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**TODAY'S WEATHER**  
Today: Mostly cloudy.  
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# Hamilton County Reporter

*Hamilton County's hometown newspaper*



Photo provided  
Connie Pearson (judge), Becky Pitzer (SHS Language Arts teacher), contest winner Brittany Welch, Scott McCullough (judge) and Jeff Plunkett (judge). Congratulations to Brittany!

## Sheridan Rotary speech contest winner

**The REPORTER**  
Each year Rotary clubs across the world sponsor speech contests for local students. The Sheridan club is no different. March 7 the regular Tuesday evening meeting was dedicated to choosing a speech contest winner for our club. Congratulations go out to Sheridan High School senior Brittany Welch for her outstanding presentation about the objectives and activities of Rotary. As the local winner, Brittany takes home a prize of \$100 and moves on to our local Rotary District 6560 speech contest where she has a chance to win \$1,000.

Sheridan Rotarians would like to extend our thanks to all the students and staff at Sheridan High School whose efforts make our local contest something special. And a great big thanks goes to SHS Language Arts teacher Becky Pitzer who champions our cause at the school and encourages her students to participate each year.

Sheridan Rotary is proud to partner with the school and other community organizations to make Sheridan a great place to live, work and learn. In addition

to the annual speech contest, we honor the Top Ten percent of each graduating class at a banquet. At the same meeting we also recognize and honor the top elementary and the top secondary educator of the year. We give a \$500 scholarship to a deserving senior student to help them continue their education. And we annually sponsor 2 senior students to the Rotary Youth Leadership Academy, a 2-day weekend adventure camp aimed at developing leadership skills for our youth.

Sheridan Rotary does a lot of things for the Sheridan community. On the 1st and 3rd Tuesday evenings of each month we have a formal meeting with a meal and a guest speaker. The other Tuesday evenings we have various community projects we undertake to make Sheridan an even better place to live. In the past we have raked leaves, weeded flower beds and trimmed shrubbery at our parks, we have sponsored community dinners and pancake breakfasts, and we have cleaned up various eyesores in the community. We do all this not to gain any sort of recognition but just because it is something

that needs doing.

If you are interested in getting more involved in your local community, you should consider becoming a Rotarian. We do good work, we have a lot of fun doing that work and you will build lifelong friendships. As noted above, Sheridan Rotary has formal meetings on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of each month. If you would like to attend a meeting, please contact any Sheridan Rotary member or contact club president Steve Martin at the Sheridan Public Library.

Our formal meetings usually feature a guest speaker on some interesting topic. You do not have to be a club member to come to the guest speaker programs which begin at 6:45 pm. Programs coming up are: March 14th – Adult Speech Therapy for Stroke Victims presented by Megan Sutton and on March 21st we will have a program about the upcoming Sheridan School Corporation referendum presented by Superintendent Dr. Dave Mundy. Won't you join us?

Sheridan Rotary meets in the Community Room of the Sheridan Public Library, 103 West First Street, Sheridan.

**Spring ahead**

**Carmel urges spring fire safety**

**The REPORTER**  
Daylight-saving time starts Sunday, March 12 at 2 a.m.

With spring so close, the Carmel Fire Department encourages residents to change the batteries in their smoke alarms and carbon monoxide detectors, test the alarms and remind friends, family, neighbors and fellow community members to do the same.

With the peak time for home fire fatalities occurring between 11 p.m. and 7 a.m. when most families are sleeping, this simple step can help save their lives and the lives of those around them. A working smoke detector is your first line of defense in a fire.

**Stay Safe**

Tragically, fire can kill selectively. Those most at risk include:  
**Children** - On average, home fires kill 500 children ages 14 and under each year. Roughly three-quarters of child fire fatalities under age 15 occurred in homes without working smoke alarms.  
**Seniors** - Adults 75 and older are 2.8 times more likely to die in a home fire.  
**Low-Income Households** - Many low-income families are unable to afford batteries for their smoke alarms. These same households often rely on poorly installed, maintained or misused portable or area heating equipment - a main cause of fatal home fires.

The most commonly cited cause of non-working smoke alarms is worn or missing batteries. Smoke alarm maintenance is a simple, effective way to reduce home fire deaths. Children and senior citizens are most at risk, and a working smoke alarm can give them the extra seconds they need to get out safely.

Changing smoke alarm batteries at least once a year, testing those alarms and reminding others to do the same are some of the simplest, most effective ways to reduce these tragic deaths and injuries.

Additionally, the International Association of Fire Chiefs recommends that smoke alarms in homes should be replaced

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**Hunter Smith to headline Hamilton County Leadership Prayer Breakfast**

**The REPORTER**  
The Hamilton County Prayer Breakfast, conducted on Thursday April 20th at 7:30 a.m. at the Ritz Charles in Carmel, presents an opportunity to gather together for great food, music, hear from the leaders of our community, and most importantly, pray for our community, state and nation. The Mayors of Noblesville, Fishers, Westfield and Carmel will be on the program.

This year's keynote speaker is former Colts punter and musician Hunter Smith. It's not every day when the front man of a popular country/rock band is also a Super Bowl World

**Smith**

Champion. After excelling in football at the University of Notre Dame, Smith was drafted to the Indianapolis Colts. He spent 12 years playing in the NFL. Smith felt the musical pull very early in his life. He taught himself how to play the guitar and began writing his own music at a very young age. In 2012, his dream became reality. The Hunter Smith Band released their first album, "Green."

Event organizers would like for interested persons to consider purchasing a table of 8 for \$ 240 and bring your business associates. Individual seats are \$30.

**Carmel traffic update, detour in place**

**The REPORTER**  
126<sup>th</sup> Street between Range Line Road and Keystone Parkway is now westbound only through the duration of the project. Westbound traffic will be using the southern lanes, normally used for eastbound traffic. This is anticipated to last until summer.

Road improvements have been underway, including multi-use paths and storm water management, since last year.

**Detour Route:** Use Main Street and 116<sup>th</sup> Street for eastbound traffic. Keystone Parkway and Guilford Avenue will be main routes connecting drivers to eastbound detour routes.

For more detail and a detour map and rendering of the project, visit the CarmelLink website link below:  
[126<sup>th</sup> Street Improvements between Range Line Road and Keystone Avenue](#)

**HSE Foundation Game Day breaks records**

**By Larry Lannan**  
[www.LarryInFishers.com](#)

The numbers are in for the Hamilton Southeastern (HSE) Schools Foundation biggest fundraiser of the year, and they are impressive. The February Game Day event brought in a gross amount of \$129,312, a 30% increase over 2016.

Foundation Executive Director Freedom Kolb says she was impressed by the fact that Game Day was a sellout once again, and that all district schools participated.

The money raised will go to fund projects of teachers and students in the HSE School Corporation.





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# Noblesville brush pickup begins CLOCKS from Page 1

**The REPORTER**

The Noblesville Street Department has announced that brush pickup will begin Monday, March 13 and the free service will continue through Oct. 13. Pick up is made on the street side only with no alley collections. All brush must be placed as close to the curb as possible without going in to the street.

Residents are asked to stack brush in small piles that are no more than four feet in length and 18 inches in diameter (4'x18"). The individual limb size should be no more than four inches in diameter. If a resident's brush pile exceeds the listed size, street department crews will report the address to the office and a knuckleboom truck will be by within a week to pick up the large pile.

"We are pleased to offer this free service to our residents again," Street Commissioner Patty Johnson said. "Brush pickup is meant for homeowner trimmings and not intended for contractors to utilize when being paid to remove residential trees."

The street department picks up brush every week on the same day as residents' regular trash collection day but not necessarily the same time. Because of the large number of limbs lost during the winter wind storms, the street department asks residents to be patient with the timeliness of pickup in the initial start.

After Oct. 14, residents must call the Street Department at (317) 776-6348 to arrange for a special brush pickup.

Starting Monday, the street department

also will be collecting bagged leaves during the spring to assist homeowners with yard clean-up. The biodegradable bags must only contain leaves and not twigs or grass clippings. Bagged leaves may be placed next to brush piles and follow the same rules and pickup schedule as listed above.

Free green biodegradable bags are available to Noblesville residents at all fire stations, City Hall (16 South 10th St.), street department (1575 Pleasant St.), parks department (701 Cicero Road) and the Hamilton County Household Hazardous Waste Center (1717 Pleasant St.).

The city wants to remind residents that no loose leaves piles will be collected in the spring.

every 10 years and having both ionization and photoelectric smoke alarms are best to alert people to all types of home fires. If both types of smoke alarms or a combination alarm are not available, the Carmel Fire Department recommends photoelectric alarms with a 10-year lithium battery. The battery in this alarm never needs changed and the alarm needs to be replaced every ten years. Likewise, carbon monoxide detectors need to be replaced every seven to eight years.

If you need assistance changing or testing your smoke alarms and carbon monoxide detectors, please contact your local fire department.

Twenty-nine years ago, Energizer and the International Association of Fire Chiefs recognized a disturbing trend that many home fire fatalities were taking place in homes without working smoke alarms. Please do your part in checking, changing, and testing your smoke detectors.

Carmel Fire Department (317) 571-2600 or [www.carmelfd.com](http://www.carmelfd.com)

*Fire statistics were obtained from reports by the Fire Analysis and Research Division of the National Fire Protection Association. See [www.nfpa.org](http://www.nfpa.org) for more information.*

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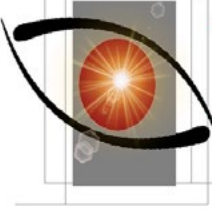
**Amended Committee Meeting Notice**  
Pursuant to IC 5-14-1.5-5 (a) members of the Hamilton County Insurance Committee will meet on Wednesday, March 15, 2017 at 9:00 a.m. in Conference Room 1A in the Hamilton County Government and Judicial Center, One Hamilton County Square, Noblesville, Indiana 46060. The purpose of this meeting is for discussion of matters pertaining to health insurance.  
/s/ Robin M. Mills  
Hamilton County Auditor

**Meeting Notice**  
Pursuant to IC 5-14-1.5-5 (a) The Hamilton County Personnel Committee will meet at 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, March 14, 2017 at One Hamilton County Square, Noblesville, Indiana (Conference Room 1A). The purpose of this meeting is for discussion of Personnel issues.  
/s/ Robin M. Mills,  
Hamilton County Auditor

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# Spaces still available for Noblesville Parks' Spring Break Day Camps

## The REPORTER

Parents still have time to sign up their children in kindergarten through sixth grade for week-long staycations. The Noblesville Parks and Recreation Department is offering full-day, week-long camps in conjunction with Noblesville Schools' Spring Break from March 27 through April 7.

The recreation staff will provide two weeks of games, crafts, nature, laughter and friendship. Campers should pack their lunch, two snacks, a water bottle and wear gym shoes. Campers will have a science project, arts and crafts, and will stay active each day of camp.

"I love our Spring Break Camp option because it really caters to those who do not have travel plans and those that do," Assistant Recreation Director Lorna Steele said. "It is a really great way to switch up a child's schedule, give them

something fun and active to do, have them interact with different kids and ultimately, experience new and fun things during Spring Break. The options are very flexible, if you just need an option for your child a few days or all week long we can accommodate you."

Camp is 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. March 27 through 31 and April 3 through 7 at Forest Park Lodge. The weekly cost is \$125 for residents (\$155 for nonresidents).

Noblesville Parks also offers a day option which is \$30 for residents (\$40 for nonresidents). Before and after care is available at daily and weekly rates. Before care from 7 to 8 a.m. is \$10 for the week or \$2 per day. After care from 4:15 to 6 p.m. is \$15 for the week or \$3 per day.

For more information or to register, contact the Parks Department at 770-5750 or visit [www.noblesvilleparks.org](http://www.noblesvilleparks.org).

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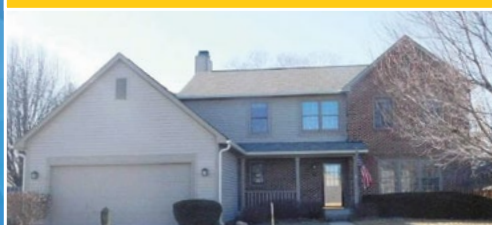
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County teams racing for Hoosier State Relays positions

The race to the Hoosier State Relays is heating up.

The event that is considered to be the *de facto* Indiana high school indoor track and field state meet takes place on Saturday, March 25 this year at Indiana University. Over the past couple weeks, teams from around the state have been competing in various meets to qualify for the Relays, which takes the top 24 in each event, except for the high jump and pole vault, which only takes the top 18.

Competition is divided into two classes. The large school division is for schools which compete in Classes 4A, 5A and 6A in football, with the small school division open for schools in Classes 1A, 2A and 3A.

The qualifying window for meets is very brief: Three weeks, from Feb. 27 to March 19. However, that has been enough time for several Hamilton County athletes and relay teams to make their way into the top echelon.

In the large school division, Hamilton Southeastern's Gabe Fendel currently leads the 3200 run pack. Fendel, this year's cross country individual runner-up, ran a 9:10.69 at the Blue & White Relays this past Saturday. He is one of six county athletes that currently holds a top 24 spot in that race.

County girls have four top seeds as of Friday. Westfield's Sydney Spears owns the best long jump so far, leaping 17-3 at Saturday's qualifier at Indiana Wesleyan University. In addition, Noblesville's 4x800 team ran a 9:32.53 to claim the current top spot in that race, while the Shamrocks' distance medley relay holds the first seed in that event with a 12:39.59.

Back at the Blue & White Relays, Fishers' 4x200 relay ran a 1:44.49 to take over the top seed in that race.

Among the small schools, Guerin Catholic's Quinn Gallagher is the current leader in the boys 3200 run, achieving his time of 9:37.37 at the Blue & White Relays. Meanwhile, that event also produced two second seeds for the Golden Eagles girls team: Megan Slamkowski holds the second-best girls 3200 time, 11:12.52, with the 4x800 relay also currently second in 10:06.70.

Today's big indoor spotlight will be on Wabash College for the Hoosier Crossroads Conference meet. Fishers, HSE, Noblesville and Westfield will all be there to compete.

Here's a list of the current top 24 (top 18 in high jump and pole vault) across all divisions:

**BOYS LARGE SCHOOL**  
**3200 run:** 1. Gabe Fendel (Hamilton Southeastern) 9:10.69, 3. Ben Wagoner (HSE) 9:27.53, 7. Evan Bouillet (Carmel) 9:40.85, 9. Josh Roth (Fishers) 9:42.45, 19. Trey Harris (C) 9:52.15, 21. Colin Murphy (C) 9:54.24.  
**60 hurdles:** T19. Jakob Pearson (C) 8.64.  
**4x200 relay:** 17. Fishers 1:34.53, 23.

Westfield 1:35.60, 24. Noblesville 1:35.62.  
**4x400 relay:** 4. Westfield 3:30.49, 5. Carmel 3:30.67, 13. Southeastern 3:35.16, 17. Fishers 3:37.50.  
**4x800 relay:** 3. Westfield 8:07.34, 4. Noblesville 8:10.78, 5. Carmel 8:11.98, 23. Fishers 8:42.60.  
**Distance medley relay:** 4. Carmel 10:54.11, 14. Noblesville 11:10.97, 16. Fishers 11:11.66, 18. Southeastern 11:15.00.  
**High jump:** T11. Peyton Forbes (F) 6-2.  
**Pole vault:** 2. Mitch Lipe (C) 15-0, T15. Alex Audia (C) 12-6; Peyton Haack (W) 12-6; Leth Sundling (HSE) 12-6.  
**Long jump:** 4. Chase Maxey (HSE) 21-1.5, T21. Will Syrus (F) 20-0.5.  
**GIRLS LARGE SCHOOL**  
**60 dash:** 3. Tamia Perryman (F) 7.73, 5. Danielle Harrison (F) 7.78.  
**3200 run:** 2. Pheobe Bates (C) 11:09.44, 3. Rachel Anderson (C) 11:09.94, 4. Sarah Leinheiser (C) 11:10.94, 6. Miya Wai (F) 11:18.51, 9. Laurel Black (HSE) 11:29.37, 10. Daphne Boom (C) 11:30.76, 15. Lily McAndrews (C) 11:49.38, 17. Aubrie Deal (N) 11:52.15, T21. Sophie Reichard (N) 11:56.14, 24. Corinne Miller (C) 11:57.92.  
**60 hurdles:** 9. Emily Robertson (W) 9.41, 10. Mia Mackenzie (HSE) 9.51, T18. Jaanvi Bisarya (C) 9.74; Tayah Irvin (HSE) 9.74.  
**4x200 relay:** 1. Fishers 1:44.49, 6. Westfield 1:47.97, 8. Southeastern 1:48.32.  
**4x400 relay:** 5. Westfield 4:09.16, 12. Fishers 4:14.65, 14. Southeastern 4:17.34, 19. Carmel 4:21.11.  
**4x800 relay:** 1. Noblesville 9:32.53, 2. Carmel 9:40.82, 7. Westfield 9:56.87, 13. Fishers 10:08.74, 15. Southeastern 10:13.16.  
**Distance medley relay:** 1. Westfield 12:39.59, 2. Noblesville 12:42.93, 3. Carmel 12:48.28, 8. Fishers 13:12.91, 10. Southeastern 13:14.73.  
**High jump:** 2. Shelby Tyler (N) 5-7, T7. Tayah Irvin (HSE) 5-3, T10. Alex Miller (F) 5-2.  
**Pole vault:** 2. Kara Deady (C) 10-6, T3. Shelby Tyler (N) 10-0, 10. Sydney Sloan (HSE) 10-0, 11. Natalie McDaniel (HSE) 9-9, T12. Jessica Bray (HSE) 9-6.  
**Long jump:** 1. Sydney Spears (W) 17-3, T15. Mia Mackenzie (HSE) 16-1.5.  
**Shot put:** 9. Jada Caldwell (W) 38-11.5.  
**BOYS SMALL SCHOOL**  
**3200 run:** 1. Quinn Gallagher (Guerin Catholic) 9:37.37.



Reporter photo by Kent Graham

Noblesville's Bryce Gatewood ran the 400-meter leg of the distance medley relay for the Millers at last Saturday's Indiana Wesleyan University qualifier. Gatewood will run on Noblesville's DMR and 4x200 relays in today's Hoosier Crossroads Conference meet at Wabash College.

**4x200 relay:** 7. Hamilton Heights 1:37.77, 19. Guerin Catholic 1:39.70.  
**4x400 relay:** 23. Heights 3:49.24.  
**4x800 relay:** 11. Heights 8:49.61.  
**Distance medley relay:** 9. Guerin Catholic 11:17.05.  
**Pole vault:** T3. Brandon McQuinn (HH) 12-9, T18. Isiah Kunzer (HH) 11-0.  
**Long jump:** 3. Jesse Brown (HH) 20-11.5.  
**GIRLS SMALL SCHOOL**  
**60 dash:** 23. Markaela Pugh (HH) 8.39  
**3200 run:** 2. Megan Slamkowski

(GC) 11:12.52, 8. Paige Schemanske (GC) 11:36.27.  
**4x200 relay:** 9. Guerin Catholic 1:55.32, 11. Heights 1:55.42.  
**4x400 relay:** 7. Heights 4:24.98, 13. Guerin Catholic 4:30.48.  
**4x800 relay:** 2. Guerin Catholic 10:06.70, 18. Heights 11:04.60.  
**Distance medley relay:** 9. Guerin Catholic 13:53.41.  
**Pole vault:** T18. Bailey Haworth (HH) 7-6.  
**Long jump:** 17. Grace Gjerde (GC) 15-1.5.

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- MMR – 2 doses
- HEPATITIS B – 3 doses
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For Preschool Information Please Contact: Andrea Griswold [agriswold@mail.hhsc.k12.in.us](mailto:agriswold@mail.hhsc.k12.in.us) or call 317-984-1530, ext. 4146

For Summer Camp and/or Before & After Care registration, please call Tela Sutton at (317) 984-1530 ext.4134 for more information or email [tsutton@mail.hhsc.k12.in.us](mailto:tsutton@mail.hhsc.k12.in.us)

## Gymnastics state finals are today

Six teams return from last year’s field of state finalists along with two individual state champions, both from the same squad, as the 45th Annual IHSAA Gymnastics State Finals are contested Saturday at Worthen Arena on the campus of Ball State University in Muncie.

Columbus North is the defending state champion after putting up a state record 114.850 points in this meet a year ago. The second-ranked Bull Dogs will be chasing their fourth gymnastics crown on Saturday and hope to go back-to-back again having won the crown in 1973 and 1974, the first two years of the state tournament.

Columbus North teammates Claire Thompson and Ashley Holliday both return with state championship experience after helping last year’s team win its third state title and first since 1974.

Thompson won the bars and beam competition last year propelling her to the all-around state championship, the third individual from her school to win that honor over the years. The junior captured the all-around crown at the Columbus East regional last Friday night and will defend each of those titles this weekend.

Holliday won the bars state title two

years ago when the Bull Dogs finished third overall and followed with a ninth place finish in the event last year but still managed a fifth-place finish in the all-around. Thompson and Holliday were two of three Columbus North teammates to finish in the top five.

The pair finished 1-2 in the all-around at both the sectional and regional with Holliday winning the former and Thompson the latter.

Four schools have strung together multiple state finals appearances. Sixth-ranked Fort Wayne Bishop Dwenger is making its record 18th consecutive appearance in the state finals and 22nd overall, the second-most in state history.

Third-ranked Valparaiso, with a record 11 state championships, is making its 15th straight visit and state-leading 24th. Second-ranked Columbus North returns for the 11th year in a row and ninth-ranked Homestead is making its third straight appearance.

Sixty-one athletes representing 19 different schools have qualified for this weekend’s event. Sectionals began two weeks ago with 76 schools and 540 participants.

## Bucks come back, beat Pacers

By GREG RAPPAPORT  
Courtesy [nba.com/pacers](http://nba.com/pacers)

Despite leading by 11 points in the first half, the Pacers fell to the Bucks 99-85 on Friday night at the BMO Harris Bradley Center in Milwaukee.

The Bucks — who use a trapping defense — forced Indiana into 20 turnovers on the evening, resulting in a game-deciding 22 points.

It didn't help matters that the Pacers (33-32) were as cold as a Wisconsin winter from downtown, connecting on just 2-of-18 3-point shots on the night.

"They played a zone and they trapped," said Paul George of the Bucks. "They played a scrappy game. It plays into their strengths, being long and athletic. It comes down to guys needing to tighten it up and make plays offensively."

Milwaukee (31-33), which collected its fifth straight win, was led by the all-around play of All-Star Giannis Antetokounmpo who finished with 21 points, eight rebounds, five assists, and five steals. Khris Middleton, who is still getting in the swing of things following an injury, collected 21 points for the Bucks as well.

For the Pacers, Paul George started off the game hot, finishing the first half with an impressive stat line of 11 points, seven rebounds, and five assists. But like his teammates, George struggled to create offense in the second half, finishing the night 5-of-14 from the field and going the entire third quarter without getting a bucket.

Early on, it appeared the Pacers had the Bucks' aggressive defense figured out, racking up 10 assists in the first quarter alone to jump out to an 11-point advantage.

But by halftime, the Bucks had knocked the advantage down to just five. Out of the locker room, Milwaukee continued to strike, outscoring the Pacers 29-18 in the third quarter to bring a 74-68 lead into the fourth quarter.

There were moments in which Indiana had windows to climb back in, but the team's icy performance from downtown doomed the Pacers, who went the entirety of the second half without connecting on a 3-point shot.

In the fourth, the Pacers were able to cut the deficit to just three points following a cutting Monta Ellis layup to make it 79-76 with 8:22 left in the game. But from that point, the Milwaukee's offense clicked again, reeling off a 9-3 run to create another comfortable wedge as crunch time approached.

"(We) stopped moving, started turning the ball over," Pacers head coach Nate McMillan explained. "I thought we stopped moving. As you mentioned, 10 assists in the first quarter, only three in the second quarter, and then two for the second half, so you're not moving, you're not moving the ball, and you're not knocking down shots."

Down the stretch, the Pacers were never able to threaten Milwaukee's lead as the Bucks picked up their third win of the season against the Blue & Gold, giving the season series win to Milwaukee.

"We knew that coming in that it came down to a tiebreaker," said George of the matchup. "We wanted that to be in our favor. We're down 0-3 to this team (this season) so now we need to do even more work because it is going to come down to the wire."

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# NBA standings

<b>Friday's games</b>	Atlanta 105, Toronto 99
Charlotte 121, Orlando 81	Denver 119, Boston 99
Houston 115, Chicago 94	Dallas 105, Brooklyn 96
Milwaukee 99, Indiana 85	Washington 130, Sacramento 122, OT
Minnesota 103, Golden State 102	

Eastern Conference				
<b>Atlantic</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>PCT.</b>	<b>GB</b>
Boston	41	25	.621	-
Toronto	38	27	.585	2.5
New York	26	39	.400	14.5
Philadelphia	23	41	.359	17.0
Brooklyn	11	53	.172	29.0
<b>Southeast</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>PCT.</b>	<b>GB</b>
Washington	40	24	.625	-
Atlanta	36	29	.554	4.5
Miami	31	34	.477	9.5
Charlotte	29	36	.446	11.5
Orlando	24	42	.364	17.0
<b>Central</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>PCT.</b>	<b>GB</b>
Cleveland	42	21	.667	-
Indiana	33	32	.508	10.0
Detroit	32	33	.492	11.0
Milwaukee	31	33	.484	11.5
Chicago	31	34	.477	12.0

Western Conference				
<b>Northwest</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>PCT.</b>	<b>GB</b>
Utah	41	24	.631	-
Oklahoma City	36	29	.554	5.0
Denver	30	35	.462	11.0
Portland	28	35	.444	12.0
Minnesota	27	37	.422	13.5
<b>Southwest</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>PCT.</b>	<b>GB</b>
San Antonio	50	14	.781	-
Houston	45	21	.682	6.0
Memphis	36	29	.554	14.5
Dallas	28	36	.438	22.0
New Orleans	25	40	.385	25.5
<b>Pacific</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>PCT.</b>	<b>GB</b>
Golden State	52	13	.800	-
L.A. Clippers	39	26	.600	13.0
Sacramento	25	40	.385	27.0
Phoenix	21	44	.323	31.0
L.A. Lakers	20	45	.308	32.0

## Southeastern’s Megan Lugar commits to Valparaiso University



Photo courtesy Hamilton Southeastern

Senior Megan Lugar has announced her intent to continue her swimming career at the collegiate level. Megan will attend Valparaiso University in Valparaiso, Indiana. The Crusaders are an NCAA Division I school that competes in the Horizon League under the direction of Coach Howard Hunte. Megan is the daughter of Lisa and Chip Lugar. At HSE, Megan will earn her fourth letter in swimming this winter. In addition to swimming for the Royals, Megan is also a member of the HSE Student Athletic Council.

Pictured – Seated: Lisa Lugar (mother), Megan, and Chip Lugar (father). Standing: Andy Pedersen (HSE Varsity Swim Coach).

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