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Counting pennies on Nickel Plate

By **STU CLAMPITT**
www.ReadTheReporter.com

“The numbers are wrong.” That is what Hoosier Heritage Port Authority (HHPA) board member Glen Schwartz told The Reporter when talking about the cost of repairing the Nickel Plate Rail.

“The railroad was shut down last year due to safety violations that would cost \$5 million to fix. Wrong. All this is absolutely wrong. We want to make it right,” Schwartz said. “The \$5 million is misinformation. The actual cost was \$3.7 million.”

He backed up his statement with the official report prepared by Jannotti Rail Consulting, Inc. for HHPA.

The report states, “The total Order of Magnitude – Estimate of Probable Costs for the two phased HHPA Class Two Track Rehabilitation Plan is \$3,715,000.”

There are three portions of a project at the end of the line in Tipton which would increase the cost to \$5 million, but in Jannotti’s report, the estimate of probable costs includes \$1,065,000 from Noblesville to the fairgrounds and \$2,650,000 from Tipton to Noblesville. Those two phases total \$3.7 million.

According to Schwartz, even that

number is too high.

He explained that Jannotti is based in Russell, Penn. Thus, the contractor costs included in the estimate are based on East Coast contractor pricing. He told The Reporter that each rail tie needing replacement would cost \$150 with East Coast contractors, but only \$75-\$110 for local contractors to do the same work.

“That [\$3.7 million] gets you from Tipton [to the fairgrounds], but a lot of that doesn’t need to be done nor do we want it to get done,” Schwartz said. “That was taking out the turnouts.”

A turnout is a switch with a short section of track used for maintenance. Turnouts allow pulling off the main track with equipment and getting back on the track once the work is done. The option for removing several turnouts was included in the Janotti report price.

Other people have different ideas about the future of the Nickel Plate.

Fishers and Noblesville are talking about converting the Nickel Plate Rail to a walking and biking trail. In a statement to The Reporter, City of Noblesville Communica-



Photo provided

Hoosier Heritage Port Authority board member Glen Schwartz said that the cost to repair the Nickel Plate Rail is actually \$3.7 million.

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Fishers Mayor not in attendance...

Nickel Plate listening session packs Fishers City Hall

By **LARRY LANNAN**
LarryinFishers.com

It was a packed crowd at Fishers City Hall Tuesday night for the listening session about the proposal to transform the Nickel Plate Line into a biking and hiking trail. There were people in favor of the trail proposal, there was a large contingent on hand advocating continued train use of the line, and there were attendees just wanting to listen before taking a position.

“I’ve got mixed feelings on this one,” stated local resident Christina Minear. “That’s why I came tonight to find out and hear from both sides what’s going on.”

Fishers Deputy Mayor Leah McGrath opened the event, introducing people from the mayor’s office, police department, engineering and parks, all staffing tables to take

comments and ask questions.

“We have a lot of public hearings in our community,” McGrath told the crowd. “Sometimes, what that means, is the first ten people at the (microphone) are the ones to steal the show. Tonight, what we want to do is give each of you an opportunity to talk with all of us.”

Former Fishers Town council member Mike Colby was not happy with the format of the listening session.

“The way these things are setup now, you’re going up and asking questions about the trail,” stated Colby. “My question is, can we keep the rail and eliminate the trail, or in some cases they want to do both. But it’s not setup that way. The basic question of how many people support the trail and how many people support the rail hasn’t even been addressed. There wasn’t an opportunity to even get up and

ask that question.”

Colby also asked why Mayor Fadness was not in attendance for the listening session. Fishers City Spokesperson Ashley Elrod said the mayor attended the Advancing Indiana Municipalities dinner Tuesday night. Mayor Fadness leads the legislative committee for that group.

Joe Eaton, a Fishers resident since 1990, liked the way the session was organized. “It’s a great turnout tonight, I think it’s a great format that people are getting the opportunity to ask individual questions,” said Eaton. “Being a resident of Fishers since 1990, I think the trail is a phenomenal opportunity, great amenity to enhance the community in a way that we really haven’t had.”

The City of Noblesville will host a listening session from 6 to 8 p.m. Thursday, March 23, at its city hall.

Carmel police statue repaired and installed

One of Carmel’s most popular sidewalk statues, depicting a friendly police officer on the Monon Greenway at Main Street, is back in place today after being repaired of severe damages caused during a hit-and-run accident on November 26, 2016. The statue, titled “Oh, It’s You, Welcome,” serves as both a greeting to users of the Monon Trail and as a reminder of Officer Frank Carey, who is the only Carmel police officer killed in the line of duty. He died during a shoot-out in 1900.

On Monday afternoon, workers with the Carmel Street Department placed the statue back in its original position at the edge of the Monon Trail at Main Street. Typically, the Street Department handles such repairs in-house, but in this case, the statue had to be sent to the J Seward Foundation, creators of the statue for more extensive repairs. The city will pass the \$10,338 in repair costs on to the person who damaged the statue.

The driver of the vehicle was charged with Leaving the Scene of an Accident. The City Attorney’s office has also filed a claim



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with the driver’s insurance company and is seeking restitution through the criminal case filed in Hamilton County Superior Court 6 to cover the costs of the repair. The City of Carmel follows a policy to pursue the offending party and his/her insurance

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M/I Homes Development in Cicero

By **JACK RUSSELL**

On March 8, there was public hearing on the M/I Homes Development called Tamarack on the Southeast corner of Tollgate and 236th Street. There are four areas of discussion Area A is identified in Blue, Area B is identified in Yellow, and Area C is identified in Pink.

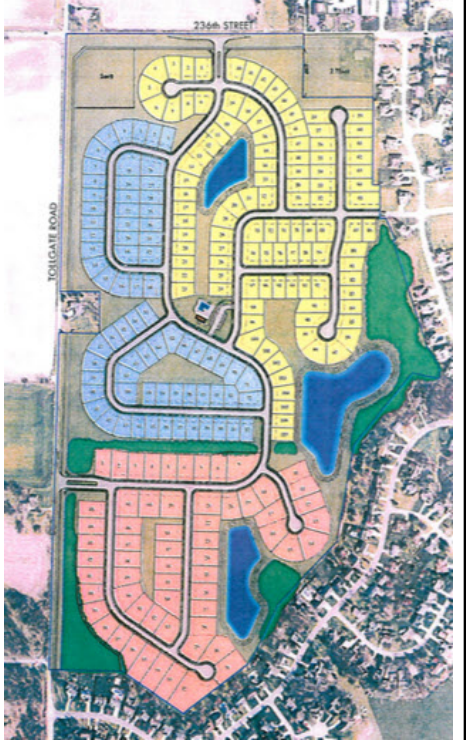
There is another area at the north corners of the development. You will see what looks like green space in two areas at the top of the development on the corner of Tollgate and 236th and the top right corner of the development. Those two areas are proposed Commercial use.

This is a 250-unit development.

Area A, in blue, is single family/ empty nester or duplex type housing. Area A is broken up into two sections A1 would be 32-48 units and A2 would be 40-60 units.

The house sizes will range from 1400 to 2200 square feet depending on the floor plan and options chosen. There is the option of a bonus room and some three-car garages. The lifestyle area will have an HOA offered lawn and snow removal package. In addition, the duplex units would also include some exterior maintenance.

The duplex homes will range in value



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from \$225,000 to \$250,000. The lifestyle single-family detached homes will range

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Guard rail to be installed on Olio Road bridge over Geist Reservoir

Effective on or after Wednesday, March 29, a guard rail will be installed at the southeast quadrant of Bridge 191 (Olio Road over Geist Reservoir). Temporary lane closures and traffic delays can be expected from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. The duration of construction should be one day, weather permitting.

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tions Manager Robert Herrington said, “The estimated cost to convert 9.2 miles from rail to trail from 96th Street to Pleasant Street is approximately \$9.3 million, assuming standard crossings at intersections.”

A bridge over 146th Street to connect Fishers and Noblesville would be an additional expense that is not part of the \$9.3 million estimate.

“There are various funding sources [including federal programs] that are available to offset the city costs and we are looking into these to help pay for the Nickel Plate trail construction,” according to Herrington.

One reason for the trail option is to create economic development in the longer term.

“We anticipate the Nickel Plate Trail will contribute to increased residential and commercial development in Fishers and Noblesville,” Herrington stated. “A study by the IU Public Policy Institute on the economic impact of the Indianapolis Cultural Trail shows that property values within 500 feet (approximately one block) of the trail have increased 148% from 2008 to 2014. In Carmel, the Monon Trail has become a magnet for \$1 billion dollars in investment.”

The Nickel Plate trail project’s initial costs would create a taxpayer liability. “The cost of maintenance for the trail once it is constructed would initially be relatively low,” Herrington told The Reporter. The City of Noblesville estimates its annual trail maintenance costs at approximately \$100,000.

“Compared to the ongoing maintenance and operating expenses of a rail operation, the trail would be significantly cheaper,” Herrington stated.

However, according to Schwartz, for several years the Indiana Transportation Museum paid for maintenance and operating expenses on the Nickel Plate in lieu of rent.

Meanwhile, the Midland Trace railroad bed has been converted to a walking trail from Gray Road through Westfield. Herrington said, “The City of Noblesville will break ground on its portion of the Midland Trace starting in early April to begin construction from Gray Road to Hazel Dell.”

Although Midland Trace is essentially underway, Nickel Plate plans in Noblesville are still not certain.

Deputy Mayor Steve Cooke told The Reporter, “We’re very excited about the opportunity to have two major trails intersecting in Old Town with the Nickel Plate. However, we need to make sure we honor our current commitments to the Midland, Little Chicago Road and Levee trails as well as the Riverwalk before we can begin work on the Nickel Plate.”

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for the full cost of repairing the damage to public property so that local taxpayers do not have to bear those costs. In 2016, more than \$100,000 was recovered by filing such claims.

“It is important that we protect the public’s assets and when damages are done like this, the cost of repairing the public infrastructure should be that of the person responsible for the damage,” said Mayor Jim Brainard.

According to police, the accident occurred on Saturday, November 26, at 4:09 a.m. when the driver of a gray Ford Edge was traveling eastbound on Main Street and attempted to turn left (north) onto 2nd Ave N.W. The vehicle collided with the police statue. The driver backed up and continued to drive eastbound Main Street to 1st Ave. N.W., then turned north and parked his vehicle in the parking garage of Sophia Square. This information was discovered and confirmed through video surveillance and an eyewitness to the accident.

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in value from \$240,000 to \$280,000.

Area B, in yellow, would consist of about 107 lots. The square footage would be 1600 to 2200 square feet for a single story home, and 1800 to 3800 square feet for a two-story home. There are options for a basement and/or 3rd car garage. The single-family homes in Area B will range in value from \$260,000 to \$320,000.

Area C, in pink, would consist of about 61 lots. These lots would provide the option for side loaded garages. The homes square

footage would be 1900 to 2300 square feet for single-story homes and 2200 to 3800 square feet for two-story homes. The homes in Area C will range in value from \$300,000 to \$350,000.

During the public hearing there were a couple concerns. A number of those that spoke at the public hearing had an issue with drainage. The other issue was the two commercial development locations.

The next plan commission meeting is scheduled for April 12 at Cicero Town Hall.

MEETING NOTICE

The Clay Township Board will meet Tuesday, March 28, 2017 at 6 p.m. at the John W. Hensel Government Center, 10701 N. College Avenue.

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Jean Owens

August 8, 1942 - March 19, 2017

Jean Owens, 74, of Noblesville, passed away on the early morning of Sunday, March 19, 2017 at her home. She was born on August 8, 1942 to Cecil and Minnie (Harris) Shepherd in Banner, Mississippi.



Jean was a 1961 graduate of Noblesville High School. From 1972-78, she worked at Jim Dandy Restaurant, and for the next 23 years, worked for various banks in the Noblesville area, and as Operation Manager at American National Bank, retiring in 2010. Jean was a loving, Christian lady and a member of Bethel Baptist Church in Lapel; she loved the Lord, loved children, and was a supporter of Vacation Bible School at her church. Jean was a very good and accomplished cook; when her children were young, she was a big supporter of the Boys & Girls Club where she was in charge of concessions. A loving wife and mother, Jean's greatest accomplishment was her children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren.

She is survived by her husband, Emmett "Leon" Owens; children, Jeff Owens, Lee Owens, Chris (Carlton) Mills, and Brenda Owens; brother, Talmadge Shepherd; sisters, Betty Clark, and Jo Griffin; seven grandchildren; and 12 great-grandchildren.

In addition to her parents, Jean was preceded in death by her sister, Frances Smith; and step-father, Raymond Mundy.

Visitation will be from 4:00 pm to 8:00 pm on Thursday, March 23, 2017 at Randall & Roberts Funeral Home, 1150 Logan Street, in Noblesville. Services will be held at 11:00 am on Friday, March 24, 2017 at the funeral home, with Pastor Jimmy Gilbert and Pastor Eric Boling officiating. Burial will be at Crownland Cemetery in Noblesville.

Memorial contributions may be made to Boys & Girls Club of Noblesville, 1448 Conner Street, Noblesville, IN 46060; or Brian Noble Children's Foundation, c/o Bethel Baptist Church, 3308 S State Road 13, Lapel, IN 46051.

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Gary Lee Hall

June 8, 1955 - March 21, 2017

Gary Lee Hall, 61, of Noblesville, passed away on Tuesday, March 21, 2017 at Riverwalk Village in Noblesville. He was born on June 8, 1955 to William and Kathryn (Youngson) Hall in Hammond, Indiana.



Gary had worked as a custodian for the City of Amarillo. Although he was born in NW Indiana, Gary spent most of his later years in Houston and Amarillo.

He is survived by his son, Joshua Hall; siblings, Patricia K. Castongia, Michael M. (Diane) Hall, George N. (Debra) Hall, Richard D. (Laura) Hall; and sister-in-law, Vera Hall.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by siblings, Barbara J. Caruso, James H. Hall, and William & Dorothy Youngson.

Gary's family is comforted by the peace that Gary has now achieved. Private family services will be held.

The family has entrusted cremation to Randall & Roberts Funeral Home in Noblesville.

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DAILY BIBLE VERSE

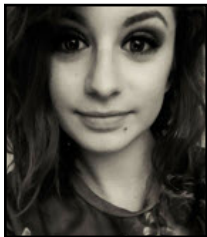
Then the Pharisees went out, and held a council against him, how they might destroy him.

- Matthew 12:14

Lauren VanDeventer

April 2, 1996 - March 16, 2017

Lauren VanDeventer, 20, of Westfield, passed away Thursday evening, March 16, 2017. She was born on April 2, 1996 to Keith and Lisa (Witt) VanDeventer in Indianapolis. Her father precedes her in death. She attended Westfield High School through her senior year and graduated from Options Charter High School in Carmel.



Lauren had a strong love for animals. She became a vegetarian at the age of 6 and had many pets throughout her childhood. Lauren could light up any room she walked in. She was fun-loving and had a contagious smile and laugh. She could also be very head-strong at times. She loved the band, Panic! At the Disco, and would have said

that she was their biggest fan.

In addition to her mother, Lauren is survived by her sister, Karla (Alex) Gilbert; brother, Dorian VanDeventer and his fiancée, Christina Fowler; grandparents, Ron and Pat Witt; and several aunts, uncles, and cousins.

Services will be held on Wednesday, March 22, 2017 at 6:00 PM at Randall and Roberts Fishers Mortuary, 12010 Allisonville Rd. Visitation will begin at 4:00 PM until the time of service.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to The Salvation Army Harbor Light Center, 2400 North Tibbs Avenue, Indianapolis, IN 46222.

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Elizabeth Esther Dill

September 13, 1911 - March 21, 2017

Elizabeth Esther Dill, 105, of Greenwood, passed away on Tuesday, March 21, 2017 at Greenwood Meadows in Greenwood. She was born on September 13, 1911 to Loren and Endamile Hadley in Amo, Indiana. Elizabeth was a beautician and a former member of the Order of the Eastern Star in Amo, Indiana.

She is survived by her nephew, Norman (Marsha) Sachs; great-nieces & nephews, Kyle (Debbie) Robbins, Troy (Julie) Sachs and Cheryl (Kelly) Hall; and great-great-nieces & nephews, Jason Painter, Monica Clark and Kyle Jason Robbins II.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, Harry Dill; two sisters, Bernice Sachs and Anna Frances Sachs; and a niece, Norma Jean Winter.

Services will be held at 1:00 pm on Friday, March 24, 2017 at Randall & Roberts Funeral Home, 1150 Logan Street in Noblesville, with visitation beginning at 12:00 noon. Mr. John Porter will officiate. Burial will be at Crownland Cemetery in Noblesville.

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NFD battles Monday morning fire



Photo courtesy Noblesville Fire Department

The Noblesville Fire Department responded to a fire at the 9600 block of Wild Iris Drive Monday morning. Fire crews quickly had the fire under control. No injuries were reported.

Fishers Concert Series announced

By LARRY LANNAN
LarryinFishers.com

Some new names and some familiar ones are part of the 2017 Fishers Summer Concert Series announced Monday.

The group Smash Mouth will appear at the downtown Amphitheater at 9 p.m. Friday, June 9th. John Waite comes to town Friday, June 16, also at 9 p.m. Another big name, Loverboy comes to the stage Friday, July 7 for another 9 p.m. gig.

Other familiar names such as Jennie DeVoe, The Woomblies and Dave and Rae are on this year’s schedule. The Blues Fest will once again be a two-day affair, Sept. 1 and 2.

Tuesday Night Concert Series presented by IU Health Saxony Hospital

June 6 | My Yellow Rickshaw sponsored by Cathedral High School

June 13 | The Innocent Band sponsored by Primrose Schools

June 20 | DUDE! sponsored by Heritage Christian School

June 27 | The Doo! Band sponsored by Citizens State Bank

July 11 | Parrots of the Caribbean sponsored by Bose McKinney & Evans

July 18 | Dave and Rae sponsored by The Goddard School

July 25 | Meraki 7

August 1 | TBD sponsored by Boomerang Development

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AMP After Dark Concert Series

June 2 | Woomblies Rock Orchestra

June 3 | B105.7 presents 80’s at the Amp

June 9 | 107.9 The Mix presents Smash Mouth with special guest Monofiction

June 16 | Q95 and Barnes & Thornburg LLP present John Waitewith special guest Phil Pierle Trio

June 30 | WJJK presents Sounds of Summer: A Beach Boys Tribute

July 7 | WJJK presents Loverboy

July 14 | WTTS presents Jennie DeVoe

July 21 | WTTS presents Trippin’ Billies

July 28 | Q95 and Barnes & Thornburg LLP present The Meek Sisters

August 4 | WTTS presents Moon Taxi with special guest The Elect

August 11 | WJJK presents Dogs of Society: A Musical Tribute to the Music of Elton John

August 18 | An Alt 103 presents Show

August 25 | Chad Mills with special guest Cory Williams

Sept. 1-2 | Blues Fest Weekend featuring Honoree Rev. Charlie Edmunds and Samantha Fish

Give blood with the Red Cross during National Volunteer Month

The American Red Cross encourages the community to give blood during National Volunteer Month this April. Donating blood is a simple way to make a profound difference in the lives of patients.

Nearly 2.8 million generous people donated blood through the Red Cross last year. The Red Cross salutes these volunteer blood donors who helped fulfill its lifesaving mission and invites others to roll up a sleeve and join them.

Bill Parr has been donating blood for more than 30 years. “I think it’s one of the most rewarding things you can do, knowing that such a simple act can have such a positive impact on another human being in a time of need,” he said.

Volunteer donors are the only source of blood products for those in need of transfusions. Donors of all blood types are needed this spring.

Make an appointment to donate blood by downloading the free [Red Cross Blood Donor App](#), visiting [redcrossblood.org](#) or calling 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767).

Upcoming blood donation opportunities:

Fishers

April 5: 2 p.m. - 7 p.m., The Promise Church, 12648 E. 116th Street

How to help

Simply download the [American Red Cross Blood Donor App](#), visit [redcrossblood.org](#) or call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) to make an appointment or for more information. All blood types are needed to ensure a reliable supply for patients. A blood donor card or driver’s license or two other forms of identification are required at check-in. Individuals who are 17 years of age in most states (16 with parental consent where allowed by state law), weigh at least 110 pounds and are in generally good health may be eligible to donate blood. High school students and other donors 18 years of age and younger also have to meet certain height and weight requirements.

Blood donors can now save time at their next donation by using RapidPass to complete their pre-donation reading and health history questionnaire online, on the day of their donation, prior to arriving at the blood drive. To get started and learn more, visit [redcrossblood.org/RapidPass](#) and follow the instructions on the site.

Volunteers needed

Another way to support the lifesaving mission of the American Red Cross is to become a volunteer transportation specialist and deliver lifesaving blood products to local area hospitals. Volunteer transportation specialists play a very important role in ensuring an ample blood supply for patients in need by transporting blood and blood products. For more information and to apply for a volunteer transportation specialist position visit [rdcrss.org/driver](#).

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Softball

Millers cruise to season-opening win

The Noblesville softball team got off to a nice start Tuesday, sailing to a 14-0 season-opening win over Western Boone in a home game.

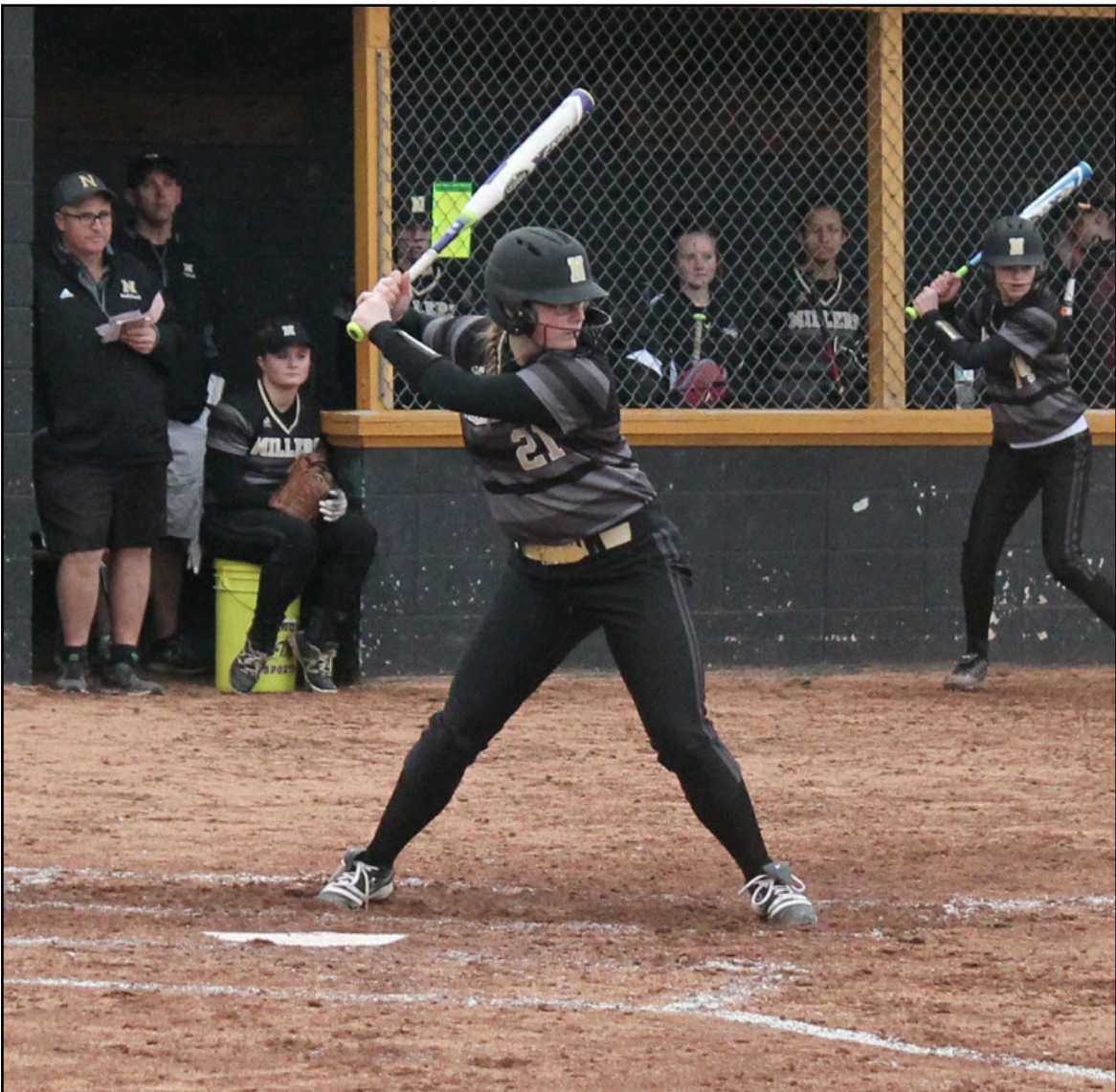
The Millers came out firing in the first inning, with Julia Furiak hitting a two-run home run. Noblesville coach Deke Bullard called Furiak's blast "a good hit that ended up being a line drive home run."

"We worked on that all winter, just being patient, trying to pick out pitches that we can drive," said Bullard.

The hitting was good all around, with the Millers getting 14 hits. Abby Brown was 3-for-4 and scored three runs. Bri Tragesser hit 2-for-2 and Brooke Herron was 2-for-3, both had two RBIs. Brooke Rundle drove in three runs, while Furiak and Taylor Nale totaled two RBIs.

"I thought we hit well," said Bullard. "I thought we did a good job on letting the ball travel to us."

Herron pitched three innings for the win, striking out three and allowing no hits. Taylor Sjöholm finished the game, giving up just one hit in two innings.



Noblesville 14, Western Boone 0
(5 innings)

Noblesville	AB	R	H	RBI
Grace Smith	2	2	0	0
Macy Minniear	1	1	0	0
Abby Brown	4	3	3	0
Brooke Herron	3	2	2	2
Taylor Sjöholm	1	0	1	1
Emily Minett	3	2	1	0
Cheny Gertz	1	0	1	0
Brooke Rundle	3	1	1	3
Julia Furiak	2	2	1	2
Chloe Tragesser	2	1	1	0
Maggie Hampton	3	0	0	0
Taylor Nale	1	0	1	2
Bri Tragesser	2	0	2	2
Totals	28	14	14	12

Score by innings

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HR: Furiak. 2B: Herron, Rundle, Nale. SB: Smith, Minniear.

NHS pitching

IP	R	ER	H
Herron (W)	3	0	0 0
Sjöholm	2	0	0 1

Strikeouts: Herron 3, Sjöholm 1. Walks: Sjöholm 2.

Reporter photo by Richie Hall

Noblesville's Julia Furiak hit a first-inning home run during the Millers' season-opening softball game with Western Boone Tuesday afternoon. Noblesville won 14-0.

Royals win roller-coaster game over 'Hounds

Hamilton Southeastern won a topsy-turvy season-opener over Carmel Tuesday, by the score of 12-9 at the Greyhounds' Cherry Tree Softball Complex.

The Royals led 4-1 after three-and-a-half innings, but Carmel scored three runs in the bottom of the fourth to tie it up at 4-4. The 'Hounds took a 7-6 lead in the bottom of the fifth, but HSE answered with four runs in the top of the sixth. That put the Royals up 10-7, and they held on to the lead from there.

Jordan Rager, Abby Taylor, Ashton Kiehl and Libby Ratliff all had two hits for Southeastern. Kaylee Carter and Bre Zook both had two RBIs. Jaylah Guillian pitched three innings for the win, after relieving Alexis Macha, who threw four innings. Macha struck out five.

"The kids never quit," said Royals coach Dave Cook. "They just kept battling up there at the plate and putting the ball in play."

Freshman Stormy Kotzelnick had three hits for the Greyhounds, including a double, and batted in three runs. Emma Morton smacked a triple, and scored two runs. Morton and Julia Ranney both drove in two runs.

"This is not a game that you can let define you," said Carmel coach Emily Good. "I love the fact that they didn't quit. It was back and forth on both ends. Both teams are very hungry to get outside. The fact that we can finally get out, play on some dirt and enjoy the game that we love."

Southeastern 12, Carmel 9

Southeastern	AB	R	H	RBI
Jordan Rager	4	2	2	1
Shelby Berthold	4	1	1	1
Kaylee Carter	4	1	1	2
Jenny Turock	1	0	0	0
Abby Taylor	5	1	2	1
Bre Zook	3	0	1	2
Danielle Planet	0	0	0	0
Lilly Upchurch	0	1	0	0
Katelyn Shonborn	3	2	1	0
Nicole Dillow	4	1	1	1
Ashton Kiehl	5	1	2	0
Nicole Lang	0	0	0	0
Libby Ratliff	5	2	2	0
Totals	38	12	13	8

SAC: Zook 2, Rager 1.

HSE pitching

IP	R	ER	H
Jaylah Guillian (W)	3	4	4 3
Alexis Macha	4	5	1 4

Strikeouts: Macha 5, Guillian 1. Walks: Macha 5, Guillian 2.

Carmel

AB	R	H	RBI
Karly Combs	4	0	0 0
Stormy Kotzelnick	4	2	3 3
Sydney Fox	4	0	0 0
Julia Ranney	5	0	2 2
Madison Searles	1	0	0 0
Emma Morton	3	3	2 1
Sommer Edwards	2	0	0 0
Sarah Goddard	0	1	0 0
Audrey Hansen	2	1	0 0
Darby Roberts	4	0	1 1
Molly Kracht	1	2	0 1
Totals	30	9	8 8

3B: Morton. 2B: Kotzelnick. SB: Combs, Kotzelnick, Kracht. SAC: Kracht. HBP: Morton, Roberts.

CHS pitching

IP	R	ER	H
Searles	3	8	3 8
Edwards	4	4	0 5

Strikeouts: Edwards 1. Walks: Searles 2, Edwards 1.

Score by innings

Southeastern	220	024	2 - 12	13 2
Carmel	100	332	0 - 9	8 8

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Abbott scores winning run in Fishers victory

Fishers started its season with a 2-1 win over Kokomo on Tuesday.

Diane Abbott scored the winning run for the Tigers in the bottom of the seventh inning, with Kristi Gordon getting the RBI. Briona Rance had two hits for Fishers, and batted in Gordon for a fifth-inning run.

Emma Wellington pitched five innings, striking out three. Katie Shaw had a solid defensive game at third base.

Fishers 2, Kokomo 1

Fishers	AB	R	H	RBI	Briona Rance	3	0	2	1
Diane Abbott	0	1	0	0	Janey Schmidt	3	0	1	0
Kristi Gordon	4	1	1	1	Kristie Brooks	1	0	0	0
Aliyah Guiliam	3	0	1	0	Mara Lorkowski	3	0	0	0
Katie Shaw	3	0	1	0	Totals	26	2	8	2
Courtney James	0	0	0	0	Score by Innings				
Jade Frye	2	0	0	0	Fishers	000	010	1 - 2	8 0
Alyssa Chavez	2	0	1	0	Kokomo	010	000	0 - 1	6 1
Emma Wellington	2	0	1	0	2B: Gordon. SB: Chavez. SAC: Schmidt.				
					FHS pitching	IP	R	ER	H
					Rachel Dunn	1	0	0	1
					Wellington	5	1	1	5
					Lorkowski	1	0	0	0
					Strikeouts: Wellington 3. Walks: Lorkowski 2.				

Miller hits homer for Golden Eagles



Miller

Guerin Catholic opened its season with a 7-2 loss to Lawrence Central on Tuesday.

Sarah Miller hit a solo home run for the Golden Eagles, with Megan Collins scoring GC's other run on a Kate Swift RBI. Miller threw a complete game, striking out 10.

Huskies fall to Eagles on late surge

Hamilton Heights had a frustrating start to its season, as Zionsville zoomed past the Huskies in the fifth inning and beat them 15-5 in five innings on Tuesday.

Heights led 5-4 in the top of the fourth, but the Eagles scored three in the bottom of the inning, then added eight more in the fifth to get the run-rule win. Huskies coach Landi Lockwood said her team made a few key errors on defense and couldn't recover.

Claire Schildmeier was 2-for-3, batting in two runs. Jessica Kaurich and Emily Wright each had one hit. Both players scored one run, as did Mickey Stupp and Adyson

Baber. Taylor Ewing and Stupp had successful bunts.

"Kaurich and Schildmeier had a decent night at the plate," said Lockwood. "Wright had a nice hit while Stupp and Ewing both had key bunts to round out the offense. "

Zionsville 15, Heights 5 (5 innings)

Heights	AB	R	H	RBI	Taylor Ewing	2	0	0	0
Ashton Runner	3	0	0	0	Jessica Kaurich	2	1	1	0
Adyson Baber	2	1	0	0	Claire Schildmeier	3	1	2	2
					Emily Wright	3	0	1	0
					Lia Williams	2	1	0	0
					Kylie Schakel	0	0	0	0
					Mickey Stupp	3	1	0	0
					Bayleigh Runner	2	0	0	0
					Totals	22	5	4	2
					Score by innings				
					Heights	100	40 -	5	4 3
					Zionsville	220	38 -	15	11 3
					SAC: Ewing.				
					HH pitching	IP	R	ER	H
					Wright	4	10	7	6
					Baber	1	5	5	5
					Strikeouts: Wright 1, Baber 1. Walks: Wright 5, Baber 1.				

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'Rocks beat Monrovia in opener

Westfield opened its season Monday with a road win at Monrovia, 11-5.

The Shamrocks were powered by Kelsey Powers, who blasted three home runs. Powers totaled six runs batted in for Westfield. Cassidy Ferrer went 3-for-4 at the plate, also hitting a home run and driving in four run. Dory Thompson was 2-for-4, with a home run and a double. Ashley Swartout and Regan Nickel both had two hits as well.

Ferrer pitched a complete game, striking out three.

The 'Rocks are back on the road Thursday, playing at Taylor.

Westfield 11, Monrovia 5

Westfield	AB	R	H	RBI	Westfield	011	230	4 - 11	14 2
Dory Thompson	4	2	2	1	Monrovia	100	022	0 - 5	10 0
Regan Nickel	4	1	2	0	HR: Powers 3, Thompson, Ferrer. 2B: Ferrer 2, Thompson.				
Caroline Maymon	1	0	0	0	WHS pitching	IP	R	ER	H
Savannah Arvin	0	0	0	0	Ferrer	7	5	4	10
Cassidy Ferrer	4	2	3	4	Strikeouts: Ferrer 3. Walks: Ferrer 1.				
Claire Haffley	3	0	1	0					
Lexey Falls	3	0	1	0					
Madeline Hunter	0	1	0	0					
Kelsey Powers	4	3	3	6					
Lexi Martin	1	0	0	0					
Ashley Swartout	4	2	2	0					
Corrine Molter	1	0	0	0					
Alexis McClure	2	0	0	0					
Emily Revercomb	2	0	0	0					
Totals	33	11	14	11					

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University lacrosse opens season at North Central

On Tuesday evening, the University lacrosse team opened its second season under the lights at North Central High School. The cold and rainy conditions proved challenging for the Blazers, in a 15-2 loss to the Panthers.

However, there were several glimpses of progress by a number of players, with goals from both Thomas Burgess and Parker Baumann and Akhil Vadlamudi with the assist. Other promising statistics were seen from a number of players, ground ball leaders Kaden Edwards and Christian Means with five each. It should also be noted the score does not reflect the tremendous effort of Blazer goalie Chuckie O'Farrell, who managed to fend off 64 percent of North Central's 42 shots on goal.

University will play two games in Evansville on Saturday.

NEFL looking for new Grinder head coach

The Noblesville Elementary Football League is looking for a new Grinder head Coach. After three very successful seasons, Head Coach Tim Bievins has decided to move on to coach the Freshman team.

Steve Dillinger, President of the NEFL Executive Board and one of the founders of the Grinders football program, said that while they will be interviewing current Grinder Assistant Coaches first, they want

to give other qualified interested coaches an opportunity to apply.

We are interested in coaches that understand the Grinder history and are interested in helping to continue to build the program over the next few years.

If you have an interest in applying, please contact Eric Snyder, President of the NEFL, at ericsnyder@yahoo.com, or Steve Dillinger at stevencdillinger@aol.com. We would like applicants to submit a resume. The finalist will be interviewed on Monday April 17, by the Executive Board.

Montoya to compete in INDYCAR Grand Prix

Montoya will aim for his third Indianapolis 500 victory on May 28 in a Team Penske entry, and team owner Roger Penske recently confirmed Montoya also will compete in the fourth annual INDYCAR Grand Prix on May 12-13 on the IMS road course.

"It's always great to race in Indy," Montoya said. "There's a lot of focus on the 500 and that's understandable, but the Grand Prix has come a long way in a short time. The course is fast but still challenging. The fan support continues to grow. More people need to discover it because all of the races have been very competitive with passing and lead changes."

"For me, I'll be excited to get in an Indy car again for the month of May."

No driver has swept both Verizon IndyCar Series races in May at IMS since the INDYCAR Grand Prix debuted in 2014.

Montoya earned his second Indianapolis 500 presented by PennGrade Motor Oil victory in 2015 after finishing third earlier that month in the INDYCAR Grand Prix. That is his best finish in three career starts in the INDYCAR Grand Prix.

Team Penske has dominated the INDYCAR Grand Prix, with victories by Will Power in 2015 and Simon Pagenaud in 2016. Pagenaud also won the inaugural event in 2014 when driving for Schmidt Peterson Hamilton Motorsports.

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Southeast	W	L	PCT.	GB	Southwest	W	L	PCT.	GB
Washington	42	28	.600	-	San Antonio	54	16	.771	-
Atlanta	37	33	.529	5.0	Houston	49	22	.690	5.5
Miami	35	36	.493	7.5	Memphis	40	31	.563	14.5
Charlotte	31	39	.443	11.0	Dallas	30	40	.429	24.0
Orlando	26	45	.366	16.5	New Orleans	30	41	.423	24.5
Central	W	L	PCT.	GB	Pacific	W	L	PCT.	GB
Cleveland	46	23	.667	-	Golden State	57	14	.803	-
Indiana	36	34	.514	10.5	L.A. Clippers	43	29	.597	14.5
Milwaukee	35	35	.500	11.5	Sacramento	27	43	.386	29.5
Detroit	34	37	.479	13.0	Phoenix	22	49	.310	35.0
Chicago	33	38	.465	14.0	L.A. Lakers	20	51	.282	37.0

Noblesville's Austin Dreyer commits to the University of Saint Francis



Photo courtesy Kent Graham Images

Noblesville football player Austin Dreyer has committed to play at the University of Saint Francis. Pictured: Jeff Dreyer, Austin Dreyer, Noblesville Head Football Coach Jason Simmons.

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Past Verizon IndyCar Series champions Ryan Hunter-Reay and Power have come closest to achieving the "May double" at IMS.

Hunter-Reay finished second behind Pagnaud in the inaugural INDYCAR Grand Prix in 2014 before winning "The Greatest Spectacle in Racing" later that month for Andretti Autosport. Power won the INDYCAR Grand Prix and finished second to Team Penske teammate Montoya in the Indianapolis 500 in 2015.

Visit www.ims.com to purchase tickets for the INDYCAR Grand Prix on May 12-13, for the 101st Running of the Indianapolis 500 presented by PennGrade Motor Oil and for more information on the entire Month of May schedule at IMS. Kids 15 and under are free to all 2017 racing events at IMS when accompanied by an adult General Admission ticket-holder.

Millers girls lacrosse falls to Guerin

The Noblesville girls lacrosse team lost to Guerin Catholic 9-3 on Tuesday. Stats were not reported by press time.

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