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## They will never hear that song the same way again

Carmel community & the Palladium help grant hospice resident's last wish

**The REPORTER**

For decades, Patrick Armstrong climbed communication towers across Indiana and the nation, helping keep people connected – the kind of humble, hardworking guy who built the heartland of America.

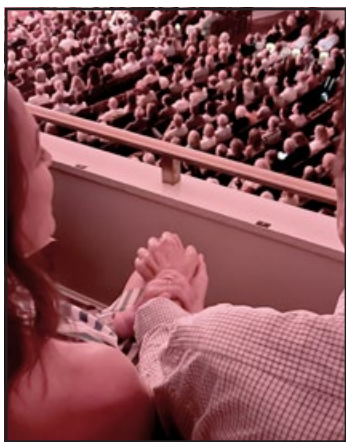
Today he's on hospice at the Morning Light Home, under the care of a nonprofit for the terminally ill in need: Morning Light.

And he found himself at the center of a different kind of connection.

Morning Light's Making Memories Program helps their terminally-ill residents' last wishes come true. For Patrick he shared a simple request: to hear live music and, if possible, Christopher Cross perform with his lifelong high school friend Traci Runge by his side.

The artist's music, particularly his hit song "Sailing," had become a constant companion throughout Patrick's illness. It was music he returned to during some of the most difficult moments of his medical journey.

By remarkable coincidence, Christopher Cross was scheduled to perform at the Palladium



in Carmel.

When Morning Light shared Patrick's wish on social media, the team at the Allied Solutions Center for the Performing Arts immediately stepped forward to help. Through the efforts of President and CEO Jeff McDermott, Julia Shildmyer, and their colleagues, Patrick and Traci were provided tickets and invited to enjoy the concert from a special VIP box.

Then the story took a magical, unexpected turn.

After learning about Patrick and his wish, Christopher Cross and his team extended an invitation for Patrick and Traci to visit



Photos provided by Morning Light Inc. Patrick Armstrong (right) and his lifelong friend Traci Runge (left) were able to meet Christopher Cross before the concert at the Payne & Mencias Palladium.

before the performance. Prior to taking the stage at the sold-out Palladium, Cross spent nearly half an hour on his tour bus simply talking with the pair.

Nick Wood, Making Memories Program Manager at Morning Light, said, "Christopher took the time to listen to Patrick's story, hear about his life,

and spend time with him as a person. That kindness meant the world to Patrick after a long a difficult illness, the stars aligned and he found himself sat beside the artist whose music had brought him so much comfort and peace."

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## If I should die . . .

Things to be taken care of if I am no longer able to do them myself.

Let me explain. A few months ago, I started thinking about getting my "affairs" in order in case I didn't wake up one morning. You know what I am talking about.

Last week I wrote about purging my house of unnecessary stuff. When you have lived in the same house for 50 years, you know there has to be a lot of "Why am I keeping this stuff?"

A Peace of Mind Planner was purchased on Amazon. It is a place to write important information about your belongings, business affairs, and wishes. It helps in the days, weeks, and months after a death, so the family is less overwhelmed.

I have seen how hard it is when a family has no idea where things are or has any information concerning a family member's accounts and memberships. Insurance, bank accounts, credit cards, medical information, documents, and other business information need to be written down in one place.

Please understand that I am not ill. I am 70 years old, and the sand in my hourglass is settling deeper at the bottom. I want my family to know what they need to know and to have less to deal with. I do not want to add to the weight of the grief they will bear.

As I said in last week's column, letting go of stuff is hard. My heart vault is huge when it comes to sentimental attachments



JANET HART LEONARD From the Hart

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## BGCN receives \$75K grant from RJS Foundation to support academic success & transportation programs

**The REPORTER**

The Tom & Soni Sheehan Boys & Girls Club of Noblesville (BGCN) announces a \$75,000 grant award from the RJS Foundation to support the Club's Academic Success initiatives and Transportation Program – two critical components that ensure local youth have access to the tools and opportunities they need to thrive while keeping participation costs low for families.

This generous investment will directly impact hundreds of Club members by strengthening programs focused on homework help, tutoring, and academic enrichment, while also offsetting the tremendous costs of providing safe and reliable transportation for youth traveling to and from the Club each day.

"At the Boys & Girls Club, we see firsthand that success in the classroom starts with consistency, support, and access after school," BGCN Executive Director Becky Terry said. "The RJS Foundation's commitment helps remove barriers for our families, whether that's providing a ride to the Club or ensuring a child has the afterschool and out-of-school academic support they need to stay on track and build confidence."

BGCN serves more than 2,200 youth annually across Hamilton County and surrounding communities, providing a safe, affordable, and supportive environment during out-of-



Photo provided

This deeply generous gift from the RJS Foundation will support the more than 2,200 young people served each year by the Boys & Girls Club of Noblesville.

school hours. Programs are centered around academic success, healthy and active lifestyles, good character and citizenship, and life and workforce readiness, which helps young people reach their full potential as productive, caring, and responsible citizens.

Transportation remains one of the most critical needs for many families. The Club's Transportation Program provides daily bus service from local schools, ensuring that youth

who may otherwise lack access can consistently participate in after-school programming. Combined with strong academic support, this access plays a key role in improving long-term outcomes for local youth.

"RJS is excited to walk alongside the BGCN and to begin building a strong partnership," RJS Foundation Executive Director Jennifer Dotzert said. "We are very impressed with the services they provide

and their alignment with the RJS Foundation's mission. We congratulate their team on 75 years of serving youth!"

The Boys & Girls Club of Noblesville extends its sincere gratitude to the RJS Foundation for their partnership and commitment to strengthening the community and supporting the next generation of leaders.

For more information about the Boys & Girls Club of Noblesville, please visit [bgcni.org](http://bgcni.org).

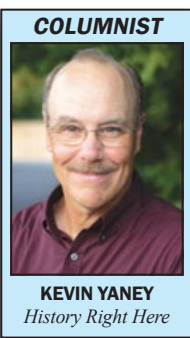
## Explore Cicero's Civil War past this July 4

Cicero Cemetery is the final resting place for 63 Civil War veterans. What might look like a serene graveyard on the edge of town holds the stories of some very interesting soldiers, including one who was a prison-of-war guard during a prison riot, one who was captured and one who was a Confederate draft dodger.

Civil War veterans' graves are abundant throughout the state of Indiana. That's because there were a lot of men who enlisted as volunteers during the war. Just over 210,000 Hoosier men became soldiers. Most of them were volunteers, but some were conscripted. Ten percent of the Union's 2.1 million soldiers and sailors came from Indiana. However, not all the soldiers buried in Hamilton County resided here when the war broke out. Many of the people who relocated here after the war were veterans, including some who fought for the Confederacy.

That was the case with George Williams. He was born in North Carolina and was a Quaker who did not believe in slavery or taking up arms. However, at the age of 17, was conscripted to serve in the Confederate Army on the 26th North Carolina Battalion, Company C. That unit was known as Freeman's Battalion and were made guards at Salisbury Prison. On November 25, 1864, that overcrowded prisoner-of-war stockade was the site for a riot. Desperately hungry and sick, Union prisoners attacked guards and secured weapons before the Confederates fired artillery grapeshot into the melee, killing 81 prisoners.

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KEVIN YANEY History Right Here

## Fishers graduate completes K-12 without missing a day

**Submitted by Hamilton Southeastern Schools**

When Maegan Semesky walked across the stage at graduation this spring, she celebrated more than earning her diploma.

The Fishers High School graduate completed her entire K-12 education without missing a single day of school.

While the accomplishment may sound impossible to some, Semesky said it started with a little luck and eventually became a personal challenge.

"I just got lucky to never

really need to miss school," she said. "Then it became a competition with one of my friends. Once it became a competition, neither of us wanted to miss."

Even her classmates had a hard time believing it.

When Principal Kyle Goodwin mentioned her perfect attendance during a senior celebration, many students were surprised to learn she had never missed a day.

"Everybody was like, 'What?'" Semesky recalled with a laugh.

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Photos provided

Maegan Semesky cited determination, timing, and good luck in her record.

# Local farmer continues family legacy by creating opportunities for others

Submitted

When Amanda Egler sits on the porch swing at her Hamilton County home, she can look across the same farm where generations of her family have lived and worked.

"There are pictures of me in the front yard as a little kid," she said. "Now my grandkids are here, sitting on the porch swing that I sat on with my grandpa."

As a fifth-generation farmer and co-manager of W. Lee Egler Farms, Amanda helps oversee approximately 1,800 acres of corn and soybeans in Hamilton County. But her path back to the farm was anything but traditional. After earning a degree in biology, Amanda spent years working as a hydrologist and environmental scientist with the U.S. Geological Survey. Her career took her from Indiana to California before family circumstances eventually



Photos courtesy W. Lee Egler Farms

Amanda Egler and her family are carrying on the legacy of the W. Lee Egler Farm.

brought her home. Rather than leaving that experience behind, she brought it back to the farm.

"A lot of farmers around here have ag degrees," Amanda said. "I don't have that. I have a background in looking at data, looking at numbers, and figuring out what the data really says."

Today, Amanda applies that analytical mindset to farming while continuing a family tradition of conservation leadership. Her

grandfather supported local conservation efforts, her father served on the Hamilton County Soil and Water Conservation District board and helped transition the farm to no-till practices decades ago, and Amanda now serves on the SWCD board herself.

The operation utilizes long-term no-till farming, grass waterways, filter strips, and other conservation practices that protect soil and water resources

while supporting productivity for future generations. For Amanda, however, stewardship extends beyond the land itself. Recognizing that access to land is one of the biggest barriers facing new farmers, she has opened portions of her family's property to beginning agricultural entrepreneurs, including Tilling Family Pastures and City Limit Microfarm.

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WISH-TV photo

Jackson Massillamany (right) is no stranger to politics. His father, Mario Massillamany (left) is the chairman of the Hamilton County Republican Party, and his mother, Amy Massillamany, serves on the Hamilton County Council.

## Hamilton County teen was youngest delegate at Indiana GOP convention

By GARRETT BERGQUIST  
WISH-TV | [wishtv.com](http://wishtv.com)

A Hamilton County teen told WISH-TV he was excited for his first convention as a voting delegate.

Jackson Massillamany, who just turned 18 and graduated from high school in May, is no stranger to politics. His father, Mario, is the chair of the Hamilton County Republican Party and his mother, Amy, serves on the Hamilton County Council.

Jackson said he signed up to be a delegate at the Indiana Republican Party convention in Fort Wayne after Mario asked if he was interested.

"It's kinda cool to see how this is done and what my dad actually does," he said. "At first, I wasn't really excited for it, but I'm here now and I'm having a blast."

Mario Massillamany, who is a contributor to All Indiana Politics, said Jackson is the youngest delegate at the convention. He said he has been taking Jackson along to party functions ever since he was an infant.

"It's a great opportunity for him to get more active and involved in politics, and I think we need to try and get the younger generations involved in our political process," he said. "I think this is a great opportunity for him to come here, have a good experience and then go back and talk to his friends about why it's important to get involved."

Jackson was one of 1,800 delegates tasked with picking a nominee for secretary of state. It was a closely watched race. Current Secretary of State Diego Morales, who sought a second term, has faced numerous controversies since he took office. Knox County Clerk David Shelton and conser-

vative activist and 2024 gubernatorial candidate Jamie Reitenour ran against Morales for months. Last month, Max Engling, a staffer for Sen. Jim Banks and a 2024 congressional candidate, joined the race at the last minute with Banks' backing.

Engling won the nomination, and in November will have to face Bayh family scion Beau Bayh, a Democrat, along with Libertarian Lauri Shillings and, potentially, former Indianapolis Mayor Greg Ballard, who is running as an independent under the Lincoln Party label.

Mario said he told Jackson to keep his eyes and ears open and to meet with all of the weekend's candidates.

Both Massillamanys said the key to getting young people to vote and to get politically involved is to, first, encourage them to register to vote and, second, to elevate more young people who are in politics.

"I feel like many people are scared to be involved in politics because nobody else younger does it," Jackson said. "So, like, me and other people my age, being able to reach out to others to try and get involved, I feel like, is the best way for people my age to get involved."

Delegates to the 2026 Indiana Republican Party convention made their selections last Saturday, June 20. Besides secretary of state candidates, they chose nominees for state treasurer and state comptroller. The current occupants of those offices, Daniel Elliott and Elise Nieshalla, respectively, are running for second terms and are unopposed.

This story was originally published by WISH-TV at [wishtv.com/news/election/hamilton-county-teen-is-youngest-delegate-at-indiana-2026-republican-convention](http://wishtv.com/news/election/hamilton-county-teen-is-youngest-delegate-at-indiana-2026-republican-convention).

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# SONG

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McDermott introduced Patrick from the stage and shared both his story and Morning Light's mission with the audience.

"I fell blessed to have had the opportunity to meet Christopher and attend the concert," Patrick said. "It wasn't just meeting someone whose music meant so much, but how genuine Christopher was. I was surprised that Christopher shared personal stories about his own health journey, and I felt a real connection because of it. It felt less like meeting a celebrity and more like talking with a friend."

Traci expressed her deep gratitude for being able to share that moment with Patrick.

"Attending this concert with Patrick was incredibly special," Traci said. "Knowing this may be the last concert he ever attends, and understanding that our time with him is limited, made every moment even more meaningful. It was a reminder to cherish the people we love and the memories we create together. When Christopher Cross began singing 'Sailing,' I found myself in tears because I knew how much that song meant to Patrick and how much comfort it had brought him during difficult times. I don't know if I'll ever be able to listen to it again without crying. Sharing this experience with him is something I'll cherish forever. I'm deeply grateful to Morning Light, the Center for the Performing Arts, Christopher Cross, and everyone who helped make this wish come true. I will carry this memory with me for the rest of my life."

The evening was made through Non-profit Morning Light's Making Memories Program, which seeks to create meaningful experiences for their residents receiving hospice care.

"At Morning Light, we believe every day matters," Wood said. "No matter how much time someone has left, there is still life to be lived, memories to be made, and moments to be shared with the people we love. Patrick's evening at the Palladium was a beautiful example of that."

Morning Light wishes to thank Christopher Cross and his team as well as the Allied Solutions Center for the Perform-



Photo provided Thank you to the teams at Allied Solutions Center for the Performing Arts and Morning Light Inc. for making Patrick's last wish come true.



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To learn more about Morning Light's Making Memories Program or support future wishes for Hoosiers living with terminal illness, visit [morninglightinc.org/lastwish](http://morninglightinc.org/lastwish).



A LITTLE MORE BAGGAGE FOR SECRETARY OF STATE DIEGO MORALES

## F.C. Tucker donates to Noblesville Boys & Girls



Photo provided by F.C. Tucker Noblesville

Earlier this month, the F.C. Tucker Noblesville office collected snacks and supplies for the Boys & Girls Club of Noblesville's Summer Learning Lab. The Summer Learning Lab supports students who benefit from continued summer learning and enrichment opportunities to strengthen their math and reading skills. Through a free five-week program, Boys & Girls Club members receive daily instruction from a licensed teacher in math and reading while enjoying engaging summer activities and experiences. This year, the Club is hosting two classrooms, one for rising second graders and one for rising fifth graders. F.C. Tucker's generous support will provide teachers with valuable tools and resources to enhance learning, engagement, and academic growth throughout the summer.

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# Early trash pickup this week in Carmel

## The REPORTER

Due to the extreme weather conditions forecasted for this week, Republic Services will adjust the trash collection schedule to protect drivers from the high temperatures.

This week, the start time for pickup will be 5 p.m. instead of the usual 7 a.m.

## What you need to do

Please place your trash and recycling carts out the night before your regularly scheduled service day.

This minor adjustment ensures hardworking drivers can minimize their time in the peak heat while ensuring your service remains uninterrupted. Thank you for your cooperation.

# IF

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to my stuff. It's the size of a walk-in freezer at Costco. The heart vaults of my daughter and daughter-in-law are more like college mini-refrigerators when it comes to my stuff.

Writing down where my insurance and bank accounts are, along with any legal information, will make settling my estate much easier. It's not like I have a huge estate, but we all have one, and it will eventually need to be settled.

Several years ago, I met with Sarah Randall at Church Church Hittle & Antrim to set up my Will and Trust. Sarah made it easy. I also set up my healthcare wishes. I knew this would take a lot of mental and emotional stress off my family.

Did you know you need to request at least 10 copies of a death certificate? The funeral home can help. My family knows Randall and Roberts Funeral Home has been the one to handle all our family funerals. Three generations of good people helped families cope with the loss of their loved ones. It's not just a business to them but a service to grieving families they consider friends.

My mother pre-planned her funeral to mirror my dad's, 14 years earlier. She paid for her funeral at the same time she paid for his, thus avoiding the inflated cost of a 2020 funeral. Her casket was even chosen. I had no idea then that funeral insurance existed. It made it much easier for me.

I sent Emily a picture and a sketch of what I want my gravestone to look like. Pink granite, heart-shaped, with a redbird, a cross, and

the engraving ... Her Words Mattered. Pretty simple.

Now, when it comes to my obituary, I'm writing it. Is it morbid to say I'm having fun? All Emily has to do is fill in the blank for the date on the other side of my dash. September 3, 1955 - ?

I want my friend, Corinne Gunter, to officiate and for Emily to speak. I want Chuck's son, Jeff, to sing "The Goodness of God." I've written out the hymns I want played. "What a Day," "She Loved," and "When We All Get To Heaven." Can you tell I love Southern Gospel?

The thing is, one day I won't wake up. There will be a date on the right side of my dash. I've never wanted my kids to be caught up in the entanglements of the "after my death" stuff. I hope my life will be celebrated and the fact that I've made my arrangements will make it easier.

Grief is difficult. Pass-words, insurance policies, bank accounts, and stuff complicate the grief.

This may be a strange column, but a much-needed one.

And to answer the question at the beginning of this column, the answer is simple ... Feed the birds at my birdfeeder. Their food is in the garage. Most of my requests are simple and now written down.

If I should die before I wake ...

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# Beck's 5K raises more than \$58,000 to help fight hunger

By HANNAH RAYL  
Beck's Hybrids

Beck's Hybrids, headquartered in Atlanta, the largest family-owned seed company and third-largest seed brand, recently held its annual Beck's 5K, bringing together employees, families, and community members to help fight hunger.

Thanks to generous support through registrations, sponsorships, and donations, the 2026 event raised \$58,500. All proceeds will be distributed equally among 13 selected hunger-relief charities, helping them continue their missions to address food insecurity throughout the Midwest and beyond.

"Year after year, the generosity of our participants, sponsors and supporters continues to make a meaningful impact in communities across our marketing area," said Laura McKee, Beck's 5K Committee chair. "We're grateful for everyone who helped make this year's event such a success and for the opportunity to support organizations working every day to fight hunger."

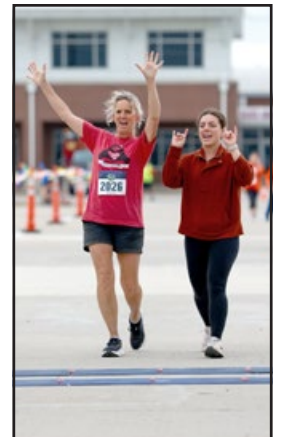
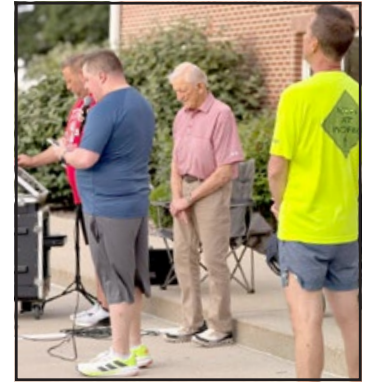
Several recipient organizations shared their appreciation for the support generated through Beck's 5K:

## SEMESKY

Despite the achievement, Semesky said she wasn't immune to getting sick. More often than not, she simply managed to avoid illnesses that would have kept her home during the school week.

"I did get sick," she said. "But usually it happened on Fridays, during the weekend or right before a break."

Her perfect attendance also continued through



Photos by Megan Dragstrem / Twisted M, LLC

"On behalf of our whole team at Kids' Food Basket, we want to say thank you to Beck's for choosing us as a charitable partner at Beck's 5K Run/Walk," said representatives from Kids' Food Basket in Michigan. "Through generosity like yours, we ended the 2025-2026 school year serving 11,500 healthy evening meals each week-

day to 68 schools in West Michigan. This work is made possible because of you."

"On behalf of everyone we serve in Clay County, South Dakota, thank you for supporting this important cause," said representatives from Feeding Vermillion. "Your participation in this year's 5K helps provide food, hope, and dignity to

individuals and families experiencing food insecurity."

Over the last seven years, Beck's 5K has generated \$307,848.36 in proceeds that have directly benefited 24 different charities.

Beck's 5K Run/Walk will return Saturday, June 5, 2027. For race results, go to [tinyurl.com/Becks5K2026results](http://tinyurl.com/Becks5K2026results).

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the University of Wisconsin-Green Bay, where she plans to major in chemistry with an emphasis in biochemistry and pursue a minor in graphic design.

"I feel like HSE Schools prepared me by giving me the connections and resources I needed," she said. "I've made really good friends, and my counselors helped me think about my future and what I wanted to do."

This fall, she will attend

the disruptions of the COVID-19 pandemic, including periods of virtual and hybrid learning.

For Semesky, showing up every day was about more than maintaining a streak.

She said one of the things she will miss most about high school is seeing her friends. While at FHS, she took part in several activities and clubs, including yearbook, orchestra, Na-

tional Honor Society, Key Club, French Club, Baking Club, and photography.

She encourages younger students to get involved once they find their footing.

As she prepares for her next chapter, Semesky credits Hamilton Southeastern Schools for helping her build connections and discover opportunities along the way.

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## EXPLORE

The following April, Salisbury Prison was attacked by the Union cavalry led by General George Stoneman. Freeman's Battalion and local residents tried to put up a fight, but were defeated. After the war, George Williams moved to Hamilton County.

William H.C. Buzan was born in Indiana. In 1862, he enlisted in the 68th Indiana Volunteer Infantry, which was assigned to defend a Union supply garrison at Munfordville, Ky. On September 12, 1862, Confederates attacked the garrison. Two days later, Colonel John Wilder surrendered and Buzan was among the 4,000 Union soldiers who laid down their arms. Bu-

zan and the other prisoners were later paroled and sent to Indianapolis. The 68th Indiana regrouped and was sent back to the war in Middle Tennessee.

James Crooks was born in South Carolina. When he was 17 years old, he was conscripted into the Confederate Army, but he was loyal to the Union and did not want to fight for the rebel cause. He fled north to Tennessee to dodge the draft. It was here that he met a group of Tennessee men who were fighting for the Union as the 13th Tennessee Cavalry. He joined them and rose to the rank of corporal. After the war, he became a barn builder and moved to Hamilton County. Even



Illustration by C.A. Kraus  
Bird's Eye View of the Confederate Prison Pen at Salisbury, N.C., 1864.

though he was a southerner, his cemetery marker proudly states that he was a Union soldier.

If you would like to hear more stories like these, I

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will be leading a Civil War Veterans Walking Tour of Cicero Cemetery at 1 p.m. on July 4. To register for the event, browse to [yaney.net/history-tours](http://yaney.net/history-tours).

## LEGACY

"I was lucky enough to be born into it," Amanda said, reflecting on her own access to farmland and agricultural resources.

By sharing land, resources, and mentorship, Amanda is helping other farmers build businesses of their own while expanding local food production in Hamilton County.

"It doesn't take anything away from me," she said.

Amanda's story is one example of the many ways women are shaping the future of agriculture and conserva-

tion in Indiana.

Women landowners, farmers, and conservation-minded community members are invited to learn more during two upcoming Women4theLand Learning Circle events hosted by The Nature Conservancy, Women4theLand, and the Hamilton County Soil and Water Conservation District.

The first session on July 15, Conservation Values & Challenges, will help participants identify their land management goals, discuss

conservation priorities, and connect with local conservation professionals and fellow landowners.

The second session on Aug. 12, Conservation Planning & Farm Field Trip, will provide an opportunity to explore conservation practices in the field while learning practical strategies for managing farmland and working lands.

Women4theLand Learning Circles are designed to create a welcoming environment where women can ask

questions, share experiences, and build connections with others who care about the future of their land. Women4theLand programs are offered in partnership with local conservation organizations and focus on helping women gain the knowledge and confidence needed to make informed land management decisions.

Registration is free, but space is limited.

Learn more about Amanda and these upcoming events at [women4theland.org](http://women4theland.org).

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# Commissioner Steve Dillinger hosts 35<sup>th</sup> annual State of the County address

*Event highlights investments in public safety, infrastructure & quality of life*

**The REPORTER**

More than 500 business leaders, elected officials, community partners and residents gathered Wednesday, June 24, for Hamilton County's 35th annual State of the County address at the Embassy Suites Conference Center in Noblesville.

County Commissioner Steve Dillinger chose this year's theme, "Hamilton County: Doing the Right Things for the Right Reasons," because he says it reflects a philosophy that has guided county leadership through decades of growth and change.

"Doing the right thing isn't always popular," Dillinger said. "When we built 146th Street, people thought we were making a mistake. Today, it's one of the most

important roads in the county. As we now work to improve those interchanges, we know there will be short-term inconvenience, but the long-term benefits will far outweigh it."

In addition to upgrades along 146th Street, Dillinger provided updates on several major county projects, including the renovation of the Hamilton County 4-H Fairgrounds, construction of the new 911 Communications Center and Public Safety Training Facility, and expansion of the Judicial Center, which will add seven new courtrooms.

Dillinger also announced plans for a new childcare center that will serve employees working at the county's public safety campus, including 911 dispatchers and sheriff's deputies.

As Hamilton County con-



Photos provided

**Hamilton County Commissioner Steve Dillinger speaks to attendees of the annual State of the County luncheon.**

tinues to experience rapid growth, Dillinger said the county's continued success is the result of decades of thoughtful planning and strategic investment. He pointed to recent *U.S. News & World Report* rankings that named Carmel the No. 1 Best Place to Live in America, Fishers

No. 2, and Noblesville No. 18. "That doesn't happen if you're not doing something right," Dillinger said.

The Noblesville Chamber of Commerce hosts the annual luncheon. Hamilton County Television aired a telecast at [hctv1.com](http://hctv1.com) those who could not attend.

## Sheridan Community Schools seeks referendum renewal in November

**Submitted by Sheridan Community Schools**

The Sheridan Community Schools Board of Trustees has announced plans to place a referendum question before voters this November as the district works to maintain current educational programming, staffing, and student opportunities in the face of significant changes to Indiana's property tax laws.

District officials emphasize that the proposed referendum is not intended to generate additional revenue, but rather to preserve the level of funding previously approved by voters in 2023 and protect the progress Sheridan schools have made in recent years.

Board President Tyler Henning explained that the need for a new referendum stems directly from changes enacted by the Indiana General Assembly through Senate Enrolled Act 1 (SEA 1).

"This was not part of our original long-range financial planning that we initiated four years ago," Henning said. "We worked very hard to ensure Sheridan Community Schools was on strong financial footing following the successful 2023 referendum. Then the legislature passed Senate Bill 1 in the Spring of 2025 and it affected the future tax base of the district. We spend a tremendous amount of time planning and making sure every dollar is used wisely, but SEA 1 has dramatically changed the financial landscape for school districts across Indiana."

The district's current referendum rate is \$0.25 per \$1,000 of assessed value. The proposed referendum would establish a maximum rate of \$0.40 per \$1,000 of assessed value. However, district officials note that the actual amount collected each year may be significantly less than the maximum rate. Each year the school board can analyze the upcoming year and determine the rate needed to keep the district pushing forward. If this new amount was to pass, then it would replace the original rate of \$0.25. The two would not run simultaneously.

Superintendent Dr. Dave Mundy said many property owners may see little to no increase – and some may actually pay less – because of new property tax deductions and state-mandated tax caps included within the legislation.

"While it may sound unusual to increase the referendum rate from \$0.25 to up to \$0.40, many property owners will actually see reduced tax obligations due to the changes included in SEA 1," Mundy said. "Our goal is to remain fiscally responsible and continue the prudent financial management that has long been a hallmark of Sheridan Community Schools."

Unlike previous referendums, the amount generated will be affected by a sliding scale based on property classifications, making annual collections less predictable. District leaders say the proposed rate provides flexibility to maintain the same level of net referendum funding approved by voters in 2023.

The district points to a number of recent successes as evidence of the positive impact of community support, including academic growth, expanded career and technical education opportunities, facility improvements, and continued success in attracting and retaining high-quality educators.

"Our district is excelling on many levels right now, and we do not want to lose that momentum," Mr. Henning said. "To continue providing outstanding opportunities for students, we must remain competitive in attracting and retaining top-notch educators and staff. This referendum is about maintaining what we have built together as a community."

District officials also noted that cost-saving measures have already been implemented, including reductions totaling several hundred thousand dollars in expenditures during the current budget cycle.

Sheridan Community Schools expressed appreciation for the strong support the community has demonstrated over the years. The district's 2023 referendum was approved with approximately 84 percent voter support.

"We are blessed to have one of the most supportive communities in the state, and we never take that support for granted," Mundy said. "We are committed to being transparent throughout this process. If residents have questions, we encourage them to reach out. I would be happy to meet with anyone individually, and we will do our best to provide clear and accurate information every step of the way."

Additional information regarding the referendum will be shared by Sheridan Community Schools in the coming months leading up to the November election.



Photos provided by HSE Schools

**Classroom grants are something everyone can get excited about, and that's why Hallett Sports Foundation has committed \$1 million over 10 years to support students and teachers within Hamilton Southeastern Schools.**

## Hallett Sports Foundation commits \$1 million to Hamilton Southeastern Education Foundation

**Submitted**

The Hallett Sports Foundation has made a long-term commitment to invest in the future of local education through a \$1 million pledge to the Hamilton Southeastern Education Foundation (HSEF).

The commitment is structured as a minimum contribution of \$100,000 annually over the next 10 years, with annual funding levels generated through fundraising initiatives led by the Indy Fuel hockey team and Fishers Freight indoor football team. These efforts will include a portion of ticket proceeds from selected Indy Fuel and Fishers Freight home games, along with additional in-game fundraising initiatives and community engagement activities.

This long-term investment reflects the Hallett Sports Foundation's dedication to creating sustained impact and expanding opportunities for students, edu-

cators, and families throughout the Hamilton Southeastern community.

The funding will support HSEF's mission to strengthen educational programming, create innovative opportunities, and enhance initiatives that contribute to student success across Hamilton Southeastern Schools.

"We believe meaningful change is created through long-term commitment and community participation," Hallett Sports CEO Sean Hallett said. "This pledge creates an opportunity for fans, partners, and supporters to directly contribute to educational impact through experiences that bring our community together. We are excited to support the Hamilton Southeastern Education Foundation and invest in opportunities that will benefit students for years to come."

This commitment aligns with the Hallett Sports Foun-



ation's mission to strengthen communities through strategic investments in education, youth development, and programs that create lasting outcomes.

"We are incredibly grateful for this transformational commitment," HSEF Executive Director Justin Hirnisey said. "A partnership built around sustained community engagement and long-term support creates meaningful opportunities for our students and schools."

Additional details regarding designated games, fundraising initiatives, and annual allocations will be announced jointly by the Hallett Sports Foundation and the Hamilton Southeastern Education Foundation.

**About Hallett Sports Foundation**

The Hallett Sports Foundation supports initiatives that expand opportunity and create lasting community impact through investments in education, youth development, and programs that strengthen future generations.

**About Hamilton Southeastern Education Foundation**

The Hamilton Southeastern Education Foundation supports educational excellence by investing in innovative programs, expanding access to opportunities, and enriching the student experience across Hamilton Southeastern Schools.

## Noblesville Schools Education Foundation's 2025-26 Classroom Grant Program awards nearly \$100K

**Submitted**

The Noblesville Schools Education Foundation (NSEF) announces the success of its 2025-2026 Classroom Grant Program, awarding \$97,813 to 74 Noblesville educators, staff, and students across all 10 Noblesville Schools.

These grants empower educators, staff, and students to implement innovative initiatives that enhance learning opportunities both inside and outside the classroom. The funded projects support a wide range of priorities, including mental health and wellness, STEM education, arts enrichment and collaboration, and expanded access to opportunities for all students.

One example of an NSEF grant was at Hazel Dell Elementary, where second-grade teachers Chrystal Turner, Raquel Boos, Emily Betz, and Barb Horsfield received \$400 to enrich their Core Knowledge Language Arts (CKLA) medical and nutrition unit. The grant helped transform classroom learning into an interactive experience, allowing students to dress as doctors and rotate through hands-on stations that reinforced key concepts related to body systems, healthy nutrition choices, and overall wellness.

Another impactful grant was led by Erin Brattain, Director of Food and Nutrition Services,



Photos provided by Noblesville Schools

**Funds support projects including mental health and wellness, STEM education, arts enrichment and collaboration, and expanded access to opportunities for all students.**

who received \$5,645 to install an on-site hydroponic garden. The garden will produce fresh fruits and vegetables for school salad bars, supporting a "farm-to-tray" approach that enhances both the nutritional value and flavor of student meals. In addition to improving meal quality, the project will provide students with hands-on learning opportunities focused on sustainability, nutrition, and STEM concepts through real-world food production.

Noblesville Schools educators, staff, and students are encouraged to apply for NSEF grants throughout the year. Impact Grants, which provide funding of more than \$500, are offered during two application cycles each school year: one in



the fall at the start of the school year and another in the spring following winter break. Mini Grants, which provide funding of \$500 or less, are available year-round and are reviewed and awarded on a monthly basis. All grant applications are evaluated by the NSEF Grant Committee, whose members carefully review each proposal and provide feedback and recommendations as part of the selection process.

Through this investment, NSEF continues its commitment to fostering creativity, innova-

tion, and educational excellence throughout Noblesville Schools.

**About the Noblesville Schools Education Foundation**

The Noblesville Schools Education Foundation was created in 1987 to support Noblesville Schools by investing in academic excellence. NSEF is governed by a volunteer board of directors who give their time and energy to accelerate the Foundation's mission of funding grants, awarding scholarships, and expanding resources for Noblesville Schools.

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# You can be one of Hailey's Army

*Tee off for a cause.*

*Protect a child. Change a life.*

**Submitted**

Join Hailey's Army for Children on Saturday, July 11, for the organization's Charity Golf Tournament at the beautiful Wood Wind Golf Course, 2302 W. 161st St., Westfield.

Registration begins before a 12:30 p.m. shotgun start, bringing together golfers, families, businesses, and community supporters for an unforgettable day of fun, fellowship, and purpose.

This special event supports Hailey's Army's mission to protect and empower children in a digital age by providing education, advocacy, and resources that help keep kids safe while navigating today's connect-

ed world.

Whether you're an experienced golfer or simply looking for a meaningful way to give back, your participation helps create a safer future for children and families. Enjoy a day on the course filled with friendly competition, contests, prizes, great food, and opportunities to make a lasting impact.

Every registration, sponsorship, and donation directly supports programs that raise awareness, educate families, and empower young people to thrive safely in the digital world.

You can register online at [haileys-golf-outing.loveable.app](http://haileys-golf-outing.loveable.app).

# Registration open for The O'Connor House's Baby on the Way 5K

**The REPORTER**

You're invited to celebrate 21 years of ministry with The O'Connor House at the annual Baby on the Way 5K.

The 5K Run/Walk road race starts at 9 a.m. Sunday, Sept. 20

at Guerin Catholic High School, 15300 Gray Road, Noblesville. Plus: there will be a free Fun Run for kids aged 10 and under immediately following the 5K.

In honor of The O'Connor House's 21st anniversary, you can use the promo code 21YEARS at checkout for 21 percent off the cost of registration at [tinyurl.com/BabyOnTheWay2026](http://tinyurl.com/BabyOnTheWay2026). But hurry ... the code is only good until July 13.

The race is open to adults and children of all ages and abilities. Whether you're racing, walking, cheering, or pushing a stroller, it's a morning full of community, fun, and purpose.

Grab your family and friends and come run with the good folks of The O'Connor House as they continue to work towards the organization's mission of providing a Christian home for pregnant, single women experiencing homelessness to improve their lives and those of their children.

Sponsorship information is available at [tinyurl.com/BabyOnTheWay-2026sponsor](http://tinyurl.com/BabyOnTheWay-2026sponsor).



Photo provided by City of Westfield

The inaugural members of Westfield new Citizens on Patrol program are Gary Scher, Kerri Mills, Scott Pyle, Michelle Bruce, and Seth Elliott.

# Westfield PD launches Citizens on Patrol program

**Submitted by City of Westfield**

The Westfield Police Department (WPD) has launched its new Citizens on Patrol (COP) program, a community-focused initiative designed to strengthen public safety through resident engagement, visibility, and proactive crime prevention.

The COP program empowers trained civilian volunteers to serve as additional eyes and ears throughout the community. Volunteers patrol trails, parks, public spaces, and community events, helping identify suspicious activity, report safety concerns, and provide a visible presence that supports crime prevention efforts.

"Public safety is strongest when it is a shared responsibility between law enforcement and the community we serve," Westfield Police Chief Shawn Keen. "Our Citizens on Patrol volunteers are dedicated residents who have stepped forward to support Westfield in a meaningful way. Their visibility throughout our parks, trails, and community events will help us strengthen neighborhood connections, identify concerns more quickly, and continue building the

trust that is essential to effective policing."

COP members are trained volunteers who are not sworn law enforcement officers. They do not conduct enforcement activities, make arrests, or carry weapons. Instead, they serve as observers and ambassadors, reporting concerns and assisting with community engagement efforts.

To be eligible for the program, participants must first complete the Westfield Police Department's Citizens Police Academy. The academy is offered annually each fall, with applications accepted on a rolling basis throughout the year.

The inaugural COP members are:

- Gary Scher
- Kerri Mills
- Scott Pyle
- Michelle Bruce
- Seth Elliott

Program members have completed initial training that includes CPR, AED, de-escalation techniques, and police radio operations using the WPD dispatch channel.

Residents interested in learning more about the Citizens Police Academy and future volunteer opportunities are encouraged to visit [westfieldin.gov/police](http://westfieldin.gov/police).

# Meet the 4-H'ers in this year's "Meating" the Need

**The REPORTER**

Say hello to this year's participants in "Meating" the Need. This partnership between the Hamilton County Harvest Food Bank (HCHFB) and 4-H beef, dairy, and swine project members will help HCHFB purchase those beef, dairy cattle, and swine at the Hamilton County 4-H Livestock Auction on July 21.

**2026 Participants**

- Austin Bilderback
- Tyler Drummond
- Cade Henderson
- Lilly Higgins
- Maddy Higgins
- Abby Holloway
- Caleb Lehman
- Faith Lehman
- Rees Knapp
- Kora Roland
- Abby Sheller
- Alayna Sheller
- Annie Sheller
- Caleb Smith
- Kaylee Smith
- Braxton Stalbaum
- McKinley Stalbaum

• Bianca Travis  
• Jase Zeller  
"Meating" the Need started in 2016 as HCHFB's pilot program to provide needed protein for local food pantries. This expanded to providing protein year-round to pantries throughout Hamilton County.

Your donation doesn't just help to purchase meat; it also supports local 4-H'ers by purchasing their project animals as they pursue their 4-H, education, and life goals.

**How you can help "Meat" the Need**

Any donation amount is appreciated. If you donate \$250 or more by July 1, you will be recognized on the 4-H Fair Barn Banner and in local press releases.

Donate by sending a check to "Hamilton County Harvest Food Bank" with the following address line and designating "Meating the Need" in the memo line:

Hamilton County Harvest Food Bank  
PO. Box 881  
Noblesville, IN 46061

You can also donate anytime online at [tinyurl.com/MTN26donate](http://tinyurl.com/MTN26donate).

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- Venture Christian Church, Bread of Life Pantry
- Wayne Township Trustee
- White River Christian Church

# Westfield Lions Club adds nine new members in June

Club also donates \$1,500 to Hamilton County Coats for Kids

**By JEFF LARRISON**  
*Westfield Lions Club*

As Lions Clubs International's fiscal year comes to a close on June 30, the Westfield Lions Club welcomed nine new members during its June 18 meeting. The additions bring the club's membership to 86, an all-time high in its 95-year history.

The new members include Ron and Michele Himler, Chris and Loretta Hirsch, Charlie Reynolds, Jane Carlson, David Greenbaum, Ronald Chapman, and Russ Davis. During the meeting, the club also received an application from Gary Klein, who will be inducted in July.

Lion Jeff Kozicki of the Noblesville Lions Club conducted the induction ceremony for the new members and also installed the club's officers for the 2026-27 fiscal year. Lion Gary Smith will serve as president, with Lion Chris Bluto as first vice president and Lion Steve Hall as second vice president.

Following the inductions, the club unveiled its new eyeglasses collection box, which will be located at the Westfield Lions Community Center, 1101



Photos provided by Westfield Lions Club

(ABOVE) The new Westfield Lions Club members and their sponsors pose for a photo. They include Ron and Michele Himler, Chris and Loretta Hirsch, Charlie Reynolds, Jane Carlson, David Greenbaum, Ronald Chapman, and Russ Davis. (RIGHT) New Westfield Lion Charlie Reynolds shows off the Club's eyeglass donation box.

E. 169th St. Supporting vision-related causes has been a cornerstone of Lions service since 1925, when Helen Keller challenged Lions to become the "Knights of the Blind."

Lions Clubs around the world collect used eyeglasses that are cleaned, refurbished, and distributed to people in need. The Westfield Lions' new collection box was built by newly inducted Lion Charlie Reynolds, with assistance from

Lions Judy Waldroup and Loretta Hirsch.

Additional eyeglasses collection boxes in Westfield are located at Walmart, Busby Eye Care, Prather Optometry, and the Westfield Public Library.

The final item of business during the meeting was the approval of a \$1,500 donation to the Hamilton County Coats for Kids program. The donation was made possible through proceeds from the club's semi-



annual poker tournament.

The Westfield Lions Club has served the Westfield community since 1930. For more information about the club or membership opportunities, visit [Westfield-Lions.org](http://Westfield-Lions.org).

# You can help Little Angel Gowns continue their mission of compassion

**Submitted**

Little Angel Gowns Ltd of Noblesville will hold its annual "On the Wings of Angels" fundraising gala on Saturday, Aug. 8, when a beautiful scene will be set within the venue at The Mill Top Banquet & Conference Center, 802 Mulberry St., Noblesville.

Under the soft glow of lighting and décor, the perfect backdrop will be set for highlighting this special event and giving the Little Angel Gowns a display worth remembering.

Expect the night to be filled with live music, delicious food, special guest speakers and auctions. All proceeds that are donated go right back into Little Angel Gowns' mission. Last year, every ticket was sold, and that is expected again this year.

Executive Director Judy Hafler Stewart has been involved with this delicate mission for sev-



Photo provided by Little Angel Gowns Ltd

Your generous donation becomes a huge relief for grieving parents during their most vulnerable time.

eral years, serving on the board for five years and acting executive director for two. She spends most of her time at Little Angel Gowns collecting donated wedding gowns and putting together grief packets. Alongside her many volunteers, she makes sure grieving parents never have to worry about what their sleeping baby or babies will wear. Little Angel Gowns has provided burial

gowns, tuxedos, and Angel pods for more than 400 funeral homes, NICUs, and labor and delivery units around the country.

Through your generous donation comes a huge relief for grieving parents during their most vulnerable time. Each burial pod is thought out and sewn with love and care by hands that have either personally been affected by child loss or knows someone who

has. Love is the mission. Established in 2014, Little Angel Gowns Ltd has helped bring peace to thousands of families.

Mark your calendars for Aug. 8 at The Mill Top for another opportunity to come together and not only celebrate angel babies but to give to a beautiful non-profit organization. Be a part of something special.

Learn more at [littleangelgowns.org](http://littleangelgowns.org).

# Tipton FFA members earn high honors at state convention

Submitted by Tipton Community School Corp.

Tipton FFA members participated in the 97th Indiana FFA State Convention held in June at Hamilton Southeastern High School and The Arena at Innovation Mile in Noblesville.

Members in attendance were able to hear retiring addresses from the 2025-2026 Indiana FFA State Officers, keynote speakers, participate in leadership development workshops, and network with members from across the state.

Jarod Cheek, Darci Dunn, Johanna Gonzalez, Ava Higginbotham, Trice Marsh, Macy Nunemacher, Kinsey Nunemacher, and Mason Tice received their Hoosier Degrees, the highest degree that can be received at the State level. The Hoosier Degree documents that the member has achieved success at a high level in their Supervised Agricultural Experience program, leadership development, and community service.

Darci Dunn was elected as the 2026-2027 District 4 FFA President and member of the Executive Committee.

Macy and Kinsey Nunemacher shared their musical talents during the Talent Review.

Darci Dunn and Mason Tice served as official delegates for the Tipton Chapter. Tipton received the Bronze



Photos provided by Tipton Community School Corporation  
(ABOVE LEFT, from left) Ava Higginbotham, Darci Dunn, Jarod Cheek, Mason Tice, Trice Marsh, Kinsey Nunemacher, and Macy Nunemacher are pictured holding their Hoosier Degrees. (ABOVE RIGHT) Darci Dunn was elected District 4 FFA President.



Photos provided by Tipton Community School Corporation  
(ABOVE LEFT) Tipton FFA members with their award recognitions from the Leadership Development Events. (From left) Olivia Ogden, Monroe Stewart, Mason Tice, Caroline Rodibaugh, Kortney Fernung, and Clare Meyncke. (ABOVE RIGHT) Macy and Kinsey Nunemacher showed off their musical talents during the Talent Review.



Donor Recognition and the Silver Emblem National Chapter Ranking.

Monroe Stewart earned second place in the Discovery Prepared Public Speaking competition. Mason Tice placed fourth with his Ag

Mechanics and Technology Demonstration. The Discovery Ag Issues team consisting of Clare Meyncke, Dean Biedermann, Kortney Fernung, Olivia Ogden and Caroline Rodibaugh placed fourth in the state competition.

Lillian Cloud placed first with her beef production proficiency, Darci Dunn placed second with her Ag Sales proficiency, and Logan Lightfoot placed third with his Ag Mech Design and Fabrication proficiency.

# Beef & Boards ready for things to go 'Wrong' this summer

Comedy "The Play That Goes Wrong" opens July 17

## The REPORTER

Beef & Boards Dinner Theatre is ready to get it "wrong" on stage for the first time this season! Opening July 17, it's the right time for the hilarious farce *The Play That Goes Wrong*.

It's opening night for the Cornley University Drama Society's newest production, *The Murder at Haversham Manor*, where things are quickly going from bad to utterly disastrous. This 1920s whodunit has everything theatres never want in a show: an unconscious leading lady, a corpse that can't play dead, and actors who trip over everything (including their lines).

Nevertheless, the accident-prone thespians battle against all odds to make it through to their final curtain call, with hilarious consequences! Part Monty Python, part Sherlock Holmes, this Olivier Award-winning comedy is a global phenomenon that's leaving audiences aching with laughter!

Making their disastrous de-

buts at Beef & Boards in *The Play That Goes Wrong* are Nic Nightingale as Chris, and Tophir Adam Embrey as Robert. Returning at the "wrong" time are Cynthia Collins (*Tootsie, Annie*) as Dennis, Logan Hill (*Singin' in the Rain, A Beef & Boards Christmas, Tootsie*) as Sandra, and Joey Boos (*Tootsie, Waitress, Jersey Boys*), as Max. Also making their Beef & Boards debuts are Jesse Bhamrah as Jonathan, and Kevin Toniazzo-Naughton as Trevor.

Rounding out the cast is Nathalie Cruz (*Tootsie, A Christmas Story, The King and I*) as Annie, with Jaddy Ciucci (*Murder on the Orient Express, Legally Blonde, Grumpy Old Men*), and Hannah Elizabeth Boswell (*Fiddler on the Roof, The Wizard of Oz, Grumpy Old Men*) as the onstage crew.

*The Play That Goes Wrong* is directed by Brett Mutter (*Waitress, A Christmas Story, The Wizard of Oz*), who also directed last season's *A Beef & Boards Christmas*.

Tickets are currently on

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

*The Play That Goes Wrong* falls apart in 46 performances through Aug. 23. Regardless of the catastrophe on stage, Beef & Boards' tasty dinner

buffet is just right, and always included – along with coffee, tea, or lemonade. Gourmet desserts and bar beverages are available for purchase.

*The Play That Goes Wrong* is rated PG for mild adult themes.

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



Photo provided by Beef & Boards  
Dennis (Cynthia Collins), back, checks the pulse of the "corpse" while Max (Joey Boos) attempts a marriage proposal to Sandra (Logan Hill) in Beef & Boards Dinner Theatre's production of *The Play That Goes Wrong*, opening July 17. Tickets are exclusively available through Beef & Boards Dinner Theatre.

# Authenticity blocked

One of my biggest downfalls growing up, and into my adult years, is that I think that I can read people's minds. I tend to assume I know what others are thinking about me and my disability.

I have had and continue to have enough negative experiences to "justify" that I can guess that many people have a negative first impression of me before we even meet.

It is not fair for me to form negative opinions of others before I really know what they are thinking, but I do still fight this urge.

On a recent family vacation, I had an unfortunate incident in the ocean. I have been in the ocean all throughout my life, usually with help getting in and out. Once I am past the waves, I can swim. This trip I wanted to get in the water with my family, my husband and son on either side of me supporting me.

What happened next was unexpected. No matter how hard I tried I could not keep my legs under me. They kept buckling and I was like a limp noodle, completely dependent on them to keep me up. It took us all by surprise.

In between the pounding of the waves and holding onto my husband's neck for dear life, I noticed a crowd forming at the shore. Okay, more like two or three people, but they were laser-focused on us, which did not help me.

I got into my head and assumed I knew what they were thinking – that I had been drinking and could not keep myself up. I thought this because I have been accused of this very thing many times. They were likely just concerned.

They continued to stare as they finally got me out of the water, my body in a state of complete exhaustion. I had put on quite a show for those who were interested.

In that moment, I felt so embarrassed and incompetent and wished the ground would open and swallow me whole.

I realize a few of my most recent columns have been about unfortunate public interactions surrounding my disability. At first, I thought I should not write several columns in a row about these negative interactions. I caught myself wanting to portray a life that is all sunshine and rainbows.

Blocking my own authenticity.

This is my real life, and it shows a true picture of why it is hard to get out from under the negative opinions or "assumptions" of others.

In another recent incident at church, my husband and son were standing at the back of our car after loading me and my wheelchair into the car. They were saying goodbye, as my son had driven separately. A man walked up to them, and I heard him say to them, "Something is very wrong with this picture."

Confused my husband said, "Excuse me?" He said, "Look at the two of you, you do not look like you need this parking space." Immediately, I was overwhelmed with sadness, anger, and frustration.

My husband explained to him that his disabled wife was in the car. Still skeptical, he said "okay" and walked away.

There are no words that can accurately explain how it makes me feel to have spent an entire life in a disabled body and still have that in question on a regular basis. My family included.

It is exhausting. It makes it hard to not think I can read people's minds and assume that they have a negative opinion about me when things like this happen so often.

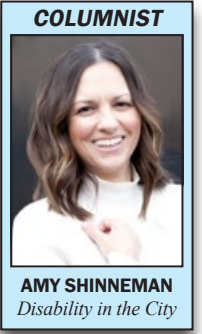
I realize that he was likely looking out for disabled people, but his delivery lacked education. There are some disabilities that are not visible. You never know what someone is dealing with that you cannot see.

I keep writing about disabilities to do my part to educate others that things are not always as they seem. It is good practice for all of us to learn more about one another.

Negative words and experiences can have a profound and lasting effect. It helps if we take the time to listen and learn from others who are different than we are. We all deserve to live authentically.

Until next time ...

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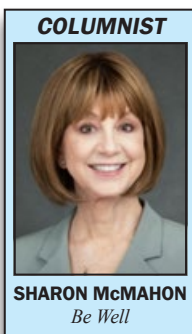
AMY SHINNEMAN  
Disability in the City

# Heat stroke can strike quickly, so stay hydrated

"The heat is on, on the street, inside your head, in every beat" – Glenn Frey, 1984

It has been an interesting spring and summer so far, not a lot of "heat," but plenty of rain! No complaints here, but I would like to have some warmer temps, and I hear they are coming!

This brings me to a personal and important message for my dear readers, as I have experienced what is known as "heat exhaustion" which can sometimes lead to "heat stroke" or "sun stroke." Heat stroke is the most severe form of heat-related illness (hyperthermia). It occurs when your body overheats and can't cool down. Heat stroke causes your body temperature to soar to dangerous levels, typically above 104 degrees Fahrenheit.<sup>1</sup> Heat in your environment (like a car, home, or outdoor space) overwhelms your body's ability to cool itself, and often



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Be Well

typically affects children and adults over 65, but anyone is at risk.

When visiting California about 15 years ago, I was attending an outside event when I felt short of breath and nauseous, which are two symptoms of heat exhaustion which can lead to heat stroke. I found shade, cool water, and a place to rest and was then fine. A few years ago at another outdoor event, this time in Indiana, I experienced the same issue and was able to cool down, but it was a frightful experience ... not one I recommend!

Heat stroke can develop very quickly. Heat stroke is actually life-threatening and requires immediate medical treatment, according to health experts. It can actually cause brain dysfunction and fainting. The longer the body temperature remains high, the greater the risk of complications. If you or someone around you has signs of symptoms of

heat stroke, 911 should be called immediately. Other symptoms of heat stroke can be confusion, blurred vision, and dizziness. A heat stroke is usually diagnosed in the emergency room.

There are specific recommendations for heat stroke first aid, which I will not address here as I am not licensed to provide medical advice or direction. I advise you to research those recommendations from a reliable source or of course check with your medical advisor. Be vigilant when observing others who may show signs of heat stroke and call for help. There are also recommendations for prevention of heat stroke and just one of those is something I wrote about in this column a few weeks ago – stay hydrated! You can add electrolytes to your water as well in pill or powder form. Remember, when you feel thirsty, you are already dehydrated.

Please be mindful, as well, that our pets are in danger of overheating as well and can suffer similar issues; they need

their A/C if possible and shade and cool water when outside.

Our European friends are in the midst of a heat wave as I write this and the population and visitors are suffering as much of Europe does not have air conditioning due to the usual cooler temperatures. Heat exhaustion, heat stroke, and sun stroke are very serious matters so please take heed and take care. We have waited a long, cold, winter here in Indiana for the warmth and sunshine so enjoy your time in the sun but make sure you have access to shade, stay hydrated, and limit the time you spend in the sun as the temperatures rise.

"Sun, sun, sun; here it comes" – George Harrison 1969  
<sup>1</sup>[clevelandclinic.org](http://clevelandclinic.org)

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## Here's to 10 years

My fundraising consultancy, Green Avenue, is celebrating 10 years next month. I've obviously known this moment was coming, yet I still practically pick my jaw up off the floor in amazement from time to time.

I used to call myself The Reluctant Grant Consultant. I loved working on grant research and proposals in my "comfort zone" at the City of Noblesville and later, Hamilton County. I've also performed grant work for other nonprofits since my first son was born over 25 years ago.

When my Hamilton County position stubbornly stayed part-time vs. full-time, I began to realize consulting on the side for someone else wasn't going to cut it anymore. Despite my fears, I knew it was time to start my own business.

Grants Avenue became official with the State of Indiana on July 18, 2016. I came up with the name to go with the tagline, "Your Road to Grant Success." At the time, I had one client, a nonprofit near central Indiana who filled me with promises of growth.

Those promises were so enticing; I left my Hamilton County position in May of 2017 to be a full-time consultant. For a while, I loved working for this organization and immersing myself in all things STEM and space related.

However, by the spring of 2018, they stopped paying me – not for one month, but two. I quickly realized they couldn't keep their promises. I finally had to leave them, feeling terrified. I learned a hard lesson to never put my eggs in one basket.

Thanks to the Grant Professionals Association and other connections, I soon gained other clients. I was finally a full-time consultant, happily working for a variety of nonprofits. By the summer of 2019, I regularly had to turn down potential clients.

I began to wonder if I should hire subcontractors. I resisted this idea just as much as I had resisted starting my own company. I once said I never wanted to supervise people. As I've written before, I've learned to "never say never."

I gave one of my friends who wanted to learn about my profession a "Grants 101" training and brought on another grant professional. We had our first meeting/orientation in the fall of 2019. Grants Avenue now had a team.

By 2020, we were off and running. Despite the world falling apart due to COVID-19, our business thrived. I began to work with a good friend of mine who was also a grant professional, Anne. She subcontracted with me and I was impressed with her capabilities.

A thought kept nagging me. What if I made Anne a partner in my business? This was another "never." I had a partnership years ago for a home daycare and it ended badly. But something made me keep moving forward. By January of 2022, Anne became my partner. It's one of the best decisions I've ever made. We work incredibly well together – in fact, we think we share the same brain – and she's helped our company grow and improve.

By the summer of 2022, we had a total of six team members, and we expanded beyond fundraising. To reflect this, we needed to change our name. I offered a contest with a \$100 prize to a team member who came up with the best new one. Green Avenue was the winner, so it is our current d.b.a.

We kept steadily growing our client base and services. We survived taking a client to small claims court for non-payment (two years of frustration, but we eventually won!). Green Avenue also survived some untrustworthy clients that we had to bid farewell to. These experiences helped us refine our policies and procedures and work smarter.

Through these bumps, we kept learning. Green Avenue worked in 2024 to create our values. In the summer of 2025, we brought on another partner, Leigh. She is well-known in the central Indiana fundraising community. She works full-time for a community foundation and helps us on the side. We also received our Women-Owned Business Certification through the State of Indiana, which was a harder process than any grant application I've ever experienced.

As we celebrate 10 years in 2026, with seven team members, I can't help but shake my head in amazement. I'm thrilled at how far we've come, and I hope with all my heart that our next 10 years will be even better than the first.

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# Gathering House reopens thanks to overwhelming community support

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When a fire damaged the large group meeting space in the garage at The Gathering House on Ash Wednesday, Feb. 18, 2026, the future of a vital community space was thrown into question. Because the building was underinsured, Faith Community was left facing a \$70,000 bill for cleanup, remediation, and a full rebuild.

But instead of a setback, the community saw an opportunity to come together.

Thanks to an outpouring of local support – including a wildly successful "Pizza, Puzzles, and a Bourbon Pull" fundraiser hosted by the Nickel Plate Express – the community rallied to raise nearly \$20,000 of the \$45,000 insurance gap. Today, the garage is fully finished, climate-controlled, and ready to welcome neighbors back for community dinners, nonprofit board meetings, training sessions, fitness classes, and casual hangouts.

To say a massive thank-you and show off the restored space, The Gathering House

will hold a Grand Re-Opening on Tuesday, July 7 at 1372 Cherry St.

## An evening of gratitude & gathering

The celebration will be split into two parts to honor both the hands that rebuilt the space and the community it serves. At 6 p.m., the invite-only VIP Appreciation Hour will begin. This is a special reception for the neighbors, local businesses, and donors who financially stepped into the gap to make the rebuild possible.

Then at 7 p.m., the doors swing wide open to the entire community. Anyone and everyone is invited to tour the newly refurbished large meeting space, explore the rest of The Gathering House, and enjoy a relaxed evening of connection. It's amazing to see what has come together in such a short period of time, all because the community made it possible through their support, encouragement, and financial generosity.



"The Gathering House has always been a b o u t

organic connection and real-life relationships," said Patrick Propst, Minister of Faith Community. "When the fire happened, we didn't just lose a building; we temporarily lost a place where neighbors meet, heal, and grow together. Seeing our community step up to help us rebuild is a beautiful reminder of what happens when people look out for one another regardless of their faith or other differentiating factors. We can't wait to open the doors and celebrate that goodness together."

Faith Community extends its deepest gratitude to the key organizations and individuals whose generosity fueled this recovery, including:

- **Local Partners:** Nickel Plate Express (and Executive Director Emily Reynolds), Gaylor Electric, Peterson Architecture, BarnRaisers, and Genesis Restoration.
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Come as you are, bring a neighbor, and help us celebrate a space built by the community, for the community.

## About The Gathering House & Faith Community

The Gathering House is a community space owned and operated by Faith Community in Noblesville, focused on connection, learning, and service. Safe, hospitable, and intentionally non-institutional, it serves as a hub for House Church, Dinner Church, and local neighborhood gatherings aimed at pursuing Goodness, Beauty, and Truth in everyday life. Learn more at [tghnoblesville.com](http://tghnoblesville.com).

## U.S. is failing to prepare for next pandemic

My February 2026 column expressed concern that President Trump, through a January 2025 executive order, withdrew the United States from the World Health Organization. I argued that this was a poorly considered, irresponsible, and dangerous decision.

This withdrawal isolates the United States and hinders communication with the international health community. It impedes coordinated global planning and response to pandemics and infectious disease outbreaks and diminishes the operational capacity of the WHO through reductions in funding and experienced personnel. The WHO is struggling.

Now, with the reemergence of a high-consequence infectious disease on the world stage – Ebola – we are reminded of the potential adverse consequences of these actions.

The Ebola outbreak in Central Africa is a wake-up call to the ramifications of the U.S. retreat from global health leadership. The WHO has declared the outbreak a "Public Health Emergency of International



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Concern." Recall that during the 2014-2016 Ebola outbreak, some cases reached the United States. Ebola has a high fatality rate, and for this particular strain there is no vaccine or specific treatment. It's highly infectious, spreading through contact with

bodily fluids. Fortunately, Ebola still has relatively low pandemic potential because it does not spread through respiratory transmission, as do influenza and COVID-19. Eventually, the world will face another virulent, highly infectious respiratory virus that will present a far more perilous situation.

Withdrawal from the WHO, reduced health infrastructure support for affected countries, and decreased or eliminated support for other international health agencies hinder the global response to the Ebola outbreak. These actions create funding and operational shortfalls for frontline organizations.

Two agencies deserve special mention. The closure of the U.S. Agency for International Development, a critical leader in glob-

al health crises, was particularly devastating because of the loss of infrastructure and essential functions it provided, including funding, technical expertise, and on-the-ground staff.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the nation's lead agency for international health efforts, previously worked closely with the WHO. The CDC has also sustained severe cuts, with approximately 25 percent of its workforce eliminated, including infectious disease and outbreak response experts who were fired, resigned, or retired.

America's pullback from international health engagement will likely have serious consequences for global health security. It significantly weakens coordinated disease surveillance, contact tracing, staffing of isolation facilities, establishment of safe and adequate clinical care, deployment of existing vaccines, research and development of new vaccines and treatments, acquisition and distribution of medications and medical supplies, deployment of diagnostic testing, worldwide humanitarian relief, identification of emerging infectious diseases, and rapid responses to pandemics and major disease outbreaks.

It's true that the United States has done more than its fair share to support global health efforts. However, we are one of the world's richest nations and its most powerful. America has a long history of serving world humanity. Moreover, investing in international health makes our own country safer; a health threat anywhere can become a health threat everywhere.

In the past, America helped ensure that many outbreaks never became global crises. Today, we are no longer the world's leader in global health security, and we have lost international respect and credibility. The administration appears more focused on keeping Ebola from our shores through travel restrictions and mandatory quarantines for exposed U.S. residents in Kenya than on outbreak control at its source.

There will be a next pandemic. The rest of the world is stepping up coordination with the WHO, while America shoots itself in the foot.

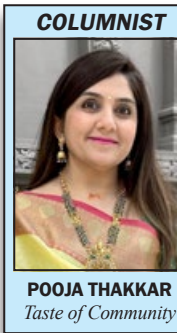
Richard D. Feldman, M.D. is an Indianapolis family physician and former Indiana State Health Commissioner who served in the administration of Governor Frank O'Bannon.

## SERVE Week: the stories we pack along the way

Every year, SERVE Week in Hamilton County reminds us that service is never just about the task in front of us. Through Serve Village and the many nonprofit organizations that come together, we show up year after year asking a simple but powerful question: *What can we do next to serve our community?*

Sometimes the answer looks like landscaping projects. Sometimes it means helping local nonprofits, supporting food insecurity initiatives, assisting elderly neighbors, or rolling up our sleeves for projects that simply need more hands. And yet, every single year, I find myself realizing that while we come to serve, we leave carrying something much bigger – the stories behind the service.

Over the last two days, our family joined SERVE Week efforts at IDES – the Indiana Disaster Recovery Center here in Noblesville – helping pack meals for communities facing crisis around the world. Together, hundreds of volunteers, with small hands and big hands and everything in between, packed nearly 28,000 meal packets. Each station had a simple role: rice, oats, dry vegetables, seasoning, sealing, boxing. Repetitive motions, simple ingredients, but each meal carried a deeper purpose.



POOJA THAKKAR  
Taste of Community

Every sealed packet reminded me that somewhere, beyond borders we may never cross, someone we may never meet will receive that meal in one of their darkest moments. And while they may not know our names, these meals quietly say something

powerful: *We see you. We care about you. You matter to us.* But what stayed with me most yesterday was not just the meal packing itself. It was a story I unexpectedly became part of.

One of the IDES employees, Ryan Naylor, was wearing a bright Hawaiian shirt – something that stood out on an ordinary Wednesday in Indiana. I complimented him on it, casually mentioning how fun it felt for the middle of the week.

That simple observation opened the door to a story that immediately gave me goosebumps.

Ryan shared that the Hawaiian shirt has become his way of honoring his daughter, Anna, who passed away last year. Before her passing, Anna and Ryan spent years doing meal packing events together at churches and service projects across Michigan and neighboring states. It became their daddy-daughter tradition – family time centered around serving others. Somewhere along the way, Hawaiian shirts became



Photo provided

their inside joke.

After losing Anna, Ryan made a promise to wear a Hawaiian shirt every Wednesday to keep her memory alive. Over time, coworkers, friends, and community members who know the story quietly joined in, wearing Hawaiian shirts alongside him.

A few hours later, another volunteer arrived – a disabled gentleman, proudly wearing his own Hawaiian shirt, making sure Ryan knew he was standing beside him in remembrance of Anna.

And in that moment, I saw community at its purest form.

Sometimes supporting someone grieving is not about grand gestures. Sometimes it is simply wearing a shirt. Standing together. Silently carrying someone else's memory with them.

My youngest daughter was deeply moved by Ryan's story. She insisted on returning the very next day, determined to pack even more meals than before. Somehow, daughter to daughter, she connected with Anna's story.

And it felt familiar to me, too. As a daughter myself, I think of my father living oceans away in India. Every time I see the solid black shirts he loved wearing for every occasion, I feel our connection continuing forward.

SERVE Week reminds us that while we come to serve others, sometimes the greatest gift is discovering the beautiful human stories we carry home with us.

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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**Ruby Frances Cook**

March 15, 1924 – February 9, 2026

Ruby Frances Cook passed away peacefully at home on February 9, 2026, surrounded by family.



Ruby was a life-long resident of Indiana, born March 15, 1924, in Bloomington to Fred F. Shipley and W. Ellen Hayes. She later relocated to Hamilton County where she married John A. Cook.

Ruby received her RN degree from Indianapolis City Hospital School of Nursing class of 1947. She proceeded to practice her nursing skills in various capacities: as a surgical nurse at Indianapolis General Hospital, as the school nurse for the Hamilton Heights School District, and as a home health nurse for local families. During this time, she was a devoted wife and mother to five daughters.

Upon retirement, Ruby and her husband moved to Ponte Vedra Beach, Fla., where they personally constructed their retirement home, a log home located in the woods surrounded by nature and wildlife. Ruby was an avid reader, passionate gardener, collector of all things primitive and antique, and admirer of all God's creatures large and small.

Ruby is survived by four daughters, Caren McKinney, Rebecca Allen, Deborah Goode, and Judith LeBlanc, along with many grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Preceding her is her husband of 70 years, John A. Cook; daughter, Sandra Mundy; and brother, F. Eugene "Buck" Shipley. Ruby is laid to rest alongside her husband at Ponte Vedra Valley Cemetery.

**Linda Sue O'Cain**

d. June 18, 2026

Linda Sue O'Cain, 78, Noblesville, passed away peacefully on June 18, 2026. Upon her passing, she was able to leave the burden of Alzheimer's and dementia behind and reunite with so many loved ones whom she missed dearly.



Born in Princeton, Mo., in 1948 to parents JD and Gwendolyn Rumph, Linda fondly recalled living on the farm, where she learned the value of hard work and putting family first. When her family moved to Southern California during her youth, Linda capitalized on her extroverted personality, amassing activities and friends that fed her desire for personal connection.

Linda loved people, and people loved Linda. She was known for her "gift of gab," her contagious laugh, her perpetual optimism, and her kindness to all. She was a hugger, and she truly never met a stranger.

Throughout her life, Linda was a dedicated daughter, sister, mother, wife, grandma, friend, and savvy business owner. At her core, she was a caretaker. She never said "no" to requests for help, and she showed up just when you needed her. Her aim was always to lift burdens and spirits at the same time.

Linda loved spending time with family, watching her two grandsons' sporting events, listening to music (and singing along), watching movies (especially comedies), and shopping for just about anything. She had an impeccable sense of style, whether it be her wardrobe (especially shoes and purses), home decor, or the gifts she was constantly giving to others. She was always on a quest to find things with "pizzazz"!

Linda is survived by her daughter, Melinda Stephan (Scott); two grandsons, Isaac Stephan and Lucas Stephan; her sister, Cheryl McDearmon; sister-in-law, Elene Rumph; and a loving extended family of nieces and nephews, step-children and step-grandchildren, in-laws, and so many friends that are family.

She was preceded in death by her parents, JD and Gwen Rumph; an infant brother, Jay Dwight Rumph; her brother, Jeffrey Rumph; and so many extended family and long-time friends with whom we are certain she is laughing, reconnecting, and reminiscing, now that her memory has been restored and her heavenly body made new.

We would like to share our special appreciation for Anchor of Hope Hospice and White Oaks at Heritage Woods Memory Care staff for their dedication to caring for Linda over the past year, for they provided the connection and support that she always strove to provide to others.

Details regarding a memorial service will be shared at a later date. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made in Linda's name to the Alzheimer's Association, 50 E. 91st St., Suite 100, Indianapolis, IN 46240 (alz.org/indiana).

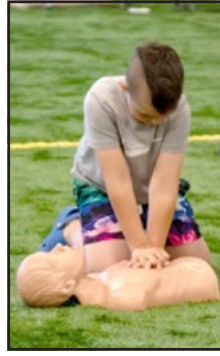
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# Carmel Fire & Dads team up to make learning fun

By **RENEE BUTTS**  
Carmel Fire Department  
Public Education Officer

The Carmel Fire Department recently held its annual Firefighter For A Day Camp (FF4DC). Since its inception in 2013, FF4DC has become a beloved summer tradition in our community, with registration filling up in less than an hour each year.

Since moving to the Dads' Club Aletto Fieldhouse in 2023, the camp has found an ideal home. Throughout the day, campers rotate through six interactive stations where firefighters, Hamilton County dispatchers and volunteers teach them about fire safety, emergency response and the physical demands of the job. Through hands on activities, the children get a firsthand look at the strength, teamwork, and endurance required to serve as a firefighter – all while having fun along-



Photos provided by Carmel Fire Department

The Carmel Dads' Club Aletto Fieldhouse is the perfect place for Carmel Fire Department's annual Firefighter For A Day Camp. Thanks, Dads!

side the men and women who protect our community.

Campers also enjoy an equipment parade, partake in a tasty lunch before wrapping up the event

with an exciting waterball tournament that ends the day with plenty of friendly competition and laughter.

The camp remains free for all participants thanks to the generous support of Carmel Clay Township and our food sponsors: Chick-

Fil-A, Market District, and Texas Roadhouse.

A special thank you goes to the many volunteers who help make this event possible. We truly couldn't do it without their dedication, support, and enthusiasm.

## Some of the best family memories happen under a sky full of fireworks

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Join Good Samaritan Network "Up On The Roof" this July 4 for a patriotic night to remember Enjoy the best view anywhere from on top the Noblesville Parking Garage at 225 N. 9th St.

This Independence Day, gather your family, load up the car, and experience a July 4 celebration unlike any other. Imagine watching fireworks burst across the horizon while sharing laughter, snacks, photos, and unforgettable moments with the people you love most.

Only one vehicle ticket (donation-based) needed per

car, up to eight people max. (Optional "snack/food" ticket available.)

Advance online registration is required by 8 p.m. Friday, July 3 at [tinyurl.com/UpOnTheRoof2026](http://tinyurl.com/UpOnTheRoof2026).

Garage entry starts: 8:30 p.m., with the fireworks at dark. Everything will end by 11 p.m.

Your participation helps strengthen Good Samaritan Network's ability to serve vulnerable neighbors, making your July 4 celebration both memorable and meaningful.

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**Karl E. Muszar Jr.**

**July 13, 1931 – June 22, 2026**

Karl E. Muszar, Jr., 94, Indianapolis, was called to his heavenly home June 22, 2026. He was born July 13, 1931, in Indianapolis to Karl E. Muszar, Sr. and Golda Lucille (Martin) Jones.

Karl was a 1949 graduate of Howe High School. He then enlisted in the U.S. Air Force where he served until 1955. Following his military service, he attended Purdue University and in 1958 earned a B.S. in Metallurgical Engineering. Karl worked for Allison Aircraft until 1975 at which time he started his own consulting business, Metallurgical Engineering of Indiana, Inc. Karl enjoyed photography and hiking in the mountains of Colorado. He served as a board member of Heritage Christian School from 1971 to 2001.

In addition to his parents, Karl was preceded in death by his beloved wife, Barbara J. (Fouk) Muszar; sister, Boni Kennelly, and stepbrother, Wesley Jones.

Survivors include his daughter, Michelle (Mark) Anderson; son, Jeffrey Muszar; granddaughter, Brittany (Alex) Winfield; great-grandchildren, Krystian Hall, Czarina Green, Mikhail, and Odessa Winfield; and many nieces and nephews.

Family and friends gathered for visitation and the funeral service on Saturday, June 27, 2026, at Colonial Hills Baptist Church, of which he was an active member.

Burial will follow in Union Chapel Cemetery. In memory of Karl, contributions may be directed to Colonial Hills Baptist Church-Missions, 8140 Union Chapel Road, Indianapolis, IN 46240. Envelopes will be available at the church.

Bussell Family Funerals is privileged to assist the family in arrangements. Condolences: bussellfamilyfunerals.com.

**Maxine (Good) Teter**

**October 23, 1933 – June 24, 2026**

Maxine (Good) Teter, 92, Carmel, passed away June 24, 2026. She was born October 23, 1933, in Clermont, Ind., and graduated from Brownsburg High School. She and Floyd Teter were married and started their new life together in Carmel in 1957, where they raised their family and built a lifetime of cherished memories.

A devoted wife, mother, grandmother and great-grandmother, Maxine dedicated her life to caring for others. While her three daughters attended College Wood Elementary school, she was an active volunteer and supporter of the school community. Throughout the years, she worked at Ayr-Way, Joe O'Malia Food Markets and Meijer before embracing one of her favorite roles – caring for her grandchildren.

Maxine and Floyd lovingly babysat all six of their grandchildren, creating countless memories. Her grandchildren fondly remember the joy, laughter, and love they experienced at Grandma and Grandpa's home. She found happiness in simple pleasures, especially cooking for those she loved and tending to her beautiful flower gardens. In later years, her greatest joys were visits from her great-grandchildren.

Maxine was preceded in death by her husband, Floyd Teter; son-in-law, Paul Buehler; siblings, Edgar Good Jr., Richard Good, Joseph Good, Doris Downing, Wayne Good, Leon Good, Laura Thomas, and her twin, Max Good; and sisters-in-law, Evelyn Baber and Bonnie Fesmire.

Survivors include daughters Linda Buehler, Nancy (Rick) McCool and Marcia (Tim) Powers; sister, Delores Marvel; sister-in-law Carolyn Fitzgerald; grandchildren, Amy (David) Sexton, Thomas O'Malia, Bryan (Courtney) Buehler, Ricky McCool, Kari (Evan) Brock, and Brianna (Nathan) Wigington; great-grandchildren, Brady O'Malia, Ryley Buehler, Reagan Brock, Olivia Sexton, Coleson Buehler, Audrey Brock, Alaina Wigington, Lucas Buehler, and Meredith Wigington; as well as many beloved nieces and nephews.

Maxine will be remembered for her kindness, dedication to family and the love she shared with everyone around her. The family would like to thank the staff at Independence Village of Carmel, Wellbrooke of Carmel, and St. Croix Hospice.

A Celebration of Life service is pending. Bussell Family Funerals is privileged to assist the family in arrangements. Condolences: bussellfamilyfunerals.com

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**Dan Schwinghammer**

**July 2, 1944 – June 17, 2026**

Dan Schwinghammer, 81, Westfield, passed away on June 17, 2026. He was born July 2, 1944, in St. Cloud, Minn., to Willard and Bernice (Henkemeyer) Schwinghammer.

He grew up on the family dairy farm and attended Crosier seminary, Onamia, Minn. He then continued his education receiving a Bachelor's degree at St. John's University, Collegeville, Minn., and his Master's degree at Spaulding University, Louisville, Ky.

Dan was married to Judy Knettel on June 10, 1967. One month after their marriage, Dan was drafted into the Army and attended U.S. Office Candidate School at Ft. Sill, Okla., and was commissioned as a 2nd Lieutenant. Immediately thereafter, he was assigned to Field Artillery Officer duty in Korea.

After his tour on active duty, Dan continued his military service with the U.S. Army Reserve for a cumulative total of 37 years and retired as a Colonel. Units that he commanded during this time period included C Battery 4/76 Field Artillery (Korea); 212th Supply and Service Battalion (Jeffersonville, Ind.); 123rd Support Group (Indianapolis); Eighth U.S. Army Augmentation Command (Korea/Indianapolis); 6035 Garrison Support Unit (Indianapolis). He also commanded Military Intelligence units that supported varied intelligence agencies.

Dan was employed by the Department of Defense for over 30 years. He served as Command Executive Officer for the Army Reserve and also as a logistics instructor for the Armor School at Ft. Knox, KY. He received the Legion of Merit for exemplary military service and also Distinguished Civilian Service Award for duty with the Department of Defense.

Dan and Judy treasured their time together and spent their retirement focusing on family. They found solace in cultivating beauty in the flower garden under Judy's guidance, enjoyed working on fitness together (especially swimming), baking sourdough bread, and cooking healthy meals. Their most precious times were interacting with their daughters and grandchildren, and great-grandchildren. The activities were varied and extensive to include hiking, board games, cribbage, Mexican train, Old Maid, wood working, and sharing time together.

He is survived by his loving wife of 60 years, and who was a loyal companion and supported him faithfully throughout his military career. He is also survived by two loving daughters, Caren (James) Roach and Kristen (Adam) Carroll; six grandchildren, Brittany (Stephen) Slaton, Brooke, Ashley, and John (Savannah) Bock, and Ally and Avery Carroll; two great-grandchildren, Sophie Bock, and Theodore Lucas; siblings, Bob (Joan), William (Cindy), Tim, Ruth (Chuck), Loren (Kari), Paul (Barb), Charles, David (Michele), Tom (Kim), Jerry (Lia), and Joan.

In addition to his parents, Dan was preceded in death by his brothers, Tom, Jim, Roger, Peter, and Johnny; sisters, Mary and Margaret.

A private family service with Military Honors will be held in Marion National Cemetery.

Bussell Family Funerals is privileged to assist the family in arrangements. Condolences: bussellfamilyfunerals.com

**Cheryl Darlene Cooper**

**January 13, 1947 – June 19, 2026**

Cheryl Darlene Cooper, 79, Atlanta, passed away unexpectedly on Friday, June 19, 2026, at Riverview Health in Noblesville. She was born on January 13, 1947, to Russell and Verna (Pratt) Cuddy in Hazard, Ky.

Darlene worked as a beautician and was a member of the Eastern Star. She enjoyed crafts, quilting, and traveling. Darlene was an avid gardener who loved collecting clothes.

She is survived by her husband, Earnest Eugene Cooper; daughters, Susan Cooper, Kim (Dickie) Small, and Lori (Steven) Millares; grandchildren, Ryan Byrd, Bethany Elliott, Kelsey (Brandon) Cline, Nicholas Small, Joshua Millares, and Robby (Jessica) Nilson; and her great-grandchildren, Maison Thomas, Paisley Cline, Jaiylah Small, Emery Cline, Raye Millares, Brooks Nilson, and Iris Small.

In addition to her parents, Darlene was preceded in death by her granddaughter, Lindsay Small; brother, Bruce Cuddy; and her sister, Peggy Day.

Visitation and services were held Friday, June 26, 2026, at Randall & Roberts Fishers Mortuary, 12010 Allisonville Road, Fishers. Burial was at Oaklawn Memorial Gardens in Indianapolis.

Memorial contributions may be made to Humane Society for Hamilton County, 10501 Hague Road, Fishers, IN 46038 (hamilton-humane.com).

Condolences: randallroberts.com

**Toni (Smith) Goodnight**

**June 27, 1949 – May 26, 2026**

Toni Goodnight, formerly of Hagerstown, Ind., died in Tucson, Ariz., the city where she lived the past several years. Toni passed away with her sister Shawn at her side, at the hospice to which Toni had been admitted a few days earlier.

Toni is survived by her husband, Gordon Goodnight, retired teacher and administrator. Survivors include sister Shawn of Green Valley, Ariz., and brothers James of Orleans, Ind., and Malcolm of Tipton, Ind.

Toni was born in Ft. Wayne, and grew up in Hagerstown, second daughter of Jerry and Jo Claire Smith. After graduating from Hagerstown High School in 1967, Toni attended Purdue University in West Lafayette, before joining the U.S. Air Force. After training as an aircraft maintenance tech, she was stationed at Dover Air Force Base in Delaware.

After her term of service, she returned to Indiana, where she helped create Hagerstown's Sesquicentennial Quilt, on display at the Hagerstown Museum. Toni always wanted to help, and donated her time and efforts to many worthy causes over the years.

She worked at Perfect Circle/Dana in Hagerstown while attending Indiana University East in Richmond, from which she received her Registered Nurse degree. She then worked at Reid Memorial Hospital in Richmond.

Toni married Bradley Beeson of Hagerstown. They lived in Brownsburg and had a son, Matthew Beeson. Matthew married the former Molly Bloom of Minnesota, and they live in Cicero, Ind., along with their eight children. Toni greatly missed her grandchildren the last few years of her life.

Before moving back to Hagerstown, Toni worked as a nurse at St. Vincent's Ascension Hospital in Indianapolis. Back in Hagerstown, Toni married Gordon Goodnight. They soon moved to Tucson, and Toni worked as a nurse at Tucson Medical Center and other facilities, before retiring. Since then, she enjoyed watching and attending Arizona Diamondbacks baseball games, caring for her dog Lucy (and husband Gordon!), as well as sewing, knitting, and quilting. Toni loved traveling, including going on ocean cruises, as well as traveling "Back Home Again in Indiana" to visit friends and relatives.

A memorial service will be held for Toni in Hagerstown later this year.

**Barbara "Bobbie" (Bailey) Sturdevant**

**December 17, 1929 – June 17, 2026**

Barbara "Bobbie" (Bailey) Sturdevant passed away at 96 years old on June 17, 2026. She was born on December 17, 1929, to Russell Warren and Anna Mildred (Goff) Bailey.

She married the love of her life, Ted W. Sturdevant, on June 8, 1948.

After Bobbie & Ted were married, they spent their lives farming until his death in 1986. They enjoyed square dancing, fishing, camping, playing euchre, and bowling with family and friends. Bobbie loved flowers, gardening, spending winters in Florida where she learned how to play shuffleboard and spent many hours beading and crafting. Most of all, Bobbie loved her family, especially her grandchildren. She spent many hours with them mushroom hunting, teaching them multiple skills, making biscuits & gravy for breakfast, and she never said no to a rowdy game of softball or having a contest of standing on her head with them.

Bobbie was a faithful servant to God and attended East Union Christian Church. She was a member of Eastern Star.

Bobbie is survived by her four girls; Mary Overdorf, Linda (Ray) Rockwell, Connie (Dan) Maynard, and Vickie (Keith) Conway along with her 14 grandchildren, Terry, Andy, Kim, Kelly, Tracey, Sandy, Mitchell, Melanie, Brad, Shelly, Melissa, Bryce, Luke, and Jenica, 37 great-grandchildren; and nine great-great-grandchildren; her brother, David Bailey; and her sisters, Carolyn and Sue Hefflemire.

She was preceded in death by her loving husband Ted, her son-in-law Rick Overdorf, her parents, her father & mother-in-law Russell & Ruth Sturdevant, her beloved Aunt Bonnie and Uncle Rollie Goff, and her sisters Patty Thomas, Becky Mendenhall, and Kay Harris.

Visitation and funeral services were held Wednesday, June 24, 2026, at East Union Christian Church, 1711 E. 296th St., Atlanta. Burial followed at Union Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers donations may be made to East Union Christian Church. Everyone is invited to sign the online guestbook, leave a condolence or share a memory at fisherfamilyfunerals.com.

**Jennifer Diane (Nevitt) Lucas**

**December 26, 1969 – June 20, 2026**

Jennifer Diane (Nevitt) Lucas, 56, Noblesville, passed away on Saturday, June 20, 2026, at Riverview Health in Noblesville. She was born on December 26, 1969, in Noblesville.

Jennifer worked as an inventory control supervisor for Owens & Minor Medical Supply for over 20 years. She attended Clarksville Christian Church. In her younger years, she enjoyed primitive camping with her parents and siblings. Jennifer loved her pets and admired things that involved the sun and moon. She loved hiking, concerts, movies, a wide variety of music and spoiled her grandchildren on a continual basis. She was always willing to help others, even in her final wishes of being an organ and tissue donor so that other's lives would be extended through her gift. Jennifer was known for her positive attitude on life and being a bright spirit with a smile that was infectious.

She is survived by her mother, Diane Nevitt; husband of 18 years, Michael Day; son, Ray (Amber) Lucas; daughter, Jessica (Roman) Lucas; grandchildren, Kadience, Hartleigh, Memphis, and Brandon; bonus grandchildren, Kaden, Brandon, Allie, Elizabeth, William, and Hayden; sister, Jeri Nevitt; as well as several aunts, uncles, and cousins.

She was preceded in death by her father, James Dale Nevitt; brother, Jeffrey Nevitt; and grandparents, Richard & Thelma (Lehr) Zeiss and Herman & Ruth (Cook) Nevitt.

A memorial service will be held at 1 p.m. Wednesday, July 8, 2026, at Clarksville Christian Church, 16600 Lehr St., Noblesville. Visitation will be from noon to the time of service at the church. After the service there will be a "Celebration of Life" on the grounds of the Church. Dress casually and bring a lawn chair and share your memories while enjoying the company of friends and food.

In lieu of flowers memorial contributions may be made to Humane Society for Hamilton County, 10501 Hague Road, Fishers, IN 46038, (hamiltonhumane.com); or Clarksville Christian Church, 16600 Lehr St., Noblesville, IN 46060; or the charity of your choice. Condolences: randallroberts.com

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# Eli Wessel wins Boys State Junior Golf Championship

**The REPORTER**

Eli Wessel played eight rounds of golf last week and was rewarded with an important Indiana title.

Wessel, a recent Guerin Catholic graduate, won the Indiana Junior Golf's Boys State Junior Championship, which took place at Purdue University's Ackerman-Alten Course. Wessel won the Friday, June 26 championship match 2&1 over Alex Cook of Boonville.

Wessel finished 10th in the two-day stroke

play portion of the event, which qualified him for the 64-golfer match play event. The first two rounds of match play took place on Wednesday, June 24; Wessel began with a 6&5 victory over Luke Leaman of Indianapolis, then beat Brody Colburn of Fishers 6&5 in the second round.

On Thursday, June 25, Wessel picked up a 6&4 Round of 16 victory over Carmel's Patrick Wolf. That advanced Wessel to the quarterfinals, where he

defeated Fort Wayne's Caden Baker 4&2.

Wessel won his semi-final match 2&1 against Roanoke's Landon Snyder before taking the championship match.

On Thursday, June 25, Wessel was named the 2026 Mr. Golf by the Indiana High School Golf Coaches Association.

Hamilton County had a sizable presence at the tournament, with 18 players qualifying for match play.

Noblesville's Tyler

Marucci reached the semi-finals. The recent Millers graduate beat Ladoga's Austin Foley 5&3 in the first round, then got past Fishers' Zach Kinzer 1 Up in the second round.

Marucci had a tough match in the Round of 16, edging past Elkhart's Benjamin Divido in 20 holes. Marucci punched his ticket to the semis with a 4&3 quarterfinal victory over Gas City's Landon Tropf. In the semifinals, Marucci fell to Cook 3&2.

*Men's Basketball*



Photo provided

Westfield's Braden Smith is officially a member of the NBA. Smith was selected 38th by the Chicago Bulls, who traded him to the Indiana Pacers. Smith is seen embracing Shamrocks coach Shane Sumpter.

*Baseball State Championship*



Photo by Joshua Herd

The Guerin Catholic baseball team leaps over the dugout after the Golden Eagles clinched the IHSAA Class 3A state championship Friday, June 19 at Victory Field.

## 'The guys kept me going every day' Coach Dave Schrage reflects on Golden Eagles win

By RICHARD TORRES  
For The Reporter

**INDIANAPOLIS** — Dave Schrage had no idea if Guerin Catholic would hire him when he applied two years ago.

As a collegiate baseball coach of nearly 40 years, the veteran skipper with stints at Butler, South Dakota State and Notre Dame, among others, wasn't worried about his job experience.

His health was most concerning.

"I interviewed for the job and had a heart attack a week after, so I was in the hospital," Schrage explained. "I told [principal] Ryan Davis, I don't know how this affects my candidacy, but I'm about to go in for heart surgery, and I didn't hear from him."

Diagnosed with a blockage that required heart surgery, Schrage initially believed the Golden Eagles' position and perhaps his time in the sport he's coached since the 1980s were over.

Then, a week after surgery, he got a call from both Guerin Catholic for a follow-up and toward some-

thing bigger than any career opportunity.

"I coached for 38 years in college, retired, and I thought I was done," Schrage said. "I live five minutes from Guerin, and when I interviewed, the principal said, 'Hey, I don't care if we win a game, but if our kids don't know how to get to heaven when they leave, you're not doing your job, and I said, 'Well, I'm the man for the job then.'"

On Friday, June 19 inside Victory Field, Schrage achieved his goals, as his Golden Eagles hoisted their first-ever baseball state championship trophy in program history.

A calming presence in the dugout and between the lines, Schrage inspired his players through faith and a litany of hardball knowledge, which led to a historic 9-3 victory against defending Class 3A state champion Andean in Indianapolis.

"I just felt like I was meant to be at Guerin for a reason," Schrage said. "I had two stents put in ... I didn't think I was getting the job at all, so when I did, I was like, OK, there's a reason I'm getting this. I



Photo by Joshua Herd

Guerin Catholic coach Dave Schrage accepts congratulations after the Golden Eagles' victory.

remember our first practice, thinking to myself, 'Wow. We're good. We got some talent.'"

The team's talent shined with a 28-3-1 finish as state champions, only one season after Guerin won its first-ever sectional title in 2025.

"I don't know how many years he's been coaching. I'm sure it's been 40-plus years now, but the way he coached us, so calm and relaxed. He knew that we had a group of veterans

on our team," GC senior third baseman Nolan Ratliff said. "What we needed was a calm, collected coach that let us have confidence, that believed in us."

All Schrage needed was a call.

"The guys kept me going every day," Schrage said. "Makes you have something to get up for every day, to be around these kids and try to mold them. They're great kids."

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## Smith selected in NBA Draft, will join the Pacers

By RICHIE HALL  
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Westfield's Braden Smith is headed to the NBA, and he will join his hometown team.

The Shamrocks and Purdue University star was selected 38th in the NBA Draft's second round on Thursday, June 25 by the Chicago Bulls, who then traded Smith to the Indiana Pacers. ESPN's Shams Charania reported that the Pacers traded "Kam Jones, future swaps and cash" for Smith.

Smith will see a familiar face at the Pacers: the

team's general manager is Chad Buchanan, father of Westfield graduate Trey Buchanan. Smith and Trey Buchanan were teammates for the Shamrocks' historic 2022 sectional championship, the first one ever for Westfield boys basketball.

"We have a connection with the Buchanans," said Shane Sumpter, who coached Smith at Westfield. "Chad Buchanan has watched Braden play from a young age. It's just awesome for everybody, awesome for the Westfield community."

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Noah Maurer / File photo

Carmel graduate Peter Suder has signed a two-way contract with the Los Angeles Lakers. Suder helped the Greyhounds win two state championships and was part of a Miami (Ohio) team that clinched an unbeaten regular season.

## Carmel's Suder signs with Lakers

**The REPORTER**

Peter Suder will soon be singing "I Love L.A."

The Carmel star agreed to a two-way contract with the Los Angeles Lakers, with the news breaking shortly before midnight Wednesday night, June 24. Reporter Michael Scotto of HoopsHype posted the news at 11:35 p.m., minutes after the second round of the NBA Draft had finished.

Suder has been a winner since his freshman year for the Greyhounds, the team he helped win a pair of state championships (2019 and 2021) and another sectional title in 2020 before the Covid pandemic halted the state tournament. He was an

Indiana All-Star in 2022.

Suder played his first two years of college basketball at Bellarmine, averaging around 10 points and 4.3 rebounds per game. He transferred to Miami (Ohio) for his final two seasons; during his senior year, Suder was part of the Redhawks' team that went 31-0 in the regular season and won a First Four game in the NCAA tournament.

Suder averaged 12.3 points per game during his college career, including a 14.8 average for his senior year at Miami, the same year he won the Mid-American Conference (MAC) Player of the Year award.

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## HSE's Julie Alano inducted into Hall of Fame

### The REPORTER

Hamilton Southeastern girls track & field coach Julie Alano has been inducted into the Indiana Track & Field and Cross Country Hall of Fame as a member of the Class of 2026.

The annual Hall of Fame Ceremony recognizes and preserves the most outstanding performances, record-breaking achievements, and exceptional accomplishments of the selected Indiana athletes and coaches from across the state.

Alano has been the Royals' head coach since 2006. Since she began, Southeastern has won 13 sectional championships, 10 regional titles and seven top-five finishes at the IHSAA state meet. The Royals won the state championship in 2018 and were state runners-up in 2017 and 2025.

Many of Alano's relay teams have placed high in postseason national meets. In 2025, her Sprint Medley and Mixed 1,600 relay won the Nike Outdoor Nationals in Eugene, Ore.

Alano also coached the cross country team for seven years with seven IHSAA sectional wins and six semi-state appearances. She has

served the IATCCC since 2001 in several areas — president, secretary for 15 years and director of the annual coaching clinic eight years.



Alano

HSE Athletics said in a news release on its website that Alano has helped shape and develop "the women of HSE Track & Field and Indiana track & field as a whole through her leadership, dedication, and commitment to student-athletes, families and coaches."

"We are proud to celebrate Coach Alano as a member of the 2026 Indiana Track & Field and Cross Country Hall of Fame Class!"

### State champions

During Julie Alano's tenure as Hamilton Southeastern head coach, the Royals have won 10 individual state championships. They are listed here.

2009: Portia Bailey, 100 hurdles; Paige Smith, discus.

2017: 4x100 relay (Olivia Burgess, Tierra Sydnor, Mia Mackenzie, Camille Christopher); Kennedy Drish, pole vault.

2018: 4x400 relay (Olivia Burgess, Mya Hammons, Annice McFarland, Tierra Sydnor); Kennedy Drish, pole vault.

2019: Kennedy Drish, pole vault.

2025: 4x400 relay (Addison Smith, Chloe Senefeld, Ciara Kepner, Anissa Lammie).

2026: Anissa Lammie, 400 dash; 4x400 relay (Cianna Cunningham, Anissa Lammie, Kaleah McCarter, Chloe Senefeld).

## SCHRAGE

### Top Ten Performance

Tate Troxell had no words.

Once Guerin Catholic's senior ace stepped onto the mound inside Victory Field, the Alabama recruit admittedly felt the magnitude: the MiLB Triple-A venue, the lively crowds, being in the IHSAA 3A state finals.

But there were no nerves. Just focus.

"This was my first time pitching here. It was crazy," Troxell said. "I can't even express how I felt, but after we got out of the first, and we were able to put those runs up early, it made me a whole lot more confident."

Troxell was dominant. The right-hander dealt 6.0 innings of four-hit baseball with 12 strikeouts and one earned run.

## SMITH

Smith was at a watch party at Crafters in Westfield, with family, friends, Sumpter and Purdue coach Matt Painter when he received the news.

"It's awesome that he's going to be an Indiana Pacer and we're all excited," said Sumpter.

Smith was named the 2022 Indiana Mr. Basketball. He went on to have a stellar career for the Boilermakers, helping them to the 2024 NCAA national championship game.

Not many college players can match Smith's numbers. He graduated Purdue as the NCAA Division I record-holder in career assists, with 1,103. Smith is the only player in NCAA Division I history to compile 1,500 career points, 1,000 assists and 500 rebounds. He was a consensus First-Team All-American in his junior and senior seasons.

## SUDER

"He's a winner," said Ryan Osborn, who coached Suder all four years at Carmel. "He's a hard worker." Osborn said that every place Suder has played, he's been a part of winning teams.

"I think every locker room, every roster could use those guys," said Osborn.

The coach said he believes Suder is in a good sit-

uation with the Lakers and that "the intangibles" are what sets Suder apart.

"He finds ways to make winning plays," said Osborn. "He always makes the right plays at the right times. He'll do whatever it takes to help teams win. He likes to compete. I think every coach sees it and really values it. He plays basketball the right way."

"That's our go-to spot usually on Saturdays. We all just hang out and have a great time," GC senior ace Tate Troxell said. "That's our catcher's house. His last name is Kail, so we call it the Kailsino."

A play on the word "casino," the team coined the house a playground to unwind with video games, food, entertainment and fun.

Everything they needed to stay loose and connected, while a cohesive senior group kept the group locked in.

"The team chemistry on this team has been great. We had a similar team last year, but when we came into this year, we knew we were go-

ing to win state," GC junior second baseman Ben Canada said. "We were really close last year, and we didn't lose any starters. So, going into this year, we were like, we're going to be No. 1."

The Kailsino played a role in Guerin Catholic's (28-3-1) forward trajectory after getting no-hit by Jasper, 5-0, in the 2025 semi-state to conclude a 19-13 season.

Their camaraderie on and off the field resulted in a 9-3 state finals victory against a storied program, Andean (31-4), which had won nine state titles in 13 appearances since 2003.

The nine runs scored against Andean at Victory Field matched the total number surrendered by the Fighting 59ers during the state tournament leading up to the state finals.

Guerin Catholic scored all nine through the first four innings. The Golden Eagles had eight hits overall — with doubles by Ratliff (2-for-3, 4 RBI) and Canada (2-for-4) and an RBI triple by senior outfielder Grant Beard (1-for-5).

Ratliff's four RBI tied a 3A state finals championship record.

"It's phenomenal. When we seniors came to this program, we had no sectionals. I believe we had one conference, but no sectionals, no regionals. We knew when we came to this program, we were going to turn it around," Ratliff said. "Our goal was to get this state championship."

**Gremelspacher earns Mental Attitude Award**

A mainstay at first base, GC senior Luke Gremelspacher made his presence known at Victory Field with his defense, and by the end of the 3A baseball state championship, he was recognized by the IHSAA.

Named the LV Phillips Mental Attitude Award recipient, Gremelspacher became the first in GC baseball history to earn the distinction.

"Winning the state championship right now is the best thing. All the seniors, we knew we were going to get it done," Gremelspacher said.

Junior Carson Kail led

drive and tagged first base to get both Tate Troxell and the Golden Eagles out of a potential jam.

"As soon as the ball was hit to me, I knew that the runner was off, so I had to get back," Gremelspacher said. "Anything to help the team out."

## Baseball State Championship

# How the "Kailsino" helped with team chemistry

### By RICHARD TORRES

For The Reporter

**INDIANAPOLIS** — Guerin Catholic made its first-ever appearance at the IHSAA baseball state finals this past weekend, but once the Golden Eagles walked onto Victory Field, they didn't look the part.

Instead, a program with only two sectional titles in its 22 years of IHSAA membership mirrored the poise most college teams would exude.

And it netted Guerin's first baseball state championship.

Undoubtedly influenced by their veteran skipper, Dave Schrage, who coached in the collegiate ranks for 38 years, the Golden Eagles' Class 3A championship mojo also stemmed from talent, and more notably, countless team cookouts, card games and pool parties.

"I think our swagger comes from team chemistry," said GC senior third baseman Nolan Ratliff. "We have a house that we call the Kailsino. It's where we swim. Where we can be boys. We do all the bro things. I think the team chemistry that we built at the Kailsino was huge."

Kailsino is team-speak for junior catcher Carson Kail's house, a place the family opened to the Golden Eagles' players. A haven where baseball was a backdrop compared to being a teenager.

"That's our go-to spot usually on Saturdays. We all just hang out and have a great time," GC senior ace Tate Troxell said. "That's our catcher's house. His last name is Kail, so we call it the Kailsino."

A play on the word "casino," the team coined the house a playground to unwind with video games, food, entertainment and fun.

Everything they needed to stay loose and connected, while a cohesive senior group kept the group locked in.

"The team chemistry on this team has been great. We had a similar team last year, but when we came into this year, we knew we were go-

## HSE's Sloane May named Gatorade Indiana Girls Soccer Player of the Year

### The REPORTER

In its 41st year celebrating the nation's best high school athletes, Gatorade announced Sloane May of Hamilton Southeastern High School is the 2025-26 Gatorade Indiana Girls Soccer Player of the Year.

Gatorade Player of the Year is the top honor in high school sports, celebrating the nation's best high school athletes for their excellence in sport, academics and community. The award recognizes May as Indiana's best high school girls soccer player, and she joins an elite legacy that spans professional athletes and coaches to CEOs.

The 5-foot-8 senior midfielder and forward led the Royals to a 22-0-1 record and the Class 3A state championship this past season. May scored 15 goals and passed for 17 assists, breaking the school single-season record in the latter category in addition to the record for consecutive games of goal-involvement (19). May was named as the Indiana Soccer Coaches Association Player of the Year and the United Soccer Coaches 2025 National Player of the Year.

May has volunteered locally with the U.S. Youth Soccer TOPSoccer program, serving young athletes with physical and intellectual challenges. A

member of the National Honor Society, she's also donated her time in association with her church group.

"What impressed me the most about Sloane was how she set her teammates up for success," said Harold Spooner, head coach of Fishers High School. "She was more than capable of taking over games by scoring herself and she showed that throughout her high school career, but what made her an elite player was how she did all the little things to make her teammates better. The way she could dictate the terms of a game through her distribution and (ball-holding) play set her apart from other high school players who put up impressive goal scoring stats like she did. Her impact was more than just the counting stats, it was the control she took over the game."

May has maintained a 3.45 grade-point average in the classroom. She has committed to play soccer on scholarship at Indiana University this fall.

The Gatorade Player of the Year program annually recognizes one state winner from each of the 50 states and Washington D.C., in 12 different sports: football, girls volleyball, boys and girls cross country, boys and girls basketball, baseball, softball, boys and girls soc-

cer, and boys and girls track & field. In total, 610 high school athletes are honored each year. From the pool of state winners, one national winner is selected in each of the 12 sports. The selection process is administered by the Gatorade Player of the Year Selection Committee, which leverages experts including coaches, scouts, media and others as sources to help evaluate and determine the winners in each sport.

As part of Gatorade's

commitment to breaking down barriers in sport, every Player of the Year also receives a grant to donate to a social impact partner. To date, the Gatorade Player of the Year program has provided more than \$6.4 million in grants to winners across more than 2,200 organizations.

To learn more about the Gatorade Player of the Year program, check out past winners or to nominate student-athletes, visit [playtheforyear.gatorade.com](http://playtheforyear.gatorade.com).

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## The Guerin Catholic season by the numbers

### By RICHIE HALL

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### INDIANAPOLIS

— Guerin Catholic was already firmly in control of the Class 3A baseball state championship game, leading Andean 6-1 after three innings.

But just to be sure, Nolan Ratcliff stepped up in the top of the fourth.

With two outs and the bases loaded, Ratcliff smacked a double that landed just fair down the left field line. Three runs scored for the Golden Eagles, increasing their lead to 9-1.

Ratliff already had one RBI to his credit: he was hit by a pitch with the bases loaded in the third inning. As a result, the George Mason commit finished the game with four RBIs, tying a record in a Class 3A state championship game.

Ratliff now shares the record with Jasper's Brad Eckerle (1998) and Crawfordsville's Chris Minks (2011). Jasper's Matt Mauk (1996) and Carmel's Aaron Piening (1997) both drove in four runs at state during the single-class era.

### Five over .300

As a team, the Golden Eagles totaled eight hits in the title game. Guerin Catholic made consistent hitting its trademark throughout its 28-3-1 season, with five GC players batting over .300 for the year.

"Just knowing that one through nine can hit is a huge confidence boost," said Ratcliff.

Junior Carson Kail led

drive and tagged first base to get both Tate Troxell and the Golden Eagles out of a potential jam.

"As soon as the ball was hit to me, I knew that the runner was off, so I had to get back," Gremelspacher said. "Anything to help the team out."

With Guerin ahead 6-1, Gremelspacher snared a line

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# Caleb comes home to coach Huskies

## Part 1: Small on coaching his alma mater: 'It's my dream job'

By **RICHIE HALL**  
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**ARCADIA** – Caleb Small was back on the Hamilton Heights football field on Wednesday, June 24, still wearing orange.

Instead of a uniform, Small was sporting an orange sweatshirt, not unlike coaches do. The 2008 Heights graduate is now the coach of the Huskies football team, and he was calling out plays to the Huskies as they held a scrimmage with Greenwood.

After nearly two decades, Small is back where he wants to be. After the scrimmage, Small spoke with The Reporter and said that coaching for his alma mater is "my dream job."

"Having the opportunity to come back, in a place that you already have pride in and seeing some familiar faces has been really good for me," said Small. "It's really lit a spark in myself personally, as much as anything."

The Huskies assistant coaches list includes

men who coached Small, were coached by Small, or played for Heights. That list includes Gene "Smoke" Starrett, a longtime Huskies coach that Small said is one of his mentors.

"Coach Smoke has been around for a long, long time," said Small. "For him to be able to put orange back on has been really cool for me."

Another assistant is Luke Melloh a Noblesville graduate that Small coached when he was on the Millers' staff.

"My first quarterback I'd ever coached was Luke," said Small.

Jesse Brown played for the Huskies, graduating in 2017 – "a little bit younger than me, but he's an alum," said Small.

"We've got five or six alum on staff, which is huge," said Small.

Adam Hughes, the Huskies' head baseball coach, is another alumnus and is the football team's co-offensive coordinator.

"He's been very, very selfless into his role as

an offensive coordinator the last three years," said Small. "He's kind of taken a step back, but he's also been in a leadership role that's been really good for me in that I can really focus my time in coaching the quarterbacks. I feel good that everything else is getting done on the other side, and that's a good feeling."

### Solid track record

Small was a three-sport athlete for the Huskies, playing football, basketball and baseball. After graduating from Heights, Small played football and baseball for Marian University; he was part of the Knights' 2012 national champion NAIA football team.

Once in the coaching ranks, Small put together a solid track record of success. He was an assistant football and baseball coach at Noblesville and was part of the staff on the Millers' 2014 state champion team.

Small assisted under Jason Simmons at Noblesville, then followed Simmons to Ben Davis after he became

the head coach in 2018. The Giants won three consecutive Class 6A regional championships during the tenure of Simmons and Small.

Small got his first head coaching job in 2024 at Northwestern, helping the Tigers to improve a 3-7 record the previous season to a 9-2 mark in 2024. Small coached at Kokomo in the 2025 season before he came to Hamilton Heights in February of this year.

Small was welcomed with open arms. He credited administration – superintendent Dr. Derek Arrowood, Heights principal Whitney Gray and assistant principal Mitch Street with finding a way "to allow for me to get into the building for the rest of the year."

Small said it's "been good to build the relationships with our players first and foremost," but also with the people in the building, who helped learn the lay of the land.

"I was very thankful for that opportunity," said Small.



Reporter photo by Richie Hall  
**Hamilton Heights head football coach Caleb Small (left) and Greenwood head coach Justin Boser (right) had their teams face off in a scrimmage Wednesday, June 24 at the Huskies' field. The two coaches took a moment for a picture with longtime Heights coach Gene "Smoke" Starrett, who coached them when they played at Heights. Boser graduated in 2007 and Small graduated in 2008.**

## Part 2: Accepting the challenge: 'Our duty is to raise the bar'

By **RICHIE HALL**  
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The Hamilton Heights football field that Small played on was a little bit different from the football field Small will coach on.

The Huskies' football facilities got a major upgrade a couple years ago, with a turf field and a brand-new building. When Small first saw them, he said he was "in awe."

"They did it right. Everything's beautiful," said Small. "Facilities will never be an excuse for a loss. We've got everything we need and more."

Small noted the photo of Jarrod Mason, Hamilton Heights' late, beloved principal that is seen right away while entering the team room.

"It's pretty cool to see Mr. Mason's face as you

walk into the team room, knowing that he loves Husky football, not just Husky football, but Hamilton Heights in general," said Small. "It's just a good reminder that there's a lot of special people that have been a part of this program. Our duty is to keep that rolling and to raise the bar of the program as they would expect."

### Selflessness & toughness

Small said that the men he was coached by and worked for – Steve Stirn, Chuck Reeves, Gene "Smoke" Starrett and Jason Simmons – taught him and his teammates about how to be selfless. That's something Small has already been talking about with his players.

"They taught us how to be selfless and to care about our teammates and

invest into our teammates as much or more than ourselves," said Small.

Those same coaches also taught toughness – in both body and mind.

"This is the message I gave our kids yesterday," said Small. "When we got good, we were founded on toughness. And not just physical toughness and getting up and playing the next play, but more of our mental toughness, and being able to deal with adversity and those types of things. Coaches put us through that. And in due time, it was good for us. We felt like games were easier than practice at times."

During the Huskies' scrimmage with Greenwood on Wednesday, there was a game-like feel to a lot of the plays. While the setting was informal, there was quite a bit of intensity

when it came to each play.

"I challenge our coaches to make it as game-like as possible every time we step on the field, whether we're in pads or not," said Small. "We want to create an intensity in a way that is positive, but also where it slows the game down when they get to a Friday night. If we're intense and we coach with a passion and a purpose every single rep, pre-snap and post-snap, it gives ourselves a chance to coach our kids at a high level and for them to have to respond to that, too."

There was celebrating if a player made his way to the end zone. That's fine with Small, who said he wants the team to "celebrate all successes," saying it helps with camaraderie and keeping people engaged.

"Yeah, it's just practice," said Small. "But for us, again, we're trying to treat it like a game, right? So, when we score, we want to be happy about it, because it's hard to score a touchdown in high school football. It really is. It's a hard thing to do, and so all those times that they're

getting nitpicked and coached hard, that's what we do it for. We do it to have fun and have success and we call it party in the end zone."

Heights is starting a two-week moratorium this weekend, so the Huskies won't be back on the field until July. Once the Heights players are back, things get serious: Small said the practices aren't going to be "as fun as it's been in June, but we're going to get in shape so we can go play fast and at our highest level when we get to August."

### Boys Golf

## Wessel named to IHSGCA Academic All-State team

### The REPORTER

Guerin Catholic graduate Eli Wessel has been named to the Indiana High School Golf Coaches Association's Academic All-State team, it was announced on Tuesday, June 23.

Wessel was part of the Golden Eagles' third-place team finish at the state meet last week and also was the individual runner-up. Wes-

sel has committed to the University of Cincinnati.

Two Noblesville golfers were named to the IHSGCA's Honorable Mention Academic All-State: Jackson Mahan and Dustin Turpin.

Academic All-State is awarded to seniors with a minimum 3.5 grade-point average and SAT score of 1100. Golfers must have competed in their section-

al tournament and at least half of their team's varsity events during the season.

In another important award, Noblesville's Gary Deakyne was named the 2026 Boys Golf Coach of the Year for Region 4 (Yorktown). Deakyne coached the Millers to a sectional championship and regional runner-up finish, qualifying Noblesville to state for the fifth consecutive year.



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**CITY OF FISHERS  
 FISHERS BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS  
 NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING  
 CASE VA-26-6**

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**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that a public hearing will be held by the FISHERS BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS at **6:00 PM on Wednesday, July 22, 2026 at Fishers Municipal Center, FMC Municipal Theater, 1 Municipal Drive, Fishers, IN 46038.**

**REQUEST:** At that hearing, the public will be invited to offer comments on the following request ("Proposal"): Case # VA-26-6 - Consideration of a Development Standards Variance from Section 6.2.2.C.2. to allow an accessory structure side setback reduction from ten feet (10') to two feet (2').  
**LOCATION:** 8827 LINDSEY CT, FISHERS, IN 46038  
 The case file about this project is available for public review in the office of the Community and Economic Development, located at Fishers Municipal Center, 1 Municipal Drive, Fishers, IN 46038. The meeting agenda with room location details and case related information will be posted on the City's website forty-eight (48) hours in advance of the meeting specified above. If you have specific questions or want to provide written contacts to the case planner directly, please contact:  
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 Petitioner: Maureen & Ethan Harmeyer  
 R8173 6/29/26

**— NOBLESVILLE —**

**PUBLIC NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNERS  
 WITHIN AND NEAR THE CITY OF NOBLESVILLE, INDIANA  
 Bending Branch Planned Development  
 Super-Voluntary Annexation**

At its June 23, 2026 meeting, the City of Noblesville, Indiana adopted Ordinance No. 21-05-26, which annexes into Noblesville approximately 163 acres of land generally known as the 4800 – 5200 block of East 191st Street, North Side and known as "Bending Branch Planned Development". A copy of the Ordinance, with its attachments, is also available for review at the Noblesville City Hall, Planning & Development Department, 16 South 10th Street, Noblesville, Indiana 46060. The Ordinance (without attachments) is as follows:  
**ORDINANCE NO. 21-05-26  
 AN ORDINANCE ANNEXING CERTAIN TERRITORY TO THE CITY OF NOBLESVILLE, HAMILTON COUNTY, INDIANA  
 4800 - 5200 Block of E. 191 st Street, North Side  
 Bending Branch Planned Development  
 Super-Voluntary Annexation**

WHEREAS, the City of Noblesville, Hamilton County, Indiana received a petition requesting that certain territory generally located in the 4800 - 5200 block of E. 191 st Street, North Side and known as "Bending Branch Planned Development" as herein after described ("Annexation Territory") be annexed by the City of Noblesville (the "City"), Hamilton County, Indiana; and  
 WHEREAS, the petition has been signed by the owners (i.e. 100%) of the property within the "Annexation Territory"; and  
 WHEREAS, in accordance with Indiana Code §36-4-3-5. I(e), on or around June 9, 2026, the Common Council held a duly noticed public hearing regarding the "Annexation Territory"; and  
 WHEREAS, in accordance with Indiana Code §36-4-3-1.5, the Common Council has determined that the "Annexation Territory" is contiguous by at least one-eight (1/8) of the aggregate external boundaries of the "Annexation Territory" and coincides with the boundaries of the "City".  
 WHEREAS, the written fiscal plan and defined policy adopted by resolution provides for the provision of services of a non-capital nature including police protection, fire protection, street and road maintenance and other non-capital services normally provided within the corporate boundaries of the "City" to the "Annexation Territory" within one year after the effective date of this annexation in a manner equivalent in standard and scope to those non-capital services provided to areas within the current corporate boundaries, regardless of similar topography, patterns of land use, and population density; and  
 WHEREAS, the written fiscal plan and defined policy adopted by resolution provides for the provision of services of a capital nature including but not limited to street construction, sewer facilities, and storm water drainage facilities to the "Annexation Territory" within three (3) years after the effective date of this annexation in a manner equivalent in standard and scope to those non-capital services provided to areas within the current corporate boundaries, regardless of similar topography, patterns of land use, and population density; and in a manner consistent with federal, state, and local laws, procedures, and planning criteria; and  
 WHEREAS, the Common Council now desires to annex the "Annexation Territory" generally known as "4800 - 5200 block of E. 191 51 Street, North Side (Bending Branch Planned Development)".  
 NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED by the Common Council of the City of Noblesville, Hamilton County, Indiana as follows:  
**Section 1. Continuity.** The petition requesting a "super-voluntary annexation" for the "Annexation Territory", further described in **Exhibit A** (Legal Description) attached hereto and incorporated herein and graphically depicted in **Exhibit B** (Graphic Representation) attached hereto and incorporated herein.  
**Section 2. Annexation Territory.** The real estate containing approximately 163 acres, more or less and legally described in **Exhibit A** (Legal Description) and graphically depicted in **Exhibit B** (Graphic Representation) both attached hereto and incorporated herein, and generally known as the 4800 - 5200 block of E. 191 st Street, North Side and known as "Bending Branch Planned Development", is hereby annexed to and declared to be a part of the City of Noblesville, Hamilton County, Indiana. The annexation includes all adjacent total right-of-way of public streets (Moontown Road and 191 st Street), that are not already a part of the City of Noblesville's corporate limits.  
**Section 3. Council District.** The above-described real estate is hereby assigned to City Council District 2 and shall become a part thereof immediately upon the effective date of this Ordinance subject to any later statutorily required reapportionment.  
**Section 4.** All prior ordinances or parts thereof that may be inconsistent with any provision of this Ordinance are hereby superseded. The paragraphs, sentences, words, and "Annexation Territory" of this Ordinance are separable, and it a court of competent jurisdiction thereof declares any portion of this Ordinance or the "Annexation Territory" unconstitutional, invalid, or unenforceable for any reason, such declaration shall not affect the remaining portions of the "Annexation Territory" or this Ordinance.  
**Section 5.** The effective date of this annexation shall be as soon as allowed by law following its adoption, execution, and publication as required by law.  
 All property owners within the area to be annexed have petitioned the City of Noblesville to be annexed. In the absence of an appeal under I.C. 36-4-3-15.5, this ordinance will take effect at least thirty (30) days after its publication and upon the filing required by I.C. 36-4-5-22(a). Under I.C. 36-4-3-15.5(b) only those owners who are located within one-half (1/2) mile of the territory to be annexed or a municipality located in Hamilton County may file an appeal, and any appeal must be filed not later than thirty (30) days after the publication of this ordinance.  
 R8177 6/29/26

**— FISHERS —**

**CITY OF FISHERS  
 FISHERS BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS  
 NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING  
 CASE SE-26-3**

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**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that a public hearing will be held by the FISHERS BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS at **6:00 PM on Wednesday, July 22, 2026 at Fishers Municipal Center, FMC Municipal Theater, 1 Municipal Drive, Fishers, IN 46038.**

**REQUEST:** At that hearing, the public will be invited to offer comments on the following request ("Proposal"): Case # SE-26-3 - Consideration of a Special Exception to allow for a Short-Term Rental use on a property zoned R5 - Residential.  
**LOCATION:** 13817 WABASH DR, FISHERS, IN 46038  
 The case file about this project is available for public review in the office of the Department of Planning and Zoning, located at Fishers Municipal Center, 1 Municipal Drive, Fishers, IN 46038. The meeting agenda with room location details and case related information will be posted on the City's website forty-eight (48) hours in advance of the meeting specified above. If you have specific questions or want to provide written contacts to the case planner directly, please contact:  
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 Petitioner: Jared and Angela Bloehs  
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**— FISHERS —**

**CITY OF FISHERS  
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 NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING  
 CASE VA-26-7**

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**REQUEST:** At that hearing, the public will be invited to offer comments on the following request ("Proposal"): Case # VA-26-7 - Consideration of two (2) Development Standards Variances, from Section 3.3.5.B.2a. of the City's Unified Development Ordinance (UDO) to allow a front setback of 90 feet, reduced from the required front setback of 100 feet; and from Section 3.3.5.B.2c. of the City's UDO to allow a rear setback of 20 feet, reduced from the required rear setback of 50 feet.  
**LOCATION:** 7727 LOMA CT, FISHERS, IN 46038  
 The case file about this project is available for public review in the office of the Community and Economic Development, located at Fishers Municipal Center, 1 Municipal Drive, Fishers, IN 46038. The meeting agenda with room location details and case related information will be posted on the City's website forty-eight (48) hours in advance of the meeting specified above. If you have specific questions or want to provide written contacts to the case planner directly, please contact:  
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 Petitioner: LYRLYR LLC  
 R8174 6/29/26

**— NOBLESVILLE —**

**ORDINANCE NO. 30-06-26  
 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE TRAFFIC SCHEDULE IN CHAPTER 78 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF NOBLESVILLE, INDIANA**

WITNESS THAT:  
 WHEREAS, Chapter 78 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Noblesville, Indiana, contains Schedule I and lists Speed Limits on certain streets within the City of Noblesville; and,  
 WHEREAS, Chapter 78 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Noblesville, Indiana, contains Schedule III and lists Stop & Yield Streets within the City of Noblesville; and,  
 WHEREAS, Chapter 78 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Noblesville, Indiana, contains Schedule V and lists areas that Parking Prohibited At All Times within the City of Noblesville; and,  
 WHEREAS, Chapter 78 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Noblesville, Indiana, contains Schedule VII and lists areas that Parking Time Limited within the City of Noblesville; and,  
 WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of Noblesville that Schedules I, III, V, and VII be amended as set out herein.  
 IT IS THEREBY ORDAINED by the Common Council of the City of Noblesville as follows:  
 AMEND CHAPTER 78: SCHEDULE I. SPEED LIMITS

Schedule I. Speed Limits

STREET OR PORTION THEREOF	M.P.H.	HOURS	ORD. NO.
<b>REMOVE</b>			
10th Street (Allisonville Rd.) from south corporate limits to Wellington Pkwy	50	All Times	10/2/2023
Union Chapel Rd. (Promise Rd. to 166th St.)	40	All Times	23-8-11
Mill Creek Rd (city sections between S.R. 38 and S.R. 32)	40	All Times	23-8-11
Mill Creek Rd. (S.R. 32 to 171st St.)	45	All Times	41-09-14
All trails and multi-use paths (unless otherwise posted due physical features)	15	All Times	50-10-17
<b>ADD</b>			
10th Street (Allisonville Rd.) from south corporate limits to Wellington Pkwy	45	All Times	30-06-26
Union Chapel Rd. (Promise Rd. to SR 38)	40	All Times	30-06-26
Copperleaf (All Streets)	25	All Times	30-06-26
Courtyards of Hazel Dell (All Streets)	25	All Times	30-06-26
Montelena (All Streets)	25	All Times	30-06-26
Branson Reserve (All Streets)	25	All Times	30-06-26
Finch Creek by Del Webb (All Streets)	25	All Times	30-06-26
Parkside at Finch Creek (All Streets)	25	All Times	30-06-26
Mill Creek Road (City sections from Seminole Road - 171st Street)	40	All Times	30-06-26
Mill Creek Road (171st Street - Promenade Shops Blvd)	35	All Times	30-06-26
Mill Creek Road (City sections from Promenade Shops Blvd - SR 38)	40	All Times	30-06-26
All trails and multi-use paths (unless otherwise posted due physical features)	20	All Times	30-06-26

AMEND:  
 SCHEDULE III. STOP & YIELD STREETS

Schedule III. Stop & Yield Streets

INTERSECTION	STREET THAT YIELDS OR STOPS	ORD NO.
<b>REVISE</b>		
I41st Street & Promise Road	All Yield, Roundabout	30-06-26
Whitcomb Pl. & SR #38	All Yield, Roundabout	30-06-26
S. Harbour Dr. & SR 38	Traffic Signal	30-06-26
<b>ADD</b>		
Noel Street & Castamere Drive	Noel Street Stops	30-06-26
Remy Road & Castamere Drive	Remy Road Stops	30-06-26
Boden Road & Mystic Pines Drive	Mystic Pines Drive Stops	30-06-26
Mystic Pines Drive & South Rim Drive	South Rim Drive Stops	30-06-26
Cloud Nine Drive & Mystic Pines Drive	Cloud Nine Drive Stops	30-06-26
Mystic Pines Drive & Saint Elias Way	Mystic Pines Drive Stops	30-06-26
South Rim Drive & Saint Elias Way	South Rim Drive Stops	30-06-26
Maple Glen Drive & Hazel Dell Road	Maple Glen Drive Stops	30-06-26
Maple Glen Drive & Sweet Bay Court	Sweet Bay Court Stops	30-06-26
Maple Glen Drive & Hickory Hollow Ridge	Hickory Hollow Ridge Stops	30-06-26
Maple Glen Drive & Sycamore Ridge Way	Maple Glen Drive Stops	30-06-26
Hobbsbrook Drive & Greenfield Avenue	Hobbsbrook Drive Stops	30-06-26
Branson Landing Drive & Promise Road	Branson Landing Drive Stops	30-06-26
Ozark Drive & Table Rock Drive	All Way Stop	30-06-26
Rosalee Drive & Ozark Drive	All Way Stop	30-06-26
Talking Rock Road & Rosalee Drive	Talking Rock Stops	30-06-26
Seven Springs Lane & Granite Peak Boulevard	Seven Springs Lane Stops	30-06-26
Roundtop Road & Seven Springs Lane	Roundtop Road Stops	30-06-26
Alta Road & Granite Peak Boulevard	Alta Road Stops	30-06-26
Park City Road & Seven Springs Lane	Park City Road Stops	30-06-26
Granite Peak Boulevard & Bretton Woods Way	All Way Stop	30-06-26
Granite Peak Boulevard & Sunday River Lane	All Way Stop	30-06-26
Park City Road & Sunday River Lane	Park City Road Stops	30-06-26
Park City Road & Northstar Circle	Northstar Circle Stops	30-06-26
Park City Road & Stowe Circle	Stowe Circle Stops	30-06-26
Park City Road & Telluride Lane	Telluride Lane Stops	30-06-26
E 166th Street & Rocky Canyon Boulevard	Rocky Canyon Boulevard Stops	30-06-26
Rocky Canyon Boulevard & Sierra Nevada Lane	Sierra Nevada Lane Stops	30-06-26
Rocky Canyon Boulevard & Mount Logan Road	All Way Stop	30-06-26
Rocky Canyon Boulevard & Elbert Way	Elbert Way Stops	30-06-26
Mount Logan Road & Wrangell Circle	Wrangell Circle Stops	30-06-26
Andes Land & Alps Road	Alps Road Stops	30-06-26
Mount Logan Road & Gannett Drive	Gannett Drive Stops	30-06-26
Mount Logan Road (Cul-de-Sac) & Gannett Drive	Mount Logan Road (Cul-de-Sac) Stops	30-06-26
Showdown Road & Rocky Canyon Boulevard	Rocky Canyon Boulevard Stops	30-06-26
Showdown Road & Rocky Canyon Boulevard	All Way Stop	30-06-26
Showdown Road & Himalaya Circle	Himalaya Circle Stops	30-06-26
Andes Lane & Showdown Road	Showdown Road Stops	30-06-26
SR 32 & Hague Road/Pleasant Street	All Yield, Roundabout	30-06-26

AMEND:  
 SCHEDULE V. PARKING PROHIBITED AT ALL TIMES

Schedule V. Parking Prohibited at All Times

STREET	RESTRICTED ZONE	SIDE
<b>REMOVE</b>		
South 6th Street	Conner to Maple St.	Both Sides
<b>ADD</b>		
South 6th Street	Conner Street to Maple Avenue	East Side

AMEND:  
 SCHEDULE VII. PARKING TIME LIMITED

Schedule VII. PARKING TIME LIMITED (within portion "Outside Downtown Square Parking")

STREET	RESTRICTED ZONE	Time Limit	ORD NO.
<b>ADD</b>			
Maple Avenue	9th Street - 10th Street	2 hours	30-06-26

1. The Street Department of the City of Noblesville shall post adequate signs to inform the public of these changes.  
 2. The violation of these sections shall be deemed infractions as set out in the Code of Ordinances of the City of Noblesville, Indiana.  
 Approved on this 23rd of June, 2026 by the Common Council of the City of Noblesville, Indiana:  
 AYE:  
 Mark Boice  
 Mike Davis  
 Evan Elliott  
 David M. Johnson  
 Darren Peterson  
 Pete Schwartz  
 Todd Thurston  
 Megan G. Wiles

ATTEST: Evelyn L. Lees, City Clerk

Presented by me to the Mayor of the City of Noblesville, Indiana this 24th day of June, 2026 at 8:01 A.M., Evelyn L. Lees, City Clerk  
 MAYOR'S APPROVAL:  
 Chris Jensen, Mayor 6-25-26

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**— NOBLESVILLE —**

**ORDINANCE NO. 22-05-26  
 AN ORDINANCE ANNEXING CERTAIN TERRITORY TO THE CITY OF NOBLESVILLE, HAMILTON COUNTY, INDIANA  
 18100 - 18400 block of Little Chicago Road, East Side  
 MontClaire Planned Development  
 Super-Voluntary Annexation**

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 WHEREAS, the petition has been signed by the owners (i.e. 100%) of the property within the "Annexation Territory"; and  
 WHEREAS, in accordance with Indiana Code §36-4-3-5. I(e), on or around June 9, 2026, the Common Council held a duly noticed public hearing regarding the "Annexation Territory"; and  
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 WHEREAS, the written fiscal plan and defined policy adopted by resolution provides for the provision of services of a non-capital nature including police protection, fire protection, street and road maintenance and other non-capital services normally provided within the corporate boundaries of the "City" to the "Annexation Territory" within one year after the effective date of this annexation in a manner equivalent in standard and scope to those non-capital services provided to areas within the current corporate boundaries, regardless of similar topography, patterns of land use, and population density; and  
 WHEREAS, the written fiscal plan and defined policy adopted by resolution provides for the provision of services of a capital nature including but not limited to street construction, sewer facilities, and storm water drainage facilities to the "Annexation Territory" within three (3) years after the effective date of this annexation in a manner equivalent in standard and scope to those non-capital services provided to areas within the current corporate boundaries, regardless of similar topography, patterns of land use, and population density; and in a manner consistent with federal, state, and local laws, procedures, and planning criteria; and  
 WHEREAS, the Common Council now desires to annex the "Annexation Territory" generally known as "18100 - 18400 block of Little Chicago Road, East Side (MontClaire Planned Development)".  
 NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED by the Common Council of the City of Noblesville, Hamilton County, Indiana as follows:  
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**Section 3. Council District.** The above-described real estate is hereby assigned to City Council District 2 and shall become a part thereof immediately upon the effective date of this Ordinance subject to any later statutorily required reapportionment.  
**Section 4.** All prior ordinances or parts thereof that may be inconsistent with any provision of this Ordinance are hereby superseded. The paragraphs, sentences, words, and "Annexation Territory" of this Ordinance are separable, and it a court of competent jurisdiction thereof declares any portion of this Ordinance or the "Annexation Territory" unconstitutional, invalid, or unenforceable for any reason, such declaration shall not affect the remaining portions of the "Annexation Territory" or this Ordinance.  
**Section 5.** The effective date of this annexation shall be as soon as allowed by law following its adoption, execution, and publication as required by law.  
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COURT NOTICES

STATE OF INDIANA )
COUNTY OF HAMILTON )
IN THE HAMILTON )
CIRCUIT COURT )
Cause No. 29C01-2602-MI-2652
IN RE THE MATTER OF:
Caleb Adam Fredrick
Petitioner
NOTICE OF PETITION FOR CHANGE OF NAME
Caleb Adam Fredrick, whose mailing address is: 11225 Spring Mill Rd Apt 2-105 Carmel, Indiana 46032, in the Hamilton County, Indiana, hereby gives notice that Caleb Adam Fredrick has filed a petition in the Hamilton County Circuit Court requesting that name be changed to Caleb Adam Combs.

STATE OF INDIANA )
COUNTY OF HAMILTON )
IN THE HAMILTON )
CIRCUIT COURT )
Cause No. 29C01-2602-MI-2654
IN RE THE MATTER OF:
Olivia Katherine Fredrick
Petitioner
NOTICE OF PETITION FOR CHANGE OF NAME
Olivia Katherine Fredrick, whose mailing address is: 11225 Spring Mill Rd Apt 2-105 Carmel, Indiana 46032, in the Hamilton County, Indiana, hereby gives notice that Olivia Katherine Fredrick has filed a petition in the Hamilton County Circuit Court requesting that name be changed to Olivia Katherine Combs.

STATE OF INDIANA )
COUNTY OF HAMILTON )
IN THE HAMILTON )
CIRCUIT COURT )
Cause No. 29C01-2602-MI-2649
IN RE THE MATTER OF:
Amelia-Mae June Fredrick
Name of Minor
Caleb Adam Fredrick
By Next Friend
NOTICE OF PETITION FOR CHANGE OF NAME
Notice is hereby given that, Caleb Adam Fredrick, Next Friend of minor child, self-represented, filed a Verified Petition for Change of Name on January 15, 2026 to change the name of Amelia-Mae June Fredrick to Amelia-Mae June Combs.

STATE OF INDIANA )
COUNTY OF HAMILTON )
IN THE HAMILTON )
CIRCUIT COURT )
Cause No. 29C01-2606-MI-6817
IN RE THE MATTER OF:
Siera-Marie Kay Gargiulo
Petitioner
NOTICE OF PETITION FOR CHANGE OF NAME
Siera-Marie Kay Gargiulo, whose mailing address is: 1007 Orlando Street Carmel, Indiana 46032, in the Hamilton County, Indiana, hereby gives notice that Siera-Marie Kay Gargiulo has filed a petition in the Hamilton County Circuit Court requesting that name be changed to Ara Kay Gargiulo.

NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION
In the Superior Court 2 of Hamilton County, Indiana
Cause Number
29D02-2603-EU-000133
Notice is hereby given that Leejay Williams was, on the 18th day of March 2026, appointed personal representative of the estate of Jennifer A. Jones, deceased, who died on the 17th day of November, 2023.

29D01-2606-EU-000258
S. MATTHEW COOK
Attorney for Estate
NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION
In the Superior Court No. 1 of Hamilton County, Indiana.
Notice is hereby given that Dustin T. Flick and Frankie Cheyenne Meenach were on the 12th day of June, 2026, appointed Personal Representatives of the Estate of Jonette Chere Melahn, deceased.

29D02-2606-EU-000240
Krieg DeVault LLP, Attorneys
111 Congressional Boulevard, Suite 400
Carmel, IN 46032
NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION
In the Hamilton Superior Court, Probate Division
In Re: the Estate of Dantrail Chave' Reese Sr., deceased, Estate Docket # 29D02-2606-EU-000240
Notice is hereby given that Da'Wana C. Reese was, on the 5th day of June 2026, appointed as Administrator of the Estate of Dantrail Chave' Reese Sr., deceased, who died on the 31st day of August, 2025.

29D01-2606-EU-000256
NOTICE OF UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION
In the Superior Court of Hamilton County, Indiana.
In the Matter of the Estate of Thomas Howard Miller, deceased.
Notice is hereby given that on the 11th day of June, 2026, Joshua Matthew Kikta was appointed Personal Representative of the estate of Thomas Howard Miller, deceased, who died on the 28th day of February, 2026.

29D02-2606-EU-000254
Hamilton Superior Court 2
NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION
IN THE HAMILTON COUNTY SUPERIOR/CIRCUIT COURT
In the Matter of the Estate of BARBARA A. GENNETT, Deceased
Notice is hereby given that CHERYL A. GENNARO and JEAN A. WILLMAN were on June 15, 2026 (date), appointed Co-Personal Representatives of the Estate of BARBARA A. GENNETT, deceased, who died on October 2, 2025.

29D01-2605-EU-000212
STATE OF INDIANA )
COUNTY OF HAMILTON )
IN THE HAMILTON SUPERIOR )
COURT 1 )
PROBATE DIVISION )
CAUSE NO. 29D01-2605-EU-000212
IN RE: THE UNSUPERVISED )
ESTATE OF JOANN PHILLIPS, )
Deceased. )
ORDER OF PROBATE OF WILL, )
APPOINTMENT OF PERSONAL )
REPRESENTATIVE, AND )
ISSUANCE OF LETTERS OF )
UNSUPERVISED )
ADMINISTRATION )
Comes now the Court on the Petition for Appointment of Personal Representative filed

STATE OF INDIANA )
COUNTY OF HAMILTON )
IN THE HAMILTON )
CIRCUIT COURT )
Cause No. 29C01-2606-MI-007099
IN RE THE MATTER OF:
Jessicah Dawn Walker Herche
Petitioner
NOTICE OF PETITION FOR CHANGE OF NAME
Jessicah Dawn Walker Herche, whose mailing address is: 12649 Duval Drive, Fishers, IN 46037, in the Hamilton County, Indiana, hereby gives notice that Jessicah Dawn Walker Herche has filed a petition in the Hamilton County Circuit Court requesting that name be changed to First: Jessicah Middle: Dawn Walker Last: Herche.

29D01-2606-EU-000258
S. MATTHEW COOK
Attorney for Estate
NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION
In the Superior Court No. 1 of Hamilton County, Indiana.
Notice is hereby given that Dustin T. Flick and Frankie Cheyenne Meenach were on the 12th day of June, 2026, appointed Personal Representatives of the Estate of Jonette Chere Melahn, deceased.

FISHERS

CITY OF FISHERS
CITY COUNCIL
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
CASE ANX-26-2
MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC MAY SUBMIT COMMENTS BY GOING TO: https://fishersin.gov/how-do-i/
View the list of board members at FishersIN.gov/CityCouncil
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a public hearing will be held by the City of Fishers City Council at 7:00 PM on July 20, 2026, at Fishers Municipal Center Theater, 1 Municipal Drive, Fishers, IN 46038.

CITY OF FISHERS
CITY COUNCIL
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
CASE ANX-26-3
MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC MAY SUBMIT COMMENTS BY GOING TO: https://fishersin.gov/how-do-i/
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CITY OF FISHERS
CITY COUNCIL
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
CASE ANX-25-9
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NOBLESVILLE

Notice
Pursuant to IC 4-32.3-4-13, the Fraternal Order Of Eagles #450 is publishing notice that an application for annual casino game night activities has been filed by:
Fraternal Order Of Eagles #450
1565 N. 10th St
Noblesville, IN 46060
Location of Casino Game Night Activity:
1565 N 10th St
Noblesville, IN 46060

JACKSON TOWNSHIP

Legal Notice
Plan Commission
The Cicero/Jackson Township Plan Commission will meet on July 8th, 2026, at 7:00 PM in the Cicero Town Hall, 70 North Byron Street, Cicero Indiana, 46034 in order to hear the following petition:
Docket No. PC-0626-05-AG
A Minor Subdivision application has been submitted concerning Article 5 of the Cicero/Jackson Township Subdivision Control Ordinance in order to: Subdivide a 9.25 Acre parcel into three (3) parcels of 5.55 acres, 2.00 acres and 1.71 acres.

WESTFIELD

PUBLIC NOTICE
Please be advised that the Westfield-Washington Township Advisory Plan Commission will meet at 7:00 p.m., Monday, July 6, 2026, at Westfield City Hall, 130 Penn Street, Westfield, Indiana, or in a virtual format viewable at https://www.youtube.com/user/CityofWestfieldIN, for the purposes of holding a public hearing and reviewing and acting on the following petitions:
• 2606-ZOA-03 Creation of Grand Park Zoning District (Ord. 26-32); The City of Westfield requests various text amendments to the Unified Development Ordinance generally pertaining to Chapter 2 Basic Provisions, Chapter 3 Administration, Chapter 4 Zoning Districts, Chapter 10 Processes and Procedures, and Chapter 12 Definitions.

SHERIFF SALES

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE
TO THE OWNERS OF THE WITHIN DESCRIBED REAL ESTATE AND ALL INTERESTED PARTIES
By virtue of a certified copy of a decree to me directed from the Clerk of Superior Court of Hamilton County, Indiana, in Cause No. 29D07-2602-PL-001442, wherein Plaintiff, Cottages of Stone Harbour Homeowners Association, Inc., and Defendants, Travis Ronald Brackett, Amy Kerrigan, and GVC Mortgage, Inc. d/b/a Bailey & Wood Financial Group, required me to make the sum as provided for in said Decree with interest and cost. I will expose a public sale to the highest bidder, on the 6th day of August, 2026 between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 12:00 p.m. of said day, at the Hamilton County Sheriff's Office, 18100 Cumberland Road, Noblesville, IN 46060, fee simple of the whole body of Real Estate in Hamilton County, Indiana.

TO THE OWNERS OF THE WITHIN DESCRIBED REAL ESTATE AND ALL INTERESTED PARTIES
NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE
By virtue of a certified copy of a decree to me directed from the Clerk of Superior Court of Hamilton County, Indiana, in Cause No. 29D02-2510-PL-011326, wherein The Villas at Geist Owners Association, Inc., was Plaintiff, and George Montgomery was the Defendant, required me to make the sum as provided for in said Decree with interest and cost. I will expose a public sale to the highest bidder, on the 6th day of August, 2026 between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 12:00 p.m. of said day, at the Hamilton County Sheriff's Office, 18100 Cumberland Road, Noblesville, IN 46060, fee simple of the whole body of Real Estate in Hamilton County, Indiana.

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NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE
By virtue of a certified copy of a decree to me directed from the Clerk of Circuit Court of Hamilton County, Indiana, in Cause No. 9C01-2601-MF-000131, wherein Carrington Mortgage Services, LLC was Plaintiff, and Robert J. Brozak was Defendant, required me to make the sum as provided for in said Decree with interest and cost. I will expose a public sale to the highest bidder, on the 6th day of August, 2026 between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 12:00 p.m. of said day, at the Hamilton County Sheriff's Office, 18100 Cumberland Road, Noblesville, IN 46060, fee simple of the whole body of Real Estate in Hamilton County, Indiana.

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE
By virtue of a certified copy of a decree to me directed from the Clerk of the Superior Court of Hamilton County, Indiana, in Cause No. 29D01-2404-MF-004599, wherein U.S. Bank Trust National Association, not in its individual capacity but solely as Owner Trustee for RCZF Acquisition Trust was Plaintiff, DLJ Mortgage Capital, Inc is Judgment Assignee and Edwin E. Moore, Indiana Housing and Community Development Authority, Penny D. Biddle, Norman L. Biddle and Credit Acceptance Corp. were the Defendants, requiring me to make the sum as provided for in said Decree with interest and costs, I will expose at public sale to the highest bidder, on the 6th day of August, 2026, at 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. of said day, at the 18100 Cumberland Road, Noblesville, IN 46060, the fee simple of the whole body of Real Estate in Hamilton County, Indiana.

DOYLE & FOUTTY, P.C.
41 E Washington St., Suite 400
Indianapolis, IN 46204
Jackson Township
4010 E 226th St, Cicero, IN 46034
Street Address
The Sheriff's Department does not warrant the accuracy of the street address published herein.
DOYLE & FOUTTY, P.C. IS A DEBT COLLECTOR
R8131 6/22/26, 6/29/26, 7/6/26

HAMILTON COUNTY

STATE OF INDIANA ) ) SS BEFORE THE HAMILTON COUNTY OF HAMILTON ) ) DRAINAGE BOARD IN THE MATTER OF J.S. McCarty Drain, Phase 2 Reconstruction NOTICE Notice is hereby given that the Hamilton County Drainage Board at its regular meeting June 22, 2026 adopted the reconstruction report of the Surveyor and the Amended Schedule of damages and assessments including annual assessment for periodic maintenance, finding that the costs, damages and expense of the proposed improvement would be less than the benefits which will result to the owner of lands benefited thereby. The Board issued an order declaring the proposed improvement established. Such findings and order were marked filed and are available for inspection in the Office of the Hamilton County Surveyor. If judicial review of the findings and order of the Board is not requested pursuant to Article VIII of the 1965 Indiana Drainage Code as amended within twenty (20) days from the date of publication of this notice, the findings and order shall become conclusive. HAMILTON COUNTY DRAINAGE BOARD BY: Mark Heirbrandt PRESIDENT ATTEST: Margaret Hobbs SECRETARY R8161 6/29/26

STATE OF INDIANA ) ) SS BEFORE THE HAMILTON COUNTY OF HAMILTON ) ) DRAINAGE BOARD IN THE MATTER OF Revis Carson Drain Reconstruction NOTICE Notice is hereby given that the Hamilton County Drainage Board at its regular meeting June 22, 2026 adopted the reconstruction report of the Surveyor and the Amended Schedule of damages and assessments including annual assessment for periodic maintenance, finding that the costs, damages and expense of the proposed improvement would be less than the benefits which will result to the owner of lands benefited thereby. The Board issued an order declaring the proposed improvement established. Such findings and order were marked filed and are available for inspection in the Office of the Hamilton County Surveyor. If judicial review of the findings and order of the Board is not requested pursuant to Article VIII of the 1965 Indiana Drainage Code as amended within twenty (20) days from the date of publication of this notice, the findings and order shall become conclusive. HAMILTON COUNTY DRAINAGE BOARD BY: Mark Heirbrandt PRESIDENT ATTEST: Margaret Hobbs SECRETARY R8162 6/29/26

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING AND INVITATION TO COMMENT ON THE HAMILTON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS PROPOSED FY2026 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT ACTION PLAN Hamilton County, in cooperation with the cities of Carmel, Fishers, Noblesville and Westfield, is an entitlement jurisdiction participating in the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's (HUD's) Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program. Hamilton County's CDBG program covers the unincorporated areas of the County and the cities of Carmel, Fishers, Noblesville and Westfield, collectively known as the "Urban County" for CDBG purposes. The Noblesville Housing Authority (NHA) is the administrator of the CDBG Program on behalf of the County. Hamilton County anticipates receiving approximately \$1,179,216 in funding for Program Year 2026. The Annual Action Plan identifies how these funds will be allocated for the Program Year, running from October 1, 2026 to September 30, 2027. Eligible activities for entitlement CDBG funding must meet one of the following national objectives: 1) principally benefit low- and moderate- income persons, 2) eliminate slums and blight, or 3) meet an urgent need. The types of projects and programs which may be considered for funding, subject to national objectives compliance, are summarized as follows: Acquisition and/or disposition of real property; construction and rehabilitation of publicly owned facilities; improvements to public and privately owned buildings to make them accessible to people with disabilities; infrastructure improvements including sidewalks, street, drainage, and water and sewer systems; and the rehabilitation of public or privately owned housing for low- and moderate-income households. In accordance with federal regulations governing the use of CDBG funds, a public hearing will be held Monday, July 13th, 2026, 2:00pm, at the Hamilton County Commissioner's regular meeting, in the Commissioners Courtroom at the Hamilton County Government and Judicial Center, located at 1 Hamilton Square, in Noblesville. Opportunity to comment will take place following the CDBG Program presentation. Additionally, public input is being solicited for 30 days, which will begin June 15th, 2026, and end July 15th, 2026. The deadline for written comment is 4:00pm ET on July 15th, 2026. The draft plan is available in print format for review at the Noblesville Housing Authority, 320 Kings Lane, Noblesville, IN 46060, Tuesday through Thursday from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. ET. An electronic copy can be obtained via email to michelle@gonha.org or may be viewed online from the following web addresses: www.hamiltoncounty.in.gov/1364/Community-Development-Block-Grants www.GONHA.org Citizens are encouraged to review the draft plan and submit comments at the public hearing and/or in writing to Michelle Westermeyer, CDBG Coordinator, Noblesville Housing Authority, 320 Kings Lane, Noblesville, IN 46060 or e-mail: michelle@gonha.org. If you require special accommodations to participate in this public hearing, please contact the Noblesville Housing Authority at (317) 773-5110, extension 5, at least 72 hours prior to the public hearing. R8168 6/29/26

Notice of Public Hearing of the Board of Commissioners of Hamilton County To Enter Into A Public-Private BOT Agreement Pursuant to Indiana Code 5-2-3 Notice is hereby given that the Board of Commissioners of Hamilton County, Indiana (the "Board of Commissioners"), will conduct a public hearing on July 13, 2026, at 2:00 p.m., local time, in the Commissioners' Courtroom at the Hamilton County Courthouse, located at 1 Hamilton County Square, Noblesville, Indiana, 46060, to review the proposal and agreement for the construction, equipping, operation, maintenance, and transfer to Hamilton County, Indiana (the "County"), of the Public Safety Training Center Fiber Run (collectively, the "Project") pursuant to Indiana Code 5-2-3. The purpose of the hearing is to hear the recommendation to members of the Board of Commissioners in order to make an award of a public-private agreement for the Project submitted by BerryComm. The address and telephone number of the Board of Commissioners is One Hamilton County Square, Suite 157, Noblesville, Indiana, 46060, telephone number 317-776-8493. This hearing is open to the public. The proposal for the Project and an explanation of the basis upon which the recommendation is being made are available for public inspection and copying at the office of the Board of Commissioners during regular business hours. /s/ Todd Cleverger, Auditor Hamilton County, Indiana R8170 6/29/26

NOBLESVILLE

NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNERS OF PUBLIC HEARING Plan Commission City of Noblesville, Indiana The Noblesville Plan Commission will hold a Public Hearing on applications LEGP 000087-2026 and LEGP 000088-2026 on the 20th day of July, 2026 at 6:00 PM in the City Council Chambers, City Hall Building, 16 South 10th Street, Noblesville, IN 46060. A live stream of the meeting will be available on the City's YouTube page at www.youtube.com/@CityofNoblesville. The application submitted by the City of Noblesville requests a change of zoning from I-2 (Heavy Industrial) to DT (Downtown) and approval of a Government Use Overlay on property located at 1715 Division Street and including parcels #11-11-06-02-05-001.000, #11-11-06-02-06-004.000, #11-11-06-02-06-009.000, #11-11-06-01-03-020.000, #11-11-06-01-04-018.000, and #11-11-06-01-04-020.000 in the City of Noblesville, Noblesville Township, Hamilton County, Indiana. Written suggestions or objections relative to the applications above may be filed with the Department of Planning and Development, at or before such meeting and will be heard by the Noblesville Plan Commission. Interested persons desiring to present their views, either in writing or verbally, will be given the opportunity to be heard at the above-mentioned time and place. These hearings may be continued from time to time as found necessary by the Noblesville Plan Commission. A list of each appointed officer's name, their appointing authority, and term dates is available at www.noblesville.in.gov/boards. A copy of the proposal is on file in the Department of Planning and Development located at 16 South 10th Street, Suite B140 in City Hall for examination before the meeting during business hours between 8:00 AM and 4:30 PM, Monday – Friday. Electronic copies of the proposal are also available upon request. The agenda will be updated with the "Staff Report" and exhibits approximately one week prior to the meeting date. NOBLESVILLE PLAN COMMISSION Caleb P Gutshall, Secretary R8171 6/29/26

NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNERS OF PUBLIC HEARING Plan Commission City of Noblesville, Indiana The Noblesville Plan Commission will hold a Public Hearing on application RESI 001793-2026 on the 20th day of July, 2026 at 6:00 PM in the City Council Chambers, City Hall Building, 16 South 10th Street, Noblesville, IN 46060. A live stream of the meeting will be available on the City's YouTube page at www.youtube.com/@CityofNoblesville. The application submitted by William and Sandra Lynch requests a Certificate of Authorization for the demolition of a residential accessory structure within the Downtown Protection Boundary on property located at 1523 Conner Street in Noblesville Township, Hamilton County, Indiana. Written suggestions or objections relative to the applications above may be filed with the Department of Planning and Development, at or before such meeting and will be heard by the Noblesville Plan Commission. Interested persons desiring to present their views, either in writing or verbally, will be given the opportunity to be heard at the above-mentioned time and place. These hearings may be continued from time to time as found necessary by the Noblesville Plan Commission. A list of each appointed officer's name, their appointing authority, and term dates is available at www.noblesville.in.gov/boards. A copy of the proposal is on file in the Department of Planning and Development located at 16 South 10th Street, Suite B140 in City Hall for examination before the meeting during business hours between 8:00 AM and 4:30 PM, Monday – Friday. Electronic copies of the proposal are also available upon request. The agenda will be updated with the "Staff Report" and exhibits approximately one week prior to the meeting date. NOBLESVILLE PLAN COMMISSION Caleb P Gutshall, Secretary R8172 6/29/26

COURT NOTICES

STATE OF INDIANA ) ) IN THE HAMILTON COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT COUNTY OF HAMILTON ) ) CAUSE NO. 29D01-2606-EU-000243 IN THE MATTER OF THE UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION OF THE ESTATE OF DIMITRIOS KOUKOULOMATIS, DECEASED NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION Notice is hereby given that Erin Matis was on June 2, 2026 appointed Personal Representative of the Estate of Dimitrios Koukouломатис, Deceased, who died on May 4, 2026. All persons who have claims against this estate, whether or not now due, must file the claim in the office of the clerk of this court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, or within nine (9) months after the decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred. Dated at Noblesville, Indiana, this June 2, 2026. Kathy Kraeg Williams Clerk, Hamilton County Superior Court 1 Rebecca W. Geyer, Esq. Disc. No. 21325-49 GEYER LEGAL GROUP, PC 11550 N. Meridian Street, Ste. 200 Carmel, IN 46032 317-973-4555 317-489-5195 fax rgeyer@rgeyerlaw.com R8181 6/29/26, 7/6/26

SUMMONS - SERVICE BY PUBLICATION STATE OF INDIANA ) ) IN THE HAMILTON SUPERIOR COURT 5 COUNTY OF HAMILTON ) ) JSS: CAUSE NO. 29D05-2603-MF-002863 NEWREZ LLC D/B/A SHELLPOINT MORTGAGE SERVICING, Plaintiff, vs. JEFFREY M. BLAIR, ELEMENTS FINANCIAL FEDERAL CREDIT UNION, THE HUNTINGTON NATIONAL BANK, CJAAM, LLC and BONNI H.KAWASAKI, Defendants. NOTICE OF SUIT The State of Indiana to the Defendant(s) above named, and any other person who may be concerned. You are hereby notified that you have been sued in the Court above named. The nature of the suit against you is: Complaint on Note and to Foreclose Mortgage on Real Estate Against the property commonly known as 5297 Charles Ct, Carmel, IN 46033-9157 and described as follows: Lot Number 98 in the Replat of Woodfield, Section Four, a Subdivision in Hamilton County, Indiana, as per plat thereof, recorded in Plat Book 15, pages 15-16, in the Office of the Recorder of Hamilton County, Indiana. This summons by publication is specifically directed to the following named defendant(s): Jeffrey M. Blair, Elements Financial Federal Credit Union, The Huntington National Bank and Bonni H. Kawasaki This summons by publication is specifically directed to the following named defendant(s) whose whereabouts are unknown: CJAAM, LLC If you have a claim for relief against the plaintiff arising from the same transaction or occurrence, you must assert it in your written answer or response. You must answer the Complaint in writing, by you or your attorney, within thirty (30) days after the Third Notice of Suit, and if you fail to do so a judgment by default may be entered against you for the relief demanded, by the Plaintiff. FEIWELL & HANNOY, P.C. By /s/ BARRY T BARNES BARRY T. BARNES Attorney No. 19657-49 Attorney for Plaintiff BARRY T. BARNES FEIWELL & HANNOY, P.C. 8415 Allison Pointe Blvd., Suite 400 Indianapolis, IN 46250 (317) 237-2727 NOTICE FEIWELL & HANNOY, P.C. IS A DEBT COLLECTOR. R8182 6/29/26, 7/6/26, 7/13/26

STATE OF INDIANA ) ) IN THE HAMILTON CIRCUIT/SUPERIOR COURT COUNTY OF HAMILTON ) ) CAUSE NUMBER: 29D04-2605-MF-005968 U.S. BANK TRUST NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, NOT IN ITS INDIVIDUAL CAPACITY, BUT SOLELY IN ITS CAPACITY AS TRUSTEE OF CITIGROUP MORTGAGE LOAN TRUST 2021-RP1, Plaintiff, vs. UNKNOWN HEIRS, LEGATEES, DEVISEES, EXECUTORS, ADMINISTRATORS AND ASSIGNS, IF ANY, OF SPENCER KLINE UNKNOWN OCCUPANT U.S. BANK TRUST NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, NOT INT ITS INDIVIDUAL CAPACITY BUT SOLELY AS TRUSTEE OF NRZ RECOVERY TRUST UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, DEPARTMENT OF TREASURY, INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY, INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY, INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE WATERSTONE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC. Defendants. NOTICE OF SUIT SUMMONS - SERVICE BY PUBLICATION The State of Indiana to the defendants above named, and any other person who may be concerned. You are notified that you have been sued in the Court above named. The nature of the suit against you is a foreclosure of the real estate mortgage, legally described as: Lot Numbered 49 in Brookfield, Section 2, an addition in Hamilton County, Indiana, as per plat thereof recorded as Instrument Number 9540553 in the Office of the Recorder of Hamilton County, Indiana. This property is commonly known as 12443 Springbrooke Run, Carmel, IN 46033. This summons by publication is specifically directed to the following Defendants whose addresses are known: Unknown Occupant 12443 Springbrooke Run Carmel, IN 46033 United States of America, Department of the Treasury, Internal Revenue Service Serve U.S. Attorney's Office Southern District of Indiana 10 West Market Street, Suite 2100 Indianapolis, IN 46204 United States of America, Department of the Treasury, Internal Revenue Service Serve U.S. Attorney's Office 575 North Pennsylvania Street, Suite 655 Indianapolis, IN 46204 United States of America, Department of Treasury, Internal Revenue Service Serve 2 Copies U.S. Attorney's Office 451 7th Street SW Washington, DC 20024 U.S. Bank National Association, not int its individual capacity but solely as trustee of NRZ Recovery Trust Serve Highest Officer Available 425 Walnut St. Cincinnati, OH 45202 WATERSTONE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC. Serve KIRKPATRICK MANAGEMENT COMPANY, INC., registered agent 5702 KIRKPATRICK WAY Indianapolis, IN 46220 And to the following defendant whose addresses are unknown: Unknown Heirs, Legatees, Devisees, Executors, Administrators and Assigns, if any, of Spencer Kline Unknown Address In addition to the above named Defendants being served by this summons there may be other Defendants who have an interest in this lawsuit. If you have a claim for relief against the Plaintiff arising from the same transaction or occurrence, you must assert it in your written answer. You must answer the Complaint in writing, by your attorney, on or before the 12th day of August, 2026 (the same being within thirty (30) days after the Third Notice of Suit), and if you fail to do so a judgment will be entered against you for what the Plaintiff has demanded. /s/ Matthew C. Gladwell Matthew C. Gladwell (30493-49) Christopher J. Arlinghaus (31680-15) Aaron Rodgers (28418-84) Attorney for Plaintiff Reisenfeld & Associates LLC 3962 Red Bank Road Cincinnati, OH 45227 Voice: (513) 322-7000 Facsimile: (513) 322-7099 ATTEST: Clerk of the Hamilton County Circuit/Superior Court R8183 6/29/26, 7/6/26, 7/13/26

STATE OF INDIANA ) ) IN THE HAMILTON COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT COUNTY OF HAMILTON ) ) CAUSE NO. 29C01-2606-MI-006814 IN RE THE MATTER OF: Lori Ann Crosby Petitioner NOTICE OF PETITION FOR CHANGE OF NAME Lori Ann Crosby, whose mailing address is: 10965 Towpath Ct. Fishers, IN 46040, in the Hamilton County, Indiana, hereby gives notice that Lori Ann Crosby has filed a petition in the Hamilton County Circuit Court requesting that name be changed to Lori Ann Smith. Notice is further given that the hearing will be held on said Petition on: October 23, 2026 at 10:00 a.m. Lori Ann Crosby Petitioner Date: June 12, 2026 Kathy Kraeg Williams Clerk, Hamilton County R8136 6/22/26, 6/29/26, 7/6/26

STATE OF INDIANA ) ) IN THE HAMILTON COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT COUNTY OF HAMILTON ) ) CAUSE NO. 29C01-2606-MI-6670 IN RE THE MATTER OF: Marion Judith Ryan Petitioner NOTICE OF PETITION FOR CHANGE OF NAME Marion Judith Ryan, whose mailing address is: 7242 Zanesville Road, Carmel, IN 46033, in the Hamilton County, Indiana, hereby gives notice that Marion Judith Ryan has filed a petition in the Hamilton County Circuit Court requesting that name be changed to Molly Ryan Sprigler. Notice is further given that the hearing will be held on said Petition on: October 23, 2026 at 10:00 a.m. Marion Judith Ryan Petitioner Date: June 12, 2026 Kathy Kraeg Williams Clerk, Hamilton County R8164 6/29/26, 7/6/26, 7/13/26

IN THE CIRCUIT/SUPERIOR COURT OF HAMILTON COUNTY STATE OF INDIANA Logan Newark Petitioner vs Mark Battles & Big Kids Don't Cry LLC Respondent NOTICE To: Respondent and any other person concerned. You are notified that you have been sued in the above captioned Court by the person named above as Petitioner. This summons by publication is specifically directed to Respondent, whose address is unknown. The named petitioner is represented pro se and resides at 275 South Front Street Unit 614, Columbus OH, 43215 The nature of this suit against you is Small Claims No answer or other responsive pleading is required. However, if a hearing is scheduled, and if you fail to appear at the hearing, the matter may be heard and determined in your absence. If you have a claim for relief against the Petitioner arising from the same transaction or occurrence, you must assert it in your written answer or response. Dated: JUN 05 2026 Kathy Kraeg Williams Clerk, Hamilton County 6/29/26, 7/6/26, 7/13/26

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STATE OF INDIANA ) ) IN THE HAMILTON COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT COUNTY OF HAMILTON ) ) CAUSE NO. 29C01-2606-MI-6670 IN RE THE MATTER OF: Marion Judith Ryan Petitioner NOTICE OF PETITION FOR CHANGE OF NAME Marion Judith Ryan, whose mailing address is: 7242 Zanesville Road, Carmel, IN 46033, in the Hamilton County, Indiana, hereby gives notice that Marion Judith Ryan has filed a petition in the Hamilton County Circuit Court requesting that name be changed to Molly Ryan Sprigler. Notice is further given that the hearing will be held on said Petition on: October 23, 2026 at 10:00 a.m. Marion Judith Ryan Petitioner Date: June 12, 2026 Kathy Kraeg Williams Clerk, Hamilton County R8164 6/29/26, 7/6/26, 7/13/26

CARMEL

CARMEL/CLAY BOARD OF PARKS & RECREATION NOTICE TO BIDDERS Owner: Carmel/Clay Board of Parks & Recreation 1411 East 116th Street Carmel, Indiana 46032 Project: Monon Community Center Paving Replacement Project Notice is hereby given that the Carmel/Clay Board of Parks and Recreation (the "Owner"), will receive sealed bids for the above referenced Project at the Board's Administrative Offices located at 1411 East 116th Street, Carmel Indiana 46032 on July 29, 2026 at 1:00 pm local time, and as soon as practicable thereafter on the same date, the Bids will be publicly opened and read aloud in the Conference Room of the Administrative Offices. The outside of the sealed envelope in which the Bid is enclosed, shall be clearly marked "BID - MONON COMMUNITY CENTER PAVING REPLACEMENT PROJECT", and as otherwise set forth in the Bid Documents. Any Bid received after the designated time will be returned to the Bidder unopened. A non-mandatory pre-bid conference for discussion of the Project, the bidding requirements and other important matters will be held on July 15, 2026 at 3:00 pm local time at the Administrative Offices located at 1411 East 116th Street, Carmel Indiana 46032; 2700 W 116th Street, and, weather permitting, shall conclude with a visit to the location where the Work is to be performed. Prospective bidders are encouraged, but not required, to attend the pre-bid conference. For special accommodations needed by individuals with disabilities planning to attend the pre-bid conference or public bid opening meeting, please notify Michael Krossschell at krossschellm@weihe.net or at (317) 414-7398 least forty-eight (48) hours prior thereto. In general, the Work for the Project consists of brick paver and concrete demolition, concrete paving, integral color concrete paving, and bollard installation, all as set forth in the Contract Documents for the Project which, except for those items not included due to timing, size or other factors, have been assembled into a Project Manual and includes the Bid Documents. The Project Manual and any and all full size drawings may be examined at and obtained from the office of Eastern Engineering Supply Company, 9901 Allisonville Road, Fishers, Indiana 46038; Phone: (317) 598-0661. The plan charge will be listed on the online plan room. Payment may be made by check, credit card, or cash. NO DEPOSITS ACCEPTED. Make checks payable to Eastern Engineering. All payments and costs of Contract Documents and related supplemental materials are non-refundable. Bidders shall assure that they have obtained complete sets, whether hard copy or electronic, of the Project Manual and drawings and shall assume the risk of any errors or omissions in Bids prepared in reliance on incomplete sets. Bids must be submitted on the forms in the Project Manual, must contain the names of every person or company interested therein, and shall be accompanied by:

- (1) Properly and completely executed Form 96 (revised 2013) prescribed by the Indiana State Board of Accounts which includes a financial statement, a statement of experience, a proposed plan or plans for performing the Work and the equipment the Bidder has available for the performance of the Work;
- (2) Bid Bond in the amount of ten percent (10%) of the total Bid amount, including any alternates, with a satisfactory corporate surety or by a certified check on a solvent bank in the amount of ten percent (10%) of the amount of the Bid. The Bid Bond or certified check shall be evidence of good faith that the successful Bidder will execute within ten (10) calendar days from the acceptance of the Bid, the Agreement as included in the Project Manual. The Bid Bond or certified check shall be made payable to Carmel/Clay Board of Parks & Recreation;
- (3) A Non-Collusion Affidavit complying with the requirements of Ind. Code §36-1-2-4.

Owner reserves the right to hold any or all Bids for a period of not more than sixty (60) days after the date on which the Bids are opened and, for such sixty (60) day period, all such Bids shall be in full force and effect. Any Bid may be withdrawn prior to the scheduled closing time for the receipt of Bids but no Bidder shall withdraw a Bid within the sixty (60) day period after opening of the Bids. All bid security of unsuccessful bidders will be returned by the Owner upon selection of the successful Bidder and execution of the Agreement, and provision of the required Performance Bond and Payment Bond. In the event that the total amount of the contract awarded to the successful Contractor is \$300,000 or more, the successful Contractor must be qualified under either Ind. Code §4-13.6-4 or Ind. Code §8-23-10 before doing any work on the Project. Pursuant to Ind. Code §5-22-17-6, Owner reserves the right to specify in the contract with the successful bidder one or both of the following:

- 1. Early performance of the contract will result in increased compensation;
- 2. Completion of the contract after the termination or designated completion date(s) will result in a deduction from the compensation.

A Performance Bond and Payment Bond with good and sufficient surety, acceptable to the Owner and Architect/Engineer, shall be required in an amount equal to one hundred percent (100%) of the Contract Price, conditioned upon the faithful performance of the Agreement. The surety of the Bonds may not be released until one (1) year after the Owner's final settlement with the Contractor. Retainage will be as required by Ind. Code §36-1-12 et seq. A three (3) year Maintenance Bond in an amount equal to ten percent (10%) of the Contract Price shall be required upon completion of the Project. All out-of-state entities must have a certificate of authority to do business in the State of Indiana. Application forms may be obtained by contacting the Secretary of State, State of Indiana, Statehouse, Indianapolis, Indiana 46204. Owner reserves the right to (1) cancel this solicitation pursuant to Ind. Code §5-22-18-2 and/or (2) reject any offers, in whole or in part as specified in the solicitation when Owner determines in accordance with applicable Indiana laws including but not limited to Ind. Code §36-1-12-4, that such action is in the best interests of the Owner. Owner reserves the right to delay the opening of the Bids pursuant to Ind. Code §36-1-12-4. To the extent permitted by applicable law, the Owner reserves the right to waive any of the terms, conditions or provisions contained in this Notice to Bidders or the Bid Documents or any informality, irregularity or omission in the bid process or in any Bid which waiver is deemed in the Owner's discretion to be to the advantage of the Owner and which does not afford any Bidder a material competitive advantage over other Bidders. Except as specifically otherwise provided herein and as allowed by applicable Indiana law, a contract for the Project shall be awarded in accordance with this Notice to Bidders, Ind. Code §5-16-13 et seq. and Ind. Code §36-1-12 et seq., to the lowest responsible and responsive Bidder whose bid does not exceed the funds available for the Project. The Owner shall have the right to accept any Alternates in any order or combination or accept on the basis of the Base Bid alone, unless otherwise specifically provided in the Bidding Documents and to determine the lowest responsible and responsive Bidder on the basis of the sum of the Base Bid and Alternates accepted. Questions regarding this Project should be directed to Michael Krossschell by email only at krossschellm@weihe.net. Carmel/Clay Board of Parks & Recreation Michael Klitzing, Director R8163 6/29/26, 7/6/26

NOTICE OF EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF CONTRACT FOR THE SALE OF BONDS Pursuant to IC 36-7-14.5-24, notice is hereby provided that the City of Carmel Redevelopment Authority (the "Authority") and the City of Carmel Local Public Improvement Bond Bank (the "Bond Bank") have duly executed and delivered a contract, dated as of June 23, 2026, for a private, negotiated sale of bonds whereby the Authority agreed to sell, and the Bond Bank agreed to purchase, all of the Authority's Lease Rental Refunding Bonds, Series 2026A (Public Infrastructure Projects), in the aggregate principal amount of \$101,915,000 with a final maturity of January 15, 2036. CITY OF CARMEL REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY (317) 571-2417 R8165 6/29/26

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WESTFIELD

Notice of Adoption of Ordinance Annexing Certain Real Estate to the City of Westfield, Indiana Ordinance 26-26, An Ordinance Annexing Certain Real Estate to the City of Westfield, Hamilton County, Indiana, was adopted by the Westfield Common Council on June 22, 2026. The annexation area consists of approximately 7.5 acres +/-, generally located on the south side of E. 199th Street. The ordinance shall be effective in accordance with Indiana Law upon its passage by the Council, its publication in accordance with law, and upon the passage of any applicable waiting period, all as provided by the laws of the State of Indiana. Ordinance 26-26 in its entirety is available for inspection during regular business hours at the Westfield Clerk-Treasurer's Office located at 130 Penn Street, Westfield, Indiana. Ordinance 26-27, An Ordinance Annexing Certain Real Estate to the City of Westfield, Hamilton County, Indiana, was adopted by the Westfield Common Council on June 22, 2026. The annexation area consists of approximately 10.8 acres +/-, generally located on the west side of Gray Road. The ordinance shall be effective in accordance with Indiana Law upon its passage by the Council, its publication in accordance with law, and upon the passage of any applicable waiting period, all as provided by the laws of the State of Indiana. Ordinance 26-27 in its entirety is available for inspection during regular business hours at the Westfield Clerk-Treasurer's Office located at 130 Penn Street, Westfield, Indiana. Ordinance 26-29, An Ordinance Annexing Certain Real Estate to the City of Westfield, Hamilton County, Indiana, was adopted by the Westfield Common Council on June 22, 2026. The annexation area consists of approximately 23.6 acres +/-, generally located on the west side of Grassy Branch Road. The ordinance shall be effective in accordance with Indiana Law upon its passage by the Council, its publication in accordance with law, and upon the passage of any applicable waiting period, all as provided by the laws of the State of Indiana. Ordinance 26-29 in its entirety is available for inspection during regular business hours at the Westfield Clerk-Treasurer's Office located at 130 Penn Street, Westfield, Indiana. Ordinance 26-31, An Ordinance Annexing Certain Real Estate to the City of Westfield, Hamilton County, Indiana, was adopted by the Westfield Common Council on June 22, 2026. The annexation area consists of approximately 237.6 acres +/-, generally located on the south side of W. 206th Street and west of Six Points Road. The ordinance shall be effective in accordance with Indiana Law upon its passage by the Council, its publication in accordance with law, and upon the passage of any applicable waiting period, all as provided by the laws of the State of Indiana. Ordinance 26-31 in its entirety is available for inspection during regular business hours at the Westfield Clerk-Treasurer's Office located at 130 Penn Street, Westfield, Indiana. Dated this 25th day of June, 2026. R8169 6/29/26





# The 'Swiss Army Knife' of power soccer

## Fishers' Lexi Heer competes at Conference Cup, then World Cup in October

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The country's best power soccer players showcased their abilities just up the highway last week.

The United States Power Soccer Association (USPSA) hosted the Conference Cup at Turnstone's Plassman Athletic Center in Fort Wayne from Thursday, June 25 through Sunday, June 28. The Conference Cup is the USPSA's national championship.

One of the players competing is from Fishers. Lexi Heer plays for the club team RHI Sudden Impact. Heer has been involved with power soccer since she was 5 years old, "and I'm now 30," she said.

A total of 45 teams competed in the Conference Cup.

"You can feel the energy and the crowd during the games," said Heer. "It definitely gets energetic, fans cheering a lot."

Power soccer is designed for people with physical disabilities, such as muscular dystrophy, quadriplegia and cerebral palsy. Heer has Spinal Muscular Atrophy, a genetic condition that causes muscle weakness. You can learn more about Lexi's story at [tinyurl.com/LexiHeerStory](http://tinyurl.com/LexiHeerStory).

"It's for people who use a wheelchair as a way to get around," said Heer.

Power soccer is played on a regulation-size bas-

ketball court and has familiar rules to the able-bodied game of soccer.

"We have corner kicks, goal kicks, penalty kicks," said Heer. "Throw-ins are called kick-ins."

Athletes use a special chair designed specifically for power soccer. The chairs use a metal frame that attaches on the front of the chair to strike the ball.

Heer is one of four players competing at the Conference Cup that are members of the U.S. Power National Team. The team will compete in the Power Soccer World Cup this October in Argentina.

"The national team is a part of US Soccer's extended national teams," said Heer. "Just like any national team within US Soccer, there's a player pool. The coaching staff for our team has a set of players that they look at and pull from. They pull from the player pool and invite who they want to invite."

"It's a tremendous honor," said Heer. "These athletes practice and train for years to reach the level that's necessary for international competition."

Brett Passmore serves as the executive vice president of USPSA and is also the technology and performance coach. Passmore calls his role "The Wheelchair Wizard - I'm here to make sure the technology they're playing with, the wheelchair, is operating where it needs to operate at in order for them to be competitive."



Fishers' Lexi Heer has become one of the top power soccer players in the country. She represented her club team, RHI Sudden Impact, last week at the Conference Cup in Fort Wayne, then join the U.S. Power National Team at the Power Soccer World Cup this October in Argentina.

Passmore said Heer is a "very critical part" of the national team.

"Lexi brings a number of things," said Passmore. "She is a veteran of the sport. Lexi brings a maturity to the sport that a lot of our younger athletes really can learn from. She's a Swiss Army Knife. She can play any position and she can play it at a level that is superior to most athletes in the sport."

Passmore said when it comes to game situations, Heer is not "stuck to being just a goalkeeper or just a striker. If they need her to pivot and do something else, there's nothing she can't do on the field."

Heer said that because she started playing power

soccer at a young age, "it's been able to teach me life-long lessons, such as working with teammates and having good communication amongst each other when we're on the court."

In addition, Heer has gained life-long friends, people that she now considers like family, something Heer said she will be forever grateful for.

"We're all people with disabilities," said Heer. "Growing up being surrounded by people with disabilities really showed me what I can do. Having different mentors that I've been able to look up to over the years and get guidance from has really helped me become who I am today."



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