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TODAY'S WEATHER

Today: Mostly cloudy. Afternoon shower chances. Showers likely by late afternoon.

Tonight: Showers and storms.

HIGH: 68 LOW: 62



## Ivy Tech Hamilton County holds fifth Commencement Ceremony

Kelly Gunn & Bob DuBois receive honorary degrees

Submitted

On Friday, May 8, the Ivy Tech Community College Hamilton County campus celebrated the accomplishments of its students during two milestone events: the fifth annual Commencement Ceremony and Nursing Pinning Ceremony for its fifth cohort of nurses.

Commencement was hosted at the Riverview Health Arena at Innovation Mile. Graduates from a wide range of academic programs were celebrated during the 2026 Commencement Ceremony, where families, faculty, and community members gathered to applaud the newest class of credentialed professionals and degree earners. This ceremony marked the fifth year since Ivy Tech Hamilton County became an independent service area.

"Commencement is more than a ceremony; it is a celebration of perseverance,



Ivy Tech Hamilton County Chancellor Rachel Kartz (left) speaks before bestowing honorary degrees upon Kelly Gunn (center) and Bob DuBois (right).

growth, and the promise of what comes next," Chancellor Rachel Kartz said. "Our graduates have balanced work, family, and countless respon-

sibilities while pursuing their education, and today we celebrate not only their achievements, but the impact they will make in Hamilton County

and beyond. We are incredibly proud to call them Ivy Tech alumni."

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## The table that never ends

There is something deeply moving about sitting at a long table filled with people whose daily work is rooted in service. A table where conversations stretch farther than the chairs themselves. A table where missions may differ, but hearts beat for the same community.



COLUMNIST

POOJA THAKKAR  
Taste of Community

Recently, I had the privilege of attending Noblesville's fourth annual nonprofit appreciation gathering, often called "The Longest Table," sponsored by SERVE Village. While the table itself may eventually end, the impact created by the people sitting around it never truly does. Every seat carries a story. Every conversation holds years of dedication, sacrifice, and hope for a stronger community.

Some leaders serve through housing programs. Some focus on youth mentorship, food insecurity, mental health, education, senior care, arts, culture, or environmental efforts. Organizations like SERVE Village, Noblesville Creates, Hamilton County Historical Society, Noblesville Schools Education Foundation, Noblesville Diversity Coalition, Keep Noblesville Beautiful, Teter Organic Farm, HAND, and many others continue serving locally, staying local, and creating a meaningful local impact every single day.

The City of Noblesville has also remained an important part of this growing tradition. Mayor Chris Jensen has been a continuous source of support and an energetic presence behind the program, helping encourage and uplift the spirit of community collaboration that makes gatherings like this possible.

Each organization operates differently, with unique goals and challenges, yet somehow all those separate paths beautifully intertwine into one larger mission: serving people with compassion and purpose.

That reminds me of how we used to meet our community friends back in India—gathering together, sharing stories, building connections, and learning from one another. Growing up in neighborhoods where people came from different walks of life, there was always a sense of belonging woven into everyday moments. Someone would stop by with tea, another would share food or advice, children played across homes, and conversations naturally turned strangers into extended family. Looking around The Longest Table brought back that same feeling of genuine love, connection, and care for one another.

As I sat there listening to stories and experiences from nonprofit leaders across our county, I felt something bigger than

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## What the world 'kneads' right now



Reporter photos

Two television stars came to Fishers Thursday to meet with Kroger shoppers and promote their latest endeavor to fight food insecurity. TV's Patrick Duffy and Linda Purl are the founders of Duffy's Dough, a line of take-and-bake artisan breads you can now find at your local Kroger. (ABOVE LEFT) Samantha and April Stinson graciously posed for The Reporter's camera when they met Duffy and Purl. (ABOVE RIGHT) In addition to meeting two famous actors, customers received a gift bag filled with delicious Kroger products. Be sure to read The Reporter next week for an interview with Duffy and Purl on the story of Duffy's Dough.

## Westfield High School students showcase innovation & entrepreneurial thinking

Submitted by Westfield Washington Schools

Westfield High School (WHS) students demonstrated creativity, collaboration, and entrepreneurial thinking during the 2026 WHS Innovation Competition, a multi-round experience in which students transform ideas into real-world solutions.

What began six years ago with just three student teams has grown into one of the district's signature Life Ready learning experiences. This year, more than 83 student teams participated in the competition, developing products, services, and business ideas while building skills in communication, leadership, problem-solving, and innovation.

During the April 23 Innovation Competition Luncheon, hosted by the Westfield Chamber of Commerce, students presented their ideas to community and business leaders as part of the second round of competition. VitaFlex+ was named the luncheon winner and received \$1,300 to

invest back into its innovation.

The top five teams advancing to the final round included:

- VitaFlex+
- Pocket Polish
- Templ
- cleanoutcashin
- NeoBait

The competition concluded May 12 with the final round at WHS, where students pitched their ideas before judges and community partners.

Congratulations to the following student teams for earning top honors:

• VitaFlex+, by Liv Bates and Samantha Foster: \$8,800 awarded throughout the competition

• Templ, by John Bunch and Nick McKeown: \$1,300 awarded

• CleanOut & CashIn, by Adrian Feltrinelli: \$1,200 awarded

"Watching the growth of this program, and more importantly, the growth of our students, has

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Photos provided by Westfield Washington Schools  
The winners of the final round were (from top) VitaFlex+, Templ, and CleanOut & CashIn.

## Wafford's final Summer Movie to screen June 12

Submitted

Wafford Theater will present its final Classic Summer Movie on Friday, June 12 at Forest Park in Noblesville.

The last film will be 1934's *The Thin Man* with William Powell and Myrna Loy. Thank you to the many great sponsors over the past 15 years.

"It has been years of enjoyment!" Jim Wafford said. "The past 14 years we have enjoyed presenting to our community over 300 movie events, dozens of locations which include Forest Park, Hamilton County Fairgrounds, Cicero, Sheridan, Westfield, Saxony, Federal Hill and many more."

This year, the 15th, marks the last free Classic Summer Movie Series. It will end with one night at Forest Park in Noblesville.

For the latest information, check out the [Wafford Theater Facebook page](#), or see the advertisement on Page 2.



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Outstanding Student Award winners included:

- Charlie Satterfield, School of Advanced Manufacturing, Engineering, and Applied Sciences
- Ying Xiao, School of Arts, Sciences, and Education
- Cole Elisea, School of Business, Logistics, and Supply Chain
- Cybill Chifodya, School of Health Sciences
- Madison Schultz, School of Information Technology
- Delaney Witt, School of Nursing
- Emmalea LaPeer, School of Public Affairs and Social Services

Honorary Degrees were presented to Kelly Gunn, Director of Jail Programming at the Hamilton County Sheriff's Office, and to Bob DuBois, President and CEO of the Noblesville Chamber of Commerce. Both recipients were praised for their continued support of higher education and

the workforce and valuable partnership with Ivy Tech and the community.

The College also celebrated faculty excellence with the following recognitions:

- Dr. Bryan Zingg was honored with the Outstanding Faculty Award and served as the evening's Grand Marshal.
- Christopher Gray received the Outstanding Adjunct Faculty Award, highlighting his commitment to student learning.

Earlier in the day, the Campus hosted the Nursing Pinning Ceremony, honoring the most recent class of graduates from the Ivy Tech Hamilton County nursing program. The pinning ceremony, a time-honored tradition in the nursing profession, symbolizes the transition from student to nurse and the pledge to compassionate, ethical care. This class marked the fifth group of students to complete the full nursing program on the

Hamilton County campus.

Speakers at commencement included Senior Vice President and Provost of Ivy Tech Community College, Dr. Stacy Atkinson, who shared an inspirational charge to the graduates.

"Where you go matters, but how you show up matters more," Atkinson said. "In your workplaces, your communities, and your families, be the person who brings effort, integrity and a willingness to help others succeed."

Also addressing the class of 2026 was Student Leadership Academy and Human Services graduate Crystal Burger, who shared a story of personal resilience.

"Returning to school at 45 years old was one of the most intimidating and empowering decisions I have ever made," Burger said, "but Ivy Tech provided more than an education. It provided belief, it provided structure. It provided community."

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Photo provided by Pooja Thakkar

inspiration. I felt empowerment. The kind that reminds us that community work is never meant to be done alone. Hearing how others continue showing up – despite limited resources, long hours, and little recognition – reignites the passion to keep going and to do even more.

What stood out most was not titles, awards, or accomplishments. It was the genuine care people carried into the room. Many nonprofit leaders quietly work behind the scenes, often unseen and without much appreciation, not because they seek recognition, but because they believe in the people they serve. This gathering was created as a simple way to say thank you – a reminder that their efforts matter and that their work is deeply valued in our community.

What began as a small appreciation event has also grown into something

much more meaningful. It has become a powerful networking opportunity where organizations connect, collaborate, and discover shared goals. Sometimes one conversation across the table can spark a future partnership, a new volunteer opportunity, or an idea that reaches even more people in need.

As I had the opportunity to speak with Patrick Probst, he shared a hopeful vision for the future – that one day this event could grow into a nonprofit expo connected to The Longest Table experience. A place where the broader community could meet local organizations, learn about their missions, and discover ways to engage as volunteers, committee members, board leaders, donors, or supporters. More importantly, it would continue acknowledging the local leaders and hidden gems in our community who

consistently go beyond the basics.

The longest table may be built with tables and chairs, but its true foundation is people who choose, every single day, to care for their community. And that kind of table should never stop growing.

The feeling felt familiar

... Sitting at The Longest Table, surrounded by leaders serving our community, I realized how connection itself can become a form of service.

The neighborhoods I grew up in back in India, where connection was not scheduled – it simply happened naturally – unannounced with tea, conversations flowing across front doors, and kindness shared without invitation.

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

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been incredible," said WHS Business teacher John Moore in a LinkedIn post. "[We're] proud of every student who stepped outside their comfort zone, took a risk, and shared an idea. The future is in good hands!"

Mayor Scott Willis addressed students during the event, sharing encouragement about the role students will play in shaping the future of the Westfield community. Attendees also heard from Westfield Middle School Project Lead the Way (PLTW) teacher Jeff Crist

and seventh-grade student Will Seveck, who highlighted the importance of innovation and problem-solving at every age. Read more about their 3-D printed prosthetic project [here](#).

The district thanks the many sponsors, judges, and partners whose continued support helps make the program possible, including:

- Elements Financial
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- City of Westfield
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The WHS Innovation Competition continues to demonstrate what is possible when schools, businesses, and the community work together to invest in student excellence and create meaningful Life Ready learning experiences.

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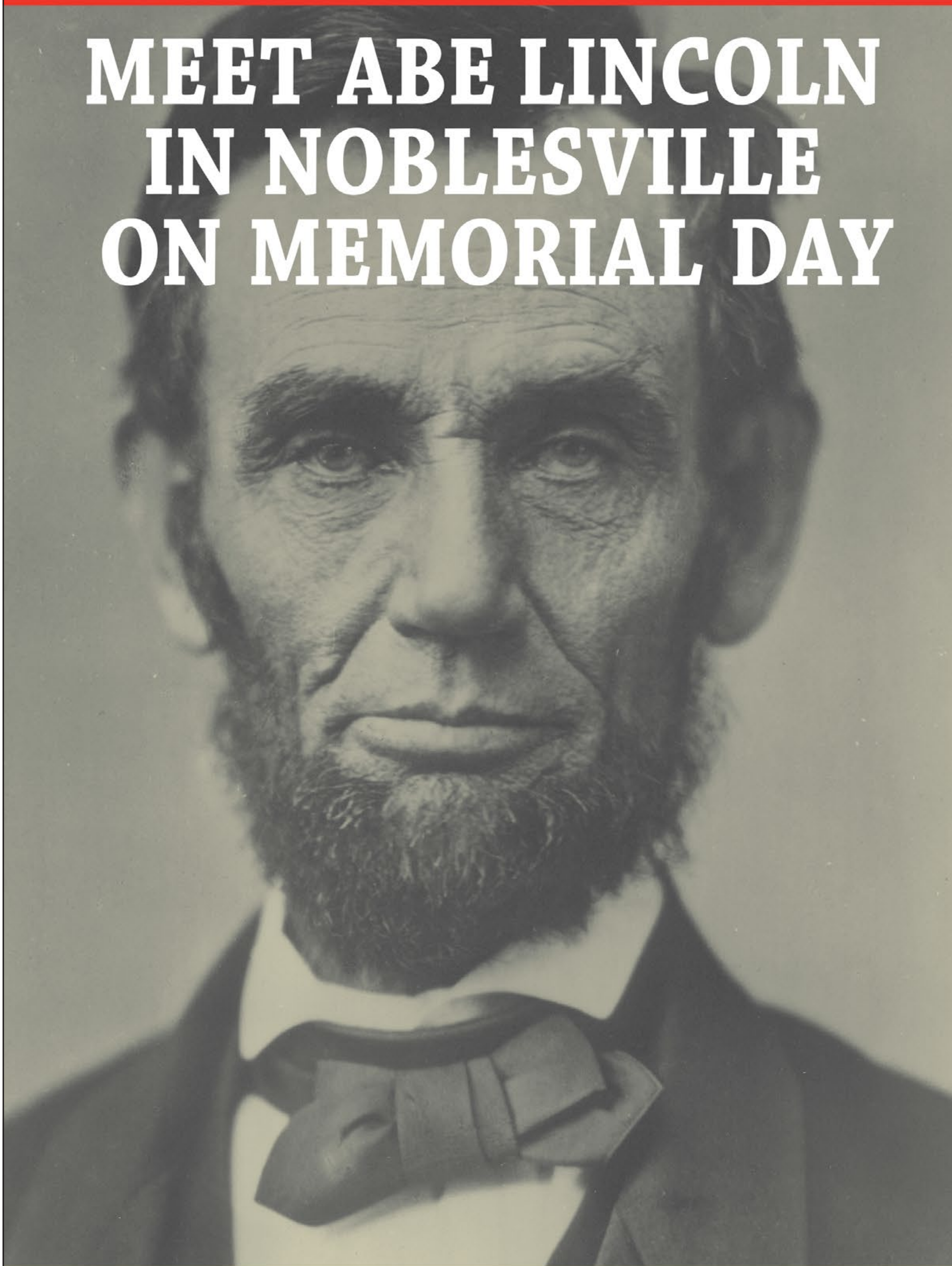
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# Westfield cuts ribbon on Shamrock Station

**Submitted by Westfield Washington Schools**

Westfield Washington School (WWS) held a ribbon cutting ceremony at Shamrock Station on Tuesday, May 12 to showcase the educational programs held in the new space.

The public was offered tours of the facilities, where guests were able to explore the catering kitchen, event center, and hydroponic garden where culinary arts and Foodies Rock students prepare a full catering spread featuring appetizers, entrees, and desserts for the night.

Visitors also had the opportunity to visit the Rocks Media House photography and videography studio to see the lighting setup, backdrop, and production space. Attendees also learned about the high school internships offered by this program and the professional media production pathway.

In addition, the attendees toured the Shamrock Connections space and learned more about the support offered for exceptional young adults aged 18 to 22. Connections students utilize their space in Shamrock Station to practice life skills and are also paired with community businesses and organizations to get work experience.

To wrap up the tour visitors got to stop by The Rocks Shop. The shop is student-led and offers Shamrock's gear through online orders currently. Last but not least, WWS's Shamrock Success is being held at the facility through the end of the 2025-2026 school year.

WWS recognizes the following leaders of the programs at Shamrock Station for their utilization of the space for the purpose of making students Life Ready:

- Nikki Heflin, WHS culinary arts instructor and

Foodies Rock sponsor

- Shawn Davis and Bailey Ruble, WHS teachers and co-leads of Rocks Media House

- Sandy O'Neill and Taylor Woolsey, transition teachers for Shamrock Connections

- John Moore, WHS teacher and sponsor of The Rocks Shop, led by a group of his students

During the ribbon cutting, speeches were delivered by KrM Architecture and Meyer-Najem Construction representatives, WWS Superintendent Dr. John Atha, and School Board President Rebecca Ogle.

"This facility represents our commitment to providing leading, hands-on, and impactful learning opportunities for our students," Ogle said. "From culinary arts and hospitality to media production and life- and employability skills, the



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programs housed here are already providing students with meaningful experiences that extend beyond the classroom."

In the future, the facility will continue to offer more opportunities for community use as an event center, including ballroom and conference space rental. Meeting, celebrations, and large-scale events. Foodies Rock's off-premise and to-go catering services are currently available to the community. On-premise catering and

event rental space will become available as community services in the future. The event space includes a grand ballroom with a lobby space and two small meeting rooms. While the space serves a purpose for the community it also provides students with a hands-on learning experience.

"Currently, Shamrock Station is primarily a practice ground for students running events, offering catering services, telling stories through creative me-

dia, and preparing for life beyond graduation," Superintendent Dr. John Atha. "Over time, this facility will become more and more a community asset and a place for connection between our schools and everyone in Westfield through its events and services."

WWS thanks the community for joining in on this celebration and the district looks forward to a future of community engagement via the space and services offered at Shamrock Station.

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## Flexibility meets opportunity

*Elwood Community Schools launches Nexus Academy*

**The REPORTER**

Elwood Community Schools has announced the launch of Elwood Nexus Academy, a flexible online learning option designed to meet the needs of today's students while keeping them connected to real-world opportunities and local support.

Serving students in grades 7 through 12, Elwood Nexus Academy combines online coursework with the support and opportunities families want from a public school program. Students can work from home while still having access to career and technical education pathways through Hinds Career Center, opportunities for athletics and extracurricular involvement based on eligibility, and ongoing

guidance from local staff.

Unlike many fully online programs, Elwood Nexus Academy focuses on flexibility without sacrificing accountability, student growth, or future readiness.

"As a parent, I know how important it is to find the right fit for your child," Academy Director Julie Wrin said. "Elwood Nexus Academy gives students flexibility, but it also gives families peace of mind knowing their student still has support, accountability, and opportunities close to home."

The program provides students with a Chromebook and charger, flexible pacing, and progress monitoring designed to help students stay on track while building important life skills such as time management, responsi-

bility, and independence.

Elwood Nexus Academy is open to students both inside and outside the Elwood community. Families interested in learning more about Elwood Nexus Academy can visit the program website, complete the interest/application form, or contact the school directly with questions.

Learn more at [elwood.k12.in.us/elwood-nexus-academy](http://elwood.k12.in.us/elwood-nexus-academy).



## Registration open for Westfield Washington Public Library's Summer Reading Program

**The REPORTER**

Registration is now open for the Westfield Washington Public Library's (WWPL) 2026 Summer Reading Program, "Unearth A Story." The eight-week program officially begins Monday, June 1 and runs through July 31. Readers of all ages are encouraged to participate.

"We're inviting families to make the library part of their summer," WWPL



Graphic provided

Summer Reading Program Coordinator Sara Perry said. "The Summer Reading Program is a great chance to discover new books, enjoy activities, and spend time together at the library."

Participants can track their reading and listening minutes through Beanstack online or by using the Beanstack mobile app. Readers who complete 40 hours between June 1 and July 31 will be eligible for prize drawings donated by local businesses. Incentive prizes will be awarded at sign-up, midway through the program, and upon completion.

For every two hours read or listened to, participants will earn a virtual badge and ticket that can be entered into prize drawings through Beanstack. Winners will be selected beginning Aug. 1.

In addition to reading challenges, the library will

host numerous events and programs funded by this year's presenting sponsor, STAR Financial Bank. A few of this summer's activities include the Foam Happy Party, The Whalemobile, and Feller Express LLC with life-size dinosaurs. A special thanks also goes out to the Friends of the Westfield Library and the Westfield Library Foundation for their support of the Summer Reading Program.

"We love seeing the library full of families during the summer," Westfield Library Foundation Executive Director Erin Downey said. "It's really special to help support programs and events that give kids and families something fun to look forward to."

Registration for the Summer Reading Program can be found at [wwpl.beanstack.org](http://wwpl.beanstack.org). Library cards are not required to participate.

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Pancake Mix/Syrup/Oatmeal packs	Pasta Sauce -cans preferred/Pasta Boxes	Granola Bars or Microwave Popcorn

# TODAY: honor the forgotten fleet on National Maritime Day

**Submitted**

Today, May 22, is National Maritime Day, and this year for the first time the Clay Township Military Library and Museum (CTMLM) recognizes one of America's most overlooked groups of wartime heroes: the men and women of the United States Merchant Marine.

From 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. today, you can visit the Museum to take part in National Maritime Day. CTMLM is located at 10801 N. College Ave., Carmel.

**Who were they?**

During World War II, more than 243,000 civilian merchant mariners sailed into harm's way to deliver troops, weapons, food, and fuel to Allied forces around the globe. They were called the "Fourth Arm of Defense," yet they operated without military protection, sailing unarmed or lightly armed directly into submarine-infested waters.

Their casualty rate was higher than that of every branch of the U.S. military: roughly one in 26 mariners was killed. An estimated 8,300 or more were killed at sea, 12,000 were wounded, and 663 were taken prisoner.

Despite their sacrifice, they were denied veterans' benefits for decades, receiving official recognition only after a federal court ruling in 1988, and the Congressional Gold Medal was not awarded until 2021. The Merchant Marine has no dedicated national holiday, which is why May 22 – National Maritime Day – is the day their community comes together to be remembered.

**A personal connection**

The CTMLM was founded by local veterans who answered their country's call. Among the founding group was at least one member who served in the Merchant Marine during World War II. His service – and the service of every merchant mariner from our community – deserves to be honored and preserved.

**You & your stories are needed**

CTMLM is calling on all veterans with Merchant Marine service (and the families and friends of those who served) to join today to share your connection to this vital chapter of American history.

Attendees are invited to:

- **Bring memorabilia:** discharge papers, voyage

logs, photographs, medals, insignia, correspondence, or any items connected to Merchant Marine service

- **Share your story:** Sit with our volunteer interviewers and let us record your firsthand account for our permanent Veteran Profile archive.

- **Help us find others:** If you know a Merchant Marine veteran or surviving family member in our county, please pass this message along.

Even if you cannot attend in person, CTMLM welcomes written accounts, donated photographs, or scanned documents that can be incorporated into the exhibit and Honor Roll.

**About the Museum**

The Clay Township Military Library and Museum is Hamilton County's only public military museum, run entirely by volunteers and supported by community donations. CTMLM's mission is to honor those who served by preserving their stories for future generations. This year's National Maritime Day event marks the first time the organization is formally recognizing the Merchant Marine.



Photo provided by City of Westfield

## Jams at the Junction returns to Grand Junction Plaza

**Submitted by City of Westfield**

Join the City of Westfield for Jams at the Junction, a free concert series hosted by the Westfield Parks and Recreation Department. This family-friendly concert series will take place on select Fridays on the Great Lawn at Grand Junction Plaza.

"Jams at the Junction is a summertime staple in my household," Mayor Scott Willis said. "It's the perfect time to enjoy great music, delicious local food, and connect with your neighbors in the heart of downtown. I hope you'll join in on the fun."

All concerts are on select Fridays from 7 to 9 p.m.

The 2026 lineup includes:

- May 29: Dave & Rae
- June 26: Stella Luna & The Satellites
- July 17: The Why Store
- Aug. 7: Groovesmash
- Aug. 21: Midnight RedEye Band
- Aug. 28: Jai Baker Trio

Food vendors will be available on-site, and attendees are encouraged to explore nearby local restaurants before or during the event. Grand Junction Plaza is located within the Grand Junction DORA District, allowing guests ages 21 and older to enjoy alcoholic beverages purchased from

participating vendors within designated areas. Visit [westfieldin.gov/DORA](http://westfieldin.gov/DORA) for details.

A free shuttle will be available from the Westfield Washington Public Library, 17400 Westfield Blvd., to and from Grand Junction Plaza from 6 to 9:30 p.m. Additional parking is available throughout downtown, including marked public street parking and the parking garage at The Union, accessible from Mill Street and South Union Street. The first three hours of garage parking are free.

For more information, visit [westfieldin.gov/jams](http://westfieldin.gov/jams).

## Westfield Washington Schools thanks 23 retirees

**Submitted by Westfield Washington Schools**

Congratulations to Westfield Washington Schools' (WWS) 2026 retirees.

Combined, this incredible group has given more than 550 years of service to Westfield students and the community. These retirees include administrative professionals, teachers, instructional assistants, counselors, office staff, bus drivers, maintenance, and security. During their time at Westfield they have lived out the Life Ready mission every day.

Thank you to the following educators for their dedication to WWS:

- Donna Benedict: Office Staff/Instructional Assistant at ELC, 16 years
- Mark Capin: Teacher at WMS, 40 years
- Ken Crist: Bus Driver, 22 years
- Marci Derado: Administration at ELC, 37 years
- John French: Maintenance/Facilities, 34 years
- Catherine Gray: Office Staff/Instructional Assistant at SSES, 17 years
- Robb Hedges: Admin-



Photo provided by Westfield Washington Schools

istration at MGES, WIS, and SSES, 30 years

- Dirk Harris: Security at WHS, 16 years
- Jami Harris: Instructional Assistant at OTES, 19 years
- Rhonda Johnson: Teacher at WMS, 20 years
- Nawal Kahoush: Food Service at WMS, 20 years
- Dawn Knight: Teacher at WHS, 32 years
- Laurie Lawry: Teacher at SSES, 29 years
- Jennifer Norton: Teacher at MTES, 24 years
- Elaine Oldham: Teacher at WW, 9 years
- Anne Petersen: Teacher at MTES, 19 years
- Pam Pickett: Teacher at CRES, 40 years
- Stephanie Rokop:

Teacher at WHS, 16 years

- Tara-Lynne Sinicki: Teacher at SSES, 18 years
  - Christy Ulsas: Counselor at WHS, 17 years
  - Ray Wagner: Bus Driver, 13 years
  - Tammy Wilcox: Bus Driver, 29 years
  - Frank Woten: Maintenance/Facilities, 41 years
- WWS and the entire Westfield community recognizes your legacy of unwavering commitment to meeting the needs of every student. Thanks to the incredible connections you have made with students, you have had a lasting positive impact on young learners' lives.

All the best during this new season of your lives.

**Wayne-Fall Lions Club**

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**Saturday, May 30**

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# Morales still “confident” he can win

*Banks & Rokita drop their endorsements, Banks joins Spartz & Baird in backing Engling*

By **ASHLEY FOWLER**  
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Indiana Secretary of State Diego Morales is staying in the race and leaving his future up to the delegates at next month's Indiana Republican State Convention.

Morales, who on Thursday lost the endorsements of prominent Indiana Republicans, including U.S. Sen. Jim Banks and Attorney General Todd Rokita, said in a statement that he looks forward to the vote of GOP delegates in Fort Wayne:

*“Since I announced I was running for Indiana Secretary of State in November of 2020 my goal was to give delegates the choice at the convention.*

*I welcome more competition into this race, but that sentiment has not changed.*

*Delegates will decide who will be the Republican nominee for Indiana Secretary of State. The decision belongs in the hands and only the hands of Republican convention delegates and I'm confident I'll be renominated.*

In addition to withdrawing his support for Morales, Sen. Banks also announced his endorsement of Max Engling, who announced his candidacy on Wednesday.

Banks, for whom Engling serves as a senior advisor, was direct in his support.



**Morales**

“Max Engling is a key member of my team and will make a great Secretary of State,” Banks said in a release. “Max is a strong conservative who will keep our elections safe and secure, support Indiana small businesses and farmers, and he will win in November. He has my full and total support!”

Rokita, who said he spoke directly with Morales before issuing a statement, framed the shift as a matter of protecting the office from Democrats.

“The Secretary of State's office is too important to be lost to out-of-touch, left-wing Democrats who put Hoosiers last,” Rokita said. “To that end, I have asked Diego to suspend his campaign. With so many self-inflicted wounds and issues, I



**Banks**



**Rokita**



**Spartz**

now do not believe he can win in November.”

The attorney general did not endorse Engling but encouraged delegates at the upcoming Indiana Republican Party Convention to “put Hoosiers first by allowing Engling to contact them and earn their support.”

Both Banks and Rokita said they are thankful to Morales for his service, but believe the party must rally behind the strongest possible nominee heading into the fall.

Congressman Jim Baird (R-Ind.-04) on Thursday endorsed Engling, saying in a release, “Max understands the importance of protecting election integrity, supporting Indiana businesses, and delivering results for our state. This race is too important to risk, and Republicans must unite behind a strong candidate who can win in November.

I'm proud to endorse Max Engling for Secretary of State.”

Congresswoman Victoria Spartz, a Republican who represents Indiana's Fifth District, called on delegates to back Engling.

“I urge all of my fellow conservatives, libertarians, constitutionalists, fiscal hawks, and moderates within the Republican Party – and especially all of our convention delegates – to support Max Engling as our next nominee for Secretary of State,” Max is a family man, a fighter, and someone who will work hard to help us defeat the radical left,” Spartz said in a release.

Spartz went on to urge the other nominees to “unite in support of Max.”

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## **Ballard & Bayh campaigns issue statements**

“This is what competitive elections do: create accountability where there hasn't been any before. Our presence has already changed the trajectory of this race. Both parties are now adjusting because of the Ballard campaign.”

“The same Republicans who just months ago proudly endorsed Diego Morales have suddenly determined he's not fit to be their party's nominee. His issues were not a secret, but party insiders have been more concerned about protecting the Indiana GOP than the good people of this state. Sadly, that has not changed.”

“On the Democratic side, Beau Bayh acknowledged in an interview released today that [Secretary of State] really should be a nonpartisan role' and that 'one of the biggest problems in our politics ... is the strident partisanship that we've seen kind of grip our politics.' He also said, 'We are trying to ... have an independent voice in our Statehouse.' If he keeps talking like that, he might start getting mistaken for a slightly more handsome version of me.”

“I'm proud that my campaign is already changing the conversation and creating the accountability Hoosiers so desperately need. Our team is more energized than ever.”

– **Greg Ballard, independent candidate for Secretary of State**

“The corruption and insider dealing in Diego Morales's Secretary of State office has been going on for years. And yet, it wasn't the luxury SUVs he's purchased, or the international trips paid by unknown sources, or even the no-bid contracts for donors that finally earned him an opponent – it's a bunch of insiders realizing that Morales would probably lose to Beau Bayh in November.”

“Now, insiders in DC and Indianapolis want to dictate how delegates should vote at the state GOP convention by throwing in a new candidate at the last minute. Beau will continue to campaign on returning integrity to this office and moving beyond the ugliness of today's politics. Hoosiers deserve better, and they'll get that with Beau Bayh as Secretary of State.”

– **Jack Tormoehlen, campaign manager for Beau Bayh for Indiana**



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# Sheridan High School Class of 2026 speeding out

**Submitted by Sheridan Community Schools**

On Tuesday, May 12, the Sheridan High School Class of 2026 made the most of their Senior Day.

Seniors began the day by walking the halls with the future Class of 2038 and ended the day by helping clean and beautify the town's parks. The seniors definitely showed what it means to leave a legacy behind.

Over the last week, seniors have also been showing off all their hard work. SHS Senior Boards were on display at the high school from May 12 to 20. Since mid-April, seniors have been working on their boards, which consist of

a three-panel display and a book that highlights and recounts their high school experience. From photos to quotes to everything that the students love and miss, students shared the highlights.

Finally, on the evening of May 12, students were honored at Senior Awards Night for the scholarships and other awards they have received. Congratulations to those seniors who worked hard to gain those accomplishments.

This year's commencement ceremony will take place at 10 a.m. Saturday, May 30 in the Larry Hobbs Memorial Gym.

Congratulations to the Class of 2026 and good luck on your future endeavors!



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### Tipton's Maggie Cline receives Indiana FFA License Plate Scholarship



Photo provided by Tipton Community School Corporation  
**Congratulations to Tipton FFA Senior Maggie Cline for being selected to receive a 2026 Indiana FFA License Plate Scholarship. As part of this year's Indiana FFA theme, "Unwritten," the school corporation celebrates the exciting futures these members are preparing to write for themselves through leadership, service, and continued growth beyond high school. Cline will receive a \$250 scholarship check from the Indiana FFA Foundation.**

# Achieva sets up corporate headquarters in Tipton

Submitted by City of Tipton

Tipton city officials have announced that Achieva Inc. has established its new corporate headquarters in Tipton, marking an important economic development win for the community and reinforcing the city's commitment to attracting businesses aligned with its long-term strategic vision.

Achieva Inc. is an agriculture-focused training, communication, and learning technology company that has been producing and managing innovative sales, product and stewardship programs for almost three decades. The company specializes in customized knowledge platforms designed to serve agriculture audiences, helping inform, inspire, and influence growers, retailers, and other industry stakeholders. As a leader in innovative training technologies, Achieva is an "edutainment" pioneer, combining education, engagement, and technology to deliver measurable results for its clients.

The company's decision to locate its corporate headquarters in Tipton

represents a significant investment in the community and reflects the city's focus on building strong partnerships with businesses that complement the region's existing strengths.

"Achieva's decision to establish its corporate headquarters in Tipton is an exciting milestone for our city," Mayor Kegan Schmicker said. "This investment speaks to the value of our community, our location, and our willingness to work collaboratively with businesses that see opportunity here. We are proud to welcome Achieva to Tipton and look forward to supporting their continued success."

City officials noted that the attraction of Achieva aligns closely with Tipton's evolving economic development strategy, which has placed renewed emphasis on pursuing industry sectors that build upon the community's agricultural heritage and related economic opportunities.

"This project is exactly the type of opportunity we have been working to cultivate," said Collin Huffines, Director of Special Projects for the City of Tipton. "Our



Schmicker



Huffines



Henderson



refocused economic development strategy is centered on identifying industries that make sense for Tipton, and ag-based businesses are a natural fit. Achieva's presence here validates that approach and gives us momentum as we continue that work."

Achieva leadership also expressed enthusiasm about the company's future in Tipton and the opportunity to grow from a community that values partnership and progress.

"Tipton is the right place for Achieva's next chapter," said Terry Henderson, president and owner of Achieva Inc. "We are excited to celebrate our company's 30th anniversary

in building our new corporate headquarters and being part of a community that understands the value of innovation, relationships, and agriculture. We appreciate the city's support and look forward to building something meaningful in Tipton."

The attraction of Achieva Inc. stands as the first major success of the city's refocused economic development strategy, which aims to attract and leverage ag-based industry as a catalyst for long-term growth. By aligning recruitment efforts with community strengths and regional assets, the City of Tipton is positioning itself to build a stronger, more resilient local economy.

## Scotland!

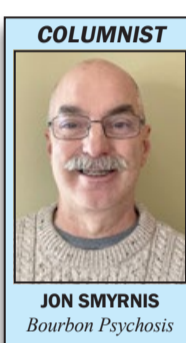
"One good thing about rain in Scotland. Most of it ends up as scotch."  
 - Peter Alliss

If I were a consummate professional, I would plan each week's column in advance, smoothly transitioning from one whiskey-related topic to another with seamless segues. Well, that's not the case. I know. I'm all over the place.

In this case, I was tossing and turning through a sleepless night with my brain refusing to turn off. At some point during my insomnia it dawned on me that we should pay a visit to Scotland. After all, that's where it all started (kinda). It also dawned on me that Scotland probably should've been discussed before Japan (see first paragraph).

Anyway, here we go! As with bourbon, scotch has a long and complex history. Suffice it to say here that it is believed the distillation process began in Ireland during the 12th century (hey! another topic) and spread to Scotland somewhere between then and the 15th century. This early distilled spirit was known as "aqua vitae," Latin for "water of life." Apparently, the Scots were hooked too, especially a rather important one named King James IV. Yada, yada, yada, he really liked the stuff, so did a lot of others, and the rest is history.

Let's get to today. Malted barley is the main grain used in scotch, supplemented by wheat, rye, and other grains. By Scottish law, scotch must be made in Scotland, aged in oak barrels for at least three years, and bottled at a minimum of 80 proof. There are also five



JON SMYRNIS  
 Bourbon Psychosis

legal categories/types of scotch, but they're not really that exciting. You can give them a Google.

The interesting part is the five regions where scotch is made. Why? Glad you asked. Because each region is known for a particular taste profile that it gives the whiskey based on the environment of that particular area. Believe me, the taste profiles run the gamut. They are:

1. Speyside: Known for sweet, rich, and fruity whiskeys

2. Highland: A vast region yielding everything from light, grassy drams to heavy, robust whiskeys.

3. Islay: Famous for highly peated, smoky and salty whiskeys.

4. Lowland: Produces smoother, lighter and unpeated whiskeys.

5. Campbeltown: A small but historic region known for complex, slightly salty, and briny whiskeys. (Never heard of this one.)

When one adds in blending, aging in different types of liquor/wine barrels, mixing of different regions, or changing the malt/grain profiles, then today there is a dizzying array of scotch whiskeys.

One more topic before we get to the good stuff: weather.

It isn't that rare to see Scotches on the liquor store shelves that are aged 12, 15, or even 20-plus years at reasonable prices. If one was to see a bourbon with these ages, it would be exorbitantly expensive. The reason for this has everything to do with weather and climate.

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## Zionsville mural project seeks participants of all ages & skills

Submitted

Robert Goodman Jewelers (RGJ) and Amber Scheidler's Artsy ALPS are bringing "Brick Street Pride" to life with a community mural project that begins at 10 a.m. Saturday, June 6.

A brand-new mural will be created on the south wall of the Goodman shop, located at 106 N. Main St. in the heart of Zionsville Village.

Everyone who would like to participate in the mural painting is invited to don some old clothing (apparel you don't mind getting messy!) and help bring this creation to life. All painting supplies will be provided, and all ages are welcome to participate.

"This project is rooted in the idea that diversity makes a community stronger, more creative and more connected," said Amber Scheidler, a.k.a. Artsy ALPS, the force behind the Zionsville-based creative and event services venture of the same name. "We want this mural to be

created by the community, for the community, and that's why we're inviting people of all ages and backgrounds to take part in its creation."

The mural's design fuses the Progress Pride flag with Zionsville's iconic brick street. Each painted brick will serve as a reminder that progress is something built together.

"Different colors, stories, and perspectives all belong, and when they come together, they create something more vibrant and meaningful than any one 'brick' on its own," Scheidler added.

Register to add your own artistic flair to the mural by visiting [artsyalps.com](http://artsyalps.com) and signing up for your personal painting period between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. The rain date for the project is Sunday, June 7 at 3 p.m.

"We're looking forward to hosting members of our community for this mural painting party," RGJ Co-owner Rose-Marie



Photo provided  
**Amber Scheidler, a.k.a. Artsy ALPS, is the force behind the Zionsville-based creative and event services venture of the same name.**

Goodman said. "No experience is needed to lend a hand. This project is designed for everyone to jump in, so all ages are welcome. We can't wait to contribute another piece of public art to our village, something

fashioned by the community for the community."

For more information about Robert Goodman Jewelers and the June 6 community mural project, visit [robertgoodmanjewelers.com](http://robertgoodmanjewelers.com).

## M/I Homes of Indiana opens sales of Village at Trail Crossing in Noblesville

Submitted

M/I Homes of Indiana's new low-maintenance townhome community in Noblesville, Village at Trail Crossing, has begun selling homes.

Located just west of Hazel Dell Road and south of the Midland Trace Trail, the community will offer three new spacious designs ranging from 2,100 to over 2,200 square feet.

Each townhome will also feature designer-selected details with extra room both inside and outside units for maximum comfort. Prospective buyers are encouraged to join the VIP list to receive updates on home designs, available homesites, and pricing ahead of the grand opening scheduled for June 20.

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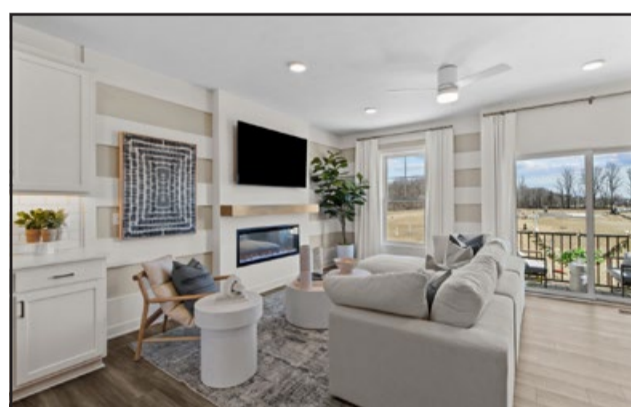


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## Hear from Westfield city planner Caleb Ernst

**The REPORTER**

The Westfield Chamber of Commerce invites you "Pastry with a Planner," featuring Westfield Long-Range Planning Manager Caleb Ernst, AICP, where you will have a unique opportunity to connect with Westfield city planners and delve into all things Westfield.



**Ernst**

June 16 at the Westfield Washington Public Library, 17400 Westfield Blvd. The event is a time for community and learning. During the first 20 minutes, mingle, eat pastries, and drink beverages. Following that there will be a presentation by city staff/planners, and the remaining time will be for a Q&A from those attending. [Click here](#) to register.

# The Spirit of '76 marks 250 years of freedom

*"Where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom." (II Corinthians 3:17)*



**NATE LaMAR**

As our nation is about to celebrate its Semiquincentennial, or 250th anniversary, it brings back childhood memories of "The Spirit of '76."

Growing up with both parents as teachers, they instilled in me a deep respect for our nation's heritage. Knowing that Revolutionary War sites would be too crowded in the Bicentennial year, it was in Summer 1975 that we made a family vacation to Virginia. This included Yorktown National Battlefield, Williamsburg, Jamestown, the Shirley, Berkley, and Westover plantations, President Thomas Jefferson's Monticello, and a family cemetery in Staunton.

About this time, I learned of Revolutionary War ancestors from my fa-

ther's side of the family. They included Virginia Militia Captain Reuben Harrison and Captain Absalom James LaMar, whose family's home- stead in Golden Beach, Md., saw British Revolutionary war soldiers riding horses through the house searching for him! These qualified my father, brother, and me for membership in Sons of the American Revolution (SAR). More recently, my mother became a member of Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) after researching details of two of her ancestors, Lieutenant James Higgins and Private Jesse Womack, both of whom also served in the Virginia Militia.

As my forebears served in militias of their colonies, it reminds me that the Army, Navy, and Marine Corps actually pre-date our independence! In June 1775, the Continental Congress

authorized the enlistment of expert riflemen from such militias to serve the United Colonies. Then in 1784, the Congress of the Confederation officially established the US Army.

In October 1775, the Continental Congress authorized creation of the Continental Navy to intercept British supply ships. Then the Naval Act of 1794 authorized construction of six original frigates and officially established the US Navy.

In November 1775, the Continental Congress established the Continental Marines to serve as infantry troops capable of fighting on land or sea during the American Revolution. They became the U.S. Marine Corps.

In 1790, an original 10 cutters were built and became the Revenue Cutter Service. In 1915, it was merged with the U.S. Life-Saving Service to form the U.S. Coast Guard.

Originally known as the Army Air Service, then the

Army Air Corps, then the U.S. Army Air Forces, it was in 1947 that the U.S. Air Force was officially established as a separate branch. Then, growing out of the Air Force, the National Defense Authorization Act of 2019 created the U.S. Space Force. For our freedom, we can thank these six branches of the armed services!

Whether your family has been here 400 years or four years, whether you are a veteran or not, this year we will see many America 250 events take place throughout the country. I urge you to take your children and grandchildren not only to sites where Revolutionary War history took place, but also to attend America 250 events closer to home. Please instill in them "The Spirit of '76!"

*Nate LaMar, a career international manager, serves as Military Academy Liaison Officer (West Point recruiter) for East Central Indiana, and served as Henry County Council President from 2009 to 2019.*

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## Beef & Boards announces cast for Rodgers & Hammerstein's Cinderella

**The REPORTER**

Two Beef & Boards Dinner Theatre newcomers will star in the magical fairy tale *Cinderella*, opening May 28. The enchanting Rodgers & Hammerstein musical is the Family Show of Beef & Boards' 2026 Season.

Impossible things happen every day in the wonderfully imaginative world of fairy tales. Pumpkins become carriages, the most beautiful ball gown appears with the wave of a wand, and it takes just one dance to fall in love. *Cinderella* discovers all this and more in this enchanting tale, perfectly paired with the musical styling of Rodgers and Hammerstein. The incomparable duo originally wrote their version for television in 1957, with Julie Andrews as Cinderella. It was recreated in 1965 with Lesley Ann Warren, and again for a new generation in 1997, starring Brandy as Cinderella with Whitney Houston as her Fairy Godmother.

Now that magic comes to the stage starring two Beef & Boards newcomers: Grace Ellis Solomon as Cinderella and Carmine

Mastrokostas as Prince Charming. Return to the Beef & Boards stage to join them are Craig Underwood (*Heartbreak Hotel, The Little Mermaid, Fiddler on the Roof*) as the King, Karen Pappas (*Church Basement Ladies, Grumpy Old Men, It's A Wonderful Life*) as the Queen, Amanda Butterbaugh (*The Addams Family, Nunsense*) as Stepmother, and Chanel Edwards-Frederick (*Waitress*) as the Fairy Godmother.

*Cinderella* is directed by Elizabeth Stark Payne and choreographed by Sally Scharbrough.

As Beef & Boards' 2026 Family Show, *Cinderella* tickets for children ages 3 to 15 receive a \$10 discount.

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

*Cinderella* is on stage for 56 performances

RODGERS & HAMMERSTEIN'S  
**Cinderella**  
 Grace Ellis Solomon as Cinderella  
 Carmine Mastrokostas as Prince Charming  
 Craig Underwood as King  
 Karen Pappas as Queen  
 Amanda Butterbaugh as Stepmother  
 Christine Zavakos as Portia  
 Maya Mays as Joy  
 Chanel Edwards-Frederick as Godmother

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**This Rodgers & Hammerstein classic is Beef & Boards' 2026 Family Show, with \$10 discounts off regular-priced tickets for children ages 3 to 15.**

through July 12. Every performance includes the family-friendly dinner buffet, including Beef & Boards' signature roast beef, along with coffee, tea, or lemonade. Gourmet desserts and bar beverages are available for purchase.

*Cinderella* is rated G and sponsored in part by Indy's Child.

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

## VILLAGE

The Village at Trail Crossing community has been thoughtfully designed to meet the needs of a diverse range of homeowners, from first-time buyers and growing families to empty

nesters who value ease and accessibility. Each home comes with a simplified approach, featuring professionally curated designer packages that simplify the selection process while

still offering personalized options to suit individual tastes and lifestyles.

Prospective homeowners will choose from three thoughtfully crafted floor-plans, including the Noble, Connor, and Miller models, each offering a variety of bedroom and bathroom configurations. When prospective buyers attend the grand opening, they will be able to tour the professionally decorated model homes, experiencing the quality, style, and craftsmanship firsthand, with a dedicated new home consultant and online tools supporting them every step of the way.

In addition to townhomes that blend contemporary sophistication with modern comfort, Village at Trail Crossing offers a vibrant, active lifestyle with amenities tailored to

households of all ages. Residents can enjoy a dog park, cornhole, gathering areas, a formal garden, walking paths, and direct access to the Midland Trace Trail and Grand Junction Plaza just minutes from the bustling downtowns of Westfield and Noblesville.

"Village at Trail Crossing offers thoughtfully designed, amenity-rich homes tailored for modern living," said Cassian Bernard, Area President of M/I Homes of Indiana. "Residents can trade traditional outdoor maintenance for leisure in a community with intentional design, smart use of space, and a location that keeps homeowners connected to a high quality of life in a walkable suburban setting."

Prospective buyers can view home designs [online](#). To learn more, go to [mihomes.com](#).

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# Support Veterans at White's Ace Hardware 'Grill for Heroes'

## The REPORTER

This weekend, White's Ace Hardware, 11881 Lakeside Drive, Fishers, will host Grill for Heroes, a themed BBQ, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, May 23 to kick off Memorial Day Weekend.

Veterans and first responders will receive complimentary meals.

With a \$5 donation, attendees can honor heroes and feed families. The donation includes a raffle entry, a 20 percent off coupon for White's Ace Hardware, and

support for Folds of Honor Indiana and The Smoking Pastor Project. Raffle prizes include a Weber 30-inch Slate Griddle, Yeti products and White's Ace gift cards.

Folds of Honor Indiana is known for its commitment to providing life-changing educational scholarships to spouses and children of fallen or disabled military personnel and first responders. Since its inception in 2007, Folds of Honor has awarded nearly 73,000 scholarships totaling over \$340 million across the United States.

# Nine area natives are now Orr Fellowship graduates

## The REPORTER

Orr Fellowship is celebrating its graduating class of 46 Fellows who began their two-year Fellowships in May 2024.

Locally, nine graduates are now among the Fellows:

- Ben Johnson, ShipSigma, Purdue University, Carmel
- Ben Richardson, The Heritage Group, IU-Bloomington, Westfield
- Grace Gerig, Model 1, Purdue University, Fishers
- Jack Brown, Hylant, Ball State University, Fishers
- Joe Barnett, OpsTerra, Wabash College, Westfield
- Lauren Jacobson, Indiana University, IU-Bloomington, Carmel
- Madison King, Morales Group, University of Evansville, McCordsville
- Trey Gibson, MDMi, Marian University, McCordsville
- Xavier Ramirez, Indiana University, IU-Bloomington, Carmel

The 2024 graduating class of Fellows joins a network of nearly 700 alumni from universities across the U.S. Over the past two years, the Fellows have worked to exemplify what it means to be an Orr Fellow while also creating value at

their partner companies.

"We are proud to celebrate the graduating class of Orr Fellows who represent the next generation of leaders across Indiana's business and civic landscape," Orr Fellowship President Steven Emch said. "Over the course of the program, we are inspired by the caliber of the talent and commitment these young professionals bring to our partner companies. We congratulate them on this milestone and look forward to the continued contributions they will make to businesses and communities they work and live in across the state."

The commencement ceremony was held May 8 and included reflections from Ramirez, elected by his peers as the Orr Class of 2024 speaker, and current Fellows.

Orr Fellowship recruits, assesses, and matches university graduates with high-agency roles in growing Indiana businesses. Together, Orr Fellowship and partner companies give graduates the professional development resources and support network they need to accelerate their careers. Learn more at [orrfellowship.org](http://orrfellowship.org).

# New at Sheridan Public Library

## The REPORTER

Here are some of the new items that can be found at the Sheridan Public Library:

- Fiction**
  - 26 Beauties – James Patterson
  - Anniversary – Alex Finlay
  - Calamity Club – Kathryn Stockett
  - Caller Unknown – Gilliam McAllister
  - Castaway – Stephanie Taylor
  - Clawed & Dangerous – Rita Mae Brown
  - Daisy Chain Flower Shop – Laurie Gilmore
  - Dream Hotel – Laila Lalami
  - Ironwood – Michael Connelly
  - My Husband's Mistress – Willow Rose
  - Rules for the Summer – Meghan Quinn
  - Shadow Strike – Brad Taylor
  - Shippers – Katherin Center
- Non-Fiction**
  - Inside the World's Haunted Libraries
  - True Crime – Patricia Cornwell

- Children's**
  - A Friend Like You – Cynthia Liu
  - Banes's Batcave Blitz – Steve Korte
  - Cranky versus the Cat – Phuc Tran
  - Hugs for Pub – Ethan Long
  - K-Pop Demon Hunters – Jessica Yoon
  - Llama Llama Graduation Day – Anna Dewdney
  - Mr. Brown on the Farm – Dr. Seuss
  - Pond Crew – Cynthia Liu
  - Sun Thief – Alice Hemming
  - Trustworthy Tractor – Aubrie Brown
- Inspirational Fiction**
  - Sapphire Sea – Davis Bunn
- Young Adults**
  - Change of Plans – Sarah Dessen
- Movies**
  - Danny Go! – Season 1
  - GOAT
  - I Can Only Imagine 2
  - Mercy
  - Shelter
  - Solo Mio
  - Wicked For Good

# SCOTLAND

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Scotland has a fairly temperate climate with very little extremes. Whereas Kentucky's clime goes through dramatically intense changes with the seasons. Imagine being on the upper floors at a rickhouse in Eastern Kentucky when it's 90 degrees outside ... it's going to be stifling hot! The same extreme applies during winter. This all affects the way whiskey ages.

With all of these temperature changes, the bourbon in a Kentucky barrel slowly loses its contents through evaporation. This is called the "Angels' Share." Barrels can lose as much as 4 percent of their volume per year. Have a bourbon that's aged 20 years? You've lost 80 percent of your product. Yet ... you've

gained something rare, flavorful, and expensive. Not so with scotch, it takes longer to age. Okay, you get the point.

*Enough of this, Jon. Let's get to the booze!*

Okay, my favorite scotches are ...

Got to leave you hanging for now. Hopefully you've enjoyed this little primer on scotch. We'll resume where I left off next week.

Until then, Cheers!  
\*From Wikipedia. I know, I know, but Wikipedia is fine for something as benign as Scotch.

*Jon Smyrnis is a lifelong Indianapolis area resident. He enjoys traveling, hiking, biking, kayaking, dining out, and, of course, fine cocktails and great bourbons.*

# Hamilton County Superior Court 5 grants motion to form Geist Reservoir Conservancy District

## The REPORTER

On May 13, Hamilton County Superior Court No. 5 Judge David K. Najjar granted the creation of the Geist Reservoir Conservancy District (GRCD) after years of volunteer advocacy to preserve the lake community for current and future generations.

The GRCD, sponsored by the Geist Lake Coalition, will provide dedicated, sustainable funding for the long-term management, restoration, and protection of Geist Reservoir. The reservoir, spanning Hamilton, Hancock, and Marion counties, faces ongoing challenges, including invasive aquatic plants, algal

blooms, erosion, and sedimentation, that affect water quality, ecosystems, property values, and recreational use. The continued deterioration of the reservoir creates safety concerns and decreases property values both on and off the water.

The Geist Lake Coalition has organized voluntary algae treatments and cleanup efforts since 2017, funded by donations. However, the need for the GRCD has been emphasized to ensure consistent, equitable funding shared among beneficiaries.

The GRCD will enable a board of directors composed of local property owners to fund initiatives

such as catch basin improvements, stream bank remediation, maintenance dredging, invasive species control, and habitat preservation while preserving recreational opportunities for boating, swimming, fishing, and community enjoyment.

"It has been a long road to get to this point, but we are thrilled that the GRCD has finally come to fruition," said Cory Peter, founding member of the steering committee and local business owner. "Our mission has always been to address and uphold the longevity of Geist Reservoir. We want to thank the hundreds of volunteers who

talked to neighbors, collected signatures, and advocated so that we can keep the water safe for everyone."

Throughout the final petition process, not a single individual homeowner within the GRCD showed up in opposition to this effort over almost 18 months of court proceedings and discovery hearings. By establishing the Reservoir Conservancy District, the organization can move beyond voluntary donations to reliable funding that restores ecological balance, protects property values, and ensures safe recreational use.

To learn more, visit [GeistConservancy.com](http://GeistConservancy.com).

## — TIPTON —

**LEGAL NOTICE**  
**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**  
**TIPTON COUNTY BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS**  
**CO-V-07-26 Hooper**

Notice is hereby given that the Tipton County Board of Zoning Appeals, on the 3rd day of June 2026, at 6:00 p.m. in the 1st Floor meeting room of the Tipton County Courthouse, 101 East Jefferson Street, Tipton, Indiana, will hold a public hearing to consider the following:

CO-V-07-26: Scott Hooper, owner and petitioner, requests five (5) development standard variances to reduce the rear yard setback requirement from 50 feet to 20 feet, reduce the lot width requirement from 150 feet to 130 feet, increase the maximum lot coverage from 10% to 14%, decrease the minimum lot area from 30,000 sq. ft. to 16,000 sq. ft., and reduce the side yard setback from 20 feet to 9 feet, for the creation of two lots through the administrative subdivision process.

The property is more fully described as:

Part of the Southeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section Six (6), Township Twenty-one (21) North, Range Three (3) East, Jefferson Township, Tipton County, Indiana, described as follows:

Commencing 56 feet West of the Southwest corner of Lot One (1) in Block One (1) in David Kemp's North Addition to the Town of Kempton, thence North 276 feet; thence West 132 feet' thence South 276 feet; thence East 132 feet to the place of beginning, containing .84 acre, more or less.

ALSO:

A part of the Southeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section Six (6), Township Twenty-one (21) North, Range Three (3) East, Jefferson Township, Tipton County, Indiana, described as follows:

Beginning at a point Fifty-six (56) feet West of the Southwest corner of Lot One (1) in Block one (1) in David Kemp's North Addition to the Town of Kempton, thence South to the North line of the public highway running East and West; thence West of the North line of said public highway, a distance of One Hundred Thirty-two (132) feet; thence North to a point West of the place of beginning; thence East to the place of beginning, containing .06 acre, more or less.

Commonly known as: 106 North West Street, Kempton, Indiana 46049  
Parcel No.: 80-12-06-300-033.000-003 (.86 Acre)  
80-12-06-300-044.000-003 (.06 Acre)

Interested persons desiring to present their views upon this case will be given an opportunity to be heard at the above-mentioned time and place or comments or objections may be submitted in writing to the Planning Office at 101 East Jefferson Street, Tipton, Indiana 46072 prior to 12:00 p.m. on the day of the hearing.

The proposal may be viewed in the Planning Office prior to the hearing. The hearing may be continued from time to time.

Tipton County Board of Zoning Appeals  
R7974 5/22/26, 5/25/26

**LEGAL NOTICE**  
**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**  
**TIPTON COUNTY PLAN COMMISSION**  
**CO-ZO-09-26**

Notice is hereby given that the Tipton County Plan Commission will hold a public hearing on Thursday, June 4, 2026 at 6:00 p.m., in the 1st Floor Meeting Room of the Tipton County Courthouse, 101 East Jefferson Street, Tipton, Indiana, to consider the following:

An amendment of the Tipton County Zoning Ordinance concerning an additional section entitled "524 - Batter Energy Storage Systems". Specifically, the amendment is intended to add language to the zoning ordinance that will regulate the location and conditions of Battery Energy Storage Systems.

Additionally, Section 303 of the zoning ordinance entitled "District Land Usage" - Table A - District Use Standards, shall also be amended by adding additional use requirements for Battery Energy Storage Systems ≤ 200 MW, Battery Energy Storage Systems > 200 MW and Accessory Battery Energy Storage Systems.

These amendments will apply to the entire jurisdiction of the Tipton County Plan Commission.

The proposed amendments may be viewed in the Plan Commission Office at 101 East Jefferson Street, Tipton, Indiana prior to the hearing.

Interested persons desiring to present their views regarding the proposed amendments, either verbally or in writing, will be given an opportunity to be heard at the above-mentioned time and place; or comments or objections shall be submitted in writing in the Plan Commission Office prior to 12:00 p.m. on the day of the hearing.

The hearing may be continued from time to time as may be found necessary.

Tipton County Plan Commission  
R7971 5/22/26, 5/25/26

**LEGAL NOTICE**  
**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**  
**TIPTON COUNTY PLAN COMMISSION**  
**CO-ZO-10-26**

Notice is hereby given that the Tipton County Plan Commission will hold a public hearing on Thursday, June 4, 2026 at 6:00 p.m., in the 1st Floor Meeting Room of the Tipton County Courthouse, 101 East Jefferson Street, Tipton, Indiana, to consider the following:

An amendment of the Tipton County Zoning Ordinance concerning changes or additions to the fee schedule associated with permits, applications, inspections, reviews and other services administered by the Tipton County Building Department and/or Planning and Zoning Department. The proposed amendments may include revisions to fees for building permits, improvement location permits, rezonings, variances, special exceptions, subdivision applications, development plans, inspections and related administrative services.

These amendments will apply to the entire jurisdiction of the Tipton County Plan Commission.

The proposed amendments may be viewed in the Plan Commission Office at 101 East Jefferson Street, Tipton, Indiana prior to the hearing.

Interested persons desiring to present their views regarding the proposed amendments, either verbally or in writing, will be given an opportunity to be heard at the above-mentioned time and place; or comments or objections shall be submitted in writing in the Plan Commission Office prior to 12:00 p.m. on the day of the hearing.

The hearing may be continued from time to time as may be found necessary.

Tipton County Plan Commission  
R7972 5/22/26, 5/25/26

**LEGAL NOTICE**  
**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**  
**TIPTON COUNTY BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS**  
**CO-V-06-26 Cantwell**

Notice is hereby given that the Tipton County Board of Zoning Appeals, on the 3rd day of June 2026, at 6:00 p.m. in the 1st Floor meeting room of the Tipton County Courthouse, 101 East Jefferson Street, Tipton, Indiana, will hold a public hearing to consider the following:

CO-V-06-26: John Cantwell, petitioner and owner, requests one (1) development standard variance to reduce the required front setback for an accessory structure from 91.5 feet to 62 feet from the center of the road in the AG zoning district.

The property is more fully described as:

Part of the Southwest Quarter of Section 26, Township 21 North, Range 4 East, Tipton County, Indiana, described as follows:

Beginning at the Southeast corner of said Quarter; thence West 209.80 feet along the South line of said Quarter; thence North 01°40' 06" West 491.40 feet; thence East 209.80 feet to the East line of said Quarter; thence South 01°40' 06" West 491.40 feet along said East line to the point of beginning, containing 2.37 acres, more or less.

Commonly known as: 4978 State Road 19, Tipton, IN 46072  
Parcel No.: 80-11-26-500-010.060-001

Interested persons desiring to present their views upon this case will be given an opportunity to be heard at the above-mentioned time and place or comments or objections shall be submitted in writing to the Planning Office at 101 East Jefferson Street, Tipton, Indiana 46072 prior to 12:00 p.m. on the day of the hearing.

The proposal may be viewed in the Planning Office prior to the hearing. The hearing may be continued from time to time.

Tipton County Board of Zoning Appeals  
R7973 5/22/26, 5/25/26

**LEGAL NOTICE**  
**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**  
**TIPTON COUNTY PLAN COMMISSION**  
**TIPTON COMMERCE CENTER PUD DISTRICT**

Notice is hereby given that the Tipton County Plan Commission will hold a public hearing on June 4, 2026, at 6:00 p.m., in the 1st floor meeting room of the Tipton County Courthouse, 101 East Jefferson Street, Tipton, Indiana, to consider the following:

An amendment of the Tipton County Zoning Ordinance concerning the establishment of a Planned Unit Development (PUD) District that will amend the Tipton County Zoning Code. This district shall be known as the "Tipton Commerce PUD District".

Patch Development seeks to designate approximately 79.05 acres in Tipton County, Indiana from the I-1 - Light Industrial and AG - Agricultural district to a PUD district for a mixed use commercial and industrial development. The property is located just north of SR 28, between U.S. 31 and C.R. 560 W. The legal description is below. Adjacent uses include cultivated crop land to the north, cultivated crop land to the east, U.S. 31 to the west, and a public utility building to the south.

The underlying zoning district shall remain I-1 Light Industrial, AG Agricultural and Prospect Overlay District. Except as modified, revised, supplemented, or expressly made inapplicable by the adoption by the Tipton County Commissioners of a PUD District Ordinance, the standard of the Tipton County Zoning Ordinance applicable to the underlying zoning and overlay district shall apply.

Specific sections of the Tipton Zoning Ordinance and/or Subdivision Control Ordinance that may be modified, revised, supplemented, or expressly made inapplicable include permitted uses, prohibited uses and minimum lot size.

Additionally, general development standards for the I-1 Light Industrial District shall apply to the development of the PUD district.

The legal description of the proposed Planned Unit Development District is as follows:

Parcel #80-11-17-200-005.010-001

A part of the Northwest Quarter of Section 7, Township 21 North, Range 4 East of the Second Principal Meridian, Tipton County, Indiana, described as follows:

Commencing at the Southeast corner of said Northwest Quarter, thence South 88 degrees 20 minutes 17 seconds West (Indiana State Plane Coordinate System - East Zone) along the South line of said Northwest Quarter, a distance of 521.26 feet to the Point of Beginning; thence continuing South 88 degrees 20 minutes 17 seconds West along said South line, a distance of 101.90 feet; thence North 00 degrees 42 minutes 55 seconds West a distance of 1311.75 feet to the South line of the North Half of said Northwest Quarter; thence North 88 degrees 29 minutes 31 seconds East along said South line, a distance of 583.59 feet to the beginning of a 850.00 foot radius curve to the right, being subtended by a chord bearing of South 15 degrees 02 minutes 35 seconds West with a distance of 447.55 feet; thence Southwesterly along said curve a distance of 452.88 feet; thence South 30 degrees 18 minutes 25 seconds West a distance of 407.02 feet to the beginning of a 1049.86 foot radius curve to the left, being subtended by a chord bearing of South 15 degrees 23 minutes 09 seconds West with a distance of 504.69 feet; thence Southeasterly along said curve a distance of 546.84 feet; thence South 00 degrees 28 minutes 11 seconds West a distance of 19.14 feet to the Point of Beginning, containing 10.05 acres, more or less.

Parcel #80-11-07-300-008.030-001

Part of the Southwest Quarter of Section 7, Township 21 North, Range 4 East, Cicero Township, Tipton County, Indiana, described as follows, to-wit:

Beginning at a point on the Quarter Section Line, said point being North 87°33'30" East 667.5 feet from the Northwest corner of said Quarter Section; thence South 02°38'00" East 665.5 feet; thence North 89°01'30" East 482 feet; thence North 00°48'00" West 678.5 feet to the Quarter Section Line; thence South 87°33'30" West on and along the Quarter Section line 503.5 feet to the point of beginning, containing 7.60 acres.

Parcel #80-11-07-200-004.000-001

The Southeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of Section Seven (7), Township Twenty-one (21) North, Range Four (4) East,

EXCEPT:

Five (5) acres of the whole East end thereof,

EXCEPT:

Part of the Northwest Quarter of Section 7, Township 21 North, Range 4 East, Tipton County, Indiana, described as follows:

Commencing at the Southeast corner of said Quarter, thence S 87°55' 11" West 166.063 feet along the South line of said Quarter to the point of beginning; thence S 87° 55' 11" West 457.10 feet along said line; thence North 01° 08' 01" West 1313.95 feet to the North Quarter Quarter Section Line, thence N 88°09' 28" East 455.33 feet along said line; thence South 01° 12' 55" East 1312.03 feet to the point of beginning containing 13.75 acres, more or less, subject to highway rights-of-way in Tipton County, Indiana.

ALSO:

The North Half of the Southwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of Section Seven (7), Township Twenty-one (21) North, Range Four (4) East,

EXCEPT:

Part of the Northwest Quarter of Section Seven (7), Township Twenty-One (21) North, Range Four (4) East, and more specifically described as follows:

Commencing at the Southwest Corner of the Northwest Quarter (1/4) of Section Seven (7), Township Twenty-one (21) North, Range Four (4) East marked by an iron pin; thence North on and along the West Section Line of said Section, Six Hundred Sixty point One (660.1) feet to the point of beginning marked by and iron pin; thence North on and along said West Section Line, Two Hundred Fifty-six point Zero (256.0) feet to a point marked by an iron pin; thence East perpendicular to said West Section Line, Nine Hundred Eighteen point Zero (918.0) feet; thence South parallel to said West Section Line, Two Hundred Fifty-six point Zero (256.0) feet; thence West perpendicular to said West Section Line, Nine Hundred Eighteen point Zero (918.0) feet to the point of beginning, containing Five and Forty Hundredths (5.40) acres, subject to legal highways and utility easements.

EXCEPT:

A part of the North Half of the Southwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of Section 7, Township 21 North, Range 4 East, Tipton County, Indiana, and being that part of the grantor's land lying within the right of way lines depicted on the attached Right of Way Parcel Plat, marked EXHIBIT "B", described as follows: Commencing at the Southwest corner of the Northwest Quarter of said section, designated as point "54" on said plat; thence North 0 degrees 35 minutes 18 seconds East 916.10 feet along the west line of said section to the Northwest corner of the 5.40-acre exception described in Deed Record 164, page 829, in the Office of the Recorder of Tipton County, Indiana; thence South 89 degrees 24 minutes 42 seconds East 46.79 feet along the north line of said exception to the east boundary of U.S. 31; thence North 0 degrees 21 minutes 13 seconds East 42.14 feet along the boundary or said U.S. 31 to point "304" designated on said plat and the point of beginning of the description; thence continuing North 0 degrees 22 minutes 05 seconds East 362.15 feet along said boundary to the North line of the grantor's land; thence North 88 degrees 29 minutes 32 seconds East 29.27 feet along said North line to point "306" designated on said plat; thence South 3 degrees 43 minutes 03 seconds West 363.73 feet to point "305" designated on said plat; thence North 89 degrees 38 minutes 47 seconds West 8.00 feet to the point of beginning and containing 0.155 acres, more or less.

ALSO:

The South Half of the Southwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of Section Seven (7), Township Twenty-one (21) North, Range Four (4) East, all in Tipton County, Indiana.

The proposed amendment may be viewed in the Plan Commission Office at 101 East Jefferson Street, Tipton, Indiana prior to the hearing.

Interested persons desiring to present their views regarding the proposed amendment, either verbally or in writing, will be given an opportunity to be heard at the above-mentioned time and place; or comments or objections shall be submitted in writing in the Plan Commission Office prior to 12:00 p.m. on the day of the hearing.

The hearing may be continued from time to time as may be found necessary.

Tipton County Plan Commission  
R7970 5/22/26, 5/25/26

**TODAY'S BIBLE READING**

**THE SECOND CENSUS**

*The descendants of Zebulun by their clans were: through Sered, the Seredite clan; through Elon, the Elonite clan; through Jahleel, the Jahleelite clan.*

*These were the clans of Zebulun; those numbered were 60,500.*

*The descendants of Joseph by their clans through Manasseh and Ephraim were:*

*The descendants of Manasseh: through Makir, the Makirite clan (Makir was the father of Gilead); through Gilead, the Gileadite clan.*

*These were the descendants of Gilead: through Jezer, the Jezerite clan; through Helek, the Helekite clan; through Asriel, the Asrielite clan; through Shechem, the Shechemite clan; through Shemida, the Shemidaite clan; through Hopher, the Hopherite clan.*

*Zelophehad son of Hopher had no sons; he had only daughters, whose names were Mahlah, Noah, Hoglah, Milkah and Tirzah.)*

*These were the clans of Manasseh; those numbered were 52,700.*

*These were the descendants of Ephraim by their clans: through Shuthelah, the Shuthelahite clan; through Beker, the Bekerite clan; through Tahan, the Tahanite clan.*

*These were the descendants of Shuthelah: through Eran, the Eranite clan.*

*These were the clans of Ephraim; those numbered were 32,500.*

*These were the descendants of Joseph by their clans.*

*The descendants of Benjamin by their clans were: through Bela, the Belaite clan; through Ashbel, the Ashbelite clan; through Ahiram, the Ahiramite clan; through Shupham, the Shuphamite clan; through Hupham, the Huphamite clan.*

*The descendants of Bela through Ard and Naaman were: through Ard, the Ardite clan; through Naaman, the Naamite clan.*

*These were the clans of Benjamin; those numbered were 45,600.*

*Numbers 26:26-41 (NIV)*

**Edwin A. Ziliak**  
*January 31, 1931 – May 19, 2026*

Edwin A. Ziliak, 95, Noblesville, passed away on Tuesday, May 19, 2026, at Independence Village of Fishers East in Fishers. He was born on January 31, 1931, to Edwin and Cecelia (Obert) Ziliak in Evansville, Ind., and was a 1949 graduate of Evansville Memorial High School.

Ed worked for Sears Roebuck & Co. for 36 years, retiring in 1989 as a store manager in Springfield, Ohio. He was a member of Our Lady of Grace Catholic Church in Noblesville, a retired member of the Rotary Club, and past president of the Springfield Ohio Chamber of Commerce and Chairman of the Board of Mercy Hospital in Springfield. Ed was an avid golfer and volunteered at the Heritage Golf Tournament.

He is survived by his wife, Donna M. Ziliak; daughter, Kathleen (Jay) Shipley; sons, Michael J. Ziliak and Thomas D. Ziliak; brothers, Donald (Jean) Ziliak, Lawrence Ziliak, and Jerome (Barbara) Ziliak; three grandchildren, Matthew (Sharla) Snyder, Eric (Ashley) Snyder, and Amanda Snyder; and five great-grandchildren.

In addition to his parents, Ed was preceded in death by his brother, Rev. Joseph Ziliak.

Visitation will be from 10 to 11 a.m., with Mass at 11 a.m., on Thursday, May 28, 2026, at Our Lady of Grace Catholic Church, 9900 E. 191st St., Noblesville.

Memorial contributions may be made to Our Lady of Grace Catholic Church, 9900 E. 191st St., Noblesville, IN 46060 ([ologn.org](http://ologn.org)).

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**Holly LaDue Ulrich**

*February 28, 1941 – May 28, 2026*

Helen (Holly) (Bazarnyi) LaDue Ulrich, 85, daughter of Efrosinia and Maksym Bazarnyj of Peru, Ind., passed away quietly Monday evening, May 18, 2026, at Waterford Place Health Campus in Kokomo, Ind., after a long struggle with dementia and terminal sarcopenia.

Holly was predeceased by her father, mother, and sister, Dunya Long of Kokomo and her brother, Mykola Bazarnyj of Chicago and her second husband, Lee Ulrich of Indianapolis.

She is survived by her son, John LaDue, daughter-in law, Mrs. Tammy (Hicks) LaDue, her daughter, Mrs. Lisa (LaDue) Martin and her son-in-law, Cary Martin all of Kokomo. She has three grandchildren, Mrs. Faith (LaDue) Dugan, Gavin LaDue, and Tanner Martin. She also has two great-grandchildren, Gunner and Goldie Rose Martin. She is also survived by four nieces, Mary Hetzel, Lucy Flora, Sophia Agoranos, and Luba Dyker as well as twin nephews Peter and Paul Bazarnyj.

In addition to her family members, Holly is also survived by a special friend, Larry Kasey of Noblesville, who was fortunate enough to know her for over 20 years and who shared a home with her for more than 15 years.

Holly was voted Circus City Queen of Peru, Ind., in 1962 and she was First Runner Up to Miss Indiana that same year where she was also voted Miss Congeniality. Holly was a graduate of Peru High School and Indiana State Teachers College. Holly was a member of the Kokomo Art Club and the Hamilton County Artists Association for many years, and she had taught art at Pettit Park School in Kokomo as well as giving private and class art lessons in her home. She was well known for her lifelike portraits, her jewelry, and many other art forms. For someone who was small in stature, (4'10"), she was mighty in spirit, and she has left a giant footprint on the world as well as a huge imprint on the hearts of many of its citizens.

**Meeting Notice**

The Westfield Washington Schools will meet in an executive session at 6 p.m. Tuesday, May 26, 2026, for discussion of strategy with respect to any of the following: To discuss a job performance evaluation, employee specific compensation, or employment matters of individual employees. This subdivision does not apply to a general discussion of the salary, compensation, or benefits of employees during a budget process, IC 5-14-1.5-6.1(b)(9); and to train school board members with an outside consultant about the performance of the role of the members as public officials, IC 5-14-1.5-6.1(b)(11).

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](mailto:PublicNotices@ReadTheReporter.com).

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## Boys Track & Field

# Royals win highly-competitive sectional

### The REPORTER

It seemed like everyone that participated in the Fishers boys track & field sectional on Thursday was in contention for the team trophy.

When the dust settled, Hamilton Southeastern was able to make its way to the top. The Royals defended their team sectional championship, scoring 110 points. The top three teams were close: Carmel placed second with 106.25, while Fishers was third with 103.

"We knew going into it, it was going to be a very tough meet and very tight, based on the heat sheets," said Southeastern coach Garrett Lawton. "We had some guys step up big and that ended up being enough at the end of the day."

The Royals won one event, the pole vault. Sophomore Weston Kopeck cleared 13 feet, 6 inches, which isn't bad for someone who was competing in his

first sectional.

"It's definitely crazy," said Kopeck. At this time last year, Kopeck wasn't even on the county or Hoosier Crossroads Conference rosters because his best was 10 feet.

"Over the summer and over the winter I really put in some work and I finally got up to 14 feet," said Kopeck. "It was a crazy season."

Southeastern also got points from Sam Long, who was the runner-up in both the 110 and 300 hurdles, while Omar Elsayed took second in the 800 run.

Carmel was powered a pair of 1-2 finishes. Lucas Bartlett won the 3200 with Jonah Kaul placing second, then Gabriel Davis was the long jump champion, with Alim Broadnax the runner-up.

The Tigers had the most event wins of all with five. Rocky Duplessis won the



Reporter photo by Richie Hall

The Hamilton Southeastern boys track & field teams won the Fishers sectional on Thursday, scoring 110 team points.

400 dash, with Vincent Rozzi claiming the 200 dash. Fishers finished the meet with a victory in the 4x400 relay. The Tigers added two field event victories: Konrad Hayden was

first in the high jump and Mason Cantwell was the shot put winner.

Westfield was a close fourth, scoring 94.25 points. Logan Tuck won the 110 hurdles, while the Sham-

rocks' 4x800 and 4x400 relay teams were also victorious. An extra boost came in the 100 dash, where Westfield had three runners due to the 3-participant standard. Cayden Gearhart

was second in 10.98 seconds, with Maison McCray edging out Olumide Papetu for third (10.984 seconds to 10.986 seconds).

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## Baseball

# Noblesville sweeps Zionsville for outright HCC title

### By CRAIG ADKINS

For The Reporter

NOBLESVILLE — After taking the first game Wednesday night in Boone County over the Eagles, 4-1, it was only fitting that the Millers clinched the outright championship Thursday at home at Dunker Field.

Noblesville got to Zionsville early and had a big inning that pushed them to an 8-4 victory and their third Hoosier Crossroads Conference championship in four seasons.

Zionsville scored in the top of the first for an early 1-0 lead, but that didn't last long.

The Millers got a leadoff walk from Ethan Clark. Aiden Reynolds next reached on an error for runners at the corners. Reynolds advanced to second on a passed ball and then the bases were loaded from Zac Glander's walk.

"We just needed to play good baseball," said Noblesville head coach Justin Keever. "In the first inning,

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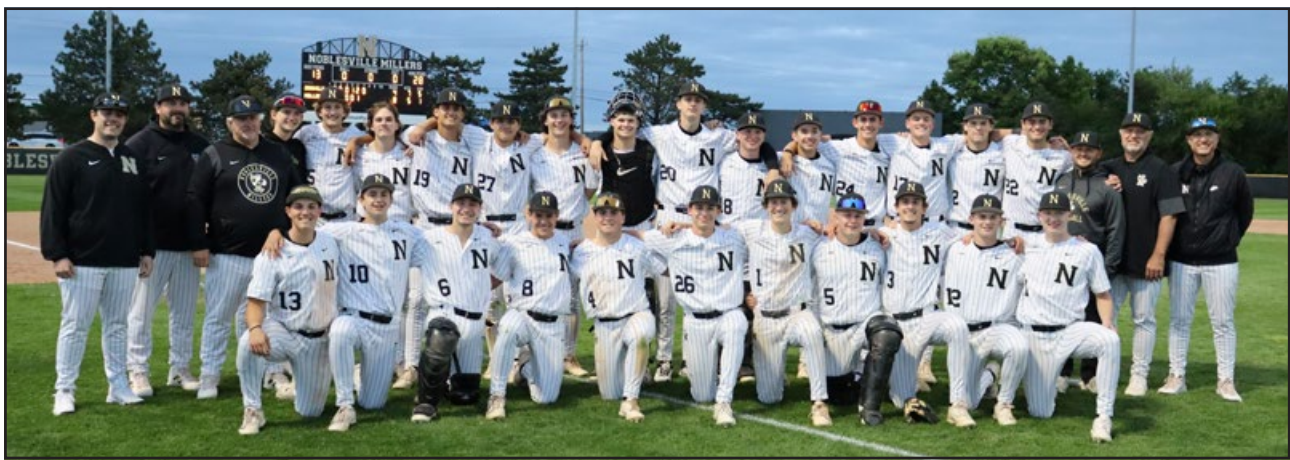


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The Noblesville baseball team beat Zionsville 8-4 on Thursday to clinch an outright Hoosier Crossroads Conference championship.

## Softball

# Millers claim outright HCC softball championship

### By CRAIG ADKINS

For The Reporter

Thursday night's Senior Night at Miller Park became that much sweeter for the Noblesville softball team. Head coach Deke Bullard claimed his first Hoosier Crossroads Conference championship and the program's fifth HCC title overall (2004, 2009, 2010 and 2011). The Millers were also outright winners in 2004 and 2011 and shared the title in 2009 and 2010.

The Millers took down a feisty Avon squad in an 11-5 decision to become HCC champions. Hamilton Southeastern knocked off Franklin Central for both to finish at 5-2, leaving Noblesville all alone atop with a 6-1 league record for the outright crown.

Avon scored twice in the top of the first, but that just fueled Noblesville. The

Miller bats took off in the bottom. Izzy Zapp led off with a solo home run, her sixth of the season, to cut it to 2-1. Reese Newsom singled to left and Haley Schatko doubled to left for runners at second and third. After Newsom got caught stealing second, Schatko scored on a base hit by Lily Brown, tying it 2-2.

The Orioles scored two more in the second to go up 4-2. Allie Thompson homered with one out to trim the deficit to 4-3.

Noblesville took the lead for good in the home half of the third. Thompson did it again. This time, she hit a bases-clearing double to center for a 6-4 advantage.

Roslyn Ervin hit her first long ball of the year to drive in herself and Thompson for an 8-4 score. Schatko joined the home run party with her 14th dinger and a 10-4 count.

Maggie Kern made it 11-4 on an RBI double in the bottom of the sixth. Avon scored one in the top of the seventh, but their comeback fell short, making the Millers conference champs.

Addison Retzinger (11-3) struck out five in a complete game. Thompson drove in four, along with Schatko and Ervin each driving in a pair to lead the offense.

Noblesville (18-6) drew the second bye in Class 4A Sectional 8 at Zionsville and will play the Hamilton Southeastern (17-4)/Fishers (15-9) winner in the second semifinal on May 26 at 7:30 p.m.



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The Noblesville softball team beat Avon 11-5 on Thursday to clinch its fifth Hoosier Crossroads Conference championship.

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Girls Tennis

# Hounds, Tigers, Rocks keep sectional streaks going

**The REPORTER**

Three Hamilton County girls tennis teams kept their sectional championship streaks going after winning finals Thursday at their respective sites.

Carmel hosted Sectional 35 and claimed its 34th consecutive title. The No. 3 Greyhounds beat No. 1 Guerin Catholic 4-1 in a hard-fought match between two of the best teams in the state.

The Golden Eagles won the first match; No. 3 singles Anna Kolb won 6-0, 6-0. Carmel tied the meet after No. 1 doubles Madison Littell and Gabby Hall were victorious 6-4, 6-3. Minutes later, Brylie Price and Shrayya Pillutla took the No. 2 doubles match 6-4, 6-2.

The clincher was No. 1 singles, where the Hounds' Olivia Widjaja and Guerin Catholic's Emily Pasman played a dramatic match. Widjaja won the first set 6-4 and held on to take the second set 7-6.

No. 2 singles Alexia Widjaja won her match in three sets.

Carmel will host the regional this year and play Crawfordsville at 5:15 p.m. Tuesday in the semifinals.

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Fishers won its sixth consecutive sectional title, sweeping Pendleton Heights to claim the Sectional 35 crown at the Tigers' courts.

No. 1 singles Allison Briggs scored a 6-0, 6-0 shutout, while Ryan Bell claimed the No. 2 singles match 6-3, 6-3. No. 3 singles Addie Sharp recovered from dropping the first set 6-0 to win the next two 6-1, 6-2.

In doubles, No. 1 Imani Mokra and Lucy Clark were 6-1, 6-4 winners, while No. 2 Reva Peddi and Katie Bergman won 6-3, 6-1.

The No. 14-ranked Tigers advance to the Mt. Vernon regional on Tuesday. Fishers plays the winner of



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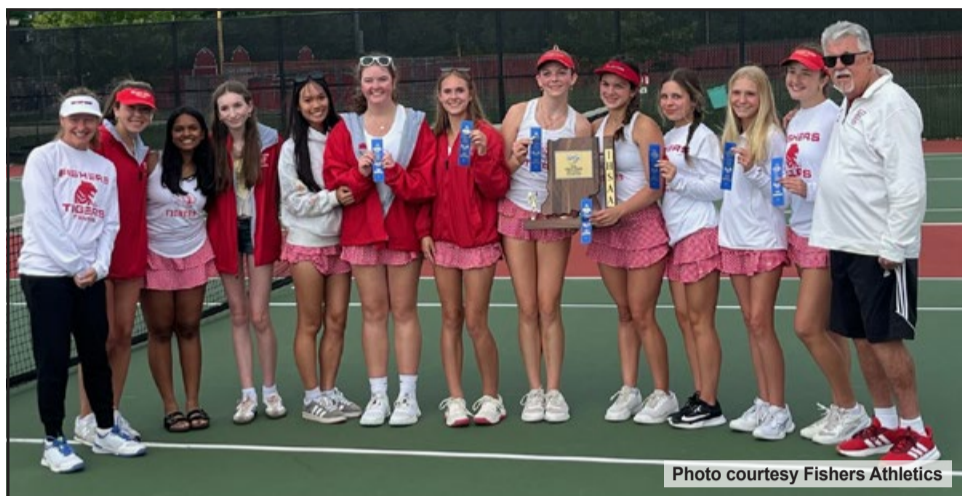


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(TOP) The Carmel girls tennis team won a tough match over Guerin Catholic 4-1 on Thursday to claim its 34th consecutive sectional title. (CENTER) Fishers won its sixth consecutive sectional championship, beating Pendleton Heights 5-0. (ABOVE) Westfield beat Noblesville 5-0 for its third straight sectional title.

the New Castle sectional, which will be decided today between the Trojans and Blue River Valley.

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Westfield won its third consecutive sectional title at the Noblesville Tennis Complex, beating the host

Millers 5-0. No. 1 singles Isla Harvey was a 6-0, 6-0 winner, with No. 2 singles Sloane Seyferth winning 6-1, 6-0 and No. 3 singles Alexis Halliburton getting a 6-1, 6-2 victory. In doubles, No. 1 Jenna Berry and Bella Ri-

vera won 6-1, 6-1 and No. 2 Kendall Omer and Rayna Roy won 6-0, 6-3.

The No. 10-ranked Shamrocks return to Noblesville on Tuesday for the regional. Westfield takes on Alexandria at 4:45 p.m. in a semifinal matchup.

## ROYALS

Noblesville's Angel Wilson won the 100 dash in 10.93 seconds, the first of two Millers wins. Banner Barnes claimed the others, taking the 800 and 1600 runs. Isaiah Vohs was second in the 1600 to give Noblesville a 1-2 result in that event; Vohs was also third in the 800.

Hamilton Heights' Will Duncan was the discus winner and placed second in the shot put.

The top three finishers all advance to the Thursday,

May 28 regional at Lafayette Jefferson; they are listed below. Two more county athletes advanced by bettering the state standard, and many more 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:** Hamilton Southeastern 110, Carmel 106.25, Fishers 103, Westfield 94.25, Noblesville 78, Lebanon 45.25, Hamilton Heights 38, Guerin Catholic 27, Lapel 19.25, University 1.

**4x800 relay:** 1. Westfield 7:56.30, 2. Carmel 8:01.19, 3. Fish-

ers 8:03.32.

**110 hurdles:** 1. Logan Tuck (W) 14.44, 2. Sam Long (HSE) 14.58, 3. Daniel Richards (Leb) 14.63.

**100 dash:** 1. Angel Wilson (N) 10.93, 2. Cayden Gearhart (W) 10.98, 3. Maison McCray (W) 10.99.

**1600 run:** 1. Banner Barnes (N) 4:17.70, 2. Isaiah Vohs (N) 4:18.07, 3. Luke Moulder (W) 4:18.55.

**4x100 relay:** 1. Westfield 41.12, 2. Carmel 42.014, 3. Fishers 42.015.

**400 dash:** 1. Rocky Duplessis (F) 48.97, 2. Ryd Wallerstedt (W) 49.88, 3. Kallen Hoeft (HSE) 50.19.

**300 hurdles:** 1. Daniel Richards (Leb) 38.16, 2. Long (HSE) 38.28, 3. Kortez Foster (F) 40.44.

**800 run:** 1. Barnes (N) 1:51.66, 2. Omar Elsayed (HSE) 1:54.14, 3.

Vohs (N) 1:54.78. **NOTE:** Two runners qualified by running under the state standard: 4. Reece Torres (F) 1:54.89 and 5. Cooper Szotek (C) 1:54.92.

**200 dash:** 1. Vincent Rozzi (F) 21.84, 2. Francisco Luyindula (Leb) 21.95, 3. Caleb Terril (W) 22.01.

**3200 run:** 1. Lucas Bartlett (C) 9:14.23, 2. Jonah Kaul (C) 9:19.78, 3. Liam Powers (HSE) 9:21.10.

**4x400 relay:** 1. Fishers 3:20.14, 2. Westfield 3:21.51, 3. Noblesville 3:24.90.

**Discus:** 1. Will Duncan (HH) 173-0, 2. Anthony Schmidt (F) 161-4, 3. Gavin Adkins (C) 157-2.

**Shot put:** 1. Mason Cantwell (F) 54-3.5, 2. Duncan (HH) 53-10.25, 3. KJ Mallett (HSE) 51-8.5.

**Long jump:** 1. Gabriel Davis (C) 22-10.5, 2. Alim Broadnax (C) 22-5.5, 3. Reed Hamilton (Lap) 21-2.

**High jump:** 1. Konrad Hayden (F) 6-6, 2. Tannon Monden (Leb) 6-4, 3. Seffrin Smith (GC) 6-3.

**Pole vault:** 1. Weston Kopeck (HSE) 13-6, T2. Brady Lemieux (W) 12-6; Lux Foster (N) 12-6.

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to give them credit, they got two hits and they got the runs that they earned."

Slade Hodges grounded into a double play, but Ethan Clark scored to tie it 1-1. Brooks Riggs then reached on an error at third base to plate Reynolds and it was 2-1.

"They gave us some runs in the bottom of the first, putting us on with some walks and an error," continued Keever.

The home half of the third proved to produce a crooked number that chased starter Landon Ambs in the middle of the inning.

Clark got hit by a pitch and moved to third on a Reynolds double to left. Glander walked to load the bags again. Hodges lined a hit to left to score Clark to make it 3-1. Jalen Stidham walked to send Reynolds home. Garrett Dixon hit a sacrifice fly to left, sending Glander home to push it to 5-1.

Hodges scored on a wild pitch with Brooks Riggs up and then Stidham scored on Riggs' hard grounder to first for a 7-1 advantage through three.

The Eagles made it 7-4 with one in the fifth and two in the sixth.

An insurance run scored when Glander laid down a sacrifice bunt that was an error, allowing Clark to score for a third time. Clark's run made it 8-4.

"I thought, for the most part, we played some pretty

good defense. Again, both Brooks (Riggs and Muse) were great on the mound. It was a good team effort," Keever said.

Relief pitcher Brooks Muse pitched two solid innings. Muse trusted his defense behind him, which ended the game with a double play.

The dogpile ensued on the field immediately after in celebration of winning the HCC championship.

Brooks Riggs (3-1) had three K's in five innings. He gave up four runs (two earned) to earn his third win on the mound.

"He's just a competitor, loves baseball," said Keever. "He's a Riggs. All of his brothers are the same way, just a baller. He's been playing great first base. He's a bulldog on the mound, loves to compete and was just outstanding tonight."

Clark, Stidham and Reynolds all hit doubles and the Millers capitalized on five Zionsville errors.

"This group continues to play for each other. We're not perfect, but they do play for each other and they compete hard and they're able to be outright champs and they deserve it," Keever added.

Noblesville (19-9) will host 4A Sectional 8 at Dunker Field starting on May 27. The Millers play Zionsville (13-14) in the second game on Wednesday, following Hamilton Southeastern (19-9) and Carmel (9-14) that starts at 5:30 p.m.

## SPORTS SCHEDULE

**Friday, May 22**

**BASEBALL**

Guerin Catholic at Center Grove, 6 p.m.

**SOFTBALL**

Guerin Catholic at Warren Central, 5:30 p.m.

Indiana School for the Deaf at Sheridan, 5:30 p.m.

**Saturday, May 23**

**BASEBALL**

Carmel Invitational, 10 a.m.

Hamilton Heights at Frankfort doubleheader, 10 a.m.

Guerin Catholic at Danville, 11 a.m.

University at Eastbrook doubleheader, 11 a.m.

Westfield at Crown Point, 2 p.m.

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Carmel vs. Guerin Catholic, 10 a.m. at Zionsville

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Hamilton Heights, Westfield at West Lafayette Invitational, 9 a.m. at Purdue University

Carmel, Fishers, Guerin Catholic, Hamilton Southeastern, Noblesville, Westfield at Regional Preview, 10 a.m. at The Players Club

**UNIFIED TRACK**

Sectional at Noblesville, 11 a.m.

**Monday, May 25**

**SOFTBALL**

Sectional 8 at Zionsville

Zionsville vs. Westfield, 4 p.m.

Hamilton Southeastern vs. Fishers, 6 p.m.

**Sectional 25 at Lebanon**

Lebanon vs. Brebeuf Jesuit, noon

Frankfort vs. Danville, 2 p.m.

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## Baseball

# Rocks sweep Orioles to finish HCC play

**The REPORTER**

Westfield swept Avon in a Thursday home doubleheader to finish its Hoosier Crossroads Conference season.

The Shamrocks beat the Orioles 10-0 in a five-inning first game. Maddox Novotney was a perfect 3-for-3 at the plate, scoring three runs. Lincoln Hoffman had two hits, a double and a single, and drove in three runs. Evan Govert also had two hits, while Nick Fero batted in two runs and scored two more. Andrew Noble also scored two runs.

Aiden Grabowski pitched all five innings, striking out seven.

Westfield won the second game 7-3. Novotney doubled in Kasen Jessup in the second inning to get the Rocks on the board.

Avon scored twice in the top of the third inning, but Westfield came back by scoring three runs in the bottom of the third. Noble got home on Grabowski's RBI groundout, Gavin Russ singled Hoffman home and Jessup scored to put the Shamrocks ahead 4-2.

The Orioles cut the lead to 4-3 in the top of the sixth. Westfield responded in the

bottom of the inning: Hoffman smacked a three-run double. Noble, Fero and Beck Jordan all got home.

Noble also hit a double. Corey Wilhelm pitched 4.1 innings, tossing five strikeouts.

The Rocks finished conference play 10-4, giving them second place. Westfield is 15-9-1 overall and plays at Crown Point on Saturday.

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Guerin Catholic won an all-county game 9-2 over Hamilton Heights.

The Golden Eagles scored two runs in the first inning. Liam Zorger got home on Carson Kail's sacrifice fly, then Ben Canada scored on a wild pitch. Luke Gremelspacher got a second-inning run on a wild pitch to put GC up 3-0.

The Huskies got on the board in the top of the fourth inning; PJ Wright was sent home by Tyson Upchurch's RBI groundout. Guerin Catholic responded with six runs in the third inning. Canada batted in Brody Cain, Karson Smith singled in Canada and Ian Taylor, then Grant Beard blasted a three-run home run, also

scoring Smith and Kail.

Wright doubled in AJ Flanagan in the fifth inning for Heights' second run.

The Golden Eagles' Ben Aho pitched three innings for the win. Wright finished with two hits for the Huskies, including a double. Owen Hughes threw four strikeouts in 3.2 innings.

Guerin Catholic is 21-3-1 and plays tonight at Center Grove. Heights is 7-15 and plays a Saturday doubleheader at Frankfort.

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Hamilton Southeastern finished an HCC sweep of Franklin Central on Thursday, beating the Flashes 6-0.

Cy Cole singled in Jackson Bixler for a first-inning run. In the third inning, Kian Kelly scored on Clark Bucher's RBI groundout, then Parker O'Steen brought in Bixler with a sacrifice fly. Bixler had gotten on base with a double.

The Royals sprinted to the finish line, scoring three runs in the seventh inning. Bixler singled in Carter Reed and Nick Bach, then Bucher drove in Kelly with a single.

Bixler was flawless at the plate, going 4-for-4 with two doubles. Dylan Cope

pitched five innings for the win, striking out six.

Southeastern finished HCC play 9-5 and is 19-9 overall. The Royals now head to the Noblesville sectional, where they play Carmel in a Wednesday first-round game.

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Fishers dropped a 5-1 HCC game at Brownsburg on Thursday.

The Tigers scored their run in the second inning; Carter Davis got home on Isaac Fernandez's RBI groundout. Fernandez had Fishers' lone hit of the game.

Austin Conley pitched five innings, striking out four.

The Tigers finished conference play 9-5 and are 15-13 overall. Fishers plays next at Sectional 8, taking on Westfield Friday, May 29.

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University lost to Center Grove 5-0 in a Thursday road game.

Quinn Green had two hits, while Beckett Suh hit a double.

The Trailblazers are 17-9 and play a doubleheader at Eastbrook on Saturday.

## Motorsports

# Indy 500 fans should plan ahead for road closures, post-race

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## Softball

# Royals, Tigers win HCC finales

**The REPORTER**

The Hamilton Southeastern softball team completed regular-season play with a 7-1 Hoosier Crossroads Conference win against Franklin Central.

The Royals scored five runs in the second inning. Madison Burlingame got the first run on Kaitlyn Burdick's RBI fielder's choice. Sophia Feher scored on a wild pitch, then Addy Richmond singled in Haleigh Seitz and Burdick. Kaleah McCarter finished things off by batting in Richmond.

Burdick smacked a two-run home run in the third inning, also scoring Burlingame, who had led off with a double. Burlingame had two hits.

Grace Swedarsky got the pitching win, striking out six in five innings.

Southeastern finished second in the conference with a 5-2 record. The Royals are 17-4 overall and play Fishers Monday in the first

round of Sectional 8 at Zionsville.

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Fishers finished up its regular season with a 2-1 HCC win over Brownsburg on Thursday.

All the runs were scored in the fifth inning. Caroline Thompson singled in Breana Henderson for the first run, then Thompson scored when Cate Summerfield reached on an error.

Joni Oliver pitched six innings for the win, striking out six.

The Tigers finished conference play 2-5 and are 15-9 overall.

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Westfield beat McCutcheon 7-5 on Thursday to complete its season.

Three different Shamrocks hit home runs: Carlyne Schrock, Olivia Sampia and Reese Mahannah. Sofia Easterhaus and Alyssa Ayers both had two hits.

Mac Delph got the

pitching win, throwing eight strikeouts over 5.2 innings.

Westfield finished its regular season 13-10-1 and plays Sectional 8 host Zionsville Monday afternoon.

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Guerin Catholic lost to Lapel 6-3 on Thursday.

The Bulldogs scored three runs in the top of the first inning. The Golden Eagles' Kristin Brady got home on a wild pitch in the first inning to get Guerin Catholic on the board.

Ava Augustinovic singled in Brady for a third-inning run, then Gia Crishon scored in the sixth inning after Lucille Rogers hit a sacrifice fly.

Crishon threw five strikeouts and allowed one hit in three innings of relief. Augustinovic started and pitched four innings, striking out four.

The Golden Eagles are 6-9 and play Tuesday at the Lebanon sectional, facing the winner of Monday's

game between Frankfort and Danville.

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Carmel fell to Roncalli 8-4 on Thursday.

The Royals scored a run in the first inning. The Greyhounds' Winni Owens tied it up with a leadoff home run in the second inning.

Roncalli scored two runs in both the third and fifth innings to lead 5-1. Jayden Kleiner smacked a solo homer in the fifth inning. The Royals led 8-2 going into the seventh; Carmel scored twice in the bottom of that inning. Kleiner got home on Avery Klein's RBI fielder's choice, then Owens scored when Taylor Vietch drew a bases-loaded walk.

Owens finished with two hits.

Carmel is 12-12 and plays Tuesday at the Zionsville sectional, awaiting the winner of Monday's game between Westfield and the host Eagles.




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