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TODAY'S WEATHER

Today: Mostly sunny.
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Prayer vigil for Fox Hollow victims set for April 22

Submitted
 Indiana-based ministry He Knows Your Name and the Hamilton County Coroner's Office have announced plans to host a public prayer vigil and panel discussion to honor victims of the Fox Hollow tragedy. The vigil is set for 6 to 8:30 p.m. Wednesday, April 22 at Prairie Waters Event Center, 4180 Westfield Road, Westfield.

This event serves to continue the public conversation around the victims of one of the state's most notorious crimes and will take place at the site of the public memorial service

and monument dedicated for the 10 identified victims. Since the dedication in August 2024, one additional victim has been identified and the Hamilton County Coroner's office continues to analyze several DNA profiles to work through the identification process.

To engage the public in open dialogue about the Fox Hollow crime, the ongoing investigation, and to shine a light on the victims, the core element of the upcoming event is a panel discussion from 7 to 8 p.m. among He Knows Your Name

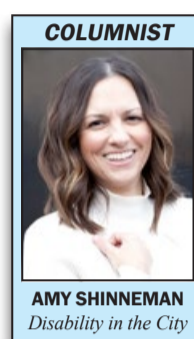


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He Knows Your Name Founder Linda Znachko and Hamilton County Coroner Jeff Jellison stand next to the monument for the 10 identified victims.

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For life

Some disabled people are born with their disability. Some are not and become disabled later in life due to an accident, illness, late onset genetic condition, or aging.



At each stage of my life, my disability has looked the same, but also different. While my physical condition has worsened, many things I have had to do to support my well-being have been the same throughout my entire life.

As I laid on my stomach today while the physical therapist casted me for what seems like my millionth set of orthotics, my mind started to wander. These types of appointments can trigger memories from many periods in my life. I have never had a time of my life where the medical world was not involved.

As we chatted the therapist said, "I bet you have had a lot of PT in your lifetime."

That forced me down memory lane. Sometimes, a trip down memory lane can be an unwelcome adventure. Often, the medical memories bring up negative emotions and can affect me for the rest of the day.

Today, I also thought to myself, "This has been a long road. I am tired. I am weary."

My husband's voice talking to the physical therapist jolted me back into the present. As I listened to them talk, I could not help but to be grateful that I have such a loyal and caring partner who is with me every step of the way. There are many who must do it all alone. There are not enough words to express my gratitude for him.

As I made my way back into the house when I got home, another wave of gratitude washed over me. Yes, life has been tough, but it has also been beautiful.

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Photos provided by Westfield Lions Club
(LEFT) The Westfield Lions play their version of Jeopardy! (RIGHT, from left) Lion Jacquie Lloyd, new Lion Laura Hall, and Past District Governor Bob Benson.

Westfield Lions compete in 'Jeopardy' for cool & tasty prizes

By **JEFF LARRISON**
 Westfield Lions Club

At their April 2 meeting, the Westfield Lions Club members competed in a version of the game *Jeopardy!* While the winning team didn't walk away with a trip to Cancun, they did win Dairy Queen gift cards.

The variety of categories included pop culture, movies, music, travel, and even some Lions Club trivia. The Club has a customizable PowerPoint version of *Jeopardy!* that they break out about once a year to create an evening of friendly competitiveness.

Also, at the meeting the Club

initiated Laura Hall as the newest member. She is sponsored by Lion Jacquie Lloyd, and the initiation ceremony was led by Past District Governor Bob Benson. Hall, a retired special education teacher, brings the Club's roster count up to 76 members – an all-time high for the Club since its inception in 1930.

Westfield Lions step up again for Open Doors

Each year the Westfield Lions assist Open Doors Food Pantry of Westfield in the "Stamp Out Hunger" food drive sponsored by the U.S. Postal Service (USPS). The Westfield

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Carmel to hold first He L.E.A.D.S. Men's Wellness Breakfast

Submitted by City of Carmel

The City of Carmel will play host to the inaugural He L.E.A.D.S. Men's Wellness Breakfast, an event dedicated to fostering support, connection, and open dialogue regarding the unique challenges facing men today.

The Friday, April 24 breakfast will begin at 7:30 a.m., along with check-in. The program takes place from 8:30 to 10 a.m. on the third floor of the Carmel Fire Department Headquarters, 210 Veterans Way.

Hosted by the city and presented by the Rotary Club of Carmel, this initiative follows the success of the She L.E.A.D.S. women's conference, expanding the community's commitment to wellness and leadership development across all perspectives.

"Investing in the well-being of our residents is paramount," Mayor Sue Finkam said. "This event will provide a vital space for connecting, sharing experiences, and prioritizing health holistically – physical, mental, financial, and spiritual. Our city is at its best when we are learning from one another."

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Get your tickets now for next production of Gregory Hancock Dance Theatre's Mélange Series

Submitted

Mélange: concoction, mixture, combination.

The *Mélange* returns for springtime with a fresh and diverse pick of artists. In this series of performances brought to you by Gregory Hancock Dance Theatre (GHDT), audiences experience art coming to life in front of their eyes in an intimate theatrical setting. Each series features three unique and talented artists of different genres. Together they create art at The Florence in a collaborative and organic manner.

This *Mélange* Series features a vocalist, dancer, and vi-



Rai



Miley



Hollering

sual artist. The dancer creates spontaneous movement inspired by the singer or vocalist, as the visual artist creates spontaneous art inspired by the dancer and the music. Audiences will experience

live art in a new manner, bringing groundbreaking and creative art to central Indiana.

Audiences love the interactive nature of the *Mélange* performances. The artwork created

during the performances is auctioned to audience members at the end of the performance.

The next production of the *Mélange* series features the vocal stylings of Evelyn Rai, the stunning visuals of artist Christina Hollering, and the dynamic artistry of dancer Cody Miley.

The performances are set for 5 p.m. Saturday, April 18 and at 3 p.m. Sunday, April 19 at The Florence, 329 Gradle Drive, Carmel. Tickets are \$25 for general admission seating and can be purchased at [this link](#).

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VIGIL

Founder Linda Znachko, Hamilton County Coroner Jeff Jellison, and *Inside Edition* Host Eva Pilgrim, which will be moderated by WTHR anchor and reporter Jennie Runevitch.

A seasoned true crime journalist, Pilgrim has covered many of the nation's most notable investigations, including cases involving Alex Murdaugh, Gabby Petito, Ruby Franke, and Lauren Spierer. Her work also includes long-

form storytelling through documentary features and a successful limited-series podcast focused on true crime.

"We are deeply grateful for the continued outpouring of support for the Fox Hollow victims, and we remain unwavering in our commitment to honor their lives and ensure their names are never forgotten," Znachko said. "During National Crime Victims' Rights Week, this gather-

ing carries even greater meaning: it is not only a time to remember, but a call to action. We are proud to stand alongside the Hamilton County Coroner's Office to host this event, which shines a light on one of Indiana's most horrific and notable crimes and supports the ongoing investigation to identify



Pilgrim

about this case between now and the time of the event. You can email questions to Molly Grollimund at mollyhkyn@gmail.com

remaining victims. Every life matters, every name deserves to be known, and we will not stop until that work is done."

The public is welcome to submit questions about this case between now and the time of the event. You can email questions to Molly Grollimund at mollyhkyn@gmail.com

by April 20. Some submitted questions will be included in the panel discussion.

"Today and every day, we ask members of the public to see victims of crime as their own neighbors, family members and friends," Jellison said. "We are proud to link arms with He Knows Your Name and members of our community to remember these individuals and shine a light on all victims."

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About He Knows Your Name

Linda Znachko is the founder of He Knows Your Name ministry and author of the nationally recognized and award-winning book, *He Knows Your Name*. The organization is rooted in the conviction that every life is sacred to God. He Knows Your Name Ministry gives children and adults dignity and honor in death by celebrating their life. Learn more at HeKnowsYourName.org.

LIONS

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and Carmel USPS branches will be delivering approximately 70,000 plastic bags, along with instructions for the public to fill the bags with food donations and leave them at their mailboxes for pick up on Saturday, May 9. The mail carriers then collect the food bags during their normal mail routes.

The bags and instruction cards delivered by the USPS must be folded up and sta-

pled so the mail carriers can deliver them in the mailboxes, and that's where the Lions come in. Each year the Westfield Lions help fold and staple the bags for Open Doors and then assist with sorting the donations when they come in on May 9.

To find out more about the Westfield Lions, the impact they have on their community, and how to become a member, go to WestfieldLions.org.

FOR LIFE

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It can be hard sometimes to not look at my disability as a life sentence. The days when I am painfully aware of every hardship it causes, feel like an imprisonment. Or the days I long to go for a walk in my backyard with ease but know I cannot, cause me to feel trapped and frozen inside a cube of negativity.

I recently saw a video of a neurosurgeon talking about how if we find ourselves stuck in neutral because of a traumatic event or an unending suffering, not able to move forward, the smallest effort can change that. If we can force ourselves to step outside of our pain during tough times, it can make all the difference and kick us back into gear. More than

that, each time you can do that, it is a building block and makes it a little easier the next time. Suffering can and does produce endurance.

It can be true for anyone. I bet you can think of countless times you have pushed forward when it felt impossible. One foot in front of the other, not looking into the future, only living in the present moment. Often, that first step out of the overwhelm can be the hardest.

I write a lot about how I think about the past. Not always because I want to, but because of examples like at my appointment today. The nature of the beast.

When you have a "life sentence" of a progressive disability it also can be tempting to look too far

ahead into the future. My elderly years in numbers seem far away, but in my physical reality, they are already here in many ways.

I am much more like a person well beyond my years than I am my peers, physically. When I am in places surrounded by people my age, that truth is magnified. No one wants to age faster than they have to.

My disability can feel like a life sentence. As with anyone, there are ups and downs in life. In the times that I can force myself to take that tiny step forward, it does change the direction of things.

I learned early on that if I wanted to live my life well, I must accept that every day there will be extreme phys-

ical hardship. Facing that each day, for my entire life, has been heavy. As a child, I did not know what to do with that reality. As an adult, I often do not either.

What I do know is, the days are long, and there are many chances to redeem it if it goes off the rails.

Just keep moving forward.

Until next time ...

Amy Shinneman is a former National Ambassador for the Muscular Dystrophy Association, disability blogger, freelance writer, wife, and mom of two boys. She is the recipient of the Reporter's Winter 2025 Ink-Stained Wretch award. You can find her blog at humblycourageous.com and reach her on Instagram @ashinneman.

HE L.E.A.D.S.

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Leadership. Engagement. Awareness. Dialogue. Support.

Ethan McAndrews, who is chair of the committee that organized the event with Mayor Finkam, added that the inspiration for the breakfast came from previous community successes.

"We saw the incredible impact of the women's conference and knew there was an opportunity to provide a

similar platform for men," McAndrews said. "We are seeing a real increase in mental health issues among men. Our goal is to build a stronger, more connected community through open conversation and mutual support."

This event is free to attend but registration is required via Eventbrite.

MÉLANGE

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Vocalist: Evelyn Rai

Evelyn Rai is a dynamic multi-genre vocalist whose music spans Gospel, Contemporary Gospel, Jazz, R&B, and Neo-Soul.

A native of Indianapolis, she began performing at age 5 and has since graced stages alongside Michael Bubl , CeCe Winans, and Ron Kenoly. She's sung the National Anthem for the Indiana Pacers, recorded with Gospel Label Tyscott Records, and performed with the Indianapolis Symphony Orchestra.

Internationally, she has walked on stage and performed with some of Ghana's hottest Jazz players at +233 Jazz Bar & Grill, Ghana's premier Jazz and Live Music Club. Her voice has been featured in national campaigns, including a Transition Lenses commercial and a winning Coca-Cola Christmas ad.

Locally, you can find her performing in Jazz venues and for private events. She regularly hosts an Open Mic event called OnTheMic to support and promote

the local artist community.

Rai's mission is simple yet profound: to worship, inspire, encourage, and heal. Her music reflects a life story of resilience and faith, transforming personal trials into songs that uplift and restore. With passion and authenticity, she captivates audiences and takes them on a soulful journey where melody and spirit meet.

Dancer: Cody Miley

Cody Miley was born in Baton Rouge, La., and moved to Texas when he was 13. Beginning his freshman year, he found his love for theatre and began training under the tutelage of Travis Poe. He would go on to win a state championship in One Act Play, as well as numerous acting and crew awards during his high school career. He also attended Tal Lastracco's Summer theatre camp three years in a row, which strengthened his acting training.

After graduating high school, he attended McLennan Community College

in Waco, Texas, where he began his dance training under the tutelage of Jerry McLaughlin. He transferred to Sam Houston State University where he received his B.F.A. in acting and directing. He is a founding member of Nicolay Dance Works, led by artistic Director Dana Nicolay.

Miley just recently left Dance Kaleidoscope after a nine-year tenure. During his run, he performed in over 40 productions, spanning from 2016 to 2025, performing works from David Hochoy, Joshua Blake Carter, Brock Elliott, Keisha Lalama, Stephanie Martinez, Tsai-Hsi Hung to name a few. He has also had the opportunity to perform in several concert dance pieces as well as dance festivals, including the Houston Fringe Festival, the Bailando Dance Festival and the 2015 Dance Gallery Festival in New York City, appeared in Alamo City Dance Company's presentation of *The Nutcracker*, and was a featured dancer for Blockhouse Studios' NBA

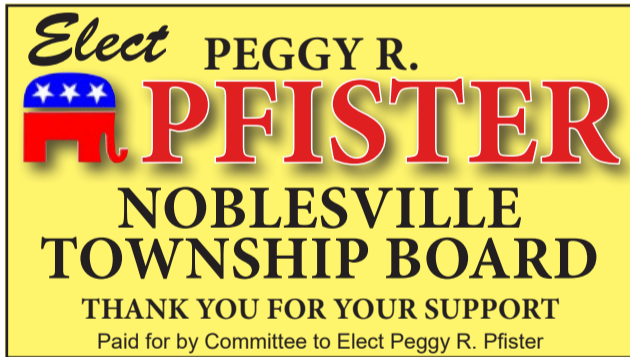
All-Star game video installation. He recently made his regional theatre debut as Ray in American Lives Theatre's production of *Red Speedo* in January of 2025.

Miley said he is forever grateful for the opportunities he's been blessed with and the continued support from his family and friends.

Visual Artist: Christina Hollering

Christina Hollering is a visual artist, muralist, and associate professor at Heron School of Art and Design in Indianapolis. Working across media such as painting, printmaking, and installation, she explores the relationship between humans and the natural world. Her vibrant, nature-inspired designs often feature native species and environmental themes that encourage reflection and preservation.

The M lange Series at The Florence has been created by GHDT Executive Artistic Director Gregory Glade Hancock and is presented by Gregory Hancock Dance Theatre.



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Carmel Professional Firefighters endorse Sweeney for Judge

Submitted

The Carmel Professional Firefighters, IAFF Local 444 have announced their endorsement of Paul C. Sweeney for judge of the new Hamilton County Superior Court 9.

President Sean Sutton released the following statement:

"On behalf of the Carmel Professional Firefighters, IAFF Local 444, I am pleased to inform you that our organization has rated you well qualified to serve in the of-

office you seek. Based on that evaluation, we are proud to offer you our endorsement in the upcoming election.



Sweeney

"Our members believe your leadership and commitment to public service will serve the residents of this community well. We look forward to working with you and your campaign as you move toward elec-

tion day. "We wish you the best in your campaign and appreciate your willingness to serve the public."

Hamilton East Public Library expands Local Author Fair into weekend-long celebration of writing

The REPORTER

The Hamilton East Public Library (HEPL) has announced the expansion of its annual Local Author Fair into a full weekend of literary events, offering opportunities for both writers and readers to connect, learn, and celebrate storytelling.

Writing Workshops for All Experience Levels
Saturday, April 18

The weekend kicks off on Saturday, April 18 at HEPL's Noblesville Branch, 1 Library Plaza, with a series of engaging writing workshops designed

for writers and aspiring authors of all ages and experience levels, covering topics like creative storytelling, self-publishing, and common writing pitfalls. Participants are encouraged to register for workshops through the library's online events calendar.

Local Author Fair (Free Community Event)
Sunday, April 19

HEPL's Local Author Fair returns from 1 to 4 p.m. Sunday, April 19 at a new offsite location: the Hamilton County Fairgrounds Exhibition Center, 2003 Pleasant St., Noblesville. This free, open house-style event welcomes readers of all ages to meet and support local authors from across central Indiana. Nearly 70 authors and literary organizations from Fishers, Noblesville, Carmel, Westfield, Cicero, Indianapolis, and beyond will be present with books available for purchase and signing. Attendees can explore a wide variety of genres, including picture books, mystery and thriller, romance, science fiction, biography, local history, self-help, and more.

Guests can also enjoy giveaways, including book bundles and other prizes



Photo provided

throughout the event.

"We're excited for the return of this annual event showcasing the talent of local authors," HEPL Systemwide Program Coordinator Allison Kartman said. "Our service area within Hamilton County, and Indiana at large, has many gifted writers, some of whom have self-published and others who have launched their works through traditional publishing houses. The HEPL Local Author

Fair provides a unique opportunity to engage directly with nearly 70 authors and literary organizations as you support local storytelling. During the event, you can purchase books for yourself or as gifts, network with other authors, ask them about their writing inspiration or process, and learn more about their journey to publishing."

For more information and to register for workshops, visit hamiltoneastpl.org.

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Don't miss violinist Joshua Bell at Payne & Mencias Palladium

The REPORTER

As part of the Leo Brown Group Classical Series, accomplished violinist Joshua Bell will perform, along with pianist Shai Wosner, at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, April 23 at the Payne & Mencias Palladium in Carmel.

With a career spanning almost four decades, Grammy Award-winning violinist Joshua Bell is one of the most celebrated artists of his era. The Bloomington native and Indiana University graduate has performed with virtually every major orchestra, and



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maintains engagements as a soloist, recitalist, chamber musician, conductor and as the Music Director of the Academy of St. Martin in the Fields.

Accompanying him will be pianist and recording artist Shai Wosner for a program including Schubert, Grieg, Prokofiev, and Ravel. [Click here](#) for tickets.

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Letter to the Editor

Mundy: Sweeney has servant's heart & integrity to be Superior Court 9 judge

Dear Editor:
It is my sincere honor to offer this letter of support for Mr. Paul Sweeney in his candidacy for Judge of the newly established Hamilton County Superior Court 9.

I have had the privilege of knowing Paul for over four decades. We first became friends during our high school years in Carmel, and I have followed his career and community involvement ever since. Paul is a man of deep faith and unwavering integrity, and throughout his life, he has exemplified a true servant's heart – always seeking ways to help others and improve the community he loves.

Professionally, Paul is a dedicated and highly respected attorney. Despite the demands of his legal practice, he consistently makes time to advocate for the underrepresented and to engage in issues that affect the broader community. His compassion

for clients, fellow attorneys, and society as a whole is evident in everything he does.

Paul has made a lasting impact beyond the courtroom. He organized and led a day of reflection for attorneys through his Diocese, featuring a nationally renowned speaker and attended by a federal judge, an Indiana Supreme Court Justice, and many legal professionals. Due to its success, he hosted a second reflection event, equally well-received.

His dedication to justice and public service also led him to assist in drafting and testifying in support of a bill that amended Indiana's Family Military Leave Law in 2009. The bill extended coverage to adoptive, foster, and step-parent relationships and was signed into law by then-Governor Mitch Daniels. Additionally, Paul has handled multiple pro bono prisoner cases at the request of the U.S. District Court for the Southern

District of Indiana.

Paul's community service is equally commendable. He served for several years as a member of the United Way of Central Indiana-Hamilton County Domestic Violence Shelter Task Force and Advisory Board, and as a board member for the Carmel Symphony Orchestra.

As the superintendent of one Sheridan Community Schools, I have a deep appreciation for leaders who serve all members of our community. Paul embodies that ideal. He brings intellect, dedication, and a tireless work ethic to everything he does.

I firmly believe that Paul Sweeney possesses the integrity, intellect, and perseverance to serve as Judge for Hamilton County Superior Court 9. It is with great confidence that I offer my support of his candidacy.

Dave Mundy
Superintendent
Sheridan Community Schools

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OneZone Business Action Committee endorses Republican Hunter Smith for State Representative

Submitted

The OneZone Business Action Committee (ZoneBAC) has announced its endorsement of Hunter Smith for the State Representative, District 24.

"Hunter Smith brings a strong, forward-looking perspective and a clear commitment to serving Indiana's communities," OneZone Chamber President Jack Russell said. "His focus on leadership, community engagement, and building a strong environment

for businesses and families positions him well to represent District 24."

Smith is a respected community leader and entrepreneur with a passion for service and a vision for strengthening Indiana's future. Through his professional and community involvement, he has demonstrated a commitment to leadership, collaboration, and supporting



Smith

initiatives that drive economic growth and enhance quality of life. His approach reflects a desire to bring thoughtful, solutions-oriented leadership to the Statehouse.

The ZoneBAC is made up of OneZone Chamber members. In considering this race, the committee recognized Smith's leadership, vision, and understanding of the is-

suues impacting the business community. His commitment to growth and long-term success made him a strong choice for endorsement.

ZoneBAC endorsement decisions are made by the committee using nonpartisan criteria. Committee members review candidate information and determine which candidates to support based on their positions, qualifications, and commitment to issues important to the business community.

Local letter carrier Barb Crane recognized for 50 years of service



Photo provided by Office of State Rep. Danny Lopez
State Rep. Danny Lopez (R-Carmel) recently presented Barb Crane with a House District 39 Declaration recognizing her for 50 years of service. Crane is retiring after a remarkable career in public service. She's carried the same mail route in Carmel for 40 years and is Lopez's mail carrier. "For more than four decades, Barb has been a recognizable and friendly face for neighbors across Carmel and is a great personification of the character of this community," Lopez said. "I'm so grateful to her for her lifetime of service, and I'm thrilled to recognize her as she heads to her well-deserved retirement!"

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Letter to the Editor

Westfield reader emphatically endorses Jim Buck for State Senate

Dear Editor:
As an 86-year-old resident of Hamilton County since 1984, I am offended and appalled by the scurrilous attacks on Indiana State Senator Jim Buck by his Primary opponent.

Jim Buck has been in office for over 30 years because HE REPRESENTS OUR DISTRICT IN KEEPING WITH OUR WISHES as his constituents. Age has nothing to do with this. Jim Buck votes for US, not for someone or something outside of our district.

This vicious campaign against Jim Buck is funded by sources OUTSIDE OF OUR DISTRICT. This means Jim Buck's opponent will not follow the wishes of those of us in

the district but will do the bidding of those who are funding the campaign against Jim Buck from outside of our district. These forces criticize Jim Buck for not supporting the re-districting of Indiana in an attempt to eliminate two members of the U.S. House of Representative from the opposing party.

Jim Buck voted the WAY WE, HIS CONSTITUENTS, ASKED HIM TO VOTE ON THIS ISSUE.

During the 42 years we have lived here in Hamilton County we have never witnessed such a horrible and vicious campaign. The people of our district did not and will not fund such a horrible and vicious campaign.

I urge all voters represented by

Jim Buck to VOTE FOR JIM BUCK in the May 5 Primary election. To do otherwise is to give away our right to be represented as we wish, and instead to be directed by someone or something outside of our district who will dictate to the opponent.

If elected, Jim Buck's opponent will be a puppet of these nebulous forces.

Please vote for JIM BUCK IN THE MAY 5 PRIMARY ELECTION to protect our interests and not those of someone or something else from outside of our district. Please do not waste your vote by voting for someone other than Jim Buck.

Steve Baranyk

Westfield

Letter to the Editor

Smith: Houghtalen has what it takes to serve the people of Noblesville Township

Dear Editor:
In a time where people feel like they have to be loud to be heard, TJ Houghtalen is the opposite. He listens first, takes in what you're saying, and then responds. That quality alone would make him a good neighbor. It also makes him an excellent candidate for the Noblesville Township Trustee Board.

TJ understands Noblesville from every angle, and frankly doesn't need a seat as an elected official to make a difference, which makes him all the more qualified in my book. As co-owner of Green Vista Landscap-

ing, a company rooted in this community since 1981, he has spent more than 30 years building a business, employing local workers, and investing in the place he calls home. When the Noblesville Chamber Foundation honored Green Vista with the 2023 Small Business Award, it confirmed what those of us who know TJ already understood – he is committed to this community and the people in it.

That commitment is exactly what the Township Trustee Board needs. The Trustee's office is one of the most direct points of contact between local government and the people who

need help most, and having the right people providing oversight matters. It requires people who listen, care about their neighbors, and take stewardship of taxpayer dollars seriously.

He wears every hat: community member, business owner, employer, taxpayer, volunteer, and he wears them well. Noblesville deserves board members who build community, support the people and organizations that make us stronger, and hold the office accountable. I'm proud to support him.

Aaron Smith

Noblesville

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Community News

Cicero gets fired up about pancakes

The Cicero Fire Department's annual Pancake Breakfast will take place from 7 to 11 a.m. Saturday, May 9 at the Fire Department, 1359 Stringtown Pike.

The breakfast will include pancakes and sausage as well as all the fixings. Speaking of which ...

What's your favorite go-to pancake topping? Fresh strawberries, blueberries, chocolate chips, bananas and whipped cream, maple syrup, or something unique? The Fire Departments wants to know what you like on your pancakes. [Click here](#) and comment on the Facebook post. Your suggestion could end up on this year's topping bar.

The cost is a free-will offering. Proceeds go to Cicero Fire & Community Outreach.

Workshop for pastors on technology in ministry

Local author David J. Swisher, a ministry technologist and bivocational minister, will offer a free workshop for pastors and ministry leaders in the area on "Navigating Technology Disruption in Ministry."

The event is scheduled for 9:30 to 11 a.m. Saturday, April 11 at the Noblesville Schools Community Center, 1775 Field Drive.

This event will offer practical insight, a hopeful framework, and clear next steps for leading with wisdom in times of technological disruption. The event is free, but registration is requested through [Eventbrite](#).

Free Shred Day at Carpenter Realtors

Carpenter Realtors will hold a free Spring Shred Day from 10 a.m. to noon on Saturday, April 11 at the Carmel office, 790 W. City Center Drive.

Acceptable items include: all paper, magazines, file folders, notepads, notebooks, and all envelopes.

Coffee Hour for Veterans

Attention Veterans in northern Hamilton County ... From 9 to 10 a.m. on the first Saturday of each month, Veterans and the general public are welcome to get together at Remnant Coffee Shop, 101 W. Main St. (266th Street), Arcadia.

Come get to know other Veterans in the area. Tea drinkers are welcome.

Thanks for reading the Hamilton County Reporter!



Saturday, April 25
11 a.m.–1 p.m.
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The City of Westfield's Parks and Recreation Department is hosting its annual Green Day at Grand Junction Plaza, a free family event celebrating Earth and Arbor Day! Enjoy activities and exhibits from local organizations covering topics like trees, water, soils, and sustainability, plus free native tree saplings (while supplies last).

Ready to dig into the details? Visit westfieldin.gov/greenday to learn more!





Ready to dig?

Duke Energy reminds residents to call 811 before beginning spring digging projects

The REPORTER

April is National Safe Digging Month, and Duke Energy is recognizing the importance of calling 811 before starting any Indiana digging projects. This simple step helps protect the nation's underground utility infrastructure and helps ensure the safety of both customers and professional excavators.



Pinegar

"Some underground utility lines can be found just a few inches below the surface," Duke Energy Indiana President Stan Pinegar said. "Fortunately, though, a quick call to 811 can help you avoid costly, potentially dangerous damages."

Call first, dig second

The national 811 "Call Before You Dig" system was created so anyone who plans to dig can make a free call to have underground utility lines clearly marked.

Contractors, homeowners, business owners and anyone preparing for an ex-

cavation project should call 811 at least three business days before digging begins.

- Local utilities will send a crew to mark underground lines (electric, natural gas, water, sewer, phone, cable TV and others) in the area with stakes, flags, or paint.

Digging into the damage data

In 2025, Duke Energy reported more than 360 damages to its underground electric network in its Indiana service territory.

"Duke Energy is committed to keeping our customers and communities safe," Pinegar said. "Calling 811 to know what's below before you start any digging project is fast and free, and it's the best way to dig safely."

For additional information about 811, visit Duke Energy's Call 811 Before You Dig [webpage](#). To get in touch with the 811 center in your state, dial 811 or visit [call811.com](#).



Photo provided by City of Carmel

Bike Donation Day returns this Saturday

Submitted by City of Carmel

The City of Carmel and Freewheelin' Community Bikes will once again host the annual Bike Donation Day from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, April 11 in the Carmel City Hall parking lot.

If you have old bikes or spare bike parts laying around unused, bring them to Bike Donation Day to give them renewed purpose for youth taking part in the Freewheelin' Green Apron (Earn-a-Bike) program.

Bike donations are an important part of Freewheelin' Community Bikes' mission to provide safe, reliable and affordable transportation. The 2025 donation day was canceled due to weather so the donation number to beat is the 2024 total of 151 bikes.

The following items are especially useful:

- Bikes with multiple speeds/gears
- Quality bike shop brand names and vintage steel frame bikes
- Modern comfort bikes, mountain bikes, road bikes and cruisers
- Bicycle parts

If your donation cannot be used by Freewheelin' or its partners, they will responsibly recycle all metal.

When dropping off your donations, you will be asked to enter from the southeast corner of the parking lot and follow the signs to the northwest corner before exiting from the northeast exit back on to Veterans Way.

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OneZone Business Action Committee endorses Democrat Kristina Moorhead for Indiana State Senate

Submitted

The OneZone Business Action Committee (ZoneBAC) has announced its Primary Endorsement of Kristina Moorhead for Indiana State Senate, District 29.

"Kristina Moorhead brings a thoughtful, solutions-oriented approach to public policy and a strong understanding of the issues impacting Indiana's business community," OneZone Chamber President Jack Russell said. "Her ability to collaborate, navigate complex challenges, and

focus on long-term economic growth makes her well-suited to represent District 29 at the Statehouse."

Moorhead brings extensive experience in public policy and a deep commitment to building a strong, resilient economy. She has demonstrated a focus on supporting local businesses, strengthening Indiana's workforce through education, and advancing



Moorhead

policies that promote innovation and opportunity. Her leadership reflects a balanced, forward-thinking approach to addressing the challenges facing both businesses and Hoosier families.

The ZoneBAC is made up of OneZone Chamber members. In considering this race, the committee recognized Moorhead's experience, leadership, and understanding of the issues

impacting the business community. Her commitment to economic growth, workforce development, and collaborative leadership made her a strong choice for endorsement.

ZoneBAC endorsement decisions are made by the committee using nonpartisan criteria. Committee members review candidate information and determine which candidates to support based on their positions, qualifications, and commitment to issues important to the business community.

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PLANTERS & DRILLS: JD 7000 12-Row Planter (Liquid Fert, Insect, Bean & Corn Meters, 200 Monitor), JD 7000 Planter (Used for Food Plot & Truck Patch), 30' Case IH 5500 Grain Drill (Monitor & Markers)
SPRAYERS & TANKS: Bestway 1000-Gallon w/ 60' Booms & Raven 440 Monitor, 1000-Gallon Steel Tank on JD Gear w/ Hyd. Hoist, 500-Gallon Sprayer on JD Gear, 1200-Gallon Stainless Tank on 1065 JD Gear (Honda 5.5hp Motor & Banjo Pump), Chem Farms Stainless Saddle Tanks w/ Pump, Clark 1000-Gallon Nurse Tank w/ Pump on Adj Gear, 3-pt 200-Gallon w/ PTO Pump & 30' Booms, JD 963 Gear w/ 1000-Gallon Poly Tank (30-Gal Inductor)
VEHICLES: 2006 Hummer H3 4x4 (Leather, Sunroof, Power Windows & Seats, Vortec 3500, Gas, 242830 miles), 2006 Chevrolet C1500 Silverado (2-W/D, Vortec 5.3 Liter Gas, 218756 Miles), 1999 GMC C7500 7H1 Auger Truck (7.4 Liter Gas Motor, 17928 Miles), 2012 Int'l 4300M&SBA 4x2 Bucket Truck (2008 Altech Service Body w/ 50' Bucket, 44996 miles, Max Force Diesel Engine-Diagnosed as needing replaced-Excessive Blow-By), 2004 Ford F-350 Super Duty Crew Cab (V-8 FX4 4-WD, 6.0 Liter Diesel, Leather, Power Seats & Windows, Sunroof, Gooseneck Hitch, 6-3/4' Bed, 168705 miles)
TRAILERS: 2014 Sure-Trac 25+5 Gooseneck, 2013 Corn Pro UT-16L w/ Ramps, 12'x81" Bolinger Trl., 2007 Konkrite 18'x80"
TIRES: 18.4-34 Firestone Clamp-On Duals, 2016 Like New Ford F-350 Toyo Tires (265-70R 19.5), Stock 5-Lug

Michelin Tires & Wheels, 2004 Stock F-350 Firestone LT265 75R 16, 18.4-37 Firestone T-Rail Duals
TILLAGE EQUIPMENT: 25' DMI Tiger Mate II Fld. Cult., 25' McFarlane 8-Bar Pull-Type Harrow, 8' JD RW Disk, Brillion 10-Shank 3-pt Chisel Plow, 32' Brillion XL144 Packer (X-Fold Extendable Tongue, Scrapers, USED VERY LITTLE), County Line 3-pt Cultivator, 2 & 3-Bottom Plows, Oliver 545 Plow, 19' Allis-Chalmers 1200 Fld. Cult., McFarlane QT-111RB Quadra-Till 11-Shank Chisel
WAGONS & GRAIN HANDLING: Hay Wagons, (2) JD 1075 Gears w/ Midwest Steel Beds & M-10 Hyd. Hoists, Parker 300-bu Gravity Wagon, J&M 680-760 Gravity Wagon w/ Brakes & Lights, Seed Wagon w/ Sudenga Brush Auger (Hyd. Pump & Motor), Kongskilde SUC-1000 Grain Vac, (2) J&M 350-20 Gr. Wagons on JD 1075 Gears w/ Lights
LIVESTOCK EQ: Tilt-Tables for Goats/Sheep, Cattle Panels & Gates, Cattle Catch Chute, Wire Fence
MOWERS: 7' Ford 14-92 3-pt. Sickle Bar Mower, JD MX-8 Pull-Type Rotary Cutter, JD 503 Rotary Cutter, New Holland 57 Hay Rake
LAWN & GARDEN: 3' JD Snow Blower, 5' Snapper Pro Snow Blower, Grasshopper 721 w/ 66" Deck, Grasshopper 618 w/ 52" Deck, JD Z425 Mower w/ 54" Deck (459 hrs), Gravel Rascal
ATTACHMENTS: Wolverine Skid Steer Plate, 8' 3-pt. Plow Blade, Dearborn Model 19-6 Slip Scoop, 12" & 32" Backhoe Buckets
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Shonkwiler's bill prioritizing ratepayers signed into law

Submitted by Office of State Rep. Alaina Shonkwiler

Gov. Mike Braun recently ceremonially signed into law legislation authored by State Rep. Alaina Shonkwiler (R-Noblesville) to address energy affordability and prioritize Hoosier ratepayers.

House Act 1002 creates performance-based accountability to ensure utilities are hitting targets aimed at reducing costs and increasing reliability. New tools for managing costs will strengthen consumer protections by automatically enrolling low-income Hoosiers eligible for Indiana's energy assistance program in levelized billing with clear disclosures and an opt-out option.

"Hoosiers have been feeling the impact of energy costs, and we want to ensure reliable energy at the lowest possible cost," State



Photo provided
State Rep. Alaina Shonkwiler (R-Noblesville) stands alongside Indiana legislators, Governor Mike Braun, and the Indiana Secretary of Energy Suzie Jaworowski on April 6 as HEA 1002 is signed into law.

Rep. Shonkwiler said. "This law is a landmark reform of our regulatory process, prioritizing ratepayers and adding accountability to ensure utilities are focused on lowering costs and improving service."

This new law also adds protections for struggling Hoosiers by prohibiting service disconnections during the hottest and coldest days of the year.

HEA 1002 was a House Republican priority bill and passed the General Assembly with bipartisan support.

Shonkwiler encourages constituents with any concerns regarding utility rates to contact her office at in.gov/h29 or call (317) 232-9611.

No Title Needed welcomes Anita Joshi

Healing patients, serving community, leading with purpose

Submitted

No Title Needed is all about getting to the heart of what drives people. Each week, Scott Osborne and Cindy Collins sit down with inspiring guests to talk about the passions shaping their lives. They're not just interviews; they're real stories meant to spark something in you.

This week, Osborne and Collins were joined by Anita Joshi, a pediatrician, small business owner, and Carmel City Councilwoman.

Dr. Joshi shared the journey from her childhood in New Jersey to becoming a proud Hoosier for the past 30 years. Hear what inspired her to become a pediatrician and her continued focus to treat all her patients with respect and dignity.

Dr. Joshi's belief that you have to strive for what you want has kept her focused throughout her life. She has also put her faith in various mentors, depending on their leadership and expertise, and maintaining long-term friendships with them.

Having always been an



Photo provided
Dr. Anita Joshi (right) joined this week's episode of *No Title Needed*, hosted by Cindy Collins and Scott Osborne (left).

advocate for people in her profession, sitting on the boards of several organizations and volunteering for local groups, it was a natural transition to become a Carmel City Councilwoman in 2024. Joshi explained that her role in politics is not a second profession. It's a way to help the people in Carmel. Her philosophy: Stop listening to the outside noise of politics and do what is right for the people and the community. In the episode, she shares more of her beliefs and goals as she strives to work with the other council members to achieve this.

Dr. Joshi gives her hosts a peek into her personality as she shares some of her hobbies and interests and a story about how she added some joy and fun to her pediatric office after COVID.

Thanks to **Randy Sorrell Art** for sponsoring this episode. Tune in next week as *No Title Needed* welcomes Norman Lassiter.

No Title Needed is taped every week inside The Hotel Carmichael in Carmel and airs at 8 a.m. Mondays. Tune in as Scott Osborne and Cindy Collins welcome a new guest and explore what fuels those people and their passions beyond the 9-to-5 grind. Follow the show at Facebook.com/notitlneededshow.

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Rain barrel sale returns to help local residents conserve water

The REPORTER

Hamilton County residents have an opportunity this spring to conserve water and reduce runoff through the Hamilton County Soil and Water Conservation District's (SWCD) annual rain barrel sale, now open for pre-orders.

The program offers residents an easy way to collect and reuse rainwater from their rooftops, helping to reduce stormwater runoff that can carry pollutants into local streams and rivers. Collected rainwater can be used for gardens, landscaping, and other outdoor needs, providing a sustainable alternative to treated tap water.

"Rain barrels are one of the simplest ways residents can make a real impact at home," SWCD Urban Conservationist Claire Lane said. "When you capture rain where it falls, you're not only saving water for your own use, you're helping protect our local waterways."

Pre-orders are open now through May 12, with pick-up scheduled for May 19 at the Hamilton County 4-H Fairgrounds, 2003 Pleasant

St., Noblesville. Barrels are available at an affordable cost and come ready to install, with components designed to connect directly to a home's downspout. Optional accessories, including stands, diverters, and linking kits, are also available.

Stormwater runoff remains one of the leading contributors to water quality issues in urban and suburban areas. By slowing and capturing rainwater at the source, rain barrels help reduce erosion, flooding, and nutrient pollution – issues that can contribute to algae growth and declining water quality in ponds and streams. In addition to environmental benefits, rain barrels can help homeowners reduce water use during the growing season by providing a free source of water for plants and gardens.

The sale is open to the public, though all orders must be picked up at the 4-H Fairgrounds. Quantities are limited, and residents are encouraged to pre-order to guarantee availability and color selection.

More information and



Photo provided by Hamilton County SWCD

ordering details are available at hamiltonswcd.org/rainbarrels.

About Hamilton County Soil and Water Conservation District

The Hamilton County SWCD is a community-focused conservation leader dedicated to improving soil and water resources through

partnerships, education, and on-the-ground support. Established in 1968, the SWCD works with landowners, organizations, and residents to implement practices that strengthen environmental quality and enhance the beauty and resilience of local landscapes. Learn more at hamiltonswcd.org.

Gov. Braun appoints 16 local residents to various state boards

The REPORTER

Governor Mike Braun announced on Monday, April 6 new appointments to various state boards and commissions. The following individuals are from Hamilton County.

- **Alyson Harbor** of Carmel Clay Schools and **Greg Hale** were both appointed to the State Psychology Board. Their terms expire on March 31, 2030.

- **Larry Hopkins** of the American Sheep Industry Association was appointed to the State Board of Animal Health; term expires March 31, 2029.

- **Tomi Adams** of A-Plus Property Management and Consulting, LLC was appointed to the Manufactured Home Installer Licensing Board; term expires Feb. 28, 2030.

- **Selina Stoller** of the City of Fishers was appointed to the ABLE Board of Directors; term expires March 31, 2030.

- **Laurie Hardin** of Massage Envy and **Elizabeth Cain** of Elite Health Resort were both appointed to the State Board of Massage Therapy. Their terms expire Feb. 28, 2030.

- **Kim Logan** of the

State of Indiana was appointed to the Petroleum Storage Tank Financial Assurance Board; term expires Feb. 28, 2028.

- **Jon Ferguson** of Ascension St. Vincent was appointed to the Behavioral Health and Human Licensing Board; term expires Jan. 31, 2030.

- **Penny Callaway** of Indiana Wesleyan University and **Chuck Goodrich** of Gaylor Electric were both appointed to the Workforce Development Board. Callaway's term expires March 31, 2029; Goodrich's term expires March 31, 2030.

- **Hannah Carlock** of the Indiana Association of Area Agencies on Aging, **Sara McClammer** of Scout Advocacy LLC, and **Melissa Keyes** of the State of Indiana were all appointed to the Guardianship Code Revision Task Force. Their terms expire Dec. 31, 2027.

- **Jolene Bracale** of the State of Indiana was appointed to the Statewide Child Fatality Review Committee. She serves at the pleasure of the governor.

- **Kathy Laesch** was appointed to the Serve Indiana Commission; term expires March 31, 2029.

Noblesville mayor reflects on city's 'March Madness'

Submitted by City of Noblesville

With March in the rear-view mirror, Noblesville Mayor Chris Jensen reflects on the major announcements that happened and the continued momentum in the city.

"Noblesville is experiencing strong momentum with recent announcements, and we are committed to sustaining this progress in America's Hometown," Mayor Chris Jensen said. "Our first quarter of 2026 sets the tone for the year, and we remain dedicated to strategic partnerships and responsible investment of taxpayer dollars."

- **Horizon League to Host Basketball Championships in Noblesville:** The Horizon League Council selected Riverview Health Arena at Innovation Mile in Noblesville as host of the second rounds, semifinals and championships of the 2027-2031 Horizon League Men's and Women's Basketball Championships.

- **Noblesville to Wel-**

come World-Renowned Mouratoglou Tennis Center:

The internationally renowned Mouratoglou Tennis Center will open an academy near Noblesville's Innovation Mile, located on the southeast side of Noblesville in the Deer Creek Business Park. The academy is expected to have a soft opening in August and full opening by September, with construction beginning in May 2026.

- **Naming Sponsor Announced for Arena at Innovation Mile:** Riverview Health, in partnership with the City of Noblesville and Parkview Health, announced its naming of The Arena at Innovation Mile, the city's fast-emerging innovation district. The new facility name is Riverview Health Arena at Innovation Mile.

- **Noblesville Neighborhood Match Grant**



Jensen

Applications Open:

Applications for the City of Noblesville's Neighborhood Match Grant are now open. The grant provides matching funds to Homeowners Associations (HOAs) and neighborhood groups to enhance, improve, and beautify our local communities and is a one-to-one matching grant with the city contributing 50 percent of eligible project costs up to \$10,000 per project.

- **Noblesville Boom Wraps Up Inaugural Season:**

The Noblesville Boom, the G League affiliate of the Indiana Pacers, brought NBA-level talent right here to Noblesville for an incredible inaugural season. The Noblesville Boom concluded the 2025-26 season in winning fashion, defeating the Cleveland Charge, 134-112, on Thursday, March 26, at the newly renamed Riverview Health Arena at Innovation Mile.

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Learn about Artemis II mission to the moon at IU Kokomo's free Observatory open house

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Hear the latest updates on NASA's Artemis II mission to the moon at Indiana University Kokomo's free Observatory open house on Sunday, April 12.

Patrick Motl, professor of physics, will begin the open house at 8 p.m. with updates from NASA's historic 10-day mission, launched April 1, to send the first crewed flight to the moon in 54 years. Four astronauts, including the first woman to travel around the moon, were part of the test flight to orbit the moon and test the Orion capsule's life support system, preparing for a future mission to land there.

After the presentation,

stargazers may be able to see Jupiter and highlights from the constellations Leo, Virgo, and Coma Berenices, including the spring galaxies, through the Observatory's telescopes. They include a six-inch Takahashi refracting telescope and a 16-inch Meade reflecting telescope mounted together. The Takahashi provides exceptionally sharp images of planets, while the Meade allows viewers to see fainter objects in the sky, due to its larger light-collecting area.

Observation will continue through 10 p.m., weather permitting.

The Observatory is at 2660 S. Washington St. Free parking is available on campus.

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Thelma Frances Daisley
August 25, 1938 – March 26, 2026

Thelma Frances Daisley, 87, Sheridan, passed away on Thursday morning, March 26, 2026, at Majestic Care of Sheridan. Born August 25, 1938, in Springfield, Ohio, she was the daughter of Irvin Dale and Esther M. (Dennis) Campbell.

She was a 1955 graduate of Tecumseh High School in New Carlisle, Ohio, and later earned her associate's degree in accounting from Indiana Business College in Marion, Ind.

She was a member of the Sheridan First United Methodist Church. Her church family remained a cornerstone of her strength and faith throughout her life.

Thelma was the office manager for *The Sheridan News* for over 20 years. The newspaper was run from a small building on Main Street in the middle of town. It was from that tiny brick building that the comings and goings of Sheridan, as well as the surrounding communities, was always front-page news (no matter what page it was eventually printed on). Keeping it all straight was no easy task, but Thelma had everything running like a well-oiled machine. Everyone on staff had a job to do – sometimes multiple – and Thelma's was managing the chaos. Thelma took it all in stride. As a working mother with (very active) children, she was a professional multitasker, and her deep sense of community was a perfect fit for the organization. When *The Sheridan News* ceased operations, she moved to *The Noblesville Ledger* office and joined the advertising department. After three years, she decided retirement would be her next move.

Retirement allowed her time to devote to the things she enjoyed the most. She varied her activities according to the seasons. Cold weather was dedicated to reading and working jigsaw puzzles, while the warmer months had Thelma ready to hit the streets with Kruzer, the most spoiled little white poodle in town. She and Kruzer loved visiting Veteran's Park on their walks and keeping a close eye on the neighborhood. She also enjoyed spending time out in the yard, fussing over her flowers. No matter the season, there was always either a Colts game or a baseball game (usually the Indianapolis Indians), Westerns, Hallmark movies, and of course, her game shows to occupy her attention during downtime.

For Thelma, there was nothing more important than family. While the kids were growing up, she made it a point to be involved with whatever they were involved in. Band, athletics, and scouting were just a few of the activities she followed. When the grandchildren came along, she started all over again. It was the times spent together at home that were always her favorite. Thelma was an amaz-



ing cook and baker, so many family activities revolved around food. Holidays, birthdays, and family dinners were always special celebrations, and Friday pizza night was always a family favorite. The pizza was always homemade; take-out didn't make the cut. She loved to travel with the family and never grew tired of being on the go with the grandkids. Thelma also loved Halloween, and when trick-or-treat rolled around, her place was the place to hit ... tons of candy and cans of soda pop.

Thelma always felt a strong sense of community, and with that, a strong sense of service. She was an active member of the Sheridan American Legion Auxiliary, as well as a generous donor to the Sheridan Fire Department. She tried to live her life by two simple rules, one being the Golden Rule, and the other: if you can't say anything nice, then don't say anything at all. This philosophy helped her take on every situation with love, kindness, and most of all, patience. Her generous and caring nature was complemented by her smile. Her nickname was Smiley, and when you saw it, you just knew everything was going to be ok. Thelma also had a special place in her heart for animals. If a stray dog or cat found their way to her property and was in need of rescuing, they instantly found a home.

Thelma is survived by two sons, Wilbur A. Barrus (Cheryl) of Sheridan, and Chris J. Daisley (Julie) of Lebanon; three daughters, Thelma F. Wallen (David) of Sheridan; Nora M. Crist (Ronnie) of Lebanon, and Heather S. Archer (Ken) of Acworth, Ga.; 16 grandchildren; 13 great-grandchildren; sister, Grace Howard of Wendover, Ky.; and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Irvin Dale and Esther M. (Dennis) Campbell; son, Alex; daughter, Sue Ann; two brothers, Sonny and Earl; sister, Teddy; brother-in-law, Paul Howard; her canine BFF, Kruzer; and by her loving husband, Elwyn John Daisley on December 12, 2011. She and Elwyn were married in 1969.

Services will be held at 7 p.m. Friday, April 10, 2026, at Kercheval Funeral Home, 306 E. 10th St., Sheridan, with visitation from 4 p.m. until the time of service. Pastor George Cooper will be officiating.

Thelma will be laid to rest at 1 p.m. Saturday, April 11, 2026, at Crown View Cemetery in Sheridan.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be presented to the Alzheimer's Association, the Sheridan First United Methodist Church, or to MAMA'S Cupboard.

Condolences: kerchevalfuneralhome.com

TODAY'S BIBLE READING

WATER FROM THE ROCK

In the first month the whole Israelite community arrived at the Desert of Zin, and they stayed at Kadesh. There Miriam died and was buried.

Now there was no water for the community, and the people gathered in opposition to Moses and Aaron. They quarreled with Moses and said, "If only we had died when our brothers fell dead before the Lord! Why did you bring the Lord's community into this wilderness, that we and our livestock should die here? Why did you bring us up out of Egypt to this terrible place? It has no grain or figs, grapevines or pomegranates. And there is no water to drink!"

Moses and Aaron went from the assembly to the entrance to the tent of meeting and fell facedown, and the glory of the Lord appeared to them. The Lord said to Moses, "Take the staff, and you and your brother Aaron gather the assembly together. Speak to that rock before their eyes and it will pour out its water. You will bring water out of the rock for the community so they and their livestock can drink."

Numbers 20:1-8 (NIV)

David A. Jessup

August 11, 1937 – April 6, 2026

David A. Jessup, 88, Noblesville, passed away on Monday, April 6, 2026, at Prairie Lakes Health Campus in Noblesville. He was born on August 11, 1937, to the late Monte and Dorothea (Shaw) Jessup in Indianapolis.

David proudly served his country in the Indiana National Guard. He worked in security and had his own custom knife sharpening business.

David is survived by his sister, Brenda Chesser; nephew, Michael Chesser; and niece, Betsy Chesser.

No services are planned. Randall & Roberts Funeral Home has been entrusted with cremation.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Donor's favorite charity.

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The Sheridan Public Library Board of Trustees will meet at 6 p.m. Monday, April 13, 2026, at the library, located at 103 W. 1st St.

Pursuant to IC 5-14-1.5-5 (a) The Hamilton County GIS Policy Committee will meet to discuss GIS projects via Microsoft Teams at 9:45 a.m. Tuesday, April 21, 2026.

Access the meeting with Meeting ID 221 018 886 264 20 and Passcode YJ9EW6W4. You can also call into the meeting at (219) 225-8177 and entering conference ID 610 369 024#.

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Boys Golf



Photo provided

The Guerin Catholic boys golf team won the Circle City Conference tournament Monday at Golf Club of Indiana.

Guerin Catholic golf wins conference title

The REPORTER

The Guerin Catholic boys golf team won the Circle City Conference tournament, which took place Monday at Golf Club of Indiana in Zionsville.

The Golden Eagles

scored 303 as a team. Eli Wessel and Cooper Howard both scored 74 for Guerin Catholic, the lowest mark of the day. The two Golden Eagles competed in a playoff for medalist, with Howard winning.

Other GC scores were Brady Wagner 75, Andrew Williamson 79 and Myles Ray 81.

On Saturday, April 4, the Golden Eagles finished second at the Seymour Owl Invitational at Shad-

owood.

Bloomington South won the event with 303, followed by Guerin Catholic with 313. Wessel led GC with 72, followed by Wagner 77, Ray 81, Andrew 83 and Howard 83.

Baseball

Golden Eagles play to tie with Avon

The REPORTER

The Guerin Catholic baseball team hosted Avon Tuesday in a chilly game that ended with no winner.

The teams were tied at 2-2 after six innings before the game was called due to darkness. That means the Golden Eagles are still undefeated for the season, as they won their first four games before taking on the Orioles.

Avon scored a run in the top of the first inning. Guerin Catholic answered with a run in the bottom of the second inning; Grant Beard scored after Luke Zorger reached on error.

The score stayed at 1-1 until the sixth inning, when both teams added another run. The Orioles scored with an RBI groundout, and the Golden Eagles scored in the same manner. Karson Smith led off with a single, then scored on Beard's RBI groundout.

Both teams finished the game with three hits. Ben Canada and Ian Taylor also got a base hit. Tate Troxell pitched three innings and didn't allow a hit, while striking out four.

Guerin Catholic's next game is Thursday at Heritage Christian.



Reporter photo by Richie Hall

Guerin Catholic's Grant Beard scored a run for the Golden Eagles during their game with Avon Tuesday. The contest ended in a 2-2 tie.

Softball

Golden Eagles cruise past Clinton Central

The REPORTER

Guerin Catholic's softball team cruised to a 9-4 win at Clinton Central on Tuesday.

The Bulldogs scored a run in the first inning, but the Golden Eagles put up four runs in the second inning and held the lead from there.

Freshman Gia Crishon singled in Ava Augustinovicz for the first run, then freshman Halle Hunter singled in Crishon. Hunter scored after Aggie Waymouth reached on error, then Kate Brady batted in Waymouth with a right field hit.

Jillian Davis scored a third-inning run on Izzy Phillips' RBI groundout, giving Guerin Catholic a 5-1 lead. Davis hit a solo home run in the fifth inning, the start of a three-run inning for the Golden Eagles.

Guerin Catholic loaded

the bases, then Hunter drew a walk to send Augustinovicz home. Phillips added another run on an error, and the Golden Eagles led 8-1.

Clinton Central scored three runs in the bottom of the fifth, cutting GC's advantage to 8-4. Guerin Catholic got a run back in the sixth inning: Davis scored on a Crishon single.

Davis, Augustinovicz and Crishon all had three hits, with Davis and Crishon both getting one double. Augustinovicz got the pitching win, going 4.2 innings and tossing nine strikeouts. Crishon threw the final 2.1 innings, striking out the final two batters to end the game.

The Golden Eagles are 2-0 and play Living Water Homeschool at 6 p.m. this evening. The game takes place at Shambaugh Park, 5625 W. 30th St., Indianapolis.

Baseball

Blazers fall to East Forsyth

The REPORTER

The University baseball team lost a tough game to East Forsyth (Ga.) 11-10 Tuesday as the Trailblazers continued their series of games in Panama City Beach, Fla.

The Broncos jumped out to a 4-0 lead in the first inning. University struck back by scoring six runs in the top of the second inning.

Finn Steiner smacked a one-out triple, then immediately scored on a double from Philip Jacobs. Quinn Green then doubled Jacobs home. Later, Cooper Cammack singled in Green, then Beckett Suh hit a double, scoring Ryan Castetter and tying the game.

Oliver Kingery batted in the go-ahead runs, scoring Suh and Cammack with a right field hit. With that, the Blazers led 6-4.

East Forsyth tied the game with two runs in the bottom of the second, but

University regained the lead in the third inning. Jacobs scored on a wild pitch to push the Trailblazers ahead 7-6.

The Broncos regained the lead by scoring two runs in the bottom of the third. The Blazers answered, putting up three runs in the fourth inning for a 10-7 lead. Kingery got home on an error, then David Gasper scored the go-ahead run. University loaded the bases, after which Cammack drew a walk to send Green home.

The Blazers stayed in front 10-8 until the sixth inning, when East Forsyth scored twice to tie the game. The Broncos took the game with a walkoff sacrifice bunt in the seventh inning.

Jacobs hit two of University's four doubles.

The Trailblazers are 4-3 and take on Johns Creek (Ga.) at 11 a.m. to continue play in Florida.

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Boys Basketball

Five county players to participate in HBM Top 60 Senior Boys Workout

The REPORTER

Five Hamilton County boys basketball players are scheduled to participate in the annual Hoosier Basketball Magazine Top 60 Senior Workout, which takes place on Sunday.

The Top 60 list was compiled by Hoosier Basketball Magazine, with the players selected from approximately 1,500 senior players statewide. Statistical evaluation, game observation and statewide research were conducted during the season and throughout the state tournament to determine Hoosier Basketball Magazine's Top 60.

Hamilton County players scheduled to participate are: Blake Gray, University; Evan Harrell, Carmel; Kai McGrew, Fishers; Landon Osswald, Hamilton Southeastern and Baron Walker, Noblesville.

Noblesville's Justin Curry II, Hamilton Southeastern's Luke Weemer and Westfield's Drew Haffner were also selected but are unable to participate.

Two sessions of the Top 60 Senior Workout will be hosted by Hoosier Basketball Magazine in conjunction with the IHSAA and the IBCA on Sunday, April 12 at Marian University in Indianapolis, 3200 Cold Spring Road.

Half of the Top 60 boys, primarily from northern and southern Indiana, will participate in the first session, which takes place from 1 to 3 p.m. The remaining players, primarily from central Indiana, will compete during the second session, which is slated for 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. All sessions are open to the public for a cash-only admission of \$9.

The on-court coaching duties are coordinated by co-directors Bobby Allen of Hamilton Southeastern and Christopher Hawkins of Crispus Attucks. Other outstanding Indiana boys' high school coaches from the IBCA have been invited to join the 2026 Top 60 staff are Justin Blanding of University, Brian Klein of Monroe Central and Drew Schauss of Kokomo.

Men's Basketball

Jalen Slawson named to 2025-26 All-NBA G League defensive team

Becomes first Boom player to earn first team all-defensive honors in franchise history

The REPORTER

The NBA G League announced Tuesday that two-way Noblesville Boom forward Jalen Slawson has been named to the 2025-26 All-NBA G League Defensive Team.

Slawson becomes the first player in franchise history to earn First Team All-Defensive honors and just the second player ever to be selected to an All-NBA G League All-Defensive Team, joining Sadiel Rojas (2012-13, 2013-14).

"We are incredibly proud of Jalen for being selected to the All-Defensive First Team, a first in our franchise's history," said Boom General Manager Chris Taylor. "The G League is focused on development, and Jalen embodied that to the utmost. This is reflected in both his stats - which were career-highs across the board - and his elite timing to block shots, which was a point of emphasis with our staff this season. It is special to see what Jalen did all season for the Boom now being showcased in the NBA with the Pacers."

In 26 regular-season



Mike Navarro / File photo

The Noblesville Boom's Jalen Slawson was named to the 2025-26 All-NBA G League Defensive Team. He is the first player in franchise history to receive that honor.

games (24 starts), Slawson posted career-high marks in nearly every statistical category, averaging 18.5 points, 8.0 rebounds, 5.5 assists, 2.1 blocks, and 1.4 steals in 34.9 minutes per game, while shooting 47.2 percent from the field. During that stretch, he recorded eight double-digit rebounding performances, including a 16-rebound outing, along with 10 games with at least

three blocks, highlighted by a career-high seven-block performance, and 13 games with two or more steals.

Slawson finished the regular season with 55 total blocks, the fifth-most in the NBA G League, while ranking third in blocks per game (2.1) and 17th in rebounds per game (7.9). His defensive impact helped the team finish inside the top 15 league-wide in both blocks

per game (5.6, 11th) and steals per game (9.0, 13th).

Since joining the Indiana Pacers on a two-way contract, Slawson has appeared in nine games, averaging 7.2 points, 4.6 rebounds, and 2.7 assists, along with 1.2 steals and 1.2 blocks per game - all NBA career highs - while shooting 40.7 percent from the field and 41.9 percent from three-point range.

SPORTS SCHEDULE

Wednesday, April 8

BASEBALL

University vs. Johns Creek (Ga.), 11 a.m. at Panama City Beach (Fla.)

Noblesville at Avon, 6 p.m.

Sheridan at Madison-Grant, 6 p.m.

SOFTBALL

Guerin Catholic vs. Living Water Homeschool, 6 p.m. at Shambaugh Park

TRACK & FIELD

Guerin Catholic at Yorktown (with Wapahani), 6 p.m.

VOLLEYBALL

Lebanon at Guerin Catholic, 6 p.m.

Brownburg at Carmel, 7:30 p.m.

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

Greenfield native Braylon Mullins gets emotional reflecting on NCAA Tourney run

By JOSH BODE

WISH-TV | wistv.com

Greenfield native Braylon Mullins was the hero for UConn in the Elite 8, hitting the game-winning shot to send the Huskies to Indianapolis for the Final Four. Mullins also hit a critical shot late in the win against Illinois to send UConn to the national championship game.

Mullins and the Huskies fell short in the national title game on Monday night, losing to Michigan, 69-63. An emotional Mullins reflected on how special UConn's run was, and his opportunity to

play for a national championship in his home state.

"It's something you're going to cherish forever," Mullins said. "I mean, just playing with this group of guys. It's just something, looking back at it, you can't take it for granted. So it's a blessing. I'm so happy to be home, and I just wish the outcome was different."

Mullins shared what he learned in his freshman season at UConn.

"There's so much growth," Mullins said. "Just learning how different college basketball is. I think that's the biggest takeaway I can take away from that. Just learning so much from Coach Hurley and everybody that's on this team. Just teammates that's been through this type of thing and just learning the ins and outs of basketball. So I'm just going to take it all with me and just figure out what the next step is."

Playing in the Final Four



Photo by Joshua Herd

Greenfield native and Connecticut freshman Braylon Mullins became the talk of the NCAA tournament after he made the game-winning basket that sent UConn to the Final Four. Mullins is pictured here during the Huskies' Saturday, April 4 semifinal win over Illinois; he hit a late basket to help UConn reach the national championship game.

and national championship less than 30 miles from his high school made the experience even more special for Mullins.

"It meant everything just

knowing that I had family and friends in the crowd and just all the support that social media and everything," Mullins said. "Just everybody around me just being very supportive and positive and I can't thank them enough for that. It made my experience a lot better."

Mullins scored 11 points in the national championship game. He averaged 12.2 points per game in UConn's NCAA Tournament run.

Click [here](#) to watch Mullins reflect on the run to the national championship game.

This story originally appeared on WISH-TV at wistv.com/sports/basketball/greenfield-native-braylon-mullins-gets-emotional-reflecting-on-ncaa-tourney-run.

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