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TODAY'S WEATHER

Today: Partly to mostly cloudy. Breezy.

Tonight: Mostly cloudy. Rain showers, especially after midnight.

HIGH: 39 LOW: 36



Hometown Christmas spirit fills Sheridan's streets

Submitted

Sheridan was filled with holiday spirit Saturday night, Dec. 6 at the annual Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony. The town gathered on Main Street as a celebration was held that brought together families, students, volunteers, and local leaders to kick off the festive season.

The event was brought together by Sheridan Main Street, Inc. They highlighted the town's mission of preserving and revitalizing Sheridan's history, which is proudly listed on the National Register of Historic Places. Christmas Committee chairs Heidi Kienholz and Julia Neff were the emcees and guided the evening with jolly spirit and warm enthusiasm.

The Christmas tree stands tall in front of the beautifully lit Carnegie Library, which is now home to United Animal Health. As the lights came on, the crowd cheered and welcomed in the holiday season.

"There's something about our Annual Christmas Tree Lighting that feels magical! I think it's a perfect way to welcome the Christmas season," Heidi Kienholz said. "We can't thank our community enough;



Photo provided

Rarely have we seen adults this happy to see the lighting of a Christmas tree. There truly is something very special about Sheridan. See more photos on Page 3.

the event wouldn't have been a success without them."

Also at the ceremony, Libby Doublestein and Patrick Cronin, Sheridan Community Schools choir and band directors, led performances that brought the spirit to life. Middle school students also joined in as they provided the event with a great soundtrack.

This year debuted the new illuminated snowflakes which are mounted on the lamp posts throughout downtown Sheridan. These additions were made possible by the generous support of the 15 sponsors. Sheridan Main Street, Inc. decorates for the season annually, and these new snowflakes offer a beautiful addition.

Sheridan Main Street, Inc. relies on the generosity of community members to make each year more memorable than the last. Donations are greatly appreciated and can be delivered to Keever's Hardware or mailed to the address below.

ATTN: Michelle Junkins
506 S. Main St.
Sheridan, IN 46069

Amended legal contract with Santa

Dear Mr. Santa Claus (aka Kris Kringle, aka Saint Nicholas, aka Father Christmas), I am writing today to discuss our mutual yearly agreement in which I do what is necessary to stay on the Nice List and, in turn, you provide free stuff. I would like to discuss the terms of our contract.



TIM RATHZ
Forty-something in Fishers

I understand that you don't work pro bono, and I have certain obligations to fulfill for this contract, but I would like to make some revisions.

In the past, I have been responsible for not pouting or crying. I understand the reasoning behind this condition; however, I believe there should be some exceptions for this rule. I listed them below.

The Pouting/Crying clause shall be null and void under the following circumstances:

- The Colts, Hoosiers, Irish, or Pacers lose.
- Stepping on Legos while barefoot.
- When I don't want to get up in the morning.
- When I have to go somewhere that I don't want to go.
- Any time prior to morning coffee.
- When I don't get my way.
- When my dog poops on my floor.
- During Hallmark Christmas movies.

This contract should be a living document that can change with time. I believe my demands are reasonable.

As a sign of good faith, and in exchange for previously mentioned "stuff," I will continue to leave cookies and milk for you, as my amendment proposal for peanuts and beer was denied. I am also open to leaving apples or carrots for the *Rangifer tarandus*, aka reindeer.

I will avoid malfeasance on my part, but any accusations against me should be considered hearsay and not considered until properly vetted.

See Contract . . . Page 2

'Twas just weeks before Christmas

The REPORTER

Sunday night, Dec. 7, the Town of Atlanta lit the tree and officially began being festive for the Christmas season. Over 100 people came out to let the kids see Santa, stroll past the live manger scene, and enjoy a small-town homecooked meal provided by local churches.

There were toy bags for local kids, thanks to an annual toy drive by Mid-Indiana Marine, which also helps provide Christmas for local youngsters who would otherwise not have as merry a holiday as they deserve.

Inside the community center, where that homecooked meal was served, there were also holiday-themed kids' craft activities. It was so festive, even the Grinch was in good spirits, and we all know how hard THAT guy is to please . . .

Not only does Atlanta not



Photo provided by Town of Atlanta

The people of Atlanta enjoyed this live Nativity starring local youngsters. See more photos from Sunday night's tree lighting on Page 4.

pay for a professional Santa, but the Santa they chose donates more than just his time. Atlanta's Santa gave over \$600 to support the town's festivities.

This newspaper suspects Atlanta may have invited the OG Santa directly from the North Pole because that kind of generosity of spirit is almost myth-

ological these days.

But we heard him exclaim, ere he drove out of sight, "Happy Christmas to all, and to all a goodnight."

See Charles Dickens' A Christmas Carol in a heartwarming one-hour production

The REPORTER

Beef & Boards Dinner Theatre once again ushers in the holidays with the timeless tale that has captured hearts for generations.

Now on stage, the theatre's one-hour production of Charles Dickens' *A Christmas Carol* blends the magic of live performance with the nostalgia of familiar carols, offering festive performances through Dec. 22.

For many, the holidays wouldn't feel complete without revisiting the journey of Ebenezer Scrooge. The once-hopeful young man has hardened into a miserly soul whose cold demeanor rivals London's winter chill. His loyal clerk, Bob Cratchit, endures both the draft from the office door and the sting of Scrooge's indifference, even as he struggles to support his family and care for his frail son, Tiny Tim.

But on a fateful Christmas Eve, the past comes calling. The restless spirit of his former business partner Jacob Marley returns to warn Scrooge of the doom that awaits if he continues down his lonely path. Soon, Scrooge is swept through memories, present joys, and visions of what may come as the Ghosts of Christmas Past, Present, and Yet to Come illuminate not only the cost of his choices, but also the hope still within his reach. Dickens' beloved story of reflection and redemption unfolds with warmth, music, and the enduring reminder that it's never too late to open one's heart.

Jeff Stockberger stars as Ebenezer Scrooge, joined by Scot Greenwell as Bob Cratchit and Michael Davis as Jacob Marley. The cast also features Bradley Allan Lowe as Fred and Zarah Shejule as Mrs. Cratchit, with Hannah Elizabeth Boswell, Tristan Ross, and Reno Moore portraying the Ghosts of Christmas Past, Present, and Yet to Come.

Directed by Elizabeth Stark Payne and choreographed by Phillip Crawshaw, this

See *Christmas Carol* . . . Page 2

GOP women meeting was merry & bright



Reporter photo

The annual Hamilton County Republican Women (HCRW) holiday luncheon was held at Bru Burger, 12901 Old Meridian St., Carmel, on Saturday, Dec. 6. This always serves as both an opportunity to reflect on the year behind, plan for the year ahead, and, on odd-numbered years, to install new officers. This year, as a special bonus, everyone had the chance to wish Hamilton County Commissioner Christine Altman a happy birthday. (Above, from left) New officers Beth Sheller, Trini Beaver, Lisa Elmore, and Angie Frazier were sworn in by HCRW Past President Suzanne Heinzman. See more photos on Page 5.



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Westfield's Special Census has resumed

The REPORTER
The Special Census crews resumed going door to door last Friday, Dec. 5. Crews will be out daily, and Westfield city officials will provide updates as needed to keep residents informed throughout the census process.

When they visit, they'll ask where you were living on Sept. 15, 2025, which is the official reference date for this special census. If you aren't home or don't answer, they'll leave a notice of visit with a phone number you can call to

complete the census over the phone.

Participation in the special census is very important; it helps ensure the community is counted accurately, which directly impacts the funding and resources received for roads, schools, public safety, and other local services.

By taking a few minutes to respond, you're helping support future improvements and investments in the community.

If you have questions, please call (212) 584-3451.

CONTRACT

Below is a list of all "stuff" you shall provide once my contracted obligations are fulfilled.

- One fully funded vacation – this is reasonable.
- Six new grills and accessories – because there's no such thing as too many grills.
- One new car – to keep up with the Jones.
- The beer and peanuts that you refused – why waste.
- A partridge in a pear tree – to see if you're reading the fine print or just skimming.
- Five boxes of Cella's Dark Chocolate Covered Cherries – if you know, you know.
- Some video games – please don't tell my wife.
- Oh, and I guess peace on Earth and stuff like that.

I am willing to forgo all of these items if you bring

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a National Championship to IU football in January. Well, I guess not the peace on Earth and good will to blah blah blah. Although, in my opinion, a National Championship would indeed bring peace and good will and all that jazz.

If you are agreeable to these terms, please sign the document and return to me. If not, then you can reach me through the Law Firm of Moron and Moron.

Warm Regards,
Timothy P. Rathz (writer of the wildly popular, funny and famous *Forty-Something in Fishers*)

The moral of the story is ... Google is great for finding legal terms for fake letters to Santa. Merry Christmas, everybody!!!

Tim Rathz can be reached at 40somethinginfishers@gmail.com. Follow on Facebook or Instagram.

— HAMILTON COUNTY —

JOINT MEETING NOTICE
Pursuant to IC 5-14-1.5-5 (a) The Hamilton County Board of Commissioners and the Hamilton County Council will meet on Friday, December 19, 2025, in Conference Room 1A in the Hamilton County Government and Judicial Center, One Hamilton County Square Noblesville, Indiana 46060. Meeting will begin at 10 a.m. with Joint Executive Session for Implementation of Purchase or Lease of Real Estate IC 5-14-1.5-6.1(b)(2)(D). Public Joint Work Session to discuss county business will begin at 11:30 a.m.
/s/ Todd E. Clevenger
Hamilton County Auditor
R7159 12/9/25, 12/15/25

Hamilton County Leadership Academy announces Maria Kanger as new executive director

The REPORTER
The Hamilton County Leadership Academy (HCLA) announces that Maria Kanger has been selected as its next executive director.

The announcement was shared with community leaders and alumni at the annual HCLA Home for the Holidays Luncheon held on Thursday, Dec. 4. Kanger will begin her new role December 15.

Kanger brings a distinguished career in leadership development, higher education administration, professional training, and community focused programming. With nearly 15 years of progressive leadership experience, she has served in roles that required strategic planning, curriculum design, compliance oversight, and relationship building across diverse stakeholder groups.

Most recently, Kanger served as Professional Development director at MIBOR REALTOR® Association, where she managed all educational offerings for more than 10,000 real estate professionals across central Indiana. In this role, she directed continuing education programs approved by the State of Indiana, led the MIBOR Master Professional Certification Program, and

oversaw the Real Estate Academy of Leadership. She also served as staff liaison to the Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Committee, advancing initiatives such as the Breaking Barriers Scholarship Program and representing MIBOR on the Board of Directors for the Central Indiana Real Estate Association.

Her experience also includes significant leadership roles in higher education. At Butler University, she served as associate dean of students and as the University's Title IX coordinator, managing prevention and response efforts, leading compliance reporting, supporting crisis response, and facilitating training for staff, faculty, and students. She has also held positions at Indiana University Purdue University Indianapolis (IUPUI), where she supervised professional staff, conducted outreach, and managed university conduct processes, as well as Occidental College in Los Angeles and the University



Kanger



of Notre Dame, where she served as rector for Cavanaugh Hall, leading a residential community and supervising staff.

Kanger is a graduate of the University of Notre Dame, earning both a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science and Theology and a Juris Doctor, cum laude, from Notre Dame Law School. She has served numerous professional leadership roles with the Association of Student Conduct Administrators (ASCA), including chairing national communities of practice and presenting at national conferences. She also holds the National Association of REALTORS Commitment to Excellence endorsement and diversity certifications through NAR and the LGBTQ+ Real Estate Alliance.

"We are thrilled to welcome Maria as the next executive director of HCLA," said Andy Litke, president of the HCLA Board of Directors and director of Project Management at The

Hagerman Group. "Her impressive experience, strong understanding of Hamilton County, and passion for servant leadership made her stand out in a highly qualified pool of candidates. The excitement this search generated reinforces what we already know, HCLA is the leadership program of and for Hamilton County leaders. Our board could not be more enthusiastic about the future under Maria's leadership."

Throughout her career, Kanger has built a reputation for strengthening programs, fostering community engagement, and empowering individuals to lead with purpose. She brings a proven record of creating meaningful connections, developing comprehensive training programs, and advancing mission focused work.

"I am honored to join the Hamilton County Leadership Academy and to help advance such an impactful mission," Kanger said. "HCLA has shaped community leaders for more than three decades, and I look forward to building on that legacy by supporting our alumni, engaging new partners, and elevating the program's visibility and impact across the county."

Summer Learning Labs helping students catch up

In 2021, the General Assembly established the **Student Learning Recovery Grant Program** to help young Hoosiers falling behind academically during the pandemic. Funding from that program launched the first Summer Learning Labs



DANNY LOPEZ
State Representative

in Indianapolis, led by The Mind Trust and United Way of Central Indiana. The Indiana Department of Education joined with The Mind Trust to expand the project statewide after it showed significant academic progress in its participating students.

That trend has continued. For the second consecutive year, students attending Summer Learning Labs achieved double-digit percentage point proficiency gains in reading and math. This year, more than 12,000 students in grades one through nine participated in the program

in over 30 cities. Among their achievements, all students scored 25 percentage points higher in English/language arts and 24 percentage points more in math. Black and Latino students both achieved those gains and students receiving free/reduced price meals scored 25 percentage points higher in math after completing the five-week program.

All results from this year's Summer Learning Labs are available [here](#) and more information on the program can be found [here](#).

These results follow Hoosier third graders earning a nearly five percentage point increase in literacy rates on the **2024-2025 Indiana Reading Evalu-**

ation and Determination (IREAD) assessment and the state placing sixth in the country for fourth and eighth grade reading in the **2024 National Assessment of Education Progress** (NAEP) rankings.

While there's always more work to do, this is good progress. I'm so proud to see our students getting back on track academically and these investments in education paying off. Thank you, teachers, parents and education stakeholders, for helping to make these gains possible.

State Rep. Danny Lopez (R-Carmel) represents House District 39, which includes a portion of Hamilton County.

From Our Firehouse To Your Home

As we celebrate this season of giving, we want to ensure our community stays safe. Please keep these fire safety tips in mind as you deck the halls:

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-  **Dispose It:** Recycle the tree when needles drop.

Wishing you a safe and joyous New Year.




www.hcfirefighters.org

CHRISTMAS CAROL

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production features music arrangements by Michael Hoagland and musical direction by Debbie Myers.

Limited tickets remain for this treasured holiday tradition. Tickets range from \$42 to \$50 and include Chef Larry Stoops' holiday buffet. Parking is always free. For tickets, show schedule, and additional details, visit BeefAndBoards.com or call the box office at (317) 872-9664.

Beef & Boards Dinner Theatre, Indiana's only year-round professional dinner theatre, has been serving up exceptional entertainment since 1973.



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The ghost of Jacob Marley (Michael Davis) visits his former business partner Ebenezer Scrooge (Jeff Stockberger) in Beef & Boards Dinner Theatre's one-hour production of Charles Dickens' A Christmas Carol, now on stage.



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Santa's on his way to Sheridan!



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Atlanta all aglow with Christmas cheer



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February 14

Totally Rad 80s Prom Gone Bad

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February 21

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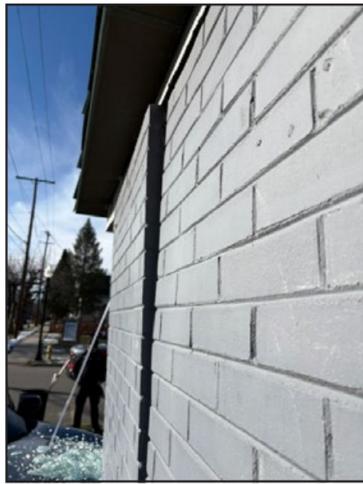
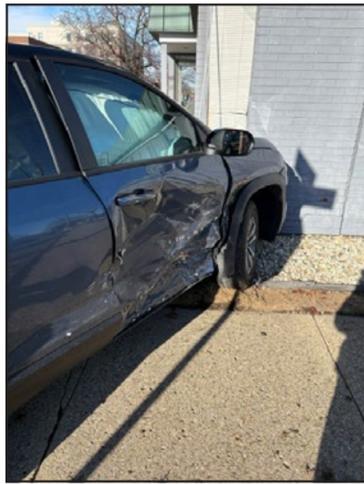
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Reporter photos
The offices of Campbell Kyle Proffitt LLP, located at 198 S. 9th St., Noblesville, was the scene of a serious traffic accident Monday, Dec. 8. There were no reports of injuries at the scene, even though one of the two vehicles partially entered the building, which is owned by local Attorney Ray Adler, named partner at Adler Attorneys and co-owner of The Hamilton County Reporter. Hitting a building with ties to two different law firms and a newspaper has to be some kind of a record. That no one was hurt may qualify as a minor holiday season miracle.

Hamilton County Republican Women ready for 2026



Reporter photos
The Hamilton County Republic Women (HCRW) holiday luncheon was a truly festive event. Many of the most influential women in Hamilton County (plus two men) gathered to visit with old friends, make new connections, handle some HCRW business, and share a meal at a fine local restaurant. Thanks go out to the staff at Bru Burger, 12901 Old Meridian St., Carmel, for playing host to the event and handling service with a smile and an attention to detail. Elected officials, aspiring candidates, and staunch supporters all stand ready for whatever 2026 throws at them.



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Westfield Fire, Westfield Washington Township Trustee & Open Doors partner to fight hunger

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The Westfield Fire Department, in partnership with the Westfield Washington Township Trustee's Office and Trustee Jamie Goetz Mills, have begun a community-wide food drive to support Open Doors of Westfield, a vital local organization addressing food insecurity.



Goetz Mills

Open Doors of Westfield provides critical support by distributing 26,000 pounds of donated food each month to more than 450 children and adults in need. This partnership aims to bolster those efforts and ensure no one in the community goes hungry. "Hunger is a problem we can fix as a community," Goetz Mills said. "By working together, we can make a meaningful difference in the lives of our neighbors."

Residents are encour-

aged to donate non-perishable food items at the following convenient drop-off locations:

- Fire Station 381, 17001 Ditch Road
- Fire Station 382, 1920 E. 151st St.
- Fire Station 383, 17944 Grassy Branch Road
- Township Trustee's Office, 130 Penn St.

Every donation helps stock the shelves at Open Doors and directly supports families facing food insecurity.

The Westfield Fire Department and the Township Trustee invite all residents, businesses, and community groups to join in this shared mission of compassion and action.

[Click here](#) to watch a video on Facebook.

The food drive will continue through the end of January 2026.

IU Health North once more achieves Magnet recognition with distinction

Submitted

Following a comprehensive review process that began more than three years ago, Indiana University Health North Hospital has attained Magnet with Distinction recognition.

This is the third time IU Health North has achieved Magnet, and the first time the hospital has earned Magnet with Distinction. This achievement from the American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC) is the highest national honor for professional nursing practice.

Less than 10 percent of hospitals across the United States have earned Magnet status. Even fewer have earned Magnet Recognition with Distinction, a new ANCC designation recognizing the highest performing Magnet organizations around the world.

IU Health North nurses were surprised with the news during a retreat.



Photo provided by IU Health North

"It's such an amazing feeling," said Carrie Wing, vice president and chief nursing officer of IU Health North. "There was a lot of emotion in the room – it's a great team. Their heart is

there, their enthusiasm is there, their engagement is there. It's a true honor to lead a team that comes into work every single day with the main focus of how they can best care for our patients and

provide the best outcomes. The work, the distinction and this redesignation is a validation that that's what they do, every day."

[Click here](#) to learn more.

Women of the Well House provide funding for community projects in Tipton

The REPORTER

About 800 senior citizens in three north central Indiana counties will receive free health screenings from Indiana University Kokomo nursing students, with grant funding from the campus's philanthropic giving circle.

The project was one of 14 campus and community projects that were awarded a total of \$50,000 in grant funding from Women of the Well House, investing in initiatives that enrich the student experience and benefit the surrounding community.

Angela Opsahl, dean of the School of Nursing and Allied Health Professions, said the initiative promotes

nursing student engagement in health and wellness outreach, and aims to reduce the risk of chronic illness and improve health literacy in rural populations with limited access to healthcare.

Undergraduate nursing students will offer blood pressure checks and A1C testing at eight events on campus and at senior centers in Howard, Tipton, and Grant counties. They will also provide health coaching and referral to local pro-



viders as needed. This initiative is an incredible opportunity to strengthen community partnerships while enhancing student

and students that received approximately \$50,000 in grants from Women of the Well House. Additional programs funded by 2025 grants include projects to stage a production of the musical *State Fair*, to create a library of laptops students may borrow, to promote research by IU Kokomo students and faculty, and to study supplement use and recovery by female student-athletes, among others.

Tara Scott, assistant director of development, said Women of the Well House has given about \$279,000 to programs since its inception in 2017, benefiting not only IU Kokomo, but the surrounding community.



Free accessible van restores freedom for Fishers family living with Muscular Dystrophy

Submitted

For families living with muscular dystrophy, something as simple as a trip to the grocery store or a doctor's appointment can feel like an insurmountable challenge.

On Wednesday, Dec. 10, one Indiana family will receive the gift of mobility and independence when the Muscular Dystrophy Family Foundation (MDFF) presents the Ball Family with the keys to an accessible van.

The key ceremony will take place at noon at Superior Van & Mobility, located at 13095 Parkside Drive, Fishers. Superior Van & Mobility is a longtime partner of MDFF in their mission to restore freedom of transportation to Hoosier families.

The van represents far more than transportation for the Ball Family. Wheelchair accessible vans typically range from \$30,000 to \$100,000, depending on whether they are new or used and the type of modifications required – a cost that places them far beyond the reach of most families already facing the financial burden of managing a progressive neuromuscular disease.

This van is part of MDFF's broader *Accessible Van Giveaway Program*, which annually provides one customized van to an Indiana family suffering from muscular dystrophy. The program has been so successful, MDFF has giv-

en away as many as four vans in one year. These vans are life-changing for families navigating the daily challenges of muscular dystrophy – restoring their independence and connection to their community. Without a van these families become isolated by their mobility limitations.

"Every family deserves the freedom to participate in life – to attend school events, visit loved ones, access medical care, and simply enjoy the world around them," MDFF President Jacob Buehler said. "An accessible van isn't just about getting from point A to point B. It's about dignity, independence, and staying connected to what matters most."

Applications for MDFF's 2026 Accessible Van Giveaway Program opened Dec. 1, 2025. To qualify, applicants must be diagnosed with muscular dystrophy or a related neuromuscular disease, reside in Indiana, demonstrate a need for mobility transportation, and have the financial resources to maintain insurance, registration, and vehicle maintenance. Access to the online version of the application is at mdff.org/accessible-van-giveaway. A paper version of the application may be requested by emailing info@mdff.org. The application cycle for the 2026-year closes on Feb. 15, 2026.

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Beltone clinics in Fishers & Noblesville kick off third annual 'Hear for the Holidays' giveaway

Submitted

The most wonderful time of the year can also be the most isolating for those experiencing hearing loss.

To help more people reconnect with the sounds and moments that matter, Beltone's Fishers and Noblesville clinics have launched the third annual **Hear for the Holidays** campaign alongside approximately 1,200 participating Beltone locations across the country.

Now through Dec. 31, people can nominate themselves or someone they love for the chance to receive a free pair of hearing aids provided by the Beltone Hearing Care Foundation, a 501(c)(3) charitable organization dedicated to removing barriers to hearing care. Over the past 10 years, the foundation has given away more than 8,300 hearing aids at no cost to recipients. During last year's Hear for the Holidays campaign alone, the foundation donated more than 1,250 hearing aids.

"The season brings so many opportunities for connection, and hearing loss can make them harder to enjoy," Beltone Hearing Aid Specialist Attilio Ciochetto said. "When hearing improves, every small interaction starts to feel a little brighter and more meaningful, and this program helps make that happen."

Nationally, Beltone's Hear for the Holidays program reflects its 85 years of commitment to improving the lives of the nearly 50 million Americans with hearing loss, per the Hear-

ing Loss Association of America – highlighting the importance of enhanced hearing when families are gathered, stories are shared and memories are made.

The importance of better hearing during the holidays

• **Improved Connections:** Clear hearing supports meaningful interaction during family dinners and holiday parties, enabling enriched participation in group conversations.

• **Holistic Health Benefits:** Prioritizing hearing health can improve overall well-being by mitigating risks like dementia, falls, strained relationships, and rising healthcare expenses.

• **Emotional Wellness & Warmth:** Enhanced hearing boosts confidence in social settings while also reducing the stress and anxiety associated with trying to keep up.

• **Safety & Awareness:** Amid emergencies or mishaps, stronger hearing helps individuals stay alert to their surroundings and safely navigate busy holiday environments.

To qualify, nominees must submit a **nomination form online**, complete a complimentary hearing screening at a participating Beltone location and have a minimum hearing loss of 25 decibels.

Call (317) 578-2300 for Beltone Fishers or (317) 770-9999 for Beltone Noblesville to schedule a screening before Dec. 31. Appointments are available at 8964 E. 96th St. in Fishers or 247 Sheridan Road in Noblesville.

By VERONIQUE DUPREY
A Seat on the Aisle

On Thursday's cold winter night, I accepted an invitation to a Regency Ball ... or at least to seeing one, in the final dress rehearsal of *Pride @ Prejudice*, "a witty and romantic retelling of Jane Austen's classic," at Center Stage Community Theatre in Lebanon.

I was familiar with the original story of the Bennett sisters and their love interests, and was glad to revisit them. This adaptation by Daniel Elihu Kramer is a fast-paced affair in which five actors play all the roles, as well as narrate, question, or expand as modern-day students, scholars, and Ms. Austen herself.

Being already familiar with the story certainly helps to follow along. A short primer: as was customary for the time, a mother tries her best to get her daughters married off to secure their future, while they navigate hidden feelings, half-truths and chance meetings with potential paramours too many to mention. Many characters mingle, some dance, and though several proposals occur, few declare their love clearly.

The script packs all the essential points of *Pride and Prejudice*, along with some letters from Jane Austen and various commentary, in a fast and furious two-and-a-half-



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A scene from Center Stage's *Pride @ Prejudice*.

hours (with intermission). Actors are on stage almost the entire time, in period costumes, with minimal accessories changed for different characters. While I applaud all of them for their distinct characterizations, with various accents and physicality, I was especially dazzled by the women.

Kat Krebs, excellent in *The Outsider* here last year, amazes in all her seven personas (Caroline Bingley and Lady De Bourgh were my personal favorites) and what must be an exhausting back-and-forth between all of them. Tanya Haas, a staple of community theater for good reason, is appropriately overbearing and embarrassing as Mrs. Bennett, in particular. And Trinity Pruitt has the privilege of "only" being a lovely Elizabeth Bennett, showing a nice range of emotions in this dream role for many young women.

Adrian Blackwell commits fully to his choices for his two characters, and Todd Isaac impresses in his variety of all the remaining male roles.

Director Matt McKee and assistant director Heather McKee have put together a very good rendition of this play. Pacing is frantic in the scene and character changes, but steady and proper in the classic scenes. If I have some qualms, they are with the script itself; I did not think the study questions and explanations helped the cohesiveness of this already busy story. Nonetheless, this is a worthy and pleasant experience of a Jane Austen classic, incorporating nods and winks to famous versions – Colin Firth might even make an appearance!

I would be remiss if I did not mention a few more elements. The beautiful painted scenery by set artist Joyce Pendleton transported us to Regency England;

the sound design by Alan Hershman punctuated the action humorously, and the stately dancing makes us wish we could include balls in our social calendar, thanks to choreography by Jan Jamison. I also appreciated that the theater was kept warm, even with the frigid outside temperature.

Bottom line: Make the trip to Lebanon for the romance, the expectations, the scandals, the period costumes, the details about Jane Austen's life, and the feat of five actors portraying the whole world of *Pride and Prejudice* contained in *Pride @ Prejudice*.

Performances are Fridays through Sundays now through Dec. 21, at Center Stage Community Theatre, 604 Powell St., Lebanon. Tickets are available at maingatetickets.com/events/view/1974.

Read more great play reviews from *A Seat on the Aisle* at asota.wordpress.com.

Celebrate Winterfest with Gregory Hancock Dance Theatre in Carmel

By VICKIE CORNELIUS PHIPPS
A Seat on the Aisle

Simply delightful! Gregory Hancock Dance Theatre's *Winterfest* is a holiday dance program in Carmel that celebrates global winter traditions with professional dancers and students from the Academy of GHDT. It's staged at The Florence, a black-box theater, and offers audiences an alternative to the many Nutcracker productions.

With global focus, the program highlights holidays from around the world, including Saint Nicholas Day, Kwanzaa, Diwali, Santa Lucia Day, Las Posadas, Winter Solstice, Hanukkah, and Christmas. Instead of focusing on one tradition, *Winterfest* embraces many – weaving together diverse music, dance, and storytelling.

If you're looking for a unique alternative, Gregory Hancock created *Winterfest* in 2024 to give audiences something fresh compared to the saturated Nutcracker



Photo by Can Toksoy

market. Performers feature both professional GHDT dancers and students from the Academy of GHDT, blending artistry with community participation, making it both a showcase of talent and a celebration of learning. Florence's black-box theater creates a close, immersive experience giv-

ing the audience the intimacy of being up close to the performers. Topped off with cookies and hot chocolate, *Winterfest* is a wonderful start to the Christmas Holidays to share with family and friends.

The Florence is located inside the Academy of GHDT at 329 Gradle

Drive, Carmel. Performances run Dec 12 to 14. Times vary depending on date. *Winterfest* tickets can be purchased by calling (800) 515-2171 or online at gregoryhandcockdance.com.

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Garcia Wilburn reacts to House passage of congressional map

Submitted by Office of Victoria Garcia Wilburn

On Friday, Dec. 5, the Indiana House majority passed **House Bill 1032** – a congressional map that State Rep. Victoria Garcia Wilburn says is gerrymandered – after months of pressure from Washington, D.C. Furthermore, she said, the map carves up like-minded communities to give one faction of the Republican Party an advantage in all nine of Indiana’s congressional elections, a sentiment that was disclosed fully by the bill’s author. HB 1032 heads to the Senate for their consideration this week.

State Rep. Victoria Garcia Wilburn (D-Fishers) released the following statement:

As an elected official, my job is to listen to the will of the people, not the desires

of one particular political party. I was disappointed to hear the author of HB 1032 repeat over and over that the majority’s intent was to redraw Indiana’s congressional districts ‘purely for political performance’ of the Republican Party. The bill author repeated variations of this phrase to enter into the legal record a perception that these maps fall squarely in with the Supreme Court of the United States’ *Rucho v. Common Cause* ruling that partisan gerrymandering is acceptable.

In response to that, I’ll share a piece of advice that my father has shared with me for as long as I can remember: “Just because you can doesn’t mean you



Garcia Wilburn

should.” The Founding Fathers created our great constitution in part to preserve a permanence of differences in a free society. This is why all states, no matter their population size, have two U.S. Senators representing them, as well as a number of U.S. Representatives representing them proportional to the most recent U.S. Census. A permanence of differences...9-0 congressional maps blatantly in favor of one faction of the Republican Party are hardly a display of the constitutional spirit of a permanence of differences. When you consolidate power, you threaten liberty. Alexander Hamilton was concerned that an unprin-

ciplined man would mount the horse of popularity, incite citizens to betray the American experiment and throw things into confusion. And here we are, staring at the doorstep of what one of our cherished forefathers warned us against.

I voted no today because I have received nothing short of an outpouring of calls and emails from constituents over the past five months opposing this proposal. For constituents wondering what happens next, I encourage you to reach out to **your state senator** to share your thoughts on the maps as the state senate will consider them next week.

State Representative Victoria Garcia Wilburn represents Indiana House District 32, which includes large portions of Fishers and southern Carmel.

Indianapolis JCRC issues statement on threats against legislators amid redistricting debate

Submitted

The Indianapolis Jewish Community Relations Council (JCRC) is deeply concerned about the climate of intimidation that has emerged around the proposal to redraw Indiana’s congressional maps at the request of the White House and other out-of-state interests. While members of our community hold a range of views about the merits of the proposed changes, we stand united in rejecting any attempt to influence the political process through threats or coercion.

As a community that has faced threats, harassment, and violence, we feel a responsibility to speak clearly against the recent threats and swatting incidents targeting state legislators. Political violence – whether threatened or enacted – has no place in Indiana, and we firmly condemn it.

The integrity of Indiana’s democratic process must be protected from intimidation and other forms of coercive

pressure. Legislative deliberations should reflect the best interests of Hoosiers and take place through open debate, transparency, and respect for democratic norms – not under fear of violence or retaliation.

We urge all state, political, civic, and community leaders to continue responding swiftly and forcefully to any threats of political violence, and to ensure that law enforcement has the tools and support needed to identify and hold accountable those responsible. Hoosiers deserve confidence that their democratic institutions remain free from intimidation.

Recognizing the far-reaching impact of redistricting, we encourage all members of our community to make their voices heard by contacting their state legislators. And we call on all Hoosiers to participate in this debate in a manner consistent with our democratic traditions – not through the use or threat of political violence.

AG Todd Rokita issues statement on Indiana House advancing redistricting bill

Submitted by Office of AG Todd Rokita

Attorney General Todd Rokita issued the following statement on Friday, Dec. 5:

Hoosiers deserve to have their say on the issues of the day. Our voices are being drowned out by other states that exploit the redistricting process for their own leftist gains. That needs to stop, if the country is to

be saved from the radical Left.

This specific map is legally solid. If any group or individual is silly enough to sue, we will defeat their attack in court.

As the United States Supreme Court emphasized once again last night, redistrict-



Rokita

ing for political reasons is constitutional.

In fact, the Court has said that redistricting belongs in the hands of the people’s elected representatives, not judges. And by the way, Rep. Ben Smaltz did a great

job with his bill detailing the map.

We can no longer bury our heads in the sand while other states redraw their maps so the Left can destroy what we built over the last 250 years. No more bringing a knife to a gunfight. The Indiana House has acted decisively, and now it’s time for the Senate to follow suit.

Bobcat trapping season reaches quota, closes early

The REPORTER

The Indiana Department of Natural Resources (DNR) has closed the bobcat trapping season after reaching the statewide quota.

The season was scheduled to run from Nov. 8 to Jan. 31, or until the quota of 250 bobcats was reached.

The framework of Indiana’s bobcat season was carefully designed with a total harvest limit based on population data collected throughout the state. Databases and reporting mecha-

nisms were put into place to allow for close monitoring of the total season harvest.

“Licensed trappers had a successful first bobcat trapping season,” said Geriann Albers, DNR’s furbearer and gamebird program leader. “DNR will review what we’ve learned from this season as we move forward with regulated harvest and bobcat management.”

Additional information on the bobcat trapping season can be found at on.IN.gov/bobcat-season.

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THE TEST FOR AN UNFAITHFUL WIFE

The priest is then to take a handful of the grain offering as a memorial offering and burn it on the altar; after that, he is to have the woman drink the water. If she has made herself impure and been unfaithful to her husband, this will be the result: When she is made to drink the water that brings a curse and causes bitter suffering, it will enter her; her abdomen will swell and her womb will miscarry, and she will become a curse. If, however, the woman has not made herself impure, but is clean, she will be cleared of guilt and will be able to have children.

"This, then, is the law of jealousy when a woman goes astray and makes herself impure while married to her husband, or when feelings of jealousy come over a man because he suspects his wife. The priest is to have her stand before the Lord and is to apply this entire law to her. The husband will be innocent of any wrongdoing, but the woman will bear the consequences of her sin."

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Gene Wright Myers

May 4, 1931 – December 6, 2025

Gene Wright Myers, 94, Noblesville, passed away on Saturday, December 6, 2025, at Maple Park Village in Westfield. He was born on May 4, 1931, to Leo and Margaret (Wright) Myers in South Gate, Calif.

Shortly after the 1933 earthquake in Long Beach, Gene's parents moved to Grass Valley, Calif., where he spent the next 18 years. He served in the United States Navy on Treasure Island where he met the love of his life, his sweetheart, Irma Jean Wilson. They married on August 8, 1951, and were married for 68 years until her passing on July 21, 2022.

During the early years of their marriage, Gene finished his master's degree from Berkeley and then Long Beach State. He then became a teacher in the Paramount Unified School District, where he worked until retirement. He loved teaching, and his students appreciated his sense of humor and his style of teaching. Many returned to him after graduation to thank him for helping them through their high school years and for making learning fun and interesting.

Gene loved adventure, teaching, and driving fast. He was a backpacker, camper, fisherman, hunter, race boat driver, water skier, motorcycle rider, traveler, miner, and caregiver. Gene is survived by his daughter, Sharon (Bob) Eup; son, Mark (Nancy) Myers; sister, Melba (Roger) Sachs; brother, John (Anne) Myers; grandchildren, Lisa (Tom) Bannwart, Melanie (Brad) Wing, Cory (Kim) Davis, Steven Myers, and Jacob Myers; and his great-grandchildren, Sara, Evan, Savannah, Sam, Sophia, Scarlett, Skyler, Noah, Elijah, and Daniel.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his wife, Irma Jean Myers.

Private family services will be held. Graveside services will be held at 2:30 p.m. Friday, December 12, 2025, at Riverside Cemetery, 5th Street and Maple Avenue in Noblesville.

Condolences: randallroberts.com

Jerry Holloway

March 17, 1956 – December 5, 2025

Jerry Holloway, 69, Noblesville, passed away on Friday, December 5, 2025, at Riverview Health in Noblesville. He was born on March 17, 1956, to William "Bill" and Faye (Comelius) Holloway in Madison County, Ind.

Jerry was a farmer his entire life, working for Likens Farm in Anderson. He was a 10-year 4-H member and passed that love onto his grandkids.

Jerry is survived by his wife, Vickie Holloway; son, Darrell (Sharon) Holloway; grandchildren, Austin (Kaylynn) Holloway, Andrew Holloway, and Abby Holloway; great-grandchild, Harper; sister, Teresa (Rick) Kinder; and his brother, Richard (Darlene) Holloway.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his sister-in-law, Susan Holloway.

Visitation will be from 4 to 7 p.m. Thursday, December 11, 2025, at Randall & Roberts Funeral Home, 1150 Logan St., Noblesville. An additional visitation will be held from 11 a.m. to noon, with funeral services at noon, on Friday, December 12, 2025, at the funeral home. Rev. Jeff Gammon will officiate. Burial will be at Crownland Cemetery in Noblesville.

Memorial contributions may be made to Hamilton County 4-H Council, Inc., 2003 Pleasant St., Noblesville, IN 46060.

Condolences: randallroberts.com

Brian Jay Decker

February 22, 1962 – December 4, 2025

Brian Jay Decker, 63, Fishers, passed away on Thursday, December 4, 2025, at St. Vincent Hospital in Indianapolis. He was born on February 22, 1962, to Regis and Barbara Decker (nee McDonald) in Indianapolis.

Brian owned Venture Systems, a telecommunications business. He loved mechanical things and electronics, riding and rebuilding motorcycles. Brian enjoyed watching the Indy 500, as well as basketball and football, with IU being his favorite team.

He is survived by his son, Michael Decker; brother, Eric Regis (Ellen) Decker; niece, Micaela (Dan) Saviano; and his nephews, Geoffrey (Caitlin) Klein, Jeremy Klein, Kristopher (Katie) Decker, and Nicholas (Alison) Decker.

In addition to his parents, Brian was preceded in death by his sister, Gaylen Sue Klein (nee Decker).

Visitation will be from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., with services at 12:30 p.m., on Thursday, December 11, 2025, at Randall & Roberts Fishers Mortuary, 12010 Allisonville Road, Fishers. Burial will be at Oaklawn Memorial Gardens in Indianapolis.

Condolences: randallroberts.com

Eric Matthew Berman

March 5, 1965 – December 5, 2025

Eric Matthew Berman, who spent nearly three decades reporting news, the Indiana Legislature, and elections on radio in Indianapolis, died December 5, 2025 after a nearly 19-year battle with cancer. He was 60.

He is survived by his wife of 36 years, Christine, a former reporter at the *Kokomo Tribune*, and their 22-year-old son, Christian.

A native of Crown Point, Ind., Eric was born March 5, 1965, to Leonard Till and Joyce (Horton) Berman. He was a lifelong fan of Broadway and the Chicago Cubs, a longtime member of the National Puzzlers' League, and had most recently worked as the communications director for the Indiana State Medical Association.

Berman graduated from Crown Point High School as valedictorian and was inducted to its Hall of Fame in 2011. He attended Indiana University, receiving a bachelor's degree in journalism. While there, he was a member of the Singing Hoosiers musical group. He was also a member of the IU College Bowl Team, including representing the school in the National College Bowl Tournament.

Berman went on to work at WIOU in Kokomo, WOWO in Fort Wayne, and WIBC in Indianapolis. As a reporter in Indiana, he covered six governors. His reports were broadcast to scores of stations across the state on Network Indiana.

Berman was named a Sagamore of the Wabash, Indiana's highest civilian honor, in 2022 by Governor Eric Holcomb.

He taught LSAT classes to students aspiring to go to law school. He was granted a full ride to attend the UCLA law school but turned it down due to health reasons. Eric had a quest for knowledge at a young age. He was a five-time *Jeopardy!* champion, making it to the Tournament of Champions in 1987. He most recently was a champion on the game show *Trivial Pursuit*. Eric competed in several national trivia tournaments, with his teams finishing in the top five nationally on more than one occasion.

He was preceded in death by his parents, a brother, Christopher Mark Berman, and an aunt.

A celebration of life service will be held at 4 p.m. December 19, 2025, at Zionsville Presbyterian Church, 4775 W. 116th St., Zionsville. Visitation will be held from 2 to 4 p.m.

Donations may be made to the IU Simon Cancer Center, 1030 W. Michigan St., Indianapolis, 46202; or the Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center, 1275 York Ave., New York, NY, 10065.

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Carmel Plan Commission and the Carmel Board of Zoning Appeals will hold joint Hearing Officer meetings at 10 a.m. Thursday, Dec. 18, 2025, in the Council Chambers on the second floor of Carmel City Hall, 1 Civic Square.

The Hamilton County Airport Authority Board will meet in an executive session at 6 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 12, 2025.
 A regular meeting will follow at 6:30 p.m. in the Commissioners' Courtroom at the Hamilton County Government and Judicial Center, 1 Hamilton County Square, Noblesville.

The Westfield Washington Public Library Board of Trustees will meet in an executive session at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 10, 2025, pursuant to IC 5-14-1.5-5-6(b)(8).
 A regular meeting will immediately follow at approximately 7:15 p.m. in Meeting Room 2A at the Westfield Washington Public Library, 17400 Westfield Blvd., Unit A.

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Boys Basketball

Tigers pull away from Millers

The REPORTER

Fishers ran away to victory in its Hoosier Crossroads Conference opener on Friday, Dec. 5.

The Tigers used a strong second half to beat Noblesville 56-40 in front of a packed crowd at the Tiger Den. It was also the first HCC game of the season for the Millers.

Fishers led 14-13 after the first quarter, with four different Tigers players scoring three points. Justin Curry II led Noblesville in that period with six points.

The Millers surged ahead in the second period for a 25-22 halftime lead. Max Flanagan drained three

3-pointers during that quarter, adding to the triple he made in the opening period for 12 first-half points.

But Fishers took over in the third quarter, outscoring Noblesville 20-7. Jason Gardner Jr. scored six points in the third, then added eight more in the fourth period. Gardner led all scorers with 20 points.

Cooper Zachary had 13 points, including three 3s. Both he and Gardner scored in each quarter.

Curry was the Millers' top scorer with 19 points, also getting points in each period. Flanagan was next with his 12 points.



Reporter photo by Richie Hall
(TOP) Fishers' Jason Gardner Jr. scored 20 points for the Tigers during their 56-40 win over Noblesville on Friday, Dec. 5. **(ABOVE)** Noblesville's Justin Curry II scored 19 points for the Millers.

FISHERS 56, NOBLESVILLE 40				
	FG	FT	TP	PF
Noblesville				
Adam Fine	0	1-2	1	3
Justin Curry II	6	5-8	19	1
Evan Magsamen	1	0-0	2	2
Baron Walker	1	0-0	2	2
Max Flanagan	4	0-0	12	3
Cooper Smits	1	0-0	2	0
Luke Fogg	1	0-3	2	0
Bear Rucker	0	0-0	0	0
Royce Haney	0	0-0	0	0
Jackson Kirk	0	0-0	0	0
Dylan Knaga	0	0-0	0	1
Totals	14	6-13	40	12
Noblesville 3-pointers (6) Flanagan 4, Curry 2.				
Fishers	FG	FT	TP	PF
Cooper Zachary	3	4-4	13	3
Jason Gardner Jr.	8	4-9	20	0
Tristan Breland	1	0-0	2	4
Torey Breland	2	0-0	6	2
Kai McGrew	3	0-0	6	1
Jean-Claude L'Homme	1	0-0	3	1
Max Hopkins	0	1-2	1	1
Levi Walker	2	0-0	5	0
Jalen Campbell	0	0-0	0	1
Micaiah Baker	0	0-0	0	0
Jayden Bogan	0	0-0	0	0
Dominic Mulenga	0	0-0	0	0
Totals	20	9-15	56	13
Fishers 3-pointers (7) Zachary 3, To. Breland 2, L'Homme, Walker.				
Score by Quarters				
Noblesville	13	12	7	8-40
Fishers	14	8	20	14-56

Tigers win, Millers fall at Sneakers for Santa

The REPORTER

Hamilton County had two participants Saturday, Dec. 6 at the Sneakers for Santa tournament at Brownsburg.

Noblesville played first and lost a tough game to Lawrence North 58-51. Fishers played the final game of the day and beat Mt. Vernon 57-48.

The Tigers held a 14-11 advantage over the Marauders after one quarter, with Jason Gardner Jr. scoring eight points. Fishers increased its lead to 30-21 by halftime; Cooper Zachary nailed two 3-pointers.

The game was even in the second half, with both teams scoring 27 points. The Tigers stayed in front thanks to 10 points from Gardner and eight points from Zach-

ary during the half.

Gardner finished with 20 points, while Zachary scored 15. Kai McGrew had 10 points; he and Gardner scored in each period.

The Millers were ahead 11-8 after one quarter and still held a 26-24 advantage at halftime. But the Wildcats took the lead in the third period, outscoring Noblesville 15-7 and held on to that lead during the fourth quarter.

Justin Curry II scored 20 points for the Millers, while Baron Walker added 15 points. Adam Fine collected five rebounds and Curry made six steals.

Fishers is 4-0 and plays Penn Saturday night at the Southport Tip-off Classic. Noblesville is 1-3 and travels to Carmel on Friday.

FISHERS 57, MT. VERNON 48				
	FG	FT	TP	PF
Fishers				
Cooper Zachary	5	2-3	15	2
Jason Gardner Jr.	8	4-7	20	1
Tristan Breland	0	0-0	0	3
Torey Breland	1	4-4	6	2
Kai McGrew	5	0-2	10	3
Jean-Claude L'Homme	0	0-0	0	1
Jalen Walker	1	4-5	6	1
Max Hopkins	0	0-0	0	0
Jalen Campbell	0	0-0	0	0
Totals	20	14-21	57	13
Score by Quarters				
Mt. Vernon	11	10	11	16-48
Fishers	14	16	11	16-57
Fishers 3-pointers (3) Zachary 3.				

LAWRENCE NORTH 58, NOBLESVILLE 51				
	FG	FT	TP	PF
Noblesville				
Adam Fine	0-2	2-2	2	2
Justin Curry II	8-18	4-5	20	2
Evan Magsamen	4-6	1-1	9	3
Baron Walker	6-18	1-2	15	4
Max Flanagan	2-7	0-1	5	2
Cooper Smits	0-0	0-0	0	0
Luke Fogg	0-0	0-0	0	1
Totals	20-51	8-11	51	14
Score by Quarters				
Lawrence North	8	16	15	19-58
Noblesville	11	15	7	18-51
Noblesville 3-point shooting (3-20) Walker 2-9, Flanagan 1-5, Curry 0-6.				
Noblesville rebounds (21) Fine 5, Curry 4, Walker 4, Flanagan 4, Fogg 2, Magsamen 2.				

Girls Basketball

Millers grab Senior Day win over Crispus Attucks

By CRAIG ADKINS

For The Reporter

point. That would be one of four ties in the first.

The big constant in the first was Ally Hutchinson. The 5'10 senior scored nine of four field goals, but it would be sophomore Norah Vektor's basket in the final seconds to give the Millers a 14-13 lead after one.

"The Banks kids are really fast. Those kids can fill it up when they get going," said Noblesville head coach Donna Buckley. "We didn't do a good job dealing with their speed. I thought we were a little sluggish at the start. We kept fouling and reaching, instead of moving our feet."

The Tigers kept clawing at the Millers. Naomi Moses opened the second with a left corner three to take a 16-14 lead. Noblesville regained the advantage back at the other end on a Vektor try.

NOBLESVILLE - Senior Day is a game to celebrate the program's seniors that have given everything they've got to contribute during their time. Noblesville's girls did that Saturday, Dec. 6, honoring three players and a student manager.

Despite two Crispus Attucks sharpshooters each knocking down five three-pointers, the Millers were able to overcome the Tigers' outside shooting for a 61-51 win.

The game got off to a quirky start. Attucks was issued an administrative technical for their undershirts not being the same color as its road jerseys. So, C.C. Quigley shot two free throws, making one, for a 1-0 score.

Attucks also scored at the foul line for their first

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NOBLESVILLE 61, CRISPUS ATTUCKS 51				
	FG	FT	TP	PF
Noblesville				
Ally Hutchinson	6-19	1-4	15	3
Ellie Motz	2-4	0-3	4	2
Devyn Johnson	1-3	0-0	3	0
Maia Blower	1-13	0-2	2	4
C.C. Quigley	4-12	8-14	16	2
Norah Vektor	6-14	0-0	15	0
Aleah Magee	3-5	0-0	6	4
Nelani Render	0-1	0-0	0	0
Totals	23-71	9-21	61	15
Score by Quarters				
Crispus Attucks	13	16	13	9-51
Noblesville	14	16	18	13-61
Noblesville 3-point shooting (6-31) Vektor 3-6, Hutchinson 2-10, Johnson 1-3, Blower 0-7, Quigley 0-2, Motz 0-1, Render 0-1, Magee 0-1.				

Wrestling Wednesday debuts tomorrow

The REPORTER

With so many wrestling tournaments to cover over the weekend, the Reporter is starting a new feature where you can read in-depth reports about the growing sport of girls wrestling and the continued success of

boys wrestling in Hamilton County.

Wrestling Wednesday will begin in tomorrow's edition. Our inaugural report includes a recap of the Westfield Shamrock Duals and a victory for the Sheridan girls at Christel House.

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Basketball

Roncalli's outside shooting dooms Guerin in Circle City opener

By CRAIG ADKINS
For The Reporter

NOBLESVILLE — The Friday, Dec. 5 Circle City Conference girls basketball opener for Guerin Catholic and Roncalli was quite the intense, physical battle, as expected.

The visiting Royals took advantage of opportunities on the offensive end, nailing 11 three-pointers on the way to a 61-49 win.

Guerin got off to a 5-0 start on a triple from Lauren Keller and steal plus the fast break bucket from Dana Dues. Roncalli got a three from Brennah Cerny to make it 5-3.

Cecilia Titus made a three from the right for an 8-3 lead, but the Royals tied it 8-8 on a 5-0 run from Elliot Fleffler and layup from Reagan Turk. Roncalli grabbed its first lead as part of a 7-0 run on a Catie Rosko field goal to go up 10-8.

Ella Horvath and Titus scored for Guerin's final lead at 14-13. Two threes from Cerny put the Royals up 16-14.

"I think these kids came

out not afraid," said Guerin Catholic head coach Danielle Cardinal. "I think, outside of Center Grove, Roncalli hasn't had anyone who has played like that, who's okay getting punched in the mouth and coming back again. And, they're not used to seeing that from us."

Roncalli started the second with three straight three-pointers for a 25-14 advantage. Before the Golden Eagles knew it, their only points by mid second quarter were four free throws by Lorigrace Rockwood and Titus, down 11 at 29-18. The Royals scored five more to Rockwood's two on an offensive rebound for a 34-20 lead at halftime.

"They're really good shooters and we knew that. That, frankly, was the difference in the game," added Cardinal. "We couldn't overcome their three-point shooting, because they were just daggers every time."

Guerin's deficit was 17 at the largest, trailing 39-22, early in the third. From that point, the Golden Eagles put together a 9-0 stint, getting four from Horvath and five

RONCALLI 61, GUERIN CATHOLIC 49				
Guerin Catholic	FG	FT	TP	PF
Lauren Keller	4	0-0	10	4
Dani Dues	3	0-0	7	2
Ella Horvath	5	2-2	12	1
Lorigrace Rockwood	1	4-4	6	0
Cecilia Titus	3	3-4	10	5
Emersyn French	1	0-0	2	1
Delanie Cardinal	0	0-0	0	0
Caroline Ford	1	0-2	2	1
Brinna Wolf	0	0-0	0	0
Totals	18	9-12	49	14
Score by Quarters				
Roncalli	16	18	14	13-61
Guerin Catholic	14	6	18	11-49
Guerin Catholic 3-pointers (4) Keller 2, Dues, Titus.				

from Dues, cutting the deficit in half at 39-31.

Cerny made a three from the right corner to push it back to 11 at 42-31. Horvath drove to the basket for two and Keller knocked down another three to get it back to eight again (44-36), but that would be the closest Guerin would get.

Roncalli got back-to-back treys to start the fourth to make it a 16-point margin (54-38).

The Golden Eagles sped up to try to ride momentum later in the fourth. Down 17, they outscored the Royals

9-4 the rest of the way, but came up short.

"We knew it was going to be mathematically hard to come back, but why not let them try, why not let them see what happens," Cardinal said.

The Golden Eagles got three into double digits. Ella Horvath had a team-high 12, followed by Lauren Keller and Cecilia Titus each with 10, while Dana Dues had seven and Lorigrace Rockwood six.

Guerin Catholic (5-3, 0-1 CCC) gets a few days off before visiting Cathedral (5-4) on Dec. 11.



Photo by Dwight Casler
Sheridan's Lucy Marquis drives to the basket for two points during the Blackhawks' girls game at Clinton Prairie on Friday, Dec. 5. Marquis scored 13 points in Sheridan's 47-30 victory.

Five Carmel football players commit to colleges



Photo courtesy Carmel Athletics
Five Carmel football players announced their college commitments during national signing day. Pictured in the front row are Flynn Hornsby (Taylor University), Dane Bathurst (Oklahoma University), Kaiden Bower (University of North Carolina - Charlotte), Isaac Nelson (Wake Forest University) and Anthony Coellner (Boston College). The players are pictured with members of the Carmel football coaching staff.

Blackhawks sweep Gophers in doubleheader

The REPORTER

The Sheridan basketball teams swept Clinton Prairie in a Hoosier Heartland Conference girls-boys doubleheader Friday, Dec. 5 at the Gophers' gym.

The Blackhawks pulled away in the second half of the girls game to win 47-30. Sheridan and Prairie were tied at 5-5 after one quarter, then the Hawks pulled ahead 23-22 by halftime. Sheridan's defense took over in the second half, allowing CP only eight points; the Hawks scored 16 in the third quarter.

Brielle Garner led Sheridan with 14 points, also dishing out five assists. Lucy Marquis totaled 13 points and five rebounds, while Sadie Timme contributed eight points, six rebounds and five assists.

Makenzy Terry scored six points, followed by Teagan Horney, Olivia Long and Marah Fausset with two points each.

The Sheridan boys also played a solid second half to beat Prairie 62-47. The Blackhawks led 17-13 after the first quarter, with Devon Hamilton scoring nine points and Trey Page making two 3-pointers. The Gophers came back to lead 33-30 at halftime. But Sheridan outscored CP 33-14 in the second half to get the win.

Hamilton finished with 23 points, scoring in all four quarters. Page drained five 3s on his way to 17 points. Chance Spencer scored 10.

The Sheridan boys host Faith Christian tonight, while the Sheridan girls host Rossville on Thursday to continue conference play.

A girls boxscore was not available at press time.



Photo by Dwight Casler
Sheridan's Devon Hamilton scored 23 points for the Blackhawks boys during their 62-47 win at Clinton Prairie.

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SHERIDAN 62, CLINTON PRAIRIE 47				
Sheridan	FG	FT	TP	PF
Chance Spencer	4	0-0	10	2
Trey Page	5	2-3	17	0
Jax Peerman	2	0-0	6	2
John Crowder	0	0-2	0	3
Devon Hamilton	11	0-0	23	2
Desh Donathan	3	0-0	6	1
Brayden Whisman	0	0-0	0	0
Brock Hagan	0	0-0	0	0
Landon Moffatt	0	0-0	0	0
Totals	25	2-5	62	10
Score by Quarters				
Sheridan	17	13	15	18-62
Clinton Prairie	13	20	7	7-47
Sheridan 3-pointers (10) Page 5, Spencer 2, Peerman 2, Hamilton.				

Noblesville Boom acquires forward Au'Diese Toney

The REPORTER

The Noblesville Boom, the NBA G League affiliate of the Indiana Pacers, announced today that the team has acquired forward Au'Diese Toney.

Toney, who was originally acquired by the Boom in a trade with the Long Island Nets last season, returns after spending the 2024-25 campaign playing internationally with Kolossos Rodou BC and CSM Constanta.

The 6-5 forward has spent two seasons in the

NBA G League, previously with the Osceola Magic and Grand Rapids Gold. During the 2023-24 season with the Gold, Toney appeared in 40 games, averaging 12.1 points and 5.9 rebounds per game while shooting 46.5 percent from the field.

A season prior with the Magic, he appeared in 46 games, averaging 7.2 points and 4.1 rebounds while shooting 53.6 percent from the field.

In a corresponding roster move, the Boom has waived forward Omar El-Sheikh.

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Attucks then had a 9-2 run to lead 25-19. Then, Noblesville took its turn with a 9-0 flurry. Six of those came from Aleah Magee off the bench.

"We were in some foul trouble, so we were trying to figure out what we could get into," Buckley said. "We couldn't run our 1-3-1, so we tried a little box-and-one, a little 3-2, throwing in some different things. I think that threw them off a little bit."

Crispus Attucks just wouldn't go away. The Millers would cling to a 30-29 lead at halftime.

The Tigers began the third with a three from Sevan Walls, but Vetur took a pass from Maia Blower to tie it 32-32. That started an 8-0 spurt that included two Ellie Motz baskets, a Quigley layup and another Vetur jumper to go up 40-32.

The Millers kept the momentum going, outscoring

Attucks 8-3 to lead 48-42 through three.

"They kept fighting and we kept missing free throws and easy opportunities to extend the lead and gave them life," added Buckley. "They've got range as soon as you cross half court, they can score. If you don't put them away, they can get themselves back into it real fast."

That's exactly what Attucks did. Just into the fourth, Moses sank her fifth

from outside, cutting it to 50-45.

Slowly, but surely, the remainder of the game belonged to Noblesville.

Vetur made her third from outside for a double-digit lead (55-45), but the home crowd erupted when Devyn Johnson swished a three from the left wing for the Millers' largest lead of the game of 58-45.

After that, Noblesville would hold off the feisty, worn out Tigers for the 10-point win.

Noblesville survived a subpar shooting day overall. They were 32 percent (23 of 71) from the floor, including just 6-for-31 (19 percent) from long range. The more glaring statistic was going 9-of-23 (39 percent) from the free throw line.

The Millers won the rebounding battle by an astounding 58 (24 offensive) to 36. They forced 11 Attucks turnovers, nine of those being steals.

"We finally were able to put them away, but all of that rebounding just gave us extra possessions and opportunities," Buckley said. "That was truly the difference in the game."

Quigley won't forget this Senior Day. The Lipscomb commit scored a team-high 16 points, grabbed a career-high 20 rebounds (nine offensive) and blocked five shots. Fellow senior Ally Hutchinson had 15 with six rebounds, two assists and four steals. Norah Vetur had a double-double with a career-high 15 and 10 boards.

Noblesville (5-3, 1-1 HCC) next hosts Fishers (6-4, 0-2 HCC) on Dec. 11.

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Basketball

Royals pick up back-to-back victories

The REPORTER

Sharing can lead to winning for a basketball team, and Hamilton Southeastern's boys proved that this past weekend.

The Royals played their Hoosier Crossroads Conference opener at Avon Friday, Dec. 5 and won 66-60. Southeastern returned home the next night, Saturday, Dec. 6, to welcome Marion and were victorious in that game as well, 80-67.

In both games, the Royals shared the ball very well. Southeastern totaled 20 assists during its game with the Orioles, then compiled 24 assists during their contest with the Giants.

The Royals trailed Avon 34-33 at halftime, but slowly pulled away in the second half. Landon Osswald poured in 24 points, followed by Varschon Clark with 13 and Luke Weemer with 12.

Clark and Osswald both collected seven rebounds. Jack Jacobs dished out seven assists, while Maverick Young made six assists.

Southeastern put together a solid start against Marion, leading 19-11 after the opening quarter. The Royals led 38-31 at halftime, then poured in 23 points in the third period to clinch the win.

Weemer reached double-double status with 20 points and 10 rebounds. Osswald and Kallen Hoeft both scored 15 points,

HAMILTON SOUTHEASTERN 66, AVON 60

Southeastern	FG	FT	TP	PF
Jack Jacobs	1-4	0-0	2	2
Maverick Young	0-6	7-8	7	3
Varschon Clark	3-12	7-8	13	2
Luke Weemer	5-9	2-3	12	5
Landon Osswald	8-12	7-9	24	1
Kian Kelly	0-0	0-0	0	4
Kallen Hoeft	2-3	2-2	8	0
Josh Horton	0-2	0-0	0	1
Alex Weber	0-0	0-0	0	0
Totals	19-48	25-30	66	18

Score by Quarters

Southeastern	15	18	15	18	66
Avon	16	18	12	14	60

Southeastern 3-point shooting (3-15) Hoeft 2-3, Osswald 1-3, Young 0-3, Clark 0-2, Weemer 0-2, Jacobs 0-1, Horton 0-1. Southeastern rebounds (33) Clark 7, Osswald 7, Bode 4, Hoeft 3, Kelly 2, Jacobs 2, Young 1, team 7.

HAMILTON SOUTHEASTERN 80, MARION 67

Southeastern	FG	FT	TP	PF
Jack Jacobs	2-4	0-0	4	2
Maverick Young	1-6	0-0	2	1
Varschon Clark	6-10	2-6	14	2
Luke Weemer	6-11	7-8	20	1
Landon Osswald	6-10	3-3	15	4
Kian Kelly	3-3	1-2	8	1
Kallen Hoeft	5-5	2-2	15	1
Alex Weber	1-1	0-0	2	2
KJ Buckley	0-0	0-0	0	1
Bradley Bode	0-0	0-0	0	1
Josh Horton	0-0	0-0	0	3
Maksim Radovich	0-0	0-0	0	0
Totals	30-50	15-21	80	19

Score by Quarters

Marion	11	20	17	19	67
Southeastern	19	19	23	19	80

Southeastern 3-point shooting (5-12) Hoeft 3-3, Weemer 1-2, Kelly 1-1, Jacobs 0-2, Young 0-2, Clark 0-2. Southeastern rebounds (42) Weemer 10, Jacobs 7, Young 5, Osswald 5, Kelly 4, Clark 4, Weber 1, Bode 1, team 5.

while Clark totaled 14 rebounds. The Royals are 2-1 and Jacobs dished out nine assists and collected seven

Heights drops two tough games

The REPORTER

Hamilton Heights dropped two tough games over the past weekend.

The Huskies hosted New Castle on Friday, Dec. 5 and lost in triple overtime, 71-68. Heights was down 28-21 at halftime but rallied in the second half to tie the game 49-49 by the end of regulation.

The contest was knotted at 55-55 after the first OT, then Caleb Sullivan made a basket at the second-overtime buzzer to make the score 64-64 and send the game to a third OT. The Trojans outscored the Huskies 7-4 in that period.

Jackson Mikesell scored 17 points, followed by Rees Knapp with 16 and Sullivan with 13, including three 3-pointers. Sullivan collected nine rebounds and Drew Woodruff pulled eight rebounds. Jack Kakasuleff dished out six assists.

Heights traveled to Mississinewa on Saturday, Dec. 6 and fell 69-42. The Indians outscored the Huskies in all four quarters, leading 39-20 at halftime.

Knapp and Justin Overton both had seven points and five rebounds.

Heights is 0-3 and plays at Logansport Friday to begin Hoosier Conference play.

NEW CASTLE 71, HAMILTON HEIGHTS 68 (triple overtime)

Heights	FG	FT	TP	PF
Caleb Sullivan	4-14	2-2	13	3
Rees Knapp	4-10	6-8	16	5
Austin Day	3-4	1-1	7	1
Jack Kakasuleff	1-9	1-4	3	3
Jackson Mikesell	6-11	4-7	17	5
Drew Woodruff	0-5	3-4	3	1
Justin Overton	2-3	0-0	4	2
Cal Engle	2-3	1-2	5	0
Will DeStefano	0-1	0-0	0	1
Totals	22-60	18-28	68	21

Score by Quarters

New Castle	15	13	13	8	6	9	7	71
Heights	9	12	12	16	6	9	4	68

Heights 3-point shooting (6-29) Sullivan 3-10, Knapp 2-6, Mikesell 1-3, Kakasuleff 0-5, Woodruff 0-3, Engle 0-1, Day 0-1. Heights rebounds (29) Sullivan 9, Woodruff 8, Mikesell 4, Knapp 3, Engle 2, Day 2, DeStefano 1.

MISSISSINEWA 69, HAMILTON HEIGHTS 42

Heights	FG	FT	TP	PF
Rees Knapp	2-5	1-2	7	2
Austin Day	1-1	0-0	2	0
Justin Overton	1-3	5-6	7	2
Jack Kakasuleff	2-8	2-2	6	0
Jackson Mikesell	2-6	0-3	4	3
Caleb Sullivan	2-8	1-3	6	0
Will DeStefano	0-1	4-6	4	1
Cal Engle	0-2	0-0	0	0
Jackson Cantlon	0-0	2-2	2	0
Drew Woodruff	2-3	0-1	4	0
Hayden Spicer	0-3	0-0	0	1
Ethan Goodwin	0-1	0-0	0	1
Gavin Lucchesi	0-0	0-0	0	0
Totals	12-41	15-25	42	10

Score by Quarters

Heights	7	13	15	7	42
Mississinewa	19	20	18	12	69

Heights 3-point shooting (3-14) Knapp 2-4, Sullivan 1-5, Engle 0-2, Mikesell 0-2, Kakasuleff 0-1. Heights rebounds (20) Knapp 5, Overton 5, DeStefano 3, Mikesell 3, Engle 1, Sullivan 1, Cantlon 1, Woodruff 1.

Carmel beats LC, moves to 2-0

The REPORTER

Carmel's boys improved to 2-0 on the season Friday, Dec. 5 with a 70-62 win at Lawrence Central.

The Greyhounds got off to a solid start, leading 19-12 after the first quarter. The other three periods were closer, but Carmel was able to maintain its advantage for the remainder of the game, leading 37-32 at halftime and 55-48 after three periods.

Three Greyhounds reached double digits, starting with Cash Daniels. He scored 18 points, made all 10 of his free throws, collected eight rebounds and dished out eight assists.

Evan Harrell contrib-

CARMEL 70, LAWRENCE CENTRAL 62

Carmel	FG	FT	TP	PF
Cash Daniels	4-8	10-10	18	3
Aiden Dickerson	3-4	1-2	7	3
Evan Harrell	3-7	8-10	15	4
Ben Bremer	3-6	5-6	12	3
JaMichael Fountain	2-4	0-0	5	0
Vince Nover	2-6	1-2	5	1
Julian Vogt	1-1	0-0	3	1
Adler Cole	2-2	0-0	5	1
Totals	20-38	25-30	70	16

Score by Quarters

Carmel	19	18	18	15	70
Lawrence Central	12	20	16	14	62

Carmel 3-point shooting (5-12) Bremer 1-3, Harrell 1-2, Fountain 1-2, Cole 1-1, Vogt 1-1, Daniels 0-2, Nover 0-1. Carmel rebounds (37) Dickerson 10, Harrell 9, Daniels 8, Nover 3, Bremer 3, Vogt 2, Cole 1, Fountain 1.

uted 15 points and nine rebounds. Ben Bremer added 12 points, while Aiden Dickerson pulled 10 rebounds. Carmel hosts Noblesville on Friday.

Blazers cruise to PAAC opener win

The REPORTER

University's boys opened Pioneer Academic Athletic Conference North Division play Friday, Dec. 5 with a 92-25 rout of Seton Catholic at The U Center.

The Trailblazers shot 71 percent from the field and put five players in double figures in their second running clock victory in three days.

Josh Henderson led a balanced University attack in scoring with 15 points. Faisal Mohamud had 14 points and Blake Gray had 13 points, six assists, three steals and two blocked shots. Peter Morales came off the bench to score 11 and Josh McGee had 10 points, seven rebounds and six assists. Cooper Cammack contributed seven points and seven rebounds.

University was in control throughout jumping to a 12-2 lead just three minutes into the game. Seven Trailblazers scored in the first quarter as they led 26-8 after the opening quarter. Uni-

UNIVERSITY 92, SETON CATHOLIC 25

University	FG	FT	TP	PF
Joshua McGee	4	0-0	10	2
Blake Gray	5	0-0	13	0
Faisal Mohamud	5	3-3	14	1
Cooper Cammack	3	1-3	7	1
Joshua Henderson	7	1-1	15	2
Jaxen Bennett	2	0-0	4	1
Noah Cortez	2	0-0	5	1
Peter Morales	5	0-0	11	1
DJ Willis	1	0-0	2	1
Joshua Bledsoe	3	0-0	7	1
Luca Ciaccia	2	0-0	4	1
Walter Wilson	0	0-0	0	1
Harris Nachlis	0	0-0	0	1
Totals	39	5-7	92	14

Score by Quarters

Seton Catholic	8	7	4	6	25
University	26	22	23	2	92

University 3-pointers (9) Gray 3, McGee 2, Mohamud, Cortez, Bledsoe, Morales.

iversity stretched the lead to 48-15 scoring 15 straight points before a late Seton Catholic basket.

Blake Gray's three pointer just 13 seconds into the third quarter activated the running clock. Eleven different Blazers dented the scoring column as Univer-

sity improved to 2-1 on the season.

University has a pair of tough games this week. The Blazers will host 2A No. 14 Cardinal Ritter on Tuesday and travel to 1A No. 3 Liberty Christian on Saturday in a PAAC North showdown.

Shamrocks fall to Zionsville

The REPORTER

Westfield's boys dropped their Hoosier Crossroads Conference opener to Zionsville 55-51 Friday, Dec. 5 at CSI Gymnasium.

The Eagles led 15-9 after the first quarter; Drew Haffner helped keep the Shamrocks close with six points. Zionsville went up 31-18 at halftime, but the Shamrocks made a run in the second half.

Brock Detamore scored 13 points in the third quarter to help get Westfield within 44-36. The Rocks fought until the end; Logan Sumpter scored seven points in the

ZIONSVILLE 55, WESTFIELD 51

Westfield	FG	FT	TP	PF
Drew Haffner	4	2-2	11	3
Brock Detamore	6	5-11	20	2
Logan Sumpter	3	0-0	7	2
Wyatt Freehauf	1	0-0	3	4
Luke Vandegriff	1	3-6	5	2
Ian Muntel	0	0-0	0	0
Graham Wilson	1	0-1	2	0
Bryce Rigsbee	1	1-2	3	2
Totals	17	11-22	51	15

Score by Quarters

Zionsville	15	16	13	11	55
Westfield	9	9	18	15	51

Westfield 3-pointers (6) Detamore 3, Haffner, Sumpter, Freehauf.

fourth period. Detamore finished the game with 20 points, scoring 19 and making three 3-pointers in the second half. Haffner scored 11 points. The Shamrocks are 1-2 and play Friday at Guerin Catholic.

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