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Festival of Lights brightens up Carter Green in Carmel

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Last year, Carmel held its inaugural Diwali celebration, and the festival instantly outgrew the space set aside for it. This year's Diwali is moving to Carter Green and promises to be both bigger and better. The Reporter spoke with Diwali Committee Chair and Carmel City Council Member Dr. Anita Joshi about what you can expect if you go to Carter Green on Saturday, Oct. 18 from 5 to 9 p.m. to help celebrate the triumph of good over evil symbolized as light overcoming the darkness.

"I think it was something that really came from the community," Joshi told The Reporter. "There's a lot of people moving into Carmel. We saw a desire from multiple smaller neighborhood festivals that were celebrating Diwali to come together and celebrate this together as a full community. It was really a community-driven process, and as a councilwoman, I thought it was the right time to



Photo provided

Much like the light and good it symbolizes, Diwali in Carmel is growing, taking over a larger space this year. Stop by Carter Green on Saturday, Oct. 18 to learn what it's all about.

represent everybody."

Carmel sets aside time and space for a variety of cultural celebrations each year.

"What brings neighbors together and gets them to know each other and understand each other is to break bread together,

share food together, share a good time together," Joshi said. "It really seemed like the right thing to do. With the inaugural one, we did not know what to expect. When you put on a festival first, you actually don't know what's going to happen, and we

had a huge attendance. We had it in Midtown Carmel, and it was fully packed. We just didn't have enough room for people. I think we had around 5,000 people show up at that festival."

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When Grandma's on a mission

A grandmother's love is slathered over every fear and anxious moment so that she can love her grandchildren well. *JHL*

COLUMNIST



JANET HART LEONARD
From the Hart

Janet: You have a mission. Should you choose to accept it, you will earn another star in your Grandma Janet crown.

And so, when Emily asked me to fly down to Tampa to be on grandma duty while she trained in Louisville for her new position with an oncology pharmaceutical company, and Drew would be in Seattle for AWS work . . . I accepted the mission.

The things you need to know about me are . . .

1. Driving in Tampa traffic makes me nervous.
2. Driving in the dark makes me nervous.
3. Making multiple turns in an unfamiliar area makes me nervous.
4. Being on a tight schedule to get one teenager to one school and back to the house to pick up another teenager for another school makes me nervous.

For two mornings, I had a two-hour window to get Aiden and Leah to school successfully. You need to understand that on a good traffic morning, Aiden's school is an hour away from where he lives.

Emily reminded me to use WAZE to find the "quickest" route to Tampa Jesuit.

I left their home in Wesley Chapel at 6:30 a.m. The sun had not even begun to peek over the horizon.

Here is what WAZE told me: Take 75 South to 275 West. Turn right onto Fowler. Go ¾ around the roundabout onto Boulevard. Take a right onto Sligh. Take a left onto Rome. Take a right onto Hillsborough. Take a left onto Macdill. Take a left onto Emerald. You have arrived at your destination. Whew!

When I turned left onto Rome, I had to cross three lanes of traffic without a stoplight. I was at their mercy to stop. There is no let-up in the oncoming traffic. Emily told me later that some drivers get out of their cars and hit the pedestrian button on the median to stop traffic so they can turn left. I'm still trying to figure out that one.

Now, mind you, Emily is watching our location on Aiden's 360 AP. I get a text. "Mom, you made it." Lord, have mercy, my nerves are in shambles. But we made it.

I prayed quite a few Protestant Prayers on the way to Tampa Jesuit.

The crazy thing is that the trip back to Emily's takes about 35 minutes. Does that tell you what the inbound traffic is like?

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Nobody in the audience is safe

Casey Abrams & Friends coming to Feinstein's Oct. 21

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Feinstein's at Hotel Carmichael, 1 Carmichael Square, Carmel, has a dinner series called Afterglow, and on Oct. 21 it will feature Casey Abrams and Friends. You may know Abrams from his *American Idol* duet with Jack Black, for his work with Postmodern Jukebox (which reworks modern hits in styles from the early 20th century), or from his solo albums. The Reporter spoke with Abrams about his musical influences, what you can expect

from the show coming up next week, and about an upcoming song he chose to reveal in our pages first.

The "friends" in Casey Abram and Friends are Dylan Chambers and Hunter.

"I've been friends with these guys for a while," Abrams said. "Hunter's a really great singer and she plays the cajón, which is like the box drum. Dylan is a great singer as well and plays the guitar, so we can do some really fun three-part harmonies together."

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Photos provided

See Casey Abrams and his friends Dylan Chambers (top right) and Hunter (above right) on Oct. 21 in Carmel.

Heights T1L1 students take on hunger

By **KEVIN YANEY**
For The Reporter

On Thursday, Oct. 9, Teach One to Lead One (T1L1) students at Hamilton Heights Middle School took part in a food packing service project. In one and a half hours, the students, teachers and mentors packaged enough food to provide 9,282 meals to people living in poverty in Haiti and Ghana, West Africa through the International Disaster Emergency Service (IDES).

T1L1 is a community mentoring program that meets weekly with 122 fifth- and eighth-grade students at Hamilton Heights Middle School. These students meet with a team of adult mentors who teach them about the 10 Universal Principles everyone needs to be a successful leader.

These principles include showing respect, integrity, self-control, courage, excellence, humility, enthusiasm, compassion, teamwork and honor.

Beyond learning about these Universal Principles, the students are challenged to put them to work in a service project. That's why the students were packing food for impoverished people around the world.

"These kids are amazing," said Gabby Pinkston, T1L1 Program Coordinator for Central Indiana. "They really worked hard and had a lot of enthusiasm for what they were doing. When they realized how many people they were feeding, you could see them work harder and encourage others to do the same."

IDES provides disaster response in the form of food, shelter, medical supplies and other



Photo provided

T1L1 mentor Joe Rudy with some of the 122 Hamilton Heights Middle School students who took part in packing food for Haiti and Ghana.

necessary items worldwide. Based in Noblesville, IDES has been a key partner with T1L1 to help provide students with unique opportunities to fight hunger in some of the most impoverished places in the world.

T1L1 has been mentoring Hamilton Heights students since 2019. If you are interested in being a mentor in central Indiana, and have a flexible schedule, contact T1L1 at T1L1.org/mentors.

Some people need their news hot off the press

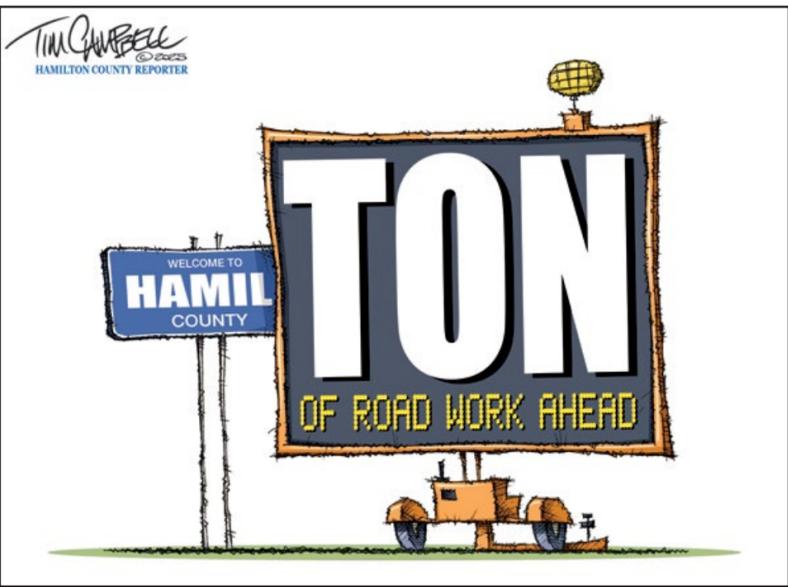


Reporter photo

Last week, while hand-delivering newspapers to our friends at Harbour Manor in Noblesville, some of them were sitting outside to enjoy the warm weather. We'd like to think they were waiting on The Reporter, but we try to deal in facts here. Thank you for letting us capture this image.

Go Purple with Prevail!

During October, The Reporter is recognizing Domestic Violence Prevention Month by Going Purple with Prevail, Inc. As a Hamilton County-based nonprofit, Prevail advocates for victims of crime and abuse. Everyone is invited to take part in the "Go Purple" campaign by wearing purple and letting victims know they aren't alone. Learn how you can Go Purple with Prevail at prevailinc.org.



Matteo's mayoral sendoff for Ditslears



Plenty of friends of Former Noblesville John Ditslear and his wife Pastor Teri Ditslear came to Matteo's Ristorante Italiano, 40 N. 9th St., Noblesville, on Tuesday evening, Oct. 7 to wish them well as they prepare to move to Wyoming. Yes, Wyoming! Both John and Teri have served the Noblesville community for many years, and the city is certainly better for it. Thank you, both, and safe travels!

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HIGH WEST WILD WEST AT 4 PM

The Wild West Express is family friendly with a 75-minute train ride + 15 minute stop for our train robbery. We will have a concession car with hot dogs, popcorn, chips and drinks can be purchased. Tickets start at \$22 per person.

High West Wild West is sponsored by High West and is 21+. It is a 2-hour train ride with a bourbon tasting from High West and a full BBQ meal from City BBQ. Tickets are \$82 per person.

What to Expect

Each ride will have our wild west posse onboard for photos and entertainment. A good ole' train robbery hold up will happen at the halfway point. Passengers are encouraged to bring cash for the train hold up as our robbers will be collecting donations for train preservation.

Tickets

SCAN TO PURCHASE



Fifty-three years after graduation, these Millers still bleed black and gold.

Class of '72 turning 72 birthday bash shows school spirit lives on

Submitted

Noblesville High School Class of 1972 held a birthday party on Friday night, Oct. 3, at Forest Park in the Anderson Shelter.

We learned at the party that the shelter was built from a donation that was made to the Noblesville Parks Foundation by classmate Sara Anderson's family. The birthday party recognized all Class of '72 classmates who were turning 72 this year and next. There were approximately 70 reservations from the Class of '72, including guests.

This was the first gathering since our 50-year class reunion that was held three years ago. The idea to hold a birthday party came about when Terri Sigman Kennedy contacted Peggy Baldwin Beaver about having a class party. Terri had purchased the use of the shelter at a fundraiser, and it had to be used by the end of 2025. Peggy suggested having a "Class of '72 turning 72" birthday party and the planning then began.

The evening started with a social hour, then appetizers followed by dinner. Cupcakes were made by classmate Tony Ebert Casell. The highlight of the evening was Noblesville's very own Rugged Brothers Band, who played from 6:30 to 9 p.m. The band is made up of classmates who graduated from Noblesville: John Green, Class of 1966; Bruce McMahon, Class of 1970; Mike Sigman, Class of 1975; Doug Robinson, Class of 1966; and Aimee McMahon Dodd, who is the daughter of band member Bruce McMahon, and '72 Classmate Terri Sigman Kennedy. The weather was perfect, and everyone had a great time reminiscing and catching up with old friends from our high school days.

After dinner, many classmates and friends from other NHS classes joined in the fun, which made the evening a big hit. Overall attendance was well over 100 people who showed up to celebrate the Class of 1972 turning 72. We all agreed we can't wait until the next party. We all look forward to making this an annual event.

Festival of Lights shared with Noblesville neighbors



A Diwali Celebration took place Thursday evening, Oct. 9, at The Gathering House, 1372 Cherry St., Noblesville. Hosted by the Noblesville Diversity Coalition, this Festival of Lights featured vibrant colors, delicious food, and other joyful Hindu traditions, thanks in large part to Pooja Thakkar and Sonal Patel (seen above right). Of note were the dancers of Abhijwala Dance Studio (seen above left), who shared their talents with attendees. Sowmya Harish of Abhijwala Dance Studio told The Reporter that the dancers appeared at the Fishers Dance on Saturday, Oct. 11, at the Nickel Plate District Amphitheater, 6 Municipal Drive. See more photos from Noblesville Diwali at ReadTheReporter.com.

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Westfield Lions & Elevance Health team up to feed students

By **JEFF LARRISON**
Westfield Lions Club

Utilizing a \$2,300 grant from Elevance Health Foundation, the Westfield Lions recently partnered with Elevance Health employees to fill 750 bags of food for Westfield school students in need.

This is the third year in a row that the Lions and Elevance have taken advantage of the opportunity to secure funds to purchase food items for the Open Doors Food Pantry’s “Weekend Food Bag” program.

“Most residents probably don’t realize that Westfield has approximately 20 percent of their students receiving free or reduced meals during the week,” Carrie Larrison, Vice President of Special Programs at Open Doors, said. “This program helps ensure that those students have enough to eat on the weekends and during breaks.”

The motto of the Lions



Photo provided by Westfield Lions Club

Elevance Health employees and Westfield Lions packed enough food to feed 750 Westfield Washington Schools students. Great work, everyone!

is “We Serve,” and working with organizations like Elevance Health that want to positively impact communities is a perfect way to reflect that. Fifteen Elevance employees worked side by side with several Lions to put together food bags that are delivered to all the Westfield elementary schools.

Once the schools receive the food bags, the counselors at the schools distribute them each Friday to students who need them.

The Westfield Lions Club has been a significant supporter of the Open Doors Food Pantry over the years. They have donated thousands of dollars

and volunteered countless hours to help sustain an integral part of the Westfield community. To find out how you can become a Lion and help those in need, go to westfieldlions.org. They are looking for men and women who want to make a difference in our community.

Kiwanis Club of Cicero supporting young readers

Submitted

The Kiwanis Club of Cicero invites the community for an evening of food, fellowship, and fundraising at the Club’s inaugural Dinner and Silent Auction, with proceeds supporting the Books for a Bright Future program.

The event will take place from 4:30 to 7:30 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 19 at DeLullo’s Trattoria, 230 W. Jackson St., Cicero.

Books for a Bright Future was born out of a simple but powerful belief: every child deserves the opportunity to own books of their very own. Reading is the gateway to learning, to growing, and to achieving future success. Yet, too many children in the community do not have access to books at home. That’s where the Cicero Kiwanis step in.

At the Club’s very first book fair, members were reminded of why this program matters so deeply. A little girl walked up to the table, and when told she could pick any book she liked, she quietly replied, “Oh, I don’t have any money to buy books.” When she learned

the books were free, she said, “I have never had a book of my very own.”

Moments like that are why Books for a Bright Future exists – because no child should miss out on the joy, imagination, and confidence that reading can bring.

Through your support, the Cicero Kiwanis have already been able to put hundreds of books into the hands of children in the community, but the need continues to grow. Your generosity ensures that more children experience the magic of books and the doors they open.

You are invited to attend the Dinner and Silent Auction, enjoy a wonderful evening, and make a difference in the lives of local children. Tickets and event details can be found at cicerokiwanis.org/dinner-auction-2025.

If you are unable to attend but would still like to support the program, donations can be made online or mailed to:

Kiwanis Club of Cicero
P.O. Box 272
Cicero, IN 46034

Together, everyone can create brighter futures – one book at a time.



Noblesville Rotary Club gives defibrillator & \$26K in scholarships to Ivy Tech Hamilton County

The REPORTER

Ivy Tech Community College Hamilton County is celebrating a dual gift from the Noblesville Rotary Club that will directly benefit both the safety and success of students.

The Rotary Club recently donated a defibrillator to the campus, ensuring immediate access to life-saving equipment in case of a cardiac emergency. In addition, the club presented Ivy Tech Hamilton County with a \$26,000 contribution to fund scholarships through the Noblesville Rotary Ivy Tech Scholarship Fund for Hamilton County students pursuing their education and career goals.

“We are deeply grateful to the Noblesville Rotary Club for this extraordinary generosity,” Ivy Tech Hamilton County Chancellor Dr. Rachel Kartz. “The gift of a defibrillator provides peace of mind for our campus community, while the scholarship support removes barriers and opens doors for our students to thrive. Both represent the Rotary Club’s lasting impact on our campus and Hamilton County.”

Noblesville Rotary Club President Jeff Chinn emphasized the club’s mission of service and community betterment.

“Rotary is committed to improving the communities we serve, and supporting Ivy Tech Hamilton County with both safety resources and scholarships is a powerful way to make a difference,”



Photos provided by Ivy Tech

(TOP, from left) Rotarians Jeff Derda, Zach Lundin, and Darcy Poulos, Ivy Tech Hamilton County Chancellor Rachel Kartz, Executive Director of Development & Marketing Kelly Wallace, Assistant Director of Development Emily Cullen, and Rotarian Nate Press. (ABOVE, from left) Rotarians Keith Gates and Emmanuel Flomo, Treasurer Carrie Dixon, Ivy Tech Hamilton County Assistant Director of Development Emily Cullen, and Rotarians Zach Lundin and Jeff Derda.

Chinn said. “We are honored to partner with the college in preparing students for their futures while ensuring a safe learning environment.”

The scholarship funds were raised through the club’s annual BrewBQ fundraiser, held on Aug. 9 at Federal Hill Commons in Noblesville. The event welcomed 450 attendees who enjoyed barbecue tastings from 16 grill teams, beverages from four local vendors, live music, and community fellowship. BrewBQ raised a total of \$27,000 this year, with Ivy

Tech Hamilton County receiving \$26,000 and Noblesville High School Robotics Club receiving \$5,000.

Since 2019, BrewBQ has contributed more than \$117,500 to Ivy Tech Ham-

ilton County and Noblesville High School, showcasing the Noblesville Rotary Club’s continued commitment to service above self and strengthening community ties.

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Hamilton Heights High School Coffee Bean Award recipients for September include (from left) James Lawton, Haley Barr, Jubilee James, and Adler Effing. Not pictured: Adriana Iovieno.

Hamilton Heights H.S. names five Coffee Bean awardees for September

Submitted by Hamilton Heights School Corp.

Hamilton Heights High School recognizes the following students who were named as Coffee Bean Award recipients for September: Haley Barr, Adler Effing, Adriana Iovieno, Jubilee James, and James Lawton.

The name and award, inspired by *The Coffee Bean*, a book written by Jon Gordon and Damon West, delivers a simple, yet pow-

erful message on positive change. All students nominated receive a certificate of recognition. At the end of the month, the names of the students who were nominated are included in a drawing and called to the office to enjoy a hot chocolate or coffee and a donut.

The monthly award objective is to encourage more acts of kindness, positivity, school spirit, and help foster a closer sense of community.

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SCAN FOR TICKETS

Tickets on sale now for Carmel State of the City

The REPORTER

OneZone Chamber will again play host to the Carmel State of the City address from Mayor Sue Finkam, presented by Ascension St. Vincent. The event is set for 4 p.m. Monday, Nov. 10 at the Payne & Mencias Palladium.

This annual event brings together businesses, community leaders, residents and city team members to hear updates on Carmel's vision for the future.

Participants are asked to register to attend, with the \$25 admission fee benefiting OneZone and sup-

porting the event. For those unable to attend, a recording will be posted on the city's YouTube channel immediately following the event.

Tickets

- General Admission starts at \$25
- Exclusive Box Seating available (includes VIP reception with Mayor Finkam)

For box seating inquiries, contact Kiley Chandler at kiley@onezonecommerce.com. General admission tickets must be purchased through the Allied Solutions Center.

Two Noblesville fire fighters earn investigator credentials

Submitted by Noblesville Fire Dept.

The Noblesville Fire Department recognizes Division Chief Todd Estes and Lieutenant Dan Milligan for their recent accomplishments in the field of fire investigation.



Estes

Both Chief Estes and Lt. Milligan have earned the Certified Vehicle Fire Investigator (CVFI) credential through the National Association of Fire Investigators (NAFI). In addition, Lt. Milligan successfully tested for and achieved his Certified Fire and Explosion Investigator (CFEI) credential this week. Chief Estes previously earned his CFEI in December 2024.



Milligan

Both Chief Estes and Lt. Milligan also hold their Fire Investigator Technician (FIT) credential through the International Association of Arson Investigators (IAAI), with Chief Estes additionally earning his IAAI Vehicle Fire Endorsement.

Fire investigation is a precise and demanding discipline where professional certifications represent more than accolades – they are vital indicators of an investigator's expertise and commitment to excellence. These credentials affirm an investigator's deep understanding of fire dynamics, investigative methodology, and the legal aspects of the profession. Leading this effort, NAFI, and IAAI provide highly respected certifications that are recognized across the fire investigation industry. Through rigorous training and evaluation, both organizations ensure that certified professionals consistently meet the highest standards in fire investigation.

Commendations are due to Chief Estes and Lt. Milligan for their continued dedication to advancing their professional expertise and strengthening the department's fire investigation capabilities.

OneZone Chamber launches inaugural Leadership Program

The REPORTER

OneZone Chamber has launched its first-ever Leadership Program, designed to connect and inspire emerging and established leaders from across Hamilton County.

The program will kick off in January 2026 and run through November 2026, offering participants the opportunity to engage in meaningful discussions and gain insight into the key sectors that shape the community.

The program will consist of six focused sessions, each highlighting a different aspect of leadership:

- Local Government – Jan. 28
- Agriculture – March 25
- Education – May 8
- Economic Development – July 8
- State Government – Sept. 11

All sessions will run from 8:30 to 10 a.m. Participants are required to attend at least four of the six sessions to remain in good standing.



Russell

“Leadership begins with understanding, and this program will give participants the chance to learn more about how our communities operate, the challenges we face, and the opportunities we have to grow,” OneZone Chamber President & CEO Jack Russell said.

The tuition for the program is \$500 per participant, which covers all six sessions.

Applications for the Class of 2026 are now open. To apply, email jack@onezonecommerce.com or visit onezonechamber.com.

Noblesville Common Council approves \$119M 2026 budget

Submitted by City of Noblesville

The Noblesville Common Council has approved the Civil City 2026 budget totaling \$119,261,048 to fund city operations, personnel, projects, and programs.

Mayor Chris Jensen and city leaders strategically developed the 2026 budget to address an \$8.2 million revenue shortfall in fiscal year 2026 caused by Senate Enrolled Act 1 (SEA 1), which lowers the city's projected local tax collections by \$30.4 million over the next four years. The overall 2026 budget is \$8.4 million lower than the 2025 adopted budget.

Read the full budget summary at tinyurl.com/NoblesvilleBudget2026.

Ongoing expense increases for city departments

were kept under 1 percent based on the impact of SEA 1 on the 2026 property tax levy and five-year revenue forecast. The budget includes less than \$1 million in overall core operational base budget growth, and a property tax rate decrease from \$1.10 per \$100 assessed value in 2025 to no higher than \$1.00 in 2026.

“The 2026 budget continues our emphasis on living within our means, being good stewards of taxpayer funds, and making smart investments in our community,” Mayor Jensen said.

The 2026 budget includes \$114,036,614 in ongoing expenses and \$5,224,434 in one-time expenses. In 2026, the city will not add new positions, unless previously planned, and employee compensation rates will be held flat in re-

sponse to the new fiscal uncertainty caused by SEA 1.

The 2026 budget continues the city's focus on safety, allocating 55 percent of the ongoing core operational budget to public safety – up from 52 percent in 2025 and the highest share in the past five years.

“This budget is fiscally responsible and maintains Noblesville's strong foundation while wisely preparing for the future,” Common Council President Megan Wiles said.

The city will complete or advance capital projects such as Reimagine Pleasant Street, a new police station, land acquisition for a new fire station, widening Olio Road, Embrace Downtown, the Nickel Plate Trail bridge, State Road 37 interchange improvements, and annual neighborhood street

and sidewalk resurfacing and improvements.

Programs and capital projects cited in the city's 10-year capital improvement plan that are deferred due to SEA 1 impacts include the Federal Hill Commons ice rink, quality of life and trail gap projects, intersection improvement projects, a dog park, and a new road salt barn. Additionally, the schedule for roadside and right-of-way mowing and landscaping will be scaled back.

The adopted budget also includes more than \$700,000 in contribution increases to police and firefighter pension plans, based on a recent state mandate to increase the local contribution rate. The city will absorb that unfunded mandate by offsetting adjustments and continuing prudent management of funds in other contexts.

LIGHT

Thus, the move to Carter Green this year.

“This is going to be a new experience for us to throw something that's much bigger in size and scope than we had last year.”

Because parking in Carmel is always a challenge, and because there will be events at the Palladium and at the Booth Tarkington Civic Theatre, the Diwali Committee has arranged ample, nearby parking and even a shuttle service to help Diwali festivalgoers both have convenient access and also be good neighbors to the other organizations in the area.

Parking is available a short walk away at Carmel

United Methodist Church, 621 S. Range Line Rd. You can also park at the Carmel High School stadium parking lot, 2450 E. 136th St., and take a quick, free shuttle ride to and from the festival.

“If you want to enjoy some of the best Indian food in town, if you want to come out and experience just an amazing array of performances from multiple different professional dance troupes in and around Carmel area, if you want to come and see a brand new Palladium show, or you want to see a little bit about the fashion and enjoy some of the jewelry and do some early Christmas shopping of some

Where you can park for Carmel's Diwali

Free public parking is available here:

- The Windsor: 800 Monon Green Blvd. (underground)
- Civic Square Parking Garage: 50 Red Truck Road
- Veterans Way Garage: 100 City Center Drive
- Carmel United Methodist Church, 621 S. Range Line Road

Note: The Center Garage on 3rd Avenue SW is reserved for patrons of The Tarkington.

You can also park at the Carmel High School Stadium, 2450 E. 136th St., where a free shuttle will take you to and from the event.

unique gift items, come on out and enjoy the festival,” Joshi said.

If you want to give back to the local community, a group called Seva Diwali will collect canned food during that event, which will go to the local food pantries.

“It's good food, good mu-

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NOBODY

Abrams told The Reporter this show will have hints of jazz, funk, Motown, and R&B.

“No one in the audience is safe,” Abrams said. “We might have to sing a song about them. There's gonna be a lot of improvisation. You never know what song will play or what we might mash up.”

At one show when Abrams was a bit parched on stage and needed a beverage, someone named Frankie gave him a bottle of water. Abrams immediately broke into a “Karma Chameleon” cover, singing, “Frankie,

Frankie, Frankie, Frankie, Frankie is really cool. He's really cool ...”

Abrams' musical influences are diverse, to say the least.

“Jack Black is a huge musical influence,” Abrams said. “I would say that my style is Frank Sinatra meets Jack Black. I love Jack Black, obviously. I was on *American Idol* in 2011, and I got to do a duet with him. Me and Jack Black did ‘Fat Bottom Girls,’ which was insane, and I'm so very lucky to have done that.”

Abrams just released a song entitled “Sober” in cel-

bration of “Sober October.”

“It's about my journey,” Abrams said. “I had a pretty big surgery. I had ulcerative colitis. I had to have my whole colon removed and so after that I decided to stop drinking. It's been great ever since, so I just wrote a song about it.”

Perhaps by accident, Abrams dropped a small Reporter exclusive piece of information.

“I have music coming out next year as well, and some Christmas stuff. There's a song called ‘Coming Out’ – I actually haven't told anyone this – but there's a song com-

ing out called ‘The Best Part of Christmastime is the Jazz.’ It's obviously a jazz song with a big band, and that's coming out this year.”

Abrams has a habit of handing out CDs to people in the audience he catches singing along with his own songs, so buff up on your favorite Casey Abrams tunes and maybe you can walk out with a keepsake and a story to tell.

This special evening will take place from 5:30 to 9 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 21. Get tickets to this unique evening at tinyurl.com/CaseyAbramsAtFeinsteins.

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MISSION

Next, the mission was to take Leah to school. The drop-off car line at her middle school is a lesson in extreme patience. Their system causes some parents to break the car-line rules. Have I told you that I'm a rule follower?

I might have rewarded myself with a jelly donut from Target. I was picking up a bouquet of flowers to surprise Emily when she got home. I enjoyed every bite of that sinfully sweet guilty pleasure.

On the second day, I decided to look at an old-fashioned map. No, not the fold-up paper map, but the map on Waze. It would take a few minutes longer with more stop-and-go traffic, but the route was simple: turn right off 275

onto Hillsborough, then left onto Himes. Just the simple directions calmed my anxiety.

I accomplished my mission. Both kids got to school on time both days. Would I do it again? Of course, I would.

There are still missions for me to take on. It's not really about the stars in my Grandma Janet crown but about the love I have for my family. When they need me, I will accept the mission. However, I do prefer missions during daylight, and I need simple directions.

There will be more jelly donuts to be rewarded with. And BTW, this week in Wesley Chapel, the world's largest Target just opened.

Janet Hart Leonard



Photos provided by Janet Hart Leonard

Our columnist was tasked with ensuring her grandchildren, Aiden and Leah, go to their schools safely.

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We are a 501(c)(3) nonprofit, founded in 2017 and beginning operations in 2018. We were still very young when COVID hit, and survival was not guaranteed. Thanks to the hard work of a dedicated board and staff, we pulled through.

Every year since has been a fight to keep history alive and on the rails. This past year alone, we invested nearly



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\$400,000 into track repairs, which made up 25 percent of our entire budget. That amount is significant, but still only a fraction of what is needed to keep the railroad safe and running.

Beyond the tracks, we have worked hard to maintain our locomotives and improve passenger cars, including installing new air conditioning to make our riders' experiences more enjoyable.

We have also worked to open our doors wider to the community. In 2025, we rolled out our strategic plan, centered on building relationships,

practicing transparency, and engaging the public. Just this past weekend, we hosted our first-ever Train Safety Community Day, giving families the chance to see what we do firsthand. We have also continued to make sure there is a price point for every family, from a \$5 caboose ride to a \$100 dinner experience, so everyone has the opportunity to make memories on the rails.

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Here is the truth: our future depends on you.

Ticket sales and donations during the fall and holiday season determine whether we can keep operating next year. Without your support, the train and the history it carries cannot continue to run.

I am asking you today to:

- Purchase a ticket and come ride with us. Go to nickelplate-express.com/train-rides.

- Make a donation to help preserve this important piece of local history at nickelplate-express.com/donorsand-sponsors.

Together, we can make sure our organization stays on the tracks for generations to come.

Emily Reynolds is the Executive Director of the Nickel Plate Heritage Railroad.

My 'No' Era

Unless you've been living under a rock these last couple of years, you've probably heard or seen the expression stating what "Eras" people are currently living. If there's one person you cannot help but hear about all the time, it's Taylor Swift. While I, myself, am not a "Swiftie," I like her, have grown up listening to her music and seen her in concert a couple times over the years. I can't help but be inundated with every move the woman makes each time I log onto social media. You don't have to be a member of the cult to respect the business mogul empire she has created.

That said, I certainly wasn't looking to her or her cats for her thoughts during the Presidential election. Insert eye roll.

More than anything she's done over the last several years, I think the coined term of, "I'm in my fill-in-the-blank era" is not only catchy, but also deep. This has turned into a phenomenon of branding. You see shirts that read "I'm in my soccer mom era" or teachers drinking coffee from mugs that read "I'm in my second-grade era." Love her or hate her, the branding that this woman has created and others have hijacked to capitalize on is quite remarkable. It's more than just long legs, red lips, and shaking hips. The rebranding and reinvention of herself through various eras is quite impressive.

As for me, I can tell you that I am personally in my "No" era. I used to feel the need to follow-up "No" with further explanation, but the closer I inch to 40, I really don't. I am more confident saying "No" to people and things that don't fill my cup. I am no longer reluctant to say "No" when it comes to my peace or my time. When someone asks something of me that I am not willing or able to do, I remind myself that "No" is a complete sentence. This goes for both at work and in my personal life.

I'm in my "No" era of being over-scheduled. If it's not something for one of my kids, someone I genuinely care about, or for something that matters to me or my family personally – most likely the answer during this season of life is going to be "No."

The reason for this is plain and simple. We are already so scheduled as it is with two children involved in extracurricular activities. Both my husband and I are working full-time and tasked with other responsibilities outside of work, so I don't have the luxury of *not* being selective with my time and who I spend it with. If I agreed to everything, I'd have no time left for my own sanity.

One thing that I have taken a hard stance on with my kids is that you are not going to be involved in more than one extracurricular activity at a time. I know children who have art class, swim team, soccer, and chess club all in the same season simultaneously.

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MEGAN RATHZ
When Nature Speaks

Casey Norman named Husky Hero

Submitted by Hamilton Heights School Corp.

Casey Norman, Kindergarten Teacher at Hamilton Heights Elementary School (HHES), has been named the Husky Hero for September.

Now in her ninth year at Hamilton Heights, Norman is celebrated for creating a strong classroom family where her five-year-olds feel loved, supported, and confident as they take on new learning.

"Being nominated by parents for a reward is incredibly meaningful to me," Norman said of the honor which recognizes the time, care, and dedication she puts into supporting her students and their families. "Knowing that families value the love and patience I bring to the classroom

touches my heart and reminds me why I love what I do. This recognition motivates me to continue giving my best each day and to keep making a positive impact in my students' lives."

Norman added, "This award inspires me to keep giving my best each day. Knowing that families recognize and appreciate my efforts fills me with gratitude and motivates me to continue creating meaningful learning experiences for my students. It pushes me to keep learning, growing, and striving to be the best teacher I can be."

Do you know a Husky Hero? Nomination forms and information about this special recognition program for Hamilton Heights employees are available at bit.ly/hhschuskyhero.



Photo provided by Hamilton Heights School Corporation
HHES Kindergarten teacher Casey Norman was selected as the Husky Hero for the month of September. (From left) Karson Herrell (Senior HHEF member), Casey Norman, Craig Bowen (FC Tucker), Laken Bowen, Amber Bowen, Julie Griffey (HHES Principal), and Taylor Morrison (Junior HHEF Member).

County to cut ribbon on crisis urgent care center

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Hamilton County leaders and community partners will officially cut the ribbon on the new Rely Center at 11:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Oct. 22 at the Aspire Indiana Health campus, 17840 Cumberland Road, Noblesville.

The Rely Center will provide rapid triage, assessment, stabilization, and up to 23 hours of observation for individuals facing urgent mental health, substance use, or psychiatric crises. It is the result of a broad partnership among Hamilton County, Riverview Health, the Hamilton County Health Department, the Hamilton County Council on Alcohol & Other Drugs, MindWell Solutions, and Aspire Indiana Health.

County Councilman and retired Judge Steve Nation has



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to feel the impact. David Hyatt, President & CEO of Riverview Health, noted that emergency rooms often serve as the default destination for people in behavioral health crises.

"This specialized setting will provide the right care at the right time and help relieve congestion in emergency departments," he said.

About the Rely Center

Funded in part by \$3.5 million approved by the Hamilton County Council and Commissioners, the center will be open to everyone in need – no appointment or referral required. In addition to stabilization services, it will connect individuals to housing, employment, and other essential supports, helping residents build healthier and more stable futures.

long advocated for the facility. "Too many individuals cycling through our courts and jails are there not because they are criminals, but because they are in crisis," Nation said. "This center offers a new path – one focused on treatment rather than incarceration."

The opening also marks a milestone for Aspire Indiana

Health, which will operate the facility. President & CEO Anthony Sheehan emphasized the importance of accessibility.

"Today we open a door to compassionate, immediate care for neighbors in crisis," he said. "Meeting people where they are, in their moment of greatest need, is how we change lives." Local hospitals also expect

Westfield implements golf cart registration rules

Submitted by City of Westfield

The City of Westfield is implementing a new Golf Cart Ordinance, effective Nov. 1.

Under the ordinance, all golf carts must be inspected and permitted by the Westfield Police Department before being operated within city limits.

Two identical permits will be issued, per golf cart, upon successful inspection and must be placed on each side of the golf cart. Each permit will contain a large, easy-to-read four-digit permit number, along with the year the permit was issued.

Community Registration Days

To assist residents in meeting the new requirements, the city will hold four Golf Cart Community Registration Days:

- Saturday, Oct. 18 at Chatham Hills Clubhouse, 1100 Chatham Hills Blvd.
- Sunday, Oct. 19 at Centennial Neighborhood Pool, 535 Bucksport Lane; tentative; go to westfieldin.gov/golfcarts for updates
- Saturday, Oct. 25 at Bridgewater Clubhouse, 3535 E. 161st St.; south side near Pro Shop)

- Sunday, Oct. 26 at Lakes of Shady Nook Pool, 18330 Lake Winds Drive

All registration days will take place from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. During these events, residents can have their golf carts inspected on-site and complete the permit process. Additional community registration days will be offered in the spring.

Residents unable to attend may request an inspection appointment online at westfieldin.gov/golfcarts. Inspection appointments are generally scheduled Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Each inspection will verify that headlights, taillights, and turn signals are all operational and that rearview mirrors are installed. Owners must also bring proof of insurance (as required by IC § 9-25-2-3) and a valid driver's license. If these are not verified at the time of inspection, a permit will not be issued.

The initial inspection and permit cost \$100 and will be valid through Dec. 31 of the second calendar year following inspection. Payments may be made by check or card only; cash will not be accepted as a form of payment.

Ivy Tech Foundation recognizes Emma Ping & JoJo's Jumpstart Foundation for commitment to the college

The REPORTER

Ivy Tech Foundation has honored 37 Distinguished Alumni and Benefactors from across Indiana, recognizing high-achieving graduates and generous donors and supporters who help to elevate Ivy Tech Community College's mission. Those recognized represent each of the College's 19 campuses and include both people and organizations that have made Ivy Tech stronger.

Emma Ping and JoJo's Jumpstart Foundation, selected by the Hamilton County Campus, were named Distinguished Alumni and Benefactor of the year, respectively, for

their work in the community.

Ping, a 2024 graduate of Ivy Tech Hamilton County's inaugural nursing class, serves as a labor and delivery nurse with Community Health Network and is the founder of Selah's Grace Ministries, a nonprofit supporting families experiencing pregnancy and infant loss. She also leads the Ivy Tech Hamilton County Alumni Network and remains actively involved with the



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College as a volunteer and guest speaker.

JoJo's Jumpstart Foundation has been named Benefactor of the

Year. Established in memory of entrepreneur Jordan Kontor, the foundation provides scholarships and support to help young people pursue higher education, trade school, or entrepreneurship. After launching the Jordan Kontor Memorial Scholarship in 2024 with a \$2,500 gift, the foundation

has increased its support to \$10,000 for 2025, reflecting its growing impact on students at Ivy Tech Hamilton County.

Selected through a highly competitive process, each recipient across Indiana has made a lasting impact on their community and on Ivy Tech by demonstrating outstanding professional, philanthropic, or volunteer accomplishments. Those selected were recognized on Sept. 26 at a celebration in downtown Indianapolis.

For more information or to view a full list of the Distinguished Alumni honorees, visit ivytech.edu/alumniawards.

Disney sequels

Editor's note: The Sheridan Student Column is brought to readers by Sheridan High School's 10th grade Accelerated English class, taught by Alicia Burnell.



LEEANN RIVERS
Sheridan High School Student

For decades, Disney has been captivating its audiences with its original animated classics, setting a standard for storytelling, animation, and character development worldwide. Films like *Snow White*, *The Lion King*, and *Toy Story* have become cultural precedents, loved by generations for years.

However, in recent years, Disney's focus has shifted toward producing an endless stream of sequels, reboots, and live-action remakes of original Disney movies. While some of these movies have been financially and popularly successful, this strategy may risk weakening the brand's legacy and restraining creative innovation.

This column argues that Disney should stop relying on sequels and remakes and instead prioritize the original stories that capture the hearts and minds of audiences.

One of the main reasons Disney should reconsider relying so heavily on sequels is because of diminishing returns. While some initial sequels to movies bring in significant revenue for the company, the movies often fail to live up to the critical and commercial success of the original Disney movie before them. This is likely because when a sequel is made, it often retells the story of the first movie, lacking originality and the freshness that made the original movie such a hit.

A primary example of this is the *Toy Story* franchise. *Toy Story 2* and *Toy Story 3* were a success and blew over well, but the newest movie, *Toy Story 4*, faced backlash because people felt it was unnecessary and repetitive. One reporter from an Iowa news organization writes, "Frozen 2," for example, is a convoluted and rushed attempt to recapture the magic of the original movie. It attempts to fit a complicated storyline and several new characters into only an hour and 43 minutes of run time."

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The power of interdependence

This past week, I had the opportunity to speak alongside my husband. It was our first speaking engagement together. He has supported me at many of my public speaking opportunities, and this time he got to join me.

CNO Financial Group invited us to speak along with their business resource group, A.B.L.E (Abilities Beyond Limited Expectations), as well as a Women and Caregivers BRG. The title they picked for our speech was “Running on Resilience: Embracing the Power of Interdependence.”

CNO financial group is the sponsor of the Indianapolis Monumental Marathon, so it was fitting that we would share about how we have teamed up to run marathons together, in a unique way.

We worked with their team for several months, planning the speech and talking through different ideas. Writing a speech with a partner is more challenging than just doing it alone. We had to mesh our separate ways of thinking. He has the mind of an engineer, and well, I do not!

It was another way to grow and learn together and really supported the idea of interdependence. Although we have been married for almost 26 years, I would say we learned a few new things about our relationship while working on this project.

If you do not know, interdependence is the dependence of two or more people or things on each other. I must admit, I had to look that up when the idea was first presented to us. I had an idea of what it meant, but it is not a word I have ever thought much about.

To an outsider, that just gets a glimpse of our relationship together, it may seem I am very dependent on my husband. That would be a correct assumption but also correct would be that he is dependent on me, too. Writing this speech together really highlighted our different strengths that we both bring to the relationship. It was therapeutic in many ways.

Part of our speech was talking about when the caregiver needs caregiving. They wanted to hear about what life as a mom is like with a disability. Obviously, I took immense pride in caring for my children. It was my absolute joy to be able to do that. However, I could not have done that without his support and caregiving he provided me, so that I could be the mom I wanted to be.

We also talked about ways that my husband can avoid caregiver burnout. Providing care to a loved one takes a toll on most people eventually. He has been in it with me for many, many years. It is important that he takes time for himself to do things he enjoys doing. One of those things is obviously running, and he loves pushing me in the duo bike because it is a way for us to run together. Something we never dreamed we would be able to do.

I felt so proud of us in that moment. Marriage is not always easy, as many would agree. It is a lot of teamwork to make things work for both people in the relationship. When there is a disability involved, there is an added layer to finding our way together while facing many unending challenges. We certainly do not always get it right, but we are in the fight together.

Together, we have built resiliency and grown our interdependence. While we have faced many hardships because of my disability, we both agree that has made us a stronger team.

Until next time ...

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AMY SHINNEMAN
Disability in the City

This week’s “Taste of Community” is all about something sweet – fruit salad sweet! Thanks to our friends at Prevail, Inc., we had the joy of learning from the one and only Baleigh Tolksdorf, who shared the beautiful story *The Fruit Salad Friend: Recipe for a True Friend* by Maria Dismody.

It was the perfect way to spark a meaningful conversation with my little Brownie Girl Scouts, who were earning their Making Friends badge. In a world where kindness sometimes gets overshadowed by bullying and big emotions, this story reminded us how important it is to be those friends – and to be there for those friends



POOJA THAKKAR
Taste of Community

– who are supportive, understanding, comforting, joyful, respectful, inclusive, and who still know the value of giving others space to grow.

Just like a bowl of fruit salad, we learned that we may not love every fruit that goes in, but together, each piece brings color, texture, and flavor that make the whole mix special. Friendship – like that salad – is about celebrating our differences and finding joy in the blend.

I’m grateful for community partners like Prevail, Inc., who do their fair share to be a resource for those who need it most and who continue to create spaces where awareness, inclusion, and empathy can grow.



Photo provided by Pooja Thakkar

To close the activity, each girl wrote a friendship message to someone they adore – on colorful paper fruits – a small reminder that we all have the power to sprinkle a little sweet-

ness into someone else’s day. Pooja Thakkar is working to build connections through cuisine. You can read her column each week in the pages of *The Reporter*.

Three things I thought I’d never say

When you’re a pet owner, sometimes your animals behave in unpredictable ways. These actions often make you utter certain phrases that you never imagined you’d say in your lifetime. Here are the top three from our home:

1. “Get your nose out of her butt!”

Our new dog, Sasha (of the famous shoe-stealing episodes) simply cannot leave our cat, Chilly, alone. While they’ve finally become friends, whenever Chilly walks by, Sasha perks up and absolutely must check to see what her feline buddy is up to.

Being a dog, one of the first things Sasha inevitably does is sniff Chilly’s rear end, much to our poor cat’s dismay. And I hear myself exclaiming “Get your nose out of her butt!” and

immediately feel ridiculous.

At least Chilly is grateful for my actions.

2. “Don’t pee on your sister!”

Our other dog, Elli, is a female like Sasha and Chilly. But you’d never know it sometimes due to her habit of lifting her leg like a male dog when she needs to pee. It doesn’t matter if there’s no tree, fire hydrant, or bush in sight – Elli is a leg lifter.

Whenever I walk Sasha and Elli, I use a splitter device so I can put them on the same leash. Most of the time this works just fine.

Occasionally, however, Elli will stand a little too close to Sasha when it’s time to relieve herself. When I see this, I gasp, screech “Don’t pee on your sister!” and quickly move Sa-

sha off to the side. Then I look around and hope that no one overheard me.

Thankfully, I’ve managed to prevent Sasha getting a urine shower so far. I hope I continue to have quick reflexes.

3. “Cat yoga.”

Arthritis can be one of the not-so-fun adventures of middle age. I’ve got it in my right hip but have discovered that if I do certain stretches after I wake up every morning, it helps me barely feel any pain as I go about my day.

Most of these stretches (which I discovered thanks to Bob and Brad, “the Most Famous Physical Therapists on the Internet”) resemble yoga poses. They take me about three minutes, and I do these stretches in my bedroom while I’m still in my pajamas.

A couple of weeks ago, while doing “child’s pose” on

my back on the carpet, our cat Chilly decided to crawl on me and sit upon my chest. I immediately burst out laughing and couldn’t stop. She still does this every morning.

Many readers have probably heard about goat yoga, where people do yoga with goats surrounding – and sometimes standing on top of – them. In the Shankland household, we now have “cat yoga,” which I enjoy telling people about.

When it comes to our pets, I’m sure more unusual phrases are on the horizon for me. Who knows, maybe all of this will warm me up for my future grandchildren!

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Laws from the land: how farm life shaped a legal career

Growing up on an Indiana farm, I never imagined the lessons learned in the fields would one day guide my legal practice. But as I began working as an attorney, I realized my father – a mathematician and part-time farmer – had quietly taught me principles that now echo through property disputes, nuisance claims, and rural regulations.

Tree troubles & property lines

One of the most common issues I encounter involves trees. Clients often ask: “Can I cut my neighbor’s tree if it hangs over my yard?” or “Who owns the walnuts that fall from a tree onto my property?”

Indiana courts have ruled that if a tree’s branches overhang a property line but don’t cause harm or discomfort, the neighbor has no right to cut or destroy the tree. However, if the tree is decayed or poses a danger, espe-

cially in urban or residential areas, the owner may be liable if they fail to exercise reasonable care. Damage caused by encroaching roots or branches could lead to claims of nuisance or trespass. And if a tree straddles a property line, neither party can remove it without mutual consent.

Legal drains & shared responsibility

Another lesson from the farm involves legal drains – ditches or tile systems that cross multiple properties and serve as water highways. These drains are regulated by County Commissioners and the County Surveyor, who oversee maintenance and allocate costs based on the benefit to each landowner.

Farmers who keep their section of a ditch clear may pay less in assessments than neighbors who allow overgrowth. It’s a practical example of how stewardship affects shared in-

frastructure – and expenses.

Receipts, cooperatives & rural wisdom

Farmers also understand the importance of warehouse receipts. When grain is delivered to an elevator, the receipt proves ownership and is essential for future payment. My father always reminded me: “Don’t leave without that receipt.”

Cooperatives like the Farm Bureau Co-op and REMC (Rural Electric Membership Corporation) embody the spirit of collaboration. They allow farmers to pool resources for buying supplies and selling crops, and they’ve brought electricity to rural communities.

Farm sayings & legal lessons

Some of my favorite farm sayings have found their way into lawsuits. “Pigs get fed, hogs get slaughtered” reminds clients not to get greedy in settlements. “Don’t get too big for your britches” is a warning against overconfidence.

And then there’s the “tractor

farmer” lesson: sometimes you must stop the tractor, pick up a rock, mend a fence, or replace a tile. In law, that means visiting accident scenes or inspecting disputed land because firsthand observation often reveals what paperwork cannot.

Subtle justice

My father once suspected a neighbor boy of stealing gas. Instead of accusing him, he casually mentioned he planned to catch the thief with a shotgun blast to the car’s rear. The thefts stopped immediately. No confrontation, no lawsuit – just a well-placed warning.

From trees to drains, receipts to rural wisdom, the farm taught me more than how to grow crops. It taught me how to navigate the law with common sense, fairness, and a touch of country cleverness.

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Ask Adler

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This pattern is not just unique to this franchise, and can be observed in other Disney sequels.

Why is Disney doing this? The reason why Disney is so sequel-heavy may be unknown, but it is harming their profit and popularity in the long run. For example, when *The Lion King* was released in 2019, it was a global hit and brought in over \$1.6 billion in the box office, according to a box office website. But when *Mufasa* was released in 2025, it only reached \$700 million in the box office, declining in profit from the first movie greatly. This is common in other movies, too. The reboot live versions of these original movies are declining in profit, and receiving mixed reviews worldwide.

Another big drawback of Disney’s sequel-driven approach is its chance of restraining creativity and innovation. When a company focuses primarily on sequels, the idea of investing in original ideas and looking for fresh talent becomes less appealing.

For example, Disney’s original films like *Moana*, *Coco*, and *Zootopia* really showcase Disney’s

ability to create imaginative and compelling stories and characters that resonate with people worldwide. By now prioritizing sequels, Disney is at a huge risk of losing that reputation it worked so hard to build. Instead of prioritizing sequels, the company should encourage its creative teams to create new worlds, characters, and storylines that can captivate audiences in the same ways they previously did.

In conclusion, Disney should stick to coming up with creative and original ideas when producing new movies. Even though some live-action remakes do well, not all of them do and it is not worth funding the movie for it to not do as well as the original. If Disney refocuses on original stories, it can reaffirm its commitment to creation and innovativeness, ensuring its position in the entertainment industry for years to come.

Original films not only offer fresh perspectives and plenty of new opportunities, but also gain the potential to become new Disney classics, captivating audiences in ways that sequels can’t.

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I’m talking about 6- and 7-year-old children. To me, it’s crazy. Will I bend on this with-in reason depending on a specific isolated activity? Maybe. Everything is negotiable, but I can confidently say that under no circumstances will I allow my kids to each be involved in so many activities while they are over-booked and absolutely exhausted at the age of 7. That’s a hard no for me. They are children. Let’s be honest, they have half of my genes, so I can confidently say that they aren’t going pro.

Let them have a childhood and get a grip. You can learn discipline and dedication to a sport and team one sport or activity at a time. A child doesn’t need to be involved in so many activities at the same time to be well-rounded. Trust me, I’ve taught for 16 years and have seen it first-hand.

I’m also in my “No” era when it comes to events that I don’t want to go to. By the time we are home from work, school, sports, and

meetings, we are tired. In fact, we are exhausted. There are soccer practices to get to, dinners to be wolfed down, and homework that needs to be completed. The weekend hits and the priority is whatever activity the kids are in, rest, and after that, it is for my husband and me to have quality time.

If you agree to everything, you have nothing left for yourself and are pouring from an empty cup. I have too many people that need something from me right now that I can’t afford to have an empty cup.

This era is about being intentional with time and making sure that I keep priorities straight because unscheduled time with family is fleeting and precious.

In fact, I would say I’m unapologetically in my “No” era.

Megan Rathz is a wife, mother, and teacher. She says everything she has ever learned in life came from her Master Gardener mother.

Westfield Special Census paused

The REPORTER

The City of Westfield’s Special Census is temporarily paused due to the federal government shutdown.

While local officials wait for updates from the U.S. Census Bureau, they thank residents who have already participated. The Census will resume once the shutdown ends, and information will be shared as soon as it’s available.

If you received a note on your door from the Census Bureau, please keep it. It will still be valid once the process resumes. Your participation is important for the future of the city. Your patience and support is greatly appreciated.



Sheridan sixth graders go hands-on with physics at Camp Dellwood

Submitted by Sheridan Community Schools

On Monday, Oct. 6, Sheridan Middle School sixth graders took a trip to Camp Dellwood in Indianapolis, the home of Girls Scouts of America. On this exceptional trip, the young students experienced STEM activities, with the focus on two programs, Physics Through Play and an Engineering Challenge: Let's Get Rolling.

In Physics Through Play, students explored their way through three activities. One group was jumping on a pillow top, allowing them to see Newton's laws of motion in action. Another group worked with projectile motion while shooting dirt pellets with slingshots at the range. The third group explored making a zipline using a bucket and pulley to transport a doll up and down an inclined rope.

In the Engineering Challenge: Let's Get Rolling, students rotated through three activities where they practiced the

Engineering Design Process. They also learned more about the transfer of potential and kinetic energy and Newton's laws of motion. One group worked on building and testing vehicles on various ramps. They were given four wheels, two axles, and could use random supplies to create their cars. Another group created helicopters with rubber bands, propellers, popsicle sticks, and other materials. They even were able to go into a courtyard for test flights. The last group followed steps to create a rocket that darts off using wind energy while blowing through a straw.

It truly was great timing in the sense that the students are learning about motion, force, and energy in class. Many of them used the correct terminology and their understanding of the concept during the activities. This is a great example of Project-Based Learning in action as students were able to implement their learning with hands-on activities.



Photos provided by Sheridan Community Schools

Get tickets for White River Symphony's fall concert

Submitted

The White River Wind Symphony will present its fall concert at 4:30 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 19 at Legacy Bible Church, 13490 Howe Road, Fishers.

“Musicals, Marches, and More” will include music from Beauty and the Beast, Phantom of the Opera, and Wicked, plus marches by Sousa, Verdi, Berlioz, Alford, Elgar, and Fillmore. These talented musicians are local professionals. The concert is perfect for music lovers of all ages. Tickets for this concert are \$20 and children under 18 years old attend for free.

This event is the first of the four-concert 2025-2026 season for the premier White River ensembles,



consisting of two Wind Symphony (Band) concerts (Oct. 19, and June 28: “Sounds of America”) and two Chamber Orchestra concerts (Dec. 7: “Christmas Extravaganza” and March 14: TBD). Individual tickets for the four concerts are \$100. Discounted season tickets for all four concerts are \$80. Group discounts are also available.

All tickets can be purchased at WhiteRiverSymphony.org or at the door.

Register now for Noblesville State of the Schools address

Submitted by Noblesville Schools

The public is invited to Noblesville Schools' annual State of the Schools address, in partnership with the Noblesville Chamber of Commerce, set for 4:30 to 6 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 4, 2025.

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Fishers Arts Council honors Veterans & servicemembers with new exhibit

The REPORTER

Fishers Arts Council has an open call for visual art by Veterans, Reserves, and Active Service Members. The upcoming November exhibit “Duty, Honor, Creativity” showcases art by individuals who have served our country.

The exhibit will showcase 2D visual art that is family-friendly and does not have to be military in nature. All works must be original to the artist. 2D works in any medium must be prepped with a wire for hanging, weigh no more than 30 pounds, and not exceed more than 60 inches in any

direction. Additional details regarding exhibit requirements can be found at FishersArtsCouncil.org/blog.

The deadline to submit work is Oct. 17, and artists will be notified of their acceptance by or before Oct. 24. Artwork drop-off will be from 2 to 4 p.m. Nov. 1.

The exhibit will be on display in the Art Gallery at City Hall, Fishers, from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. from Nov. 3 to 26, excluding holidays. Questions or requests for assistance can be sent to info@fishersartscouncil.org or you can reach out via phone or text at (317) 537-1670.



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Joycie Lee Bond

August 19, 1935 – October 6, 2025

Joycie Lee Bond, 90, Noblesville, passed away on Monday, October 6, 2025, in Noblesville. She was born on August 19, 1935, to Clifford and Cora Lee (Reynolds) Stapleton in Pennington Gap, Va. Joycie worked in retail management. She enjoyed gardening and flower arranging. Joycie enjoyed wearing her hats.



She is survived by her son, Johnny E. (Laurie) Bond; daughter-in-law, Terri Bond; siblings, Denny Ray (Winona) Stapleton, David (Patricia) Stapleton, Emma Sue Stapleton, and Louvella (Garland) Shelton; five grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her son, Robert J.C. Bond; daughter, LaVonda J. Davis; grandchild, Reanna Davis; and brothers, Kenneth Stapleton, Marion Stapleton, Delmas Stapleton, and John Christopher Stapleton.

Services will be held at 2 p.m. Thursday, October 23, 2025, at Randall & Roberts Funeral Center, 1685 Westfield Road, Noblesville, with Rev. David Crawford officiating. Visitation will be from 1 p.m. to until the time of service at the funeral home.

Condolences: randallroberts.com

Glen L. Shrock

November 17, 1939 – October 3, 2025

Glen L. Shrock, 85, passed away on Friday, October 3, 2025, after enjoying a wonderful life. He was born in Peru, Ind., on November 17, 1939, to Lloyd E. and Helen K. (Young) Shrock, the third of four boys.



When he was about six months old, his family moved from Kokomo, Ind., to Greentown, Ind., where Glen grew up with his three brothers, Melvin, Merrill, and Francis "Pud," and a host of other young friends. He attended Greentown school until it was consolidated into Eastern Howard School Corporation, graduating in 1957. Glen ran cross country and played baseball his senior year. He was also active in drama activities, having a leading role in the senior play.

Glen and his brothers had paper routes, mowed yards (using mowers without motors), ran trap lines in Wildcat Creek, and assisted their father at his garage, Shrock's Auto Service. His first steady job came at the age of 12, when he became a shoeshine boy at Hudson's Barber Shop. He was later employed at National Food Store in Kokomo.

After graduation from high school, Glen was employed at Brownie's City Service gas station in Greentown. He enlisted in the U.S. Army in March 1958, and after basic and advanced training, he was assigned to Special Forces, 529th MP Co, U.S. Army Headquarters in Europe at Heidelberg, Germany, where he was a member of the Honor Guard. Shortly after his arrival in Germany, Glen was a part of a ceremony in London, England, when the American Chapel in St. Paul's Cathedral was dedicated to the U.S. servicemen killed in WWII. Queen Elizabeth and VP Nixon were also in attendance. He was also assigned security in Paris, France, for President Eisenhower's global trip in December 1959. Upon returning to the states, Glen was assigned to Ft. Harrison in Indianapolis and was assigned to AWOL apprehension for northern Indiana.

In 1960 after his return from his two-year tour in Germany, Glen went on a blind date with Sharon "Sherry" Sheldmyer. After dating her and several other young ladies, Glen proposed to Sherry and she accepted. They were married on January 12, 1963, in Kokomo.

Upon discharge, Glen worked several jobs before applying and becoming an Indiana State Police trooper, fulfilling a dream from childhood. He was assigned to the Schererville Post in Lake County, where he worked for two years before transferring to Pendleton, Ind., where he would patrol until his retirement in 1983. Glen was promoted to Squad Sergeant in 1972.

After their marriage in 1963, Sherry suggested that Glen learn to play golf and go deer hunting in the UP of Michigan so he could spend more time with his father, both of which she later partially learned to regret.

Glen and Sherry owned and operated Yesterday's Ice Cream and Pizza Parlor in Arcadia from 1990 to 1995. Upon his retirement from the State Police in 1983, Glen became Arcadia Town Marshal. In 1983 he was the only full-time officer in Arcadia, and when he retired in 2005, there were four full-time officers. Compiling his three years of Military police, Indiana State Police, and Arcadia Town Marshal, Glen had 46 years in law enforcement. Combining his time in law enforcement with two of his brothers (Merrill: 28 years, Greentown Town Marshal, and Francis "Pud": Indiana State Police, 36 years), they had a total of 110 years in law enforcement.

Glen was appointed to the Arcadia Town Council in February 2006 and was elected twice, serving 10 years in that capacity. He was known for his sense of humor and practical jokes. He enjoyed deer hunting, fishing, snowmobiling, trips to Michigan and occasional trips to Florida. Glen and Sherry had visited every state in the union, including Alaska and Hawaii.

Glen was a member of the Noblesville Elks, Noblesville Moose, Indiana State Police Alliance, Indiana State Police Pioneers, Indiana State Seniors Golf Association, Cicero Post American Legion, and a 61-year member of Noblesville Men's Golf Club. He and Sherry were both huge Hamilton Heights athletic fans, attending hundreds of sporting events since their move to Arcadia in 1964.

Glen is survived by his wife of 62 years, Sherry Shrock; son, Glen Edward "Ed" Shrock of Cicero; daughter, Lori Shrock of Noblesville; grandchildren, Jake Lorton of Madison, Wis., Lucy Lorton of Westfield, and Elizabeth Shrock (fiancé, Dalton Hurt); great-grandson, Cecil Glenn Hurt; and his brother, Merrill Shrock.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his brothers, Melvin Shrock and Pud Shrock; and an infant son, stillborn in April 1968.

Visitation took place Friday, October 10, 2025, at Arcadia Christian Church, 26901 State Road 19, Arcadia. An additional visitation as well as the funeral service was held Saturday, October 11, 2025, at the church. Rev. JR Moffatt officiated. Burial was at Arcadia Cemetery in Arcadia.

Memorial contributions may be made to The Hamilton Heights Girls' Basketball program. Please mail your check to Hamilton Heights High School, Attn: Kurt Ogden, 25802 State Road 19, Arcadia, IN 46030. In the memo please list "Glen Shrock."

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Karen (Wesley) Day

November 10, 1944 – October 2, 2025

Karen (Wesley) Day, 80, Noblesville, passed away on Thursday, October 2, 2025. She was born on November 10, 1944, to Alwin and Edith (Sievert) Wesley in Gary, Ind.



Karen was a 1963 graduate of Merrillville High School, 1967 graduate of Manchester University, and 1971 graduate of IU Bloomington, MS degree. She was a high school business teacher for 37 years, retiring from Westfield Washington High School in 2005. Karen married William (Bill) Day in 1976. She was a member of Hamilton County Retired Teachers Association and Pilgrim Lutheran Church.

She is survived by her brother, Jack (Sylvia) Wesley of San Antonio, Texas; stepchildren, Sherri (Bruce) Kehoe and Rick Day, both of Indianapolis; grandchildren, Nick (Ashley) Reed, Kacie (Andre) Forte, Cheaney Day, and Emma (Elliott) Vickery; great-grandchildren, Brayden Reed, Avionah Forte, Azaiah Forte, and Briar Vickery; and many cousins, friends, and neighbors.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, Bill's parents; and twin sister, Sharon.

Services will be held at 2:30 p.m. Sunday, October 19, 2025, at Pilgrim Lutheran Church, 3650 W. 106th St., Carmel. Visitation will be from 1:30 p.m. to the time of service at the church. Desserts and light snacks will be served following the service at the church. Burial will be at Chester Friends Cemetery in Westfield at a later time.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Pilgrim Lutheran Church, 3650 W. 106th St., Carmel, IN 46032.

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Ralph T. "Sonny" Walrod Jr.

April 27, 1935 – October 5, 2025

Ralph T. "Sonny" Walrod Jr., passed away peacefully at his son's home in Boerne, Texas, on Sunday, October 5, 2025, at the age of 90. He lived the majority of his life in Carmel and Westfield. He was born on April 27, 1935, in Indianapolis to Ralph, Sr. and Eunice (Stearns) Walrod.



In his younger years, Ralph played basketball for Park High School. He worked alongside his parents at their drug store, Walrod Pharmacy. He also opened the first Dairy Queen in Puerto Rico. Ralph proudly served as the President of the Carmel Dads Club. In his later years he worked for over 20 years at Walmart and enjoyed playing Santa at Christmas time. He was a member of the Northwest Masonic Lodge of the Grand Lodge of Indianapolis, was a 32nd Degree Mason, and a member of the Shriners. He was a big fan of the Indianapolis Colts and Chicago Cubs.

Ralph has now been reunited with his beloved wife, Carole Faye Walrod, who preceded him in death; along with his parents; sister, Jo Ann Walrod; granddaughter, Morgan Elaine Walrod; and his brother-in-law, James "Jim" Doty.

He is survived by his three daughters, Amy (Larry) Heid, Andrea (Ronnie) Flatford, and Tina (Bobby) Shropshire; two sons, Ralph, III (Carlee) Walrod and Rick (Valerie) Walrod; 13 grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; and sister-in-law, Mary Doty and family.

Visitation will be held from 11 a.m. until the time of the service at noon on Wednesday, October 15, 2025, at Randall & Roberts Funeral Center, 1685 Westfield Road, Noblesville, with Rev. Stanley R. Sutton officiating. Entombment will follow at Crown Hill Cemetery in Indianapolis.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to a cause close to his heart: the Christmas Food and Toy Drive, NFD Hamilton County Community Foundation, 135 S. 9th St., Noblesville, IN 46062, or online at cicf.org/give-now.

Condolences may be shared online at randallroberts.com.

Tracy D. Boyles

June 12, 1950 – October 8, 2025

Tracy D. Boyles, 75, Kirklint, departed this world peacefully on October 8, 2025, at her home, surrounded by her beloved family. Born in Elwood on June 12, 1950, to the late Cecil Boes and Becky (Evans) Boes Albright, Tracy radiated warmth and love throughout her life. She married Jerry K. Boyles on September 30, 1996, and he survives.

Tracy was a devoted member of Arcadia Christian Church, where her faith and kindness enriched the lives of many. Her professional journey took her to PL Porter in Westfield, where she not only built a distinguished career but also met the love of her life. Tracy proudly wore the title of "stay-at-home grandma," a role she embraced with open arms and one that brought her boundless joy. Her grandchildren were the light of her life, and she particularly treasured their annual trip to the Indiana State Fair, a cherished tradition that bound their hearts together.

She leaves behind her loving husband, Jerry; children, Lori Zook and husband Joe of Cicero, and Nicole Letsinger and husband Bob, also of Cicero. Tracy's legacy continues through her grandchildren, Lucas and Ashlee Letsinger, Libby, William, Jacob, and Zoe Kramer and Brandon Howard who will carry her spirit with them always. She is also survived by her siblings, Debbie Harrison and husband Kink, Robin Boes and wife Pam, Delora Rich, and her sister-in-law, Paula Boes. Tracy was preceded in death by her siblings Terry Boes and Randy Boes.

Visitation and funeral services were held Monday, October 13 at Arcadia Christian Church, 26901 State Road 19, Arcadia, with Pastor JR Moffatt presiding.

Young-Nichols Funeral Home is honored to assist the Boyles family in their time of need. Online condolences may be made at young-nichols.com. The family requests memorial donations to be made to the ALS Association, 6525 E. 82nd St., Suite 115, Indianapolis, IN 46250.

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Helen Jean Jones

December 3, 1926 – October 3, 2025

Helen Jean Jones, 98, Sheridan, passed away peacefully on Friday morning, October 3, 2025, at Homewood Assisted Living Center in Lebanon, Ind. Born December 3, 1926, in Boone County, she was the daughter of the late Harry and Muriel (Fredenburg) Brandenburg.

She was a devoted member of Hills Baptist Church in Kirklint, Ind. She was very active within the church for many years.

Helen grew up on the family farm, learning very early in life the meaning of hard work and tenacity. After graduating from Kirklint High School with the Class of 1944, she went on to study at Indiana Business College. Upon finishing her coursework, she went to work as a secretary with General Electric, a position she held for many years.

With the wind at her back, Helen decided that, before she settled down, she wanted to do a little travelling first. After spending time in Europe and California, she eventually made her way back home to Indiana. When people reminisce about their travels, coming home is usually not the best part of the story. However, in Helen's case, homecoming was the beginning of a new adventure: that's when she met that man who would change her life, Noel "Casey" Jones. Casey and Helen were married on November 24, 1972, and for the next 40 years they shared every moment. Her love for travel never faded; she always enjoyed discovering and exploring new places. She even got Casey hooked, somewhat, on traveling. For many years they enjoyed the snowbird lifestyle, spending the winter in Tavares, Fla. They looked forward to catching up with their Florida-based friends and seeing what had changed in the area since their last trip down.

The simple things in life were what Helen treasured the most. Playing cards with friends, listening to music, and traveling were some of her favorite activities, but no matter the occasion, visiting with friends and family was always the highlight. Helen had the gift of conversation and loved making new connections. Her warmth, kindness, and companionship touched the lives of everyone who knew her.

Helen is survived by her stepson, Ronald Dean Jones of Lizton, Ind.; step-grandson, Russell Curtis "Rusty" Jones of Lizton, Ind.; and numerous extended family members and friends who will cherish her memory.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Harry and Muriel (Fredenburg) Brandenburg; three brothers, Donald Brandenburg, Lawrence Brandenburg, and Orville "Chubb" Brandenburg; daughter-in-law, Becky Jones; five sisters-in-law, Edith Nesbitt (and husband Hershell), Grace Moore (and husband Raymond), Wilma Pearson (and husband Morris), Eunice Edison (and husband Truman), and Olive Jones; and by her beloved husband, Noel E. "Casey" Jones on September 5, 2011.

Visitation and services were held Saturday, October 11, 2025, at Kercheval Funeral Home, 306 E. 10th St., Sheridan. Burial followed at Crown View Cemetery in Sheridan with Pastor Sherri Drury.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be presented to Hills Baptist Church, 4296 S. County Road 1380 East, Kirklint, IN 46050.

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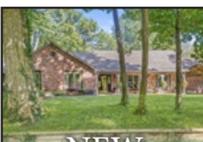
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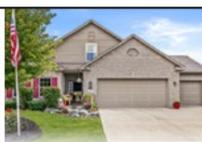


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Hamilton County High School Football, Week 8

Swimming

Shamrocks come back, Carmel cruises again



Reporter photos by Richie Hall (ABOVE LEFT) Westfield defensive players Adrian Feltrinelli (91) and Olumide Fapetu (6) walk off the field after a play during the Shamrocks' game with Fishers on Friday, Oct. 10. Westfield came back to win 14-7. (ABOVE RIGHT) Fishers brought a good student section to Riverview Health Stadium as the Tigers traveled to Westfield.



Reporter photo by Richie Hall



Photos by Joshua Herd (ABOVE LEFT) Carmel's Andrew Pemberton rushed for 171 yards and two touchdowns in the Greyhounds' 42-7 win over Warren Central at Carmel Stadium. (ABOVE RIGHT) Carmel's Josiah Gilmore ran for two touchdowns.

Shackell represents Carmel at World Swimming Cup

The REPORTER

The World Swimming Cup took place at the Carmel High School Aquatic Center this past weekend. Carmel swimmers were well-represented, and on the first night (Friday, Oct. 10), Olympic gold medalist Alex Shackell gave the hometown crowd reason to cheer. Shackell finished second in the women's 200 breaststroke after giving Irish Regan a battle.

"It's definitely crazy here" said Shackell. The crowd gave her a great reception, and Shackell said that besides the Olympic Trials, she'd never had "that many people scream for me on the walkout. But it's really cool, because I know most of them are Carmel kids, so I just want to go as fast as I can."

Read the Reporter's Tuesday email edition for results and more pictures.



Photos provided by Grant Alexander (ABOVE LEFT) Noblesville's Evan Nicholls (40) and Marcus Burns Jr. (28) make a tackle. (ABOVE RIGHT) Noblesville quarterback Manny Hill-Altamarino threw a touchdown pass during the Millers' game with Brownsburg.



Photo by Mike Navarro Guerin Catholic's Isaiah Lewis (left) caught a touchdown pass right before halftime during the Golden Eagles' 35-21 win over Culver Academies at the Eagles Nest.

Hamilton County High School Football, Week 8

Carmel 42, Warren Central 7
 Guerin Catholic 35, Culver Academies 21
 Hamilton Heights 26, Tipton 13
 HSE 38, Franklin Central 35
 Westfield 14, Fishers 7
 Brownsburg 42, Noblesville 7
 Eastern 47, Sheridan 18

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Hounds beat Millers in PKs, GC cruises to final

The REPORTER

For the second year in a row, the Class 3A Sectional 9 game between Carmel and Noblesville came down to a penalty-kick shootout.

The No. 3-ranked Greyhounds won for the second year in a row, edging past the host and No. 11 Millers 4-3 in the shootout after the two teams played to a scoreless tie in Wednesday, Oct. 8 first semifinal game. As a result, Carmel advanced to the championship game.

Noblesville led 1-0 after Jackson Morris made the first penalty kick. But after that, the Greyhounds made the next four, with Troy Enslin, Max Householder, Alex Rubin and Quinn Wu all making their kicks.

Ashton Hancock and Quinn Johnston also made PKs for the Millers.

Carmel played No. 19 Zionsville in the Sectional 9 championship, which took place Saturday, Oct. 11, after press time.

In first-round games that took place Monday, Oct. 6, Noblesville got past Westfield in overtime 2-0.

The game was scoreless through 80 minutes of regulation, so it went to overtime, which consists of two seven-minute periods. Noblesville scored both of its goals in the second OT. Samuel Kattman put in the first goal, then Morris made a penalty kick.

Carmel defeated North Central 2-0 in the other first-round game. Evan Bardos and Quinn Wu both scored one goal for the



(ABOVE LEFT) Carmel's Alex Rubin (15) and Noblesville's Brady Frayer battle for the ball during the Greyhounds-Millers sectional game on Wednesday, Oct. 8. (ABOVE RIGHT) Westfield's Ian Lam (10) and Noblesville's Keaton Kulp run to the ball during the Shamrocks-Millers sectional game on Monday, Oct. 6.



Reporter photos by Quinn Matthews

Greyhounds, with Xander Dora and Curtis Droste each making one assist.

Class 2A Sectional 24 Guerin Catholic reached the championship game at its own field, beating Western Boone 12-0 in a Wednesday, Oct. 8 semifinal game.

The No. 2 Golden Eagles played No. 3 Park Tudor, a 3-0 winner over No. 19 Heritage Christian, in the championship game Saturday, Oct. 11, after press time.

Hamilton Heights fell to Heritage Christian 5-1 Monday, Oct. 6 in the first round of Sectional 24. The Huskies finished their season 9-8-2.

University advanced to the Class 1A Sectional 40 championship game by defeating host North Putnam 4-0 in the Wednesday, Oct. 8 semifinals.



Guerin Catholic's Will Scheu makes a kick for the Golden Eagles during their sectional win over Western Boone on Wednesday, Oct. 8.

Bruno Lukin scored three goals, with Julian Eli adding one goal. The Trailblazers beat Traders Point Christian in the first round Tuesday, Oct. 7.

The Trailblazers played No. 1 Covenant Christian in the Saturday, Oct. 11 final,

after press time.

Sheridan lost in the first round of Class 1A Sectional 40 at North Putnam on Monday, Oct. 6, falling to Covenant Christian 10-0.

The Blackhawks finished their season 5-10.

Photo by Mike Navarro

Rematch set: Royals, Tigers set to clash for sectional title

By RICHARD TORRES
For The Reporter

FISHERS – For the second straight year, the Class 3A Sectional 8 championship was settled between rivals Hamilton Southeastern and Fishers.

On Wednesday, Oct. 8, both programs proved they were ready.

During the first sectional semifinal, 3A No. 17 Fishers shut out Anderson 4-0 to advance into the Saturday, Oct. 11 title game at Fishers High School. (The game finished after press time, results will appear in the Reporter's Tuesday edition.)

No. 10 HSE followed suit in the second semifinal by blanking Mt. Vernon with a 2-0 victory.

A year ago, HSE defeated Fishers, 1-0, in the sectional title game to secure the program's seventh championship since 2004 and sixth in 12 years.

Fishers has captured two sectional titles in program history with its most recent in 2020.

Since 2019, Fishers has posted a 4-1-2 record against HSE in regular-season meetings, tying the Royals twice in the past two matchups to retain the Mudsock trophy for five straight seasons.

During the semifinals, both teams showcased their defense and revved up their offenses in anticipation of their upcoming Hamilton County showdown.

Fishers scored two goals in the first half against Anderson and two in the second

with four different players landing the back of the net.

The Tigers converted a pair of corner kick set pieces to build their 2-0 lead with a goal credited to senior Jack Butts (assisted by senior Andres Artigas) in the 15th minute and another by senior Hudson Frazo (assisted by junior Kraiden Bumbala).

Bumbala assisted junior Osvel Urdaneta to make it 4-0 in the 77th minute, while senior Pierce Haynie made it 3-0 in the 59th minute.

Fishers' goalkeeper Riley Sturgill, a junior, logged five saves against 11 shots by Anderson.

"A game like that, an early goal can make a big difference, so we were really pushing for that. It came a little bit later than I would have liked, but it was pretty good," Schmidt said.

HSE broke a scoreless tie with Mt. Vernon in the 23rd minute with a goal from junior Cooper Perez. In the second half, the Royals poured an insurance goal in the 69th minute by senior Jose Charris (assisted by junior Jonathan Ramos Perez).

On Tuesday, Oct. 7, the Royals survived a 2-1 double-overtime thriller against Pendleton Heights, using 31 seconds to tie and take the lead for good.

"Two fights back-to-back. It's a tough draw. Pendleton (Heights) was playing extremely well, and they had some dangerous attackers. To get that Tuesday night and come back, we knew we had our hands full with Mt. Vernon," White said.

Girls Soccer

Hawks, Blazers reach finals; Rocks & Hounds played for Sectional 9 title

The REPORTER

The Sheridan girls soccer team took care of business at its own sectional Thursday, Oct. 9 to advance to its own sectional championship.

The Class 1A No. 11 Blackhawks defeated Lafayette Central Catholic 4-0 in the first Sectional 38 semifinal, played on Bud Wright Stadium. Sheridan scored its first goal right away, with Avery Hills getting her team on the board.

That was the only goal of the first half, but the Hawks picked up the pace in the second half with three more goals. Hills struck again early in the second half, with Molly Pottorff making the assist.

Norah Stites scored Sheridan's third goal during the 58th minute, then Sadie Timme completed the scoring in the 69th minute, with Hills providing the assist.

The win was the first time in program history that the Blackhawks defeated the Golden Knights.

"We start fast," said Sheridan coach Brian Prange. "We start fast, we're going to be fine. If we don't start fast, they're going to take it to us. And they came out fast. We scored in the first six minutes."

The Blackhawks beat Alexandria 10-0 in the first round on Wednesday, Oct. 8.

Sheridan played Faith Christian in the championship on Saturday, Oct. 11, after press time.

Westfield and Carmel both won their semifinals at Class 3A Sectional 9 at Zionsville on Thursday, Oct. 9 to set up a championship showdown.

The No. 5-ranked Shamrocks beat No. 19 Lawrence North 3-1 in the first semifinal. Brynn Sargent scored Westfield's first goal late in the first half off a finish from Addie Colling, which gave



(ABOVE) Sheridan's Avery Hills scored two goals for the Blackhawks during their sectional semifinal win over Lafayette Central Catholic on Thursday, Oct. 9. (RIGHT) Guerin Catholic's Lilly Dunlap was one of the seniors on this year's Golden Eagles team.

the Rocks a 1-0 halftime lead.

Colling added a second goal, putting a leading pass from Tatum Hauser. Later, Colling sent a cross to Kylie Ipsen, who put it in the back of the net for Westfield's third goal.

Third-ranked Carmel beat No. 10 Cathedral 3-0 in the other semifinal. Adalyn Cameron scored two goals for the Greyhounds, with Bella Cueto adding another goal. Kate Klinginsmith and Ryan Weber both made one assist.

Westfield and Carmel played for the Sectional 9 championship Saturday, Oct. 11, after press time.

Carmel reached the semifinals of Sectional 9 by beating host and No. 4-ranked Zionsville 1-0 on Wednesday, Oct. 8. Cameron scored



Photo by Mike Navarro

the Greyhounds' goal.

University reached the Class 1A Sectional 41 championship at Cardinal Ritter with a 5-0 semifinal win over Christel House Academy on Thursday, Oct. 9.

The Trailblazers led 3-0 at halftime; Bella Miller Krigger, Mack Feeney and Madie Encinia each made one goal. Feeney and Miller Krigger both added an additional goal in the second half. Meanwhile, Christel House had no shots on goal for the entire game.

University will played No. 6-ranked Heritage Chris-

tian on Saturday, Oct. 11 for the championship. The match concluded after press time.

The Blazers upset No. 13 Covenant Christian 1-0 in the first round of Class 1A Sectional 41 at Cardinal Ritter on Wednesday, Oct. 8. Lia Stennis scored the Trailblazers' goal in the 53rd minute. Annie Ingersoll got the goalkeeper shutout.

Guerin Catholic, ranked No. 14 in Class 2A, fell to No. 8 Bishop Chatur 1-0 in the first round of Sectional

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Dodge

Satterfield

St. May

Royals avenge past, oust Millers in semis

By RICHARD TORRES
For The Reporter

FISHERS – Once the postgame huddle broke on Thursday, Oct. 9 the top-ranked Class 3A Hamilton Southeastern Royals began positioning for a team photo to celebrate their Sectional 8 semifinal victory over rival Noblesville.

HSE head coach Greg Davidson immediately stepped in and stopped it.

"We have held our mantra of the next game, and Noblesville was just the next team standing in the way of what we want to accomplish," Davidson explained. "We're not looking ahead."

The Royals didn't dispute their coach's directive. Instead, they embraced it because they share the same mindset.

Despite ousting rival Noblesville by shutout 4-0, the job remains unfinished.

"I get the excitement, but this is just, you know, one step, and we haven't won anything yet," Davidson said. "We've got to stay focused on Fishers now."

Fishers blanked Muncie Central, 12-0, during Thursday's first semifinal contest, advancing into the Saturday, Oct. 11 championship game. (The game took place after press time; results will appear in our Tuesday, Oct. 14 edition.)

First HSE had to take care of three-time defending state champion Noblesville, a program that held a 9-0 postseason series record against the

Royals for over a decade.

The last time the Royals beat the Millers in a playoff game was 2012, which also marked the most recent season HSE swept their archrival in both Hoosier Crossroads Conference and state tournament play.

On Aug. 30, HSE beat Noblesville, 9-0, by shutout at home.

Forty days later, the rematch resulted in a 13th shutout this season for junior goalkeeper Hannah Dodge and the unbeaten Royals, who are ranked No. 1 in the nation, according to MaxPreps. HSE is ranked second in the nation by the United Soccer Coaches Association.

The Royals, who carried a 1-4-4 regular season record against Noblesville since 2016, led 3-0 by halftime and held the Millers without a single shot and only two attacks in the first 40 minutes.

A goal by sophomore Rebekah Tekrony assisted off a free kick by senior Blair Satterfield, an Indiana University recruit, in the ninth minute put HSE ahead 1-0.

A rocket goal by Sloane May, a Michigan commit, assisted by senior Riley Boyd, an IU recruit, put the Royals up 2-0 in the 35th minute.

Boyd buried the third goal in the 37th minute assisted by Ball State commit Addison McClain.

Sophomore Sydney May made it 4-0 with a goal setup off a Satterfield free kick in the 71st minute.

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Girls Golf State Finals

Noblesville Millers take runner-up trophy again

By **RICHIE HALL**
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CARMEL – The Noblesville girls golf team continued its podium streak Saturday, Oct. 4 at the IH-SAA girls golf state finals.

The Millers were runners-up again at state, which took place at Prairie View Golf Club in Carmel. For the second consecutive year, Noblesville finished behind Zionsville. The Eagles won with a two-day, 36-hole score of 607, while the Millers scored 629.

“We gave it our best shot,” said Millers coach Justin Werkley. “All credit to Zionsville. They were the best team all year and they proved it these last couple days. They played great.”

Senior Josie Kelley led the way, placing fourth individually. The Eastern Kentucky commit finished with a score of 147. Kelley totaled two under par 70 on the first day of the tournament; she made an eagle on hole No. 7. Kelley scored

77 on the second day. She made five birdies during the state meet and was named to the All-State team at the conclusion of the meet.

“She’s been a rock,” said Werkley. “Just as steady as can be and a great leader, and we’re going to miss her.”

Kelley will take many fond memories of playing high school golf. She said that the actual golf part is “such a small aspect of high school golf.”

“I think so much of it is the people that you meet,” said Kelley. “I’ve made so many friends, not even just the Noblesville team. One of my best friends, (Franklin senior) Addi Bright, she finished top 10 today. (Individual champion) Taylor Snively, I’m incredibly proud of her. I started crying when she hugged me on the green after we got done. High school golf is so much more than just the golf. It’s the people you meet.”

Peyton Kauzlick, another senior, tied for 15th place by scoring 155. Kauzlick fin-

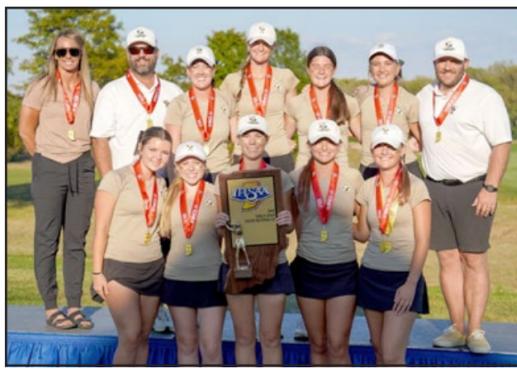


Photo provided

The Noblesville girls golf team finished as state runner-up for the second consecutive year at the IHSA state finals, which took place Friday, Oct. 3 and Saturday, Oct. 4 at Prairie View Golf Club in Carmel. It’s also the third consecutive podium finish for the Millers.

ished with two birdies at the meet. She was named to the Academic All-State team at the conclusion of the meet.

All five Millers players made at least one birdie at Prairie View. In addition to Fowler and Kauzlick, senior Olivia Fowler had three, senior Presley White drained two and sophomore Lauren Turpin had one.

“We have a lot of depth and a lot of talent,” said Werkley. “I think our program’s in a really healthy spot.”

Noblesville placed fourth at state in 2023, the year its podium streak began. The Millers have qualified for state 29 times and finished in the top four 20 of those times.

Rocks, Hounds, Royals round out top five

Carmel’s Fujisawa Keuling places third

By **RICHIE HALL**
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CARMEL – Hamilton County golf teams made their presence known at the IHSA girls golf state finals, which took place Oct. 3 and 4 at Prairie View Golf Club in Carmel.

After state champion Zionsville, county teams monopolized the remainder of the top five. Noblesville finished as runner-up for the second consecutive year (see related story), then Westfield reached the podium for the third year running by placing third.

Carmel got back on the podium, finishing in fourth place. Hamilton Southeastern rounded out the top five by finishing in fifth. In addition, all four county schools placed at least one player on the All-State team.

The Shamrocks totaled 640 to earn the bronze at state. Westfield had four players finish in the top 40 of the individual standings, led by Farrah Camp. The freshman tied for 20th with a two-day, 36-hole score of 156, making three birdies for the tournament.

Another freshman, Laila Abriani, totaled 159 for the event, draining two birdies. Senior Kelsey Haverluck finished with three birdies and was also named to the All-State team based on points she earned at tournaments throughout the season.

Junior Sophie Raines and senior Lilley Ku each made one birdie. Ku also was named to the Academic All-State team, with those honorees announced at the end of the meet.

Westfield coach Josh Bryant was happy with the team’s performance, especially from the new young players on the Shamrocks’ team.

“Top three every tournament was our goal,” said

Bryant. “And ultimately, here at the state finals, we were able to do that, and I couldn’t be more proud of the team this year and what they accomplished.”

Hounds back on the podium

Carmel scored 645 to return to the podium for the third time in four years. The Greyhounds were back-to-back state champions in 2022 and 2023 before placing eighth last season.

Freshman Maya Fujisawa Keuling led the way. She scored 146 for the tournament, placing her third individually for the tournament.

Fujisawa Keuling started the tournament with a four under par 68 in the first round, including an eagle on hole No. 3, along with four birdies. She scored 76 in the second round.

“I got to see a lot of people supporting our team and I was really grateful for that,” said Fujisawa Keuling.

Freshman Karis Reid scored 160 for the tournament. Reid showed remarkable courage in playing with an injured wrist and still finished with five birdies for the event.

Both Fujisawa Keuling and Reid were named to the All-State team.

Junior Allie Thompson made four birdies during the tournament. Reese Roudebush played the second day and made one birdie.

“I’m proud of the girls and can’t wait for next season,” said Carmel coach Kelly Kluesner.

Hamilton Southeastern totaled 650 as a team to place fifth. Junior Bella Stanley led the Royals with 158, making four birdies along the way.

Senior Janelle Garcia and junior Sophie Roberts both had two birdies for the tournament. Both were named to the All-State team. Juniors Maya Cieply and Taylor Wetzel both drained three



Reporter photos by Richie Hall

(TOP) The Westfield girls golf team placed third at the state meet. (ABOVE) The Carmel girls golf team placed fourth at state.



Reporter photo by Richie Hall

Noblesville’s Peyton Kauzlick (left) and Westfield’s Lilley Ku were both named to the Indiana Golf Coaches Association’s Academic All-State team.

birdies.

Guerin Catholic junior Ali Scott played as an indi-

vidual, finishing with a score of 162. Scott had one birdie for the tournament.

Volleyball



Photo by Dwight Casler

The Sheridan volleyball team celebrated its seniors at the Blackhawks’ Senior Night match with Tri-Central on Thursday, Oct. 9. Pictured are Eva Todd, Meredith Krupp, Emily Will.

Hawks pick up two wins, Mendenhall breaks record

The REPORTER

The Sheridan volleyball team won two matches late last week.

The Blackhawks swept North Montgomery on the road Wednesday, Oct. 8, beating the Chargers 25-21, 25-23, 25-14. Lainey Mendenhall led the offense with 26 kills, breaking the single-season record for kills. Adria Jump put down five kills, followed by Lilli Thompson with three and Emily Will with two. Jump also dished out 30 assists.

Beth Adams served three aces and totaled 13 service points, while Jump hit two aces on 10 service points. Thompson had 11 service points.

Mednehall and Adams led the defense with 17 digs each, while Jump collected 15 digs. Kelsie Hagan made 11 digs, followed by Thompson with 10 and Meredith Krupp with eight.

Sheridan returned home on Thursday, Oct. 9 and swept Hoosier Heartland Conference opponent Tri-Central 25-8, 25-11, 25-6. Mendenhall put down 11 kills, Jump with five and Hagan with four and Thompson with three. Jump handed out 17 assists.

Jump delivered six aces on 14 service points. Eva Todd and Mendenhall each had four aces on 12 service points. Will hit four aces on 10 service points.

Krupp scooped up seven digs, followed by Izzy Gray and Jump with six each. Todd had five digs and Will collected four.

Hamilton Heights finished its regular season with a sweep of Marion Thursday, Oct. 9, by the score of 25-0, 25-1, 25-9.

Sierra Bramel played strong at setter while Liv Schiffler had several good serves.

The Huskies are 21-8 and will compete at the New Castle sectional this week.

Westfield won an all-county match with Hamilton Heights in four sets on Wednesday, Oct. 8 25-13, 25-17, 23-25, 25-20.

Paige Rudolph hit 13 kills for the Shamrocks, followed by Georgia Bresnahan with 10 kills; Bresnahan served three aces. Emily Blevins dished out 26 assists, and Kenna Robinson handed out 18 assists. Bresnahan collected 12 digs, while Brooke Neale and Gabby Bassett both had 10 digs. Rudolph made three blocks.

Macie Smith hit 20 kills for Heights, while Liv Schiffler put down 11 kills. Reece Blanton provided 16 assists, while Sierra Bramel handed out 14 assists. Smith also scooped up 15 digs.

On Thursday, the Shamrocks swept Fishers 25-19, 25-14, 25-20. Bresnahan hit 14 kills, followed by Carsyn Comer with 10 kills. Neale served four aces. Blevins dished out 23 assists, while Robinson provided 19 assists.

Neale collected 16 digs, with Comer and Rudolph both made three blocks.

The Rocks improved to 23-1 and play at the Zionsville sectional this week.

Sectional volleyball pairings

The REPORTER

The IHSA announced the sectional pairings for this year’s girls volleyball state tournament on Sunday, Oct. 5.

Zionsville will host Class 4A Sectional 8 this year. The Eagles play defending sectional champion and No. 3-ranked Hamilton Southeastern in the first round on Thursday, followed by another opening-round match between Fishers and Noblesville.

Second-ranked Westfield received a bye into the Saturday semifinals and plays the Zionsville-HSE winner, while Carmel also got a bye and takes on the Fishers-Noblesville winner in the semis.

Hamilton Heights travels to New Castle to compete in Class 3A Sectional 24, a five-team site. The No. 9-ranked Huskies drew the bye and plays the winner of a first-round match between New Castle and Delta in the semifinals on Saturday. Jay County and Connersville will contest the other opening-round match.

Guerin Catholic heads to Frankfort for Class 3A Sectional 25, which has seven teams. The No. 7-ranked

Golden Eagles play No. 6 Tri-West in a Thursday first-round match. Other first-round matches will take place between Frankfort and Brebeuf Jesuit on Tuesday, and between Crawfordsville and Danville on Thursday.

Lebanon got the bye and plays the Frankfort-Brebeuf winner in the semifinals on Saturday.

Sheridan will travel to Tipton to compete in Class 2A Sectional 39. The Blackhawks play Elwood in the first round on Thursday, with Lapel and Taylor taking part in the other first-round match.

Frankton will play the Sheridan-Elwood winner in the semifinals Saturday, with Tipton taking on the Lapel-Taylor winner in the other semi.

University will host Class 2A Sectional 42. The Trailblazers take on Riverside in the first round on Thursday, followed by a first-round contest between Monrovia and Park Tudor.

Cardinal Ritter plays the University-Riverside winner in the semis on Saturday, while Covenant-Christian will face the Monrovia-Park Tudor winner in the other semifinal.

Girls Golf State Finals Scores

Team scores: Zionsville 305-302=607, Noblesville 308-321=629, Westfield 318-322=640, Carmel 311-334=645, Hamilton Southeastern 329-321=650, Franklin Community 331-330=661, Northridge 336-342=678, South Bend St. Joseph 346-344=690, Batesville 346-346=692, Fort Wayne Carroll 355-338=693, Floyd Central 361-341=702, Penn 355-347=702, Lapel 360-350=710, DeKalb 361-353=714, Lake Central 370-365=735, Castle 377-367=744, Bedford North Lawrence 379-375=754, Barr-Reeve 399-407=806.

Top 10 individuals: 1. Taylor Snively (Zionsville) 71-70=141, 2. Lexi Ray (Franklin Community) 70-75=145, 3. Maya Fujisawa Keuling (Carmel) 68-78=146, 4. Josie Kelley (Noblesville) 70-77=147, T5. Taylor Larkins (Fort Wayne Carroll) 80-69=149; Kennedy Gutierrez (Valparaiso) 72-77=149, 7. Hannah Ingersoll (Munster) 74-77=151, T8. Olivia Bailey (Rochester) 75-77=152; Addison Bright (Franklin Community) 80-

72=152, T10. Alex Reschly (Northridge) 76-77=153; Ressie Lemmon (Mt. Vernon) 74-79=153.

Other Noblesville scores: Peyton Kauzlick 76-79=155, Olivia Fowler 78-83=161, Lauren Turpin 84-82=166, Presley White 88-87=175.

Westfield scores: Farrah Camp 76-80=156, Laila Abriani 80-79=159, Kelsey Haverluck 82-80=162, Sophie Raines 80-83=163, Lilley Ku 83-84=167.

Other Carmel scores: Karis Reid 78-82=160, Allie Thompson 82-82=164, Maddie Headlee 83-92=175, Mallorie Monaco (first day) 88, Reese Roudebush (second day) 94.

Southeastern scores: Bella Stanley 77-81=158, Janelle Garcia 81-81=162, Sophie Roberts 85-81=166, Maya Cieply 93-78=171, Taylor Wetzel 86-87=173.

Guerin Catholic score: Ali Scott 83-79=162.

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26 at Park Tudor on Tuesday, Oct. 7.

The Golden Eagles finished their season 3-12-2 against one of the toughest schedules in the state.

Hamilton Heights lost to host and No. 6-ranked Park Tudor 6-0 in the semifinals of Sectional 26 Thursday, Oct. 9. The Huskies finished their season with a 10-9 record.

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Noblesville’s first attack against HSE was in the 27th minute and its first shot was taken in the 55th minute. Dodge had one save against one shot on goal.

“No matter what, I think they’re just one step along the way. Getting them out of

the way and knocking them out just felt good,” Sloane May said. “But most importantly, we’re focused on our next steps and continuing to do the same thing to other teams, continuing to come in with that mindset against every team.”

WESTFIELD

PUBLIC NOTICE

Please be advised that the Westfield-Washington Township Advisory Plan Commission and City Council will meet at 7:00 p.m., Tuesday, October 28, 2025 at Westfield City Services Center, 2728 E. 171st Street, Westfield, Indiana, for the purposes of holding a meeting to be presented with a Comprehensive Plan update by Rundell Ernsterberger Associates, Inc. A quorum of the Common Council may be present.

Westfield-Washington Township City Council
Westfield Community Development Department
130 E. Penn Street, Westfield, Indiana 46074
www.westfieldin.gov
Westfield-Washington Township Advisory Plan Commission
Westfield Community Development Department
2728 East 171st Street, Westfield, Indiana 46074
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R6902 10/13/25

ADVERTISEMENT FOR REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

Proposals for the performance of the City of Westfield’s Low Profile Landscape Maintenance will be received by the City of Westfield, Indiana, at the Westfield Public Works Building, 2728 E. 171st Street, Westfield, Indiana, 46074 until 12:00 p.m., local time, on Tuesday November 21st, 2025. Written confirmation of intent to bid is due by 12:00 p.m., Friday October 17th, 2025. A copy of the full Request for Proposals documents can be found on the City of Westfield website at http://www.westfieldin.gov/439/Request-for-Proposals

Please direct all questions regarding this Request for Proposals to Ben Meier, Parks and Recreation Landscape Manager, City of Westfield, 2706 E 171st Street, Westfield, IN 46074, (317) 619-5813, bmeier@westfield.in.gov. R6903 10/13/25, 10/20/25

COURT NOTICES

STATE OF INDIANA)
COUNTY OF HAMILTON)
IN THE HAMILTON)
CIRCUIT COURT)
Cause No. 29C01-2504-MI-4295
IN RE THE NAME CHANGE OF:
EMILY ANN CALIFF

29D03-2310-EU-000465
NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION
In the Hamilton Superior Court,
Probate Division.
In the Matter of the Estate of John A. Hurst, deceased.
Cause Number 29D03-2310-EU-000465

NOTICE OF HEARING
Notice is hereby given that Petitioner, EMILY ANN CALIFF, pro se, filed a Verified Petition for Change of Name to change her name from EMILY ANN CALIFF to MASON SOL CALIFF.

Notice is hereby given that Mary E. Hurst was on October 19, 2023, appointed Personal Representative of the Estate of John A. Hurst, deceased.

The petition is scheduled for hearing in the Hamilton Circuit Court on January 5, 2026 at 10:00 am, which is more than thirty (30) days after the third notice of publication. Any person has the right to appear at the hearing and to file written objections on or before the hearing date. The parties shall report to One Hamilton County Square, Suite 337, Noblesville, IN 46060.

Date: September 8, 2025
Kathy Kreag Williams
Clerk, Hamilton Circuit Court
R6854 9/29/25, 10/6/25, 10/13/25

All persons who have claims against this estate, whether or not now due, must file the claim in the office of the Clerk of this Court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this notice or within nine (9) months after the Decedent’s death, whichever is earlier, or said claims will be forever barred.

Dated at Noblesville, Indiana, on October 19, 2023.
Kathy Kreag Williams
Clerk, Hamilton Superior Court
Probate Division
R6865 10/6/25, 10/13/25

STATE OF INDIANA)
COUNTY OF HAMILTON)
IN THE HAMILTON)
CIRCUIT COURT)
Cause No. 29C01-2509-MI-010648
IN RE THE NAME CHANGE OF:
Marilyn Kay Aufdemorte Smith
Petitioner

STATE OF INDIANA)
COUNTY OF HAMILTON)
IN THE HAMILTON)
CIRCUIT COURT)
Cause No. 29C01-2509-MI-010640
IN RE THE MATTER OF:
Mustafa Mohamed Serwin Kamal Al Jabari
Petitioner

NOTICE OF PETITION FOR CHANGE OF NAME

Marilyn Kay Aufdemorte Smith, whose mailing address is: 833 Hickory Way, Noblesville, IN 46062, in the Hamilton County, Indiana, hereby gives notice that Marilyn Kay Aufdemorte Smith has filed a petition in the Hamilton County Probate Court requesting that their name be changed to Kay Aufdemorte Smith.

NOTICE OF PETITION FOR CHANGE OF NAME

Mustafa Mohamed Serwin Kamal Al Jabari, whose mailing address is: 11191 Bardsley Way Fishers, Indiana 46038, in the Hamilton County, Indiana, hereby gives notice that Mustafa Mohamed Serwin Kamal Al Jabari has filed a petition in the Hamilton County Probate Court requesting that their name be changed to Mustafa Serwan Jabari.

Notice is further given that the hearing will be held on said Petition on: February 20, 2026 at 10:00 a.m.
Marilyn Kay Aufdemorte Smith
Petitioner
Date: September 25, 2025
Kathy Kreag Williams
Hamilton County Clerk
R6869 10/6/25, 10/13/25, 10/20/25

Notice is further given that the hearing will be held on said Petition on: February 20, 2026 at 10:00 a.m.
Mustafa Mohamed Serwin Kamal Al Jabari
Petitioner
Date: September 25, 2025
Kathy Kreag Williams
Hamilton County Clerk
R6868 10/6/25, 10/13/25, 10/20/25

STATE OF INDIANA)
COUNTY OF HAMILTON)
IN THE HAMILTON)
CIRCUIT COURT)
Cause No. 29C01-2509-MI-010640
IN RE THE NAME CHANGE OF:
Megan Kali Atwell
Petitioner

29D03-2509-EU-000424
IN THE HAMILTON COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT
STATE OF INDIANA
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF DUANE E. HIATT
NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION
In the Superior Court of Hamilton County, Indiana.

NOTICE OF PETITION FOR CHANGE OF NAME

Megan Kali Atwell, whose mailing address is: 15059 Bainbridge Court Westfield, Indiana 46074, in the Hamilton County, Indiana, hereby gives notice that Megan Kali Atwell has filed a petition in the Hamilton County Probate Court requesting that name be changed to Kali Meunier Weintraut.

Notice is further given that the hearing will be held on said Petition on: February 20, 2026 at 10:00 a.m.
Marilyn Kay Aufdemorte Smith
Petitioner
Date: September 25, 2025
Kathy Kreag Williams
Hamilton County Clerk
R6870 10/6/25, 10/13/25, 10/20/25

Notice is further given that the hearing will be held on said Petition on: February 20, 2026 at 10:00 a.m.
Megan Kali Atwell
Petitioner
Date: September 4, 2025
Kathy Kreag Williams
Hamilton County Clerk
R6870 10/6/25, 10/13/25, 10/20/25

Notice is hereby given that DUANE MICHAEL HIATT was, on Sept. 26th, 2025, appointed Personal Representative of the Estate of DUANE E. HIATT, deceased, who died August 2, 2025.

All persons who have claims against this Estate, whether or not now due, must file the claim in the office of the Clerk of this Court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this Notice, or within nine (9) months after the decedent’s death, whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred.

All persons who have claims against this Estate, whether or not now due, must file the claim in the office of the Clerk of this Court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this Notice, or within nine (9) months after the decedent’s death, whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred.

Dated at Noblesville, Indiana on September 26, 2025.
Kathy Kreag Williams
Clerk of the Hamilton County Superior Court
Hamilton County, Indiana
R6871 9/22/25, 9/29/25

Notice is hereby given that Teresa M. Featherston was, on October 6, 2025, appointed Personal Representative of the Estate of SCOTT M. FEATHERSTON, deceased, who died July 14, 2025.

All persons who have claims against this Estate, whether or not now due, must file the claim in the office of the Clerk of this Court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this Notice, or within nine (9) months after the decedent’s death, whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred.

All persons who have claims against this Estate, whether or not now due, must file the claim in the office of the Clerk of this Court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this Notice, or within nine (9) months after the decedent’s death, whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred.

Dated at Noblesville, Indiana, this 8 day of October, 2025..
Kathy Kreag Williams
Hamilton County Clerk
R6883 10/13/25, 10/20/25

Dated at Noblesville, Indiana on October 6, 2025.
Kathy Kreag Williams
Clerk of the Superior Court of Hamilton County, Indiana
R6899 10/13/25, 10/20/25

29D02-2509-EU-000427
STATE OF INDIANA)
COUNTY OF HAMILTON)
IN THE HAMILTON SUPERIOR)
COURT)
IN THE MATTER OF THE)
UNSUPERVISED ESTATE OF)
LINDA LEE KIDWELL, (deceased)
NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION
IN SUPERIOR COURT OF
HAMILTON COUNTY, INDIANA.
In the matter of Linda Lee Kidwell, deceased:
Cause Number: 29D02-2509-EU-000427

29D01-2510-EU-438
Sarah J. Randall, #26898-29
CHURCH CHURCH HITTLE + ANTRIM
10765 Lantern Rd., Ste. 201
Noblesville, IN 46060
(317)773-2190; FAX (317) 773-5320
NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION
In the Superior Court of Hamilton County, Indiana. 29D01-2510-EU-438
Notice is hereby given that Teresa M. Featherston was, on October 6, 2025, appointed Personal Representative of the Estate of SCOTT M. FEATHERSTON, deceased, who died July 14, 2025.

Notice is hereby given that on the 25 day of September, 2025, Rhonda Carpenter was appointed personal representative of the estate of Linda Lee Kidwell, deceased, who died on the 9th day of August 2025.

All persons who have claims against this Estate, whether or not now due, must file the claim in the office of the Clerk of this Court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this Notice, or within nine (9) months after the decedent’s death, whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred.

Dated at Noblesville, Indiana, this 8 day of October, 2025..
Kathy Kreag Williams
Hamilton County Clerk
R6883 10/13/25, 10/20/25

Dated at Noblesville, Indiana on October 6, 2025.
Kathy Kreag Williams
Clerk of the Superior Court of Hamilton County, Indiana
R6899 10/13/25, 10/20/25

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SHERIFF SALES

TO THE OWNERS OF THE WITHIN DESCRIBED REAL ESTATE AND ALL INTEREST PARTIES
NOTICE OF SHERIFF’S SALE
By virtue of a certified copy of a decree to me directed from the Clerk of the Superior Court of Hamilton County, Indiana, in Cause No.: 29D04-2409-MF-010150 wherein FEDERAL HOME LOAN MORTGAGE CORPORATION AS TRUSTEE FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE FREDDIE MAC SEASONED LOANS STRUCTURED TRANSACTION TRUST, SERIES 2023-1, was Plaintiff, and Ryan S. Fagan, et al were the Defendants, requiring me to make the sum as provided for in said Decree with interest and cost, I will expose at public sale to the highest bidder, on the 20th day of November, 2025 at the hour of 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. or as soon thereafter as is possible, at 18100 Cumberland Road, Noblesville, IN 46060, the fee simple of the whole body of Real Estate in Hamilton County, Indiana.

Lot 3, Block 6, Thistlewaite 1st, Town of Sheridan, a subdivision in Hamilton County, as per plat thereof recorded April 8, 1882 in Deed Book 35, page 230, in the Office of the Recorder of Hamilton County, Indiana.
More Commonly Known As: 704 S. Main St., Sheridan, IN 46069
Parcel No. 29-01-32-313-016.000-002
Together with rents, issues, income and profits thereof, said sale will be made without relief from valuation or appraisalment laws.

Dennis J. Quakenbush II
Sheriff of Hamilton County
Sheridan
Township
704 S. Main St., Sheridan, IN 46069
Street Address

Phillip A. Norman #13734-64
Benjamin Pliskie #30407-45
PHILLIP A. NORMAN P.C.
October 7, 2025
Date

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R6885 10/13/25, 10/20/25, 10/27/25

NOTICE OF SHERIFF’S SALE

By virtue of a certified copy of a decree to me directed from the Clerk of the Superior Court of Hamilton County, Indiana, in Cause No. 29D01-2410-MF-011332, wherein MidFirst Bank was Plaintiff, and DeShawn L. Byers, Malinda M. Byers, Westminster at Fishers Property Owners Association, Inc. and Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, were the Defendants, requiring me to make the sum as provided for in said Decree with interest and costs, I will expose at public sale to the highest bidder, on the 20th day of November, 2025, at 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. of said day, at the 18100 Cumberland Road, Noblesville, IN 46060, the fee simple of the whole body of Real Estate in Hamilton County, Indiana.

The following described property located in the county of Hamilton, state of Indiana: Lot Number 31 in Westminster at Fishers, Section 1, a subdivision in the town of Fishers, Hamilton County, Indiana, as per plat thereof, recorded December 15, 2004 as Instrument Number 200400084480, and in Plat Cabinet 3, Slide 540, and corrected in Surveyors Affidavit recorded October 10, 2005 as Instrument Number 200500066567, in the Office of the Recorder of Hamilton County, Indiana.
29-11-22-004-031.000-020
and commonly known as: 13754 Luxor Chase, Fishers, IN 46038.

Subject to all liens, encumbrances, rights of redemption, easements and restrictions of record not otherwise foreclosed and extinguished in the proceedings known as Cause # 29D01-2410-MF-011332 in the Superior Court of the County of Hamilton Indiana, and subject to all real estate taxes, and assessments currently due, delinquent or which are to become a lien.

Said sale will be made without relief from valuation or appraisalment laws. If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the deposit paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee, or the Mortgagee’s Attorney.

Dennis J. Quakenbush II
Hamilton County Sheriff

DOYLE & FOUTTY, P.C.
41 E Washington St., Suite 400
Indianapolis, IN 46204
Fall Creek
Township
13754 Luxor Chase, Fishers, IN 46038
Street Address

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DOYLE & FOUTTY, P.C. IS A DEBT COLLECTOR
R6889 10/13/25, 10/20/25, 10/27/25

HAMILTON COUNTY

NOTICE TO BIDDERS AND CONTRACTORS

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Commissioners of Hamilton County, Indiana, hereinafter referred to as the Owner, will receive sealed bids for the following project:

REPLACEMENT OF HAMILTON COUNTY BRIDGE NO. 7 281ST ST. OVER MCKINZIE DITCH
ADAMS TOWNSHIP HAMILTON COUNTY, INDIANA PB-20-0542

Proposals may be forwarded individually by registered mail or delivered in person, addressed to the Hamilton County Auditor, 33 North 9th Street, Suite L21, Noblesville, Indiana, 46060, until 12:30 p.m., November 10, 2025. After 12:30 p.m. they can be delivered to the Auditor in the Hamilton County Commissioners’ Courtroom up to the time of the notice bid opening. Bids received after the noticed bid opening time will not be considered but will be returned to the bidder unopened. Only proposals from those CONTRACTORS who are registered on the Indiana Department of Transportation’s current listing of Prequalified Contractors for item D(A): “Bridges: Highway Over Water” will be considered. Any bids submitted by CONTRACTORS not approved for this item on the list will be returned to the bidder unopened.

All proposals will be considered by the OWNER at a public meeting held in the Hamilton County Government & Judicial Center in Noblesville, Indiana, Commissioners’ Courtroom, and opened and read aloud at 1:45 p.m. local time, November 10, 2025.

The work to be performed and the proposals to be submitted shall include a bid for all general construction, labor, material, tools, equipment, taxes, permits, licenses, insurance, service costs, etc. incidental to and required for this project. All materials furnished and labor performed incidental to and required by the proper and satisfactory execution of the contracts to be made, shall be furnished, and performed in accordance with requirements from the drawings and specifications included in these documents.

Bidding documents will be available beginning at 9:00 am on October 13, 2025. Copies of the Proposal, Specifications, Contract Documents and Plans must be obtained from Clark Dietz, Inc. or contact Bobby Chandler, P.E. at bobby.chandler@clarkdietz.com for further information. The cost for obtaining the Contract Document & Plans from Clark Dietz, Inc. will be \$75.00 and made payable to Clark Dietz, Inc. (by check only). Payments and costs of Contract Documents are non-refundable. Interested parties can view the Contract Documents online at www.hamiltoncounty.in.gov. Documents posted on the county website are for informational purposes only. It shall be the responsibility of the individual to periodically check for addendums posted online. Contract Documents and Plans must be obtained through Clark Dietz, Inc. to be eligible to bid on this contract.

Each proposal must be enclosed in a sealed envelope with the county supplied sealed bid notice, bearing the title of the project, bid opening date and the name and address of the bidder firmly affixed. The bidder shall affix identifying tabs to the following sheets of each proposal:

Table with 2 columns: Form 96, Financial Statement; Non-Collusion Affidavit, Receipt of Addendum (If Applicable); Bid Bond, Itemized Proposal; Employment Eligibility Verification Certification, Drug Testing Program Compliance Certification

Each individual proposal shall be accompanied by a certified check or acceptable Bidder’s Bond, made payable to the Hamilton County Auditor, in a sum of not less than ten percent of the total amount of the proposal, which check, or bond will be held by the said Hamilton County Auditor as evidence that the bidder will, if awarded a contract, enter into the same with the OWNER upon notification from him to do so within ten days of said notification. Failure to execute the contract and to furnish performance bond to Hamilton County, Indiana, will be cause for forfeiture of the amount of money represented by the certified check, or bidder’s bond, as and for liquidated damages. Form 96, as prescribed by the Indiana State Board of Accounts, shall be properly completed, and submitted with bid proposals. The Commissioners at their discretion reserve the right to waive any and all informalities in the bidding. All bids submitted shall be valid for 90 days from the opening of the bids.

Todd E. Clevenger Hamilton County Auditor
Dated: September 22, 2025
R6828 10/13/25, 10/20/25

WESTFIELD

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

ON RECOMMENDATION OF GRAND PARK PARKING GARAGE, D-1 FIELD RELOCATION, AND GRAND PARK NORTH AREA INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS

On September 15, 2025, the Commissioners of the Westfield Redevelopment Commission (“RDC”) received a written recommendation from the Grand Park Parking Garage, D-1 Field Relocation, and Grand Park North Area Infrastructure Improvements Project Evaluation Committee (“Evaluation Committee”) regarding the selection of a preferred offeror for the design, construction, operation, renovation and/or maintenance of the Grand Park Parking Garage, D-1 Field Relocation, and Grand Park North Area Infrastructure Improvements (the “Project”). In accordance with Indiana Code § 5-2-23, the RDC will conduct a public hearing on the selection of the preferred offeror for the Project on Monday, October 20, 2025 at 6:00 p.m. to be held in the City Hall Assembly Room at 130 Penn Street, Westfield, Indiana 46074 (the “RDC Meeting Room”). Citizens who wish to be heard may attend the public hearing and will be able to offer public comment at that time. Any citizen who wishes to contact the RDC in advance of the meeting should do so by contacting Jenell Fairman at jfairman@westfield.in.gov or via telephone at 317-804-3040.

The Evaluation Committee has recommended that the RDC engage Keystone Group (the “Preferred Bidder”) as the preferred offeror for the design, construction, and operation of the Project. The Preferred Bidder’s submission and the Evaluation Committee’s recommendation may be inspected during regular business hours of 8 am to 4 pm at the City Services Building located at 2728 E 171st Street, Westfield, IN 46074. The recommendation is based on: (a) the experience of the Preferred Bidder in the development and construction management of public-private projects throughout the State of Indiana; and (b) the Preferred Bidder’s specific approach to developing and managing the design, cost, and completion schedule of the Project. The final guaranteed maximum price to be paid for the Project will be determined by the RDC upon completion of the design period.

After conducting the public hearing, the RDC will determine the most appropriate response to the Request for Proposals and Qualifications, including but not limited to execution of a public-private agreement for the design, construction, and operation of the Project with the Preferred Bidder.

Date: October 10, 2025
Jenell Fairman, Executive Director
R6881 10/10/25, 10/13/25

SHERIFF SALES

NOTICE OF SHERIFF’S SALE

By virtue of a certified copy of a decree to me directed from the Clerk of the Superior Court of Hamilton County, Indiana, in Cause No. 29D01-2211-MF-009178, wherein Freedom Mortgage Company was Plaintiff, and Jennifer Lesko, Jonathan Lesko and Mulberry Farms Homeowners Association, Inc., were the Defendants, requiring me to make the sum as provided for in said Decree with interest and costs, I will expose at public sale to the highest bidder, on the 20th day of November, 2025, at 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. of said day, at the 18100 Cumberland Road, Noblesville, IN 46060, the fee simple of the whole body of Real Estate in Hamilton County, Indiana.

Lot Number 54 in Mulberry Farms, Section 2, Secondary Plat, a subdivision in Hamilton County, Indiana, as per plat thereof, recorded December 14, 1999 in Plat Cabinet 2, Slide 372, and as Instrument No. 99-71660, and Certificate of Correction recorded February 22, 2000 as Instrument No. 200000007942, in the office of the Recorder of Hamilton County, Indiana.

29-09-11-004-005.000-015
and commonly known as: 202 Blackberry Ct, Westfield, IN 46074.
Subject to all liens, encumbrances, rights of redemption, easements and restrictions of record not otherwise foreclosed and extinguished in the proceedings known as Cause # 29D01-2211-MF-009178 in the Superior Court of the County of Hamilton Indiana, and subject to all real estate taxes, and assessments currently due, delinquent or which are to become a lien.

Said sale will be made without relief from valuation or appraisalment laws. If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the deposit paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee, or the Mortgagee’s Attorney.

Dennis J. Quakenbush II
Hamilton County Sheriff

DOYLE & FOUTTY, P.C.
41 E Washington St., Suite 400
Indianapolis, IN 46204
Washington
Township
202 Blackberry Ct, Westfield, IN 46074
Street Address

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DOYLE & FOUTTY, P.C. IS A DEBT COLLECTOR
R6866 10/6/25, 10/13/25, 10/20/25

NOTICE OF SHERIFF’S SALE

By virtue of a certified copy of a decree to me directed from the Clerk of Superior Court of Hamilton County, Indiana, in Cause No. 29D06-2409-MF-010135 wherein Groundfloor Properties GA, LLC was Plaintiff, and Bardwell & Sons Properties, LLC and Adrain Monte Bardwell, were Defendants, required me to make the sum as provided for in said Decree with interest and cost, I will expose at public sale to the highest bidder, on the 20th day of November, 2025, at the hour of 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. or as soon thereafter as is possible, at 18100 Cumberland Road, Noblesville, IN 46060 the fee simple of the whole body of Real Estate in Hamilton County, Indiana.

LOT 40, IN TROY ESTATES, SECONDARY PLAT, RECORDED SEPTEMBER 17, 2021 IN PLAT CABINET 6, SLIDE 155, AS INSTRUMENT NO. 2021067927 AND CERTIFICATE OF CORRECTION RECORDED FEBRUARY 4, 2022 AS INSTRUMENT NO. 2022006108, IN THE OFFICE OF THE RECORDER OF HAMILTON COUNTY, INDIANA..
More commonly known as: 4026 W 141st Street Westfield, IN 46074
Parcel No. 29-09-19-000-011.000-018

Together with rents, issues, income and profits thereof, said sale will be made without relief from valuation or appraisalment laws.
“Subject to all liens, encumbrances and easements of record not otherwise extinguished in the proceedings known as Cause 29D07-2412-MF-013744 in the Superior court of the County of Hamilton, Indiana.”

Dennis J. Quakenbush II
Sheriff of Hamilton County

Plaintiff Attorney
Zarkis V. Daroga (17288-49)
Sottile and Barile, LLC
7530 Lucerne Drive, Suite 210
Middleburg Heights, OH 44130
Clay Township
4026 W 141st Street Westfield, IN 46074
Street Address

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NOTICE
SOTTILE AND BARILE LLC IS A DEBT COLLECTOR. THIS IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A DEBT, AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

R6887 10/13/25, 10/20/25, 10/27/25

NOTICE OF SHERIFF’S SALE

By virtue of a certified copy of a decree to me directed from the Clerk of the Superior Court of Hamilton County, Indiana, in Cause No. 29D01-2504-MF-003823, wherein Colonial National Mortgage, a division of Colonial Savings, F.A. was Plaintiff, and Angela L. Drake, Dorothy A. Jones, Enterprise Leasing Company of Indianapolis, LLC, United States Fire Insurance Company, Inc., State of Indiana through its Department of Revenue, Brooks Chase Homeowners’ Association, Inc., The United States through its Internal Revenue Service and State of Indiana through its Department of Revenue, were the Defendants, requiring me to make the sum as provided for in said Decree with interest and costs, I will expose at public sale to the highest bidder, on the 20th day of November, 2025, at 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. of said day, at the 18100 Cumberland Road, Noblesville, IN 46060, the fee simple of the whole body of Real Estate in Hamilton County, Indiana.

Lot Number 323 in Brooks Chase, Section 3, a subdivision in Hamilton County, Indiana, as per plat thereof, recorded August 20, 2003, as Instrument No. 200300083927, in the Office of the Recorder of Hamilton County, Indiana.
29-11-27-013-039.000-020
and commonly known as: 12651 Republic Dr, Fishers, IN 46037.

Subject to all liens, encumbrances, rights of redemption, easements and restrictions of record not otherwise foreclosed and extinguished in the proceedings known as Cause # 29D01-2504-M

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NOBLESVILLE

NOTICE OF EXECUTION OF LEASE BETWEEN WESTFIELD WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP PUBLIC BUILDING CORPORATION AND WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP OF HAMILTON COUNTY, INDIANA

NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS REGARDING A DECISION OF WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP OF HAMILTON COUNTY, INDIANA, TO ENTER INTO A PROPOSED LEASE WITH THE WESTFIELD WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP PUBLIC BUILDING CORPORATION

NOTICE OF REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS/QUALIFICATIONS NOBLESVILLE PARKS AND RECREATION DR. JAMES A. DILLON PARK IMPROVEMENT BOT PROGRAM

Notice is hereby given that SEALED BIDS will be received: BY AND AT: Hagerman, Inc. C/O Westfield Washington School Corporation

NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS OF PROPOSED ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION Notice is hereby given to the taxpayers of the City of Westfield, Hamilton County, Indiana, that the City Council at their regular meeting place at Westfield City Hall at 130 Penn Street, in Westfield, IN at 7:00 PM, on the 27th day of October, 2025, will consider the following additional appropriations in excess of the budget for the current year.

II. SUBMISSION OF PSQOS Sealed proposals in response to the RFPQ ("PSQOs") shall be delivered to Noblesville Parks Dillon Park BOT c/o Noblesville City Clerk 16 S. 10th Street, Noblesville, IN 46202, until 4:00 p.m., local time, on November 3, 2025.

FORTVILLE

Until: 11:00 A.M., local time, Tuesday, November 4, 2025 DESCRIPTION OF PROJECT: New Centennial Road Reconstruction

Public Notice IC 14-11-4 was enacted to ensure that adjacent property owners are notified of permit applications and provided with an opportunity to present their views to the Department of Natural Resources prior to action under the Flood Control Act, IC 1428-1.

III. DESCRIPTION OF PROJECT The Project involves the development, construction, and procurement of FFE (furniture, fixtures, and equipment), for the full operation and maintenance of the Dillon Park Improvements. The Dr. James A. Dillon Park is approximately 77.5 acres of beautiful ground and was established June 2, 2007.

RECEIPT OF BIDS: Bids received by mail or other carrier must be addressed to: Hagerman, Inc. c/o Brian Kelly, Westfield Washington School Corp. Administration Building, 19500 Tomlinson Rd., Westfield, IN 46074 and received on or before 11:00 A.M., Tuesday, November 4, 2025, to be valid.

Project Description and Location 10820 Florida Rd, Fortville IN Stream Name Fall Creek Applicant's Name, Address, and Telephone Joseph Huck, 10820 Florida Rd, Fortville IN 46040

IV. PROJECT BUDGET The Project will be funded directly by the Owner and may be funded through bonds, existing funds on hand, or any other available legal option.

HAMILTON COUNTY

Construction Manager as Constructor (CMc) Hagerman, Inc. 10315 Allisonville Road Fishers, IN 46038-2017

LEGAL NOTICE OF DUKE ENERGY INDIANA, LLC'S TARIFF NO. 67 CREDITS ADJUSTMENT DUKE ENERGY INDIANA, LLC ("Duke Energy Indiana") hereby provides notice that on or about November 24, 2025, Duke Energy Indiana will submit an update to its Tariff No. 67, Credits Adjustment ("Tariff No. 67") to the Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission ("Commission") for approval under the Commission's thirty-day administrative filing procedures and guidelines.

V. PSQO CONTENTS Each offeror shall submit its PSQO which shall include at a minimum, and as more particularly described in the RFPQ, the following:

BID DOCUMENTS: Interested Prime Bidders may purchase Bidding Documents at Eastern Engineering. Documents will be available on or after September 15th, 2025. Documents are available electronically by contacting: Mike Holtkamp, Hagerman, MHoltkamp@Hagermangc.com or Cell: 317.627.2138

DUKE ENERGY INDIANA, LLC ("Duke Energy Indiana") hereby provides notice of its intention to file a request for expanded offerings under Rider No. 42, Rate LED - Unmetered Lighting service to the Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission on or around October 31, 2025.

NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNERS OF PUBLIC HEARING Board of Zoning Appeals City of Noblesville, Indiana This notice is to inform you of a Public Hearing that will be held by the Noblesville Board of Zoning Appeals on the 3rd day of November 2025.

LEGAL NOTICE OF EVIDENTIARY HEARING INDIANA UTILITY REGULATORY COMMISSION CAUSE NO. 37389 - GCA 144 APPLICATION OF WESTFIELD GAS, LLC, D/B/A CITIZENS GAS OF WESTFIELD FOR A CHANGE IN ITS GAS COST ADJUSTMENT CHARGE FOR THE PERIOD DECEMBER 2025, JANUARY AND FEBRUARY 2026

LEGAL NOTICE OF RATE LED - UNMETERED OUTDOOR LIGHTING SERVICE DUKE ENERGY INDIANA, LLC DUKE ENERGY INDIANA, LLC ("Duke Energy Indiana") hereby provides notice of its intention to file a request for expanded offerings under Rider No. 42, Rate LED - Unmetered Lighting service to the Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission on or around October 31, 2025.

NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS OF ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS Notice is hereby given to the taxpayers of Tipton County, Indiana that the Tipton County Council will consider the following additional appropriations in excess of the budget for the current year at their regular meeting place at the First Floor Meeting Room, Tipton County Courthouse, at 6:30 o'clock p.m. on the 21st day of October, 2025.

LEGAL NOTICE OF EVIDENTIARY HEARING INDIANA UTILITY REGULATORY COMMISSION CAUSE NO. 37389 - GCA 144 APPLICATION OF WESTFIELD GAS, LLC, D/B/A CITIZENS GAS OF WESTFIELD FOR A CHANGE IN ITS GAS COST ADJUSTMENT CHARGE FOR THE PERIOD DECEMBER 2025, JANUARY AND FEBRUARY 2026

Public Auction Notice Harbour Storage 20236 Hauge Rd. Noblesville, IN 46062 Auction to be held on Tuesday October 21st, at 9am. This is for one storage unit. Lessee Brandice Pruitt E76. The personal property stored in and outside of this space will be sold to satisfy the owner's lien in accordance with IC 26-3-8-11.

NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS OF ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS Notice is hereby given to the taxpayers of Tipton County, Indiana that the Tipton County Council will consider the following additional appropriations in excess of the budget for the current year at their regular meeting place at the First Floor Meeting Room, Tipton County Courthouse, at 6:30 o'clock p.m. on the 21st day of October, 2025.

Boys Tennis Regional Finals

Hounds, Royals win team regional titles

By RICHIE HALL sports@readthereporter.com

The Carmel and Hamilton Southeastern boys tennis teams won regional championships on Wednesday, Oct. 8.

The No. 1-ranked Greyhounds triumphed at their own regional with a 5-0 victory over Parke Heritage at the Todd Witsken Tennis Center. At the same time, the No. 9-ranked Royals claimed their first regional title in 16 years by beating Greenfield-Central 5-0 at Mt. Vernon.

Carmel won its 21st regional championship in program history and its first since 2023. The Greyhounds were separated from the trophy last season by Brebeuf Jesuit, who beat Carmel at the Lebanon regional in a close match.

This season, the Hounds avenged that loss with a 4-1 win over the Braves in the semifinals on Tuesday. Carmel then dropped only eight games against Parke Heritage in Wednesday's championship.

“Every tennis match in this tournament is a different battle,” said Greyhounds coach Dan Brunette. “Today's battle was to recover from the last three matches, particularly the mental and physical side of last night. The wind, the intensity, the history. You had to play five competitive matches that could have gone either way.”

Brunette said Wednesday's meet came down to “mentally being present in this situation, showing utmost respect for Parke Heritage and actually playing

the match.”

No. 1 singles Wes Worobel scored Carmel's first point with a 6-1, 6-1 victory, then Andrew Kim won at No. 2 singles with a 6-0, 6-0 shutout. No. 1 doubles David Liu and Jude Sangar scored the clinching point, getting a 6-1, 6-3 victory.

No. 2 doubles Rajeev Singh and Drew Hall won 6-1, 6-0, and No. 3 singles Vishal Shankar completed the sweep with a 6-0, 6-1 victory.

“They did a great job,” said Brunette.

Royals sweep Greenfield

Hamilton Southeastern last won a boys tennis regional title in 2009. The Royals ended that drought with a solid win over the Greenfield-Central Cougars, a team that HSE coach Doug Gernert called “tough” and “scrappy.”

No. 1 singles Brady Stump won his match 6-0, 6-3, while No. 3 singles Evan Holderman was a 6-1, 6-3 winner. No. 2 singles Parker Stump had to fight for a victory but prevailed in a 10-7 third-set super tiebreak. Parker Stump won the first set 7-5 and dropped the second set 6-4 before rallying to win.

In doubles, No. 1 Logan Foust and Landon Osswald won 6-3, 6-0. No. 2 Ian Ransom and Max Weinberger got a 6-1, 6-4 victory.

“Considering we don't win regionals on a regular basis, you can't be unhappy with the result,” said Gernert.

The Royals' program has now won four regional championships. Southeast-



The Carmel boys tennis team reclaimed the regional championship Wednesday, Oct. 8, beating Parke Heritage 5-0.

Reporter photo by Richie Hall



The Hamilton Southeastern boys tennis team won its first regional since 2009 with a 5-0 victory over Greenfield-Central.

Photo provided

ern also won titles in 1982 and 1984.

with how the boys did,” said Gernert. “I'm extremely happy

day.”

Both teams competed at semi-state on Saturday,

Oct. 11. Results will appear in the Reporter's Tuesday edition.



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• Passport assistance
• IRS questions



US Flag Requests

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



Military Academy Nominations

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



US Capitol and White House Tour Requests

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

West District Office: (317) 848-0201

East District Office: (765) 639-0671

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