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## Cold lessons learned the hard way

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On Monday, Feb. 16, an 87-year-old Cicero resident Ron Liebert saved a man who fell through the ice on Morse Reservoir – *twice!*

Liebert, who has been ice fishing across the United States since 1965, told The Reporter this was the first time he'd seen anyone fall through the ice.

**The incident**

Liebert saw two men ice fishing on the reservoir, near the northwest part of the causeway, and decided to join them.

"This was at 5 o'clock in the afternoon," Liebert said. "I thought, well, I'll go out and try to get in an hour and a half of fishing right at the prime time, and I'll go over and fish with them."

Liebert went home to get his gear and tell his wife, Darlene, that he'd be out on the ice with two other fishermen.

"I got over there and started fishing with those guys," Liebert said. "The ice had been about 12 to 13 inches, but now it was like 9 to 10 inches. So it's still plenty safe. We started fishing and talking."

One of the men Liebert was fishing with was retired. The other was younger.

"We fished till about seven o'clock," Liebert said. "We started packing up. The youngest guy got his stuff packed up before us, so he went back across the way they came. About five minutes later, the older guy and I were starting to cross, walking side by side. The guy standing on the shore says, 'Get apart, you

guys. The ice is going up and down and bubbles are coming up through the holes.' So we got apart, and I was in front of this guy."

As Liebert got to shore, he heard, "Oh my gosh, he went through!"

Looking back, he saw the man he had been walking with had fallen through the ice and was in the water up to his shoulders, holding on to the edge with both arms.

According to Liebert, the younger man started to panic and asked if they should call the fire department.

"I'm like, 'Wait a minute, we got to get him out of there,'" Liebert said. "I figured it's going to take time for the fire department to take a call and come, and then how are they going to go about rescuing him? You can't put in a boat, you know, it's all frozen over. And so I said, 'I'll get it.'"

Liebert went back on the ice, armed with a carbide-tipped walking stick for balance.

"I walked out so that I could get this [walking stick] out to the guy and have him grab hold of that," Liebert said. "I tried to pull him up on the ice. He got his legs up and got laid out, but he was still heavy for me to pull, and I kept backing up. All the time I'm doing this, this guy on the shore is saying, 'Ron, get in here. You're going to go through, too.'"

Liebert said he wasn't listening, focused instead on trying to help this fisherman out of the water.

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Reporter photos



Photo provided by Ron Liebert

(TOP LEFT) Ron Liebert poses with the ice fishing safety outfit he should have been wearing on Feb. 16 – which he says he will definitely wear in the future. (TOP RIGHT) The ice walking stick Liebert used to help pull a fellow fisherman out of Morse Reservoir. (ABOVE) The two holes left after a fisherman fell through the ice *twice* on his way back to shore.

## What would you have done?

This week, I have a question for my readers. I'm the inquiring mind who wants to know ... what would you have done?

As we got off the elevator at the Tampa airport, a man tried to enter as we were stepping out. I went to the right. He got in my way. I went to the left. He got in my way. His (I assume) wife stood to the side, waiting.

He says curtly, "Pick a lane, lady."

I was shocked and not at all amused. I had to make a split-second decision. You know, ignore it or address it.

The younger Janet would have ignored his rudeness. Instead, the older Janet smiled and said, "Well, talk about RUDE!" He replied, "Yeah, RUDE."

We were trying to find the car my daughter had left for us to drive to Chuck's house in Tampa. Emily had an earlier business flight that morning. We had been up since 4:00. We had very little sleep because we had stayed up for the Super Bowl, the interviews, and the celebration. I was not in the mood to deal with a rude person.

As we walked away, I glanced over my shoulder and saw him staring at me. I might have smiled. I don't think he was expecting an older lady to brazenly call him out for being rude and not acting like a gentleman. I was raised to let someone off the elevator and out of the way before entering. Apparently, he was not raised that way. Because I was a woman, did he feel entitled to speak to me in a horse's-hind-end sort of way? That's an Audreyism.

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## Four candidates withdraw, 12 disqualified from primary ballot

**The REPORTER**

On Thursday, Feb. 19, the Hamilton County Election Board addressed challenges to candidates on the ballot for the May 5 Primary Election. In the end, the local ballot will have 16 fewer candidates.

A total of 12 candidates were disqualified, and four candidates withdrew their names from the ballot.

The four withdrawals are:

- Elizabeth Stipler for Democrat Precinct Comm. – Clay 60
  - Jaquelyn Grigg for Democrat Precinct Comm. – Westfield 20
  - Sarah Elizabeth Crawford for Democrat Delegate – Delaware Township, for which there are 20 seats and now only 17 candidates
  - Angie K. Foreman for Democrat Delegate – Noblesville Township, for which there are 20 seats and now 33 candidates
- The disqualifications are as follows:
- Republican Brad Craig for Hamilton County Coroner. This leaves incumbent Jeff Jellison running unopposed.
  - Republican Misty Warren for Atlanta Town Council, At-Large. There are two seats available and Republican candidates John Phifer and Fred Farley are still on the ballot, effectively unopposed.
  - Republican Harrison J. Massonne for Cicero Town Council, At-Large. That race has two seats available and only one remaining candidate: Republican Joe Cox.
  - Wendy Plenty Ferguson for Democrat Precinct Comm. – Delaware 3. That leaves Nicholas Alan Myers running unopposed.

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## Feeding Team deploys 80<sup>th</sup> pantry

**Submitted**

The Feeding Team has announced the launch of Pantry 80, located at the Noblesville American Legion, 273 S. 8th St.

Feeding Team Founder and CEO Mark Hall noted that everyone in the organization is grateful to the Frank Huntzinger Noblesville American Legion Post 45 for hosting this pantry.

Veterans in Indiana have given so much – bravery in battle, years away from loved ones, and scars that never fully heal. Yet many come home to quiet struggles, like empty cabinets and tough choices between food and bills. Too many Hoosier Veterans face hunger every day.

Nationally, about one in nine working-age veterans deal with food insecurity, and Indiana shares this heartbreaking reality. Some rely on food pantries or emergency aid after job losses or rising costs hit hard. Organizations like The American Legion help Veterans and their families with meals and support, but the need remains great. These heroes deserve full plates and dignity.

No one who served our coun-



Photo provided

(From left) Mark Hall, Lisa Hall, Kelly Crockett (Auxiliary), Brad Cowan (Riders Director), Gil Soria (Post Commander), Rick Coleman, and Rudy Garza, who both represent Gaylor Electric.

try should go hungry. Let's honor their sacrifice by ensuring they never face an empty table alone.

Together, Feeding Team and the American Legion work to provide meals for anyone in the

community in need.

**FeedingTeam.org Facts**

- 80 outdoor pantries
- Over 20,000 meals given out each month
- Over 30 volunteer families

Mark & Lisa Hall are the Co-Founders of The Feeding Team. They can be reached at [mark@feedingteam.org](mailto:mark@feedingteam.org), [lisa@feedingteam.org](mailto:lisa@feedingteam.org), or by calling (317) 832-1123.

## Officers installation make everything sweeter

By **CASH CAMPERELLI**  
Husky 4-Hers Club Reporter

On Wednesday, Feb. 11, the Husky 4-H'ers had our second meeting of the year. We did business, had devotions, and the meeting only got better from there.

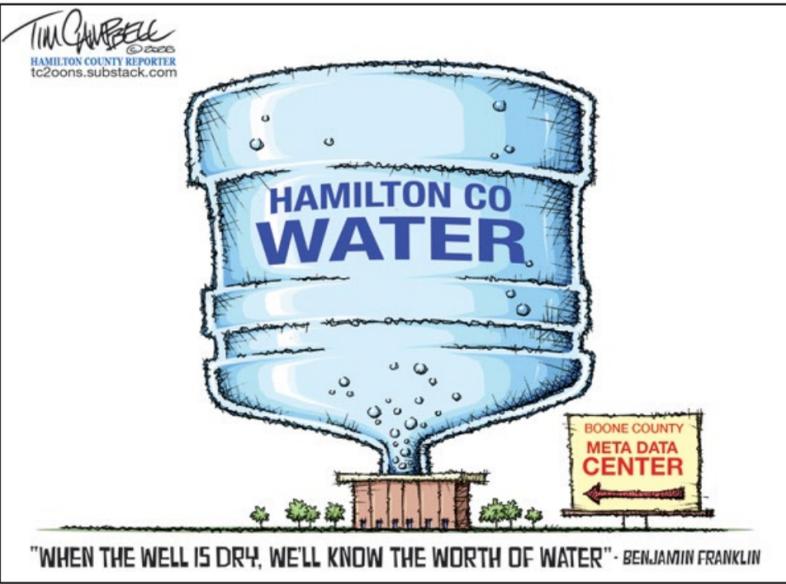
First, we made Valentine's Day cards for residents at a local assisted living center. Then we had demonstrations from some of our members. McKinsey Allen gave a demonstration on the Reading Project, a 4-H project where a member must read a book and make a creative, elaborate poster on what the book was about.



Photo provided by Husky 4-H'ers

The 2026 Officers are: Lauren Happel, Abby Martin, Colton Hoane, Stella Hartwick, Cash Camperelli, Isaac Small, Zuri Ebigo, McKinsey Allen, Sophia Camperelli, Matthew Duprey, Chiamaka Ebigo, Natalie Knapp, Levi Small, Bellamy Fouch, and Brooklyn Hoane.

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## Westfield youth need your help to make summer camps great

### The REPORTER

The Westfield Youth Assistance Program (WYAP) needs your help sending local youth to camp this summer.

WYAP works to connect as many youth as possible with summer camp opportunities, knowing that summer camp can be an empowering and life-changing experience for youth. Many of the youth connected with camps need help obtaining necessary camp supplies. These supplies range from smaller items like sunscreen and bug spray to larger items like sleeping bags and duffels.

From one WYAP youth: "I want to thank you for the opportunity to go to summer

camp. I hope that many children can be part of this adventure. This was my first time ever going to camp, and I love it! I really hope it will be possible that I can go again! I made a whole lot of friends."

In 2025, WYAP connected youth with 320 unique camp and enrichment opportunities. These connections are all made possible thanks to the generosity of donors, sponsors, and partner agencies.

The deadline for camp supplies is Tuesday, March



10 in order to ensure the items arrive with plenty of time before Westfield youth attend camp.

To support WYAP by purchasing camp supplies, go to [tinyurl.com/WYAPwishlist](http://tinyurl.com/WYAPwishlist).

Are you looking for a different way to support youth attending summer camp? You can donate to WYAP's "Mayor Andy & Barb Cook WYAP Camp Fund." To ensure your donation goes to the correct fund, please select this campaign in the dropdown at [tinyurl.com/WYAPdonate](http://tinyurl.com/WYAPdonate).

## Local youth have hearts for service

Young people across Hamilton County have been hard at work sharing their spirit of service. This week, The Reporter brings readers just a sample of recent work done by Mayor's Youth Councils from Fishers, Noblesville, and Westfield. Good job and thank you for making your communities better for everyone.

### Fishers students help at Good Samaritan Network



Photo provided by City of Fishers

This month, students with the Fishers Mayor's Youth Academy explored the impact of local nonprofit organizations and rolled up their sleeves to give back. They spent time at Good Samaritan Network of Hamilton County helping sort and organize donations, gaining firsthand insight into how community support turns into meaningful assistance for neighbors in need. Everyone can be proud of these students' heart for service and commitment to making a difference. Great work!

### Noblesville students spend time at Outlook Hamilton



Photo provided by City of Noblesville

The Noblesville Mayor's Youth Council Focus Group had the chance to drop off Valentine's Day cards to the residents at Outlook Hamilton. There's nothing like a few handwritten notes and reminders that people are seen and appreciated.

### Westfield students present civic project to City Council



Photo provided by City of Westfield

Congratulations to the members of the Westfield Mayor's Youth Council on successfully presenting their civic project to City Council on Monday, Feb. 9. Their project – solar-powered picnic tables – will be installed at Grand Junction Plaza in the coming months. Stay tuned to the city's social media pages for more details in the coming weeks.

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# Don't just ride the rails ... Bike them!

**Forest Park Rail Adventure**  
An 8-mile round trip rail bike ride starting at Hobbs Station in Forest Park.

**White River Family Cruise**  
Enjoy this short, scenic rail bike ride from Hobbs Station in Forest Park.

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Photo provided by Hamilton Heights School Corporation

From costumes and choreography to set design and stagecraft, Heights' cast and crew pour their talent and energy into rehearsals for *Shrek Jr. The Musical*. They're ready to entertain audiences during three magical live performances on Friday, Feb. 27 at 7 p.m., Saturday, Feb. 28 at 7 p.m., and Sunday, March 1 at 2:30 p.m. in the high school auditorium.

# Heights Drama Department to present *Shrek Jr. The Musical*

## Submitted by Hamilton Heights School Corp.

The community is cordially invited to enjoy Hamilton Heights High School Drama Department's production of *Shrek Jr. The Musical*, where beauty is truly in the eye of the ogre.

Based on the Oscar-winning DreamWorks Animation film and the hit Broadway musical, this

family-friendly show brings humor, heart, and a fresh twist to a beloved story.

Everyone's favorite ogre, Shrek, leads a cast of fairytale misfits on an adventure to rescue a princess and reclaim his swamp – discovering along the way that true beauty comes from within. Part romance and part delightfully twisted fairytale, *Shrek Jr.* delivers big laughs

and a powerful message for audiences of all ages.

The musical is directed by Brooks Myers, Hamilton Heights Theater teacher and Drama Club Sponsor, with Jill Walker, assistant director and Choir teacher. There are three performances only: 7 p.m. Friday and Saturday, Feb. 27 and 28, and

2:30 p.m. Sunday, March 1. Tickets are \$6 and may be purchased online in advance or at the door.

All proceeds from this swamp-tacular show benefit the High School Drama Department. Hamilton Heights High School is located at 25802 State Road 19, Arcadia.

## Dr. Derek Arrowood appointed to HCCF Board

### The REPORTER

Dr. Derek Arrowood, Superintendent of Hamilton Heights School Corporation, has been appointed to the Hamilton County Community Foundation (HCCF) Board of Directors. He is one of four new members appointed this year to the 22-person board.

HCCF plays a vital role in strengthening communities across Hamilton County by investing in local nonprofits, supporting youth and education initiatives, and advancing long-term strategies that improve quality of life for residents.

Dr. Arrowood's selection reflects his deep commitment to public education and his leadership in fostering strong community part-



Arrowood



nerships. His experience and perspective will support HCCF's ongoing efforts to expand opportunities for families, students, and organizations throughout the county.

"I'm honored to serve on the Hamilton County Community Foundation Board and to support an organization that does so much to strengthen our communities," Dr. Arrowood said. "The Foundation's commitment to expanding opportunities for

youth, families, and local nonprofits aligns closely with the work we value in our schools. I look forward to contributing to a team that is deeply invested in improving the quality of life for everyone in Hamilton County."

## Cast & Crew for *Shrek Jr., The Musical*

### Cast

Shrek...Charles Wedmore  
 Storyteller...Hannah England  
 Storyteller...Millie Inman  
 Mama Ogre...Lillie Hooper  
 Papa Ogre...Liam Shaffer  
 Captain of the Guards...Connor Roberts  
 Pinocchio...Daniel Van Hook  
 Big Bad Wolf...Zoey Brown  
 Pig 1...Abraham Martin  
 Pig 2...Bonnie Brock  
 Pig 3...Ellie Maddox  
 Wicked Witch...Zoe Wright  
 Peter Pan...Adeline Allen  
 Ugly Duckling...McKinsey Allen  
 Mama Bear...Lillie Hooper  
 Papa Bear...Liam Shaffer  
 Baby Bear...Aubree Clinger  
 Donkey...Chloe Westerfield  
 Lord Farquaad...Lukas Jackson  
 Gingy...Hunter Wiles  
 Young Fiona...Aubree Clinger  
 Teen Fiona...Kyliegh Rose  
 Princess Fiona...Rory Craig  
 Knight 1...Luke Steffen  
 Knight 2...Mason Rogers  
 Knight 3...Korbyn Newby  
 Knight 4...Mary Rogers  
 Knight 5...Lillie Evans  
 Knight 6...Gracie Rhine  
 Dragon...Millie Inman  
 Pied Piper...Finnigan Craig  
 Bishop...Mary Rogers

Dwarf...Luke Steffen  
 Young Shrek/Puss in Boots...Donnie Wedmore  
**Guards**  
 Luke Steffen, Mason Rogers, Korbyn Newby, Mary Rogers, Lilli Evans, and Gracie Rhine  
**Fairy Tale Creatures**  
 Avalie Gross, Kaprice Harville, and Kyliegh Rose  
**Duloc Performers**  
 Millie Inman, Hannah England, Zoey Brown, Ellie Maddox, Zoe Wright, Adeline Allen, McKinsey Allen, and Lillie Hooper  
**Rats**  
 Zoey Brown, Ellie Maddox, Zoe Wright, Adeline Allen, McKinsey Allen, and Lillie Hooper  
**Dulocians & Woodland Creatures**  
 Vivian Stites, Kinley Shaffer, Violet Seall, Lylah Straley, Jethro Gross, and Finnigan Craig  
**Crew**  
 Stage Managers...Maddy Pouch & Addison Webb  
 Sound...Bella McDole  
 Lights...Kaylynn Miller  
 Backstage...Eliza Allen, Charles Marquis, Rachel England, Anna Monnin, and Allea Kelley  
**Directors**  
 Brooks Myers and Jill Walker

# Fall in love all over again with this modern musical fairy tale, based on the popular film!

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# PRETTY WOMAN

THE MUSICAL

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## Beef & Boards: where streetcorner romance turns into high-dollar love

### The REPORTER

Unlikely soulmates Vivian and Edward step off of the silver screen and onto the stage at Beef & Boards Dinner Theatre in *Pretty Woman: The Musical*, now on stage.

The first musical of Beef & Boards' 2026 Season, *Pretty Woman* features national tour veterans leading the cast, and all of the iconic moments from the popular film.

When Edward asks Vivian for directions in late-1980s Los Angeles, she unknowingly sets them both on a course that will change their lives forever. From the glamour of Rodeo Drive to the vulnerability of two people breaking down barriers, *Pretty Woman* celebrates transformation, connection, and the power of taking chances on love.

National tour veterans Dani Kucera and Charlie Fusari headline the production as Vivian Ward and Edward Lewis, respectively. Kucera, who made her Beef & Boards debut as Vivienne Kensington in *Legally Blonde* and performed as a swing and understudy for Vivian Ward in the recent *Pretty Woman* National Tour, steps into the leading role. Fusari, making his Beef & Boards debut, brings his experience from the same tour, where he performed in the ensemble and understudied his starring role as Edward, the corporate mogul with a guarded heart. Also making their Beef & Boards debuts are Ariana Valdes as Vivian's friend Kit De Luca, and Ryan Hurley as David

Morse. Darius-Anthony Robinson, Logan Moore, and Joey Boos return to the Beef & Boards stage as Mr. Thompson/Happy Man, Philip Stuckey, and Giulio, respectively.

With an original score by Grammy Award-winner Bryan Adams and his longtime collaborator Jim Vallance, alongside a book by the film's legendary director Garry Marshall and screenwriter J.F. Lawton, this production marks the first time the hit Broadway musical has been staged at Beef & Boards.

Tickets are currently on sale exclusively through Beef & Boards Dinner Theatre at [BeefAndBoards.com](http://BeefAndBoards.com) or by calling the box office at (317) 872-9664. Patrons are advised that tickets purchased from third-party sellers may not be valid for performances and may include additional fees.

*Pretty Woman: The Musical* is on stage for 45 performances through April 4. Every performance includes Beef & Boards' signature dinner buffet, along with coffee, tea, or lemonade. Gourmet desserts and bar beverages are available for purchase.

*Pretty Woman* is sponsored by Current Publishing and is rated PG-13 for adult content. It is licensed by Music Theatre International (MTI).

**Note:** Starting in 2026, all Tuesday through Saturday evening shows begin at 7:30 p.m., while the start time for Sunday early evening performances remains at 7 p.m.

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**OFFICERS**

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Then Matthew Duprey did a demonstration on how to be safe in cold weather. Finally, Lauren Happel, our 4-H President, and Lilly Schuler, the President of Hamilton Heights FFA, spoke to our members about the Future Farmers of America and what their members do.

For our game, we played Poison Dart Frog. Poison Dart Frog is a game where players form a circle on the ground. Somebody chooses a Detective and a Poison Dart Frog. The Detective's job is to find out who the Poison Dart Frog is. He or she does this by standing in the middle of the circle and guessing who the poison dart frog is. If the Detective figures out who the Poison Dart Frog is in three guesses or less, he or she wins. The Dart Frog's job is to stick his tongue out at people and kill them. If the Frog is not guessed in three guesses or less, he wins and gets to pick the next Frog and Detective.

After a few rounds of that, the Song Leaders led us as we sang "Happy Birthday" to all the 4-H'ers who had a birthday in February.

Then we finally had the event we were all looking forward to: Officer Installations! Our elected officers for 2026 are: Lauren Happel (President), Abby Martin (Vice-President), Colton Hoane (Secretary), Stella Hartwick (Treasurer), me (Club Reporter), Isaac Small (Club Historian), Zuri Ebigo and McKinsey Allen (Devotions Leaders), Sophia Camperelli (my sister) and Matthew Duprey (Heath and Safety Leaders), Chiamaka Ebigo and Natalie Knapp (Recreation Leaders), Levi Small and Bellamy Fouch (Song Leaders), and Brooklyn Hoane (Refreshment Chairman).

Each officer got the opportunity to go up on stage and have our 4-H leaders give them a list of their duties and more importantly, a candy corresponding to what their job was. Once all the officers had gone through being installed and getting their candy (along with all the members who also got a sweet Valentine's treat for being the wonderful people they are), we took a group photo and wrapped things up with snacks.

**DONE**

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Later that day, I was still stewing, so I turned to social media to hear others' opinions. Over one hundred people shared their thoughts with me.

First, I need to tell you that he looked about my age. Second, you need to know that my husband did not hear our exchange. If he had, it would not have been a pleasant discussion. Chuck is very protective of his wife.

The opinions ran the gamut; from I should have just let it roll off my shoulders to I should have told his wife I was so sorry she had to live with him. What if I made things worse for her? I can't imagine living with someone like him.

One person said I should have told him, "I did pick a lane, and you're in it." I thought that was clever. Why is it that I can't think of clever things until the moment has passed?

I'm that same person who allowed a young man to take my window seat a few years ago. I even prayed for him. I have to question myself if I would do the same today. I hate confrontation but I also hate being done dirty.

Why am I just now, at 70, standing up for myself and not accepting the rudeness of others?

A few people thought he might have dementia or Alzheimer's, and that might be his excuse.

Some thought I should have taken the high road and ignored him. That has been my usual way of dealing with rude people. Have you ever gotten tired of taking the high road?

Have we, as a society, become complacent about rudeness that we don't call it out? Have we accepted rudeness as no big deal and just the way some people are? Do we add to the problem by ignoring it?

As we were looking for where to go in the airport, a nice man must have noticed we looked a bit lost. He asked if he could help us. He actually walked with us to find the car. I think he was raised right. He was taught to be a helper. He was older as well. He proved to us that there are still good people to be found ... or that find us.

So, tell me ... what would you have done?

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**Mayor's commission to address the hunger problem in Carmel**

**Submitted by City of Carmel**

The City of Carmel is taking a proactive step to strengthen community well-being with the development of a new Mayor's Advisory Commission on Food Access. The group will bring experts together to find where residents are struggling to get healthy food, helping the city better coordinate local resources to fill those gaps.

"Food access is a complex issue that touches health, learning and family stability," Mayor Sue Finkam said. "While organizations exist in Carmel that work to address food needs, the food assistance space is often fragmented. I formed this commission to convene experts and community partners to better understand where gaps exist and how we can coordinate more effectively to support our residents."

M a y o r Finkam appointed City Councilor Jeff Worrell to lead the commission. Guided by a commitment to community welfare and dignity, Worrell noted the need for the group's mission based on his ad-



Finkam



Worrell

vocacy for local food security.

"There are people and families right here in our community who are working hard and still struggling to put food on the table," Worrell said. "This commission is about listening, learning and bringing the right people together so we can better coordinate existing resources and meet real needs."

The advisory commission will focus on:

landscape of food access and related services in Carmel

- Convening experts and community partners to identify gaps, overlaps, and unmet needs
  - Strengthening coordination across existing programs and organizations
  - Providing data-informed recommendations to city leadership
  - Increasing awareness of food access challenges and available resources
- Details regarding commission membership, meeting schedules and opportunities for community involvement will be shared in the coming weeks.

**Registration open for Fishers Park's Pre-K Prom & Spring Formal events**

**The REPORTER**

Celebrate the arrival of spring with a magical, two-part dance event on Saturday, March 28. Fishers Parks' annual Pre-K Prom and Spring Formal events return featuring a full dance floor, live DJ, refreshments, and more for kids and their grownups to get dressed up and make sweet memories together.

Registration is \$20 per person (\$30 non-Fishers res-

idents). All attendees must be registered prior to arriving at the event.

**Pre-K Prom**

Pre-K Prom is Fishers' annual dance event for kids aged 3 to 6 and runs from 4 to 5:30 p.m. Saturday, March 28, at the Fishers Parks HQ, 8100 E. 106th St.

This event features:

- Red carpet entrance
- Live DJ
- Dancing

and photo booth

- Balloon drop
- Take-home keepsake
- Photo opportunities

**Spring Formal**

Spring Formal is Fishers' annual dance event for kids aged 7 to 12 and runs from 7 to 9 p.m. Saturday, March 28, at the Fishers Parks HQ, 8100 E. 106th St.

This event features:

- Red carpet entrance
- Live DJ
- Dancing and dance games

- Balloon drop
- Take-home keepsake
- Photo opportunities and photo booth

- Caricature artist
- Snacks & refreshments

Learn more and register at [fishersparks.com/spring-activities-events/spring-formal](http://fishersparks.com/spring-activities-events/spring-formal).

**BALLOT**

• Alexander T Stencil for Republican Delegate – Clay District 1. There are five seats available and six remaining candidates.

• Brad Craig and Will A. Haines for Republican Delegate – Clay District 2. There are five seats avail-

able and seven remaining candidates.

• Robert M Fulk for Republican Delegate – Clay District 4. There are 10 seats available and 10 remaining candidates.

• JP Etchison for Republican Delegate – Noblesville

District 1. There are five seats available and 10 remaining candidates.

• Ellen Cortrecht and Dana D. Webster Republican Delegate – Noblesville District 2. There are five seats available and five remaining candidates.

• Amy Lindquist for Republican Delegate – Noblesville District 3. There are five seats available and nine remaining candidates.

The Reporter will publish an updated candidates list in our Wednesday, Feb. 25 digital edition.

**LESSONS**

When the fisherman got out of the ice hole, Liebert told him to stay on his stomach and crawl several feet before trying to stand up. The man did just that.

"Then I turned around, and I walked back to the shore, no problem," Liebert said. "I get to the shore, and the guy says, 'Oh my gosh, he went through again!' Now he's about 15 feet from where he was before, so I didn't have to go out as far, but still, he was out there pretty far, you know."

Liebert went back on the ice again to help the fisherman out of a second ice hole.

"He looked like he was ready to give up," Liebert said. "I thought, 'Boy, if he goes under, he'll never come back up.'"

This time he was in the water up to his neck. After helping the man out of the second ice hole, Liebert told him to not stand up again, but rather to crawl all the way back to shore on his stomach.

This time, both made it back to shore.

Liebert stayed with him while his friend went to get his truck to get the victim inside to warm up. The man did not want to go to a hospital.

Liebert and the victim had exchanged phone numbers while fishing together,

but that man lost his phone in the reservoir.

Liebert later called the Cicero Police Department in case they received calls about holes in the ice. He said he did not want them to think someone was missing.

**The lessons**

Liebert told The Reporter he shared his story as a cautionary tale and an opportunity to discuss safety.

"Anything below four inches thick is considered unsafe," Liebert said. "All the charts say that these figures of what's safe is based on clear, solid ice. The only time you have clear, solid ice is probably the first week or so that the ice starts to form. Right now, you can't see through the ice. It's cloudy, unless there's water on top, then you might be able to see through it. But even me, as experienced as I've been, I always just disregarded that based on clear ice. Well, that was a mistake because what happened last Monday was exactly what could happen."

When asked what he will do differently when ice fishing next year, Liebert said he's going to be far more cautious.

Liebert owns an ice fishing suit, the jacket of which is also a floatation device. He was not wearing that last Monday, but told The Reporter he will wear it re-

**Ice, ice, safety**

**The REPORTER**

At the request of The Reporter, Cicero Police Chief Jeff Rednour shared the following ice safety information:

We have had a lot of ice fishermen on the reservoir the past few weeks when it was bitterly cold and the ice got thick. They seemed to congregate around the bridge on Jackson Street where there is a current flowing south. To my knowledge, we haven't had an ice rescue in several years from a fisherman falling through, until Monday [Feb. 16].

Things people should try to look for before going out on ice:

- They should test the ice for thickness; a four-inch minimum is

recommended.

- Don't go around open water areas.
- Stay away from where a creek or another body of water enters with the reservoir.
- Don't go on the ice alone; have a partner. If that's not possible, make sure you tell someone you are going on the ice and where you will be on the ice.

- Take a personal floatation device.
- Use common sense.

If the temperature has been above freezing for a while, if there is water standing on top of the ice, or if there are open water spots, don't go on the ice!

Cicero Public Safety does not monitor the conditions of the ice.

ligiously now.

Another piece of safety equipment Liebert did not have with him is a set of retractable ice safety spikes. That is a pair of spikes that fit together like a short set of handlebars you hang around your neck. Liebert said he's never going on the ice without those again.

In a world of increasing

division and distrust, this newspaper was pleased to share a story about someone helping a stranger he'd met only 90 minutes earlier. That seems rarer than it should be these days.

"Well, that may be the case, but I'm not trying to be a hero," Liebert said. "I'm just trying to be a good citizen."

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**Thanks for reading!**

# County VSO warns of scam

## Veterans encouraged to report suspicious texts & emails

### The REPORTER

Hamilton County officials are alerting local veterans about a text message scam circulating across the state that falsely claims to be from the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA).

Several veterans have reported receiving text messages asking them to "update their information." The messages include a link to what appears to be a legitimate website, prompting recipients to enter sensitive personal information. Officials say the messages are fraudulent.

"This is a scam, plain and simple," Veteran Service Officer Tom Logan said. "The VA may send text reminders about appointments or benefits, but they will not ask you to update personal information or provide sensitive details through a random text link. If you get a message like that, do not click it."

The VA does send text messages related to benefits, resources, and appointment reminders.



Logan

However, veterans should be extremely cautious of any message requesting personal information, financial details, or immediate payment.

Hamilton County veterans who receive suspicious texts or emails are encouraged to report them:

- VA Health-related scams (VHA): (866) 842-4357
- VA benefits scams (VBA): (833) 388-7233
- Non-VA scams: Federal Trade Commission at (877) 382-4357 or online at [reportfraud.ftc.gov](http://reportfraud.ftc.gov)

Logan said. "If something doesn't feel right, call our office first. We are here to help veterans navigate their benefits safely."

Veterans are advised to block, delete, and report suspicious messages. Most importantly, do not click the link. Veterans who have questions or concerns may contact the Hamilton County Veteran Services Office for assistance.

# Sheridan Community Schools listed among 'Best Places to Work'

## Submitted by Sheridan Community Schools

Sheridan Community Schools (SCS) was recently named one of the 2026 Best Places to Work in Indiana. This is the 21st edition of the Indiana Chamber of Commerce initiative.

The statewide survey and awards program are designed to evaluate participating organizations and honor those with the highest levels of employee satisfaction and engagement in the workplace.

"The Best Places to Work program is a great way for organizations to take the temperature of their culture and how it's resonating with today's workers," Indiana Chamber President and CEO Vanessa Green Sinders said. "We salute each of this year's winners for their commitment to displaying best practices in their workplaces, which are

enabling them to attract and retain employees, as well as drive increased productivity and overall success."

SCS Superintendent Dave Mundy applauded the announcement.

"This is a tremendous nod to the outstanding work our entire faculty and staff are doing each and every day," Mundy said. "They all deserve this recognition, and it is also a great accomplishment for our community. We appreciate everything our faculty does for our students and for one another. This recognition is a direct reflection of the dedication and commitment to excellence in Sheridan Community Schools."

SCS staff members will participate in an awards ceremony on May 13 in Indianapolis. As Dr. Mundy noted, "It's a great time to be a Blackhawk."



Mundy



Broviak



Gutierrez



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Noe



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Underhill

# Seven Hamilton County women selected as 500 Festival Princesses

### Submitted

The 500 Festival today announces the seven college-aged women from Hamilton County who have been selected as 2026 500 Festival Princesses.

• **Megan Broviak (Noblesville)** – graduate of Noblesville High School, and a Sophomore at Butler University majoring in Chemistry and Spanish.

• **Melanie Gutierrez (Westfield)** – graduate of Early College High School at Midland College, and a Senior at Indiana University East majoring in Psychology.

• **Jackie Lawrence (Noblesville)** – graduate of Noblesville High School and Butler University, and a law student at Indiana University Robert H. McKinney School of Law.

• **Cameron Noe (Westfield)** – graduate of Westfield High School, and a

Sophomore at Ball State University majoring in Media and Journalism.

• **Emma Pearce (Noblesville)** – graduate of Noblesville High School, and a Junior at Indiana University majoring in Sports Media with a certificate in Journalism.

• **Hannah Pensyl (Westfield)** – graduate of Westfield High School, and a Doctor of Dental Surgery student at the Indiana University School of Dentistry.

• **McKinley Underhill (Noblesville)** – graduate of Noblesville High School, and a Senior at Purdue University majoring in Animal Sciences.

The 500 Festival Princess Program, presented by The National Bank of Indianapolis, has a long-standing tradition of honoring Indiana's most community-driven and academically accomplished young wom-

en. As 500 Festival Princesses, they will embark on a meaningful journey of service and leadership, while growing their professional skills, building meaningful connections across the state, and receiving mentorship from the 500 Festival Board of Directors. Princesses play an important role in advancing the 500 Festival's mission by making a positive, lasting impact on Indianapolis and the state of Indiana while celebrating the legacy of the Indianapolis 500.

Throughout the Month of May, Princesses educate Hoosiers about the rich history and the iconic spirit of the 500 Festival and the Indianapolis 500 through statewide outreach, community service, and engagement – collectively reaching more than 50,000 people each year through over 1,500 hours of service at schools, hospitals, and community

events across Indiana.

"We are proud to welcome this year's 500 Festival Princesses and look forward to the enthusiasm they will share with communities across the state" said Dave Neff, 500 Festival president and CEO. "Through this program, these young women will build lasting connections, grow as leaders, and help carry forward the spirit and tradition of the 500 Festival."

Support for the 500 Festival Princess Program is provided by The National Bank of Indianapolis, Marlyne Sexton (in memoriam), Khamis Fine Jewelers, Indianapolis Motor Speedway, and the 500 Festival Foundation.

To learn more about the 500 Festival Princess Program, please visit [500Festival.com/Princess](http://500Festival.com/Princess) or search #PrincessProgram on social media.

# HSE Schools announces attendees for national conference, superintendent to serve as keynote

### Submitted

Last fall, Hamilton Southeastern Schools (HSE) shared the news that with the support of National Institute for Excellence in Teaching (NIET) training, HSE achieved a record 96 percent IREAD pass rate in early literacy. This important investment continues to drive strong teacher performance, student retention, and gains across all grade levels.

Attending the NIET national conference is an important part of that partnership. This year, 26 HSE educators have the opportunity to attend the conference in the spring. This continues the three-year plan to provide this professional development opportunity to share the Schools' story with districts from across the country.

This focused investment helps retain great teachers, maintain stability, and attract families who value results and ensure HSE's future stability, supporting enrollment and funding in the student-count system. It is careful, responsible stewardship that honors

HSE's own NIET fellow, an incredible honor for the district and one who attends the conference at no cost to HSE.

HSE is especially proud of Superintendent Patrick Mapes, who has been selected as this year's Strand Keynote Speaker for the conference. His award-winning career in education includes more than 35 years leading school districts like HSE and Perry Township Schools. Having one of HSE's own on the national stage is a tremendous opportunity to share the Schools' story with districts from across the country.

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Mapes



**This year's attendees from HSE Schools**

Danielle Fetters Thompson, Administration  
 Will Hurst, Administration  
 Erin Mohr, Administration  
 Matt Kegley, Administration  
 Jason Urban, Administration  
 Trice Black, Deer Creek Elementary  
 Melissa Bock, Deer Creek Elementary  
 Danielle Chastain, Deer Creek Elementary  
 Alex Anderson, Fall Creek Intermediate  
 Kim Day, Fall Creek Intermediate  
 Tim Hull, Fall Creek Intermediate  
 Michael Teal, Fall Creek Intermediate  
 Jennifer Dickerson, Geist Elementary  
 Lynn Laffey, Geist Elementary  
 Therisa Seymour, Geist Elementary  
 Tina Johnson, Lantern Road Elementary  
 John Sponsel, Lantern Road Elementary  
 Danielle Thompson, Lantern Road Elementary  
 Michelle Bunnell, Sand Creek Intermediate  
 Sara Cherry, Sand Creek Intermediate  
 Brice Willey, Sand Creek Intermediate  
 Megan Busch, Southeastern Elementary  
 Michelle Faulkner, Southeastern Elementary  
 Trae Heeter, Southeastern Elementary  
 Nicole Kaminski, Southeastern Elementary  
 Rachael Powell, Southeastern Elementary

educators, maximizes every dollar, and delivers lasting excellence for the community.



## NOBLESVILLE SCHOOLS Board Highlights

Feb. 17, 2026 Meeting

**Submitted by Noblesville Schools**

The school board has responsibility for major district functions including school district governance and oversight, setting school policies, approving funding, strategic planning, and hiring and evaluating the superintendent.

- The board recognized band students for their music accomplishments in state competitions.
- North Elementary presented on special school culture events including Grandparents + Games and Book Flood.
- Updated calendars were approved.
- The board approved a memorandum of understanding (MOU) with Aspire Indiana to support school-based mental health initiatives for students.
- The board approved an MOU with Noblesville Youth Baseball, allowing them to explore an expansion on district property behind Hazel Dell Elementary.
- A lease refinancing was approved that is expected to save the district approximately \$1.5 million

Go to [noblesvilleschools.org/leadership/school-board](http://noblesvilleschools.org/leadership/school-board) for meeting agendas, minutes, videos, and more.

# Master Gardeners invite you to seminar on trees & shrubs

### The REPORTER

The Hamilton County Master Gardeners Association invites you to a two-part seminar all about trees and shrubs in your landscape. The two parts will take place on March 21 and 28.

These seminars are open to the public. Register for Part I alone (\$65) or for both sessions (\$75). Part II is available only with Part I registration. Part I includes continental breakfast and boxed lunch. Preregistration and prepayment are required.

For more information and to register, visit [hcmga.org](http://hcmga.org).

**Seminar Part I**  
Part I will take place from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on March 21 at the IMMI Conference Center, 18880 East St., Westfield.  
Speaker topics include:  
• Shrubs and Hedges  
• Creating a Woodland Garden  
• Trees in Your Project/



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Garden: An Asset or a Liability?  
• The Landscape Below Ground: Architecture of Woody Plant Roots & How it Impacts Your Landscape  
• Understanding the Ecological Benefits of Your Trees & Shrubs

**Seminar Part II**  
Part II will take place from 9 a.m. to noon on March 28 at the Cool Creek Park Nature Center, 2000 E. 151st St., Carmel.

The seminar will include one hour of indoor class time, plus a trip outdoors for:  
• Tree ID Walk  
• Learn how to plant a tree or shrub  
• Proper invasive species removal techniques  
• Hands-on pruning instruction



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Our columnist had a great time with his son cheering on the IU Hoosiers!

## Who-siers?

While I sit here writing this, I am also watching the Super Bowl. I know what you're thinking ... "What a party animal!" As a 40-something, going to a Super Bowl party is an absolute "no thank you." I'm



**TIM RATHZ**  
Forty-something  
in Fishers

more of a make some snacks, turn the game on and try not to fall asleep before I get the 127th-nacho-in-my-belly kind of guy nowadays.

I am also beginning to realize that this is a really boring game. It doesn't help that I have no dog in the fight this year, other than an age-old hatred for the Patriots. But even with that, all the players and coaches I couldn't stand from back in the Colts rivalry days are now gone. So, I have no reason to care about this game other than the fact that it's the Super Bowl.

I can't help but think maybe the reason I can't get into the game this year is because my Super Bowl already happened on Jan. 19, when two college teams met to play in Miami, Fla. Nothing could happen today between the Seahawks and Patriots (two teams I don't give a rip about) that could even come close to topping what my IU Hoosiers did just a few short weeks ago. It's an excitement high that I just haven't come down from yet.

If I could go back in time to Bloomington, to a football game, find me in the tailgate lot and not at the actual game, and tell my late teen-something or early 20-something self that IU was going to win it all, my young self probably would have replied ...

*Young self:* "Why did it take so long to get another basketball championship?"

*Me:* "Well, actually it was the football team. They went 16-0."

*Young self:* "The football team. The INDIANA UNIVERSI-

TY FOOTBALL TEAM. That's who won the national championship?"

*Me:* "Yes."

*Young self:* "So, let me get this straight. You mastered time travel, just to come back to play a prank on me? Cause there's no way IU football won a championship."

*Me:* "They did actually. And yes, I couldn't think of a better way to use time travel."

*Young self:* "Whatever, old guy. I'm going back to the tailgate."

Ok, so he didn't believe me. That's alright because I know that he'll have the chance to experience that game all for himself in 20-something years. He'll get to see Mikail Kamara block that punt and Isaiah Jones recovering it in the end zone for a touchdown. He'll see Fernando Mendonza's Avengers-like, superhero quarterback draw that sent him soaring into the endzone for what seemed to be an impossible touchdown. He'll see Jamari Sharpe's game clinching interception, reminiscent of the Marlin Jackson pick against the Patriots that sent the Colts to Super Bowl XLI. Then he'll see Coach Cignetti smile for the first time in decades.

It was quite a ride, and I can't wait to see the movie. I'm hoping for Chris Pratt to play an elated 40-something in Fishers, jumping up and down in his kitchen with his family, celebrating a championship he never saw coming.

The moral of the story is ... if you ever master time travel, maybe think of something better to do with that technology than go talk to a skinny punk in the grass lot of Memorial Stadium.

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## Braun: good policies start with listening to Hoosiers

### Submitted

Governor Mike Braun has made one thing clear: leadership begins with listening.

For years, many families across Indiana felt overlooked and unheard. Since he's been in office, Gov. Braun has met monthly with different grassroots moms, dads, and business owners, creating direct access outside traditional political channels. These meetings have opened the door for real conversations about the challenges Hoosiers face every day.

He has not shied away from difficult topics. Instead, he has welcomed them.

"We have been so grateful for the access we have received with this governor,"

local activist Sue Lile said. "It was his idea to do this monthly to hear the thoughts and concerns of the people."

For many grassroots leaders across the state, that access has made all the difference.

"He doesn't dodge the hard conversations we have brought to him," local activist Monica Boyer said. "He actively listens, takes notes, and finds the answers we need."

Gov. Braun says that meaningful policy begins with understanding what is happening on the ground. By meeting consistently and engaging directly with citizens, he continues to demonstrate that Hoosier families have a seat at the table.

# Becoming *that* pet owner

I'm big believer in the saying, "Never say never." I received a reminder of this fact during a conversation with my husband John last week.

As I was preparing to take our dogs, Elli and Sasha, on their lunchtime walk, John asked, "Aren't you putting their hoodies on them?" I inwardly groaned. "They're fine today, Honey," I said, "It's 40 degrees. Their own fur coats are long and they'll be okay."

"No ... it's still cold ... they need their hoodies. Why don't you grab them and give them to me, and I'll put the hoodies on the girls." I closed my eyes and sighed.

See, I always said I'd never be one of those people who puts T-shirts, hoodies, and other clothing on my dogs ... other than coats when the weather becomes dreadfully cold. It's not like I have anything against people who do this. I mean, come on, how cute do pups look with their human-like attire? I just didn't ever want to do it ... I didn't

want to become that pet owner.

My reasons were twofold:

One, I didn't want to fuss with putting clothes on and taking them off my pets. I'm busy enough, like many people.

Why add this extra step in the day?

Two, I couldn't pet our dogs all over with them wearing clothes. When a dog wears a T-shirt or other item, your available petting/scratching area is limited. All you can do is pet their head or give them a belly rub. (At least we always still have the latter. Belly rubs are essential for both dogs AND their owners.)

But last fall, John discovered some hoodies on clearance in the pet section of Walmart, and my days of saying "I'll never put clothing on my dogs" were gone. I had to bite my tongue as he scooped the hoodies up and put them in our shopping cart. John was so excited.

It doesn't help when people see Elli and Sasha in their attire and they fawn all over our pups.

### COLUMNIST



**AMY SHANKLAND**  
Perfectly Imperfect



Photo provided by Amy Shankland

"Oh, look at how cute your dogs are in their hoodies!" they exclaim. And, of course, John's often right there beside me, grinning in victory.

John and I have a new question in our marriage which has kept it strong. We ask each other, "Does this make you happy?" Despite my vow to never become that pet owner ... I know putting hoodies on the girls makes him happy. We check to make sure they're not panting or uncomfortable, and so far, Elli

and Sasha have been fine.

So, yes, Readers, I've caved. When you see me out on my lunchtime walks, Elli and Sasha trotting along wearing their grey and black hoodies, just know that I'm doing my part to keep my marriage solid. You're welcome, Honey.

*Amy Shankland is an empty-nester, writer, and fundraising professional living in Noblesville with her husband John and two dogs. You can reach her via email at amys@greenavenue.info.*

## A familiar cycle in my faith journey

A nudge from God, a dash of trust, attempted faith, rinse, and repeat. This is how I would describe my ongoing quest to strengthen my faith.

The nudge I felt recently could not be ignored. I kept getting the same idea placed on my heart. So much so that I gave in and committed to this request that was outside of my comfort zone.

After following through, I felt confident about it, which is uncharacteristic of me. Even a little too confident. But I kept going back to the thought I had at the beginning of this year.

Ruminate on the best-case scenario until I have a reason not to.

When I get these nudges and follow through, my expectation is that it will work out. A reward for my obedience. This time, it did not. I felt confused. My first thought was that my dis-

cernment is rusty.

But perhaps it is less about getting what I perceived to be something I wanted or needed, and instead more of an exercising my trust muscles. A testing of the faith. Preparation for something bigger than my imagination can ruminate on.

What if the test becomes the lesson and that is the reward?

Growing up, my faith was built on a brittle foundation. It was made up of all the wrong qualities. I just was not aware that it was. It was more of a "give a little" and "expect a lot" type of faith.

I watched others who prayed big prayers for healing or goodness to come their way. Their prayers were often answered. I wondered why my prayers remained unanswered. Was I being punished for my imperfect faith?

That is how it felt to me

most of the time that I spent in the decades searching for my diagnosis.

What if the reward is in the unanswered prayer? My faith was far too underdeveloped to grasp that concept. It is so hard to see through our pain in periods of waiting. Longing for answers or healing. Everything just feels never ending and dark. Bottomless.

My pleading with God was always, "If you do this for me, I promise to better." If I got what I thought I needed, then I would be more faithful and trusting.

I was rushing the process. Tempted to quit too early. Not opening myself up to the fact that I may not know what is best for my life. That is what faith is all about. Being ready to accept that we do not see the full picture, just a sliver. There was always the faintest voice I heard that said don't give up yet.

While I still would not wish 44 years of waiting for something so important on my worst enemy, I do see the positives in it now. I see the lessons and rewards.

I see the beautiful people placed in my waiting period.

It is fascinating to look back on that time with the perspective I have now that I am on the other side of it. I am in awe of much of it.

I had a little faith, and that was enough. I will continue to have my faith tested. Life often is full of trials along with temptations to give up.

The familiar cycle will continue. Similar to my diagnostic journey, I need to remind myself to have patience with God's timing. I want to live in gratitude for the blessings He has made a part of my everyday life. Living in the present moment.

Until next time ...

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## Who cares about what we care about?

There is a quiet but powerful difference between a thermometer and a thermostat.

A thermometer tells you what the temperature is. It observes. It reports. It reflects reality exactly as it stands.

A thermostat does something braver. It adjusts. It responds. It changes the environment to create comfort.

I have been noticing, especially in families around us, how differently daily life unfolds depending on the support available – and this difference between simply observing and intentionally adjusting has become impossible to ignore.

It is easy to be a thermometer. We notice when spaces are not accessible. We observe when someone in a wheelchair struggles with a narrow doorway. We see when a child with sensory sensitivities feels overwhelmed at a loud event. We acknowledge that a differently abled neighbor may need more time, more patience, or a different kind of support.

We see it. We register it. We move on.

But being a thermostat asks more of us.

It asks: How can we adjust?

When we are among the majority who can move freely, speak easily, and participate without barriers, we hold a quiet power. We can design gatherings with accessibility in mind. We can lower the music. We can provide seating. We can ask, "What would make this space more comfortable for you?" We can slow down. We can listen.

Accommodation is not charity.

It is community. True inclusion is not one-sided kindness. Differently abled individuals are not simply recipients of support; they are contributors of resilience, creativity, perspective, and strength. When we give space, we receive wisdom. When we adjust the temperature, everyone benefits.

I know there are many organizations and volunteers working tirelessly to ensure that every person feels visible and valued in our community. Their work matters deeply. But organizations alone are not

enough.

Inclusion cannot be outsourced.

Each of us must take responsibility for the spaces we occupy – our homes, our events, our workplaces, our sidewalks. It is in the small, everyday adjustments that real belonging is built. Making someone feel seen, heard, respected, and supported is not a grand gesture. It is often a simple one.

Today I was reminded of a familiar story.

A little boy was walking along the shore, picking up stranded fish and throwing them back into the ocean. A passerby stopped and said, "The ocean is enormous. There are thousands of fish. You cannot possibly save them all."

The boy picked up another fish, gently tossed it into the water, and replied, "I made a difference for that one."

Sometimes we look at inclusion the same way. There are too many needs. Too many barriers. Too many systems to fix.

What difference can one ramp make?

What difference can one thoughtful invitation make?

What difference can one moment of patience make?

Maybe not for everyone.

But for someone, it changes everything.

Being a thermostat does not mean solving every problem. It means adjusting the dial where you can. It means caring enough about what you care about to act on it. And here is the beautiful part: when you adjust the room for someone else, you change the temperature for yourself too.

Compassion warms everyone.

Every acknowledgment matters.

Every adjustment matters.

Every consideration matters.

Every intention matters.

Every kindness matters.

So let's not simply measure the discomfort around us.

Let's not just report what is missing.

Let's be ready to reach for the dial.

Because community is not built by observation alone. It is built by those willing to adjust – one space, one moment, one person at a time.

*Pooja Thakkar is working to build connections, and you can read her column each week in the pages of The Reporter.*

# They may be mock trials, but the winners are real

**Submitted**

Fourteen teams from Carmel, Fishers, Guerin Catholic, Hamilton Southeastern, Noblesville, and Westfield high schools recently wrapped up participation in the 2026 Hamilton County Bar Association's (HCBA) Mock Trial Competition.

The mock trial program began in 2000 and is an opportunity for high school students to get hands-on experience in the preparation of a case for trial and presentation in courtrooms, with local attorneys and judicial officers serving as judges for the six weeks of competition.

The competition takes place each winter in January and February. Schools can enter as many teams of up to 10 students as they wish. The teams are provided the case to prepare as well as a local attorney who volunteers to act as an attorney advisor for each team.

The students' preparation of the case includes writing opening and closing statements, developing direct and cross-examination questions, as well as memorizing witness statements for each witness role for both the plaintiff and defense sides of the case.

For the 2026 season, the students prepared the fictitious civil case of Terry Smith v. Midville Community School Corporation.

Terry Smith, a Midville student, participated in the school's nationally recognized mock trial team but had big dreams of a career on Broadway. Terry quit the mock trial team to accept the lead in the school musical with the hope it would lead to a Julliard scholarship. After quitting mock trial, Smith's mock trial teammates bully and



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**Carmel High School's mock trial team "Probable Claws" is the 2026 mock trial champion. Teacher coaches are Shawn Curtis and Bob Browning. Attorney advisors are Rodney Sarkovics and Braden Core.**



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**(ABOVE LEFT) Judge Stephenie Gookins presented Carmel senior Mahitha Konjeti with the HCBA 2026 mock trial scholarship. (ABOVE RIGHT) The HCBA recognized HSE teacher Janet Chandler for her dedication to the mock trial program. Ms. Chandler has been the teacher coach for HSE since the program's inception in 2000. She plans to retire at the end of the school year. Pictured with Ms. Chandler is Judge Stephenie Gookins, Judge Bill Hughes, Judge Andrew Bloch, and Judge David Najjar.**

harass her so much that she is forced to withdraw from the musical and miss her chance at a scholarship. Smith sued the school and the mock trial coach for damages due to infliction of emotional distress.

Carmel's team, "Probable Claws," was victorious over Hamilton Southeastern's team, "Meow Trial," in the finals held Saturday, Feb. 14. Students were recognized for each witness and attorney role with First Place and Runner-up awards.

Carmel senior, Mahitha

Konjeti, was awarded the 2026 HCBA Mock Trial scholarship.

Many of the local teams will also compete in the Indiana State Bar Foundation competition in February and March in Indianapolis.

The HCBA competition took place at the Hamilton County Judicial Center and is coordinated by Judge Stephenie Gookins.

The individual award winners were:

- Best "Terry Smith" witness**
- First: Matthew Mayberry (CHS)
- Second: Kaavya Malu (HSE)
- Best "Bays Sanchez" witness**

- First: Nathan Kominsky (HSE)
- Second: June Billingsley (FHS)
- Best "Dr. Lynn Carter" witness**
- First: Reagan Faulkner (GC)
- Second: Campbell Coolidge (CHS)
- Best "Dean Syndey Green" witness**
- First: Evelyn Foster (CHS)
- Second: Richard Renner (NHS)
- Best "Pat Putnam" witness**
- First: Aida Karim (CHS)
- Second: Holden Miles (FHS)
- Best "Presley Fisher" witness**
- First: Eleanor Purvis (CHS)
- Second: Noelle Quimby (NHS)
- Best Plaintiffs attorney**
- First (tie): Amber Liwanag (HSE) & Cameron Henderson (HSE)
- Best Defense attorney**
- First: Leila de Leon (CHS)
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**Obituary**

**Ja'Shaun Pierre Dickman**

**December 28, 1998 – February 13, 2026**

Ja'Shaun Pierre Dickman, 27, Noblesville, left us too soon on Friday, February 13, 2026. He was born on December 28, 1998, in Evansville, Ind., to Lisa Dickman and Perry McFarland. He was welcomed into the home of Michael and Mandy (Conley) Laning in December 2011 and was adopted on October 8, 2013.

He attended Noblesville High School where he played football and lacrosse. He graduated from the Excel Center in 2018.

He enjoyed working at Greek's Pizza, Ginger's Café, and most recently at Fire Dogs Junk Removal.

He was a Lance Corporal in the United States Marines from 2020 to 2023 where he served as a Marine Aircraft Firefighter in Quantico, Va.

Ja'Shaun was a spark of light to all who knew him. He brought a rare kind of joy to every room usually accompanied by his infectious laugh. We will forever carry his smile in our hearts. If you knew him, you know he was hardworking, determined, and took pride in his accomplishments. He took advantage of every opportunity given and lived life to the fullest. He loved those around him fiercely. He would give his shirt off his back to a stranger. He had an insane sense of humor and was quick with funny comments. He was happiest when spending time with his daughter Iyla, especially reading books.

Ja'Shaun leaves behind a great wealth of family and friends. He is survived by his daughter, Iyla Elise Dickman; her mother, Haleigh Beck; his parents; his siblings, Daniel Laning, Mikayla Dickman, and Jadon Stanfield; and his grandparents, aunts and uncles, many cousins, and even more friends.

Visitation and a Celebration of Life Service were held Saturday, February 21, 2026, at the White River Christian Church, 1685 N. 10th St., Noblesville. Burial followed at Crownland Cemetery with military honors.

In lieu of flowers, the family has set up a memorial savings account for Iyla in care of Michael Laning.

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### Eulayla Barnette

June 11, 1936 – February 16, 2026



Eulayla Barnette, 89, Upland, Ind., passed away on Monday, February 16, 2026, at her home. She was born on June 11, 1936, to Pearl and Dorothy (Ely) Parsons in Pennington Gap, Va.

Eulayla worked for Best Lock for many years before retiring. She was a member of Pentecostal Lighthouse Church and loved going to church. Eulayla enjoyed going to flea markets, cooking, and feeding everyone. Most of all, she loved spending time with her family.

She is survived by her daughter, Velma (Richard) Harber; son, Bob (Heather) Barnette; grandchildren, Jamie (Mike) Killmon, Josh (Ashley) Barnette, Brandon (Jen) Barnette, Austin Barnette, and Christopher Gordon; great-grandchildren, Adrianna, Adeline, Blake, Ethan, Kiersten, and Kendall Jo Barnette, and Landon and Ashlynn Killmon; siblings, Delmer (Marie) Parsons, Mary Ward, Jerry (Glenda) Parsons, Verlin (Shirley) Parsons, Pearl (Debbie) Parsons, Sarah (Chad) Fultz; and sister-in-law, Sue Parsons.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, Charles Robert Barnette; grandson, Ricky Harber; brother, Will Parsons; sister, Arbadella Ridsen; and brothers-in-law, Randall Ward and Bruce Ridsen.

Visitation and services were held Friday, February 20, 2026, at Randall & Roberts Funeral Center, 1685 Westfield Road, Noblesville, with Pastor Michael Ridsen officiating. Burial was at Hamilton Memorial Park Cemetery in Westfield.

Condolences: randallroberts.com

### Stephen E. Lewis

February 6, 1944 – February 15, 2026



Stephen E. Lewis, 82, Fishers, passed away on Sunday, February 15, 2026, at Hamilton Trace of Fishers. He was born in Ft. Wayne, Ind., on February 6, 1944, to Robert and Velma (Dudenhofer) Lewis.

Following his graduation from Valparaiso Law School, Steve was an attorney with the law firm of Haller & Colvin until his retirement in 2013. Throughout his career, he volunteered his time and talents. He was an active supporter of Concordia Lutheran High School, Valparaiso University, and numerous local churches.

In 2018, Steve was preceded in death by his wife of 51 years, Elaine. He loved her until the day he passed. He knew exactly what she wore on their first date (red sweater / black & white skirt) and they were a team from that point forward.

Steve also loved the lake. He spent summers there as a child and that love lasted his entire life. Whether boating, tinkering, or just being "at the lake," it was his respite from the everyday stresses of life. He also enjoyed reading, the Chicago Bears (even before 1985), swapping cars in his "fleet," and attending concerts with his daughter.

Steve is survived by his son, Matt (Esther) Lewis; daughter, Sarah (Kellard) Townsend; grandchildren, Rebecca Lewis, Gabrielle (Dagur) Lewis, Nathaniel Lewis, Garrett Townsend, and Marcella Townsend; and several nieces and nephews.

In addition to his parents and wife, Steve was preceded in death by his brother, Thomas Lewis; and sister, Cynthia Havel.

Steve was a loving husband, wonderful father, and a good man. He was strong in his Lutheran faith and will be missed.

Visitation will be from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., with services at 1 p.m., on Saturday, February 28, 2026 at Randall & Roberts Fishers Mortuary, 12010 Allisonville Road, Fishers.

Memorial contributions may be made to Concordia Educational Foundation, 1601 St. Joe River Drive, Fort Wayne, IN 46805 (cadet-legacy.org/about); or Cornerstone Lutheran Church, 4850 E. Main St., Carmel, IN 46033 (cornerstonelutheran.church).

Condolences: randallroberts.com

### James Stephen Flint

February 11, 1945 – February 12, 2026



James Stephen Flint was born to goodly parents, Allen Hatch Flint and Estel Evelyn Turpin, on February 11, 1945. Jim thrived in the rural farming community of Bellflower, Ill. He learned the importance of a strong work ethic and a love of agriculture in his youth. He would weed the soybean fields with his brother, Dick. He was a proud member of the 4-H and FFA programs.

After graduating from Bellflower High School in 1963, he embarked on a two-and-a-half-year mission for The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in Belgium and Northern France. He loved the French and Belgian people, culture, and language. His testimony of the Gospel of Jesus Christ flourished as he served and taught the people of France and Belgium. His mission was a great step in his lifelong journey as a disciple of Jesus Christ.

Upon returning to the States, Jim left the Midwest to attend Brigham Young University in the beautiful Rocky Mountains. While he studied accounting, he met and married Karen Louise Hupe for time and all eternity in the LDS Manti, Utah Temple. Shortly after graduating from BYU, Jim was drafted into the U.S. Army. He was stationed in Frankfurt, Germany, during the Vietnam War. They enjoyed driving a yellow VW Bug along the narrow streets as they visited the wondrous European sites. He wore his army boots for many, many years. He was quiet about his military service. However, his children and grandchildren are proud and grateful to have an Army Veteran in our family. He was a patriot of this great nation.

When Jim completed his military service, he and Karen decided to raise their family in the Midwest. They lived in Louisville and Indianapolis for a short time before settling down in Columbus, Ind., for 45 years. They found a little house on a hill with a few acres and lots of trees – a perfect spot to raise seven children and teach them to love nature, God, and family. Jim even bought dairy goats for his kids to raise and give them a taste of the agriculture he loved. He also ensured each kid learned how to drive a stick shift before they could get their driver's license. Summer Saturdays included extensive yard work, followed by swimming and a picnic at Brown County State Park.

During his childhood, he developed a love of sports and competition through baseball, basketball, and track and field. He passed his passion for sports and competition to his children. He was always excited to watch the Olympics and IU basketball. However, he loved watching his children compete in sports more than anything. He was our biggest supporter in cross country, track, wrestling, and volleyball. He ran many miles while cheering kids on at hundreds of races. He was proud to say he rode his bike to all the neighboring counties of Bartholomew County. Jim rode thousands of miles through the countryside, enjoying views of the crops and colorful foliage. He even accomplished a 100-mile bike race in Milwaukee, Wis.

Jim loved being a grandpa. The grandchildren have fond memories of tractor rides and roasting marshmallows with Grandpa. He showed up to support his grandchildren in all their endeavors. He might not have said much, but they knew he cared because he gave his time. He never missed a chance to grab a cookie as an excuse to visit his grandkids.

Jim was a member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints and attended the Columbus 1st ward. He faithfully served as a Sunday School teacher for many years. He faithfully read his scriptures daily. He not only read about Jesus Christ, but he lived as Jesus would want him to live. He served his neighbor. If anyone needed help, they could rely on Jim. He would drop anything to give someone a ride to work, fix a flat tire, or visit them in the hospital. He selflessly drove U.S. veterans to the VA Hospital in Indianapolis. He volunteered many hours serving at the local food bank, Love Chapel. He served in the LDS Bishop's Storehouse, helping people get food and find employment. He served thousands of hours helping the BSA. Jim was an avid scout and passed that trait to his sons. He was a proud father as his three sons achieved the rank of Eagle Scout. He organized a bike ride, "Tour Du Temple," for local youth to ride from Columbus, Ind., to Louisville, Ky., and to Carmel. That tradition still continues. Jim will be remembered for living his testimony of Jesus Christ.

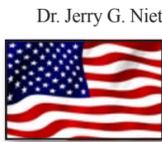
Jim was received into the loving arms of his Lord and Savior on February 12, 2026. He heard the words, "Well done, thou good and faithful servant." He didn't get to party on his birthday the day before, so it will be a joyous celebration on his Mom's birthday on February 15. Dad, we are so happy for you to be able to ride your bike at every gorgeous sunset and to lead the peloton in the Tour de France wearing the yellow jersey.

Jim is survived by his wife, Karen; his children, Stephen (Tara) Flint, David (Stephanie) Flint, Lisa (Kris) Stumpf, Wendy (Cesar) De Luna, Julie (Tim) Norwood, Heidi (Ben) Eborn, Tim (Chelsea) Flint; and 37 grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents, Allen and Estel Flint; and brother, Richard (Dick) Flint.

Condolences: randallroberts.com

### Dr. Jerry G. Nieten

July 24, 1946 – February 14, 2026



Dr. Jerry G. Nieten, DDS, 79, Noblesville, went home to be with his Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, on Saturday, February 14, 2026. He was born on July 24, 1946, in Indianapolis to Gerald and Emily (Miles) Nieten.

Jerry proudly served his country in the United States Navy from 1972 to 1977. Following his military service, he taught at the Indiana University School of Dentistry and later practiced dentistry at Fort Benjamin Harrison. In 1996, he entered private practice, where he served his patients with dedication until his retirement.

Jerry was a committed Christian who loved the Lord and held firmly to his faith. He spent many hours reading and studying Scripture and took seriously the truths of God's Word. His belief in Jesus Christ and the work of the Holy Spirit were central to his life.

Jerry is survived by his loving wife, Sheila Nieten; his sons, Joshua (Erin) Nieten and Jacob (Susan) Nieten; his sister, Peg (Tom) Gaunt; his brother, Donald (Tammy) Nieten; and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents and his brother, David Nieten.

A celebration of Jerry's life will be held at a later date.

Condolences: radallroberts.com

### Bruce Leon Crail

July 28, 1956 – February 9, 2026



It is with a heavy heart that we share the passing of our brother Bruce Leon Crail on February 9, 2026. Bruce was born on July 28, 1956, to Ernal Leander Crail and Mary Alice (Grimes) Crail.

Bruce had an infectious laugh, smile, and a heart of gold always ready to lend a hand or share a story. He never knew a stranger and enjoyed riding his Harley with his buddies. He leaves behind a legacy of love, kindness, and unforgettable memories.

Bruce served in the U.S. Army for 20 years. He then worked at Firestone and finally with his best friend and brother at Crail Plumbing.

He was preceded in death by his parents and brother, James Crail.

Bruce is survived by sons, Clint and Cody Crail, both of Louisiana; brother, Alvin (Linda) Crail; sisters, Fran (Greg) Johnson and Maura (Dallas) Griffin; several nieces and nephews; and his beloved dog, Petey.

A private family graveside service will be held at Crown Hill Cemetery, with a Celebration of Life being held at a later date.

### Edward "Mike" Michael Hague

January 31, 1937 – February 17, 2026



Edward "Mike" Michael Hague, 89, Carmel, passed away peacefully on February 17, 2026.

Born in Mishawaka on January 31, 1937, he was the son of Frank and Doris (Mais) Hague. Mike built a life defined by an unwavering devotion to his family, a strong work ethic, and a quiet enjoyment of the things that brought him joy. On July 4, 1959, he married Nancy Bamber, beginning a 66-year partnership rooted in love and loyalty that carried them through decades of moves, careers, and raising a family.

Mike grew up enjoying the outdoors and fishing with his dad and Grandpa Mais, as well as enjoying the Indiana Dunes with friends. After graduating from South Bend Central High School, Mike attended Notre Dame for a year before completing his physics degree at the University of Texas. During that time, he also served in the U.S. Army, working in missile testing at Fort Bliss from 1958 to 1964, an experience that reflected his practical mind and steady sense of duty.

Mike spent his career in consumer electronics, working for Admiral, Zenith, and, eventually, RCA/Thomson Consumer Electronics, during which he traveled the world and retired in 2001. He was known for being practical, hands-on, and unafraid to take on a problem that needed fixing.

Outside of work, he loved biking, long walks, and tending to his garden. He never turned down a Portillo's beef sandwich or an opportunity to talk about his mother-in-law's cooking. He followed Notre Dame football with the same loyalty he brought to most things in his life. He was comfortable with people, always striking up a conversation whenever he could. He was the happiest when he had a project to tinker with and fix around the house. He loved his country and enjoyed conversations about current events.

In addition to his parents, Mike was preceded in death by his brothers, Dennis Hague and Frank Hague, Jr.

Survivors include his loving wife of 66 years, Nancy Ann (Bamber) Hague; children, Melissa (David) Rosal, Steven Hague, Brian Hague (Lisa), and Christine (Ryan) Birch; eight grandchildren, DJ Rosal, Alex (Courtney) Rosal, Lauren Hague, Madison Hague, Caitlyn Hague, Kaley Hague, Eliette Birch, and Henry Birch. He was also anticipating the arrival of his first great-grandson, who will carry on his legacy by sharing his middle name, Michael.

Family and friends will gather at 9 a.m. Friday, February 27, 2026, at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Catholic Church, 14598 Oak Ridge Road, Carmel, where the Mass of Christian Burial will be conducted at 11 a.m. followed by a luncheon downstairs for all to enjoy.

A Committal Service with Military Honors will take place at 2:30 p.m. in Our Lady of Peace Cemetery, 9001 Haverstick Road, Indianapolis.

In memory of Mike, donations may be made to the Wounded Warrior Project, P.O. Box 758516, Topeka, KS 66675. Envelopes will be available at the church.

Bussell Family Funerals is privileged to assist the family with arrangements.

Condolences: bussellfamilyfunerals.com

### Col. Marjorie "Charlene" Merrill

June 27, 1935 – February 8, 2026



Col. Marjorie "Charlene" Merrill, a devoted nurse, proud veteran, and faithful servant of God, passed away on Sunday, February 8, 2026, in San Bernardino, Calif., surrounded by her loving family. She was a longtime resident of San Bernardino and was originally from Sheridan.

Charlene was born to Charles and Louise (Kremmer) Merrill, who preceded her in death. She was a 1953 graduate of Sheridan High School. She continued her education at Ball State University and Anderson University, where she earned her degree in nursing – beginning a lifelong calling to care for others.

Col. Merrill proudly served her country for 30 years in the United States Air Force. Stationed at Norton Air Force Base, she was one of the few women serving on base at that time, paving the way for those who would follow. During the Vietnam War, she served on reserve duty along the East Coast, compassionately caring for sick and injured soldiers returning home. Toward the end of her distinguished career, she served as a nurse on air evacuation flights, providing critical care to wounded service members in transit.

During the Gulf War, Col. Merrill achieved a historic milestone, becoming the first female full-bird colonel in the reserves, commanding a squadron of 300. Her leadership, dedication, and strength left a lasting impact on all who served alongside her.

Beyond her military service, Charlene was deeply devoted to her church and steadfast in her faith. She lived her beliefs daily through service, kindness, and unwavering love for her family and community.

She is survived by her nephews: Mike Merrill of Cole Camp, Mo.; David Merrill of Warsaw, Mo.; Scott (Teresa) Merrill of Westfield; and niece-in-law Cheryl Merrill of Sheridan. She is also survived by her great-nephews Joshua (Brittany) Merrill and Brock Merrill; and great-nieces Erin (Travis) Macy, Lindsey (Ryan) Martin, Ashley (Arley) Myers, Tia (David) Guzman, and Makayla Merrill.

Charlene is lovingly remembered by her California family: Julie & Dale Dunlap, Kevin & Christina Warren, Evangeline (Scott) Iler, Charles (Annette) Pagaduan, Elizabeth (Dragan) Milanovich, Nelson "Jack" (Kathleen) Pagaduan, and Florence Pagaduan (Brandon Wood).

She was preceded in death by her parents, Charles and Louise Merrill; her brother, Montie Merrill; her sister-in-law, Dorothy Merrill; and her nephew, Gary Merrill.

Visitation will be held at Bobbitt Memorial Chapel, 1299 E. Highland Ave., San Bernardino, from 5 to 7 p.m. Wednesday, February 25, 2026. A funeral service will be held at Highland First Church of God at 10 a.m. Thursday, February 26, 2026. Graveside services with military honors will follow at Riverside National Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Norton Air Force Base Museum, honoring Charlene's deep connection to the base where she faithfully served.

Col. Marjorie "Charlene" Merrill's legacy of courage, compassion, and faith will live on in the countless lives she touched.

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### Boys State Wrestling



Westfield's Aiden Driscoll wrestled at the IHSAA state meet for the Shamrocks at 120 pounds during first-round action on Friday, Feb. 20.

Photo by Manford Photography

### Boys Basketball

## A thousand points for Trey



Reporter photo by Richie Hall

Sheridan junior Trey Page became a member of the 1,000-point club on Friday, Feb. 20 during the Blackhawks' boys basketball game with North Montgomery at Larry Hobbs Hall. Page cleared the milestone during the fourth quarter of the Blackhawks' 59-31 win. Page finished the game with 18 points.

## Four wrestlers make quarters

### The REPORTER

Four Hamilton County wrestlers advanced to the quarterfinals of the IHSAA state tournament after the first round of the state finals Friday, Feb. 20 at Gainbridge Fieldhouse.

Westfield's Connor Maddox won at 106 pounds by technical fall, with Hamilton Southeastern Nolan Culp also won at 106 pounds by an 18-16 decision, holding off a comeback.

Noblesville's Aidan Kincaide advanced at 157 pounds by pin. Fishers' Julian Burgett won at 215 pounds by a 15-1 major decision.

Placement matches took place on Saturday, Feb. 21, after press time. Look in our Tuesday, Feb. 24 edition of The Reporter for a report on the IHSAA boys wrestling state meet.

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## County wrestlers punch tickets to state finals

By RICHARD TORRES For The Reporter

NEW CASTLE — When the dust finally settled inside New Castle Fieldhouse, a total of 11 Hamilton County wrestlers were left standing with one more guaranteed week remaining in their seasons.

Hamilton Southeastern advanced the most competitors with four state qualifiers overall after the conclusion of the New Castle Semi-State held on Saturday, Feb. 14.

Fishers had three wrestlers punch their tickets to the IHSAA state finals, which took place Friday, Feb. 20 and Saturday, Feb. 21 at Gainbridge Fieldhouse in downtown Indianapolis.

Noblesville and Westfield had two state qualifiers each and an individual semi-state champion for each program.

Westfield sophomore Connor Maddox (30-0) won the 106-pound semi-state title to uphold his No. 1 state ranking, according to IndianaMat.

Noblesville junior Aidan Kincaide (34-0), who is ranked third in the state, locked down the 165-pound semi-state championship to keep his unbeaten season alive.

For Maddox, his berth marks a second straight after placing fourth at 106 during state as a freshman. This year, he is ranked sixth in the nation by FloWrestling.

"I just made sure that I really put in the work this offseason," Maddox said. "I wanted to go out on a good note, not just win, but dominate and really just kind of take over a bit."

Maddox never let up through his four semi-state matches, winning three by pin and the championship final by technical fall (17-1) in 2 minutes, 15 seconds against Southmont sophomore Lukas Scott (36-2), who was ranked third in the state.

Maddox's first pin was



(TOP LEFT) Noblesville's Aidan Kincaide breezed to victory in the 165-pound division at the Saturday, Feb. 14 New Castle semi-state. Kincaide is 34-0 for the season. (TOP RIGHT) Fishers' Seth Lamb placed third at 120 pounds, advancing to the state finals. (ABOVE) Westfield's Connor Maddox easily won the 106-pound division, improving to 30-0 for the season.

Photos by Manford Photography

the fastest of the tournament at 23 seconds.

Shamrock teammate Aiden Driscoll (32-14), a sophomore, will join Maddox during the two-day state finals after placing fourth at 120. The top four semi-state finishers in each weight class advanced to Indianapolis.

All four HSE state qualifiers placed fourth in their respective weight classes. Freshman Nolan Culp (27-6) moves on at 106. Senior Parker Culp (36-11) pushed through at 138. Junior Cohen Davis (30-8) qualified at 165, and sophomore AW VanKirk (33-10) survived a tough 285 bracket.

Fishers had two wrestlers place third with junior Seth Lamb (37-7) at 120 and senior Julian Burgett (40-3) at 215. Lamb defeated Driscoll by decision, 16-11, in the consolation finals.

Burgett is ranked second in the state and nar-

rowly lost by decision, 4-2, in the semifinal round at New Castle against eventual champion fourth-ranked

Seer Godwise (17-2) of Pery Meridian.

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## Hamilton County High School Friday Night Basketball Scores

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- Hamilton Southeastern 60, Brownsburg 37
- Fishers 66, Zionsville 42
- Noblesville 56, Avon 46
- Sheridan 59, North Montgomery 31
- Warren Central 55, Carmel 52, overtime
- Westfield 67, Franklin Central 59

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## Caleb Small named Hamilton Heights football head coach

### Submitted by Hamilton Heights School Corp.

Hamilton Heights is pleased to announce the appointment of Mr. Caleb Small as the Huskies new head football coach.

"After speaking with Caleb, we all agree that this is the right direction to go for our football program and we feel that Caleb will positively and effectively step in as our varsity head football coach," said Superintendent Derek Arrowood. "He has leadership experience and the passion to develop young people, both on and off the field. I am confident that he will do a good job of guiding and leading our program."

Mr. Small will replace

Jon Kirschner who has been head coach at Hamilton Heights the past eight years (41-43) and guided the program to its first-ever Hoosier Conference championship in 2023.

Mr. Small is a 2008 graduate of Hamilton Heights High School and a 2013 Marian University graduate where he was a four-year letter-winner in both football and baseball while earning a degree in Business Marketing and Secondary Education. He will be a part-time Physical Education instructor and part-time Business teacher at Hamilton Heights High School.

Mr. Small has been fortunate to be in a very good

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### THIS MONTH IN REAL ESTATE

CENTRAL INDIANA STATISTICS FROM THE 16-COUNTY REGION

#### CURRENT REAL ESTATE MARKET

"Despite a cool residential real estate market in January in central Indiana, inventory continued to rise," said Jim Litten, F.C. Tucker Company Chairman of the Board and CEO. "With mortgage interest rates significantly lower than this time last year, we're optimistic that with spring approaching, the market will begin to heat up."

<p>January 2026 Median Sale Price</p> <p><b>\$296,500</b></p> <p>compared to this time last year</p>	<p>Sales Change</p> <p>January pending home sales compared to this time last year</p> <p><b>0.0%</b></p>	<p><b>995</b></p> <p>More Homes For Sale</p> <p>1/25 vs. 1/26</p>
<p><b>2.3%</b></p> <p>Price Increase</p> <p>1/25 vs. 1/26</p>	<p>Months of Inventory Change</p> <p><b>21.9%</b></p> <p>1/25 vs. 1/26</p>	<p>Interest Rates</p> <p>30-Year Fixed</p> <p><b>6.0%</b></p> <p>With an APR of 6.147%</p>

**TOP COUNTIES**

- Madison Sales Up 21.5%
- Boone Sales Up 13.5%
- Hancock Sales Up 12.7%

Data compiled 01.06.26 from MIBOR BLC\*

**FAIR HOUSING CASES**

- Total-4
- Rental-4
- Sales-0
- Other-0

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\*In order to provide a more reliable measurement of sales price, beginning with January, 2025, we will report the median sales price instead of average sales price.

# Boys Basketball Blazers win, Blanding collects his 200<sup>th</sup> victory

**The REPORTER**

Coach Justin Blanding picked up his 200th career win Thursday, Feb. 19 as University rolled to a 70-48 win at KIPP Indy Legacy. Blanding amassed 154 wins in eight seasons coaching the Trailblazer girls and has 46 wins in his third season at the helm of the University boys. He has a 200-70 overall record.

Josh McGee led three Blazers in double figures with 17 points. Blake Gray scored 14 and Peter Morales added 12.

University started fast, scoring the first nine points of the game. McGee and Cooper Cammack opened the scoring with driving baskets before Gray buried a three pointer from the right corner. Noah Cortez, making his first career start, found Gray for a fast break bucket to force a Legacy timeout. The Trailblazers led 12-8 after one.

The Blazers took control of the game to open the second quarter, scoring the first twelve points to open up a 24-8 lead. Morales made a three pointer before grabbing a defensive rebound and passing ahead to Jaxen Bennett for a layin. Bennett scored again on the fast break off a Gray assist. Morales capped the run with a three pointer from the left corner off a kickout from Cammack.

University closed the half on a 7-0 run to take a 35-16 lead to the locker room. Faisal Mohamad found Morales for a three pointer, DJ Willis scored off a Morales assist and McGee closed the first half scoring with a rebound bucket.

The Blazers removed any hope of a Pride comeback starting the first quarter on a 7-0 run. Mohamad assisted Gray on a pair of layins and made a three pointer from the left corner. University led by as many as 28 points in the quarter and had a 54-28 lead after three.

University had 21 assists on 30 made field goals as six different players had



Photo provided

**University boys basketball coach picked up his 200th career win as the Trailblazers beat KIPP Indy Legacy 70-48 on Thursday, Feb. 19. Blanding won 154 games as the University girls coach and 46 as the boys coach.**

at least one helper. Gray led with six assists while Cortez had four and McGree three. McGee led with eight rebounds and had three steals. Cortez added three steals and blocked a shot.

Blanding was pleased with his team's performance. "I am very proud of my team and how we played tonight. We played hard and executed the game plan which is always exciting. We really took some nice steps in the right direction and it was good to get a win after a tough one we had last week."

The coach was effusive with praise for those who helped him reach his milestone win. "I am honored to have coached so many great young men and women over the years to get 200 overall wins. It is a testament to the players we have had here along with their hard work and dedication to the program. I also want to thank the administration for believing in me and continuing to support me and the program. It is truly an honor to coach here."

The win improved University to 14-7 on the season. The Trailblazers will close out the regular season next week with two home games. University will host Guerin Catholic Tuesday in an all-county game before ending the regular season on Thursday by hosting Indiana Math & Science in a senior night contest. Legacy falls to 8-14 on the season.

# Girls Swimming State Championship Tigers tie for runner-up trophy

Emily Wolf sweeps 200, 500 freestyles; HSE takes sixth as a team

By **RICHIE HALL**  
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**INDIANAPOLIS** — They will have to share it this year, but the Fishers girls swimming team is back on the podium.

The Tigers finished the IHSAA state meet tied for second with Fort Wayne Carroll on Saturday, Feb. 14. Both teams scored 227 points. The Chargers were runners-up last year, while Fishers took second four years in a row from 2020 to 2023.

Tigers coach Joe Keller pointed out that half of the swimmers that made it to state this year were freshmen, and "they earned their tiger stripes this weekend."

"We always talk about a culture of excellence," said Keller. "If you come in every day, we do that every day, do it when it matters the most in a meet like this, and that's how success happens."

Fishers' upperclassmen also stepped up, of course. The leader of the day was junior Emily Wolf, who won state championships in both the 200 and 500 freestyles.

Wolf won the 200 race in 1 minute, 45.84 seconds, then later came back to claim the 500 free in 4:43.25.

"I was really happy with the way I swam," said Wolf. "I'd be lying if I said I didn't want more. I think it's a good thing to be happy with what you did and what you accomplished and be happy with what you did for your



Reporter photo by Julie Brown

**The Fishers swim team tied for runner-up at the IHSAA state meet on Saturday, Feb. 14. The Tigers scored 227 points, sharing second place with Fort Wayne Carroll.**

team. But I've had my eye on those records for some time, so I think next year I'll be ready for more."

The Tigers picked up 11 "A" Final medals at state, with five more swimmers competing in the "B" Final. Fishers' 400 free relay team of Ashlyn Hayes, Audrey Wolf, Avery Hannon and Emily Wolf placed second, clocking in at 3:25.24. Hayes and Audrey Wolf are freshmen, while Hannon is a senior.

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Hamilton Southeastern placed sixth as a team, scoring 141 points.

The Royals were boosted by placing all three of their relays in the "A" Final. The medley relay team helped Southeastern get off to a strong start: Naomi Haines, Lauren Ing, Ellason Miller, Payton Walker finished the race in 1:42.48,

## Attention Carmel swim fans

Coverage of the Greyhounds at the 2026 IHSAA state meet will appear in our Tuesday, Feb. 24 Special Edition commemorating the Carmel team's 40 consecutive state championships.

Can't wait to read about the Hounds? Visit [ReadTheReporter.com](http://ReadTheReporter.com) to see stories, results, and pictures.

placing the Royals third.

Haines also placed fourth in the backstroke, while Ing was fifth in the breaststroke.

Noblesville scored 27 points to finish in 18th place. Senior Eryn McMahon led the way with a third-place result in diving; she totaled 450.25 points.

"I think this is the best I've performed all season," said McMahon, a Ball State recruit. She knew that it was her last high school meet, so "I just need to focus on having fun and just taking it one dive at a time."

And McMahon did have fun. "It was fun seeing all the girls, especially diving with my teammates from club and all of the juniors and sophomores," she said.

Hamilton Heights' Ayla Madara placed ninth in the 500 free, scoring nine points for the Huskies team. Madara finished the race in 5:01.81.

University scored its first-ever points at a girls state swim meet: Noa Calili took 14th in the breaststroke, finishing in 1:05.87. Calili called the experience "Just crazy. Very exciting."

## Results from the 2026 Girls Swimming State Championship

**Team scores (top five and all county):** 1. Carmel 326.5, T2. Fishers 227; Fort Wayne Carroll 227, 4. Zionsville 201, 5. Penn 157, 6. Hamilton Southeastern 141, 18. Noblesville 27, T31. Hamilton Heights 9; T39. University 3.

**200 medley relay**  
"A" Final: 1. Carmel (Leah Debosch, Molly Sweeney, Ellie Clarke, Sophia Floyd) 1:40.90, 3. Hamilton Southeastern (Naomi Haines, Lauren Ing, Ellason Miller, Payton Walker) 1:42.48, 6. Fishers (Avery Hannon, Polina Sopova, Audrey Wolf, Ella Hare) 1:44.99.

**200 freestyle**  
"A" Final: 1. Emily Wolf (F) 1:45.84, 4. Ashlyn Hayes (F) 1:48.70, T5. Haley Morris (C) 1:50.63.  
"B" Final: 10. Madelyn Yonkus (C) 1:52.03, 11. Brooklyn Rager (F) 1:52.53, 13. Sabrina Ledwith (C) 1:52.80, 16. Mia Henderson (HSE) 1:54.34.  
Prelims: 17. Ayla Madara (HH) 1:53.96, 18. Hayley Blackwell (N) 1:54.30, 21. Maya Preston (N) 1:55.23.

**200 individual medley**  
"A" Final: 1. Clarke (C) 1:57.73,

5. Debosch (C) 2:02.25, 8. Lucy Enoch (C) 2:03.74.  
"B" Final: 11. Kinsey Bogaards (HSE) 2:05.83, 12. Alexandra Nguyen (F) 2:06.38, 16. Hannon (F) 2:08.56.  
Prelims: 18. Hare (F) 2:07.83.

**50 freestyle**  
"A" Final: 1. Maris Williams (FWC) 22.86, 8. A. Wolf (F) 24.02.  
"B" Final: 10. Haines (HSE) 23.53.  
Prelims: 18. Walker (HSE) 24.03, 30. Story Hughes (C) 24.93.

**One-meter diving**  
Finals: 1. Adelyn Flessner (North Central) 529.30, 2. Helena Gibson (C) 488.85, 3. Eryn McMahon (N) 450.25.  
Prelims: 28. Emily Linder (C) 154.30.

**100 butterfly**  
"A" Final: 1. Sweeney (C) 52.78, 8. A. Wolf (F) 55.34.  
"B" Final: 14. Miller (HSE) 56.44.  
Prelims: T23. Maria Daily (C) 57.84, 27. Evelyn Wheat (Westfield) 58.26.

**100 freestyle**  
"A" Final: 1. Kate Fetters

(FWC) 49.52, 5. Hayes (F) 50.87.  
"B" Final: 10. Floyd (C) 52.42, 12. Enoch (C) 52.77, 13. Henderson (HSE) 52.91, 14. H. Blackwell (N) 53.05.

Prelims: 22. Hare (F) 53.00.  
**500 freestyle**  
"A" Final: 1. E. Wolf (F) 4:43.25, 3. Morris (C) 4:57.99, 4. Ledwith (C) 4:58.21, 7. Helayna Weller (C) 5:02.24, 8. Rager (F) 5:04.72.  
"B" Final: 9. Madara (HH) 5:01.81, 11. Izzy Schmitt (HSE) 5:05.07, 12. Lillian Cain (F) 5:06.92, 15. Maya Preston (N) 5:10.04, 16. Brooklyn Penn (HSE) 5:13.60.  
Prelims: 18. Amira Leer (HH) 5:12.87, 20. Delaney McCulloch (W) 5:14.34.

**200 freestyle relay**  
"A" Final: 1. Fort Wayne Carroll 1:32.63, 3. Fishers (Hayes, Hare, E. Wolf, Larkin Lee) 1:34.42, 4. Carmel (Floyd, Debosch, Enoch, Sweeney) 1:34.51, 6. Southeastern (Miller, Henderson, Walker, Sarah Cooper) 1:35.82.  
Prelims: 20. Noblesville (H. Blackwell, Ava Middleton, K. Blackwell, Preston) 1:40.05.

**100 backstroke**  
"A" Final: 1. Clarke (C) 53.08, 3. Debosch (C) 55.19, 4. Haines (HSE) 55.38.

"B" Final: 14. Hannon (F) 57.84, 15. Weller (C) 58.38.  
Prelims: 17. Sophie Blue (F) 57.60, 18. Bogaards (HSE) 57.70, T19. Isabella Ortiz (F) 57.79.

**100 breaststroke**  
"A" Final: 1. Sweeney (C) 59.24, 5. Ing (HSE) 1:03.88, 6. Nguyen (F) 1:04.20.  
"B" Final: 12. Payton Clark (C) 1:05.54, 14. Noa Calili (U) 1:05.87.  
Prelims: 17. Yonkus (C) 1:06.17, 18. Sopova (F) 1:06.22, 21. Cooper (HSE) 1:06.87.

**400 freestyle relay**  
"A" Final: 1. Fort Wayne Carroll 3:21.30, 2. Fishers (Hayes, A. Wolf, Hannon, E. Wolf) 3:21.67, 3. Carmel (Clarke, Floyd, Morris, Enoch) 3:25.24, 6. Southeastern (Miller, Henderson, Bogaards, Haines) 3:27.34.  
"B" Final: 14. Noblesville (H. Blackwell, Middleton, Adalyn Goettler, Preston) 3:38.41.  
Prelims: 26. Westfield (Wheat, Macy Brown, Nalani Hendrix, Katherine Cassidy) 3:43.17.

## TICKETS

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Photo by Manford Photography

**Westfield's Aiden Driscoll finished fourth at 120 pounds, qualifying for the state finals.**

Senior Camden Funk (34-10) was fourth at 190 for the Tigers.

The Millers' first state qualifier was freshman Brody Weimer (37-5) at 126. Weimer opened the day with a 15-0 (2:26) technical fall in the first round and followed up with a 17-8 major decision during his quarterfinal, round-to-go match.

After a loss in the semifinals, Weimer bounced back to take third after he upset sixth-ranked Bradyn Volz (37-2) of Eastern Hancock by fall during the consolation round in 4:06. Weimer is ranked 16th in the state.

Kincaide, who missed last season due to a back injury, won by pin in all four of his matches. His first unfolded in 59 seconds. His second required 34 seconds. In the finals, he pinned senior James Grimme (32-10) of Indianapolis Cathedral in 35 seconds.

"It was a bad injury, but we're back at it and looking for a state title," Kincaide said. "Just trying to get on and off the mat as soon as possible, just trying to be dominant."

As a freshman, Kincaide placed fourth at 157 when the state finals was held in Evansville.

## Boys Basketball

# Royals beat Carmel for fifth straight win

By **RICHARD TORRES**  
For The Reporter

Nothing was going to stop the Hamilton Southeastern Royals from winning a fifth straight game on Friday the 13th.

Not bad luck, a slow start or a 36-19 halftime deficit at home against state-ranked Class 4A Carmel.

Instead, the 4A Royals rallied, tied the game at 52-52 by the end of regulation and pulled off the comeback to win 67-61 in overtime.

The victory extended a winning streak HSE

launched on Jan. 31 and marked its third consecutive win against rival Carmel in as many years.

HSE outscored the Greyhounds 33-20 in the second half with both teams exchanging leads three times and tying five more throughout the night.

A game-high 27 points by sophomore Varschon Clark (9 of 16 shooting with five rebounds and five assists) fueled HSE's 17-point come-from-behind performance.

Seniors Luke Weemer and Landon Osswald both

finished with 12 points apiece and five and three rebounds, respectively.

The Royals tallied 15 points off 17 Carmel turnovers but lost the rebound (33-24) and 3-point shooting battles (33 points to 18). However, a 15-point bonus quarter sealed the victory.

Carmel junior Cash Daniels led the Hounds with 23 points, six rebounds and six assists.

### Hounds rebound against Orioles

Carmel's boys took care of business on Saturday, Feb. 14, steadily building a

lead to beat Avon 63-36 on Bill Shepherd Court at the Eric Clark Activity Center.

The Greyhounds outscored the Orioles in each quarter, leading 14-7 after the first period. Carmel extended its lead to 30-15 by halftime, then took further control with a 16-7 third quarter for a 46-22 advantage.

Daniels led Carmel's offense with 15 points and eight assists. Evan Harrell added 14 points and pulled six rebounds, while Ben Bremer hit three 3-pointers for nine points.

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position for several years working as Offensive Coordinator and quarterbacks coach at both Noblesville and Ben Davis. Those experiences earned him two head coaching positions, successfully leading the Northwestern Tigers to a 9-2 season in 2024 and the Kokomo Wildcats to a 4-7 season in 2025.

"Caleb is coming back home to coach at his alma mater having gained 13-

plus years of high-level coaching experience along the way. He added to his resume invaluable successful experiences as the OC at Noblesville and Ben Davis where he played an integral part in the 2023 state championship and the four 6A final four appearances that preceded the state championship. The past two years, he has been head coach of two different programs and had

success developing young men at both," said Athletic Director Kurt Ogden. "We feel that Caleb's ability to build relationships and a selfless culture while pursuing excellence on and off the field, will positively impact more athletes at Hamilton Heights than

just the football team. His past coaching experiences clearly made him the front-runner for the job."

Caleb and his wife Ally, reside in Cicero. They have been married nine years and have two children, son Elliot (7) and daughter Parker (5).

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**Thanks for reading the Hamilton County Reporter!**

Boys Basketball

# Golden Eagles clinch unbeaten Circle City Conference title

By CRAIG ADKINS  
For The Reporter

The Thursday, Feb. 19 Circle City Conference game at The Nest helped to keep proving that the Golden Eagles are well into preparations for the sectional.

Guerin Catholic had a lead at halftime that they saw evaporate in the second half. The Golden Eagles took Roncalli to overtime to claim their second consecutive conference championship on their home floor, 41-37.

Guerin got up 14-7 in the first and the second was a similar, but lower scoring 9-6, giving GC a 23-13 halftime advantage.

The visiting Royals climbed right back into it in the second half. Roncalli overcame the 10-point halftime deficit, outscoring Guerin 22-12 in the second half, to force the extra period.

The Golden Eagles held Roncalli in check in the overtime, taking it 6-2 to hold on for the home victory.

Carter Murans was the lone double-digit scorer with 15 on 6-for-9 shooting. The trio of Andrew Reithman, Zach Tansel and Luke Keller each scored seven.

**Road win at Shortridge**

Guerin Catholic's defeated Shortridge 67-46 on



(ABOVE) The Guerin Catholic boys basketball team won an undefeated Circle City Conference championships on Thursday, Feb. 19. The Golden Eagles held off Roncalli in overtime, 41-37. (BELOW) Guerin Catholic's Carter Murans scored 15 points.

Photos by Mike Navarro

the road in a Tuesday, Feb. 17 game.

The Golden Eagles outscored the Blue Devils in each of the four quarters. Guerin Catholic led 14-10 after the first period, then ran its lead to 31-19 by halftime. The Golden Eagles poured in another 19 points in the third quarter.

Jake Grissom had another outstanding game, scoring 30 points and collecting eight rebounds. Hayden Rogers added 10 points and dished out nine assists. Will Bach collected eight rebounds.



Reporter photos by Richie Hall

(LEFT) Westfield's Brock Detamore (left) and Drew Haffner prepare on defense during the Shamrocks' win over University on Tuesday, Feb. 17. Haffner scored 32 points, including seven 3-pointers. (RIGHT) University's Joshua McGee takes the ball to the basket.

# Rocks overwhelm Harrison, University

**The REPORTER**

Westfield's boys scored a big victory on Friday, Feb. 13, taking care of Harrison 67-26 at CSI Gymnasium.

The Raiders led 15-13 after the first quarter, but the Shamrocks dominated the game after that. Westfield outscored Harrison 19-8 in the second period for a 32-23 lead. Drew Haffner hit four 3-pointers in the second half on his way to 14 points, while Graham Wilson nailed a pair of triples in the second quarter.

The Rocks shut out the Raiders in the third quarter, pouring in 23 points to lead 55-23. Haffner threw in two more 3s and added 10 points in the third. Westfield closed out the fourth quarter by outscoring Harrison 12-3.

Haffner hit one more triple in the fourth, giving him seven for the game. He finished with 27 points. Luke Vandegriff scored 10 points, while Brock Detamore add-

ed nine points, including two 3s.

**Another 32 for Haffner**

Haffner scored 32 points to lead Westfield to a 71-49 win over University in an all-county matchup Tuesday, Feb. 17.

Haffner found his rhythm early, scoring the first five points of the game and adding another three pointer as the Rocks raced to a 12-2 lead midway through the first quarter. University did close the gap to 16-9 after four straight points by Faisal Mohamud before Brock Detamore's three-point play with 4.7 seconds remaining put Westfield up 19-9 at the quarter break. Haffner had eight points in the quarter and Detamore seven. Mohamud had six first quarter points to lead University.

The teams battled on even terms in the second quarter before Haffner scored four points in the

last 48 seconds of the half to give Westfield a 32-18 lead at halftime. Haffner had eight points in second quarter to finish the first half with 16 points.

University made a run early in the third quarter to try to get back in the game. Mohamud and Blake Gray opened the half with baskets, but Haffner was fouled making a three pointer and completed the four-point play for a 36-22 lead. The Trailblazers used a Mohamud free throw and a Joshua Henderson rebound basket, followed by a Gray three pointer to get within eight. Haffner again answered with a three pointer that was matched by Henderson to make the score 39-31.

Westfield then took total control of the game, outscoring University 20-3 over the next five minutes. Haffner added ten more points in the third quarter

while Graham Wilson had seven points and Wyatt Freehauf six and the Rocks were in front 59-36 heading to the fourth quarter. Henderson scored nine points in the third quarter.

Haffner added two more three pointers in the fourth quarter giving him seven triples for the game. Freehauf and Wilson also reached double figures for Westfield with 11 points each. Henderson had 18 points and Mohamud 13 for University.

# Blackhawks clinch unbeaten HHC crown

**The REPORTER**

Sheridan's boys had to come way back in their final Hoosier Heartland Conference game of the season on Friday, Feb. 13, but the Blackhawks got it done.

As a result, Sheridan is now an unbeaten conference champion. The Blackhawks erased a 10-point deficit in the fourth quarter and beat Carroll 58-57 at Larry Hobbs Hall to win their first HHC championship since the 2011-12 season.

The Cougars led 17-7 after the first quarter; Desh Donathan scored all of Sheridan's points in that period. The Blackhawks cut that advantage to 27-23 by halftime before Carroll surged again in the third quarter, outscoring the Hawks 17-11 for a 44-34 lead.

But the fourth quarter belonged to Sheridan, which poured in 24 points. Trey Page scored 12 of them, including the game-winning basket with two seconds left.

Page finished with 18 points for the game. Chance Spencer added 12 points. Donathan scored 11 points and pulled five rebounds. Devon Hamilton contributed nine points and two blocked shots. Jax Peerman dished out six assists.

Sheridan kept the momentum going the next night, cruising past Mazonaqua 83-44 in another home game. The Blackhawks outscored the Braves in each of the four quarters, starting with a 23-14 lead after the first period. A 27-point second quarter gave Sheridan a 50-23 lead and the Blackhawks sailed through the second half.

Page and Peerman both scored 18 points, followed by Hamilton with 15 points. Hamilton and Spencer each collected seven rebounds.

Page handed out five



Photo by Dwight Casler  
Sheridan's Trey Page cuts down the net after the Blackhawks clinched an undefeated Hoosier Heartland Conference title on Friday, Feb. 13. The Blackhawks came back to beat Carroll 58-57.

assists, while Spencer made four assists. Brayden Whisman pulled five rebounds and John Crowder had four rebounds. Sheridan finished conference play 8-0.

The Hawks put together another big win on Tuesday, Feb. 17, taking care of Western Boone 72-44 at Larry Hobbs Hall.

The Blackhawks outscored the Stars in each quarter, beginning with a 20-point first quarter for a 20-15 lead. Page was outstanding early, making three 3-pointers on his way to 11 points.

Sheridan kept the pressure on in the second period, holding WeBo to eight points. The Hawks went into halftime with a 34-23 lead, then poured in another 22 points in the third quarter. Page scored 12 of those points.

The fourth quarter was another good defensive one for Sheridan, as it outscored the Stars 16-9. Page added another seven points. He finished with 34 points, including six 3-pointers.

Hamilton added 12 points, including five in the first period. Spencer scored eight.

# Huskies hold off Lebanon

**By CRAIG ADKINS**

For The Reporter

it with a 14-9 second to trail just 26-25.

Heights was able to score two more in both the third and fourth to come back enough to beat Lebanon for a three-point win.

Jack Kakasuleff led the Huskies with 13 points, making six of his 12 field goals. Jackson Mikesell joined in double-figures with 10 and seven rebounds. Will DeStefano (seven boards) and Caleb Sullivan both added nine points and Rees Knapp six to help pace Heights.

The Tigers jumped out to a 17-11 first period lead. But, Huskies got back into

Girls Basketball

# Royals fall to Mavericks at regional

**The REPORTER**

The Hamilton Southeastern girls basketball team's season came to an end on Saturday, Feb. 14, as the Royals fell to McCutcheon 53-36 in the Frankfort regional championship.

The Mavericks outscored Southeastern in each quarter, leading 14-7 after the first pe-

riod. McCutcheon held a 22-13 halftime advantage and led 33-22 after three periods, then had a 20-point fourth quarter to finish the game.

Kayla Stidham scored 13 points for the Royals. Kennedy Holman put together a double-double of 16 rebounds and 11 points. Both are headed to Division

I college programs: Holman is a Florida commit, while Stidham is a Bowling Green State recruit.

Southeastern finished its season 20-5, its sixth 20-win season in the past eight years and also defended its Sectional 8 championship in addition to another Hoosier Crossroads Conference title.

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# Black Talon Club gives opportunities to Sheridan's up-and-coming wrestlers

By **RICHIE HALL**  
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Young wrestlers in Sheridan have a place to go in order to start their journey in the sport, sharpen their skills, or just have fun.

The Black Talon Wrestling Club started last year and is entering its second year with greatly expanded membership. Club assistant Katie Hamersley said the first year, "we probably had 15 kids and we have tripled that this year."

The club wrestlers are divided into beginners, which is primarily for the younger wrestlers. They are being taught fundamentals and are entered in what Hamersley calls "friendly matches."

There is also a group for older, more advanced wrestlers. Some of the high school wrestlers compete in that class. As for older kids that are just starting out, Hamersley said they would be placed in the advanced group "just because



Photo provided

**Twenty Black Talon wrestlers competed at the recent Clinton Central youth tournament. Over 200 wrestlers were in attendance.**

of their size."

"I think we had a couple middle schoolers wrestle at the beginners class, but they stayed for the advanced," said Hamersley. "There were two of them, so they matched up in weight."

Some of the club's young wrestlers got the opportunity to compete in a youth tournament at Clinton Central. Hamersley said 20 wrestlers showed up for that tournament.

"They really like it and

they actually listen, and they're focused, which is great, even the really little ones," said Hamersley. "The first tournament, everyone had a good time, even the parents just watching."

Hamersley said the focus for the little wrestlers are on "stance, how to do a proper takedown, how a match would go. They're learning how to do the top-bottom position. Just basic moves."

"The high school girls volunteer to help with the

younger kids," said Hamersley. "My daughter AJ Hamersley is the assistant coach. She'll sometimes also lead practices if she needs to. We have four to five girls that show up consistently to teach the younger kids. If it wasn't for them, it would be very hectic."

"They love it," said Katie Hamersley. "They've got buddies, the kids love them."

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## — ARCADIA —

Arcadia Civil Town, Hamilton County, Indiana Cash & Investments Combined Statement - 2025						
Local Fund Number	Local Fund Name	Beg Cash & Inv Bal		Disbursements	End Cash & Inv Bal	Dec 31, 2025
		Jan 1, 2025	Receipts			
Governmental	1101	GENERAL FUND	\$1,743,633.99	\$925,002.46	\$721,450.88	\$1,947,185.57
Activities	2201	MOTOR VEHICLE HIGHWAY	\$29,465.03	\$225,024.44	\$234,288.03	\$20,201.44
	2202	LOCAL ROAD & STREET	\$212,034.75	\$48,478.89	\$65,460.85	\$195,052.79
	2203	MVH RESTRICTED	\$10,001.01	\$32,589.90	\$2,407.50	\$40,183.41
	2228	LECC	\$44,414.11	\$12,961.72	\$9,795.46	\$47,580.37
	2234	UNSAFE BUILDING	\$58,420.54	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$58,420.54
	2236	RAINY DAY	\$93,093.40	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$93,093.40
	2248	LOIT SPECIAL DISTRIBUTION	\$137,381.00	\$77,643.00	\$18,560.85	\$196,463.15
	2256	OPIOID DISTRIBUTION LOCAL ABATEMENT	\$2,372.96	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,372.96
	2257	OPIOID DISTRIBUTION LOCAL RESTRICTED	\$2,676.68	\$592.38	\$0.00	\$3,269.06
	2300	DONATION	\$15,442.40	\$5,884.00	\$9,654.48	\$11,671.92
	2401	Splash Pad	\$-910.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$-910.00
	2402121.0.0	CCMG Distribution	\$6,729.03	\$0.00	\$6,220.53	\$508.50
	2405	Mural Grant Project	\$1,609.23	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,609.23
	2407110.0.0	America Walks Grant	\$2,200.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,200.00
	2408499.0.0	MIBOR GRANT -POCKET PARK	\$0.00	\$7,500.00	\$7,500.00	\$0.00
	2500	POLICE FORFEITURE	\$818.67	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$818.67
	2501	BICENTENNIAL GRANT 2023	\$344.55	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$344.55
	4401	CCI	\$0.00	\$2,251.91	\$1,114.42	\$1,137.49
	4402	CUM CAP DEVELOPMENT	\$21,003.61	\$28,171.03	\$0.00	\$49,174.64
	4428	CUMULATIVE SEWER	\$99,901.43	\$58,032.37	\$0.00	\$157,933.80
	6604	TRASH-GARBAGE & TRASH COLLECTION	\$48,112.38	\$172,673.17	\$160,090.84	\$60,694.71
	8901	PAYROLL	\$6,251.32	\$790,660.35	\$792,169.97	\$4,741.70
WASTEWATER	6201	WASTEWATER CASH OPERATING	\$849,308.30	\$597,422.70	\$630,506.48	\$816,224.52
	6202	WASTEWATER BOND & INTEREST	\$0.00	\$62,774.40	\$0.00	\$0.00
	6203	WASTEWATER IMPROVEMENT	\$325,458.25	\$28,662.00	\$0.00	\$354,120.25
	6204	WASTEWATER REPLACEMENT	\$491,362.80	\$28,662.00	\$0.00	\$520,024.80
	6205	WASTEWATER CUSTOMER DEPOSIT	\$4,002.99	\$1,000.00	\$916.82	\$4,086.17
	6206	WASTEWATER -DEBT RESERVE	\$0.00	\$42,720.12	\$42,720.12	\$0.00
	6207	SFR BNY MELLON B & I	\$108,548.31	\$98,508.63	\$92,568.11	\$114,488.83
	6208	SFR WW BNY MELLON DEBT RESERVE	\$71,781.42	\$13,192.20	\$0.00	\$84,973.62
	6210	SFR WW LOCAL CONSTR 2	\$813.60	\$313.45	\$572.00	\$555.05
	6211	SFR WW LOCAL CONSTR 3	\$245,871.23	\$4,323.56	\$207,808.00	\$42,386.79
	6212	SFR WW LOCAL CONSTR 1	\$153,397.17	\$6,425.56	\$0.00	\$159,822.73
WATER	6213990.0.0	SFR WW Arcadia23 WAF	\$0.00	\$636,497.00	\$636,497.00	\$0.00
	6101	WATER CASH OPERATING FUND	\$252,854.12	\$890,635.52	\$731,616.58	\$411,873.06
	6102	WATER BOND & INTEREST	\$0.00	\$159,250.00	\$159,250.00	\$0.00
	6103	WATER UTIL DEPRECIATION	\$288,099.96	\$62,880.00	\$1,452.93	\$349,527.03
	6104	WATER CUSTOMER DEPOSIT	\$29,688.07	\$2,310.00	\$2,027.36	\$29,970.71
	6106	SFR 2014 WATER BNY MELLON B&I	\$55,714.99	\$161,306.69	\$155,915.08	\$61,106.60
	6107	SFR 2014 WATER BNY DEBT RESERVE	\$102,017.39	\$4,273.26	\$0.00	\$106,290.65
	6108	SFR WATER BAN UNSPENT	\$118,930.45	\$4,550.59	\$21,850.00	\$101,631.04
	6111	SFR WATER ARCADIA BAN23C	\$0.00	\$79,321.00	\$79,321.00	\$0.00
	6401	WATER BOND ANTICIPATION NOTE	\$86,340.36	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$86,340.36
		<b>Total All Funds</b>	<b>\$5,719,185.50</b>	<b>\$5,272,494.30</b>	<b>\$4,854,509.69</b>	<b>\$6,137,170.11</b>

## — NOBLESVILLE —

**Public Notice Des. No. 1901880**  
The Indiana Department of Transportation (INDOT) is planning to undertake an intersection improvement project, funded in part by the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA). The project is located at the intersection of SR 38 and Logan Street in Noblesville, Hamilton County, Indiana.

Under the preferred alternative, the proposed project would involve the construction of a double-lane roundabout. A two-foot shoulder will be added. An additional by-pass lane for westbound Logan Street traffic to northbound SR 38 will be constructed. A new storm sewer will be installed within the limits of the curb and gutter. An existing 15-inch culvert (CLV-54743, formerly CLV-038-029-56.55) will be incorporated into the new storm sewer system. A 10-foot path will be included on the south side of Logan Street and will extend the entire project length. Existing concrete sidewalks will be reconstructed. A concrete sidewalk will be installed on the north side of Logan Street within the project limits and along the west and east side of the south leg (Sheridan Road/SR 38) of the roundabout within the project limits. Additionally, a new sidewalk will be added along the east side of Sheridan Road/SR 38, south of Logan Street. New street lighting will be installed within the project vicinity. Four modular block retaining walls with handrails will be installed, one of which will be located in the southwest corner of the SR 38 and Logan Street intersection with the remaining three retaining walls installed along the east side of SR 38, south of Logan Street. The existing drainage pipe beneath SR 38 will be incorporated into the new storm sewer system. A new storm sewer trunk line will be installed along Logan Street from Lakeview Drive to John Street.

The project limits along SR 38 extend approximately 750 feet south and 1250 feet north of its intersection with Logan Street. The project limits along Logan Street extend approximately 640 feet west and 1,150 feet east of its intersection with SR 38. The total amount of permanent right-of-way (ROW) acquisition is 0.64 acre, and the total amount of temporary ROW acquisition is 0.183 acre.

The proposed action does not impact properties listed in or eligible for the National Register of Historic Places. The Indiana Department of Transportation (INDOT), on behalf of the FHWA, has issued a "No Historic Properties Affected" finding for the project due to the fact that no historic properties are present within the Area of Potential Effects (APE). In accordance with the National Historic Preservation Act, the views of the public are being sought regarding the effect of the proposed project on the historic elements as per 36 CFR 800.2(d), 800.3(e) and 800.6(a)(4). Pursuant to 36 CFR 800.4(d)(1), the documentation specified in 36 CFR 800.11(d) is available for inspection in the Evansville, Indiana, office of Cultural Resource Analysts, Inc. Additionally, this documentation can be viewed electronically by accessing INDOT's Section 106 document posting website IN SCOPE at <http://erms12c.indot.in.gov/Section106Documents>. This documentation serves as the basis for the "No Historic Properties Affected" finding. The views of the public on this effect finding are being sought. Please reply with any comments to Alyssa Reynolds at 812.253.3009 or areynolds@cr-ai-ky.com at the offices of Cultural Resource Analysts, Inc., at 201 NW 4th St, Suite 204, Evansville, Indiana 47708 no later than March 27, 2026.

In accordance with the "Americans with Disabilities Act," if you have a disability for which INDOT needs to provide accessibility to the document(s) such as interpreters or readers, please contact Jennifer Beck, 765-745-8276 or jbeck@indot.in.gov and Andrew Rodewald 317-776-6330 or arodewald@noblesville.in.gov

2/23/26

### NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS OF HEARING ON PROPOSED FIRE CUMULATIVE CAPITAL FUND

Notice is hereby given to the taxpayers of the City of Noblesville, Hamilton County, Indiana, that the City of Noblesville Common Council will consider at 10 S. 10th Street at 6:00 p.m. on March 10, 2026, the re-establishment of a maximum authorized property tax rate for the Fire Cumulative Capital Fund under the provisions of Indiana Code 36-8-14-4 for the purposes provided in Indiana Code 36-8-14-1 et seq.

The tax will be levied on all taxable real and personal property within the taxing district and will not exceed \$0.0333 per \$100 assessed valuation for taxes due and payable in the year 2027. Since this levy is included and constrained by the City's statutory maximum property tax levy limit, the tax rate set for this fund does not increase the City's total allowable property tax levy for taxes due and payable in the year 2027. Furthermore, the Common Council annually establishes a self-imposed maximum City property tax rate limit, currently set at \$0.97 per \$100 assessed valuation for taxes due and payable in 2026, and the tax rate for this fund is also included within and constrained by the self-imposed maximum City property tax rate limit to be set for taxes due and payable in 2027.

Taxpayers appearing at such hearing shall have the right to be heard thereon. The proposal for establishment of the Fire Cumulative Capital Fund maximum rate is subject to approval by the Department of Local Government Finance.

Within 30 days after the date of the adoption of the cumulative fund by the Common Council, the City of Noblesville will publish a Notice of Adoption. Upon publication of the Notice of Adoption, 25 or more taxpayers in the taxing district may file a petition with the County Auditor not later than noon 30 days after the publication of the Notice of Adoption setting forth their objections to the proposed fund.

Dated this 20th day of February, 2026.

Evelyn L. Lees  
Clerk, City of Noblesville  
2/23/26, 3/2/26

R7541

## — FISHERS —

**Public Notice**  
Hamilton Southeastern Schools (13485 Cumberland Rd, Fishers, IN) is submitting a Notice of Intent to the Indiana Department of Environmental Management of our intent to comply with the requirements of Construction Stormwater General Permit to discharge stormwater from construction activities associated with Fishers Junior High School Tennis Courts, located in Fishers, Hamilton County, Indiana. More specifically, the project is located at 13257 Cumberland Road, part of the NE Quarter, Section 30, Township 18N, Range 5E. Britton Branch - White River will receive run-off from the project site. Please direct questions to Megan Irving, PE of American Structurepoint at 317-547-5880 or by email at mirving@structurepoint.com.

2/23/26

## — HAMILTON COUNTY —

### HAMILTON COUNTY REGIONAL UTILITY DISTRICT MEETING NOTICE

Pursuant to IC 5-14-1.5-5 (a) The Hamilton County Regional Utility District will meet on Monday, March 09, 2026 at 10:00 a.m. in the Commissioners Courtroom located in the Hamilton County Government and Judicial Center, One Hamilton County Square, Noblesville, Indiana 46060. Meeting will begin with Executive Session from 10:00 a.m.-10:10 a.m. for discussion of the Implementation of Security Systems IC 5-14-1.5-6.1(b)(C), Purchase or Lease of Real Estate IC 5-14-1.5-6.1(b)(2)(D), Discussion of Pending Litigation IC 5-14-1.5-6.1(b)(2)(B), and Discussion of Personnel IC 5-14-1.5-6.1(b)(7). Public session to discuss the utility district business will immediately follow the Executive Session.

2/23/26

## — WESTFIELD —

### PUBLIC NOTICE

Please be advised that the Westfield-Washington Township Board of Zoning Appeals will meet at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, March 10, 2026, at Westfield City Hall, 130 Penn Street, Westfield, Indiana, or in a virtual format viewable at <https://www.youtube.com/user/CityofWestfieldIN>, for the purposes of holding a public hearing and reviewing and acting on the following petitions for the purpose of reviewing and acting on the following petitions:

- 2603-VS-02; 1808 Dan Patch Lane, Zach Goldsberry requests multiple Variances of Development Standard to waive US 31 Overlay standards for the Property, modify the Minimum Lot Size for an existing legal nonconforming lot, and to encroach eight (8) feet into the forty (40) foot northern Front yard Setback to accommodate the expansion of an existing detached accessory building on 1.26 acres +/- in the AG-SF1: Agriculture/Single-Family Rural District (UDO Articles 4.2(C), 4.2(E)(1) as superseded by the Morgan Woods Plat (1972) and 5.2.

Specific details regarding the cases may be obtained from the Westfield Community Development Department, 2728 East 171st Street, Westfield, Indiana 46074 or by calling (317) 804-3170.

Westfield-Washington Township Board of Zoning Appeals  
Westfield Community Development Department  
2728 East 171st Street, Westfield, Indiana 46074  
[www.westfield.in.gov](http://www.westfield.in.gov)

2/23/26

### PUBLIC NOTICE

Please be advised that the Westfield-Washington Township Advisory Plan Commission will meet at 7:00 p.m., Wednesday, March 11, 2026, at Westfield City Hall, 130 Penn Street, Westfield, Indiana, or in a virtual format viewable at <https://www.youtube.com/user/CityofWestfieldIN>, for the purposes of holding a public hearing and reviewing and acting on the following petitions:

- 2512-CP-01; City of Westfield Comprehensive Plan; outlines the City of Westfield's long-term vision, goals, and policies guiding land use, development, transportation, utilities, housing, parks, and community services.

Specific details regarding the requests may be obtained from the Westfield Community Development Department, 2728 East 171st Street, Westfield, Indiana 46074 or by calling (317) 804-3150, option 5.

Written suggestions or objections relative to the requests may be filed with the Secretary of the Commission at the Westfield Community Development Department, 2728 East 171st Street, Westfield, Indiana 46074 or before the hearing will be considered. Oral comments concerning the proposals will be heard at the aforementioned public hearing. In the case of a virtual meeting, written comments concerning the proposals can be provided before and during the aforementioned public hearing by emailing [planners@westfield.in.gov](mailto:planners@westfield.in.gov). Such hearing may be continued from time to time as may be found necessary.

Westfield-Washington Township Advisory Plan Commission  
Westfield Community Development Department  
2728 East 171st Street, Westfield, Indiana 46074  
[www.westfieldin.gov](http://www.westfieldin.gov)

2/23/26

R7546

## — COURT NOTICES —

### SUMMONS - SERVICE BY PUBLICATION

DL#:#D284-48  
STATE OF INDIANA ) IN THE HAMILTON SUPERIOR COURT I  
) SS:  
COUNTY OF HAMILTON ) CAUSE NO.: 29D01-2510-MF-011858  
LAKEVIEW LOAN SERVICING, LLC, )  
Plaintiff, )  
)  
vs. )  
ENNIFER CRAWFORD AKA JENNIFER L. BOUTABA )  
AKA JENNIFER LEIGH BOUTABA )  
AND )  
GHASSEN BOUTABA, )  
Defendants. )

### NOTICE OF SUIT

The State of Indiana to the Defendants above named, and any other person who may be concerned: You are notified that you have been sued in the Court above named. The nature of the suit against you is a Complaint on Note and for Foreclosure of Mortgage on the following described real estate:  
Lot Number 11 in Block 2 in the Conrad Addition to Noblesville, Hamilton County, Indiana.

And Commonly known as: 1798 Hannibal St, Noblesville, IN 46060  
This Summons by Publication is specifically directed to the following named Defendants whose whereabouts are known to me:  
Jennifer Crawford aka Jennifer L. Boutaba aka Jennifer Leigh Boutaba.

This Summons by Publication is also specifically directed to the following named Defendants whose whereabouts are unknown to me:  
Ghassem Boutaba

In addition to the above named Defendants being served by this Summons, there may be other Defendants who have an interest in this lawsuit.

If you have a claim for relief against the Plaintiff arising from the same transaction or occurrence, you must assert it in your written answer.

You must answer the Complaint in writing, by you or your attorney, on or before the 8th day of April, 2026 (the same being within thirty (30) days after the Third Notice of Suit), and if you fail to do so, a judgment will be entered against you for what the Plaintiff has demanded.

DOYLE & FOUTTY, P.C.  
By Alan W. McEwan

ATTEST:  
Kathy Kregg Williams  
Clerk of the Hamilton County Superior Court I

Alan W. McEwan (24051-49)  
DOYLE & FOUTTY, P.C.  
41 E Washington St., Suite 400  
Indianapolis, IN 46204  
Phone: 317-264-5000  
Fax: 317-264-5400  
R7544 2/23/26, 3/2/26, 3/9/26

### 29D02-2602-EU-000068 Hamilton Superior Court 2

William J. Webster  
WEBSTER & GARINO LLC  
209 E 175th Street, Suite A  
Westfield, IN 46074

### NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION

Notice is hereby given that Gary R. Young was, on the 17th day of February, 2026, appointed Personal Representative of the Estate of Barbara H. Young, deceased, who died on the 14th day of December, 2025.

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

Dated at Noblesville, Indiana, this 17th day of February, 2026.

Kathy Kregg Williams  
Hamilton County Clerk

R7532 2/23/26, 3/2/26

### STATE OF INDIANA IN THE HAMILTON CIRCUIT COURT

### CAUSE NO. 29C01-2602-MI-002114

RE THE NAME CHANGE OF TERRY ANN BEAMAN

### NOTICE

To all interested persons: You are notified that a Petition to Change Name has been filed by Terry Ann Beaman within 7 days last past to change their name to Terry Ann Beaman. The Petition will be heard on June 19, 2026 at 10:00 o'clock A.M. in the Hamilton Circuit Court, Hamilton County Government and Judicial Center, Noblesville, Indiana.

Any person has the right to appear at the hearing and/or file objections thereto.

Dated: February 18, 2026

Kathy Kregg Williams  
Clerk, Hamilton County

R7534 2/23/26, 3/2/26, 3/9/26

### STATE OF INDIANA COUNTY OF HAMILTON

### IN THE HAMILTON SUPERIOR COURT I

### CAUSE NO.: 29D02-2602-EU-000074

IN THE MATTER OF THE UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION OF THE ESTATE OF WALLACE A. BAHLER, DECEASED

### NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION

In the Superior Court of Hamilton County, Indiana.

Notice is hereby given that on February 19, 2026, Troy Bahler and Brian Scott were appointed Personal Representatives of the Estate of Wallace A. Bahler, deceased, who died on January 3, 2026.

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

Dated: February 19, 2026

Kathy Kregg Williams  
Clerk of the Hamilton Superior Court

Laura B. Conway, Esq.  
Atty. No. 26316-49  
Thrasher Buschman & Voelkel, P.C.  
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Indianapolis, IN 46240  
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[conway@indiana-attorneys.com](mailto:conway@indiana-attorneys.com)  
R7538 2/23/26, 3/2/2

COURT NOTICES

SUMMONS - SERVICE BY PUBLICATION
DLC#:D284-48
STATE OF INDIANA ) IN THE HAMILTON SUPERIOR COURT I
) SS:
COUNTY OF HAMILTON ) CAUSE NO.: 29D01-2510-MF-012025
FREDDOM MORTGAGE CORPORATION, )
) Plaintiff, )
) vs. )
ANTHONY RAINWATER AND )
OCCUPANT(S) OF 409 E HAMILTON AVE, ARCADIA, IN 46030, )
) Defendants. )
NOTICE OF SUIT
The State of Indiana to the Defendants above named, and any other person who may be concerned: You are notified that you have been sued in the Court above named. The nature of the suit against you is a Complaint on Note and for Foreclosure of Mortgage on the following described real estate:
Lots Numbered 91, 92, 93, 94 and 95 and the West Half of Lot Numbered 90 in the Arcadia Land and Improvement Company's First Addition, an Addition to the Town of Arcadia, as per plat thereof recorded in Deed Record 59, page 47 in the Office of the Recorder of Hamilton County, Indiana.
And Commonly known as: 409 E Hamilton Ave, Arcadia, IN 46030
This Summons by Publication is specifically directed to the following named Defendants whose whereabouts are known to me:
Occupant(s) of 409 E Hamilton Ave, Arcadia, IN 46030
This Summons by Publication is also specifically directed to the following named Defendants whose whereabouts are unknown to me:
Anthony Rainwater
In addition to the above named Defendants being served by this Summons, there may be other Defendants who have an interest in this lawsuit.
If you have a claim for relief against the Plaintiff arising from the same transaction or occurrence, you must assert it in your written answer.
You must answer the Complaint in writing, by you or your attorney, on or before the 25th day of March, 2026 (the same being within thirty (30) days after the Third Notice of Suit), and if you fail to do so, a judgment will be entered against you for what the Plaintiff has demanded.
DOYLE & FOUTTY, P.C.
By KARA BRODOWSKI
ATTEST:
Kathy Kreag Williams
Clerk of the Hamilton County Superior Court I

Tina M. Taylor (30994-49)
Alan W. McEwan (24051-49)
Nathan A. Dewan (35006-82)
Matthew L. Foutty (20886-49)
Jessica S. Owens (26533-49)
Kara A. Brodowski (33954-45)
DOYLE & FOUTTY, P.C.
41 E Washington St., Suite 400
Indianapolis, IN 46204
Phone: 317-264-5000
Fax: 317-264-5400
R7447 2/9/26, 2/16/26, 2/23/26

STATE OF INDIANA )
COUNTY OF HAMILTON )
IN THE HAMILTON )
CIRCUIT COURT )
Cause No. 29C01-2507-MI-8095
IN RE THE MATTER OF:
Kristi Kay Southard
Petitioner
NOTICE OF PETITION FOR CHANGE OF NAME
Kristi Kay Southard, whose mailing address is: 111 West Main Street Apt 2N Carmel, Indiana 46032, in the Hamilton County, Indiana, hereby gives notice that Kristi Kay Southard has filed a petition in the Hamilton County Circuit Court requesting that name be changed to Kristi Kay Saarela.
Notice is further given that the hearing will be held on said Petition on: April 24, 2026 at 10:00 a.m.
Kristi Kay Southard
Petitioner
Date: December 10, 2025
Kathy Kreag Williams
Hamilton County Clerk
R7422 2/9/26, 2/16/26, 2/23/26

STATE OF INDIANA )
COUNTY OF HAMILTON )
IN THE HAMILTON )
CIRCUIT COURT )
Cause No. 29C01-2601-MI-00018
IN RE THE MATTER OF:
Emy Bishay
Petitioner
NOTICE OF PETITION FOR CHANGE OF NAME
Emy Bishay, whose mailing address is: 15859 Black Willow Ln, in the Hamilton County, Indiana, hereby gives notice that Emy Bishay has filed a petition in the Hamilton County Circuit Court requesting that name be changed to Elham Hendy.
Notice is further given that the hearing will be held on said Petition on: May 15, 2026 at 10:00 a.m.
Emy Bishay
Petitioner
Date: January 22, 2026
Kathy Kreag Williams
Hamilton County Clerk
R7444 2/9/26, 2/16/26, 2/23/26

STATE OF INDIANA )
COUNTY OF HAMILTON )
IN THE HAMILTON )
CIRCUIT COURT )
Cause No. 29C01-2601-MI-001228
IN RE THE MATTER OF:
Boyce Andrew Johnson
Petitioner
NOTICE OF PETITION FOR CHANGE OF NAME
Boyce Andrew Johnson, whose mailing address is: 17436 Fleming St Apt 307 Noblesville, Indiana 46060, in the Hamilton County, Indiana, hereby gives notice that Boyce Andrew Johnson has filed a petition in the Hamilton County Circuit Court requesting that name be changed to Boyce Andrew Brannon.
Notice is further given that the hearing will be held on said Petition on: June 19, 2026 at 10:00 a.m.
Boyce Andrew Johnson
Petitioner
Date: January 30, 2026
Kathy Kreag Williams
Hamilton County Clerk
R7446 2/9/26, 2/16/26, 2/23/26

STATE OF INDIANA )
COUNTY OF HAMILTON )
IN THE HAMILTON )
CIRCUIT COURT )
Cause No. 29C01-2601-MI-001064
IN RE THE MATTER OF:
Laura Elizabeth Piguet
Petitioner
NOTICE OF HEARING
Laura Elizabeth Piguet, whose mailing address is: 25898 Scherer Avenue Arcadia, Indiana 46030, in the Hamilton County, Indiana, hereby gives notice that Laura Elizabeth Piguet has filed a petition in the Hamilton County Circuit Court requesting that name be changed to Laura Elizabeth Trietsch.
Notice is further given that the hearing will be held on said Petition on: April 24, 2026 at 10:00 a.m.
Laura Elizabeth Piguet
Petitioner
Date: January 29, 2026
Kathy Kreag Williams
Hamilton County Clerk
R7403 2/2/26, 2/9/26, 2/16/26

29D01-2511-EU-000495
S. MATTHEW COOK
Attorney for Estate
NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION
In the Superior Court No. 1 of Hamilton County, Indiana.
Notice is hereby given that Mark A. Clark was on the 12th day of November, 2025, appointed Personal Representative of the Estate of Marilyn S. Clark, deceased.
All persons having claims against this estate, whether or not now due, must file the same in said Court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, or within nine (9) months after the decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred.
Dated at Noblesville, Indiana, this 12th day of November, 2025.
Kathy Kreag Williams
Clerk, Hamilton Superior Court No. 1
S. Matthew Cook
COOK & COOK
Attorneys at Law
955 Logan Street
Noblesville, IN 46060
R7457 2/16/26, 2/23/26

29D03-2512-DC-013934
Hamilton Superior Court 3
SUMMONS
IN THE HAMILTON COUNTY
CIRCUIT AND SUPERIOR
COURTS
STATE OF INDIANA )
COUNTY OF HAMILTON )
IN THE HAMILTON COUNTY )
SUPERIOR COURT )
IN RE THE MARRIAGE OF )
HEIJAR MUBARAK, Petitioner, )
and )
FRANK DEEB, )
Respondent. )
SUMMONS
TO RESPONDENT: Frank Deeb
You are hereby notified that you have been sued by the Petitioner for Dissolution of Marriage in the Court indicated above.
If this summons is accompanied by an Order to Appear, you must appear in Court on the date and time stated in the Order to Appear. If you do not appear, evidence may be heard in your absence and a determination made by the Court. If a Temporary Restraining Order is attached, it is effective immediately upon your receipt or knowledge of the Order.
You may hire an attorney to represent you in this matter. If you are going to represent yourself, you must inform the Court by written notice that must include your name, address and telephone number.
If you take no action in this case after receipt of this Summons, the Court can grant a Dissolution of Marriage or make a determination regarding any of the following: paternity, child custody, child support, maintenance, visitation, property division (real or personal) and any other distribution of assets and debts.
Dated: 12/16/2025
Kathy Kreag Williams
Clerk, Hamilton County
R7443 2/9/26, 2/16/26, 2/23/26

STATE OF INDIANA )
COUNTY OF HAMILTON )
IN THE HAMILTON )
CIRCUIT COURT )
Cause No. 29C01-2602-MI-001525
IN RE THE MATTER OF:
Antoinette Gayle Jurney
Petitioner
NOTICE OF PETITION FOR CHANGE OF NAME
Antoinette Gayle Jurney, whose mailing address is: 19585 Boulder Brook Lane Westfield, Indiana 46074, in the Hamilton County, Indiana, hereby gives notice that Antoinette Gayle Jurney has filed a petition in the Hamilton County Circuit Court requesting that name be changed to Antoinette Gayle Jurney.
Notice is further given that the hearing will be held on said Petition on: June 19, 2026 at 10:00 a.m.
Antoinette Gayle Jurney
Petitioner
Date: February 5, 2026
Kathy Kreag Williams
Hamilton County Clerk
R7448 2/9/26, 2/16/26, 2/23/26

STATE OF INDIANA )
COUNTY OF HAMILTON )
IN THE HAMILTON )
CIRCUIT COURT )
Cause No. 29C01-2601-MI-001241
IN RE THE MATTER OF:
Lindsay Brooke Bevilaqua
Petitioner
NOTICE OF PETITION FOR CHANGE OF NAME
Lindsay Brooke Bevilaqua, whose mailing address is: 70 Hawthorne Court Carmel, Indiana 46033, in the Hamilton County, Indiana, hereby gives notice that Lindsay Brooke Bevilaqua has filed a petition in the Hamilton County Circuit Court requesting that name be changed to Lindsay Brooke Elliott.
Notice is further given that the hearing will be held on said Petition on: May 15, 2026 at 10:00 a.m.
Lindsay Brooke Bevilaqua
Petitioner
Date: January 30, 2026
Kathy Kreag Williams
Hamilton County Clerk
R7449 2/9/26, 2/16/26, 2/23/26

Eileen P.H. Moore,
Attorney No. 25957-49
Elizabeth Timme,
Attorney No. 29306-53
ICE MILLER LLP
One American Square
Suite 2900
Indianapolis, Indiana 46282-0200
Telephone: (317) 236-2100
NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION
In the Superior Court No. 1 of Hamilton County, Indiana.
In the Matter of the Estate of Margaret Jane Salin, deceased.
Estate Docket 29D01-2507-ES-000304
Notice is hereby given that The National Bank of Indianapolis was on December 10, 2025, appointed personal representative of the estate of Margaret Jane Salin, deceased, who died on June 19, 2025.
All persons who have claims against this estate, whether or not now due, must file the claim in the office of the clerk of this Court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, or within nine (9) months after the decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred.
Dated at Noblesville, Indiana, this February 9, 2026.
Kathy Kreag Williams
Clerk of the Hamilton Superior Court No. 1
R7484 2/16/26, 2/23/26

FISHERS

Notice to Sub-Contractors - Pre-Qualification
February 23, 2026
Re: Hamilton Southeastern High School - Bus Lot Improvements - Phase A
12499 Olio Road
Fishers, IN 46037
The Skillman Corporation Project No. 225700
All first tier subcontractors wishing to bid and contract for this project must be prequalified in order to participate in the bidding process and to be considered for an award of contract. The prequalification process will be administered by the Owner's Construction Manager as Constructor (CMc). The Skillman Corporation. The following are the Bid Categories under consideration for this project.
1 - Demo, Earthwork, Concrete, Electrical, Site Amenities
2 - Asphalt Paving
In order to prequalify, first tier subcontractors must submit their completed Prequalification Form conforming to the requirements set forth below no later than March 19, 2026. The CMc reserves the right to extend this deadline in its sole discretion. The Prequalification Form is available for pick up by interested first tier subcontractors at The Skillman Corporation's Office. Prequalification Form will also be available via email, requests shall be sent to Andrew Huehls at ahuehls@skillman.com. Bid documents will be available on or after February 25, 2026.
Prequalification requirements set forth by the CMc and Hamilton Southeastern School Corporation are as follows:
• Performance & Payment Bond from company with a rating of A+ VII, A VII or A- VII by A. M. Best and lawfully authorized to do business in the jurisdiction in which the Project is located.
• Must be able to obtain Insurance in the amount of \$3 Million Commercial General Liability; \$3 Million Aggregate; \$5 Million Umbrella from company with a rating of A+ VII, A VII or A- VII by A. M. Best and lawfully authorized to do business in the jurisdiction in which the Project is located.
• Provide an arbitration and litigation history on all construction contracts in the last 10 years.
• Provide record of safety history to include EMR, DART, TRIR and history of OSHA violations.
• Provide history of contracting with or hiring minority, women, and veteran business enterprises on prior projects and include date of projects.
• Sub-contractors must commit and be able to comply with applicable laws including but not limited to the requirements detailed in the bidding documents and found in applicable public works and contract statutes.
• First tier subcontractors may be found to be unqualified for this project if the CMc, Architect, or Owner determines that: (i) the above requirements have not been satisfied, (ii) a history of non-compliance by the first tier subcontractor that has negatively impacted the schedule, budget, safety or quality of a project, (iii) if the first tier subcontractor's experience on comparable projects is insufficient, or (iv) the first tier subcontractor's available manpower is insufficient based on its current workload.
Hamilton Southeastern Schools
R7461 2/23/26

Public Notice
The City of Fishers, 1 Municipal Drive Fishers, Indiana 46038 is submitting a Notice of Intent to the Indiana Department of Environmental Management of our intent to comply with the requirements of 327 IAC 15-5 to discharge storm water from construction activities associated with intersection improvement at the intersections of Olio Road & Southeastern Avenue and Olio Road & 136th Street in Hamilton County, IN. Run-off from the project site will discharge into Mud Creek. Questions or comments regarding this project should be directed to Jason Taylor of the City of Fishers, 317-595-3162.
R7509 2/23/26

SHERIFF SALES

TO THE OWNERS OF THE WITHIN DESCRIBED REAL ESTATE AND ALL INTERESTED PARTIES
NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE
By virtue of a certified copy of a decree to me directed from the Clerk of Superior Court of Hamilton County, Indiana, in Cause No. 29D02-2507-PL-07834, wherein Woodberry Homeowners' Association, Inc., was Plaintiff, and Shadiid Abedi and Arifa Begum Abedi were the Defendants, required me to make the sum as provided for in said Decree with interest and cost, I will expose a public sale to the highest bidder, on the 2nd day of April, 2026 between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 12:00 p.m. of said day, at the Hamilton County Sheriff's Office, 18100 Cumberland Road, Noblesville, IN 46060, fee simple of the whole body of Real Estate in Hamilton County, Indiana:
Lot Numbered 200 in Woodbney, Section 1, a Subdivision in Hamilton County, Indiana, as per Plat thereof recorded as Instrument Number 9915891, in the Office of the Recorder of Hamilton County, Indiana.
NOTE: This sale is subject to the lien and indebtedness due on the Mortgage to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee, its successors and assigns, dated October 28, 2011, and filed with the Hamilton County Recorder's Office on November 02, 2011, as Instrument No. 2011055698.
Together with rents, issues, income and profits thereof, said sale will be made without relief from valuation or appraisalment laws.
Dennis J. Quakenbush II
Sheriff of Hamilton County
Gregory A. Chandler #27057-49
Plaintiff's Attorney
EADS MURRAY & PUGH P.C.
9515 E 59th St Ste B, Indianapolis IN 46216
Township: Fall Creek
Street Address: 14325 Weeping Cherry Drive
Fishers, IN 46038
The Sheriff's Department does not warrant the accuracy of the street address herein.
This is a communication from a debt collector. This is an attempt to collect a debt. Any information obtained will be used for that purpose.
R7493 2/16/26, 2/23/26, 3/2/26

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE
By virtue of a certified copy of a decree to me directed from the Clerk of the Superior Court of Hamilton County, Indiana, in Cause No. 29D01-2507-MF-007521, wherein U.S. Bank Trust National Association, not in its individual capacity but solely as Owner Trustee for RCAF Acquisition Trust was Plaintiff, and Joseph M. McCarthy, was a Defendant, requiring me to make the sum as provided for in said Decree with interest and costs, I will expose at public sale to the highest bidder, on the 2nd day of April, 2026, at 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. of said day, at the 18100 Cumberland Road, Noblesville, IN 46060, the fee simple of the whole body of Real Estate in Hamilton County, Indiana:
Tract A: Part of the Northwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of Section 16, Township 18 North, Range 3 East of the Second Principal Meridian in Washington Township, Hamilton County, Indiana, described as follows: Beginning at a point on the North line of the Northeast Quarter of Section 16, Township 18 North, Range 3 East that is 1751.34 feet South 89 degrees 48 minutes 05 seconds West (assumed bearing) from the Northeast corner of the said Northeast Quarter; thence South 89 degrees 48 minutes 05 seconds West on the North line of said Northeast Quarter 332.40 feet; thence South 00 degrees 31 minutes 15 seconds West parallel with the East line of said Northeast Quarter 655.30 feet; thence North 89 degrees 48 minutes 05 seconds East parallel with the said North line 332.40 feet; thence North 00 degrees 31 minutes 15 seconds East parallel with said East line 655.30 feet to the place of beginning, containing 5.00 acres more or less and subject to all highways, rights-of-way and easements. Tract B: Part of the Northeast Quarter of Section 16, Township 18 North, Range 3 East of the Second Principal Meridian in Washington Township, Hamilton County, Indiana, described as follows: Beginning at a point on the North line of the Northeast Quarter of Section 16, Township 18 North, Range 3 East measured 2083.74 feet South 89 degrees 48 minutes 05 seconds West (assumed bearing) on the North line of said Northeast Quarter from the Northeast corner of said Northeast Quarter; thence South 89 degrees 48 minutes 05 seconds West on said North line 187.84 feet to a point that is 450.00 feet North 89 degrees 48 minutes 05 seconds East from the Northwest corner of said Northeast Quarter; thence South 00 degrees 21 minutes 26 seconds West parallel with the West line of said Northeast Quarter 655.28 feet; thence North 89 degrees 48 minutes 05 seconds East parallel with said North line 185.97 feet to a point on a line that bears South 00 degrees 31 minutes 15 seconds West, measured parallel with the East line of said Northeast Quarter from the place of beginning; thence North 00 degrees 31 minutes 15 seconds East on said line and parallel with the East line of said Northeast Quarter 655.30 feet to the place of beginning, containing 2.81 acres, more or less and subject to all highways, rights-of-way and easements.
29-09-16-000-005-000-015
and commonly known as: 1739 W 156th St, Westfield, IN 46074.
Subject to all liens, encumbrances, rights of redemption, easements and restrictions of record not otherwise foreclosed and extinguished in the proceedings known as Cause # 29D01-2507-MF-007521 in the Superior Court of the County of Hamilton Indiana, and subject to all real estate taxes, and assessments currently due, delinquent or which are to become a lien.
Said sale will be made without relief from valuation or appraisalment laws. If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the deposit paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee, or the Mortgagee's Attorney.
Dennis J. Quakenbush II
Hamilton County Sheriff
DOYLE & FOUTTY, P.C.
41 E Washington St., Suite 400
Indianapolis, IN 46204
Washington
Township
1739 W 156th St, Westfield, IN 46074
Street Address
The Sheriff's Department does not warrant the accuracy of the street address published herein.
DOYLE & FOUTTY, P.C. IS A DEBT COLLECTOR
R7498 2/16/26, 2/23/26, 3/2/26

Public Auction Notice
Harbour Storage
20236 Hague Rd.
Noblesville, IN 46062
Auction to be held on Tuesday February 24th, at 10am. This is for one storage unit. Lessee James Horn unit O294. The personal property stored in and outside of this space will be sold to satisfy the owner's lien in accordance with IC 26-3-8-11. This sale will be located at 20236 Hague Rd. Noblesville, IN 46062.
R7506 2/17/26, 2/23/26

NOBLESVILLE

NOTICE TO BIDDERS
Notice is hereby given that SEALED BIDS will be received:
BY: Noblesville Schools - Educational Services Center
Attn: Mr. David Hortemiller
18025 River Road
Noblesville, IN 46062
FOR: Noblesville Schools - 2026 Campus Paving Improvements
UNTIL: 1:00 P.M., EST local time, Monday, March 2, 2026.
RECEIPT OF BIDS: Bids received after the designated day and time listed above will be returned unopened. Bids received by mail or other carrier must be addressed to 18025 River Road, Noblesville, IN 46062, attention to Mr. David Hortemiller. All responses must be received on or before the date and time designated to be valid.
BID OPENING: All Bids will be publicly opened and read aloud at 1:00 P.M., EST local time, Monday, March 2, 2026, at Noblesville Schools Administrative Office, 18025 River Road, Noblesville, IN 46062. Deliver Bid in a sealed envelope showing the project name and Bidder's name and address.
PRE-BID MEETING: A pre-bid meeting for interested parties will be held at 10:00 A.M., EST local time, Friday, February 20, 2026 at Noblesville Schools Administrative Office, 18025 River Road, Noblesville, IN 46062. Attendance at the Pre-Bid Meeting is strongly encouraged and may be part of determining if a Bid is considered responsive.
CONTRACT TYPE:
The project(s) will be constructed under a Single Prime Contract with bids received on a lump sum basis. Each proposal shall include all labor, material, and services necessary to complete the projects in strict accordance with the Construction Drawings and Project Manual. Prime bidders and their subcontractors must be certified and in compliance with the Indiana General Assembly's House Enrollment Act #1019.
RESPONSES:
Two copies of bid forms shall be submitted on forms provided in the project manual and shall be executed in accordance with the current edition of the Indiana Board of Accounts Form 96 - "Contractor's Bid for Public Works", with a financial statement complying with Section III of Form 96, and a satisfactory Bid Bond or certified check pursuant to I.C. 36-1-12-4.5, payable to Noblesville Schools. Bid Security shall be in the amount of not less than 5% of the total base bid price. Should a successful Bidder withdraw their Bid, fail to provide the required payment and performance bonds, or execute the contract, the Owner may then declare the Bid security forfeited as liquidated damages.
Contract(s) will be awarded to the lowest responsible and responsive bidder, complying with the conditions of the Instructions to Bidders and Advertisements for Public Bids. The Owner, however, reserves the right to reject any and all bids, and waive any informalities, discrepancies, omissions, variances, or irregularities in bids received in its sole discretion. If a contract is awarded, it will be the "lowest responsible and responsive bidder" in accordance with Indiana's Public Work Projects Act, Indiana Code 36-1-12. The bidder agrees to hold open its bid for a minimum of sixty (60) days from the date of the bid opening
BID DOCUMENTS:
Copies of the Bidding Documents may be obtained from the Eastern Engineering plan room at http://distribution.easternengineering.com per the options and prices listed on the order page. All charges for bidding documents are non-refundable.
Questions, or requests for equal status, pertaining to the Project shall be directed, in writing, to the design professionals listed below:
Cameron Hull or Fred Prazeau
CONTEXT, LLC
5825 Lawton Loop East Drive
Indianapolis, IN 46216
317-485-6900
chull@context-design.com
fprazeau@context-design.com
BID DOCUMENTS - REVIEW:
Construction will be in accordance with the bid documents, which may be viewed at the following locations, as well as online plan rooms:
Administrative Center
Noblesville Schools
18025 River Road
Noblesville, IN 46062
PERFORMANCE BOND AND LABOR AND MATERIAL PAYMENT BOND:
The successful bidder shall, upon acceptance of his bid, be required to procure and pay for a 100% Performance Bond/Labor and Material Payment Bond in the amount equal to the contract price, and such bond shall comply with all laws of the State of Indiana governing public contracts let by governmental units.
R7400 2/16/23, 2/23/26

NOTICE OF DETERMINATION
Pursuant to Indiana Code § 6-1.1-20-5, notice is hereby given that the Board of School Trustees of the Noblesville Schools has preliminarily determined to enter into a lease agreement and issue bonds in one or more series of bonds in the aggregate principal amount of \$10,500,000 to fund the refinancing of the Noblesville Multi-School Building Corporation's Ad Valorem Property Tax First Mortgage Bonds, Series 2018B.
Dated: February 23, 2026
/s/ Secretary, Board of School Trustees
Noblesville Schools
R7482 2/23/26, 3/2/26

NOTICE OF DETERMINATION
Pursuant to Indiana Code § 6-1.1-20-5, notice is hereby given that the Board of School Trustees of the Noblesville Schools has preliminarily determined to enter into a lease agreement and issue bonds in one or more series of bonds in the aggregate principal amount of \$9,200,000 to fund the refinancing of the Noblesville High School Building Corporation's Ad Valorem Property Tax First Mortgage Bonds, Series 2018.
Dated: February 23, 2026
/s/ Secretary, Board of School Trustees
Noblesville Schools
R7483 2/23/26, 3/2/26

Public Auction Notice
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20236 Hague Rd.
Noblesville, IN 46062
Auction to be held on Tuesday February 24th, at 10am. This is for one storage unit. Lessee James Horn unit O294. The personal property stored in and outside of this space will be sold to satisfy the owner's lien in accordance with IC 26-3-8-11. This sale will be located at 20236 Hague Rd. Noblesville, IN 46062.
R7506 2/17/26, 2/23/26

CARMEL

NOTICE TO BIDDERS
City of Carmel, Indiana
Department Board of Public Works and Safety
One Civic Square
City of Carmel, Indiana 46032
Project: 26-STR-02 Paving
Notice is hereby given that the Board of Public Works and Safety for the City of Carmel, Hamilton County, Indiana, will receive digitally sealed bids for the above-described "Project" through OpenGov.com until 9:00 AM EST on March 4th, 2026, and commencing as soon as practicable thereafter on the same date such bids will be publicly opened and read aloud in the Council Chambers of City Hall. No late bids will be accepted.
All bids and proposals shall be properly and completely executed on the proposal forms provided with the plans and specifications, which will include the non-collusion affidavit as required by the State of Indiana. The digital submission will be sealed until opened at the Board of Public Works and Safety Meeting.
A bid bond or certified check in an amount not less than ten percent (10%) of the amount bid must be submitted with each bid. A one hundred percent (100%) performance and payment bond will also be required of the successful bidder. It is intended that actual construction of all work divisions shall be started as soon as practicable, and each bidder shall be prepared to enter promptly into a construction contract, furnish a performance bond, and begin work without delay in the event the award is made to him.
The Project consists of, but is not necessarily limited to, the following:
Paving, Curb Repair, and Traffic Markings on Specified City Roads
Contract Documents for the Project have been assembled on the OpenGov portal, which may be obtained with an OpenGov account (http://www.opengov.com).
Payments and costs of Contract Documents are non-refundable.
Bidders shall assure that they have obtained complete sets of drawings and Contract Documents and shall assume the risk of any errors or omissions in bids prepared in reliance on incomplete sets of drawings and Contract Documents.
This Project will be funded by the City of Carmel.
A pre-bid conference for discussions of the Project, the bidding requirements and other important matters will be held on February 26th, 2026 at 10:00 AM virtually. To request a link, send a request to Ryan Murt at Rmurt@carmel.in.gov by 8:00 AM, February 26th. All prospective bidders are invited to attend the pre-bid conference. The pre-bid conference is not mandatory.
No bidder may withdraw any bid or proposal within a period of thirty (30) days following the date set for receiving bids or proposals. The Carmel Board of Public Works and Safety reserves the right to hold any or all bids or proposals for a period of not more than thirty (30) days and said bids or proposal shall remain in full force and effect during said period. The City of Carmel reserves the right to reject and/or cancel any and all bids, solicitations and/or offers in whole or in part as specified in the solicitations when it is not in the best interests of the governmental body as determined by the purchasing agency in accordance with IC 5-2218-2
Jacob Quinn
Clerk
R7476 2/16/26, 2/23/26

HAMILTON COUNTY

Acorn Farm Master Plan
Request for Proposals and Qualifications:
The Hamilton County Parks & Recreation Department is seeking proposals and qualifications for the development of a master plan for Acorn Farm. A bid packet containing proposal information may be obtained at the Hamilton County Parks & Recreation Department's Administration Office, 400 Lafayette Road, Noblesville, IN, 46060-1305. A digital copy of the bid packet may also be requested over the phone by calling the Administration Office at (317) 770-4400. Sealed proposals will be received by the Department at the preceding address until 4:30 p.m. (Local time) on Friday, March 6, 2026.
R7455 2/16/26, 2/23/26

Hamilton County Parks and Recreation Department 5-Year Master Plan
Request for Proposals and Qualifications:
The Hamilton County Parks & Recreation Department is seeking proposals and qualifications for the development of a 5-year parks and recreation master plan for the years 2027-2031. A bid packet containing proposal information may be obtained at the Hamilton County Parks & Recreation Department's Administration Office, 400 Lafayette Road, Noblesville, IN, 46060-1305. A digital copy of the bid packet may also be requested over the phone by calling the Administration Office at (317) 770-4400. Sealed proposals will be received by the Department at the preceding address until 4:30 p.m. (Local time) on Friday, March 6, 2026.
R7456 2/16/26, 2/23/26

Submit Public Notices To:
PublicNotices@ReadTheReporter.com

COURT NOTICES

29D02-2602-EU-000052
Hamilton Superior Court 2
Dinsmore & Shohl LLP
One Indiana Square, Suite 1800
Indianapolis, Indiana 46204
NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION
In the Hamilton Superior Court
In the Matter of the Estate of
Gregory Todd Loewen, Deceased.
Estate Docket 29D02-2602-
EU-000052
Notice is hereby given that
Alexandra Jenna Rose Acs-Loewen
was on February 9, 2026, appointed
personal representative of the Estate
of Gregory Todd Loewen, deceased,
who died on the 19th day of July,
2025.
All persons who have claims against
this estate, whether or not now due,
must file the claim in the office of
the clerk of this court within three
(3) months from the date of the first
publication of this notice, or within
nine (9) months after the decedent's
death, whichever is earlier, or the
claims will be forever barred.
Dated at Noblesville, Indiana, this
February 9, 2026.
Kathy Kregg Williams
Clerk, Hamilton Superior Court
R7458 2/16/26, 2/23/26

NOTICE OF UNSUPERVISED
ADMINISTRATION
In the Circuit/Superior Court of
Hamilton County, Indiana Estate of
Vicki Sue Addison, Deceased
Cause No. 29D02-2601-EU-000016
Notice is hereby given that Bradford
Addison was, on the 20th day of
January 2026, appointed Personal
Representative of the Estate of Vicki
Sue Addison, deceased, by the Circuit/
Superior Court of Hamilton County,
Indiana, and that the estate is being
administered without supervision of
the Court.
All persons having claims against
said estate, whether or not now due,
must file the same in the office of the
Clerk of the Hamilton County Circuit/
Superior Court, Noblesville, Indiana,
within the later of (1) three (3) months
after the date of the first publication of
this notice or (2) nine (9) months after
the date of death of the decedent, or
said claims will be forever barred.
Dated at Noblesville, Indiana, this
2/2/26.
Bradford Addison
Personal Representative
Address:
16145 Morningside Court
Noblesville, IN 46060
R7485 2/16/26, 2/23/26

29D01-2512-EU-000526
NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION
In re the Estate of MARILYN B.
NASH
ADLER ATTORNEYS
Raymond M. Adler #2336-29
136 South 9th Street
Noblesville, IN 46060-2614
(317) 773-1974
ray@noblesvilleattorney.com
Cause No. 80C01-2602-ES-000012
In the Circuit Court of Tipton
County, Indiana
Notice is given that Douglas
Atchley, on February 9, 2026, was
appointed Personal Representative
of the Estate of the above-named
Decedent, who died on July 25,
2025. All persons who have claims
against this Estate, whether now due,
must file the claim in the office of
the clerk of this court within three
(3) months from the date of the first
publication of this notice or within
nine (9) months of Decedent's death
whichever is earlier, or the claims will
be forever barred.
Dated: 2/10/2026
Christy Crawford
Clerk for Tipton County, Indiana
R7486 2/16/26, 2/23/26

80C01-2602-EU-000016
NOTICE OF UNSUPERVISED
ADMINISTRATION
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF
TIPTON COUNTY, INDIANA.
IN THE MATTER OF THE
UNSUPERVISED ESTATE OF
JOHN W. GOLDSBERRY,
DECEASED.
Notice is hereby given that on the
9 day of February, 2026, a petition
was filed and granted authorizing
SEAN POWER, who was heretofore
appointed the Personal Representative
of the Estate of JOHN W.
GOLDSBERRY, deceased, who died
January 10, 2026, to administer the
estate without Court supervision.
All persons having claims against
the estate, whether or not now due,
must file the same in Court within
three (3) months from the date of
the first publication of this notice,
or within nine (9) months after the
decedent's death, whichever is earlier,
or the claims will be forever barred.
Dated at Tipton, Indiana this 9 day
of February, 2026.
Christy Crawford
Clerk, Tipton Circuit Court
ATTORNEY FOR THE ESTATE
Sara E. Pletcher, #30082-29
102 N. Washington Street
Kokomo, IN 46901
(765) 480-2000
R7487 2/16/26, 2/23/26

NOTICE OF UNSUPERVISED
ADMINISTRATION
IN THE HAMILTON SUPERIOR
COURT NO. 1
In Re: the Estate of Julianne Rezek,
Deceased.
Cause No. 29D01-2602-EU-000057
Notice is hereby given that
Richard A. Rezek was, on the 4th
day of February, 2026, appointed
personal representative of the Estate
of Julianne Rezek, Deceased, who
died on the 13th day of December,
2025. The personal representative is
authorized to administer the estate
without court supervision.
All persons who have claims against
this estate, whether or not now due,
must file the claim in the office of
the clerk of this court within three
(3) months from the date of the first
publication of this notice, or within
nine (9) months after the decedent's
death, whichever is earlier, or the
claims will be forever barred.
DATED at Noblesville, Indiana, on
February 5, 2026.
Kathy Kregg Williams
Clerk, Hamilton Superior Court
Randal J. Kallenmark, Esq.
BARNES & THORNBURG LLP
11 South Meridian Street
Indianapolis, Indiana 46204
Attorneys
R7488 2/16/26, 2/23/26

STATE OF INDIANA )
COUNTY OF HAMILTON )
IN THE HAMILTON )
SUPERIOR COURT )
PROBATE DIVISION )
ESTATE DOCKET )
29D03-2602-EU-000051 )
IN THE MATTER OF THE )
UNSUPERVISED )
ADMINISTRATION OF THE )
ESTATE OF JAMIN ANDREW KEE )
DECEASED. )
NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION )
Notice is hereby given that Jennifer
R. Donaldson, was, on this 5th day
of February, 2026, appointed Personal
Representative of the estate of Jamin
Andrew Kee, also known as Jay Kee,
deceased, who died on the November
27, 2025.
All persons who have claims against
this estate, whether or not now due,
must file the claim in the office of
the Clerk of this Court within three
(3) months from the date of the first
publication of this notice, or within
nine (9) months after the decedent's
death, which is earlier, or claims will
be forever barred.
Dated this 5th day of February, 2026.
Kathy Kregg Williams
Clerk, Hamilton County
Superior Court
Attorney for the Estate:
Stephanie L. Fall
Sidney V. Conner Duvall & Fall, P.C.
4911 East 56th Street
Indianapolis, Indiana 46220
(316)634-9100
R7489 2/16/26, 2/23/26

STATE OF INDIANA )
COUNTY OF HAMILTON )
IN THE HAMILTON )
CIRCUIT COURT )
Cause No. 29C01-2601-MI-001241
IN RE THE NAME CHANGE OF:
Julie Ann Grubb
Petitioner
NOTICE OF PETITION FOR
CHANGE OF NAME
Julie Ann Grubb, whose mailing
address is: 718 Kinzer Ave., Carmel,
IN 46032, in the Hamilton County,
Indiana, hereby gives notice that Julie
Ann Grubb has filed a petition in the
Hamilton County Circuit Court
requesting that name be changed to
Julie Ann Turner.
Notice is further given that the
hearing will be held on said Petition
on: April 24, 2026 at 10:00 a.m.
Julie Ann Grubb
Petitioner
Date: December 8, 2025
Kathy Kregg Williams
Hamilton County Clerk
R7454 2/16/26, 2/23/26, 3/2/26

29D03-2601-EU-000039
STATE OF INDIANA )
COUNTY OF HAMILTON )
IN THE HAMILTON )
SUPERIOR COURT )
IN THE MATTER OF THE )
UNSUPERVISED )
ADMINISTRATION OF THE )
ESTATE OF )
EARL B. PULSE, DECEASED )
NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION )
IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF )
HAMILTON COUNTY, INDIANA )
In the matter of the Estate of Earl B.
Pulse, deceased.
Notice is hereby given that Eric
B. Pulse was on January 28, 2026,
appointed Personal Representative
of the Estate of Earl B. Pulse,
deceased, who died on the 12th day of
December, 2025.
All persons having claims against
said estate, whether or not now due,
must file the claim in the office of
the Clerk of this Court within three
months from the date of the first
publication of this notice, or within
nine months after the decedent's death,
whichever is earlier, or the claims will
be forever barred.
Dated at Noblesville, Indiana, this
January 28, 2026.
Kathy Kregg Williams
Clerk of the Hamilton County
Superior Court,
Probate Division
Claire E. Lewis, 115 North Girls School
Road, Indianapolis, Indiana 46214,
(317) 484-8115.
R7501 2/16/26, 2/23/26

STATE OF INDIANA )
COUNTY OF HAMILTON )
IN THE HAMILTON COUNTY )
SUPERIOR COURT )
CAUSE NO.: 29D04-2512-CC-013339
PERFECT START PROPERTY )
SOLUTIONS, INC., )
Plaintiff, )
v. )
ADAVIS, LLC, TRAMPAS D. )
MARTIN and ADA V. MARTIN, )
Defendants. )
NOTICE OF SUIT
The State of Indiana to the
defendants named above and any
other person or persons who may
be concerned. You are notified that you
have been sued in the Court named
above. The nature of the suit against
you is: Complaint for Damages for
breach of contract on promissory note
and personal guaranty agreement
between the parties.
This summons by publication is
specifically directed to the following
named defendant whose last known
address is as follows:
ADAVIS, LLC
c/o Trampas Martin, Registered
Agent
2945 W State Road 32
Westfield, Indiana 46074
This summons by publication is
specifically directed to the following
named defendant whose whereabouts
are unknown:
ADAVIS, LLC
In addition to the above-named
defendant being served by this
summons, there may be other
defendants who have an interest in
this lawsuit. If you have a claim for
relief against the plaintiff arising from
the same transaction of occurrence,
you must assert it in your written
answer. You must answer the
Complaint in writing, by you or your
attorney, within thirty (30) days after
the third Notice of Suit is published,
and if you fail to do so, a judgment
will be entered against you for what
the plaintiff has demanded.
Respectfully submitted,
/s/ Raymond A. Basile
Raymond A. Basile, #21496-49
BASILE LAW OFFICE, LLC
550 Congressional Blvd.
Suite 390 PMB 1039
Carmel, Indiana 46032
(317) 825-0531 - Phone
rbasile@basilelawoffice.com
Attest:
Kathy Kregg Williams
Clerk of the Hamilton Circuit &
Superior Courts
R7491 2/16/26, 2/23/26, 3/2/26

29D01-2602-EU-000061
STATE OF INDIANA )
COUNTY OF HAMILTON )
IN THE HAMILTON )
SUPERIOR COURT )
IN RE THE UNSUPERVISED )
ESTATE OF )
ROBERT H. REYNOLDS, )
Deceased )
Attorney: Jane B. Merrill
Attorney at Law
11350 N. Meridian St., #320
Carmel, IN 46032
NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION
IN THE PROBATE COURT OF
HAMILTON COUNTY, INDIANA.
In the matter of the Estate of Robert
H. Reynolds, deceased.
Cause Number: 29D01-2602-
EU-000061
Notice is hereby given that on
February 6, 2026, Stephen H.
Reynolds is appointed personal
representative of the estate of Robert
H. Reynolds, deceased, who died on
January 12, 2026.
All persons having claims against
this estate, whether or not now due,
must file the claim in the office of
the Clerk of the Court within three
(3) months from the date of the first
publication of this notice, or within
nine (9) months after the Decedent's
death, whichever is earlier, or the
claims will be forever barred.
Dated at Noblesville, Indiana, this
February 6, 2026.
Kathy Kregg Williams
Clerk, Hamilton Superior Court
R7511 2/23/26, 3/2/26

29D01-2602-EU-000061
STATE OF INDIANA )
COUNTY OF HAMILTON )
IN THE HAMILTON )
SUPERIOR COURT )
IN RE THE UNSUPERVISED )
ESTATE OF )
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Deceased )
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the Clerk of the Court within three
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publication of this notice, or within
nine (9) months after the Decedent's
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claims will be forever barred.
Dated at Noblesville, Indiana, this
February 6, 2026.
Kathy Kregg Williams
Clerk, Hamilton Superior Court
R7511 2/23/26, 3/2/26

TIPTON COUNTY

LEGAL NOTICE
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
TIPTON COUNTY BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS
CO-V-01-26 Weihe Engineers, Inc.
Notice is hereby given that the Tipton County Plan Commission, on the 4th day
of March 2026, at 6:00 p.m. in the Tipton County Courthouse, 1st Floor Meeting
Room, 101 East Jefferson Street, Tipton, Indiana, will hold a public hearing to
consider the following:
CO-V-01-26: Weihe Engineers, Inc., petitioner and Campbell Family Limited
Partnership, owner, requests approval of two (2) development standard variances
to construct an additional free-standing sign that is 85 feet in height with 647
square feet of sign face, and to construct a second on-site directional sign, with
both directional signs being six feet in height with 32 square feet of sign face.
The property is more fully described as:
Part of the Southeast Quarter of Section 12, Township 21 North, Range 3 East in
Tipton County, Indiana, more particularly described as follows:
Commencing at the Southeast corner of the Southeast Quarter of said Section
12; thence South 87 degrees 27 minutes 21 seconds West (Basis of Bearings is
SR 28 / US 31 Addition - Phase 1, as per Secondary Plat thereof, recorded in
Book 91, Page 70 as Instrument Number 201600000001718 in the Office of the
Recorder of Tipton County, Indiana) 36.68 feet along the south line of said quarter
section of the centerline of U.S. 31; thence North 00 degrees 21 minutes 13
seconds East 115.71 feet along the centerline of said U.S. 31 to the centerline of
S.R. 28; thence North 89 degrees 54 minutes 18 seconds West 1572.22 feet along
the centerline of said S.R. 28; thence North 0 degrees 05 minutes 42 seconds
East 30.00 feet to the north boundary of said S.R. 28; thence North 78 degrees 35
minutes 42 seconds West along said north boundary 101.98 feet; thence North89
degrees 54 minutes 18 seconds West 128.04 feet along said boundary; thence
North 0 degrees 04 minutes 56 seconds West 29.96 feet to the North boundary
of S.R. 28 as dedicated by said SR 28 / US 31 Addition - Phase 1 (the following
two courses are along said North Boundary): (1) thence North 89 degrees 55
minutes 04 Seconds East 212.23 feet; (2) thence North 63 degrees 42 minutes 07
seconds East 34.18 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING; thence North 00 degrees
04 minutes 56 seconds West 651.83 feet; thence North 90 degrees 00 minutes 00
seconds West 65.03 feet; thence North 30 degrees 12 minutes 58 seconds West
304.94 feet; thence North 45 degrees 29 minutes 46 seconds East 63.11 feet;
thence North 89 degrees 55 minutes 04 seconds East 173.04 feet; thence North
00 degrees 04 minutes 56 seconds West 215.00 feet; thence North 89 degrees 55
minutes 04 seconds East 251.07 feet to the West Right of Way of County Road
625 East as dedicated by said SR 28 / US 31 Addition - Phase 1 (the following
three courses are along said West Right of Way): (1) thence South 00 degrees 04
minutes 56 seconds East 919.49 feet; (2) thence South 15 degrees 40 minutes 44
seconds West 158.95 feet; (3) thence South 63 degrees 42 minutes 07 seconds
West 231.73 feet to the Point of Beginning, containing 7.405 acres, more or less.
The property is located on or near the Northwest corner of the intersection of
Campbell Crossing and State Rd. 28, Tipton, Indiana.
Interested persons desiring to present their views on this case will be given an
opportunity to be heard at the above-mentioned time and place. Additionally,
comments or objections shall be submitted in writing to the Planning Office at 101
East Jefferson Street, Tipton, Indiana 46072 prior to 12 p.m. (noon) on the day of
the hearing.
The proposal may be viewed in the Planning Office prior to the hearing during
normal business hours. The hearing may be continued from time to time.
Tipton County Board of Zoning Appeals
R7502 2/20/26, 2/23/26

LEGAL NOTICE
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
TIPTON COUNTY PLAN COMMISSION
COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AMENDMENT
CO-CP-02-26
Notice is hereby given that the Tipton County Plan Commission will hold a
public hearing on Thursday, March 5, 2026, at 6:00 p.m., in the 1st Floor Meeting
Room of the Tipton County Courthouse, 101 East Jefferson Street, Tipton,
Indiana, to consider the following:
A repeal and replacement of the Tipton County Comprehensive Plan.
Specifically, the Comprehensive Plan is intended to repeal and replace the
2013 Tipton County Comprehensive Plan and all Plan amendments. This
Comprehensive Plan affects the entire jurisdiction of the Tipton County
Plan Department.
The proposed amendment may be viewed in the Plan Commission Office,
located at 101 East Jefferson Street, Tipton, Indiana no sooner than ten (10) days
prior to the hearing.
Interested persons desiring to present their views regarding the proposed Plan,
either verbally or in writing, will be given an opportunity to be heard at the
above-mentioned time and place; or comments or objections shall be submitted
in writing in the Plan Commission Office prior to 12:00 p.m. on the day of the
hearing.
The hearing may be continued from time to time as may be found necessary.
Tipton County Plan Commission
R7503 2/20/26, 2/23/26

CICERO

NOTICE
On March 5, 2026, Cicero Town Council will hold an Executive Session at 6:00
PM at Cicero Town Hall, 70 N Byron Street, Cicero, IN according to Indiana
Code 5-14-1.5-6.1(b)(2)(D) A real property transaction including: (i) a purchase;
(ii) a lease as lessor; (iii) a lease as lessee; (iv) a transfer; (v) an exchange; or (vi)
a sale; by the governing body up to the time a contract or option is executed by
the parties. This clause does not affect a political subdivision's duty to comply
with any other statute that governs the conduct of the real property transaction,
including IC 36-1-10 or IC 36-1-11.
R7507 2/23/26

Notice
Lights Over Morse Lake, PO Box 854, Cicero IN 46034, has applied to the
Indiana Department of Natural Resources, Division of Law Enforcement, Under
IC 14-15-7-3 and 312 IAC 5-3-1, For a permit to conduct a fireworks display. This
event is scheduled to be held on August 1, 2026 on Morse Reservoir, in Hamilton
county.
Any person objecting to such an event may do either or both of the following:
(A) File a petition with the central office of the division requesting an informal
hearing. The petition must be signed by at least twenty-five (25) individuals who
are at least eighteen (18) years old and who reside in the county where the event
will occur. A hearing under this clause is governed by 312 IAC 2-3.
(B) Request the division notify the petitioner in writing when an initial
determination is made to issue or deny the license. Following the receipt of
notice under this clause, a petitioner may request administrative review of the
determination under 312 IAC 3-1.
R7525 2/23/26

Notice
Lights Over Morse Lake, PO Box 854, Cicero IN 46034, has applied to the
Indiana Department of Natural Resources, Division of Law Enforcement, Under
IC 14-15-7-3 and 312 IAC 5-3-1, For a permit to conduct a boat poker run. This
event is scheduled to be held on August 1, 2026 on Morse Reservoir, in Hamilton
county.
Any person objecting to such an event may do either or both of the following:
(A) File a petition with the central office of the division requesting an informal
hearing. The petition must be signed by at least twenty-five (25) individuals who
are at least eighteen (18) years old and who reside in the county where the event
will occur. A hearing under this clause is governed by 312 IAC 2-3.
(B) Request the division notify the petitioner in writing when an initial
determination is made to issue or deny the license. Following the receipt of
notice under this clause, a petitioner may request administrative review of the
determination under 312 IAC 3-1.
R7526 2/23/26

NOBLESVILLE

DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY
FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY
Proposed Flood Hazard Determinations for the City of Noblesville,
Hamilton County, Indiana, Case No. 25-05-0770. The Department of
Homeland Security's Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) solicits
technical information or comments on proposed flood hazard determinations for
the Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM), and where applicable, the Flood Insurance
Study (FIS) report for your community. These flood hazard determinations may
include the addition or modification of Base Flood Elevations, base flood depths,
Special Flood Hazard Area boundaries or zone designations, or the regulatory
floodway. The FIRM and, if applicable, the FIS report have been revised to reflect
these flood hazard determinations through issuance of a Letter of Map Revision
(LOMR), in accordance with Title 44, Part 65 of the Code of Federal Regulations.
These determinations are the basis for the floodplain management measures
that your community is required to adopt or show evidence of having in effect
to qualify or remain qualified for participation in the National Flood Insurance
Program. For more information on the proposed flood hazard determinations
and information on the statutory 90-day period provided for appeals, please visit
FEMA's website at https://www.floodmaps.fema.gov/llm/BFE\_Status/bfe\_main.asp,
or call the FEMA Mapping and Insurance eXchange (FMIX) toll free at 1-877-
FEMA MAP (1-877-336-2627).
R7508 2/23/26

Notice
Harmoni Towers LLC proposes to build a 199-foot monopole communications
tower. Anticipated lighting application is none. The site location is Riverwood
Avenue, Noblesville, Hamilton County, IN 46062. Lat:40-4-45.13, Long:-85-
59-21.22. The Federal Communications Commission (FCC) Antenna Structure
Registration (ASR, Form 854) filing number is A1376937.
ENVIRONMENTAL EFFECTS - Interested persons may review the application
(www.fcc.gov/asr/applications) by entering the filing number. Environmental
concerns may be raised by filing a Request for Environmental Review
(www.fcc.gov/asr/environmentalrequest) and online filings are strongly
encouraged. The mailing address to file a paper copy is: FCC Requests for
Environmental Review, Attn: Ramon Williams, 445 12th Street SW, Washington,
DC 20554. HISTORIC PROPERTIES EFFECTS Public comments regarding
potential effects on historic properties may be submitted within 30 days from the
date of this publication to: Trileaf Corp, Frank Irovic, firovic@trileaf.com, 1515
Des Peres Road, Suite 200, St. Louis, MO 63131, 314-977-6111.
R7535 2/23/26

HAMILTON COUNTY

EXECUTIVE SESSION MEETING NOTICE TIME CHANGE
Pursuant to IC 5-14-1.5-5 (a) The Hamilton County Board of Commissioners
will meet on Monday, February 23, 2026, immediately following the Hamilton
County Drainage Board meeting at 9a.m. in Conference Room 1A in the
Hamilton County Government and Judicial Center, One Hamilton County Square
Noblesville, Indiana 46060. The Executive Session will be for Implementation
of Security Systems IC 5-14-1.5-6.1(b)(C), Purchase or Lease of Real Estate IC
5-14-1.5-6.1(b)(2)(D), Discussion of Pending Litigation IC 5-14-1.5-6.1(b)(2)
(B), Discussion of Personnel Pursuant to IC 5-14-1.5-6.1(b)(7), and Discussions
with Attorney Subject to the Attorney Client Privilege IC 5-14-1.5-6.1(b)(19). The
public session will begin at 1:15 p.m.
/s/ Todd E. Cleveger
Hamilton County Auditor
R7518 2/20/26, 2/23/26

Submit Public Notices To:
PublicNotices@ReadTheReporter.com

SHERIFF SALES

TO THE OWNERS OF THE WITHIN DESCRIBED REAL ESTATE AND
ALL INTERESTED PARTIES
NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE
By virtue of a certified copy of a decree to me directed from the Clerk of
Superior Court of Hamilton County, Indiana, in Cause No. 29D02-2510-
PL-011395, wherein Conner Creek Homeowners Association, Inc., was Plaintiff,
and Elyssa Calderon was the Defendant, required me to make the sum as
provided for in said Decree with interest and cost, I will expose a public sale to
the highest bidder, on the 2nd day of April, 2026 between the hours of 10:00
a.m. and 12:00 p.m. of said day, at the Hamilton County Sheriffs Office, 18100
Cumberland Road, Noblesville, IN 46060, fee simple of the whole body of Real
Estate in Hamilton County, Indiana:
Lot 149 in Final Plat - Conner Creek Part of Block "G" as per plat thereof
recorded November 7, 1984 in Plat Book 11, pages 87-88 in the Office of the
Recorder of Hamilton County, Indiana, and as per Conner Creek Initial
Plat, recorded April 19, 1982, in Plat Book 9, pages 47 and 48 in the Office
of the Recorder of Hamilton County, Indiana; together with a non-exclusive
easement for the use and enjoyment of the common areas as set forth in
the Declaration of Covenants, Conditions, Restrictions and Easements for
Conner Creek recorded April 23, 1982 in Miscellaneous Book 169, pages 179-
223, inclusive in the Office of the Recorder of Hamilton County, Indiana.
Parcel No. 29-14-02-204-006.016-006
Together with rents, issues, income and profits thereof, said sale will be made
without relief from valuation or appraisal laws.
Dennis J. Quakenbush II
Sheriff of Hamilton County
Gregory A. Chandler, #27057-49
Plaintiffs Attorney
EADS MURRAY & PUGH P.C.
9515 E 59th St Ste B, Indianapolis IN 46216
Township: Fishers/Delaware
Street Address: 621 Conner Creek
Fishers, IN 46038
The Sheriff's Department does not warrant the
accuracy of the street address herein.
This is a communication from a debt collector. This is an attempt to collect a
debt. Any information obtained will be used for that purpose.
R7492 2/16/26, 2/23/26, 3/2/26

TO THE OWNERS OF THE WITHIN DESCRIBED REAL ESTATE AND
ALL INTERESTED PARTIES
NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE
By virtue of a certified copy of a decree to me directed from the Clerk of
Superior Court of Hamilton County, Indiana, in Cause No. 29D02-2504-
PL-003720, wherein Woodberry Homeowners' Association, Inc., was Plaintiff,
and Dellmus C. Porter Jr. and Ernestine B. Porter were the Defendants, required
me to make the sum as provided for in said Decree with interest and cost, I will
expose a public sale to the highest bidder, on the 2nd day of April, 2026 between
the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 12:00 p.m. of said day, at the Hamilton County
Sheriffs Office, 18100 Cumberland Road, Noblesville, IN 46060, fee simple of
the whole body of Real Estate in Hamilton County, Indiana:
Lot Number 267 in Woodberry Section 3, a subdivision in Hamilton
County, Indiana, as per plat thereof, recorded July 19,2000 as Instrument No.
200000035067 in the Office of the Recorder of Hamilton County, Indiana.
NOTE: This sale is subject to the lien and indebtedness due on the
Mortgage to PNC Bank, National Association, as successor of National City
Bank dba Commonwealth United Mortgage Company, its successors and
assigns, dated July 25,2003 and filed with the Hamilton County Recorder's
Office on August 5,2003, as Instrument No. 200300077476; subject to the lien
and indebtedness due on the Second Mortgage to Forum Credit Union, its
successors and assigns, dated March 20,2006, and filed with the Hamilton
County Recorder's Office on April 12,2006 as Instrument No. 200600019556;
subject to the lien and indebtedness due on the Third Mortgage to Forum
Credit Union, its successors and assigns, dated February 25,2008, and
filed with the Hamilton County Recorders Office on March 31,2008 as
Instrument No. 2008016580; subject to lien and indebtedness due on the
Fourth Mortgage to Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, its
successors and assigns, dated April 15,2023, and filed with the Hamilton
County Recorder's Office on May 10,2023 as Instrument No. 2023016802;
and lastly, subject to the lien and indebtedness due on the Fifth Mortgage to
Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, its successors and assigns,
dated October 13, 2023, and filed with the Hamilton County Recorders Office
on December 29,2023 as Instrument No. 2023048772.
Together with rents, issues, income and profits thereof, said sale will be made
without relief from valuation or appraisal laws.
Dennis J. Quakenbush II
Sheriff of Hamilton County
Gregory A. Chandler, #27057-49
Plaintiffs Attorney
EADS MURRAY & PUGH P.C.
9515 E 59th St Ste B, Indianapolis IN 46216
Township: Fall Creek
Street Address: 1009 Boysenberry Dr.
Fishers, IN 46038
The Sheriff's Department does not warrant the
accuracy of the street address herein.
This is a communication from a debt collector. This is an attempt to collect a
debt. Any information obtained will be used for that purpose.
R7494 2/16/26, 2/23/26, 3/2/26

TO THE OWNERS OF THE WITHIN DESCRIBED REAL ESTATE AND
ALL INTERESTED PARTIES
NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE
By virtue of a certified copy of a decree to me directed from the Clerk of
Superior Court of Hamilton County, Indiana, in Cause No. 29D02-2405-
PL-005987, wherein Woodberry Homeowners' Association, Inc., was Plaintiff,
and David Taylor was the Defendant, required me to make the sum as provided
for in said Decree with interest and cost, I will expose a public sale to the highest
bidder, on the 2nd day of April, 2026 between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 12:00
p.m. of said day, at the Hamilton County Sheriffs Office, 18100 Cumberland
Road, Noblesville, IN 46060, fee simple of the whole body of Real Estate in
Hamilton County, Indiana:
Lot Numbered Three Hundred Eleven (311) in Woodberry, Section Two
(2), Secondary Plat, a Subdivision in Fishers Fall Creek Township, Hamilton
County, Indiana, as per plat thereof recorded September 4,1999 in Plat
Cabinet 2, Slide 324 as Instrument No. 9956091, in the Office of the Recorder
of Hamilton County, Indiana
NOTE: This sale is subject to the lien and indebtedness due on the
Mortgage to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee,
its successors and assigns, dated July 26,2017, and filed with the Hamilton
County Recorder's Office on August 8, 2017, as Instrument No. 2017038367.
Together with rents, issues, income and profits thereof, said sale will be made
without relief from valuation or appraisal laws.
Dennis J. Quakenbush II
Sheriff of Hamilton County
Kimberly M. Sutter, #33898-29
Plaintiffs Attorney
EADS MURRAY & PUGH P.C.
9515 E 59th St Ste B, Indianapolis IN 46216
Township: Fall Creek
Street Address: 10059 Sapphire Berry Lane
Fishers, IN 46038
The Sheriff's Department does not warrant the
accuracy of the street address herein.
This is a communication from a debt collector. This is an attempt to collect a
debt. Any information obtained will be used for that purpose.
R7495 2/16/26, 2/23/26, 3/2/26

TO THE OWNERS OF THE WITHIN DESCRIBED REAL ESTATE AND
ALL INTERESTED PARTIES
NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE
By virtue of a certified copy of a decree to me directed from the Clerk of
Superior Court of Hamilton County, Indiana, in Cause No. 29D07-2412-
MF-013744 wherein U.S. Bank Trust National Association, as Trustee for Lodge
Series IV Trust was Plaintiff, and Eric Batchelder and, were Defendants, required
me to make the sum as provided for in said Decree with interest and cost, I will
expose at public sale to the highest bidder, on the 2nd day of April, 2026, at the
hour of 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. or as soon thereafter as is possible, at 18100
Cumberland Road, Noblesville, IN 46060 the fee simple of the whole body of
Real Estate in Hamilton County, Indiana.
LOT NUMBER 20 IN NORTH WOOD HILLS, FIRST SECTION, A
SUBDIVISION IN HAMILTON COUNTY, INDIANA, AS PER PLAT
THEREOF, RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 2, PAGES 38-39, IN THE
OFFICE OF THE RECORDER OF HAMILTON COUNTY, INDIANA..
More commonly known as: 5930 Bunty Lane, Carmel, IN 46033
Parcel No. 29-10-34-301-001.000-018
Together with rents, issues, income and profits thereof, said sale will be made
without relief from valuation or appraisal laws.
Subject to all liens, encumbrances and easements of record not otherwise
extinguished in the proceedings known as Cause 29D07-2412-MF-013744 in the
Superior court of the County of Hamilton, Indiana."
Dennis J. Quakenbush II
Sheriff of Hamilton County
Plaintiff Attorney
Zarkis V. Daroga (17288-49)
Sottile and Barile, LLC
7530 Lucerne Drive, Suite 210
Middleburg Heights, OH 44130
Clay Township
5930 Bunty Lane, Carmel, IN 46033
Street Address
The Sheriff's Department does not warrant the accuracy of the street address
published herein.
NOTICE
SOTTILE AND BARILE LLC IS A DEBT COLLECTOR. THIS IS
AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A DEBT, AND ANY INFORMATION
OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.
R7496 2/16/26, 2/23/26, 3/2/26

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE
By virtue of a certified copy of a decree to me directed from the Clerk of
Hamilton Superior Court 7 of Hamilton County, Indiana, in Cause No. 29D06-
2401-MF-000104 wherein BMO Bank, N.A. was Plaintiff, and Conception M.
Hiatt was a Defendant, required me to make the sum as provided for in said
Decree with interest and cost, I will expose at public sale to the highest bidder, on
the 2nd day of April, 2026, at the hour of 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. or as soon
thereafter as is possible, at 18100 Cumberland Road, Noblesville, IN 46060 the
fee simple of the whole body of Real Estate in Hamilton County, Indiana.
Lot One (1) in Block One (1) in Evans and Craig's Second Addition to the
City of Noblesville, Hamilton County, Indiana.
More commonly known as 697 Chestnut St, Noblesville, IN 46060-3326
Parcel No. 29-10-01-402-018.000-013
Together with rents, issues, income and profits thereof, said sale will be made
without relief from valuation or appraisal laws.
Dennis J. Quakenbush II
Sheriff
/s/ BRYAN K. REDMOND
BRYAN K. REDMOND, Plaintiff Attorney
Attorney # 22108-28
FEIWELL & HANNOY, P.C.
8415 Allison Pointe Boulevard, Suite 400
Indianapolis, IN 46250
(317) 237-2727
Noblesville
Township
The Sheriff's Department does not warrant the
accuracy of the street address published herein.
NOTICE
FEIWELL & HANNOY, P.C. IS A DEBT COLLECTOR.
R7497 2/16/26, 2/23/26, 3/2/26

COURT NOTICES

NOTICE OF RIGHT OF REDEMPTION FROM TAX SALE
February 17th, 2026.
VIA CERTIFIED MAIL
Joanne Bonnell
300 E. County Rd. 200 N. New Castle, IN 47362
Janice Kemp
300 E. County Rd. 200 N.
New Castle, IN 47362
Janice Kemp P.O. Boxes 75 New Castle, IN 47362-0075
Raymond L. Moore, 300 E. County Rd. 200 N. New Castle, IN 47362
RE: tax sale.
Pursuant to the provisions of Ind. Code § 6-1.1-25-4.5, as the owner of the real property described below or a person with a substantial property interest of public record in the real property described below, you are hereby notified of the following:
The following described tract or real property in Henry County, Indiana, was sold by the Treasurer of Henry County, Indiana, for delinquent taxes and/or special assessments on this 18 day of September 2025 subject to the right of redemption:
Street Address or Common Description: Bare Lot on East Sycamore Drive, Springport, Indiana 47386.
Key Number or Parcel Number: 011-08614-00
Brief Legal Description: PRAIRIE HEIGHTS 4TH SUB DIV LOT 6
The tract or real property has not been redeemed. Any person may redeem the tract or real property by paying the redemption amount to the Henry County Treasurer. The period of redemption expires on the 18th day of September 2026. The amount of money required for the redemption of the tract or real property includes one hundred ten percent (110%) of \$4,008.00 if redeemed not more than six (6) months after the date of sale or one hundred fifteen percent (115%) of \$4,008.00 if redeemed more than six (6) months after the date of sale. Additionally the purchaser is entitled to reimbursement of the final bid purchase price that exceeded the amount of taxes owed, that number being an additional \$3,516.26 plus 10% per annum of said amount per diem. The purchaser is entitled to reimbursement for any additional taxes or special assessments on the tract or real property that were paid by the purchaser subsequent to the tax sale and before redemption, plus interest at the rate of ten percent (10%) per annum on the amount of taxes and special assessments. The purchaser is entitled to reimbursement for costs described in I.C. § 6-1.1-25-2(e).
The total amount of money required for the redemption of the tract or real property is provided in I.C. § 6-1.1-25-2. You may contact the Henry County Auditor for the exact amount required for redemption or for further information regarding this sale. The telephone number for Henry County Auditor is 765-529-2800.
A petition for a tax deed will be filed on or after September 18th, 2026. The purchaser or purchaser's assignee is entitled to receive a deed for the tract or real property if it is not redeemed before the expiration of the period of redemption. If this property is not redeemed and a tax deed is issued, the owner of record at the time the tax deed is issued may have a right to the tax surplus if any.
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STATE OF INDIANA )
COUNTY OF HAMILTON )
IN THE HAMILTON )
COUNTY COURT )
Case No. 29C01-2602-MI-001391
IN RE THE MATTER OF: )
Sunny Frischman )
Name of Minor )
Max Harris Frischman )
By Next Friend )
NOTICE OF PETITION FOR )
CHANGE OF NAME )
Notice is hereby given that Max )
Harris Frischman, Next Friend of )
minor child, self-represented, filed a )
Verified Petition for Change of Name )
on February 2, 2026 to change the )
name of Sunny Frischman to Gefen )
Sunny Frischman. )
The Petition is schedule for hearing )
in the Hamilton County Circuit )
Court on June 19, 2026 at 10:00 a.m. )
which is more than thirty (30) days )
after the third notice of publication. )
Any person has the right to appear )
at the hearing and to file written )
objections on or before the hearing )
date. )
Date: February 5, 2026 )
Kathy Kreag Williams )
Clerk, Hamilton County Court )
R7464 2/16/26, 2/23/26, 3/2/26

29D02-2602-EU-000064
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NOTICE OF UNSUPERVISED
ADMINISTRATION
In the Superior Court of Hamilton
County, Indiana; Cause #
Notice is hereby given that Jamie
Keenan was, on the 10th day of
February, 2026, appointed Personal
Representative of the Estate of
Barbara S. Kitterman, deceased, who
died on the 15th day of January, 2026.
All persons who have claims against
this Estate, whether or not now due,
must file the claim in the office of
the Clerk of this Court within three
(3) months from the date of the first
publication of this notice or within
nine (9) months after the decedent's
death, whichever is earlier, or the
claims will be forever barred.
Dated at Noblesville, Indiana, this
10th day of February, 2026.
Kathy Kreag Williams
Clerk of the Superior Court
Hamilton County, Indiana
R7490 2/16/26, 2/23/26

STATE OF INDIANA )
COUNTY OF HAMILTON )
IN THE HAMILTON )
CIRCUIT COURT )
Cause No. 29C01-2602-MI-1562
IN RE: NAME CHANGE OF )
NAME OF MINOR: )
AFNAAN BIN ARSALAN )
NOTICE OF HEARING )
Notice is hereby given that )
Petitioner, ARSALAN GULZAR )
& AROOB ZUBAIR SIDDIQUI, )
Next Friends of minor child, through )
counsel, filed a Verified Petition )
for Change of Name of Minor to )
change the name of AFNAAN BIN )
ARSALAN to ROHAAN BIN )
ARSALAN. )
The petition is scheduled for hearing )
in the Hamilton Circuit Court on June )
19, 2026 at 10:00 am, which is more )
than thirty (30) days after the third )
notice of publication. Any person )
has the right to appear at the hearing )
and to file written objections on or )
before the hearing date. The parties )
shall report to One Hamilton County )
Square, Suite 337, Noblesville, IN )
46060. )
Date: February 9, 2026 )
Kathy Kreag Williams )
Clerk of Hamilton County )
R7453 2/16/26, 2/23/26, 3/2/26

29D01-2501-EU-000008
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NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION
In the Hamilton County Superior
Court No. 1
In the Matter of the Estate of Claudie
C. Gordon, deceased,
Estate Docket No.29D01-2501-
EU-000008
Notice is hereby given that Kellie
Christine Clark was on January
8, 2026, appointed Personal
Representative of the Estate of Claudie
C. Gordon, deceased (August 5, 2024).
All persons who have claims against
this estate, whether or not now due,
must file the claim in the office of
the clerk of this court within three
(3) months from the date of the first
publication of this notice, or within
nine (9) months after the decedent's
death, whichever is earlier, or the
claims will be forever barred.
Dated at Noblesville, Indiana on
January 8, 2026.
Kathy Kreag Williams
Clerk of the Hamilton Superior
Court No. 3
R7527 2/23/26, 3/2/26

STATE OF INDIANA )
COUNTY OF HAMILTON )
IN THE HAMILTON )
SUPERIOR COURT )
CAUSE NO 29D02-2602-DN-001855
IN RE THE MARRIAGE OF: )
Sierra Satterfield )
Petitioner )
v )
Marj Jones )
Respondent )
SUMMONS - SERVICE BY )
PUBLICATION )
NOTICE OF PETITION )
You are hereby notified that Sierra )
Satterfield, self-represented, has filed )
a Petition for Dissolution of Marriage )
in the Hamilton Superior Court 2. )
This summons by publication is )
specifically directed to Marj Jones, )
residence unknown. )
You must answer the Petition, in )
writing, by you or your attorney, )
within twenty-one (21) days after )
notice of suit. )
And if you fail to do so, the court )
will enter orders for what the petition )
has demanded. )
Sierra Satterfield )
Date: 2/16/2026 )
Kathy Kreag Williams )
Clerk, Hamilton County Courts )
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Cash & Investments Combined Statement - 2025
Table with columns: Local Fund Number, Local Fund Name, Beg Cash & Inv Bal Jan 1, 2025, Receipts, Disbursement, End Cash & Inv Bal Dec 31, 2025. Includes rows for Governmental and Activities.

Hamilton North Public Library, Hamilton County, Indiana
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ATLANTA

Atlanta Civil Town, Hamilton County, Indiana
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CLAY TOWNSHIP

Clay Township, Hamilton County, Indiana
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NOBLESVILLE

Noblesville Township, Hamilton County, Indiana
Cash & Investments Combined Statement - 2025
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FALL CREEK TOWNSHIP

Fall Creek Township, Hamilton County, Indiana
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Gymnastics

# Miller gymnasts win HCC meet

## Nobbe sets NHS floor exercise record

**The REPORTER**

The Noblesville gymnastics team won the Hoosier Crossroads Conference meet, which took place Tuesday, Feb. 17 at The Gymnastics Company in Indianapolis.

The Millers scored 104.825 points. Hailey Nobbe led the way, winning the all-around by totaling 36.325 points. Nobbe set a new Noblesville school record in the floor exercise, scoring 9.425 to break the old record of 9.40.

Nobbe also won the balance beam with a score of 9.275. Valorey Bittles was second in the all-around and also the runner-up on beam and floor.

Bittles finished first in the vault by scoring 9.30 and won the uneven bars with a mark of 8.90. Nobbe placed second in the vault.

Noblesville scores and placings now follow.

**All-around scores:** 1. Hailey Nobbe 36.325, 2. Valorey Bittles 35.975, 7. Emmerson



Photo provided  
Noblesville's Hailey Nobbe salutes after being recognized for first place on the vault at the Connersville Invitational on Saturday, Feb. 14.

## Millers place third at Connersville

**The REPORTER**

The Noblesville gymnastics team finished third at the Connersville Invitational on Saturday, Feb. 14.

The Millers finished with a team score of 102.50 points and came home with one event victory. Hailey Nobbe won the vault with 9.10, easily the highest of the night for Noblesville. Valorey Bittles also scored highly on the vault, with an 8.95 to place fourth.

Nobbe also finished fourth on the uneven bars with 8.65, while Bittles was right behind with 8.575. Both Millers reached the top six in the all-around: Nobbe placed third with 34.85 and Bittles was sixth with 34.425.

**All-around scores:** 3. Hailey Nobbe 34.85, 6. Valorey Bittles 34.425, Emmerson Leckrone 32.85, Vera Deichman 31.875, Sterling Southard 26.95.

**Vault:** 1. Nobbe 9.10, 4. Bittles 8.95, Leckrone 8.40, Deichman 8.25, Southard 8.175.



Photo provided  
Valorey Bittles performs her balance beam routine.

**Uneven bars:** 4. Nobbe 8.65, 5. Bittles 8.575, Deichman 7.975, Leckrone 7.60, Southard 4.975.

**Balance beam:** 6. Nobbe 8.80, Leckrone 8.30, Bittles 8.125, Deichman 7.55, Southard 6.70.

**Floor exercise:** 7. Bittles 8.775, 9. Leckrone 8.55, Nobbe 8.30, Deichman 8.10, Southard 7.10.

Photos provided  
(ABOVE LEFT) The Noblesville gymnastics team won the Hoosier Crossroads Conference meet last Tuesday, Feb. 17 at The Gymnastics Company. The Millers scored 104.825 points. (ABOVE RIGHT) Hailey Nobbe set a new Noblesville school record on the floor exercise of 9.425.

Leckrone 32.40, 8. Vera Deichman 31.90.

**Vault:** 1. Bittles 9.30, 2. Nobbe 9.15, Leckrone 8.50, Deichman 8.375, Sterling Southard 8.10.

**Uneven bars:** 1. Bittles 8.90, 3. Nobbe 8.475, T7. Deichman 7.50; Leckrone 7.50, Phoenix Rollins 4.525.

**Balance beam:** 1. Nobbe 9.275, 2. Bittles 8.85, Deichman 7.675, Leckrone 7.55, Lilly Martin 5.20.

**Floor exercise:** 1. Nobbe 9.425, 2. Bittles 8.925, 7. Leckrone 8.85, 8. Deichman 8.35, Rollins 6.50.

## TALON

AJ Hamersley is a senior and wrestled for the Blackhawks, while freshman Ellen Phillips also helps with the club.

“Getting to teach and mentor the kids in a sport that has taught me so much is very rewarding,” said AJ Hamersley. “I’m excited to be a part of something that creates opportunities for these kids,

especially the girls.”

“Teaching is what I want to do in the future and being able to teach and mentor these kids has had a huge impact on me and them as well,” said Phillips. “I fell in love with this sport this season and want to show the kids how great it is.”

Colin Warner, an assistant with the Sheridan girls team, also helps with the

club. He was there for the club’s first-ever tournament for beginners on Sunday, Feb. 22 at Sheridan High School. The event was for ages 6 to 12.

“Colin said he wanted to give the kids all the opportunities to wrestle as they can,” said Katie Hamersley.

The club’s season begins in January and lasts through March or April.

“It depends on if we have kids who go further in the ISWA tournament,” said Hamersley. “That’s usually the older kids. They switch from folkstyle to freestyle wrestling at some point, and we also teach the freestyle.”

For more information on Black Talon Wrestling Club, visit its Facebook page at [tinyurl.com/Black-TalonWrestling](https://www.facebook.com/tinyurl.com/Black-TalonWrestling).

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