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Forming young Rocks into National Math Stars

Submitted by Westfield Washington Schools

Westfield Washington Schools has announced that 20 second- and third-grade students have qualified for the National Math Stars (NMS) program.

The Indiana Department of Education has partnered with National Math Stars to formally recognize exceptional mathematical talent across Indiana. ILEARN assessment data reports that these students scored within the top 2 percent of third-grade math learners.

"The Reveal Math Curriculum provides many opportunities for differentiated instruction for my students," Third-grade teacher Melissa Shaffer said. "What makes WWS great though is the way our teams collaborate to use the resources effectively and intentionally tailor instruction for our students."

NMS is a nonprofit organization dedicated to serving extraordinary math students from all communities. Every year, the nation's highest performing second and third grade students are nominated to apply for one of its free long-term support programs. Program supports are tailored to each student's family.

Photo provided by Westfield Washington Schools

Congratulations to these students on their achievements. As they grow in their math skills, they become more Life Ready every day.

"This recognition is an exciting celebration of the talent and potential of our young learners in WWS," said Dr. Krystal Thompson, EL & High Ability Coordinator. "Being identified as National Math Stars reflects not only the students' achievement and perseverance, but also the support and encouragement they receive from their teachers and families each day. We are incredibly proud of these young mathematicians and all they have accomplished."

Congratulate the following students for their outstanding efforts:

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- Sophia Feest
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- Kailash Narne
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Top Dog

COLUMNIST

AMY SHANKLAND
Perfectly Imperfect

People often inspire us. I think animals can do the same.

My husband John and I recently agreed to take care of my great-nephew's pet, Mater, an adorable French bulldog. Family and friends know John and I do this all the time – we love animals, and our dogs are comfortable with other cats and dogs.

However, this was the first time we took care of a special-needs dog. Due to an accident last fall, Mater is paralyzed from the waist down. He rarely uses his two-wheeled cart and drags his back legs behind him. Mater must also wear a belly band (diaper for male dogs) 24/7, unless he's outside in the grass.

When my great-nephew, Trevor, reached out to us weeks ago to ask if we'd watch Mater, I told him I'd need to discuss it with John. I knew with John being retired, he'd be the primary caregiver for the little guy. My husband eagerly agreed.

Trevor and his fiancée, Mikayla, arrived at our house on a Thursday morning with a page full of instructions. He demonstrated how to squeeze Mater in just the right way so he could empty his bladder in our backyard every few hours. John and I also watched some YouTube videos for further education.

We were shocked to see how quickly Mater moved throughout our yard and house. He's adapted to his situation well and gets around like any other dog. It just looks a bit different. His front legs are mighty!

Mater is full of life and love. I lost a bit of sleep Thursday night wondering if he'd be eager and anxious in his crate when I would come downstairs the next day. I laughed when I tiptoed into the room to see him snoring away at 7 a.m. Mater's not one to wake up early.

See *Top Dog* . . . Page 2

Photos provided by Mitchell Elmore

This Noblesville house fire, which resulted in a total loss, was likely started by a lightning strike.

Community rallies around Fishers Kiwanis President after house fire

The REPORTER

Support is pouring in for a Fishers community leader after a fire heavily damaged his Noblesville home over the weekend.

Emergency crews with the Noblesville Fire Department were called to a residence in the 10000 block of Cumberland Pointe Boulevard, near East 146th Street and State Road 37, following reports that lightning may have struck the house during severe weather moving through the area.

Firefighters arriving on scene encountered thick smoke and flames coming from the home. Crews acted quickly, deploying several hose lines to contain the fire and prevent additional damage.

Authorities said no one was inside the residence when the fire broke out, and no injuries were reported.

The homeowner, David Cox, is well known in the community as president of the Fishers Kiwanis Club. Friends, neighbors, and fellow community members have since rallied around Cox and his family as they begin the recovery process.

"Everyone has been kinder than I deserve," Cox said. "It's overwhelming to see such care and compassion."

While investigators have not officially determined the cause of the fire, officials say a lightning strike is considered a possible factor.

A GoFundMe fundraiser has been established to assist the family as they work to rebuild after the loss. Those wishing to contribute can find the fundraiser at **this link**.

The investigation remains ongoing.

HSE High School teacher selected for prestigious Supreme Court Summer Institute

Submitted by HSE Schools

Hamilton Southeastern (HSE) High School social studies teacher Lindsay Mahan has been selected to attend the prestigious Supreme Court Summer Institute in Washington, D.C., this June after a highly competitive national application process. Only 60 educators from across the country were chosen to participate in the program this year.

The institute, now in its 31st year, is co-sponsored by Street Law, Inc. and the Supreme Court Historical Society and is designed for educators in law-related and civic education. Participants study recent Supreme Court cases, collaborate with legal scholars and Supreme Court advocates, and explore innovative teaching strategies that bring constitutional law and civic engagement to life in the classroom.

Mahan

Mahan said the opportunity directly connects to the work already happening in her classroom at Hamilton Southeastern High School.

"I am absolutely thrilled to be selected for the Supreme Court Teacher Institute and so grateful for this opportunity," Mahan said. "I applied for this professional development because my students get so interested in Supreme Court decisions. They have so many great questions and share thoughtful opinions about the rulings, so I wanted to learn how to better utilize court cases in the classroom and hopefully build more simulations and authentic experiences for students to learn from."

She added that helping students understand government and civic responsibility remains a major focus of her teaching.

"Helping students understand how the government operates and how the system impacts their lives is a goal of mine, and I'm hoping this opportunity will continue to help the students of HSE grow into civically minded and active members of the community," Mahan said.

In addition to this national recognition, Mahan was recently named HSE High School's Teacher of the Year and was also selected as a district-level High School Teacher of the Year finalist.

Mahan's selection reflects HSE Schools' commitment to meaningful, real-world learning experiences that help students connect what they learn in the classroom to the world around them.

Noblesville Schools considers continuation of operating referendum

Submitted by Noblesville Schools

Noblesville Schools announced Wednesday, May 20 that district officials are considering a continuation of the operating referendum, which is set to expire at the end of 2026.

Hile

The district has had referendums providing operational funding for schools for the last 16 years. If a new referendum is not approved, approximately $25 million per year in funding, which is about 20 percent of the district's operating budget, will expire at the end of 2026.

Superintendent Dr. Dan Hile shared an analysis of the district's financial state at the May 19 school board meeting, noting that the school is considering a proposed referendum.

"The cost of running our schools continues to increase at a time when state and local tax revenues are decreasing, and the funding gap continues to grow," Dr. Hile said. "Referendum funding is central to being able to deliver the types of services our community expects for students."

The school board is expected to vote at the June 9 meeting on whether to formally pursue a November 2026 community referendum vote. Should the board decide to move forward with a community vote, the district will provide comprehensive details regarding the referendum proposal.

You can find a video of Hile's presentation at **this link**.

To learn more about Noblesville Schools finances visit **noblesvilleschools.org/dollarsandsense**.

Carmel named No. 1 Best Place to Live, Fishers No. 2

Submitted

U.S. News & World Report has named Carmel No. 1 Best Place to Live, and Fishers has been named No. 2.

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The 2026-2027 Best Places to Live in the nation recognition was released Tuesday, May 19, with Carmel and Fishers receiving the top two spots among 250 places ranked.

"Earning the number-one ranking from *U.S. News & World Report* is an incredible honor that reflects the collective dedication of our residents, business leaders and city team," Mayor Sue Finkam said. "Our focus has always been on cultivating a safe, innovation-minded and vibrant community built for big dreams. This recognition validates our intentional efforts to deliver world-class public services, foster a robust economic climate and maintain an unmatched quality of life. Carmel truly is the best place in America to call home."

"It's an honor to consistently rank as a top place to live in America," Mayor Scott Fadness said. "Being named as No. 2 best place to live is a testament to our focus on creating a community that keeps looking forward while building world-class quality of life amenities that exceed our residents' expectations."

This year's list evaluated more than 850 of the country's top cities based on how well they meet consumers' living expectations, with measures including value, job market, desirability, and quality of life.

The four measures factored into this year's ranking were weighted in part based on a public survey of thousands of individuals throughout the U.S. to find out what qualities they consider important in a place to live. The methodology also factors in data from a variety of government, private-sector, and *U.S. News* internal resources.

Westfield & Noblesville disabilities councils partner for Sensory Nature Walk

Submitted by City of Westfield

The Advisory Councils on Disabilities from both Westfield and Noblesville will jointly host the annual Sensory Nature Walk from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, June 20 along the Midland Trace Trail.

The event will feature sensory-friendly activities, community resource booths, and interactive experiences during a self-guided walk between the newly renovated Simon Moon Park and Hazel Dell Elementary School.

"Events like the Sensory Nature Walk help create more inclusive experiences for residents and families of all abilities," Westfield Mayor Scott Willis said. "We're proud to partner with the City of Noblesville and both advisory councils to highlight the importance of accessibility, connection, and community."

"We're fortunate to have dedicated groups like the Advisory Council on Disabilities in both cities helping lead these efforts, and I look forward to continuing collaborations that showcase accessibility for all abilities in Noblesville and our neighboring communities," Noblesville Mayor Chris Jensen said.

The Midland Trace Trail is ADA accessible, allowing individuals of all ages and abilities to participate.

Graphic provided by City of Westfield

Attendees may park and access the trail from any of the three designated locations listed below and walk as much of the two-mile route as they wish. Rest areas will also be available along the trail near activity and resource booths.

Parking will be available at:

- Simon Moon Park (3044 E. 171st St., Westfield)
- Behind Red Habanero (17417 Carey Road, Westfield)
- Hazel Dell Elementary School (3025 Westfield Road, Noblesville)

Participants can interact with a variety of community organizations and activity booths, including:

- Bee Free
- Carter's Play Place
- ICAN
- Janus Developmental Services
- Noblesville Advisory Council on Disabilities
- Noblesville Best Buddies
- Noblesville Parks & Recreation
- Noblesville Police Department
- Noblesville Fire Department
- Prana Play
- Sensory Shop
- Thrive Social Club
- Westfield Advisory Council on Disabilities
- Westfield Best Buddies
- Westfield Family Network
- Westfield Parks & Recreation
- Westfield Police Department

Police officers will assist with traffic control where the walk crosses Gray Road and Carey Road. Individuals traveling through the area during the event are encouraged to use caution along the Midland Trace Trail. Organizers also request that bicycles not be used during the program.

In the event of inclement weather, all activities will be moved indoors to Hazel Dell Elementary School.

For more information, visit **westfieldin.gov/wacd**.

Thanks for reading The Reporter!

Top Dog

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He's also rather vocal, with a full range of expressions. While we were cautioned to not have Mater up on our furniture, John couldn't resist cuddling with him on the couch. One afternoon, John decided to nap without the little guy. That was a mistake.

As I worked at my desk, I saw Mater sitting at John's feet looking up. I heard a combination of a growl/bark/command and chuckled when John startled awake. Mater was soon back in his proper place – John's lap.

Before Trevor and Mikayla picked Mater up the following Saturday afternoon, I realized they were also an inspiration. They're in their early 20s and starting out in life. They could have given up on Mater and had him put to sleep last fall, and many of us would have understood. Instead, they knew how much they loved him, and were determined to make their situation work.

Photo provided by Amy Shankland

Our columnist considers Mater to be an incredible top dog.

I want to thank Trevor, Mikayla, and Mater for a powerful reminder – it's important to not give up on so many of life's situations. The work and experience make us stronger and wiser. It yields so much joy and happiness.

We fell in love with this little dog. Mater, we hope you come and see us again soon.

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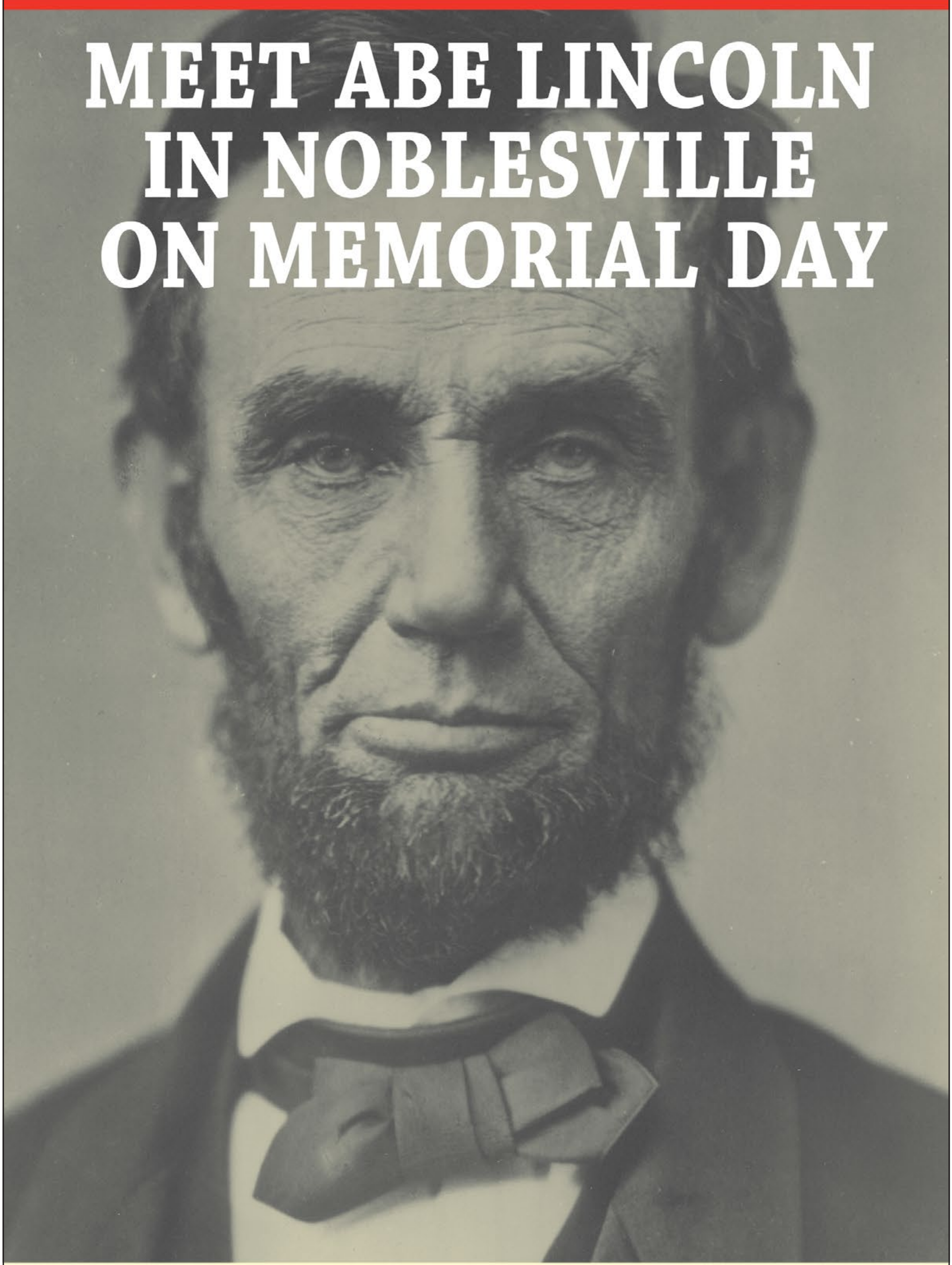

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SKYLAKE Adventures is ready to welcome you

The REPORTER

SKYLAKE Adventures – a one-of-a-kind destination where outdoor fun meets unforgettable splash-filled experiences – will open on June 4. Designed for all ages, this six-acre adventure playground invites families, friends, and thrill-seekers to dive in, cool off, and create memories together.

While SKYLAKE will be open every day beginning June 4, hours will vary by day. Visit **skylakeindiana.com** for specific information.

SKYLAKE is located at 22105 Dunbar Road, Sheridan. That's just off U.S. 31, north of State Road 38. On-site parking is available for $15 per vehicle.

Tickets are available for purchase online at **skylakeindiana.com/tickets** or in person at Droplight Grand Park in Westfield.

The full 133 acres will be developed in waves over the next couple years, with additional amenities and seasonal activations providing reasons for visitors to return again and again.

Photos provided by SKYLAKE Adventures

Max Engling announces campaign for Indiana Secretary of State

Submitted

On Wednesday, May 20, Max Engling, Hamilton County resident and lifelong Hoosier, announced he is entering the race to be the next Indiana Secretary of State.

Engling

"For years, I have fought for conservative values across Indiana, and now I'm running for Secretary of State because this office has a real responsibility to the people of our state," Engling said. I'll fight to keep our elections secure, support Indiana small businesses, and make sure our state government is working the way Hoosiers expect it to. Indiana is built by hardworking people who care about faith, family, and doing things the right way, and I'd be honored to serve them as Indiana's next Secretary of State."

Engling is a husband to Kelcey and a father of four. He is a Christian and an active member of his church in Noblesville. He serves as a senior advisor to U.S. Senator Jim Banks and previously worked at Beck's Hybrids, where he built a strong background in agriculture and a deep understanding of the challenges facing farmers and rural communities.

He is a graduate of Indiana University–Purdue University Indianapolis where he served as Vice President of the College Republicans and received a Master's degree from the Naval War College.

Convention delegates will gather at the 2026 Indiana Republican State Convention in Fort Wayne on June 20 to nominate the party's candidate for Secretary of State. The nominee selected at the convention will go on to represent the Republican Party on the November general election ballot.

Indiana Unclaimed turns fast lap by returning $56M so far this year

AG Todd Rokita: "This could be a new track record"

Submitted by Office of AG Todd Rokita

As of Monday, May 18, Indiana Attorney General Todd Rokita's Unclaimed Property Division has returned more than $56 million to rightful owners, raising the realistic possibility of setting a new winning pace in 2026.

The largest sum returned by the Unclaimed Property Division was $88 million in 2025.

"Hoosiers throw around a lot of racing metaphors during the month of May," AG Rokita said. "Well, this could be a new track record for our Unclaimed Property Division."

Rokita

Now is the time to take a pit stop at **IndianaUnclaimed.gov** search your name – or loved ones' names – to see whether anyone's wallet gets a quick splash of fuel. Nearly $1 billion remains unclaimed statewide.

Unclaimed property includes:

- Unclaimed wages or commissions
- Money orders
- Safe deposit box contents
- Savings and checking accounts
- Refunds
- Overpayments such as credit card balances and cell phone bills

Once property is in its custody, the Unclaimed Property Division conducts an aggressive outreach effort to locate rightful owners or heirs. Individuals and/or businesses have 25 years to claim money once it's reported to the Unclaimed Property Division.

Visit **IndianaUnclaimed.gov** or text CLAIM to 46220 to search your name, family or business. You can also contact the Unclaimed Property Division at 1-866-462-5246 or **updmail@atg.in.gov**.

Photo provided

Jack Russell files for Hamilton Heights School Board At-Large

Submitted

Jack Russell has officially filed to run for Hamilton Heights School Board At-Large, launching a campaign centered around ensuring the Hamilton Heights School Corporation continues to thrive for generations to come.

Russell, a longtime community leader and advocate for public service, said his decision to run stems from a deep belief in the importance of strong schools and their role in shaping the community's future.

"Today marks an exciting and humbling step as I officially file to run for Hamilton Heights School Board At-Large," Russell said. "Our schools are one of the most important investments we make in our future. I'm running because I believe in academic excellence, safe learning environments, responsible stewardship of taxpayer dollars, and building strong connections between our schools and community."

Russell's campaign will focus on five key priorities: Elevating Academic Excellence, Strengthening School Safety & Well-Being, Inspiring Community Connection, Championing Fiscal Responsibility & Operational Excellence, and Fostering a Culture of Respect, Accountability & Growth.

"As our community continues to grow and evolve, we need thoughtful leadership that listens, collaborates, and keeps students at the center of every decision," Russell said. "I'm excited to engage with families, educators, and community members throughout this campaign and share my vision for the future of Hamilton Heights."

Russell thanked supporters who helped him reach this milestone and said he looks forward to connecting with voters across the district in the months ahead.

Letter to the Editor

Spooner Markets partners with Hamilton County Harvest Food Bank

Dear Editor:

Spooner Markets has proudly partnered with the Hamilton County Harvest Food Bank once again.

Our fourth annual Food Drive will take place from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday, June 14 at our annual Summer Market. We will collect nonperishable food donations at the Hamilton County Fairgrounds during our event.

This isn't just shopping; it's a feel-good experience that gives back to the community. The market features more than 85 artisan, handcrafted, handmade items from local businesses both indoors and outdoors. There will be family-owned food trucks, The Flying Cupcake, Greek Tony's Pizza, coffee and drinks trailers, boutique trailers, and plenty of places to sit and enjoy food and music or just relax. You'll also find signups for summer giveaways and more.

Many vendors are residents of Noblesville and other towns in Hamilton County.

By shopping at our Summer Market, you're supporting small, local businesses but also Hamilton County Harvest Food Bank as they provide for the different community food pantries in Hamilton County.

Spooner Markets is joining Hamilton County Harvest Food Bank in an effort to end summer hunger for families across Hamilton County.

Sherry Spooner
Market Director, Spooner Markets

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Spooner MARKETS

Summer Market
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Hamilton County Fairgrounds

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Canned Fruits	Peanut Butter and Jelly -small jars preferred	Individual Packed Fruit and/or Applesauce Cups
Pancake Mix/Syrup/ Oatmeal packs	Pasta Sauce –cans preferred/ Pasta Boxes	Granola Bars or Microwave Popcorn

Apply now to be in Westfield's America 250 parade on July 3

Submitted by City of Westfield

Celebrate America 250 in Westfield at the Freedom Parade on Friday, July 3.

Event planners seek creative and entertaining floats to join the official lineup. Showcase your creativity and community spirit in this festive celebration. **Apply now** to secure your spot.

The parade will travel a 1.5-mile route along Union Street, starting near IMMI and ending by Grand Junction Plaza, where the evening will continue with a concert. A great mix of participants is needed to help bring energy and fun to the event, and this is a great opportunity to showcase your business and connect with the community.

Whether you want to create a full float or keep it simple with a group walking the route, everyone has the chance to be part of celebrating America's 250th birthday. The goal is to build something that becomes a fun annual tradition for Westfield.

Please note that there is a $50 fee per parade unit. **Applications** close at 11:59 p.m. Friday, May 22.

Forgey announces Noblesville School Board reelection bid, endorsed by Mayor Chris Jensen

Submitted

Dr. Joe Forgey of the Noblesville Schools Board of Trustees has today that he will seek reelection for a third term in the upcoming school board race. A longtime Noblesville pediatric dentist, Forgey was elected to the board in 2018, and his second term is set to expire at the end of this year.

"Noblesville is fortunate to have Joe Forgey serving on the Noblesville Schools Board of Trustees," Mayor Chris Jensen said. "Dr. Forgey is the definition of a servant leader, and our community is a better place because of him. I am honored to support his reelection campaign and would invite all citizens to join me."

Under Forgey's leadership Noblesville Schools has seen multiple state and national recognitions for outstanding academic achievements, including being named in the top 1 percent nationally for STEM for nine consecutive years, National Advanced Placement (AP) honors, increased state standardized testing scores, and being designated a national Best Community for Music Education for 12 years in a row.

Forgey

"As a longtime member of the Noblesville community and proud grandpa of 13, I care deeply about the quality of our schools," Forgey said. "In my eight years serving on the school board, I've seen just how hard our staff and teachers work for our 10,000-plus students. The more I've learned about how others operate around the state the more I can say that Noblesville Schools really is a model district. I'm proud to play a part in that."

Noblesville Schools graduates are also among the highest scholarship and advanced college credit earners in the state, with Noblesville recognized as a state and national leader in workforce development and college readiness.

Other accomplishments Forgey has overseen during his terms include:

- Recruiting and retaining award-winning superintendent Dr. Dan Hile
- Strong fiscal management including a decreased property tax rate for seven years in a row, an increased credit rating to the highest school level in the state, aggressive debt payoff, and the launch of the new Dollars + $ense financial site.
- Increased school safety, college/career readiness, suicide prevention and mental health support for students.
- Smart growth management including addressing essential facility renovations and expansions, and launching a district solar power initiative.
- Increased workforce development initiatives and community partnerships.
- High-quality staff recruiting and retention during an intense labor shortage.

"I'm running again because I want to keep this momentum going," Forgey said. "My goal is to make sure our kids are ready for whatever comes next, while making sure we're being smart with every tax dollar. At the end of the day, our schools are the heart of the community and when they're doing well all of Noblesville does well."

Forgey is a member of the Indiana School Board Association where he has been recognized for the highest level of individual school board member honors.

He also serves on the Noblesville Parks Board and is a graduate of Butler University, the Indiana School of Dentistry, and the Miller Ambassadors program. He has coached basketball at the Boys and Girls Club of Noblesville and soccer with the Noblesville Soccer Club.

For more information, including how to support Forgey's campaign, visit Joe Forgey for School Board on Facebook.

Tri Kappa Beta Epsilon Chapter announces scholarship winners

Submitted by Sandy Lynch

The Beta Epsilon Chapter of Tri Kappa announces the recipients of its 2026 scholarship awards.

Throughout the year, Beta Epsilon members work diligently to raise funds for philanthropic projects that support the local community, with one of the chapter's largest fundraising events being its annual BINGO fundraiser. Proceeds from these events help provide scholarships to outstanding local students who excel academically, artistically, and through service to others.

This year's scholarship recipients represent a remarkable group of young leaders:

- Academic Scholarship – Paela Madsen, Noblesville High School, $3,000
- Community Service Scholarships – Allie Thompson, Noblesville High School, and Soren McLaughlin, Noblesville High School, $1,500 each
- Health Services Scholarship – Ansley Applegate Noblesville High School, $1,000
- Future Educator Scholarships – Addison Thompson, Noblesville High School, and Jackson Cantlon, Hamilton Heights High School, $1,000 cach
- Arion Band Scholarship – Nayelli Gelfo
- Arion Choir Scholarship – Matthew Hunt
- Arion Orchestra Scholarship – Hailey Gibbons

Arion Winners receive $100, a medal, a lapel pin and their names are entered on a plaque at Noblesville High School.

Beta Epsilon members are honored to support these deserving students as they continue their educational journeys and pursue their future goals. The chapter also thanks the community for its continued support of Tri Kappa fundraising events, which make these scholarships possible each year.

Tri Kappa remains committed to promoting charity, culture, and education throughout Hamilton County and looks forward to continuing its tradition of investing in the next generation of community leaders.

Indiana Freedom Caucus endorses Jamie Reitenour for Secretary of State

Submitted

Indiana Republican Secretary of State Candidate Jamie Reitenour has officially received the endorsement of the Indiana Freedom Caucus, adding significant grassroots conservative support to her 2026 campaign.

The endorsement highlights Reitenour's focus on election integrity, constitutional government, transparency, and restoring trust in Indiana's electoral process.

Reitenour, a former Republican candidate for Governor of Indiana, is a Christian, wife, and mother of five who has built her campaign around the principle of putting "Hoosiers First." Drawing from her background as a corporate veteran and grassroots advocate, Reitenour has become widely known for her outspoken support of paper ballots, government accountability, and constitutional protections for Indiana citizens.

Reitnenour

"I am honored to receive the endorsement of the Indiana Freedom Caucus," Reitenour said. "This campaign has always been about serving the people of Indiana with integrity, transparency, and courage. Hoosiers deserve confidence in their elections and leadership in the Secretary of State's Office that puts citizens before politics and political agendas."

The Indiana Freedom Caucus endorsement comes as Reitenour continues traveling across the state meeting with voters, delegates, and local communities through town halls and grassroots events focused on election administration, constitutional government, and citizen engagement.

Supporters describe Reitenour as a principled conservative voice committed to protecting the integrity of Indiana elections while ensuring government remains accountable to the people it serves.

IU Kokomo students rewarded for academic excellence with honor society induction

The REPORTER

Nearly 50 Indiana University Kokomo students were recognized for academic achievement in fields ranging from political science to sociology, and from radiologic sciences to communication arts, with their selection for national honor societies.

Locally, three students were inducted into three honor societies.

- **Westfield's Mattelyn Rose Cutler** was inducted into the Phi of Indiana Chapter of Alpha Kappa Delta, the International Sociology Honor Society. Eligible students must be enrolled with a major or minor in a sociology program or a program sociological in nature, be a junior, rank in the top 35 percent of their graduating class in general scholarship, have the equivalent of a 3.0 grade-point average in sociology classes, and have completed at least four courses in sociology.
- **Fishers' Abdallah Alsalama** was inducted into Beta Gamma Sigma, an international honor society for business students. Undergraduates must be in the top 10 percent of their class to be inducted, while graduate students must be in the top 20 percent.
- **Noblesville's Jenna Waterman** was inducted into Psi Chi, the International Honor Society in Psychology.

Protesting ICE detention within Indiana

Photos provided

Approximately 20 people showed up in Carmel last Saturday, May 16 in the rain to protest ongoing ICE detention at Miami Correctional Facility near Bunker Hill, Ind., about 11 miles north of Kokomo. The protestors also sought to connect local residents with programs to assist U.S. citizen children of current ICE detainees within Indiana.

Lindsay Gramlich's Indiana House District 39 campaign named 'Target Race' by DLCC

Submitted

On Tuesday, May 19, the Democratic Legislative Campaign Committee (DLCC) named Lindsay Gramlich's campaign for Indiana House District 39 a must-win Target Race for Democrats in the Indiana House.

The DLCC is the official Democratic Party committee charged with identifying the best opportunities to build Democratic power in state legislatures, and its expansive Target Race program highlights candidates in the most competitive and consequential races nationwide. This announcement marks the largest slate of Indiana DLCC target races in history.

"I am absolutely honored and excited that House District 39 has been identified as a DLCC Target Race," Gramlich said. "While District 39 has long been a Republican-held seat, this target race designation proves that more and more people are realizing that our race has the potential to finally flip this seat blue this year, and that Democratic gains in Indiana shouldn't be counted out."

Gramlich

Gramlich has been a longtime community advocate and brings with her over 16 years of experience in leadership and philanthropy in central Indiana. Currently, she serves as the President and CEO of Girls Inc. of Greater Indianapolis, a nonprofit leadership organization dedicated to helping girls realize their full potential, and has also worked in various capacities at the Children's Museum of Indianapolis. She is a 2026 recipient of the *Indianapolis Business Journal's* prestigious "Forty Under 40" award, which recognizes young professionals who have demonstrated exceptional leadership and achievements in their careers, and was voted one of Indy's Most Pivotal Leaders in 2022.

"This endorsement follows historic results in the recent May primary election, in which we more than doubled the votes received in the 2024 Democratic primary, won nearly half the precincts in the district, and gained new Democratic voters in every neighborhood," Gramlich said. "Hoosiers have made themselves clear that they are angry and ready for a change after decades of failed Republican policy in our state government."

Gramlich is a graduate of several notable leadership fellowships in central Indiana. She has served on various boards and currently sits on the DePauw Alumni Association Board and served as Co-Chair of Community Outreach of the Local Organizing Committee of the 2026 Final Four. She holds a Bachelor of Arts from DePauw University and a Master of Public Affairs from Indiana University.

Democratic Legislative Campaign Committee President Heather Williams issued the following statement:

"Democrats need to flip just four seats to break the GOP supermajority in the Indiana House. Every single race counts for building Democratic power and fighting against GOP extremism. Hoosiers deserve leaders who will fight to make life more affordable for working families, which is why the DLCC is proud to uplift Lindsay Gramlich in this must-win race. Lindsay has already hit the ground running, and the DLCC will be there every step of the way to get her and Indiana Democrats across the finish line."

Learn more about the candidate at **LindsayGramlich.com**.

Asheley Harris named assistant director at Virginia F. Wood Early Learning Center

Submitted by Westfield Washington Schools

The Westfield Washington Schools (WWS) Board of Trustees recently approved the appointment of Asheley Harris as Before and After Care (BAC) Assistant Director at the Virginia F. Wood Early Learning Center (ELC) during its meeting on May 12, 2026.

Harris

Harris will support students, staff, and families through leadership at the ELC and BAC programs while helping strengthen learning experiences for WWS's littlest Shamrocks.

Harris currently serves as a K-5 Instructional Coach at White River Elementary in Noblesville, a role she has held since June 2021. In her current position, she facilitates Professional Learning Communities (PLCs), supports MTSS implementation, leads professional development, mentors staff, and works alongside educators to strengthen student outcomes through data-informed instructional practices.

Prior to serving as an instructional coach, Harris taught kindergarten, second grade, and third grade at Noble Crossing Elementary in Noblesville. She also previously served as a first and second grade teacher at Hazel Dell Elementary and a fourth-grade teacher at River Eves Elementary in Roswell, Ga.

Harris brings 20 years of experience in diverse and high-needs elementary environments with a background in instructional leadership, student support systems, staff coaching, and family engagement. She earned her Master of Education in Mathematics Specialist Education from Ball State University in 2013 and will complete her Building Level Administrator License through Ball State University in spring 2026.

Reflecting on her new role, Harris said:

"I am incredibly excited to join the Early Learning Center as an assistant principal and continue supporting students, teachers, and families during such an important stage of learning and growth. This opportunity allows me to combine my passion for early childhood education with my desire to serve and lead on a broader level.

"My main focus will be building strong relationships with students, families, and staff while creating supportive, engaging, and consistent experiences through both early learning leadership and high-quality before and after school care programs. I look forward to partnering with each school to best support their unique needs and help ensure seamless, successful programs where every child feels connected, safe, and set up for long-term success."

ELC leaders shared their excitement about Harris joining the team and the impact she will make within the programs.

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Broadway & Disney legend Lea Salonga to appear at free Songbook Academy Masterclass

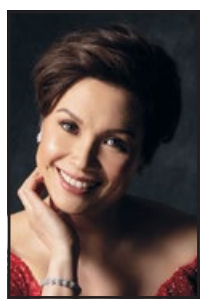
Tickets now available for all 2026 Songbook Academy public events

The REPORTER

Lea Salonga, best known for her Tony Award-winning role in *Miss Saigon* and as the singing voices of Princess Jasmine in *Aladdin* and Fa Mulan in *Mulan* and *Mulan II*, will join five-time GRAMMY Award nominee Michael Feinstein, founder of the Great American Songbook Foundation, to lead the 2026 Songbook Academy® Public Masterclass in July.

The Public Masterclass is one of three public events presented during the Songbook Academy, which brings 40 talented high school vocalists from around the country to Carmel each year for a week of professional mentoring, workshops, and performances. During the event, the Songbook Foundation's flagship education program, Feinstein and Salonga will provide real-time feedback and coaching live on stage to 10 randomly selected Songbook Academy participants.

Free to the public and also viewable by livestream, the event starts at 2 p.m. Monday, July 13 at the Payne & Mencias Palladium at Allied Solutions Center for the Performing Arts, 1 Carter Green, Carmel. Tickets and additional information are available now at **TheSongbook.org** or by calling the Fifth Third Bank Box Office at (317) 843-3800 or toll-free at (877) 909-2787.



Salonga

Feinstein

Salonga is renowned worldwide for her powerful voice and acclaimed performances on stage and screen. In addition to the Tony, she has won Olivier, Drama Desk, Outer Critics Circle and Theatre World awards. She also made history as the first Asian actress to play Eponine in *Les Misérables* on Broadway and later returned to the production as Fantine. She starred in the Tony Award-winning Broadway revival of *Once on This Island* and also appeared on Broadway in *Here Lies Love*, *Allegiance*, *Flower Drum Song* and most recently in *Stephen Sondheim's Old Friends* alongside Bernadette Peters.

Fans of all ages recognize Salonga as the singing voice of Princess Jasmine and Fa Mulan, roles that earned her the distinction of Disney Legend. Her recent work includes *Pretty Little Liars: Original Sin*, the critically acclaimed musical-drama *Yellow Rose*, and Netflix's record-breaking animated film *KPop Demon Hunters*. Her recent concert tours have played to sold-out audiences across North America and the United Kingdom.

In addition to the Public Masterclass, the Songbook Academy will feature two other events at the Payne & Mencias Palladium, with tickets and livestream reservations available now:

Songbook Showcase

Thursday, July 16 at 7 p.m.

The Songbook Showcase offers all 40 participants of the Songbook Academy the opportunity to perform a solo on stage at the world-class Payne & Mencias Palladium. Audiences also will enjoy special appearances by Feinstein and Broadway star and previously announced guest mentor Mandy Gonzalez. Tickets are pay-what-you-can with a $5 minimum for in-person attendees and no minimum for livestream viewers.

Songbook Academy in Concert

Saturday, July 18 at 7 p.m.

Hosted by Feinstein, Songbook Academy in Concert is the culminating performance of the week, featuring standout solos and vibrant ensemble numbers that celebrate the growth of the students and reflect the breadth, diversity, and timeless appeal of the Great American Songbook. The event is part of the BHI Senior Living Songbook Series and kicks off the 2026-2027 *Center Presents* Season sponsored by Allied Solutions. In-person tickets start at $25. Livestream access is pay-what-you-can with no minimum.

The Songbook Academy receives generous support from the Efroymson Family Fund, Traditions Senior Communities, the Ella Fitzgerald Charitable Foundation, the Ira & Leonore S. Gershwin Trusts, the Blanche and Irving Laurie Foundation, Salon 01, Westfield Veterinary Care, and the City of Carmel.

Guest Mentor support is provided by generous contributions from individual donors, including Libby and Randy Brown, Michael and Margie Draper, Peggy Ford, The Fuller Family, David Gerstein, Tim and Karyl McGeath, Bob and Rose Popovich, and The Tobin Family.

Harris

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"I am thrilled that Asheley will be joining our team," said Maggie Hultman, incoming Assistant Director at the ELC. "Asheley's collaborative focus and commitment to building strong relationships and fostering a positive culture makes her a wonderful addition to our programs."

Caylie Dicken, Incoming Director of the ELC, said, "We are excited to have Asheley join the team at the ELC and BAC. Asheley's experience with instructional coaching and her genuine enthusiasm are going to be an excellent resource for WWS. We are looking forward to seeing Asheley's skill set in action to mentor staff and engage with students and families at BAC and ELC."

American Red Cross

Help build the blood supply for a chance to win Indiana Fever tickets

The REPORTER

Celebrate more life and get summer-ready. The American Red Cross urges donors to give now to help ensure a stable blood supply at a time when summer schedules and vacations could cause a drop in donation appointments. By donating blood or platelets this month, donors have the chance to return to give over the summer, which is a critical time to keep blood products on hospital shelves.

Whole blood donors can give every 56 days, up to six times a year, and platelet donors can give every seven days, up to 24 times a year.

As a thank you to those who give through May 27 at new Red Cross Blood and Platelet Donation Centers in Indianapolis and Noblesville, donors will automatically be entered for a chance to win tickets to the Indiana Fever game against the Atlanta Dream on Thursday, June 4. Each winner will receive two tickets located in The Loft section and a free parking pass, along with complimentary food and beverages. There will be two drawings, and winners will be contacted to pick up their tickets ahead of the game.

In addition, those who come to give through May 31 will receive an oversized Red Cross beach towel, while supplies last.

To make an appointment, please call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or visit **RedCrossBlood.org**.

How to donate blood & platelets

All blood types are needed to ensure a reliable supply for patients. A blood donor card or driver's license or two other forms of identification are required at check-in. Individuals who are 17 years of age in most states (16 with parental consent where allowed by state law), weigh at least 110 pounds and are in generally good health may be eligible to donate blood. High school students and other donors 18 years of age and younger also have to meet certain height and weight requirements.

Blood and platelet donors can save time at their next donation by using RapidPass® to complete their pre-donation reading and health history questionnaire online, on the day of their donation, before arriving at the blood drive. To get started, follow the instructions at **RedCrossBlood.org/RapidPass** or use the Blood Donor App.

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Noblesville delegation returns from meeting Japanese manufacturing partners

Submitted by City of Noblesville

Noblesville Mayor Chris Jensen recently led a delegation of city leaders to Japan to meet with key international partners, SMC Corporation and Toyota Automated Logistics, both of which have made significant investments in Noblesville and continue to support the city's economic growth and workforce development.

The delegation consisted of the following:

- Mayor Chris Jensen
- Mike Davis, Common Council President
- Aaron Smith, Common Council Vice President
- Sarah Reed, Community Development Director
- Lexie Rock, Communications Director
- Andrew Murray, Economic Development Director
- Ali Krupski, City Engineer

During the trip, the delegation met with leadership from SMC Corporation, Noblesville's largest private-sector employer. In the 15 years since establishing operations in Noblesville, SMC has created more than 900 jobs and invested more than $200 million in its North American headquarters in Indiana.

The delegation toured an SMC manufacturing facility in Shimotsuma and visited the company's advanced engineering hub at the Japan Technical Center in Kashiwa-Wakashiba before meeting with company leadership at headquarters in Tokyo. SMC Corporation of America is a part of a global organization that supports customers in every industrialized country and is the U.S. subsidiary of SMC Corporation based in Tokyo, Japan. SMC is a leader in pneumatic technology, providing industry with technology and products to support automation based on the guiding principle of "contributing to automation labor savings in industry."

"Partnerships like the ones we've built with SMC Corporation and Toyota Automated Logistics don't happen by accident. They are built through trust, consistency, and a shared vision for long-term success," Mayor Jensen said. "These companies have made meaningful investments in Noblesville, not only in facilities, but in our people, workforce, and future. We are grateful for the opportunity to strengthen those relationships in person and continue supporting the companies that are creating opportunities for hardworking Hoosiers."

"SMC's partnership with Noblesville represents an important connection between our global organization and the communities where we operate," SMC Executive Officer Shoichi Tomita said. "We were pleased to share SMC's technology, manufacturing capabilities, and long-term vision during the delegation's visit and appreciate the strong support shown for our continued investment in Indiana."

Photos provided by City of Noblesville

City officials met with executives from SMC Corporation (top) and Toyota Automated Logistics (above) while in Japan.

"SMC is proud to call Noblesville home to our North American headquarters, and we greatly value the strong partnership we've built with the city over the past 15 years," SMC Corporation of America President and CEO Kelley Stacy said. "The continued support from Mayor Jensen, the City administration, and the broader community has helped create an environment where we can continue investing in our people, operations, and long-term growth in Indiana."

The delegation also met with leadership from Toyota Industries Corporation and Toyota Automated Logistics, global leaders in integrated warehouse automation and partners in Noblesville's growing advanced manufacturing sector.

In 2024, Toyota Automated Logistics broke ground on a $165 million manufacturing and corporate headquarters campus in Noblesville, representing the single-largest private investment in the city's history. The project is expected to retain approximately 400 jobs and create an additional 250 positions in the community.

"We are honored to continue strengthening our relationship with the City of Noblesville and appreciate Mayor Jensen and the delegation taking the time to visit our teams in Japan," said Aaron Jones, President & CEO, Americas, Toyota Automated Logistics. "The momentum happening in Noblesville is incredibly exciting for our company and our team members. As the Americas headquarters for our global organization, Noblesville will play a critical role in supporting innovation, manufacturing and customer solutions across the region. We are proud to invest in a community that shares our long-term vision for growth, technology and creating opportunities for the future workforce."

"I was honored to represent the Noblesville Common Council with Vice President Aaron Smith in visiting our partners at SMC and Toyota Automated Logistics in Japan," Common Council President Mike Davis said. "The investments by these companies will significantly shape our local economy for generations. Supporting our partners and cultivating relationships with them is essential to our long-term growth and sustained efforts citywide for workforce development, innovation, and job creation."

City leaders emphasized that maintaining strong international relationships remains an important part of Noblesville's long-term economic development strategy and continued efforts to attract investment, innovation, and high-quality jobs to the community.

"Our trip to Japan reinforced that economic development success starts with taking care of our own," Noblesville Economic Development Director Andrew Murray said. "Strong relationships, workforce investment, and supporting existing employers are the foundation of economic growth – and future businesses take notice when communities invest in the companies already here."

Gov. Braun signs bills aiming to strengthen Indiana's public safety & defense economy

Submitted by Office of Gov. Mike Braun

On Tuesday, May 19, Governor Mike Braun ceremonially signed **House Enrolled Act 1343** and **House Enrolled Act 1268**, two new laws that strengthen Indiana's public safety readiness, support the Indiana National Guard, and position Indiana to grow its role in America's defense economy.

"Public safety is our highest responsibility, and the laws strengthen Indiana's ability to respond when Hoosiers need us most," Gov. Braun said. "By supporting the Indiana National Guard, strengthening emergency preparedness, enhancing cybersecurity readiness, and growing Indiana's role in America's defense economy, we are making our state safer, stronger and better prepared for the future."

HEA 1343, authored by State Rep. Steve Bartels, strengthens public safety by ensuring the Indiana National Guard will be ready to assist Indiana police when called upon in a crisis to protect Hoosiers.

HEA 1343 ensures that National Guard members called upon to assist Indiana police in times of emergency are trained military police who can assist in police duties like arrest procedures, traffic and crowd control, and the collection of evidence. Guardsmen may exercise police powers only when called to state active duty and only after completing Army or Air military police occupational training and Indiana-specific law enforcement instruction prescribed by the Adjutant General.

HEA 1343 also supports veterans and military families by updating the Military Family Relief Fund, improving reporting and eligibility standards, and removing the eight-year limit for use of the National Guard tuition supplement grant. The law also establishes the Indiana Civilian Cyber Corps, allowing trained civilian cybersecurity volunteers to assist the state during cybersecurity incidents.

HEA 1268, also authored by State Rep. Steve Bartels, strengthens Indiana's defense sector by improving coordination between the Indiana Defense Task Force, the Indiana Economic Development Corporation's Office of Defense Development, the Indiana National Guard, and state lawmakers.

The new law adds legislative appointees to the Indiana Defense Task Force and adds the Adjutant General of the Indiana National

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Guard, or the Adjutant General's designee, as a nonvoting member. It also requires the task force to identify defense-spending priorities each year and requires the Office of Defense Development to report on expenditures tied to those priorities.

HEA 1268 also provides that the Indiana Economic Development Corporation and an operating partner will administer Indiana's federal Unmanned Aircraft System Test Site program, helping Indiana compete in advanced defense, aviation, and technology sectors.

Together, HEA 1343 and HEA 1268 reflect Gov. Braun's commitment to public safety, military readiness, cybersecurity, and growing Indiana's defense economy.

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The Center Presents 2026-2027 season is loaded with talent from across the decades. You can see the great R&B singer and civil rights activist Mavis Staples on Nov. 12, 2026, and John Malkovich and the Vienna Academy Orchestra on March 18, 2027. Find more great shows at TheCenterPresents.org.

Allied Solutions Center announces blockbuster lineup for upcoming Center Presents concert season

The REPORTER

The 2026-2027 performance season at Allied Solutions Center for the Performing Arts will be the most expansive since the nonprofit presenter's opening year.

Kicking off in July, the upcoming Center Presents Season sponsored by Allied Solutions features more than 70 performances already booked and more on the way, with artists including Mavis Staples, Harry Connick Jr., Bernadette Peters, Gladys Knight, Ben Folds, Itzhak Perlman, Dionne Warwick, Bruce Hornsby, Arrested Development, Punch Brothers and John Malkovich.

"I didn't think we could top last year's 15th Anniversary Season, but our programming team has pulled together an amazing calendar of events," said Jeffrey C. McDermott, President/CEO of Allied Solutions Center. "Meanwhile, we've been enhancing our facilities and services to make the experience on our three-venue campus more accessible and welcoming than ever for visitors of all ages and abilities."

The entire season is on sale now through subscription packages. Several performances early in the season are on sale individually now, and the rest will be available individually in August.

The 2026-2027 season includes two new series:

• **The JPMorganChase Spotlight Series** features performers and events not limited to music, including cabaret and TV star Alan Cumming, comic actress and writer Amy Sedaris, "psychic" comedian Peter Antoniou, an evening of rock-star reminiscing with Police drummer Stewart Copeland, and a 40th anniversary screening of the classic basketball film Hoosiers, including a live Q&A with the screenwriter, director, and actors.

• **The Studio M Tribute Series** comprises live celebrations of pop legends Paul McCartney, Michael Jackson, Fleetwood Mac, Billy Joel, the Beach Boys and Steely Dan.

Subscription packages are available for the Leo Brown Group Classical Series, which includes Perlman in recital and Malkovich narrating for the Vienna Academy Orchestra; the Drewry Simmons Vornehm Jazz Series, which includes Marcus Miller as well as Spyro Gyra with Stanley Jordan; and the BHI Senior Living Songbook Series, which includes Peters, Warwick, Victoria Clark and the Sharpe Family Singers.

Subscriber benefits include discounts up to 20 percent off the regular ticket price, immediate purchase access to the entire season, and presale access as new events are added. A popular option is the Create Your Own subscription package, which offers those same perks for the purchase of any four or more events from the 2026-2027 *Center Presents* schedule.

Individual events on sale now include Songbook Academy in Concert (July 18), Harry Connick Jr. (July 20), Art Garfunkel (July 24), Brian Simpson, Jackiem Joyner and Jessy J (July 31), Stewart Copeland (Aug. 2), Gladys Knight (Aug. 8), Peter Antoniou (Sept. 10), Michael Blaustein (Sept. 24), Becky Robinson (Oct. 9) and the *White Christmas* Film Screening (Dec. 7), presented in partnership with the Great American Songbook Foundation. The rest will go on sale individually in August. Free tickets for the U.S. Navy Band on March 9 will be available early next year.

Available again this season is the Suite Experience, the opportunity to reserve a private box for 10 guests at any *Center Presents* performance at the Payne & Mencias Palladium, including two complimentary bottles of wine and the option to preorder additional beverages and snacks.

Visit **TheCenterPresents.org/SubscribeNow** for more information on subscription packages and benefits. Purchases can be made online at **TheCenterPresents.org**, by phone at (317) 843-3800 or toll-free (877) 909-2787, or in person at the Payne & Mencias Palladium's Fifth Third Bank Box Office, 1 Carter Green, Carmel.

Accessibility improvements on the Allied Solutions Center campus over the past year have included doubling the number of accessible parking spaces around Carter Green, including five new van-accessible spaces for groups. Handrails have been installed in the stairstep aisles of the Tarkington theater (which also has dazzling new LED stage lighting). The website at **TheCenterPresents.org** – the only authorized online source for tickets to The Center's venues – has been enhanced with the UserWay widget to give viewers more control over the experience.

At the Payne & Mencias Palladium, touchless automatic door openers have been installed in restrooms, and a new Auracast assistive-listening system sponsored by Professional Hearing Services improves clarity and flexibility for the hard of hearing. The venue remains certified Sensory Inclusive®, with staff training and a range of onsite accommodations to make the live event experience more comfortable for visitors with sensory sensitivities.

About Allied Solutions Center for the Performing Arts

The mission of Allied Solutions Center for the Performing Arts, celebrating its 15th anniversary in 2026, is to engage and inspire the Indiana community through enriching arts experiences. The nonprofit organization's campus in Carmel includes the 1,500-seat Payne & Mencias Palladium concert hall, the 500-seat Tarkington proscenium theater and the black-box Studio Theater. Allied Solutions Center presents and hosts hundreds of events each year, including the annual Center Presents performance season, featuring the best in classical music, jazz, pop, rock, country, comedy, and other genres. Educational and experiential programming for all ages includes children's concerts and camps, book clubs, lectures, and classes in music and stand-up comedy. Allied Solutions Center is home to the affiliated Great American Songbook Foundation and provides space and support services for six resident arts companies. More information is available at **TheCenterPresents.org**.

Meeting Notices

The Sheridan Community Schools Board of Trustees will meet at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, May 26, 2026, in the Board Room at Sheridan High School, 24185 Hinesley Road.

The Sheridan Town Council will meet in an executive session at 5:15 p.m. Tuesday, June 2, 2026, at the Sheridan Community Center, 300 E. Sixth St., for the purpose of (i) discussion of strategy with respect to a real property transaction pursuant to Ind. Code §5-14-1.5-6.1(b)(2)(D) and (ii) discussion of pending litigation pursuant to Ind. Code 5-14-1.5-6.1(b)(2)(B). No other business will be conducted at the meeting and any final action will be taken at a meeting open to the public.

The Hamilton County Commissioners will meet in an executive session at 12:15 p.m. Tuesday, May 26, 2026.

A regular meeting will follow at 1:15 p.m. in the Commissioners' Courtroom at the Hamilton County Government and Judicial Center, 1 Hamilton County Square, Noblesville.

The Hamilton County Solid Waste Management District Board will meet at noon on Tuesday, May 26, 2026, in the Commissioners' Courtroom at the Hamilton County Government and Judi-cial Center, 1 Hamilton County Square, Noblesville.

Each year, the Hamilton County Reporter requests government entities to notify us of public meetings as their Open Door Law notification under I.C. 5-14-1.5-5. The Reporter publishes these notices as a public service in our Tuesday through Friday digital editions. Meeting notices for Open Door Law compliance can be sent to ***PublicNotices@ReadTheReporter.com****.*

Indiana Orthopedic Institute announces leaders of Foot & Ankle Care expansion

Submitted

Indiana Orthopedic Institute announced it will offer **comprehensive foot and ankle care** from fellowship-trained specialists across Central Indiana.

Kapsalis

Dr. Andrew Kapsalis will see patients at the flagship clinic and surgery center in Noblesville's Innovation Mile District, 14065 Westinghouse Drive. He starts June 29.

Roby

Dr. Meghan Roby will care for patients at the Greenwood clinic, 747 E. County Line Road, Suite J, and at Indiana Orthopedic Institute, in partnership with Union Health, at 1725 N. 5th St., Terre Haute. She starts July 20.

Dr. Kapsalis and Dr. Roby treat a wide array of foot and ankle problems and are dedicated to working with each patient and their wider care team to achieve exceptional outcomes to reduce pain and increase mobility.

"Our expansion to offer foot and ankle care is central to helping people regain their movement and quality of life," said Dr. Michael Meneghini, founder and CEO of Indiana Orthopedic Institute. "Dr. Kapsalis and Dr. Roby are exceptional surgeons and reflect our approach of providing care guided by research where patients are treated like members of our families."

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- Revision surgery

Meet the new surgeons

Dr. Andrew Kapsalis, a native of Fishers, most recently served patients from around Central Indiana at American Health Network.

"I'm thrilled to join Indiana Orthopedic Institute with its commitment to highly integrated patient care, research, and education," Dr. Kapsalis said. "The most rewarding part of my work is to help patients reduce or eliminate pain and regain mobility and quality of life."

Dr. Meghan Roby completed the prestigious Indy Foot and Ankle Reconstructive Surgery Fellowship.

"My goal is to achieve exceptional patient outcomes in an evidence-based practice with multidisciplinary collaboration," Dr. Roby said. "Indiana Orthopedic Institute has the protocols to provide this care with an emphasis on serving the patient's needs above all else."

Visit **indianaortho.com** or call (317) 620-0232 for more information.

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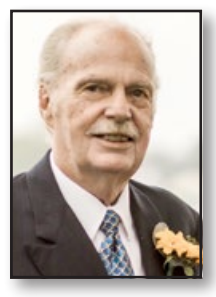

Thomas A. Endicott, 83, Carmel, a devoted father, grandfather, educator, and friend, passed away peacefully on Tuesday, April 14, 2026. He was surrounded by family, friends, and his beloved dog, Camille.

Born October 1, 1942, in Portage, Wis., Tom was the eldest son of Albert and Lucy Endicott. He grew up in Hamilton, Ohio, and graduated from Taft High School in 1960. He held a Bachelor of Science in Engineering from Purdue University and a Master of Business Administration from the University of Dayton.

Tom's distinguished career spanned decades of leadership in manufacturing and industry, beginning with General Motors, followed by Union Carbide and Dayton Walther Corp. He went on to serve as president of the Gunite Division of Kelsey-Hayes Co. in Rockford, Ill.; president of Dayton Walther Corp.; and president of Duffy Tool & Stamping in Muncie, Ind. In addition to his corporate career, Tom found great joy in teaching and served as a business instructor at Butler University, a role he often described as his favorite and one that reflected his love of mentoring and connecting with others.

He was a man who lived his life with intention, joy, and deep love for his family. He was always present, whether cheering on his children in their activities, offering steady support, or creating opportunities to explore the world together. Traveling with his family brought him immense happiness, and he delighted in exploring new places with his children, reveling in cultures and experiences, instilling a sense of curiosity and wanderlust his children will carry throughout their lives. With camera in hand, he captured the moments that mattered most. Those photos now stand as a lasting reminder of a life lived fully and a family he loved deeply.

In his later years, Tom showed extraordinary strength and compassion as the full-time caregiver for his beloved wife, Melinda, until her passing in December of 2023. His care for her was a reflection of his unwavering commitment and love. During this time, he also discovered a love for cooking and took pride in "perfecting" recipes and making them his own. He enjoyed golfing, following the stock market, watching cable news, and had a special fondness for long-haired chihuahuas, especially his beloved companions Chico and Camille.

Over the past year, he found special joy in spending time with his youngest granddaughter, Lucy. He cherished their time together, especially the moments he could sneak her a dessert, and delighted in watching her grow and learn new words.

Tom lived by a simple motto: "Every day is a good day." He will be remembered for his optimism, his generosity, and the deep love he had for his family and friends.

He is survived by his children, Thomas V. (Jenny) Endicott of Nashville, Ind., and Sara (Luke) Kroh of Indianapolis; and his grandchildren, Emily Endicott of Salt Lake City, Utah, Thomas (Sally) Endicott of Denver, Colo., and Lucy Jane Kroh of Indianapolis.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Melinda Endicott; his son, Adam Endicott; and his parents, Albert and Lucy Endicott.

A private scattering of ashes will take place at a later date.

In honor of Tom's spirit, his family encourages all who knew him to remember that, as he often said, "Every day is a good day," and to live each day with the same gratitude, joy, and love he shared so freely.

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TODAY'S BIBLE READING

The Second Census

The descendants of Simeon by their clans were: through Nemuel, the Nemuelite clan; through Jamin, the Jaminite clan; through Jakin, the Jakinite clan; through Zerah, the Zerahite clan; through Shaul, the Shaulite clan.

These were the clans of Simeon; those numbered were 22,200.

The descendants of Gad by their clans were: through Zephon, the Zephonite clan; through Haggi, the Haggite clan; through Shuni, the Shunite clan; through Ozni, the Oznite clan; through Eri, the Erite clan; through Arodi, the Arodite clan; through Areli, the Arelite clan.

These were the clans of Gad; those numbered were 40,500.

Er and Onan were sons of Judah, but they died in Canaan.

The descendants of Judah by their clans were: through Shelah, the Shelanite clan; through Perez, the Perezite clan; through Zerah, the Zerahite clan.

The descendants of Perez were: through Hezron, the Hezronite clan; through Hamul, the Hamulite clan.

These were the clans of Judah; those numbered were 76,500.

The descendants of Issachar by their clans were: through Tola, the Tolaite clan; through Puah, the Puite clan; through Jashub, the Jashubite clan; through Shimron, the Shimronite clan.

These were the clans of Issachar; those numbered were 64,300.

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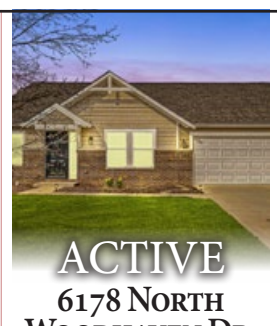

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Track & Field

Carmel defends team title, NHS' Meinerding is triple winner

By RICHIE HALL
sports@readthereporter.com

Photo provided

The Carmel girls track & field team defended its sectional championship on Wednesday. The Greyhounds scored 156 points and won three events.

FISHERS – The Carmel girls track & field team started its state championship defense strong on Wednesday with a big win at the Hamilton Southeastern sectional.

The Greyhounds scored 156 points to win the sectional trophy again. Carmel was boosted by three event victories, including a 1-2-3 sweep of the 800 run.

Teams usually can only enter two athletes in an event, but the Hounds had three in the 800 as they had all run a time better than the 3-participant standard during the regular season. And Carmel delivered: Kaitlyn Oshimura won the race in 2 minutes, 12.06 seconds. Sadie Foley finished second and Larkin Taylor was third.

Greyhounds coach Aaron McRill said that "Kaitlyn has come on strong at the end of the season. She's consistently running 2:12 to 2:14 and she looked so good tonight. Very proud of her and looking forward to her last two races as a senior."

Larkin Taylor won the 1600 run, with Foley in second place. Carmel opened the meet with a victory in the 4x800 relay, which clocked in at 9:20.81.

Hamilton Southeastern finished second as a team with 100 points, edging out Westfield, who took third place by scoring 97 points.

The Royals picked up four event victories. Anissa Lammie won the 400 dash, while Chloe Senefeld was first in the 300 hurdles and second in the 100 hurdles. Southeastern also claimed the 4x100 and 4x400 relays.

The Shamrocks won two events. Katelyn Eblen was first in the 100 hurdles, while Gracie Czubik won a close high jump event, clearing 5 feet, 5 inches. Hamilton Heights' Waverly Woolever was second in the high jump, also clearing 5-5; Czubik won a tie-breaker.

Noblesville was fourth as a team by scoring 85 points. Ainsley Meinerding powered the Millers with three event wins. She was first in the 100 dash and the 200 dash, both in personal-best times, and won the long jump.

Meinerding

"I'm really happy with them, especially my 200 because I haven't PR'ed in that one since last year at state, so I was worried I wouldn't be able to hit it again," said Meinerding. "I was just so happy to hit it again."

Fishers scored 76 points. Mia Tobias swept the discus and shot put events.

Hamilton Heights freshman Lilly Higgins zoomed to victory in the 3200 run, clocking in at 10:25.95. Guerin Catholic's Amelia Smith won the pole vault, clearing 12 feet, 9 inches.

The top three finishers all advance to the Tuesday, May 26 regional at Lafayette Jefferson; they are listed below. Many athletes will receive callbacks to the regional. The Reporter will publish a list of those in a later edition once they have been made official.

Team scores: Carmel 156, Hamilton Southeastern 100, Westfield 97, Noblesville 85, Fishers 76, Hamilton Heights 46, Guerin Catholic 42, Lebanon 16, Lapel 4.

Individual results
(top three in each event)

4x800 relay: 1. Carmel 9:20.81, 2. Southeastern 9:27.81, 3. Fishers 9:39.83.

100 hurdles: 1. Katelyn Eblen (W) 14.94, 2. Chloe Senefeld (HSE) 15.08, 3. Jenna Rhodes (W) 15.22.

100 dash: 1. Ainsley Meinerding (N) 12.23, 2. Kaleah McCarter (HSE) 12.27, 3. Livi Miller (C) 12.69.

1600 run: 1. Larkin Taylor (C) 5:01.75, 2. Sadie Foley (C) 5:01.76, 3. Ansley Applegate (N) 5:06.96.

4x100 relay: 1. Southeastern 48.25, 2. Fishers 49.18, 3. Noblesville 50.05.

400 dash: 1. Anissa Lammie (HSE) 55.19, 2. Norah Reiger (HH) 55.45, 3. Gabriela Grande Rosas (C) 56.13.

300 hurdles: 1. Senefeld (HSE) 41.44, 2. Eblen (W) 44.26, 3. Waverly Woolever (HH) 45.16.

800 run: 1. Kaitlyn Oshimura (C) 2:12.06, 2. Foley (C) 2:14.01, 3. Taylor (C) 2:14.18.

200 dash: 1. Meinerding (N) 25.10, 2. Zinnia Pineda (F) 25.32, 3. LeBraya Warren (W) 25.71.

3200 run: 1. Lilly Higgins (HH) 10:25.95, 2. Annabel Pollert (C) 10:34.97, 3. Zoe Gebhart (HSE) 10:43.90.

4x400 relay: 1. Southeastern 3:50.56, 2. Carmel 3:53.89, 3. Guerin Catholic 4:01.20.

High jump: 1. Gracie Czubik (W) 5-5, 2. Woolever (HH) 5-5, Kylee Black (F) 5-0.

Pole vault: 1. Amelia Smith (GC) 12-9, 2. Ella Jenkins (W) 12-0, 3. Zoe Travelsted (GC) 11-0.

Long jump: 1. Meinerding (N) 18-0.25, 2. Rylan Bell (N) 17-1.75, 3. Payton Hunter (C) 16-11.5.

Discus: 1. Mia Tobias (F) 135-11, 2. Amyla Holder (C) 133-1, 3. Amelia Kring (N) 131-0.5.

Shot put: 1. Tobias (F) 45-1.5, 2. Nyla Young (N) 41-11, 3. Holder (C) 38-10.

Baseball

Tigers walk off Brownsburg in 17 innings

The REPORTER

The Fishers baseball played an ultramarathon game against Brownsburg on Wednesday and came away with a Hoosier Crossroads Conference win.

The Tigers beat the Bulldogs 1-0 in 17 innings. Henry Cherry was the hero, batting Vincent Pecoraro for the victory.

Owen Lukac had three hits, including one double, while Andrew Baldini had two hits. Grant Wolf got the pitching win, striking out seven in four innings. Wolf came in for the Tigers in the 14th inning. Lukac struck out five in six innings and Hayden Werner tossed nine strikeouts in seven innings.

Fishers is 9-4 in the conference and 15-12 overall. The Tigers finish the series this evening at Brownsburg.

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Sheridan split a pair of games at the Hoosier Heartland Conference earlier in the week.

The Blackhawks fell to Delphi 11-9 on Monday. The Oracles led 11-1 midway through the sixth inning before Sheridan launched a comeback. The Hawks put up seven runs in the bottom of the sixth and one more in the seventh.

Chance Spencer was 4-for-5 at the plate, batted in two runs and scored another two. Hall hit a double.

Sheridan rebounded to beat Clinton Central 12-1 on Tuesday. Jake Hall, Cesar Cuautle and Chance Spencer all batted in two runs, with Spencer and Levi Gellert both getting two hits. Crew Spencer, Braelan Bochner and Austin Hinshaw all scored two runs.

Hall pitched a no-hitter across all five innings, striking out seven.

Sheridan is 10-11 and hosts Indy Genesis Home-School on Tuesday.

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Carmel fell to Cathedral 4-2 Wednesday at Hartman Field.

The Greyhounds scored a run in the fourth inning; Nate Steele led off with a double then scored on Jacob Behm's RBI groundout. Steele scored again in the sixth inning on a wild pitch.

Max Walkey and Mark Neels both hit one double. Callaway Carmichael (4.1 innings) and Nolan Sunsdahl (2.2 innings) both threw four strikeouts.

Carmel is 9-14 and hosts its Greyhound Invitational this weekend.

Millers clinch tie for HCC crown

By CRAIG ADKINS
For The Reporter

The Noblesville Millers traveled to Zionsville last night for the first of a two-game series controlling their own destiny.

The Millers struck first and were able to add to their lead late to take the edge in the series with a 4-1 win in Boone County. With the win, Noblesville clinched at least a share of the Hoosier Crossroads Conference championship for the third time in the last four (2023 and 2024). A win tonight gives them the outright title.

Griffin Snider got the spot start and was in a pitcher's duel with Peter Ward through the first four.

In the fifth, Aiden Reynolds lined a hit to center to score Chris Martz.

Zionsville tied it 1-1 in the bottom on a Tyler Hughes triple.

Brooks Riggs doubled with two outs. Luke Stevenson scored on Jalen Stidham's hit to go up 2-1.

Ethan Clark hit drove in Blake Riggs and Clark scored on an error in the seventh for the 4-1 final.

Clark and Stidham each had two hits. Snider and Quin Hendrich had four K's apiece and with Hendrich (2-0) earning the win.

Noblesville (18-9, 10-3 HCC) hosts Zionsville (13-13, 5-8 HCC) tonight at 6:30 p.m. for game two.

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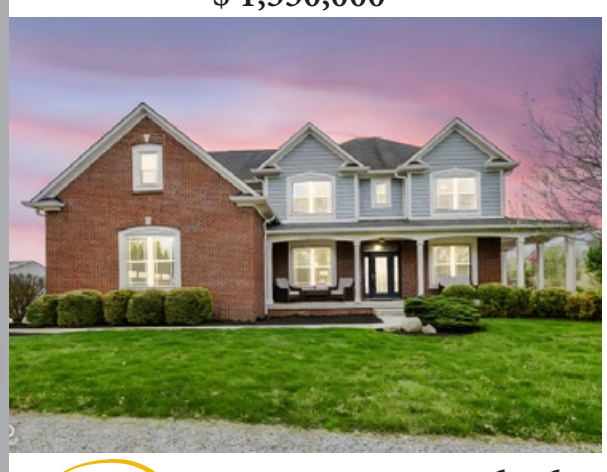
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Girls Tennis

Sectional tennis final matchups are set

The REPORTER

The matchups are set for today's girls tennis sectional championships after semifinals were played at all three Hamilton County sectional sites on Wednesday.

Fishers hosted Sectional 31, and the No. 14 Tigers advanced to the final by beating Mudsock rival and No. 30-ranked Hamilton Southeastern 4-1. Fishers will play Pendleton Heights in today's championship.

The Tigers won all three singles matches. No. 1 Allison Briggs and No. 2 Ryan Bell won in straight sets, while No. 3 Addie Sharp took her match in a third-set super tiebreak. Fishers' Imani Mokra and Lucy Clark won the No. 1 doubles match, while the Royals' Meredith Walters and Lucy Denton won the No. 2 doubles match.

Sectional 35 host and No. 3-ranked Carmel beat No. 13 Zionsville 4-1 to reach the final at the Todd Witsken Tennis Center. The Greyhounds will play No. 1 Guerin Catholic, a 4-1 winner over University.

The Golden Eagles won their matches in straight sets. No. 2 Cece Phillips and No. 3 Anna Kolb were singled winners, while the doubles teams of No. 1 Abby Quigley and Katie Kolb and No. 2 Maddy Hood and Grace Docktor were also victorious.

University No. 1 singles Laurel Buttrick won her match 6-2, 6-4 and will advance to the individual tournament.

Carmel's wins came from No. 1 singles Olivia Widjaja and No. 2 singles Alexia Widjaja. As for doubles, No. 1 Madison Littell and Gabby Hall and No. 2 Brylie Price and Shravya Pillutla were winners.

Westfield and Sectional 56 host Noblesville both advanced to the final of that sectional. The No. 10 Shamrocks beat Hamilton Heights 5-0 while the Millers defeated Lapel 4-1.

Reporter photos by Richie Hall

(ABOVE LEFT) Carmel's Alexia Widjaja is congratulated by her family after winning the No. 2 singles match over Zionsville Wednesday during sectional play. (ABOVE CENTER) Guerin Catholic's Cece Phillips won the No. 2 singles match during the Golden Eagles' sectional semifinal with University. (ABOVE RIGHT) University's Laurel Buttrick won the No. 1 singles match and will advance to the individual tournament.

Reporter photos by Julie Brown

(ABOVE LEFT) Fishers' Addie Sharp won the No. 3 singles match in a third-set super tiebreak at the Tigers' sectional semifinal with Hamilton Southeastern. (ABOVE CENTER & RIGHT) Hamilton Southeatern's Lucy Denton and Meredith Walters won the No. 2 doubles match.

Softball

Millers beat Zionsville for home win

The REPORTER

The Noblesville softball team beat Zionsville 6-0 on Wednesday for a home Hoosier Crossroads Conference victory.

Haley Schatko hit a third-inning home run to score the Millers' first two runs, also bringing in Zadie Brown. Noblesville added four more runs in the fourth inning: Bella Hughes singled in Brown and Kyra Means, then Maggie Kern sent Hughes and Izzy Zapp home with a single.

Schatko, Kern and Brown all totaled two hits. Roslyn Ervin pitched six innings for the win, striking out six.

The Millers are 5-1 in the conference and 17-6 overall. Noblesville hosts Avon tonight in its HCC and regular-season finales.

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Fishers dropped an HCC game at Franklin Central Wednesday 8-7.

Kennedy Shockley was 3-for-4 at the plate, including a home run in the fifth inning. Shockley batted in two runs and scored three. Anna McGrath also hit 3-for-4 and batted in two runs.

Caroline Smock pitched 5.2 innings, striking out six.

The Tigers are 1-5 in the conference and 14-9 overall. Fishers hosts Brownsburg this evening for its HCC and regular-season finales.

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Westfield lost an HCC game at Avon 3-1 Wednesday.

The Shamrocks scored their run in the third inning. Dylan Todd led off with a double and scored on an error.

Westfield was held to three hits; Alyssa Ayers hit a double and Sofia Easterhaus hit a single. Olivia Sampia pitched a complete game, striking out six.

The Rocks are 2-5 in the conference and 12-10-1 overall. Westfield plays at McCutcheon tonight to finish the regular season.

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SPORTS SCHEDULE

Thursday, May 21

BASEBALL

Avon at Westfield doubleheader, 5 p.m.
Hamilton Heights at Guerin Catholic, 5:30 p.m.
Center Grove at University, 6 p.m.
Hamilton Southeastern at Franklin Central, 6 p.m.
Fishers at Brownsburg, 6:30 p.m.
Zionsville at Noblesville, 6:30 p.m.

GOLF

Guerin Catholic vs. Covenant Christian, 4:30 p.m. at Eagle Creek GC
University vs. Tri-West, 5:15 p.m. at Wood Wind

SOFTBALL

Lapel at Guerin Catholic, 5:30 p.m.
Avon at Noblesville, 6 p.m.
Brownsburg at Fishers, 6 p.m.
Columbus East at Carmel, 6 p.m.
Franklin Central at Hamilton Southeastern, 6 p.m.
Westfield at McCutcheon, 6 p.m.

TENNIS

Sectional 31 at Fishers
Championship: Fishers vs. Pendleton Heights, 4:30 p.m.
Sectional 35 at Carmel
Championship: Carmel vs. Guerin Catholic, 5:15 p.m.
Sectional 56 at Noblesville
Championship: Westfield at Noblesville, 4:30 p.m.

TRACK & FIELD

Boys sectional at Fishers, 5:30 p.m.

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

Thanks for reading The Reporter!

Basketball

Fields set for 2026 IBCA/IHSAA Team Showcase events

Fourth girls event is June 19-20 at Fishers, HSE; seventh boys event is June 26-28 at Carmel, Westfield

The REPORTER

More than 100 girls teams and more than 200 boys teams are set to participate in the 2026 IBCA/IHSAA Team Showcase events in June.

The fourth IBCA/IHSAA girls' Team Showcase is set for June 19-20 at Fishers High School and Hamilton Southeastern High School, while the seventh IBCA/IHSAA boys' Team Showcase in memory of Charlie Hughes is planned for June 26-28 at Carmel High School, Westfield High School and Westfield Intermediate School.

The Indiana Basketball Coaches Association and the IHSAA partner to make each Team Showcase a "scholastic event" under NCAA and National Federation of State High School Associations rules, thereby making the events open for NCAA Division I coaches to attend in person for purposes of evaluating prospective players. Only events sanctioned by the IHSAA and IBCA may have NCAA Division I coaches attend during this "scholastic recruiting period."

The IBCA also works with Charlie Hughes Basketball in managing both events. Craig Lyon of Charlie Hughes Basketball coordinates with IBCA chief operating officer Tom Beach in making game schedules, hiring officials, securing game facilities (events may be played in only IHSAA-member facilities) and assists, if needed, in housing arrangements.

As of May 20, 116 girls' teams and 220 boys' teams are scheduled to play in these events.

Participating teams generally play four games in the events, although some teams choose for a one-day option where they play just two games. Each contest in these events is a regulation 32-minute stop-clock game, not a running-clock game like in many other summer events. No team plays more than two games in one day.

Teams are assigned a pool based on competitive play (organizers attempt to have teams play multiple competitive games against a "similar" team), regardless of whether a team's coach selects the one-day or two-day option. Organizers also try to avoid teams playing opponents they typically play during the regular season.

These Team Showcase events are not tournaments, and no champions are determined. However, these Team Showcase events offer four competitive games to help each team develop while also allowing college coaches to watch the games in person.

The two-day girls' event begins at 9:00 a.m. June 19 with final games starting at 7:40 p.m. June 20. Games are at Fishers High School, 13000 Promise Road, Fishers and Hamilton Southeastern High School, 12499 Olio Road, Fishers.

Local girls teams participating are Carmel, Fishers, Guerin Catholic, Hamilton Heights, Hamilton Southeastern, Noblesville and Westfield.

The three-day boys' event begins at 9:00 a.m. June 26 with final games starting at 4:00 p.m. June 28. Games are at Carmel High School, 520 E. Main St., Carmel; Westfield High School, 18250 N. Union St., Westfield and Westfield Intermediate School, 17710 Shamrock Blvd., Westfield.

Local boys teams participating are Carmel, Fishers, Guerin Catholic, Hamilton Southeastern, Noblesville, Sheridan, University and Westfield.

Game schedules for both events may be found on the Exposure App, once they are finalized.

Both IBCA/IHSAA Team Showcase events are open to the public. Admission is $10 per day for adults, $5 per day for students (ages 6 to 17) and free for children (5 and younger). IBCA members are admitted free by showing their membership card at the door.

The IBCA and IHSAA began working with Charlie Hughes Basketball in the fall of 2018 when the NCAA created a "scholastic" period in its men's basketball recruiting calendar for June 2019. Charlie Hughes Basketball had started a summer boys' basketball school-team developmental event in 2005 and ran it successfully for 14 years. The event was renamed in Hughes' memory after he passed away in December 2014.

In 2025, 67 coaches from 57 colleges attended the third IBCA/IHSAA Girls' Team Showcase, while 104 coaches from 79 colleges attended the sixth IBCA/IHSAA Boys' Team Showcase in memory of Charlie Hughes.

Net proceeds from both Team Showcase events support the IBCA Scholarship Fund and Riley Children's Hospital in Indianapolis.

Here is a link with more information on these events: **charliehughesbasketball.com**.

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BODYARMOR Flash I.V. Bike to the 500 and Bike Parking

IMS and Central Indiana Cycling have collaborated to offer race fans a safe and healthy way to commute to the track on Race Day. The commute starts at the AMP at 16 Tech and follows a police escort to the racetrack, where cyclists will then park outside the famed Gate 1. **Race fans can register for Bike to the 500 here.**

Bike parking is available for all cyclists at Gates 1, 6 and 9.

Rideshare Location

Race fans who are not planning to park at the racetrack should consider using a rideshare program, such as Uber or Lyft, when traveling to or from the facility on Indianapolis 500 Race Day. Guests using rideshare services like Uber, Lyft or taxis will be dropped off at the corner of 10th and Polco streets. Guests also will be picked up at this location after the race.

The Race Day IMS shuttle program is sold out. Shuttle services pick up and drop off from Indianapolis International Airport (1904 S. High School Road) or at the Downtown Location (402 Kentucky Ave.). Guests who already purchased shuttle passes will be dropped off and picked up from the Main Gate parking lot on Race Day.

Pedestrian Gate Entry

Public pedestrian gates open are: Gate 1, Gate 1B.1, Gate 1C, Gate 2, Gate 3, Gate 4, Gate 5, Gate 5B, Gate 6N, Gate 6S, Gate 6B, Gate 7S, Gate 7 Vehicle, Gate 7N Gate 9, Gate 10, Gate 10A, Gate 11A, Gate 11B, Gate 11C, Gate 12.

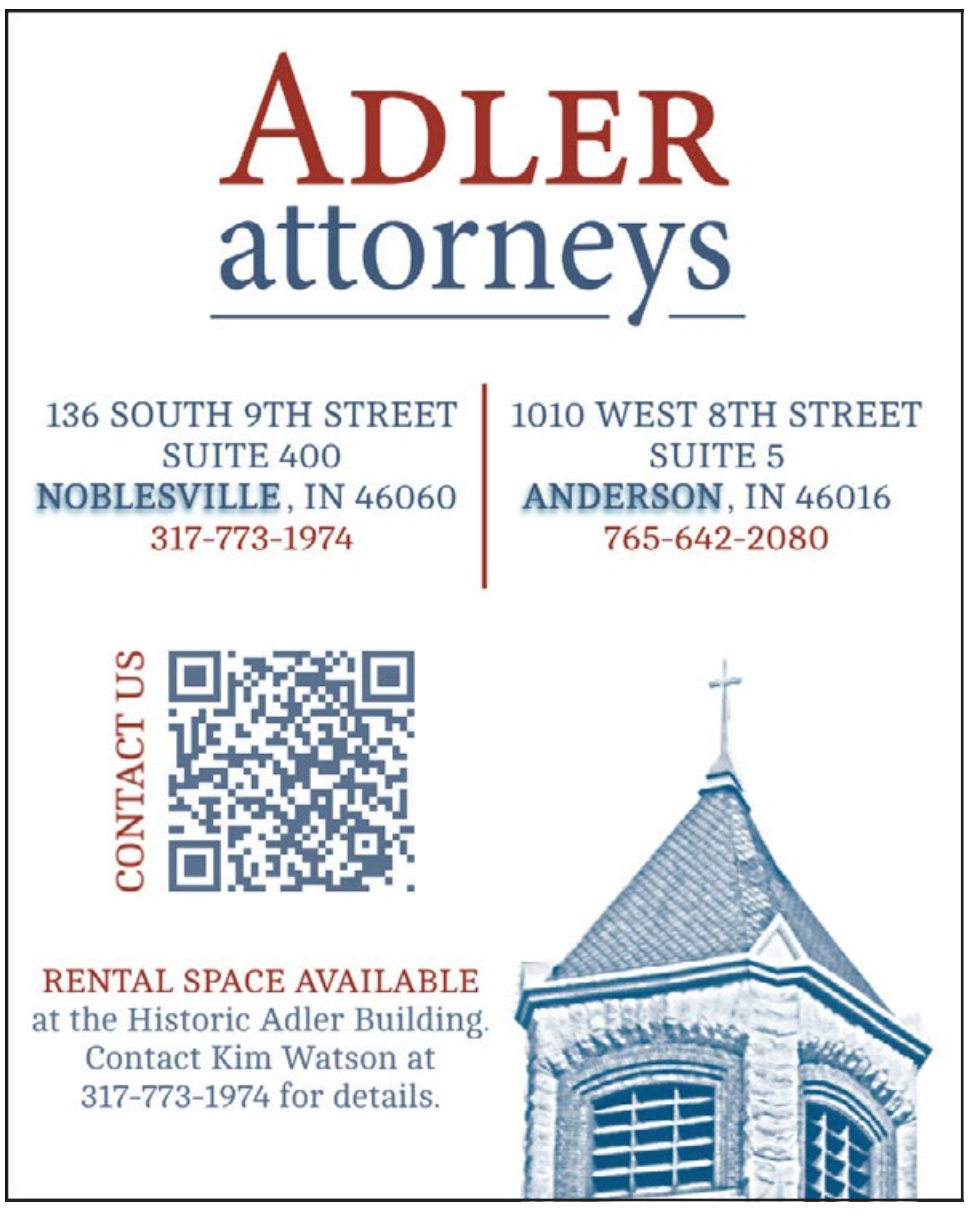
Security screening detection devices are installed at all pedestrian gates.

As fans pass through one of the pedestrian entrances, they will walk through a CEIA OPENGATE® security device. Fans won't need to empty their pockets or remove items of clothing, simply walk through the gate and enter the facility.

Digital Tickets

Race fans who order tickets in advance may select their delivery method at checkout. Digital tickets can be accessed on their smartphone's web browser or by saving the digital ticket to their mobile device's wallet. Fans are encouraged to ensure the brightness on their smart phone is turned up before approaching the gate for a seamless scanning of their digital ticket. Race fans are also encouraged to visit **the IMS Digital Ticket guide** to manage their digital tickets and enhance their at-track experience.

Weekend Street Parking

Race Weekend event parking restrictions in the Town of Speedway will be enforced during the Indianapolis 500. No parking will be allowed on the south and east sides of any street bound by 25th Street on the north, Georgetown Road on the east, Lynhurst Drive on the west and Crawfordsville Road on the south from 6 p.m. Thursday through 8 p.m. Sunday. Additionally, race fans will not be able to park on Main Street in Speedway between 10th Street and 16th Street on Race Day starting at midnight.

Parking will also be restricted in other areas of the Town of Speedway on Indianapolis 500 Race Weekend from 6 p.m. Thursday through 8 p.m. Sunday along several neighborhood streets. **Local streets impacted by street parking can be found here.**