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TODAY'S WEATHER

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Heroes Club helps outfit three K-9s with safety gear

By **RENEE BUTTS**
Carmel Fire Department
Public Education Officer

The Heroes Club recently held a fundraiser at Blend Cigar Bar to help provide critical safety equipment for three Carmel Police Department (CPD) K-9s.

Thanks to the generosity of supporters of The Heroes Club, three CPD K-9 heroes will have their own bullet-and-knife resistant vests that will help safeguard them during dangerous police operations.

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to everyone who contributed, shared, or showed up in support of protecting the brave dogs who stand on the front lines with their officers. Together, we can make a meaningful difference for those who loyally serve our community.

The Heroes Club is dedicated to bridging the gap created by economic and budget shortfalls, ensuring that Carmel's first responders have the resources they need to keep our community safe. We are proud to stand behind the men and women who serve our city with courage, commitment and compassion.

If you would like to support The Heroes Club, a 501(c)(3), today is Giving Tuesday, and you can donate at theheroesclub.org. If you're interested in learning more about membership and how you can get involved, you can find out more at that site.

Your generosity and engagement help us continue our mission – and make a lasting impact on those who protect us every day.



Photo provided
(From left) Officer Wilhite and K9 Rouk, and Officer Parshall and K9 Atlas.



Photo by Megan Rathz
The Rathz kids were thrilled to meet with Santa during their ride on the Reindeer Express!

All aboard the Reindeer Express!

My family and I recently had the opportunity to hop aboard the caboose of the Nickel Plate Express and ride the rails! In fact, we went on Sunday evening and it was the perfect kick-off to our Christmas! Our two children have been chomping at the bit with anticipation of our voyage and were eagerly awaiting to embark on this festive holiday adventure.



MEGAN RATHZ
When Nature Speaks

After just hosting Thanksgiving, this event was the perfect first splash of the Christmas season. If you've never had the chance to ride in the caboose of a train, it is truly an exciting experience, especially for little ones! We've been fortunate enough to ride on the Nickel Plate Express before, but this experience was truly unique and memorable for the young and young-at-heart.

Our 75-minute adventure was nothing short of pure holiday charm. Once we climbed aboard, we were able to enjoy the cozy adventure from Noblesville to Arcadia. We were also delighted to see lights on the way as we embarked in the evening.

Saint Nick himself was there, too, which was a treat for all, especially the kiddos in our caboose. He spent time with the children, and we were all able to enjoy hot cocoa and delicious cookies.

The icing on the cake, or rather cookie, was our children being able to deliver

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HCCF congratulates Frank Levinson, recipient of 2025 Outstanding Philanthropist Award

Submitted

Hamilton County Community Foundation (HCCF) congratulates Frank Levinson, who received the 2025 Outstanding Philanthropist Award from the Association of Fundraising Professionals – Indiana Chapter at the Indiana Philanthropy Awards presentation on Wednesday, Nov. 12.

HCCF is proud to work alongside Levinson to help him fulfill his philanthropy goals. The Levinson Family Lifetime Philanthropy Award is administered by HCCF and was established to honor young people who embody the values of peace, equality, and civic engagement. Each recipient is entrusted with a lifetime donor-advised fund to support the causes they care about most, and receives mentorship to help them learn, lead, and give effectively over time.

"Frank's philanthropy is both generous and innovative," HCCF President

Danielle Stiles-Polk said "By empowering young residents with lifelong tools for strategic giving, he's strengthening the Hamilton County community today and building a pipeline of civic leaders for tomorrow. We're honored to work alongside Frank to help him fulfill his goals, and we're so pleased to see his impact recognized statewide."

Ashley Read is a recipient of the Levinson Family Lifetime Philanthropy Award. She received a \$10,000 endowed fund as a senior at Noblesville High School in 2021.

"Thanks to Frank's generosity, I've been able to give to causes I deeply care about, focused on bettering the lives of others," Read said. "These organizations include Indy Honor Flight, Grace Care Center Foundation, The Love Pet Project, and organizations that

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Photo provided
Frank Levinson accepts his award, which was presented by HCCF President Danielle Stiles-Polk.



Photo provided by Noblesville Rotary Club
Scholarship recipient Justin, Rotarian Jeff Derda, Ivy Tech Hamilton County Executive Director of Development & Marketing Kelly Wallace, Scholarship Recipient Sebastian, Rotarian President Jeff Chinn, and Rotarian Emmanuel Flomo.

Noblesville Rotary Club schedules 10th annual BrewBQ

Sponsorship opportunities now open for 2026 BrewBQ benefiting local students

Submitted

The Noblesville Rotary Club will holds its 10th annual BrewBQ from 4 to 9 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 8, 2026, at Federal Hill Commons.

The popular summer festival brings together food, brews, and live entertainment – all in support of local students.

The club is calling on area businesses to join the celebration as 2026 event

sponsors. Opportunities range from \$500 to \$5,000, each offering a variety of visibility and engagement benefits.

Proceeds from this annual event benefit scholarships for students attending Ivy Tech Hamilton County as well as the Noblesville High School Robotics Club. Both programs advance education and workforce readiness for young people in

Hamilton County, aligning with Rotary's commitment to service and community impact.

"BrewBQ has become a signature community event, and its impact is felt long after the tents come down," BrewBQ Chairman Jeff Derda said. "We invite businesses across Hamilton

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Ivy Tech Hamilton County Campus faculty & instructor honored with President's Award

Submitted

Three Hamilton County faculty members and instructors were honored with Ivy Tech Community College's Presidents Awards.

Semere (Sam) Sebhatu, Assistant Professor of Math/Assistant Department Chair for General Studies, Deborah King, Adjunct Faculty for Health Sciences, and Padam Chauhan, English, Dual Credit Instructor at Options High School, were recognized for embodying the highest standards of teaching and inspiring success across Ivy Tech campuses.

Sam was selected for his deeply student-centered approach and his leadership in growing the campus mathematics program. His Ivy Tech journey – from tutor to academic support leader to full-time faculty – demonstrates his long-standing dedication to student achievement. Sam supports students from their first advising session through their mathematics coursework and also serves as faculty advisor for the Omega Beta Epsilon Chapter of Phi Theta Kappa.

Deborah brings more than 30 years of clinical and academic experience to her teaching. A registered respiratory therapist and Ivy Tech alumna, she is



Photo provided
(From left) Adjunct Faculty for Health Sciences Deborah King, Assistant Professor of Math/Assistant Department Chair for General Studies Semere Sebhatu, Dual Credit English Instructor at Options High School Padam Chauhan, and Chancellor Dr. Rachel Kartz.

known for dynamic, hands-on instruction that blends clinical rigor with compassion. Deborah "meets students where they are" and elevates their confidence through role-playing, interactive demonstrations, and real-world simulations.

Padam was recognized for his unwavering commitment to supporting dual credit students. He consistently steps in to teach courses others are unable to take and plays a key role in help-

ing students complete their College Core. His reliability, flexibility, and student-first approach make him an invaluable partner in advancing college-level learning for high school learners.

Together, these honorees represent Ivy Tech's commitment to exceptional teaching, meaningful student support, and educational excellence across Hamilton County.

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Still need a place to donate your Giving Tuesday dollars?

The REPORTER

Today is Giving Tuesday, a national day of giving back and supporting local nonprofits. This year, Hamilton County Harvest Food Bank (HCHFB) would be honored to be on your list of places to donate.

Monetary donations help HCHFB stretch every

dollar to create as many meals as possible, and food donations also help keep the shelves of local pantries full.

HCHFB appreciates each and every gift received. You can learn more about donations or make a contribution at hchfoodbank.org/give-help.

LEVINSON

help Indiana families raising children with physical and intellectual disabilities. These opportunities to give have not only changed the lives of those served by these organizations but have instilled a lifetime commitment to giving in me. By giving students the knowledge, resources, and freedom to lead, Mr. Levinson sets a powerful standard for what meaningful philanthropic leadership looks like. Personally, I now view philanthropy not as just a single act, but as a lifelong calling. Through Frank's generosity, I've found a deeper sense of purpose

and direction, along with the confidence to contribute to my community in meaningful and lasting ways. His thoughtful approach to philanthropy focuses on the importance of building a culture of stewardship and encouraging others to take ownership of their impact."

Salil J. Gupta is also a recipient of the Levinson Family Lifetime Philanthropy Award. He received a \$10,000 endowed fund as a senior at Noblesville High School in 2018.

"Over the past seven years, this fund has followed me through each chapter of my life, providing me with the means to give back," Gupta said. "As a former attendee of the Boys & Girls Club of Noblesville, I was able to support the organization that helped raise me. In college, I volunteered at a free clinic in Bloomington as a Spanish interpreter, and I directed funds to sustain its

mission. Now, as a medical student managing a free eye clinic on the east side of Indianapolis, I recently applied for a grant to support a dry eye initiative. I knew that even if the grant didn't come through, I had the capacity to fund the project myself. Dr. Levinson's model of giving is catalytic. It encourages recipients not just to donate, but to think deeply about the communities they belong to, the people they can leave. In a time when many nonprofits are calling for greater private support, his foresight and generosity stand as a beacon of what progressive, future-oriented philanthropy can look like. Giving young people the power to donate is a vote for the future."

By pairing intentional mentorship with flexible charitable tools, Levinson's giving has supported dozens of organizations while shaping how young

people understand their role in community life.

"About one century ago, a member of my family started the tradition of giving an award to the best student at Noblesville High School," Levinson said. "Solomon Levinson's initial gifts were in the form of a gold coin which were more common at the time. Solomon was one of the authors of the original League of Nations charter, the first attempt to create what we know today as the United Nations. My Grandfather - Frank Kinsey Levinson - and then my Dad - Alan Charles Levinson - have continued this tradition over the ensuing years. My Dad passed in August of 2013 and so now it is my opportunity."

HCCF is grateful to steward this work and to support donors, families, and partners who want to make a lasting difference in Hamilton County and beyond.

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BE OUR GUEST!

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Sunday, December 7
6:00 PM

GLORY TOUCHING EARTH

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Sunday, December 21
10:30 AM

CHRISTMAS COMMUNION SERVICE

Wednesday, December 24
5:00 PM

CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE

Hope Bible Fellowship

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ALL ABOARD!

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their letters to Santa at the North Pole post office. A postman made his rounds throughout the train to pick up the letters written by the children and made sure to get them to Santa himself. Our family was also able to experience and enjoy Christmas music along the way. If you were not in the mood prior to the festive ride aboard the Reindeer Express, I can promise you

after a spirited ride north with Santa, your loved ones, and warm cup of cocoa, you will be a jolly old elf by the time you depart the Nickel Plate Express. Speaking of jolly elves, I have to give a huge shout-out to Jovie, our personal elf, who was wonderful!

The hospitality of the folks (or elves) at Nickel Plate Express is truly unmatched. This train ride

was a cherished experience for my family and a beloved new tradition for years to come. If you have not had a chance to ride the NPX rails, do it! The only regret you will have is that you did not do it sooner!

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

BREWBQ

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County to support local education by partnering with us. Their sponsorship not only fuels a great event - it directly supports students who are shaping our region's future workforce."

The adult-only (age 21

and over) event will feature all you can eat food and drink from our local barbecue grill teams, local breweries, and wineries. Also included is live music, yard games, and a fun atmosphere. More details about entertainment, food, and

ticket sales will be released in the coming months.

Businesses interested in sponsoring BrewBQ may contact the Noblesville Rotary Club, [Nicole Schwedler](#) or [Carrie Dixon](#) for a full list of sponsorship levels and benefits.

IVY

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Ivy Tech honored 57 faculty, adjunct faculty, and dual credit instructors with its annual President's Awards. The award is a cherished Ivy Tech tradition, celebrating the dedication, innovation, and student-centered excellence of faculty and instructors from Ivy Tech locations throughout the state.

"Every Ivy Tech student

has their 'why' that inspires them and drives them forward in their education journey, and so often an Ivy Tech faculty member is a part of that story," said Marty Pollio, Ivy Tech Community College President. "The faculty, adjunct faculty, and dual credit instructors being honored are not simply teaching their students; they are changing lives through

education."

Of those recognized with the President's Award, one honoree is selected for the Glenn W. Sample Award Founder's Award for Excellence in Instruction for Faculty, the Gerald I. Lamkin Award for Adjunct Faculty, and the Statewide Dual Credit for Excellence in Instruction Award for Dual Enrollment Instructor.

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Community News

Phi Beta Psi invites families to have breakfast with Santa

Bring your little ones and come eat breakfast with Santa at 9 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 6 at Red Bridge Community Park Building in Cicero.

Call (317) 796-8672 to reserve your spots at \$8 each. Besides breakfast, Phi Beta Psi Delta Chapter will have crafts, stories, and coloring available for the kids, as well as a sales table for the big people!

Visit Santa & Mrs. Claus at Sheridan Public Library

It's that merry time of year! Santa and Mrs. Claus will visit the Sheridan Public Library, 103 W. 1st St., from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 6. Bring your list and enjoy some Christmas cheer! Santa will hand out craft bags with wooden toys and books (available while supplies last). Thank you to Carmel Kiwanis for donation of these toys. Enjoy the Holiday Workshop, along with hot chocolate, donuts, and games.

Give blood at Sheridan Library

The Sheridan Public Library, 103 W. 1st St., has partnered once again with Versiti to hold a blood drive from 1:45 to 5:45 p.m. Monday, Dec. 8 in the Community Room. [Click here](#) to sign up right away.

Carmel Clay Parks & Rec opens registration for winter/spring programs

Registration for Carmel Clay Parks & Recreation's winter/spring recreation programming is now open.

These recreation programs offer something for all ages and interests, making it easy to enjoy everything winter and spring have to offer. Explore engaging programs in:

- Nature
- Aquatics
- Adaptive
- Arts & Culture
- Sports
- Senior
- Wellness

[Click here](#) to read the latest Program Guide.

Noblesville Boom mascot Bobby the Bobcat named 2025 Holiday in Lights Parade Grand Marshal

Submitted by
City of Noblesville

Noblesville Mayor Chris Jensen has announced that Bobby the Bobcat, mascot for the Noblesville Boom, the G League affiliate of the Indiana Pacers, will serve as the Grand Marshal of the Holiday in Lights Parade. The 2025 Holiday in Lights Parade, presented by Gaylor Electric, begins at 6:30 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 6 in downtown Noblesville.

"The City of Noblesville is excited the Noblesville Boom recently kicked off their inaugural season at The Arena at Innovation Mile," Mayor Jensen said. "I appreciate how the community has shown up to support the Noblesville Boom and know Bobby the Bobcat will bring energy and excitement to the parade."

"Bobby has already become a fan favorite in our first season and seeing him lead this year's Holiday in Lights Parade is a perfect reflection of the connection we're building with the Noblesville community," said Ryan Grant, President of Business Operations for the Noblesville Boom. "We're thrilled to be part of a tradition that brings so many



Photo courtesy Matthew Doudt Photography

families downtown, and we can't wait to add a little Boom spirit to one of the city's most festive nights."

In addition to Bobby the Bobcat and over 55 participating groups, Santa Claus will be the last entry in the parade. To encourage holiday spirit, the Holiday in Lights Parade will present participants with the Merry & Bright Award, Holiday Spirit Award, and Jingle Bell Rockstar. City departments will also be in the running for the Most Spirited City Department Award.

The parade route will start at 16th and Harrison

Streets and travel south on 16th Street to Logan Street, turn right on 9th Street, and turn right on Harrison Street to end at Ivy Tech's parking lot. Public safety and Hamilton County Emergency Management will work together to provide an illuminated and safe parade route. The parade route will have a sensory-friendly zone located along Harrison Street between 10th and 12th streets.

"I enjoyed seeing our community come together last year to enjoy the Holiday in Lights Parade and know that this year will be just as special as our histor-

ic downtown is illuminated, homes are decorated, and participants and parade goers spread holiday cheer," Jensen said. "The Holiday in Lights Parade is the perfect way to start the holiday season in Noblesville."

The Boom have played four home games in front of spirited local fans at [The Arena at Innovation Mile](#), including Sunday, Nov. 30's 111-109 victory over the Wisconsin Herd. Tickets for the remaining 20 home games are available through the [G League's website](#).

For more information on the Holiday in Lights Parade, [click here](#).

No matter what you ate for Thanksgiving, share your heart with those you love

"If you really want to make a friend, go to someone's house and eat with him... the people who give you their food give you their heart."
— Cesar Chavez

I was thinking recently about the government shutdown and how that impacted the food security of so many. The "upside" if you will is that this issue was brought front and center to Americans who may not have been aware of the millions of people in our country who struggle for adequate nutrition.

Thankfully, there is at least a temporary remedy for those in need through the renewal of the SNAP program and the food pantries, businesses, churches, and the population in general who have stepped up to help fulfill the needs, which



SHARON McMAHON
Be Well

are great.

The quote I have used in my column today reflects a truism that I believe resonates throughout the world. Sharing a meal with loved ones, friends, even strangers can open doors to understanding and can bring down the temperature of a heated discussion or one that makes those involved uncomfortable, especially during the holidays. After all, who wants to discuss politics over the candied sweet potatoes or buttered rolls ... and those who might wish to may well have been "overserved" before mealtime!

Food is one thing we all need, can relate to, enjoy, and help us through the hurried stressors of the holiday season. Making those human connections through our sharing of food and leaving oneself open to different cultural fare can be enlightening and bring a new appreciation for those

folks who "are not like us" and I think most of us at one time or another has had those thoughts or inclinations. Opening your sense of gastronomic adventure should be on our so-called "bucket list" as it can be very rewarding. If you are in the very traditional turkey/ham, mashed potatoes and gravy, stuffing, et al, maybe think outside the box. Some cultures, obviously, do not have a heritage of the traditional Thanksgiving meal but offer their own holiday fare options, such as:

- Finland: Smoked fish or roast ham are usually served.
- Mexico: Families gather to make and eat tamales, a dish of corn dough stuffed with fillings and steamed in a corn husk or banana leaf.
- Poland: A meatless Christmas meal is usually served and includes pierogi (dumplings) and cabbage rolls.
- Sri Lanka: Lamprais is a dish of spiced rice, curry, and meatballs that is wrapped in banana leaves and baked.

• A popular dessert from Greece is melomakarona – honey cookies that are dipped in spiced syrup.

Remember that we are part of a rich tapestry of cultural backgrounds which includes delicious options for our palates! The founding of our country 250 years ago brought the English, the Scots, Germans, French, and others to our shores along with their varied cuisine. Let's continue that legacy and whether that includes your family or friend gatherings or whether that special meal takes place at your home, dining out or take out, turkey and dressing or lasagna and cannoli, keep an open mind and share not only your food, but your heart. Bon Appétit!

Sharon McMahon, CNWC
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Carnegie Hall headliner's Holiday Concert will benefit three local arts organizations

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Carnegie Hall headliner Anthony Nunziata will play host to a Holiday Show Fundraiser on Saturday, Dec. 13 for three local arts organizations, including Actors Theatre of Indiana in Carmel.

The organizations that will benefit from this gracious and beautiful night of holiday classics are **Actors Theatre of Indiana**, **Kids Dance Outreach**, and **Indianapolis Men's Chorus**. Members of these three groups will give special performances throughout the concert, including two of ATI's favorites.

Dubbed "America's new romantic singing sensation," Anthony Nunziata is a Brooklyn-born, Nashville-based singer, songwriter, actor, and entertainer who brings his soulful voice to classic jazz, pop standards, Italian arias, and his timeless original music. He has a deep passion for The Great American Songbook and sharing his genre-bending original songs through his recordings and live concert appearances.

Nunziata has been invited to be a headline soloist for over two dozen symphony orchestras around the world, including a co-headlining performance at Carnegie Hall with the New York Pops Symphony Orchestra.

He has performed over 400 concerts in the past decade, headlining major performing arts centers, theaters, symphony concert halls, jazz clubs, and private events across the country and around the world. Broadway World hails the classically trained singer as "an explosion of love and entertainment."

"I'm in the business of making people feel good, making people happy, moving people in some way," Nunziata said. "We all are on this life's journey in search of that feeling of being moved, to feel alive. If I can have a small part in moving you in some way during my live concerts or through my music, this is the greatest gift I can give."

This holiday season, Nunziata is also giving the gift of utilizing his amazing



voice to benefit three outstanding performance art groups in central Indiana.

"We are incredibly grateful to Anthony for selecting our organization as one of the beneficiaries of his generous support!" ATI Artistic Director and Co-Founder Judy Fitzgerald said. "We are excited to participate in the upcoming show, which not only celebrates the spirit of the season but also allows Anthony to showcase his remarkable musical talents and generous heart. Together, we can uplift our community in meaningful ways."

You can learn more about Nunziata at AnthonyNunziata.com.

The concert takes place at 7 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 13 at Broadway United Methodist Church, 609 E. 29th St., Indianapolis. Tickets are available at [this link](#).

Chicago & Styx to make stop in Noblesville for ‘Your Kind of Tour’

Submitted

Two of music’s biggest bands, legendary Multi-Platinum rockers Chicago and Styx, got their start in Chicago.

Now they’re joining together for their first-ever co-headlining tour, bringing the best of the Midwest to venues nationwide with “The Windy Cities Tour – All The Hits ... Your Kind of Tour” that will include a stop at Ruoff Music Center located in Noblesville on Sunday, Aug. 2, 2026, as part of the Coors Light

Concert Series.

Styx and Chicago will each offer their own exclusive pre-sales along with VIP packages beginning 10 a.m. today, Dec. 2. Citi cardmembers will also have access to presale tickets in the U.S. beginning today. Additional presales will run throughout the week ahead of the general onsale beginning 10 a.m. Friday, Dec. 5 at [this link](#).

“We are excited about the summer tour,” Chicago trumpeter Lee Loughnane said. “Chicago has never

toured with Styx before so it’s going to be a lot of fun, we’re looking forward to it.”

“In my early days of live performing I had several mentors who were kind enough to let me join in and play with them despite not being able to read charts,” Styx singer and guitarist Tommy Shaw said. “Rod Henley, Ricky Parsons, Bobby and Larry Moore, Eddie Wohlford, Wimpy Jones, Country Boy Eddie, and others gave me a shot. And I am thankful for that. By the time Chi-

cago released their first album, I had enough experience to begin learning their amazing music on my own. Now, the idea of Styx touring with Chicago is a major thrill all on its own. We can’t wait to spend the summer with them!”

The 2026 Coors Light Concert Series at the Ruoff Music Center is made possible through the generous support of its sponsors including Ruoff Mortgage, Coors Light, Jack Daniel’s, AAA Hoosier Motor Club, Hoosier Lottery, and more.

Applications open for Senate Page Program

Submitted

The Indiana Senate is accepting applications for the 2026 Senate Page Program.

Through the full-day program, students in grades 6 through 12 tour Indiana’s Statehouse, listen to debates from the Senate floor and help staff with age-appropriate tasks. Students also have the opportunity to meet their state senator.

“I always enjoy welcoming pages to the Senate for this excellent learning opportunity each session,” State Sen. Kyle Walker said. “Participating in the Page Program introduces students to the legislative process and can even open the door to future career paths.”

The Senate Page Program will begin in January and continue throughout the legislative session. Pages are scheduled for Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays. They begin their day at 8:30 a.m. and are dismissed at 3:30 p.m. Groups serve together on Wednesdays. Indiana law permits eligible students to serve as a Senate Page one day per legislative session and receive an excused absence from school for their participation. Positions fill quickly, so it is im-

portant to apply early.

“In the classroom, students learn about government, and through the Senate Page Program, students get a behind-the-scenes look at how government operates,” State Sen. Scott Baldwin said. “I always enjoy welcoming local students to the Statehouse each year for this excellent learning opportunity, and I look forward to meeting with these future leaders this session.”

Students or parents should submit an application corresponding with the date they would like to page. Once the application is submitted, the Senate Page Office will reach out to confirm the paging date and ensure all required participation forms are signed.

For more information or to apply, visit IndianaSenateRepublicans.com/Page-Program.

State Sen. Kyle Walker (R-Lawrence) represents Senate District 31, which includes portions of Hamilton and Marion counties.

State Sen. Scott Baldwin (R-Noblesville) represents Senate District 20, which includes Noblesville, Carmel, Cicero and unincorporated areas of Hamilton County.



Walker



Baldwin

Capelli Sport named official uniform & apparel partner of Grand Park Sports & Entertainment

Submitted

Grand Park Sports & Entertainment announced on Tuesday, Nov. 25 a multi-year partnership with Capelli Sport, naming the global sportswear brand the Official Uniform and Apparel Partner of the 400-acre sports campus. The partnership elevates Grand Park’s commitment to high-performance training, competition, and fan experience by bringing Capelli Sport’s innovative, professional-grade apparel to athletes, staff, coaches, and events across the campus.

Under the agreement, Capelli Sport will outfit Droplight Grand Park Sport Campus staff and special events with custom-designed uniforms and apparel engineered for durability, comfort, and performance. The agreement will include major co-branded equipment for event activations,

festivals, tournaments, and related event needs. The partnership also includes exclusive opportunities for Capelli Sport to showcase new product lines, support on-site activations, and collaborate on major events hosted at the Droplight Grand Park Sports Campus.

“Droplight Grand Park staff, athletes and teams deserve gear that matches the world-class quality of our facilities,” said Greg Stremelaw, Co-Chief Executive Officer of Grand Park Sports & Entertainment. “Capelli Sport’s reputation for innovation, design, and performance makes this a perfect fit for the premier sports destination in the country.”

Capelli Sport – known globally for outfitting elite clubs, academies, and federations – continues its expansion across North America. The partnership with Droplight Grand Park Sports Campus strengthens the brand’s presence in youth sports, collegiate showcases, and national-caliber tournaments.

As a further addition to the partnership, Capelli Sport will be branding and appointing a VIP suite within the Community Health Network Events Center offering elevated hospitality experiences to key clients and event organizers.

“Grand Park sets the standard for what a premier

sports destination should be,” said Andrew Ross, Director of Pro/Am Partnerships at Capelli Sport. “We’re proud to partner with a facility that shares our commitment to elevating the athlete experience. Outfitting the staff and supporting major events at Grand Park allows us to bring our performance-driven products to a community that lives and breathes sport.”

The partnership will debut with new staff apparel and event uniforms rolling out ahead of Droplight Grand Park’s 2026 event calendar, including national tournaments, multi-sport showcases, and special events at the Events Center.



Thanks for reading!



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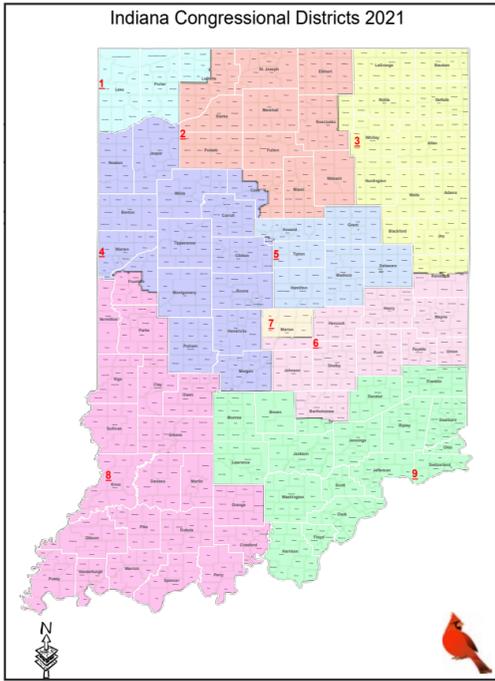
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The current map approved in 2021 (left) and the proposed map (right) have major differences.

Indiana House Republicans release proposed draft of congressional map

By ASHLEY FOWLER & MELEA VanOSTRAND
WISH-TV | wishtv.com

Indiana House Republicans on Monday released a draft of the congressional map they'd like to see implemented ahead of the 2026 midterm elections.

The map divides Indiana into nine new congressional districts; however, the districts are drawn very differently from what is shown on the map approved by lawmakers in 2021.

The most notable change is the division of voters in Marion County. The current congressional map divides the county between the 6th and 7th districts, represented by Republican U.S. Rep. Jefferson Shreve and Democrat U.S. Rep. Andre Carson, respectively.

The new maps would dilute the voting power of heavily Democratic Marion County, splitting it into four districts, all of which include large swaths of Republican-leaning areas.

Redistricting would divide Marion County voters between the 4th, 6th, 7th, and 9th districts and split downtown Indianapolis in half. Most notable is the 9th District, which would lump Indianapolis-area residents in with voters from Seymour, Jeffersonville, and New Albany.

"Splicing our state's larg-

est city – and its biggest economic driver – into four parts is ridiculous," Carson said in a release. "It's clear these orders are coming from Washington, and they clearly don't know the first thing about our community. Hoosiers have made their voices heard and won't stand for it."

In northern Indiana, the traditionally Democratic 1st District would be slashed to include larger portions of Republican-leaning Porter, Starke, Marshall, Fulton, and Cass counties.

Senate Democratic Leader Shelli Yoder, of Bloomington, issued a statement on behalf of the Indiana Democratic Caucus that said in part: "The map is out, and Hoosiers deserve honesty about what it represents. This is not redistricting. It is rigging. House Republicans did not draw this map to reflect the will of the people. They drew it to produce results that President Trump wants. It is cheating, not competing, and it strips Hoosiers of the most basic power they have in a democracy: the ability to choose who represents them."

State Rep. Todd Huston, of Fishers, the Republican speaker of the Indiana House, said, "We feel like all voices are heard, every Hoosier will be represented and in regards to the courts, it's just making sure there's a process to get it to the Supreme Court as

quickly as possible. They're the final determinant."

State Sen. Fady Qaddoura, an Indianapolis Democrat, said he believes the proposal is racially motivated and lawmakers' priorities should shift to bigger issues in the state. "We're here to fight for Hoosiers to be sure that the quality of their lives has improved, that we make life more affordable and we use every ounce of energy, every second we have in the general assembly not to play political games, but to actually work on real issues that are impacting real Hoosiers in every ZIP code in Indiana."

The conversation wasn't just contained to the chambers, as dozens of protesters rallied inside the state house calling the proposed map a lack of transparency and attack on their voting rights.

David Greene, a pastor with the Concerned Clergy of Indianapolis, said Monday that the proposal threatens decades of political gains for neighborhoods that already fight for representation at the statehouse.

"It's just a clear mark of 'we want to divide Marion County, we want to dilute the Black vote, we want to do damage to the Black community and we are going to do that because we can,'" Greene said.

Huston defended the proposal saying it's what

people want across the country and that the map was created with the intent to create as many Republican seats as possible.

"Democrats and Republicans in pretty large majorities across the country say they're fine with political gerrymandering," Huston said. "We're doing this because it's the national environment we're in. We operate not in a vacuum but across a national environment."

Large changes could also happen in northern Indiana, where the traditionally Democratic 1st district would expand into Republican-leaning counties such as Starke, Marshall, and Cass, making it more competitive.

Also on Monday, Qaddoura filed legislation seeking to prohibit midcycle redistricting. He argued that the state has no reason to redraw federal congressional lines before the next census and that it undermines public trust.

Indiana Senate President Pro Tem Rodric Bray, a Martinsville Republican, said last week that the Senate would meet on Dec. 8 to consider whatever map the House passes.

This story was originally published by WISH-TV at wishtv.com/news/indiana-news/indiana-draft-congressional-map-redistricting.

Letter to the Editor

For Westfield reader, new maps are cheating ... plain & simple

Dear Editor:

How many times have we heard our kids say, "That's not fair!" during a board game or when decisions are made?

Indiana is in the middle of a national power grab. While Texas may be at the forefront, Vice President JD Vance met with Governor Braun in August to discuss the Indiana electoral map. The governor has called a special legislative session which began Monday, Dec. 1 that could erase the two seats held by Democrats in Indiana.

The Indiana General Assembly redraws district lines once every decade based on our Census, an objective, fair way to determine where the lines should land. The last map was drawn in 2020. Why should legislators take taxpayer dollars to fund a special session to artificially redraw these maps five years early?

Indiana Republicans are inches from gerrymandering – essentially reverse-engineering the maps to get the outcome they want rather than having maps accurately reflect the voices and ideology of the entire state.

Neither party should force maps to gain political power.

Both former Republican Governor Mitch Daniels and Speaker of the House Brian Bosma have expressed concern about convening a special session to redraw the maps.

Some may ask why Westfield residents should care. Losing representative André Carson from his district would mean that his annual job fair would disappear. This job fair allows Hoosiers to connect with potential employers and land critical jobs. In the current economy, every job matters and every Hoosier matters.

People may say, "Well, it's only two seats." Most Hoosiers are not in favor of gerrymandering. Our legislature is supposed to represent us. If we choose to remain quiet, what will Hoosiers be forced to give up next?

Gerrymandering is cheating. When your son 'accidentally' turns the dice to land on "Free Parking" you call him out. The governor needs to be called out, too.

Amy Jones
Westfield

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Gov. Braun appoints three local residents to state boards

Submitted by Office of Gov. Mike Braun

Governor Mike Braun today announced three appointments of Hamilton County residents to various state boards and commissions.

• **Shannon Ford** (Learning Care Group) was appointed to the Early Learning Advisory Committee;

term expires June 30, 2027.

• **Sumedha Gupta Goyal** (Indiana University Indianapolis) was appointed to the Drug Utilization Review Board; term expires Oct. 31, 2028.

• **Kimberly Minnicar** (State of Indiana) was appointed as the DCS Ombudsman; serves at the pleasure of the governor.



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Sheridan High School solves murder mystery in fall play *Clue*

Submitted by Sheridan Community Schools

On Nov. 21, 22, and 23, Sheridan High School Drama Club presented its fall play *Clue: On Stage*. This unforgettable comedic production proved to be

a hit that captivated its audience. Based on the classic film and popular board game, *Clue* was a madcap comedy that kept you guessing until the very end. The iconic oddballs known as Miss Scarlet, Professor

Plum, Mrs. White, Mrs. Peacock, Mr. Green, Colonel Mustard, and Mr. Wadsworth all raced to find the murderer in Boddy Manor before the body count stacked up.

Under the direction of Dr. Johnny

McGinnis and Libby Doublestein, and with Sean Knochel as the stage manager, the play was a definite success. The audience was transported into the spooky and eerie manor as the cast raced against time.



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Photo provided by Carmel Clay Parks & Recreation

CCPR's Summer Camp Series receives ACA reaccreditation

The REPORTER

Carmel Clay Parks & Recreation's (CCPR) **Summer Camp Series** (SCS) has received reaccreditation from the **American Camp Association** (ACA), the only nationally recognized organization that sets standards for safety, health, and risk management in camps across the United States.

ACA accreditation is considered the most respected credential in the camp industry. Camps are assessed on a wide range of standards, including health, safety, staff training and risk management. Earning reaccreditation demonstrates CCPR's ongoing commitment to providing safe, inclusive and enriching summer experiences for youth in the Carmel community.

"This reaccreditation highlights the high standards we maintain across our programs," ESE/SCS Director Jennifer Brown

said. "Our team is dedicated to providing safe, enriching and high-quality experiences for every child who attends our camps."

Summer Camp Series annually serves over 7,000 camper enrollments. With 13 camp options for ages 5 to 15, ranging from arts and science to nature, campers can explore new hobbies, build friendships, and create lifelong memories.

In addition to ACA accreditation, CCPR has been nationally accredited since 2014 through the Commission for Accreditation of Park and Recreation Agencies (CAPRA). CAPRA accreditation assesses an agency's overall quality of operation, management, and community services, giving residents confidence that all aspects of the park system, including camps, are managed following established best practices for parks and recreation.

Happy Hour at Kona Grill

Mrs. K and I decided to stop by the Kona Grill Happy Hour on our way out to the Westfield Playhouse to see their new show – *Death of a Salesman*. Our online investigations had produced a tempting HH menu at the place, which is located in the Clay Terrace Shopping Center at 14395 Clay Terrace Blvd. in Carmel.

The restaurant is quite large and well designed. The bar room is where we were seated for HH and it had a large circular bar with a row of tables on the street-side windows plus a small area near a lit fireplace. We sat just off the fireplace by a window.

Kona Grill has a generous HH schedule: for Foods – All Day Monday (!) and 2 to 6 p.m. Tuesday to Friday, plus Every Night from 9 p.m. to closing. That's a lot. HH for Drinks is listed at 2 to 5 p.m. Monday to Friday.

The HH menu is filled with a variety of goodies priced at \$3, \$6, and \$9. (It famously features a Cheeseburger and Fries for \$6 which we saw at a neighboring table and it looked like a good bargain.) The drinks are also priced at \$3, \$6, and

\$9. I've included the menu here for your perusal.

With so many interesting possibilities we decided to try something different. We ordered three items to share – Macadamia Chicken, Chicken Fried Rice, and Chicken and Shrimp Lettuce Wraps. Mrs. K added the \$6 glass of Chardonnay, while I opted for just water this time.

The Macadamia Chicken was breaded with a macadamia nut coating and lightly fried (we think). The portion consisted of two medium-sized pieces plus two dabs of mashed potato and a mild sauce in a cup. It was very tasty and would have been just a snack if ordered alone. It was very well done.

The Chicken Fried Rice came as a very generous portion in a bowl and served us both a good helping. It too was flavored nicely with many chunks of chicken blended in.

The Chicken and Shrimp Lettuce Wraps consisted of a nice amount of the chopped chicken/shrimp combo and enough lettuce leaves to accommodate it. We would have preferred lettuce that was a bit firmer. But the

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\$3	\$6
\$9	

Graphic provided

leaves held together for the wrapping and the taste was very good. The plate also contained two portions of thinly sliced sweet pickles, and a very hot sauce in a cup which neither of us could handle well.

We chose wisely – we had plenty to eat. The total came to around \$32, a bit lower than our usual – although I drank water, so that was some of the difference.

I highly recommend

this place. Kona Grill is comfortable, has a lot of different things on their HH menu, and has a wonderful schedule for their HH specials.

Ken Klingemeier offers this series of columns, called "A Seat at the Table," wherein he reviews Indy-area restaurants – specifically their Happy Hour offers. Keep reading *The Reporter* for future restaurant reviews.

Man arrested after fatal shooting inside Fishers bar

By MICHAELA SPRINGER
WISH-TV | wistv.com

Fishers police say a man has been arrested after another man was fatally shot inside a bar early Monday morning, Dec. 1.

Hamilton County Coroner Jeff Jellison confirmed Monday afternoon that the

man who died was Justin Burton, 30, Noblesville.

Sgt. Angela Ellison with the Fishers Police Department told News 8 at the scene the shooting happened around 2:45 a.m. inside the Britton Tavern, 14005 Mundy Drive. That's in a strip mall and business area off East 141st Street

near State Road 37. That intersection is currently closed for construction of a raised roundabout.

The man shot died at the scene, Ellison said. The suspect, 31-year-old Ma-clean Murt of Carmel, was still on the scene when officers arrived, and was arrested.

Murt faces a preliminary charge of murder. It was unclear what led up to the shooting.

News 8's Gregg Montgomery contributed to this report. This story was originally published by WISH-TV at wistv.com/news/crime-watch-8/man-killed-fishers-tavern.

Fishers police officers involved in shooting now identified

The REPORTER

On Saturday, Nov. 29, Indiana State Police Detectives were notified that Caleb Weis, 26, Indianapolis, had died in the hospital; his cause of death will be determined by the Marion County Coroner's Office.

Weis had been wanted

by police regarding the murder of Cameron Doaks in March 2024 in Fishers.

An officer-involved shooting of Weis occurred at about 1 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 6 while Fishers police were serving an arrest warrant. The incident occurred in the area of East 91st Street and

Masters Road. That's near the Masters Apartments just north of the Castleton area in Indianapolis.

The Fishers police officers **who discharged their weapons in this incident** are Sergeant Austin Arndt, who has served 12 years with the Fishers Police Department

(FPD); Detective Colin Har-ruff, who has served six years with FPD; Detective Cory Schalburg, who has served six years with FPD; and Detective Sergeant Cesar Rodriguez, who has served 14 years with FPD.

This remains an active and ongoing investigation.

Fishers police arrest juvenile for possessing firearm on school property

Submitted by Fishers Police Department

On Saturday, Nov. 29, Fishers police officers arrested and charged a juvenile with Unlawful Possession of a Firearm on School Property. The juvenile was located off school property in a nearby neighborhood.

Officers responded to a fight at Hamilton Southeastern High School involving a firearm. Officers and school staff quickly reviewed camera footage to determine the suspect had left the building and there was no further threat at the school.

An off-duty Hamilton

County Sheriff's Deputy located the juvenile, and he was taken into custody. The juvenile is not an HSE student.

The juvenile attempted to hide the firearm, which officers later found on school grounds, with the assistance of a Carmel K9 team.

Since an arrest has been made, any inquiries should be directed to the Hamilton County Prosecutor's Office.

All criminal defendants are to be presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt in a court of law.

Gun found in student's vehicle at Fishers High School; police do not suspect ill intent

Submitted by Fishers Police Department

On Monday morning, Dec. 1, an anonymous tip was received through Hamilton Southeastern Schools' Report It! App that a student may have a gun in his vehicle on Fishers High School (FHS) property.

Fishers Police Department School Resource Officers and FHS administrators searched the juvenile's vehicle and located a firearm. Police do not believe the juvenile intended to use the weapon to cause harm

at the school.

The 17-year-old is being charged with Possession of a Firearm on School Property.

Police thank the person who submitted the tip and the school administrators for acting promptly on the information provided.

Police say further inquiries regarding the case should be directed to the Hamilton County Prosecutor's Office.

A charge is merely an accusation, and the arrested person is presumed innocent until proven guilty.

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Westfield ready to welcome Christmas



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Go beyond the stage this month at Allied Solutions Center for the Performing Arts

The REPORTER

Explore these opportunities for education at Carmel's Allied Solutions Center for the Performing Arts. For more information and to purchase tickets for these events, keep reading or go to TheCenterPresents.org.

FrontRow:

Up close & personal

Grammy winner Samara Joy is one of the hottest young voices in jazz, but in advance of her knockout Nov. 14 performance at the Payne & Mencias Palladium, she and her band were kind enough to share their experiences with music students from Indiana Wesleyan University and Indianapolis' Shortridge High School.

Allied Solutions Center's **FrontRow** program provides local high school and college student groups with complimentary dinner and tickets to select Center Presents season performances, where the young performers sit in on the preshow sound check and enjoy a Q&A with a world-class touring artist.

At other FrontRow sessions this fall, TV and Broad-

way star Matthew Morrison met Oct. 17 with choir and theater students from Decatur Central High School; up-and-coming jazz trumpeter Brandon Woody met Nov. 9 with Purdue University jazz students; and the French baroque ensemble Les Arts Florissants met Sunday with young string players from ISO's Metropolitan Youth Orchestra and Owen County SOUNDS, a nonprofit violin and fiddle academy.

Educators interested in learning more about FrontRow opportunities can inquire at Outreach@TheCenterPresents.org.

Go behind the scenes of *White Christmas*

Our siblings at the Great American Songbook Foundation have assembled a super-fun historical exhibit to accompany their sold-out screening of the classic 1954 Hollywood musical *White Christmas*, which featured songs by Irving Berlin and starring roles for Bing Crosby and Rosemary Clooney.

The *White Christmas* **Artifact Display** runs through Dec. 20 with special extended hours in the Tradi-

tions Senior Communities Songbook Gallery at the Payne & Mencias Palladium. The display will include rare items related to the film from the Songbook Library & Archives and the Rosemary Clooney House Museum in Kentucky, including authentic costumes and promotional materials, a piano custom-built for Berlin, personal items owned by Clooney and Crosby, and much more. Admission is free, but tickets are required, and you can learn more about the exhibit here.

Do you like to sing?

And – whether on stage or in the shower – would you like to sing better? That's the point of the **Group Vocal Coaching** class, led by New York cabaret veteran and longtime university educator Todd Neal. In a casual and supportive group setting, participants learn about song selection and interpretation, vocal technique, projection, stage presence and more. No previous vocal training is required for the class, which



Photo provided

Jazz vocalist Samara Joy spoke with music students at Nov. 14's FrontRow.

runs Wednesday evenings March 18 through April 15 (though not March 25).

Then, armed with your new skills and confidence, you can attend the annual **World Voice Day** celebration, set for 3 to 5 p.m. Sunday, April 19. The first 30 people to sign up at 2:30 that day will have the opportunity to sing one song of their choice on the glamorous Payne & Mencias Palladium stage.

In other news

Always a highlight of the

Center's holiday offerings, both of the Dec. 13 Peanut Butter & Jam family performances by Melchior Marionettes are sold out. Now is a great time to **buy tickets for the Jan. 13 PB&J**, when we'll be moving and grooving with Indianapolis R&B band The Call.

The Palladium Bookies reading club meets Dec. 15 to discuss *2 A.M. at The Cat's Pajamas* by Marie-Helene Bertino. If you need a longer runway,

the selection for the Feb. 9 gathering is *Booth* by Karen Joy Fowler, an epic novel about the theatrical family that spawned a presidential assassin. [Click here](#) to learn more and RSVP for Bookies.

A few spaces are still available in our **Intro to Stand-Up Comedy** class, Jan. 26 to Feb. 16, and the March-May, and May-June sections of the **Child & Adult Music Classes** for tots.

OfficeWorks & MillerKnoll celebrate nearly 30 years of We Care, bringing creativity & holiday joy to local kids

The REPORTER

On Thursday, Dec. 4, OfficeWorks and MillerKnoll will play host to the 29th annual We Care event at the Lilly Boys & Girls Club of Indianapolis.

This long-standing tradition brings together children, volunteers, and the Central Indiana Architecture & Design (A&D) community for an afternoon centered on creativity, connection, and holiday cheer.

We Care has become a beloved annual celebration for Boys & Girls Club members, offering meaningful moments of creativity and joy during the holiday season. OfficeWorks and participating A&D firms will lead crafting stations where kids can create handmade gifts, such as ornaments, cards, and picture frames, to share with their loved ones.

"This event is a meaningful example of how a community can come together to uplift and inspire," OfficeWorks President Lar-

ry Martin said. "For nearly 30 years, We Care has brought designers, volunteers, and families together to create something bigger than any one of us. Watching the kids light up with excitement reminds us why this tradition matters. It is a chance to bring joy and connection to these children."

The holiday spirit continues on Wednesday, Dec. 10, when the OfficeWorks team visits the Keenan-Stahl Boys & Girls Club of Indianapolis to deliver handcrafted gifts and activity kits prepared by staff and volunteers. Filled with art supplies and seasonal projects, the kits provide even more children an opportunity to make their own holiday memories.

We Care remains a powerful example of how businesses and community partners can work together to support local youth, spark creativity, and strengthen community ties year after year.

One festive night of holiday cheer and community impact with FeedingTeam.org at Woolly Yak Ranch & Winery!

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TODAY'S BIBLE READING

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The Lord said to Moses, "Say to the Israelites: 'Any man or woman who wrongs another in any way and so is unfaithful to the Lord is guilty and must confess the sin they have committed. They must make full restitution for the wrong they have done, add a fifth of the value to it and give it all to the person they have wronged. But if that person has no close relative to whom restitution can be made for the wrong, the restitution belongs to the Lord and must be given to the priest, along with the ram with which atonement is made for the wrongdoer. All the sacred contributions the Israelites bring to a priest will belong to him. Sacred things belong to their owners, but what they give to the priest will belong to the priest.'"

Numbers 5:5-10 (NIV)

The Reporter's policy on obituaries

The Hamilton County Reporter does not charge families for publishing obituary notices in our pages. Every obituary appearing in online editions Wednesday through Saturday also appears in our Monday print editions. In order to continue to offer this as a community service, we ask that obituaries not exceed 500 words. The limitations of space may not allow for longer ones to appear in print.

Submit obituaries under 500 words online at ReadTheReporter.com/obitform.

Meeting Notices

Pursuant to IC 5-14-1.5-5 (a) The Hamilton County Council Finance Committee will meet to discuss county finances at 11 a.m. Thursday, Dec. 11, 2025, at BRU Burger, 350 Westfield Road, Ste. 100, Noblesville.

The Hamilton County Parks and Recreation Board will meet at 6 p.m. Monday, Dec. 8, 2025, at Osprey Pointe Pavilion at Morse Park & Beach, 19777 Morse Park Lane, Noblesville.

Send Meeting Notices to: News@ReadTheReporter.com

The Westfield Advisory Plan Commission meeting scheduled for Monday, Dec. 8, 2025, has been canceled.

The Westfield Plat Committee meeting scheduled for Monday, Dec. 8, 2025, has been canceled. Business items will be carried over to a future meeting.

The Noblesville Plan Commission meeting scheduled for 6 p.m. Monday, Dec. 8, 2025, has been canceled.

A list of each appointed officer's name, their appointing authority, and term dates is available at noblesville.in.gov/447/Boards-Commissions.

Metropolitan Youth Ballet invites you to treasure Christmas season with performance of *The Nutcracker*

Submitted

Step into a world of wonder this holiday season with Metropolitan Youth Ballet's enchanting production of *The Nutcracker*.

This year's performances are scheduled for 7:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 19, 2 and 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 20, and 2 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 21. All performances will take place at the STAR Bank Performing Arts Center, 1000 Mulberry St., Zionsville.

Follow young Clara and her Nutcracker Prince on a magical Christmas Eve adventure – from a festive family celebration at the

Stahlbaum home to a thrilling midnight battle with the Mouse Queen and her mischievous mice. Journey through the sparkling Kingdom of Snow and arrive in the deliciously whimsical Land of Sweets, where dazzling dances from around the world await.

This timeless holiday tradition features all your favorite characters – the mysterious Drosselmeyer, the elegant Snow Queen, Mother Ginger and her playful Gingersnaps, and of course, the radiant Sugar Plum Fairy and her noble Cavalier.

With lavish costumes,

Tchaikovsky's unforgettable score, and inspiring performances by MYB's talented pre-professional dancers and special guest artists, this is more than a performance – it's an experience you will treasure for years to come.

Before and after the show, the celebration continues in the beautifully decorated lobby:

- Snap a photo with your favorite dancers at the Cast Meet & Greet.
- Indulge in festive treats from the Land of Sweets Bake Sale.
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John D. Hedge

August 7, 1940 – November 28, 2025

John David Hedge, 85, passed away on Friday, November 28, 2025, at his home in Cicero. He was born in Advance, Ind., on August 7, 1940, a son of the late Donald W. and Helen I. (Krukewitt) Hedge.

On August 14, 1964, he married Patricia Hedge in Charleston, Ill.; she survives.

He graduated from Lebanon High School in 1959 and honorably served in the United States Army. John farmed crops and raised livestock for many years.

He loved gardening, especially his flowers. John was a devoted husband and brother who will be greatly missed.

Survivors include his wife, Patricia Hedge of Cicero; sisters, Ann Richards and Marty Davidson, both of Lebanon; and several nieces and nephews.

In addition to his parents, John was preceded in death by his brother, James O. Hedge and sisters, Phyllis Allen and Lois Higinbotham.

Funeral Services are planned for 1 p.m. Friday, December 5, 2025, at Myers Mortuary, 1502 N. Lebanon St., Lebanon. Visitation will be held from 11 a.m. until the time of services. Private family interment to follow at Oak Hill Cemetery in Lebanon.

Memorials may be directed in his memory to charity of the donor's choice.

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Helen L. Thomas

July 12, 1941 – December 1, 2025

Helen L. Thomas, 84, Noblesville, passed away on Monday, December 1, 2025, at Harbour Manor Care Center in Noblesville. She was born on July 12, 1941, to James and Ethel (Pope) Shubert in Bonny Blue, Va.

Helen worked for a number of years at A&P, and then in banking for 23 years at Wainwright Bank, M&I Bank, Metro Bank, First Indiana Bank, and BMO Harris. She was a member of Hope Bible Fellowship.

Helen is survived by her children, Tom (Jennie) Thomas and Becky (Mark) Vincent; brother, Danny Shubert; daughter-in-law, Stephanie Thomas; grandchildren, Kyle (Tiffany) Thomas, Chad (Alyssa) Thomas, Casey (Keith) Bjurstrom, Jacob (Megan) Vincent, Christine (Isaac) Taylor, Olivia (Eli) McCracken, Joey Thomas, and Ruby Thomas; her great-grandchildren, Faith, Mali, Emersyn, Brycey, Hank, Quinn, Joelle, Leah, and Samuel; and a great-grandson due in February.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, Glen Thomas, Sr.; daughter, Patty Thomas; son, Jim Thomas; brother, Bobby Joe Shubert; and her half-sisters, Nell Banks and Zelma Willis.

Visitation will be from 10 a.m. to noon, with services at noon, on Thursday, December 4, 2025, at Randall & Roberts Funeral Center, 1685 Westfield Road, Noblesville. Burial will be at Crownland Cemetery in Noblesville.

Memorial contributions may be made to Hope Bible Fellowship, 772 N. 10th St., Noblesville IN 46060 (hopebiblefellowship.net).

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Football State Championship

Rocks fall to Bulldogs in state finals

By RICHIE HALL

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INDIANAPOLIS — The Westfield football team was hoping to flip the script on its rematch with Brownsburg in the Class 6A state championship game on Saturday, Nov. 29.

Last season, the Shamrocks had an early lead on the Bulldogs before Brownsburg came back to win. This year, the Bulldogs got on top first and stayed in front, holding off a Westfield surge in the fourth quarter to win 38-31 in front of 21,378 fans at Lucas Oil Stadium.

Brownsburg finished its season a perfect 14-0, while the Rocks were 11-3.

"I think we dug ourselves in a hole in that first half, and they made some plays, too," said Westfield coach Josh Miracle. "Credit to them, they have a great program, great staff. I'm just proud of our kids for the fight and resiliency they showed not to quit and fight to the end."

After the Shamrocks' first drive ended in a punt, there were seven consecutive drives that finished with a score. The Bulldogs got the first score, with Aiden Jobe concluding a 13-play drive by running one yard for a touchdown.

Westfield got on the board in the next series and made its way down to the Brownsburg 9-yard line. Diego Herrera kicked a 26-yard field goal for the Rocks' first points.

Brownsburg scored seconds later with its first big play of the game. Oscar Frye connected with Branden Sharpe on a 63-yard pass that turned into a touchdown and a 14-3 lead before the end of the first quarter.

Westfield used a big play — a 39-yard pass from Cooper Melvin to Andrew Noble to get into the red zone, then Melvin made a 12-yard run for first and goal. The Shamrocks only needed one down, with Deacon King running five yards to score.

A kick from Herrera brought Westfield to within 14-10. But the back-and-forth kept going: Frye tossed a 55-yard pass to Sharpe, then Jobe finished it up with a four-yard run to the end zone.

Melvin made another nice throw, a 44-yard connection with freshman

Caiden Snow to get the Shamrocks in scoring position. King again took care of business with a two-yard TD run. Herrera's kick made the score 20-17.

"He's been great for us, along with a lot of the other seniors," Miracle said of the Northern Illinois-bound King. "The offensive linemen up front lead the way. Wish it would've worked out differently for him that the end here, but we're still really proud of that group."

Brownsburg stepped up again, making a historic play: Sharpe caught Westfield's kickoff at the 1-yard line and zoomed 99 yards to the end zone, a new state record for a kickoff return. After holding the Rocks to a three-and-out, the Bulldogs finished the half with a 26-yard field goal from Will Orlando and a 30-17 lead.

Brownsburg scored the only points of the third quarter. Jobe punched the ball in from the 1, then Sharpe threw a two-point pass to Avin Robinson to give the Bulldogs a 38-17 advantage.

Westfield fought until the end, scoring twice in the fourth quarter. Melvin made a 20-yard touchdown run with 7:31 left. The Shamrocks scored again with 14 seconds to go when Baylor Conner threw a one-yard TD pass to Henry Everts.

Herrera made the extra-point kick after both scores. Westfield tried for an onside kick, but Brownsburg recovered and ran the clock out.

Melvin completed 19 of 35 passes for 265 yards, with Noble making six receptions and Snow getting five.

Isaac Weingart led the defense with 12 total tackles, followed by Ja'Deon Smith with eight, then King and Olumide Fapetu both had seven total tackles. Alex Arambold had one quarterback sack.

Chase Ballard wins Mental Attitude Award

Westfield's Chase Ballard won the Phil N. Eskew Mental Attitude Award for Class 6A football at the conclusion of the game.

"It's great," said Ballard. While he admitted to being "a little bit upset by the loss," Ballard considered receiving the award "an incredible honor. I just give thanks to God. It's all Him and we're just glad to win it."



Photo by Justin Sicking

Members of the 2025 Westfield Shamrocks football team pose for the state finals runner up photo during the IHSAA Class 6A Football State Finals at Lucas Oil Stadium on Saturday, Nov. 29.



Photos by Justin Sicking

(LEFT) Westfield's Cash Ballard accepts the 2025 Phil N. Eskew Mental Attitude award alongside parents Kristin Ballard and Chris Ballard at the conclusion of the Class 6A state championship game. (RIGHT) Westfield running back Deacon King (20) and offensive linemen Cash Ballard (50) celebrate after a touchdown.



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(LEFT) Westfield quarterback Cooper Melvin looks for an open receiver. Melvin threw for 265 yards. (RIGHT) Westfield tight end Henry Everts celebrates after a touchdown.



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(LEFT) Westfield defensive back Cato June breaks away from defenders. (RIGHT) Westfield tight end Baylor Conner evades defenders.

BROWNSBURG 38, WESTFIELD 31

Score by Quarters				Scoring	
Brownsburg	14	16	8	0	38
Westfield	3	14	0	14	31
Team stats	BHS	WHS			
First Downs	19	25			
By Rush	14	9			
By Pass	5	11			
By Penalty	0	5			
Rushes-Yards	47-226	38-141			
Passing Yards	178	266			
Comp-Att-Int-TD	7-14-0-1	20-37-0-1			
Fumbles-Lost	0-0	3-0			
Penalties-Yards	12-114	2-10			
Punts-Average	3-46.7	3-27.0			

Westfield individual stats

Rushing: Melvin 12-75, Conner 8-32, King 14-29, Aiden Grabowski 2-5, Kaleb Darts 1-1, Everts 1-minus 1.
Passing: Melvin 19-35-265, Conner 1-1-1, Grabowski 0-1-0.
Receiving: Andrew Noble 6-75, Caiden Snow 5-102, Conner 4-50, Broc Parker 2-28, Darts 2-10, Everts 1-1.

First Quarter
 B, 4:42 — Aiden Jobe 1-yard run (Will Orlando kick)
 W, 0:54 — Diego Herrera 26-yard field goal
 B, 0:01 — Branden Sharpe 63-yard reception from Oscar Frye (Orlando kick)
Second Quarter
 W, 10:20 — Deacon King 5-yard run (Herrera kick)
 B, 8:23 — Jobe 4-yard run (kick failed)
 W, 3:48 — King 2-yard run (Herrera kick)
 B, 3:34 — Sharpe 99-yard kickoff return (Orlando kick)
 B, 0:00 — Orlando 26-yard field goal
Third Quarter
 B, 2:44 — Jobe 1-yard run (Avin Robinson pass from Sharpe)
Fourth Quarter
 W, 7:31 — Cooper Melvin 20-yard run (Herrera kick)
 0:14 — Henry Everts 1-yard reception from Baylor Conner kick (Herrera kick)

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Girls Basketball

Rocks edge out Flashes

The REPORTER

Westfield's girls improved to 2-0 in Hoosier Crossroads Conference play Saturday, Nov. 29 by winning an overtime game at Franklin Central 59-57.

The Shamrocks built a 29-25 lead by halftime. Audra Parker scored 10 points while Gabby Bassett contributed eight points; both made two 3-pointers.

The Flashes stormed ahead in the third quarter, outscoring Westfield 14-3

for a 39-32 lead. But the Rocks came back in the fourth, pouring in 20 points to tie the game at 52-52. Lillian Clark nailed two 3s during the fourth quarter.

Parker made her third triple of the game in the extra period, then Westfield scored its other points from the free-throw line. Clark and Bassett both made two foul shots to help clinch the win.

The Shamrocks are 5-3 overall and play at Brebeuf Jesuit on Thursday.

WESTFIELD 59, FRANKLIN CENTRAL 57 (overtime)				
Westfield	FG	FT	TP	PF
Gracie Czubik	4	0-0	8	1
Makayla Hatcher	2	3-8	7	2
Olivia Murray	1	0-0	3	3
Ellie Wheeler	0	2-4	2	4
Audra Parker	4	2-3	13	1
Lillian Clark	4	2-2	13	4
Gabby Bassett	4	2-4	13	2
Totals	19	11-21	59	17
Score by Quarters				
Westfield	13	16	3	20
Franklin Central	11	14	14	13
Westfield 3-pointers (10) Clark 3, Linville 3, Parker 3, Murray.				

Big second quarter sends Fishers to victory

The REPORTER

The Fishers girls used a big second quarter to score a road win at Fort Wayne Snider on Saturday, Nov. 29.

The Tigers won 53-43. Fishers led 6-3 after the first quarter, with Reagan Reiff scoring all of the Tigers' points.

Fishers then poured in 23 points during the second period. Makayla Triplett had 12 points, nailing two 3-pointers and going 4-of-5 from

the free-throw line. The Tigers led 29-15 at halftime, went up 43-29 after three quarters and held on during the fourth period.

Reiff totaled 17 points, scoring in all four quarters, while Triplett had 15 points. Lillian Burns made three 3s for nine points.

Fishers is 4-4 and travels to Evansville North this weekend. The Tigers play Castle on Friday and the host Huskies on Saturday.

FISHERS 53, FORT WAYNE SNIDER 43

Fishers	FG	FT	TP	PF
Reagan Reiff	7	2-2	17	1
Makayla Triplett	3	7-9	15	0
Lillian Burns	3	0-0	9	0
Ella Burleson	1	2-2	4	2
Alanna Anthony	0	2-2	2	4
Delaney Wilson	2	0-0	6	1
Caroline Kirkendall	0	0-0	0	0
Nicole Ellison	0	0-0	0	3
Akya Koenig	0	0-0	0	0
Totals	16	13-15	53	11
Score by Quarters				
Fishers	6	23	16	8-53
Snider	3	12	14	14-43
Fishers 3-pointers (8) Burns 3, Wilson 2, Triplett 2, Reiff.				

Millers stave off feisty Mt. Vernon

By CRAIG ADKINS

For The Reporter

NOBLESVILLE — The Saturday, Nov. 29 girls basketball contest between Noblesville and Mt. Vernon was originally slated to be an evening game. But, with the anticipated snowfall in the area, the Millers' athletic staff made the decision to move the game up to early afternoon.

Despite shooting 29 percent overall from the floor, Noblesville figured out ways to stave off the Marauders for a 41-39 home win.

Sophomore Maia Blower got things going with a right wing three. Zoey Wood tied it 3-3. The Millers closed out the first with five from C.C. Quigley and a baseline jumper from Ally Hutchinson for a 10-7 lead.

It was another tight quarter in the second. A Quigley bucket from Blower made it a five-point advantage at 12-7, but Delani Williams knocked down a three from the right for 12-10.

Hutchinson made two straight buckets, the latter pushing it to 16-10, forcing Mt. Vernon to call a 30 second timeout. Out of the timeout, Taylor Greulich

drained a three. Blower sank a pair of free throws for an 18-13 margin, but Wood made another three to cut it to 18-16.

Noblesville scored the final three points to end the half on a free throw from Aleah Magee and Quigley layup to lead 21-16.

"They did some things that we hadn't really honestly had a chance to work on against our 1-3-1 and 3-2," said Noblesville head coach Donna Buckley. "They overloaded the side and that's not something we've had a chance to talk about with this young group."

Mt. Vernon started the third on a 5-0 run from Delani Williams' three and a long two-pointer just inside the three-point arc to tie it 21-21.

A Hutchinson jumper and a three by Norah Vektor gave the Millers a five-point lead again at 26-21.

Mt. Vernon just wouldn't go away. Wood made two free throws and Gabby Thomas made two consecutive threes from the right corner. Hutchinson scored five to keep the Marauders at bay, 31-29.

Reserve Kendra Ash made 1-of 2 free throws in

NOBLESVILLE 41, MT. VERNON 39

Noblesville	FG	FT	TP	PF
Ally Hutchinson	5-17	4-5	14	2
Ellie Motz	0-1	0-0	0	2
Maia Blower	1-6	2-2	5	2
Norah Vektor	1-3	0-0	3	1
C.C. Quigley	5-9	8-9	18	1
Devyn Johnson	0-0	0-0	0	1
Nelani Render	0-1	0-0	0	0
Aleah Magee	0-4	1-2	1	3
Totals	12-41	15-18	41	12
Score by Quarters				
Mt. Vernon	7	9	14	9-39
Noblesville	10	11	10	10-41
Noblesville 3-pointers (2) Blower, Vektor.				
Noblesville rebounds (25) Hutchinson 8, Blower 7, Quigley 5, Motz 2, Magee 1, team 2.				

the final second of the third, trimming it to 31-30.

"They just out hustled and outrebounded us," Buckley added. "That gave them extra chances and that was something we didn't do a very good job matching that for a lot of the game. They're a tough, physical group. They're Julie Shelton in her image. You're going to be tough and do things the right way."

Ash nailed a three from the left side to start the fourth and gave the Marauders their first lead since the first quarter.

Quigley made a pair of free throws in two straight trips to the line to match Mt. Vernon's baskets by Greulich and Kat Simmons. Quigley took a bounce pass from Magee to tie it 37-37. From that point, it was a slight edge to Noblesville.

Quigley made 3-of 4 from the foul stripe to go up 40-37.

With 2:09 left, Thomas made two foul shots and the Marauders trailed 40-39.

The next couple of minutes were full of turnovers, Noblesville (4-2, 1-1 miscues on both ends of the floor and both teams burning timeouts to see who

was going to win this chess match.

"We're young. We played young at times and got sped up, got flustered," added Buckley. "Those are things that are fixable and we talked about that at the end. It was the quietest locker room I've ever been in. Their expectations of themselves and what they know they're capable of."

Mt. Vernon fouled Hutchinson, who missed the first and made the second free throw with 0.6 seconds for the final score of 41-39.

"I like that they're kind of mad at themselves," Buckley said. "Come Monday, we'll fix some things. It's good when young kids aren't satisfied just to win." Zoey Wood led the way with 10 points and 13 rebounds. Gabby Thomas also had 10, Delani Williams eight.

Quigley had a game-high 18 points, five rebounds and four blocks. C.C. was also 8-for-9 at the free throw line. Hutchinson had 14 and eight rebounds.

Noblesville (4-2, 1-1 HCC) next visits Hamilton Southeastern (5-1, 2-0 HCC) on Dec. 3.

SPORTS SCHEDULE

Tuesday, Dec. 2

BOYS BASKETBALL

Pendleton Heights at Westfield, 7:30 p.m.

BOYS WRESTLING

Zionsville at Noblesville, 6 p.m.

Guerin Catholic at Frankton, 6:30 p.m.

GIRLS BASKETBALL

Monrovia at University, 6:30 p.m.

Carmel at Lawrence North, 7:30 p.m.

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

Shortridge at Guerin Catholic, 7:30 p.m.

SWIMMING

Brownsburg, Zionsville at Carmel 3-Way, 6 p.m.

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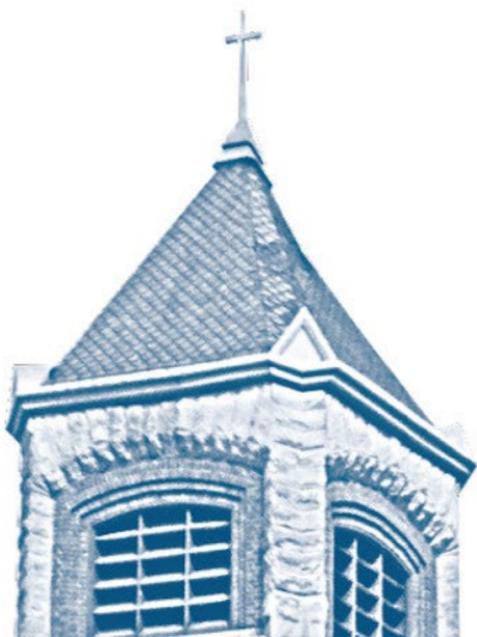
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2	Norwell (2)	397	7-1
3	Hamilton Southeastern	396	5-1
4	Homestead	383	6-1
5	Center Grove	342	6-0
6	Warsaw	332	6-1
7	Pike	298	3-1
8	Bloomington South	244	6-0
9	Brownsburg	219	4-2
10	Plainfield	217	6-2
11	Valparaiso	211	5-1
T12	McCutcheon	157	6-1
T12	Pendleton Heights	157	5-2
14	Franklin Central	155	4-3
15	Crown Point	145	7-0
16	Silver Creek	107	5-1
17	Jennings County	104	5-1
18	East Central	100	7-0
19	Westfield	57	5-3
20	Washington	48	6-2

First place votes are in parentheses.

Other schools receiving votes, with records Carmel (6-1), Charlestown (3-1), Columbia City (6-2), Franklin Community (6-2), Marquette Catholic (5-0), North Knox (7-0), Northridge (4-3), Rensselaer Central (5-1), Roncalli (5-1), Zionsville (5-1).

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Boys Basketball

Millers fall to Plainfield

The REPORTER

Noblesville's boys dropped their first game of the season Saturday, Nov. 29, falling to Plainfield 60-53 at The Mill.

The game was tied at 13-13 after the first quarter, but the Quakers took over in the second period, outscoring the Millers 17-8 for a 30-21 halftime lead. The teams played even in the

second half, but Plainfield stayed in front.

Justin Curry led Noblesville with 29 points, including five 3-pointers. Max Flanagan made three triples for nine points. Curry and Luke Fogg both collected five rebounds, while Adam Fine dished out four assists.

The Millers are 1-1 and play Friday at Fishers.

PLAINFIELD 60, NOBLESVILLE 53				
Noblesville	FG	FT	TP	
Adam Fine	0-4	0-0	0	
Justin Curry	12-18	0-0	29	
Evan Magsamen	1-3	0-0	2	
Baron Walker	2-7	0-0	5	
Max Flanagan	3-6	0-0	9	
Bear Rucker	0-0	0-0	0	
Luke Fogg	2-4	1-1	5	
Cooper Smits	0-0	3-4	3	
Totals	20-42	4-5	53	
Score by Quarters				
Noblesville	13	8	14	18-53
Plainfield	13	17	14	16-60
Noblesville 3-point shooting (9-19) Curry 5-8, Flanagan 3-6, Walker 1-4, Fogg 0-1.				
Noblesville rebounds (13) Fogg 5, Curry 5, Magsamen 1, Walker 1, Smits 1.				

Golden Eagles roll past Tindley

The REPORTER

The Guerin Catholic boys traveled to Tindley on Saturday, Nov. 29 and came home with a 72-30 victory.

The Golden Eagles led 18-4 after one quarter and 41-14 at halftime. Andrew Riethman scored nine first-half points, while Zachary Tansel threw in two 3-pointers on his way to eight points.

Guerin Catholic held a 63-20 lead after three pe-

riods, instituting a running clock. Tansel made two more 3s during the second half, giving him four for the game and a team-leading 14 points.

Four other GC players reached double digits. Riethman finished with 11 points, while Hayden Rogers, Will Bach and Carter Murans all scored 10.

Guerin Catholic is 2-0 and hosts Muncie Central on Wednesday.

GUERIN CATHOLIC 72, TINDLEY 30

Guerin Catholic	FG	FT	TP	PF
Hayden Rogers	5	0-0	10	0
Will Bach	5	0-0	10	0
Andrew Riethman	4	2-2	11	2
Carter Murans	5	0-0	10	0
Alex Wall	2	1-2	5	1
Zachary Tansel	5	0-0	14	2
Luke Keller	4	0-0	9	1
Jack Linden	0	0-2	0	1
Sawyer Holman	1	0-0	3	2
Drew Burnett	0	0-0	0	0
Jack Stoner	0	0-0	0	0
Ethan Frayer	0	0-0	0	0
Totals	31	3-6	72	9

Score by Quarters

Guerin Catholic	18	23	22	9-72
Tindley	4	10	6	10-30

Guerin Catholic 3-pointers (7) Tansel 4, Riethman, Keller, Holman.

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Royals drop opener to Pike

The REPORTER

Hamilton Southeastern dropped its season-opening game to Pike 65-46 Saturday, Nov. 29 at the Royals' gym.

The Red Devils outscored Southeastern in each quarter, leading 13-5 after the first period and 29-18 at halftime.

Luke Weemer led the

Royals with 12 points, while Landon Osswald scored 11 points and pulled six rebounds. Varschon Clark collected five rebounds, while

Jack Jacobs dished out four assists.

Southeastern travels to Avon Friday to begin Hoosier Crossroads Conference play.

PIKE 65, HAMILTON SOUTHEASTERN 46				
Southeastern	FG	FT	TP	
Jack Jacobs	1-1	0-0	3	
Maverick Young	1-10	3-4	5	
Varschon Clark	3-11	1-2	7	
Luke Weemer	5-13	0-0	12	
Landon Osswald	3-9	5-6	11	
KJ Buckley	0-2	0-0	0	
Josh Horton	1-1	0-0	2	
Alex Weber	1-1	0-0	2	
Kallen Hoeft	1-2	0-0	2	
Maksim Radovich	1-2	0-0	2	
Bradley Bode	0-1	0-0	0	
Totals	17-53	9-12	46	
Score by Quarters				
Southeastern	5	13	14	14-46
Pike	14	15	19	17-65
Southeastern 3-pointers (3) Weemer 2, Jacobs 1.				
Southeastern rebounds (21) Osswald 6, Clark 5, Young 4, Jacobs 2, Kelly 1, Hoeft 1, Radovich 1, Osswald 1.				



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IBCA boys basketball poll – Week of Nov. 30

Rank	School	Points	Record
1	Fishers (19)	437	2-0
2	Crown Point (1)	412	0-0
3	Lawrence North	361	1-0
4	South Bend St. Joseph	335	0-0
5	Pike (2)	327	2-1
6	Cathedral	323	1-0
7	Mt. Vernon	300	2-0
8	Silver Creek	257	1-0
9	Plainfield	250	2-0
10	Westfield	235	1-0
11	Noblesville	233	1-1
12	Carmel	214	1-0
13	New Albany	177	0-0
14	Lawrence Central	146	0-0
15	Ben Davis	68	0-2
16	Brownsburg	66	1-1
17	Jeffersonville	55	0-1
18	Crispus Attucks	47	1-1
19	Zionsville	35	1-1
20	Homestead	33	0-0

First place votes are in parentheses.

Other schools receiving votes, with records

Avon (0-1), Barr-Reeve (2-0), Bishop Luers (0-0), Blackhawk Christian (1-0), Bloomington North (1-0), Bloomington South (1-0), Brownstown Central (0-0), Charlestown (1-0), Chesterton (0-0), Columbia City (1-0), Columbus North (2-0), Decatur Central (2-0), Evansville North (1-0), Fort Wayne Snider (0-0), Guerin Catholic (2-0), Hamilton Southeastern (0-1), Heritage Hills (1-0), Marion (1-0), New Haven (1-0), North Central (1-0), Northridge (1-0), Northview (1-0), Penn (0-0), Princeton Community (1-1), Parke Heritage (2-0), Roncalli (0-0), South Bend Riley (1-0), Terre Haute North Vigo (1-1), Warsaw Community (0-0), Whiteland Community (1-0), 21st Century Charter School – Gary (0-1).

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Noblesville High School college commitments

Peyton Kauzlick commits to Saint Mary's College



Photo courtesy Noblesville Athletics
 Peyton Kauzlick has committed to play golf at Saint Mary's College. (Front row, from left) Jennifer Kauzlick (mother), Peyton Kauzlick, and Shawn Kauzlick (father). (Back row, from right) Brenna Berndt (Noblesville Girls Golf Assistant Coach) and Justin Werkley (Noblesville Girls Golf Head Coach).

Tyler Marucci commits to Indiana Wesleyan University



Photo courtesy Noblesville Athletics
 Tyler Marucci has committed to play golf at Indiana Wesleyan University. (Front row, from left) Meredith Marucci (mother), Tyler Marucci, and Nick Marucci (father). (Back row, from left) Gary Deakne (Noblesville Boys Golf Head Coach), Nick Marucci (grandfather), and Stella Marucci (sister).

Reese Resmer commits to Kansas State University



Photo courtesy Noblesville Athletics
 Reese Resmer has committed to play volleyball at Kansas State University. (Front row, from left) Devyn Resmer (father), Reese Resmer, and Lindsay Resmer (mother). (Back row, from left) Annie Poulson (Noblesville Girls Volleyball Head Coach), Bill Fisher (grandfather), and Vicki Fisher (grandmother).

Presley White commits to Taylor University



Photo courtesy Noblesville Athletics
 Presley White has committed to play golf at Taylor University. (Front row, from left) Sarah White (mother), Presley White, and Ryan White (father). (Back row, from left) Brenna Berndt (Noblesville Girls Golf Assistant Coach), Jim White (grandfather), Austin White (brother), Suzi White (grandmother), and Justin Werkley (Noblesville Girls Golf Head Coach).

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