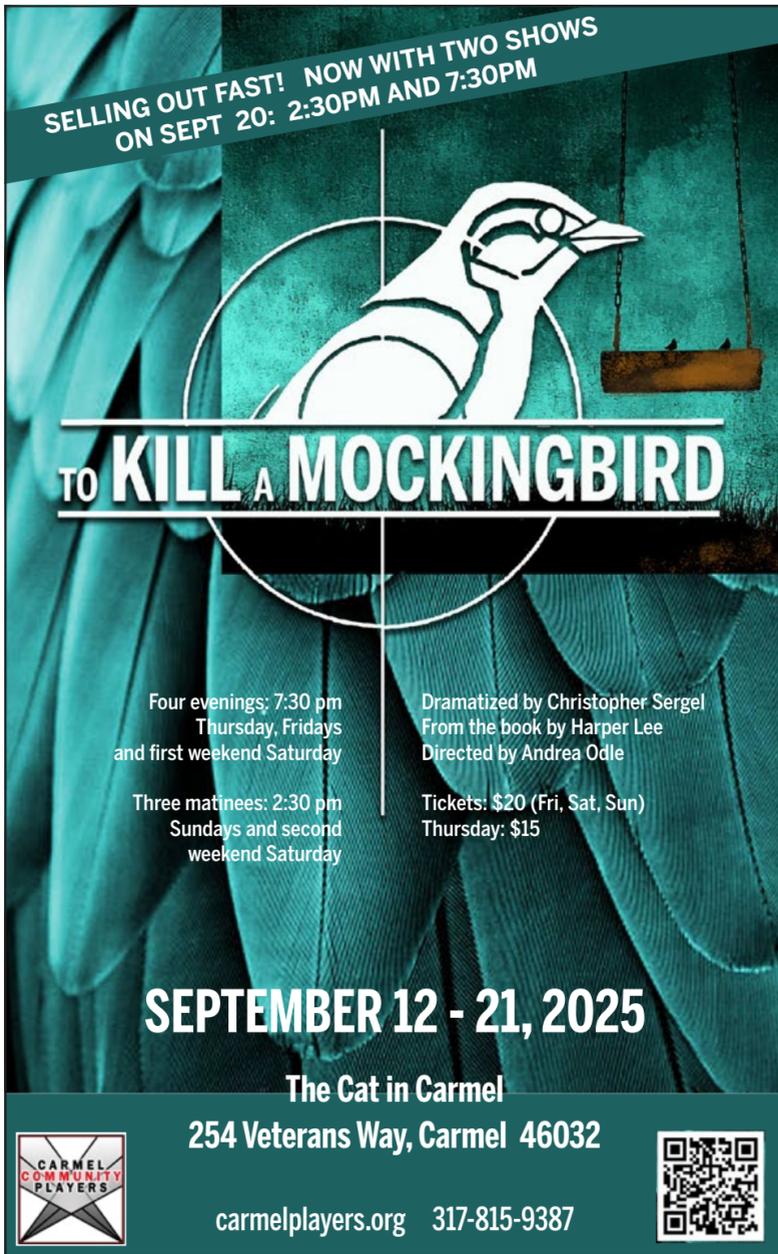
Following the rock opera, TSO will perform a second set packed with hits and fan favorites, delivering a fusion of rock, classical, and theatrical spectacle — complete with pyrotechnics, lasers, and stunning visuals.

TSO has also announced the return of a fan-favorite tradition, the TSO signing line! For the

first time since 2019, every fan attending an evening performance will have the opportunity to get one item signed by members of the group.

Tickets go on sale Friday, Sept. 12 at 10 a.m. at [Ticketmaster.com](https://www.ticketmaster.com), with a portion of the proceeds benefiting Sheltering Wings and the Indianapolis Zoo.

This story was originally published by WISH-TV at wisthv.com/news/local-news/tso-winter-tour-2025-indianapolis.



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Big Brothers Big Sisters invites everyone to 'Paint the Town Green' & celebrate mentorship

Submitted

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Central Indiana (BBBSCI) is calling on businesses, organizations, schools, and community leaders to join its Paint the Town Green campaign, Sept. 14 to 20. This week-long celebration raises awareness of the life-changing impact of mentorship and encourages individuals, businesses, schools, and community partners to show their support for youth across Central Indiana.

Sign up to participate and download a free toolkit at BeBigForKids.org/PTTG.

Throughout the week, buildings, storefronts, and landmarks will light up in green — the organization's signature color — symbolizing hope, potential, and possibility. BBBSCI encourages everyone to participate by wearing green, decorating offices or homes, and sharing stories of mentorship on social media using #PaintTheTownGreen.

"Paint the Town Green is all about uniting the community to celebrate the pow-

er of mentorship," BBBSCI CEO Darcey Palmer-Shultz said. "It's an opportunity to honor the amazing Bigs, Littles, and families we serve and to inspire more people to get involved in creating brighter futures for kids in our community."

How to get involved

• **Wear Green:** Show your support by adding a green to your wardrobe all week long.

• **Light It Up:** Businesses and organizations can "go green" by decorating spaces or lighting up buildings.

• **Share the Message:** Post your green photos and stories on social media using #PaintTheTownGreen or #PTTGwithBBBS and tag @BigBroBigSisIND plus sign up for a free and delivered yard sign at BeBigforKids.org.

• **Join the Celebration:** Top off the week at The Main Event on Thursday, Sept. 18 at the Fishers Event Center, featuring special guest Tamika Catchings, four-time Olympic gold medalist and Hall of Famer.

Why it matters

BBBSCI serves thousands of youth annually by creating and supporting professionally guided, one-to-one mentoring relationships. These matches empower Littles to build confidence, improve academic performance, and unlock their full potential.

Research shows that kids in BBBS mentoring relationships ("Littles"):

- Are 20 percent more likely to enroll in postsecondary education
- Earn 15 percent more over their lifetimes
- Build greater confidence, belonging, and resilience

"Every young person deserves someone in their corner," Palmer-Shultz said. "Paint the Town Green is our way of showing kids across Central Indiana that this community is here for them and cheering them on every step of the way."

To learn more, sign up, or download a participation toolkit, visit BeBigForKids.org/PTTG.

Hamilton County real estate market continues to see homes sell briskly

The REPORTER

Summer in central Indiana is coming to a close with an active residential real estate market.

August pending home sales and available housing inventory increased, and sale prices remained steady. According to F.C. Tucker Company, part of the Howard Hanna family of companies:

- Pending home sales increased 1.8 percent compared to August 2024.
- Available housing inventory increased 20.2 percent compared to August 2024.
- Homes spent three days longer on the market than this time last year, selling in 15 days.
- Compared to August

2024, the median home sale price for the 16-county central Indiana region increased 3.3 percent to \$315,000.

In Noblesville in August:

- The median home sale price increased 2.7 percent to \$380,000.
 - The median price per square foot increased 1.7 percent to \$181.
 - Homes sold in 23 days on average.
 - Closed home sales decreased 8.6 percent, with eight fewer homes sold compared to this time last year.
- In Hamilton County in August:
- Pending home sales increased 4.9 percent compared to last August.
 - Available inventory in-

creased 25.1 percent.

- Homes sold in just 11 days on average.
- The median home sale price increased 3.7 percent to \$456,274 — the highest average home sale price of all the central Indiana counties.

"The end of summer usually prompts a quieter residential real estate market, but August's market remained strong with sales and inventory both increasing and prices remaining stable," F.C. Tucker Company President Jim Litten said. "Another boost in inventory for the sixth consecutive month combined with a decrease in mortgage rates signals an unusually active fall real estate market in central Indiana."

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Indiana is first state to request waiver from Disadvantage Business Enterprise program

Submitted by Office of Gov. Mike Braun

At the end of August, Indiana became the first state to request a waiver from federal requirements to implement race- and gender-conscious components of the **Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Program**, as outlined in **49 Code of Federal Regulations, Part 26**.

If granted, the waiver requested by the Indiana Department of Transportation (INDOT) would eliminate contract-specific DBE goals based on race, ethnicity, or gender on federally assisted highway construction contracts.

The waiver request is prompted by a U.S. District Court preliminary injunction in the *Mid-America Milling Company, LLC (MAMCO) v. U.S. Department of Transportation* lawsuit. In the case, Indiana sub-contractor Mid-Amer-

ica Milling Company, LLC, alleges the federal DBE program's statutes and regulations unlawfully discriminate.

"I am a firm believer in offering equal opportunity for all to compete and succeed," Gov. Braun said. "If granted, this waiver will further position Indiana as a state one would want to do business with and as a place to grow your business."

Under the proposed waiver, INDOT would transition to a race- and gender-neutral implementation strategy. The new methodology for setting goals and certifying businesses would focus exclusively on the availability of economically disadvantaged small businesses within specific geographic and industry markets. **Indiana Attorney General Todd Rokita is leading a 17-state effort** in support of the request for a waiver from the dis-

crimatory and unlawful race and gender-conscious requirements of the U.S. Department of Transportation's Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) program.

"Forcing INDOT to prioritize contractors based on race or gender is unconstitutional and undermines fair competition," AG Rokita



Braun

said. "Granting the waiver INDOT is requesting is well within the Department of Transportation's authority and would be a critical step toward ensuring that Indiana's transportation projects are awarded based on merit, not arbitrary classifications, and aligns with our constitutional duty to uphold equal protection

under the law."

To support small businesses during this transition, INDOT will continue to offer a variety of supportive services to DBEs across Indiana. These services include business development programming, virtual learning opportunities, and DBE forums and networking events.

The proposed waiver is requested for a three-year period, which aligns with the timing of INDOT's next

Disparity Study, expected to be completed in 2028. The results of that study will be used to determine a new DBE goal based solely on economic criteria. During the initial waiver period, INDOT will collect and analyze participation data, continue to submit annual reports to the Federal Highway Association, conduct its full Disparity Study, and follow all federal rules and regulations implemented with respect to DBEs.

Local business owner, father & lifelong Hoosier forms exploratory committee

Submitted

Logan Russell, a local business owner, father, and lifelong Hoosier, announced Thursday the formation of an exploratory committee. The committee's focus will be on listening, learning, and understanding where Russell can best serve his community in the years ahead.



Russell

ers and organizations across the country. His decision to form an exploratory committee reflects a commitment to thoughtful public service rooted in Hoosier values of hard work, family, and community.

In the coming months, Russell will meet with residents, community leaders, and stakeholders across central Indiana to better understand the issues most important to them.

"This isn't about rushing to a destination," Russell said. "It's about making sure I understand the challenges and opportunities facing our community, and exploring where my background and experience can be most useful."

For updates, visit Logan4Indiana.com or follow along on X (formerly Twitter) at x.com/logan4indiana.

"As someone who has built a business here, raised my family here, and lived the values of our state my entire life, I believe the best way to lead is to first listen," Russell said. "This exploratory committee is about starting conversations, hearing from neighbors, families, business owners, and finding out how I can make the most meaningful difference."

Russell, 30, is the president of a consulting firm that has worked with lead-

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SOFT CLOSE BEGINS: Saturday, September 13th @ 6pm

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Hamilton County legislators commend historic increase in third-grade literacy rates

The REPORTER

Hamilton County lawmakers are commending an historic increase in third-grade literacy rates for Hoosier students following results from the 2024-2025 Indiana Reading Evaluation and Determination (IREAD) assessment.

House Speaker Todd Huston (R-Fishers) said third-grade reading scores improved by nearly five percentage points, which is the largest single-year increase since Indiana launched IREAD in 2013. More than 87 percent of Hoosier third graders demonstrated proficiency in reading, putting Indiana's literacy rate at this grade level back to pre-pandemic levels.

The lawmakers thanked Indiana's education leaders, schools, teachers, and families for their dedication to help Indiana students achieve these results.

"I'm thrilled to see our students making strong,

consistent progress in reading," Huston said. "This significant increase helps ensure Indiana's kids are on track for success and is exactly what we hoped to see following targeted policies and support to prioritize literacy in the classroom. Secretary Jenner and her team are providing tremendous leadership and guidance to our schools and educators, and I'm grateful for the hard work and dedication of Indiana's teachers, families and students."

State Rep. Danny Lopez (R-Carmel) noted that literacy rates for all student populations also improved.

"This progress reflects the dedication of Indiana's teachers and the resilience of our students," Lopez said. "We'll keep building on this momentum to ensure every child can read proficiently and is set up for success."

"Shoring up our students' literacy skills has been a total team effort,

and I'm glad to see these measures are working," said State Rep. Chris Jeter (R-Fishers). "There's always room for improvement, and state leaders will continue evaluating options that help keep Hoosier children on track academically."

State Rep. Alaina Shonkwiler (R-Noblesville) said these IREAD results follow Indiana placing sixth in the country for fourth- and eighth-grade reading in the **2024 National Assessment of Education Progress (NAEP) rankings**.

"Indiana's reading scores are back on track thanks to our hardworking teachers, students and parents," Shonkwiler said. "This is a big accomplishment, and I hope we continue to see even more improvement in such a fundamental life skill."

State Rep. Hunter Smith (R-Zionsville) said to improve Indiana's literacy rates, the General

Assembly passed a **law** in 2023 implementing science of reading standards, which is evidence-based instruction that increases students' reading competency through phonemic awareness, phonics, vocabulary development, fluency, oral language skills and comprehension. A **law** passed in 2024 added screenings for students at risk of falling behind on reading proficiency and providing earlier intervention.

"It's great to see our IREAD scores moving in the right direction and Hoosier students getting back on track academically," Smith said. "All of the hard work by our teachers, students and families is paying off."

Results from the 2025 IREAD for individual schools and corporations are available on the Indiana Department of Education's **website**. Click [here](#) to learn more about the state's literacy standards.

State leaders brush elbows in D.C.



Reporter photo
Indiana Comptroller Elise Nieshalla and Indiana Family Institute Executive Director Ryan McCann were seen recently during a meeting at the National Republican Club of Capitol Hill (a.k.a. the Capitol Hill Club) in Washington, D.C.

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Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=61564874995173>

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Carmel Post 10003 Commander - Darin Bibeau
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Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=61565120759104>

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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.

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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 1st & 3rd Mondays 6pm Sign up here <https://forms.gle/XSJo7XxPpyVi3q1f9>

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

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Saturday, September 20 12 pm - 4 pm
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Tuesday Sept 16
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Wednesday Sept 17
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Thursday Sept 18
Honoring our Hope
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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 Ciara Hackett
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

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September 19, 2025
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Staging Information

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New drug dealer law applied to dealer's supplier

By **TIM SPEARS**
WISH-TV | wishtv.com

Law enforcement in Hamilton County say a recent law meant to help crack down on the fentanyl crisis is getting investigators closer to the source of drugs flooding Indiana.

A judge on Thursday morning sentenced Larry Collins Jr. to 40 years in prison for dealing the drugs that resulted in the death of Andrew Kitt. Collins, of Michigan City, was 52 when arrested in May.

Investigators say Collins was a known dealer, selling

drugs on the corner of West 38th Street and High School Road in Indianapolis. According to prosecuting documents, Collins sold cocaine and fentanyl to a man on Nov. 4. That man took the drugs to Westfield, sharing with Kitt, who then died of an overdose.

Indiana adopted a new law in 2018 allowing prosecutors to press felony charges for dealing in a controlled substance resulting in death.

Josh Kocher, Hamilton County chief deputy prosecutor, believes the Collins case is significant because Collins never personally delivered the drugs to Kitt.

"We believe [Collins] was further up the food chain if not multiple steps up the food chain," Kocher said.

While the 2018 law targets "a person who knowingly or intentionally manufactures or delivers a controlled substance ... [resulting] in the death of a human being," Kocher said prosecutors charged Collins because the law does not specify the dealer had to personally deliver the drugs to the victim.

"I don't believe there is a limit to how far up the distribution chain we could go," Kocher said.

Kocher said Collins'

prosecution and others like it give investigators a reason to track the source of the drug trade, even if it leads them out of the county.

Without commenting specifically on the Collins case, the Indiana Public Defender Council has criticized the dealing resulting in death law for being overly broad. A spokesperson for the council said, as written, punishments could be piled on users, instead of being applied to people driving the drug trade.

The U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration says just two milligrams of illicit fentanyl can be fatal. It's of-

ten mixed with other drugs to increase potency.

Westfield Police Detective Sgt. Wade Burtron said, "I think fentanyl is prevalent. It's almost taken over for heroin."

Burtron is part of Westfield Police Department's special investigations unit, which tracked Kitt's death to Collins. He sees fentanyl as a uniquely dangerous drug because of its lethality. "The person going around profiting from dealing poison to their community needs to be held accountable."

The detective said, "If you are bringing your product here or selling to Westfield residents, we are going to ex-

haust every resource we have to find you."

Excluding suicides, Hamilton County has recorded 75 overdose deaths since 2023, according to the coroner's office.

Hamilton County prosecutors have filed 14 dealing causing death cases. Ten have resulted in guilty verdicts; four are still pending.

News 8 reached out to the listed attorney for Collins but did not hear back by Thursday afternoon.

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Give hope, stay prepared: donate blood with Red Cross

The REPORTER

In September, the American Red Cross reminds people that giving blood now helps support patients the moment they need medical care. Donors of all types, especially those with types O positive and B negative blood, are asked to make an appointment to give.

National Preparedness Month is underway – a time to remember lifesaving blood products are an essential part of preparedness for every type of disaster, whether it be home fires or natural disasters, such as hurricanes, flooding, and wildfires. Severe weather can disrupt blood collections by causing blood drive cancellations and impacting donors' ability to give. Additionally, trauma patients may need blood product transfusions within minutes of entering emergency rooms. Those who give now could help someone in dire moments.

A little care goes a long way

People coming together to care for one another is the humanitarian spirit shared by the Red Cross community and fans of the PEANUTS comic for the past 75 years. Those who come to give by Sept. 21 will receive an

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exclusive Red Cross x PEANUTS mystery bag with one of four special T-shirt designs, while supplies last. Thousands of golden tickets are also randomly hidden in mystery bags throughout the country. Donors who find a golden ticket when they open their bag can redeem it through an online form for all four T-shirts.

Bonus: Those who come to give platelets Sept. 22 to Oct. 5 can also receive a classic Red Cross x PEANUTS sweatshirt featuring Snoopy as the coolest beagle in town, Joe Cool, while supplies last. See RedCrossBlood.org/Peanuts for details on all offers.

Be a friend to patients in need. Book a time to give by visiting RedCrossBlood.org, downloading the [Red Cross Blood Donor App](http://RedCrossBloodDonorApp), or calling 1-800-RED CROSS.

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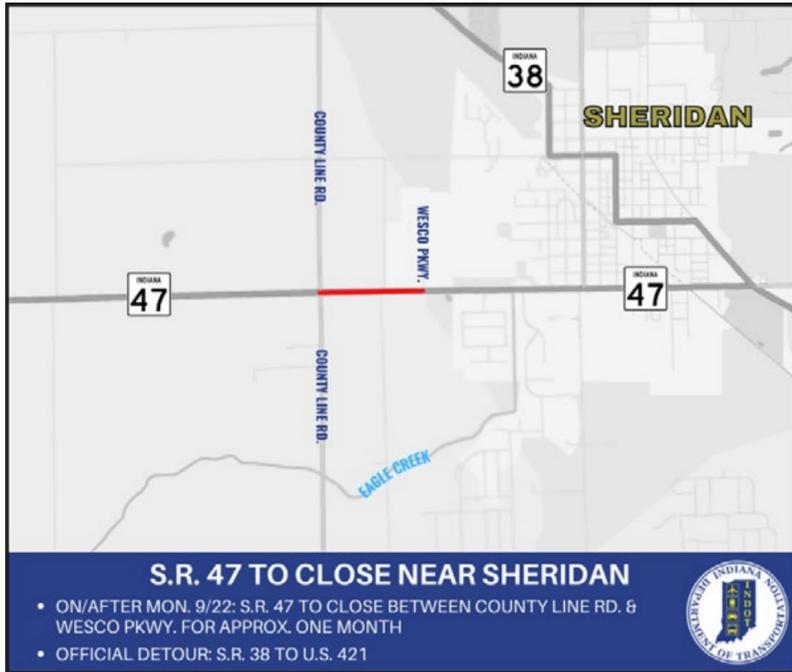
The REPORTER

The Indiana Department of Transportation has announced the closure of State Road 47 for road reconstruction near Sheridan.

Beginning on or after Monday, Sept. 22, SR 47 will close between County Line Road and Wesco Parkway for approximately one month. During this closure, the official detour will follow State Road 38 to U.S. 421.

This is the first phase of work on the SR 47 Roadway Improvement Project, which aims to reconstruct SR 47 from County Line Road east to SR 38 and build a roundabout at the intersection of SR 47 and SR 38 on the southeast side of town. You can learn more about the project at bit.ly/SR47Sheridan.

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distractions, and use extra caution while traveling in

and around work zones. All work is weather-dependent,

and schedules are subject to change.

U.S. Senator Todd Young applauds House passage of legislation to formally end Iraq wars

Submitted by Office of U.S. Sen. Todd Young

On Thursday, U.S. Senators Todd Young (R-Ind.) and Tim Kaine (D-Va.) applauded the U.S. House of Representatives' overwhelming passage of legislation they have championed for years to repeal the 1991 and 2002 Authorizations for Use of Military Force (AUMFs) against Iraq.



Young

The legislation was included in the House's passage of the Fiscal Year 2026 National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA). The 1991 and 2002 AUMFs – which passed 34 and 23 years ago, respectively – authorized the use of

military force for the Gulf and Iraq wars, but Congress across Administrations has failed to repeal these obsolete AUMFs to prevent their potential misuse.

“The Founding Fathers knew that decisions as important as whether or not to send servicemembers into harm’s way should require careful deliberation and consensus,” Sens. Young and Kaine said in a joint statement. “But for decades, Congress has ceded this constitutional responsibility. The 1991 and 2002 AUMFs are no longer necessary, and leaving them on the books carries risk of potential misuse. The House’s

overwhelming support for repealing these AUMFs is a critical step forward in reasserting Congress’ role in decisions of war and peace, and keeping U.S. servicemembers safe. Since the Senate has previously voted to repeal these AUMFs with a strong bipartisan majority, we will do all we can to ensure that this pro-

vision is included in the version of the bill that goes to the President’s desk.”

The House voted to repeal the 1991 and 2002 AUMFs in June 2021. The Senate did so in March 2023, but because the votes did not occur during the same congressional session, the legislation did not become law.

HAMILTON COUNTY

BEFORE THE HAMILTON COUNTY DRAINAGE BOARD IN THE MATTER OF

Clara Knotts Drain, Parkwood Drive Arm/96th & College Reconstruction Arm, Parkwood Drive Vacation

Vacate from 124G to 124F; 124F to 124E; 124E to 124B; 124B to 124; 124A to 124; 124 to 123; 123 to 122; 122 to 121; 13A to 13; 13 to 124D; 124D to 124C; 124C to 124 B; & 10 to 11.

NOTICE is hereby given that a petition to vacate has been received by the Hamilton County Surveyor for the Clara Knotts Drain, Parkwood Drive Arm/96th & College Reconstruction Arm, Parkwood Drive Vacation across Parcels 16-13-11-04-07-001.010, 16-13-11-04-07-001.006 and 99-99-99-99-999.005 (Vacate from 124G to 124F; 124F to 124E; 124E to 124B; 124B to 124; 124A to 124; 124 to 123; 123 to 122; 122 to 121; 13A to 13; 13 to 124D; 124D to 124C; 124C to 124 B; & 10 to 11) and that a hearing is scheduled for September 22, 2025 at 9:00 A.M. on that request in Commissioners Court, Hamilton County Judicial Center, One Hamilton County Square, Noblesville, IN 46060.

Objections to the VACATION of the drain must be filed in writing not less than five (5) days before the date of the hearing.

The Board will consider whether the drain performs the function for which it was designed and constructed; whether the expense of maintenance outweighs the benefits to be derived therefrom, and whether the abandonment thereof will not be detrimental to the public welfare.

HAMILTON COUNTY DRAINAGE BOARD

ATTEST: Lynette Mosbaugh Executive Secretary

R6759

9/12/25, 9/15/25

Notice of Public Hearing of the Board of Commissioners of Hamilton County To Enter Into A Public-Private BOT Agreement Pursuant to Indiana Code 5-23

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Commissioners of Hamilton County, Indiana (the “Board of Commissioners”), will conduct a public hearing on September 22, 2025, at 1:00 p.m., local time, in the Commissioners’ Courtroom at the Hamilton County Courthouse, located at 1 Hamilton County Square, Noblesville, Indiana, 46060, to review the proposal and agreement for the construction, equipping, operation, maintenance, and transfer to Hamilton County, Indiana (the “County”), of the Public Safety Training Facility (collectively, the “Project”) pursuant to Indiana Code 5-23. The purpose of the hearing is to hear the recommendation to members of the Board of Commissioners in order to make an award of a public-private agreement for the Project submitted by Meyer Najem. The address and telephone number of the Board of Commissioners is One Hamilton County Square, Suite 157, Noblesville, Indiana, 46060, telephone number 317-776-8493. This hearing is open to the public. The proposal for the Project and an explanation of the basis upon which the recommendation is being made are available for public inspection and copying at the office of the Board of Commissioners during regular business hours.

/s/ Todd Clevenger, Auditor Hamilton County, Indiana 9/12/25, 9/15/25

R6778

WESTFIELD

NOTICE OF DECISION TO ENTER LEASE AGREEMENT

The taxpayers of the City of Westfield Redevelopment District (the “District”), are hereby notified that on August 18, 2025, the City of Westfield Redevelopment Commission (the “Commission”), did adopt a resolution determining that the Commission will take all actions necessary to enter into a lease agreement (the “Lease”) with the City of Westfield Redevelopment Authority (the “Authority”), which in turn will allow the Authority to issue certain revenue bonds (the “Bonds”), payable from the lease rentals received from the Commission pursuant to the terms of the Lease. The Bonds may be issued in one or more series or issues, in an original aggregate principal amount not to exceed Thirty-Five Million Dollars (\$35,000,000), for the purpose of procuring funds to pay for all or a portion of the costs of the Projects, as defined and fully described in the respective resolution adopted by the Commission on August 18, 2025. The Authority adopted a resolution on August 18, 2025, approving the form of the Lease and authorizing the execution thereof. Following the public hearing and approval of the form of the Lease by the Commission, the Common Council of the City adopted an ordinance on September 8, 2025, approving the Lease, the issuance of the Bonds and other matters related thereto.

The Lease will have a term beginning on the date on which the Commission begins to make lease rental payments under the Lease, and ending on the day prior to a date not later than twenty-five (25) years thereafter, with a maximum annual lease rental payment not to exceed Five Million Dollars (\$5,000,000) payable in semiannual installments commencing no earlier than December 15, 2025, and thereafter on June 15 or December 15 of each year during the remaining term of the Lease (or on such other dates as may be agreed upon by the Authority and the Commission prior to the sale of the Bonds, based upon the advice of the financial advisor to the Authority and the Commission).

Dated this 12th day of September, 2025. CITY OF WESTFIELD REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

R6775

9/12/25, 9/15/25, 9/19/25, 9/22/25

JACKSON TOWNSHIP

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TO APPROVE THE TOWNSHIP'S CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN

Notice is hereby given to the taxpayers of Jackson Township, Hamilton County, Indiana that the Jackson Township Board will meet on Tuesday September 23rd at 506 W. Main Street, Arcadia, IN 46030 at 10:00 a.m. to consider the adoption of the Township's Capital Improvement Plan.

Taxpayers appearing at the meeting shall have the right to comment. The Capital Improvement Plan as adopted will be referred to the Department of Local Government Finance (DLGF).

R6781

9/12/25, 9/15/25

HAMILTON COUNTY

ORDINANCE NO. 09-08-25-B

AN ORDINANCE OF THE HAMILTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS REQUIRING ANY REQUEST TO INSPECT AND/OR COPY HAMILTON COUNTY'S PUBLIC RECORDS TO BE MADE IN WRITING AND PROHIBITING THE USE OF ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED FROM SUCH A REQUEST FOR A COMMERCIAL PURPOSE

WHEREAS, the Hamilton County Board of Commissioners hereby adopts this Ordinance to require any Person who requests to inspect and/or copy Hamilton County's Public Records to make such a request in writing and to prohibit the use of information obtained from such a request for a Commercial Purpose; and

WHEREAS, Indiana's Access to Public Records Act, Indiana Code § 5-14-3-1, et seq., governs a Person's right to inspect and/or copy Hamilton County's Public Records; and

WHEREAS, one purpose of this Ordinance is to ensure that any Person who is entitled to inspect and/or copy Hamilton County's Public Records under Indiana's Access to Public Records Act may inspect and/or copy Hamilton County's Public Records under that Act; and

WHEREAS, under Indiana Code § 5-14-3-3(a)(2), Hamilton County may, at its discretion, require that any Person requesting to inspect or copy Hamilton County's Public Records submit such a request in writing on a Form provided by Hamilton County; and

WHEREAS, Hamilton County maintains several categories of Public Records in electronic data storage systems, including, without limitation, Public Records which have gathered to respond to requests to inspect or copy Hamilton County's Public Records as well as other records; and

WHEREAS, Hamilton County invests substantial time and resources into reviewing and responding to Public Records requests; and

WHEREAS, Hamilton County may save time and resources if a Person must submit Public Records requests in writing on a Form because such a Form should help Hamilton County identify and process requests in an efficient manner; and

WHEREAS, Hamilton County also should be able to communicate in an efficient manner about Public Records requests that are submitted in writing; and

WHEREAS, one purpose of this Ordinance is to allow Hamilton County to identify, process, and communicate about Public Records requests in an efficient manner; and

WHEREAS, under Indiana Code § 5-14-3-3(e), Hamilton County may prohibit any Person who obtains information from Hamilton County's Public Records from using any such information for a Commercial Purpose; and

WHEREAS, a Person should not profit from the time and resources that Hamilton County dedicates to reviewing and responding to Public Records requests; and

WHEREAS, one purpose of this Ordinance is to prevent any Person from profiting from the time and resources Hamilton County dedicates to responding to Public Records requests; and

WHEREAS, Hamilton County shall provide reasonable accommodation to any Person who is unable to submit a request to inspect and/or copy Hamilton County's Public Records in writing; and

WHEREAS, one purpose of this Ordinance is to ensure that Hamilton County does not discriminate against any Person who is unable to submit a request to inspect and/or copy Hamilton County's Public Records in writing; and

WHEREAS, this Ordinance should be interpreted, applied, and enforced in a manner that will advance the above-stated purposes of this Ordinance.

IT IS THEREBY ORDAINED by the Board of Commissioners of Hamilton County that:

SECTION I. APPLICABILITY. This Ordinance applies to requests to inspect or copy Hamilton County's Public Records.

SECTION II. DEFINITIONS. a. "Commercial Purpose" means any commercial purpose identified in Indiana Code § 5-14-3-3(e), including, without limitation, any act taken to sell, advertise, and/or solicit the purchase of merchandise, goods, and/or services and/or sell, loan, give away, and/or otherwise deliver the information obtained by any request to any Person.

b. "Copy" means transcribing by handwriting, photocopying, xerography, duplicating machine, duplicating electronically stored data onto a disk, tape, drum, or any other medium of electronic data storage, and reproducing by any other means.

c. "Form" means the Public Records Request Form available on Hamilton County's website and any office where Hamilton County's Employees provide services to the public.

d. "Hamilton County" means the political subdivision known as Hamilton County, Indiana, as well as any elected official and/or Person employed by that political subdivision.

e. "Information" means any word, image, and/or audio recorded on and/or in Hamilton County's Public Records.

f. "Inspect" means any activity identified in Indiana Code § 5-14-3-2(h).

g. "Office" means any office operated by Hamilton County.

h. "Ordinance" means this ordinance, Ordinance No. 09-08-25-B.

i. "Person" means any individual, corporation, limited liability company, partnership, unincorporated association, and/or governmental entity.

j. "Public Record" means any writing, paper, report, study, map, photograph, book, card, tape recording, or other material that is created, received, retained, maintained, or filed by or with Hamilton County and which is generated on paper, paper substitutes, photographic media, chemically based media, magnetic or machine readable media, electronically stored data, or any other material, regardless of form or characteristics which is not deemed confidential, privileged, or otherwise not subject to public disclosure under local, state, and/or federal law.

k. "Required Field" means a field identified by an Asterisk and emphasized with Bold font on the Form which is provided by Hamilton County on its website and/or its Offices. Hamilton County Employees shall identify Required Fields and/or identify a Person who can identify Required Fields if a Person has questions about Required Fields under this Ordinance.

SECTION III. PROCESS FOR REQUESTING HAMILTON COUNTY'S PUBLIC RECORDS. a. Any Person may inspect and/or copy Hamilton County's Public Records if the Person is entitled to access to such a Public Record under Indiana's Access to Public Records Act and the Person identifies with reasonable particularity the Public Record in writing on a Form provided by Hamilton County. Any Person submitting such a Form must provide all details which must be provided to complete the Required Fields on such a Form. Completed Forms may be submitted via Hamilton County's NextRequest Portal at <https://hamiltoncounty.in.nextrequest.com/>, email to legal@hamiltoncounty.in.gov, and/or in person at Hamilton County's Offices.

b. Any Person who desires to inspect and/or copy Hamilton County's Public Records under Indiana's Access to Public Records Act may identify with reasonable particularity the Public Record the Person desires to inspect and/or copy in writing on any document which provides all details which must be provided to complete the Required Fields on a Form provided by Hamilton County. Such documents may be submitted via Hamilton County's NextRequest Portal at <https://hamiltoncounty.in.nextrequest.com/>, email to legal@hamiltoncounty.in.gov, and/or in person at Hamilton County's Offices.

c. Any Person who is unable to submit a completed Form or written document to inspect and/or copy Hamilton County's Public Records who is entitled to a reasonable accommodation under local, state, and/or federal law may request and receive such a reasonable accommodation.

SECTION IV. ENFORCEMENT PROCEDURES. Hamilton County may enforce this Ordinance as follows:

a. If Hamilton County receives any request to inspect and/or copy Hamilton County's Public Records which does not comply with this Ordinance, it may deny any such request.

b. If Hamilton County receives any request to inspect and/or copy Hamilton County's Public Records from any Person who has not complied with this Ordinance, Hamilton County may direct any Person to comply with this Ordinance.

c. If Hamilton County receives any request to inspect and/or copy Hamilton County's Public Records from any Person who has not complied with this Ordinance, Hamilton County may provide a Form and/or direct any Person to submit a completed Form pursuant to this Ordinance.

d. If Hamilton County receives any request to inspect and/or copy Hamilton County's Public Records from any Person and Hamilton County is not able to verify that the name and/or contact information which was provided with the request is complete and accurate, Hamilton County may require any Person who submitted such a request to verify the name and contact information provided is complete and accurate. Hamilton County may find that any Person who refuses to provide a name and contact information which is complete and accurate has abandoned the Person's request to inspect and/or copy Hamilton County's Public Records.

e. If Hamilton County receives a request for a reasonable accommodation and the Person making this request is entitled to a reasonable accommodation under local, state, or federal law, Hamilton County shall provide such a Person with such a reasonable accommodation.

f. Any Person who uses information obtained via a request to inspect and/or copy Hamilton County's Public Records for a commercial purpose is not entitled to obtain access to Hamilton County's Public Records under this ordinance or Indiana Code § 5-14-3-3(e).

SECTION V. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect on November 1, 2025, which shall be more than 30 days after publication of the Notice of Adoption of this Ordinance. The Hamilton County Auditor is directed to have this Ordinance codified in the Hamilton County Code of Ordinances.

ALL OF WHICH IS ORDAINED by the Board of Commissioners of Hamilton County this 8th day of September 2025.

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Elbert E. Elliott "Dr. E"

June 18, 1937 – September 9, 2025

Elbert E. Elliott "Dr. E", 88, Carmel, passed away on Tuesday, September 9, 2025, at his home at Independence Village of Carmel. He was born June 18, 1937, to Monous and Antha Lou (Jackson) Elliott in Jonesboro, Ark.



Elbert met Barbara Wallace when they were high school freshmen. He tripped her on the stairs to get her attention. In 1956, they married and began their 64 ½ year journey together. For over 50 years, they invested their lives in a calling from God Almighty to proclaim the Good News and help people through ministry in churches, colleges, and universities. They made many good friends all over the world. Dr. E looked for the good in others, gave encouragement, and helped those who needed it.

Elbert graduated high school in Mt. Carmel, Ill., earned his BS from Oklahoma Baptist University, a M.Div. from Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, a M.S. from Southern Illinois University, and a Ph.D. from Southern Illinois University in Carbondale. From 1987 to 2005, Elbert was the Senior Minister at First Baptist Church in Mattoon, Ill., and from 2006 to 2020 he was the Provost and Professor of Pulpit Communications, Biblical Studies, and Pastoral Ministries at Trinity College. Elbert was an artist and enjoyed painting landscapes, stills, and portraits.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his wife, Barbara, and his brother David. Elbert is survived by his daughters, Debbie (Steve) Keyes and Tami (Dennon) McMillan, and son, Dave (Krissie) Elliott. He also leaves behind eight grandchildren: Missy (Brian), Rachelle (Kevin), Dennon II (Melissa), Marcie (Joe), Josh (Myra), Megan (Mark), Karmen (Bethany), and Emily (CJ). Great PaPa's family tree continues to blossom with 16 great-grandchildren whom he loved dearly and were the apple of his eye. A good day for Elbert was spending time with his family, especially all his grandchildren and great-grandchildren. He loved playing games, taking them places and making root beer floats. Every day was "Super Duper" to him!

Services will be held at 4 p.m. Friday, September 12, 2025, at Randall & Roberts Funeral Center, 1685 Westfield Road, Noblesville, with Dr. Scott Shepard officiating. Visitation will be from 2 p.m. to the time of the service at the funeral home. Burial will be at 11 a.m. (Central Time) on Saturday, September 13, 2025, at Highland Cemetery in Mt Carmel, Ill.

Memorial contributions may be made to First Baptist Church, 1804 S. 9th St., Mattoon, IL 61938; or Trinity College, 20 NW 3rd St., Evansville, IN 47708.

Condolences: randallroberts.com

TODAY'S BIBLE READING**THE APPOINTED FESTIVALS**

"The Lord said to Moses, "Speak to the Israelites and say to them: 'These are my appointed festivals, the appointed festivals of the Lord, which you are to proclaim as sacred assemblies.

THE SABBATH

"There are six days when you may work, but the seventh day is a day of sabbath rest, a day of sacred assembly. You are not to do any work; wherever you live, it is a sabbath to the Lord.

THE PASSOVER AND**THE FESTIVAL OF UNLEAVENED BREAD**

"These are the Lord's appointed festivals, the sacred assemblies you are to proclaim at their appointed times: The Lord's Passover begins at twilight on the fourteenth day of the first month. On the fifteenth day of that month the Lord's Festival of Unleavened Bread begins; for seven days you must eat bread made without yeast. On the first day hold a sacred assembly and do no regular work. For seven days present a food offering to the Lord. And on the seventh day hold a sacred assembly and do no regular work."

Leviticus 23:1-8 (NIV)

Meeting Notices

The Noblesville Schools Board of Trustees will meet at 6 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 16, 2025, in the Board Room at the Noblesville Schools Educational Services Center, 18025 River Road, Noblesville.

The Hamilton Heights Classroom Teachers Association and Hamilton Heights School Corporation will hold a public hearing at 7:30 a.m. Tuesday, Sept. 16, 2025, at the Hamilton Heights Student Activity Center, 420 W. North St., Arcadia, pursuant to IC 20-29-6-1(a).

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SOLD!

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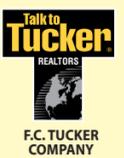


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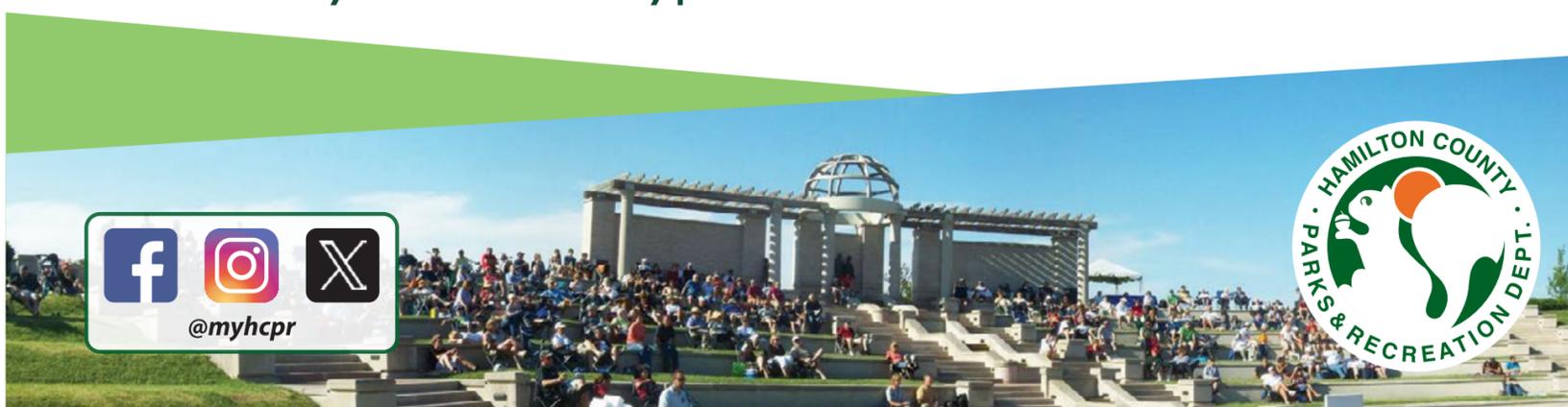
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Volleyball

Southeastern wins Mudsock trophy with tight sweep of Fishers

By **RICHIE HALL**

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FISHERS – The Hamilton Southeastern volleyball team hosted the Mudsock match with Fishers on Thursday and won in a tight straight-set match, 25-18, 25-21, 25-19.

After the Royals prevailed in the first set, both teams settled in for a very competitive second set. Neither team led by more than two points until the end, when Southeastern won four straight points from 21-21. Madi Miles started the run with a kill, followed by a kill from Bre Morgan. Miles stepped up again with a net tip to bring HSE to set point, then put down another kill to give the Royals the set.

“She’s been our go-to,” said Southeastern coach Jason Young. “She’s come up with crucial kills at big times for us. She’s getting it done every single night. She’s going to Illinois for a reason.”



Reporter photo by Richie Hall

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The Hamilton Southeastern volleyball team swept Fishers on Thursday to win the Mudsock match.

Clean sweep: Westfield stays undefeated with a 3-0 win

By **QUINN MATTHEWS**

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WESTFIELD – The Westfield Shamrocks took a quick three-set win against the Noblesville Millers on Thursday, 25-12, 25-17, 25-16.

The first set started with intense rallies as both teams fought for the early lead. The Shamrocks soon took command with a series of striking hits from Carsyn Comer that sent the ball right through the Millers. They maintained their lead despite solid blocks from Reese Resmer and Ella Coppock. Paige Rudolph added to the score with well-placed spikes that kept the pres-

sure high. The Shamrocks ended the set in their favor 25-12.

The Millers brought renewed energy into the second set and took the lead to gain some momentum. They had multiple powerful attacks from Kennedy Lutz that made it a hard fight for the Shamrocks, but it was the Shamrocks’ stamina during long volleys that made the difference. The Shamrocks took the lead again with hits from Laynie Holman, which consistently found holes in the Millers defense. They finished strong and ended the set in their favor 25-17.

Tension filled the gym as both teams entered the

third set, knowing this was the make-or-break moment. The Millers put up a fight with Resmer and Coppock continuing to maintain their powerful blocks at the net. But the Shamrocks found ways around it, finding different clever ways to gather points. Kenna Robinson scored multiple aces and firmly put points on the board. After a hard-fought match, the Shamrocks’ consistency led to a final set win of 25-16, and a 3-0 win overall to carry on their undefeated streak. Westfield is 11-0.

“Our serving has continued to dominate, I felt that gave us the opportunity to defend better,” said Westfield head coach Sean Keeve.

The Noblesville Millers will host an invitational at 9 a.m. on Saturday facing Union County and Western. The Westfield Shamrocks will attend the Hamilton Southeastern invitational at 9 a.m. on Saturday facing Cathedral and Mt. Vernon.



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Westfield’s Laynie Holman goes up to make a spike during the Shamrocks’ volleyball match with Noblesville on Thursday. Pictured for the Millers is Kennedy Lutz.

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It keeps them runnin': athletes compete in Prairie on Fire

By **RICHIE HALL**
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STRAWTOWN – How long can you go in the prairie?

Runners from across the country put themselves to the test this past weekend (Sept. 6 and 7) as they competed in the Prairie on Fire Backyard Ultra. The event is an endurance test to see how long an athlete can keep running, navigating a 4.167-mile loop around White River Campground during the day and on the 234th Street trail at night.

The competing runners have one hour to finish 4.167 miles, which doesn't sound that bad – the pace is a 14-minute mile. The test comes in the hours afterwards: in order to stay in the race, a runner has to run another loop, every hour, on the hour.

The event started in 2022 with seven runners, but has grown exponentially since then. The 2025 edition featured 172 runners. TJ Dailey, race director for Meshingomesia Track Club (the entity that hosts the race), called the growth “unbelievable,” giving credit to the weather, which was perfect for running.

“It's between 50 and 75 degrees,” said Dailey. “You could not ask for a better scenario than that. So, that's been a big thing. We've had good performances here and then a strong Indiana community and a great runner experience. We really try to focus on runner experience and that's helped us grow.”

While the majority of the runners were from Indiana, several faraway communities were represented, from



Key West, Fla. to Eagle River, Alaska. There was one runner from Ontario.

Several runners are regular ultra-marathoners, including Cameron Balsler from Kokomo. Balsler ran the perimeter of the entire continental United States, a 294-day journey that began Oct. 10, 2023 in Cleveland and finished on Aug. 3, 2024. During his run, Balsler visited 33 different states, making stops at Niagara Falls, Maine, Key West, Santa Monica, Calif. and the Cascades before returning to Cleveland.

Balsler, who ran with a cart behind his back that kept his supplies, called the experience “magical” and “freeing.”

“A lot of times, we see the world from TV,” said Balsler. “To see how kind and loving it is, is amazing.”

This year's top finisher at Prairie on Fire is Jeff Walker from Noblesville. Walker completed 38 loops for a total of 158,346 miles. There was a tie for second place: Westfield's Abram Rickenberg and Indianapolis' Angel Soto Lozada both completed 37 loops, or

154,179 miles. Gracie Bell of Ingalls was the top female finisher. She completed 27 loops, or 112,509 miles. A total of 25



Reporter photos by **Richie Hall**
(TOP) The White River Campground hosted runners from across the country as they tested their endurance at the Prairie on Fire Backyard Ultra this past weekend (Sept. 6 and 7). A total of 172 runners competed in the event. **(ABOVE)** Zach Homol of Brownsburg gets some food early Sunday (Sept. 7) morning after finishing 75 miles of the Prairie on Fire Backyard Ultra.

runners completed 24 loops, which gave them 100 miles total.

A complete list of results can be found at [this link](#).

More than scores: Southeastern Media Network capturing the moments that count

By **QUINN MATTHEWS**
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Teams aren't just built on plays, practices, or wins and losses. They are about the players who wear the jersey. Behind every team statistic, there's a deeper story. Hamilton Southeastern High School understands that it's the shared culture that makes a true team, and their media programming is here to capture it.

HSE offers many media programs including Yearbook, Newspaper, News Broadcast, Sports Broadcast, General Public Relations, Sports Media, and Film Studio. There are hundreds of students in these programs, but one in particular was recently flooded with interested students. The sports media program, known as Southeastern Sports Network, includes 70 students that initially started as a Public Relations class.

“Public Relations started in 2023 with only 12 students,” said Carson Trotter, a fall executive director of sports media and a student at HSE. “It was a combined class of spring athletics teams and some out-of-building and in-building PR work like graphics for teacher parent night and other events. Suddenly, we had like 70 students wanting to join for sports PR, so we had to separate them. Now we have General Public Relations and Sports Media.”

The Southeastern Sports Network is split into teams to guarantee equal and thorough coverage. Each sport has a coverage team of students that range from five to eight people. The teams



The dedicated work of the students involved has made Southeastern Sports Network successful in providing coverage of athletics at Hamilton Southeastern.

help manage the Instagram account for their assigned sport, along with gathering pictures and bonding with players. They cover every home game and post scores at halftime and after games throughout the entire season. Their main Instagram that houses all current sports is @southeasternsn. It has over 5,000 followers, and is packed with content all year round.

“A staple of our program is live event coverage. Timely photo coverage is the biggest thing you see. An expectation we are set to have is to attend every home event. If a student is not able to go to a home game, they should have a lot of trust in the Southeastern Sports Network to see scores,” said Omar Elsayed, the winter executive director of sports media, social media manager, cre-

ative professional, and student at HSE.

Along with updated sports coverage that you can always rely on, the Sports Media and Sports Broadcast classes are collaborating to create a series of episodes every week to document the 2025 football season. These episodes include footage of practices, games, pep talks from the coach, and many other unique elements that make the teams more personable.

“I'm really glad we started with a bang this year. The whole point of it [the football series] is to wrap in all kinds of media and types of storytelling,” said Elsayed. “A lot of people liked it a lot. People thought it was unique and different. We are setting the bar high and dropping new things that other schools aren't doing, and that's what

is making us stand out.”

Even with 70 students in their program that all shine when it comes to providing top-of-the-line content, making the program feel like a family is their number one priority. Promoting shared culture to their staff is extremely important to them.

“I couldn't be more proud to be a part of it. We preach every day, people over process, people over product. I want to make sure that the person to the right and to the left of me are okay before anything else,” said Trotter. “When we walk into our classroom there's printed photos plastered all over the wall of our teams together covering games, out to eat after events, and getting together outside of the classroom, it's a big culture that we really believe in.”

MUDSOCK

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Several players stepped up for both teams during the second set. Miles and Morgan teamed up for a block, while Merritt Sliwa hit a couple kills. Meanwhile, Fishers' Milana Mays also hit a couple kills, with Ella Drago adding a pair of kills as well.

“Milana is a steady force for us, both blocking and attacking,” said Tigers coach Kim Baker, who is now the Fishers varsity head coach after two years as an assistant. “As long as we can get her the ball and we can keep feeding her, we're going to score points with her.”

The third set was close early, with the score tied at 6-6. Miles and Fishers' Mya Woodley both hit aces, with HSE's Mia Zabel making a block for the first point. The Royals took off on a 10-1 run that gave the home team a 16-7 lead. Sliwa, Miles and Ava Gould all hit kills, while Jasmie Daniels served an ace.

Fishers went on it own

6-0 run to get back within 16-12; Mays hit a kill and teamed with Brynn Baker for a block after making a solo block. Ava Tester served two aces. But Sliwa ended the run with a kill, then Brooklyn Sigler's spike pushed Southeastern ahead 20-13. The Tigers kept battling to the end, but Sliwa hit a kill on match point to finish things up.

Miles finished with 16 kills, while Sliwa hit nine. Morgan made eight blocks. As for Fishers, Mays put down nine kills and made three blocks, while Tester dished out 14 assists and served two aces. Caitlyn Gutt had three aces, with Kate Brinkruff collecting nine digs.

The Royals are 3-0 in Hoosier Crossroads Conference play and 11-1 overall; they host the Southeastern Invitational on Saturday. Fishers is 0-4 in the conference and 9-5 overall. The Tigers' next match is Monday at Center Grove.

SPORTS SCHEDULE

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.

Monday, Sept. 15

BOYS SOCCER

Phelan Academy at University, 5 p.m.

Taylor at Sheridan, 5 p.m.

GIRLS SOCCER

Providence Cristo Rey at University, 5:30 p.m.

Hamilton Heights at Sheridan, 6:30 p.m.

Carmel at North Central, 7 p.m.

Cathedral at Westfield, 7 p.m.

Franklin Central at Fishers, 7:30 p.m.

GOLF

Hamilton Heights vs. Frankton, 4:30 p.m. at Grandview Golf Course

Hamilton Southeastern vs. Yorktown, 4:45 p.m. at The Players Club

TENNIS

Hamilton Southeastern at Franklin Central, 5 p.m.

UNIFIED FLAG FOOTBALL

Hamilton Heights at Blackford, 5:30 p.m.

Fishers at Westfield, 6:30 p.m.

Franklin Central at Hamilton Southeastern, 6:30 p.m.

VOLLEYBALL

Heritage Christian at Guerin Catholic, 6:30 p.m.

Liberty Christian at University, 7 p.m.

Sheridan at Tipton, 7 p.m.

Westfield at Carmel, 7 p.m.

Fishers at Center Grove, 7:30 p.m.

Hamilton Southeastern at Pendleton Heights, 7:30 p.m.

Please email schedule changes or corrections to sports@readthereporter.com.

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Volleyball

Football Previews

Hawks, Huskies earn sweeps

The REPORTER

The Sheridan volleyball team took care of Carroll in a three-set sweep Thursday, winning the Hoosier Heartland Conference match 25-12, 25-20, 25-12.

Eva Todd totaled 21 service points, while Adria Jump had 14 service points. Both served seven aces. Lainey Mendenhall spiked 16 kills, followed by Jump with six, Amiyah Doss with five and Beth Adams with four. Jump handed out 27 assists.

Meredith Krupp scooped up 14 digs, while Jump col-

lected 10 digs, Adams had seven, and Mendenhall and Todd both had four.

The Blackhawks are 7-3 and play in the Lapel Invitational on Saturday.

Hamilton Heights swept Western 25-15, 25-4, 25-22 Thursday in a Hoosier Conference match.

Reagan Vankirk and Macie Smith both played solid for the Huskies, contributing good outside hitting.

Heights is 13-4 and hosts Noblesville on Tuesday.

By CRAIG ADKINS

For The Reporter

In the blink of an eye and 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.

Noblesville Millers (1-2) at No. 6 Westfield Shamrocks (2-1)

The Millers and Shamrocks will meet up for the Midland Rail trophy for the 68th time tonight at Riverview Health Stadium. Noblesville has an edge in the series with a 38-27-2 record. The 'Rocks have won 10 straight meetings since 2019, including six Midland Rail games.

Last season's game was a 38-18 Westfield win. Noblesville kept the trophy last in 2018 when they won a low-scoring home game, 10-2.

Last week the Millers got behind early and could not stop the high-powered Fishers offense that kept piling it on in a 42-17 loss.

Getting outscored in the first half 35-3, Noblesville is still searching for continuity on both sides of the football.

Noah Shinkle scored his first TD midway through the fourth. Shinkle found the end zone for the second



Photo by Bob Cross

Hamilton Heights' Drew Woodruff threw for three touchdowns during the Huskies' win over Tippecanoe Valley last week.

time on a five-yard touchdown run, but their push was not enough to come back.

Noblesville's rushing game averaged 3.2 yards per carry, led by Shinkle's 66 on 15 carries. Ethan Clark complimented well with 15 rushes for 46. Windsor Hutchins passed 8 of 15 for 73 yards.

Westfield got back to winning after a Week 2 loss at Carmel. Heading to Boone County to open Hoosier Crossroads Conference action got the Shamrocks back to offensive dominance.

That dominance didn't occur until the second half at Zionsville. The Eagles kicked a field goal in the second for a narrow 3-0 lead through two periods. After that, it was all Westfield.

A couple of minutes into the third, quarterback Aiden Grabowski scored on a 16-yard run for a 7-3 lead that the 'Rocks wouldn't give back.

Just over two minutes later, Deacon King ran in from four yards out to make

it 14-3. King scored a second TD in the final seconds of the third for a 20-3 lead.

Early in the fourth, Grabowski connected with Andrew Noble on a 68-yard pass play for the final score of 27-3.

King rushed 17 times for 65 and his two scores. Grabowski 41 on five. Noble highlighted the receivers with three for 83.

Danville (1-2) at Hamilton Heights (1-2)

Tonight's matchup between the Warriors and Huskies at Husky Stadium is just the second. Last year, Danville won on their turf, 38-7.

Danville got its first win of the season last week at Anderson, 49-6. They lost their season-opener at 3A No. 4 Gibson Southern (35-28) and two weeks ago to 3A No. 3 Cascade (41-25).

The Huskies also won their home opener over Tippecanoe Valley, 35-19.

After a scoreless first, 28 points in the second equaled a 15-13 halftime lead for Heights.

The Vikings scored first with a TD in the second. The Huskies answered with a Dre Chandler 31-yard TD catch from Drew Woodruff. Landon Hickman ran in the two-point conversion for an 8-7 lead.

Late in the second, Tippy Valley scored their second touchdown. Once again, Heights scored immediately after with 2:50 left in the first half. Woodruff found Cam Fleming for a 68-yard TD for the 15-13 lead after two.

Woodruff threw another TD pass just into the third to Nick Bichey, a 33-yarder. A 30-yard rushing score from Josh Getchell stretched the lead to 28-13.

The Vikings scored one more time early in the fourth. Heights put the nail in the coffin when AJ Flannagan ran for a 58-yard TD for the 35-19 final.

Woodruff was 12 of 16 for 208 yards and three TDs. Flannagan ran eight times for 92 and Getchell five for 71. Fleming had 82 yards and Chandler 76 yards receiving.

Carmel, Center Grove rejoining the MIC in 2026

By JOSH BODE

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Big news in high school sports broke on Thursday, as Carmel and Center Grove are rejoining the Metropolitan Interscholastic Conference (MIC).

The two schools will be rejoining the conference in the 2026-27 school year, the conference announced.

Carmel and Center Grove were previously members of the conference, but were voted out in December 2021.

"Together, we can share expertise, expand leadership opportunities for students and staff, and build collaborative initiatives that benefit every community,"

Carmel administrators said in a statement.

"We believe in the power of a conference that reflects and uplifts the full range of student experiences - academic excellence, the arts, and collaboration among member schools," Center Grove administration said in a statement.

The MIC will now be back to eight schools, including: Ben Davis, Carmel, Center Grove, Lawrence Central, Lawrence North, North Central, Pike, and Warren Central.

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 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

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