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The County Line

Nickel Plate saga gets more complex

By FRED SWIFT
The Nickel Plate saga seems to get more complex by the day. With owners of the railroad considering proposals for the tracks' future use, and a tort claim by the Indiana Transportation Museum (ITM) for damages pending in court, a new wrinkle has developed.

The City of Logansport wants the museum to have a location in that city. Whether this means the museum completely pulling out of Noblesville is unclear. But, opening in Logansport while unable to operate its trains on the Nickel Plate would seem to mean the focus of the museum's efforts would be headed north.

The ITM has been in Noblesville's Forest Park for many



years and has operated excursion trains on the Nickel Plate rails for 20 years or more. But, since March 2016 the organization has been unable to run their trains due to safety concerns expressed by the Hoosier Heritage Port Authority, owners of the tracks.

Local officials at the city and county level have indicated they would like to convert the railroad to a walking and jogging trail. This idea has become controversial as supporters of retaining the railroad have organized to make the issue a political "hot potato."

Last year it appeared the ITM might not be able to afford to make safety corrections, the Port Authority issued a request for proposals (RFP) to any group interested and able to take over use of the tracks, and either operate trains, build a trail or a combination of the two.

A proposal from the Hamilton County Tourism Bureau seemed to meet the combination idea by offering a trail south from Noblesville and railroad north to Tipton. The

port authority is considering proposals from five entities. And, surprisingly a group known as Iowa Pacific, not Tourism, scored highest in meeting criteria set by the port authority.

So, the issue will be handed off to the Noblesville, Fishers and Hamilton County administrations for a final determination. No date has been set for making that decision. In the meantime, ITM filed a tort claim for damages in federal court which could delay any action.

If it sounds confusing and potentially more controversial, it is. If a successful outcome is not reached, those who made the decision will hear about it. And, this alone could delay resolution.

Meanwhile, Logansport, an old railroading town which holds an Ironhorse Festival each year, is hoping that some, if not all, of ITM's old rail cars, engines and treasured interurbans will be joining their collection.

**Legacy Fund honors
Community Pillars**

Legacy Fund, the Central Indiana Community Foundation affiliate serving Hamilton County, announced today the debut of the Legacy Fund Community Pillar Awards aimed to honor individuals or corporations doing visionary work to solve pressing challenges, build opportunity and equity, and create a brighter future for Hamilton County residents in three leadership areas—college readiness and success, family success and inspiring places.

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HSE and City of Fishers discuss preschool certification

By LARRY LANNAN
LarryinFishers.com
Hamilton Southeastern (HSE) School Superintendent Allen Bourff and Fishers Mayor Scott Fadness have held discussions on the possibility of creating a local certification process for preschools. During a school board work session Tuesday morning, Dr. Bourff described the talks with the mayor.

“(Assistant HSE Superintendent) Jan (Combs) and I met with Scott Fadness months ago and flew the idea of, if Fishers, as a community, is really wanting to produce the best or provide the very best experience for any kid who grows up here, then there ought to be an emphasis on certifying all the preschools,” Bourff said. “So that we understand, when we have the children who come to us in kindergarten, that they’ve had

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NHS recognized as state leader for advanced manufacturing curriculum



Luke Wiseman

Noblesville Schools announced on Wednesday that Noblesville High School has been recognized as the top advanced manufacturing high school partner in the state by Conexus Indiana, the state's advanced manufacturing and logistics initiative.

The award is given to outstanding high schools that have significantly contributed to the development of Indiana's next generation of the advanced manufacturing and logistics workforce.

Luke Wiseman's advanced manufacturing class was chosen for the honor because of NHS's engagement with local industry and Wiseman's efforts to expose students to meaningful work and learning opportunities.

“Our key focus is providing students with a variety of relevant choices for learning that will serve them well in the future,” said NHS Principal Jeff Bryant. “We’re

proud of the work Mr. Wiseman leads to support this vision and appreciate this recognition of our efforts from Conexus Indiana.”

Noblesville was chosen from approximately 100 schools offering Conexus Indiana's Hire Tech curriculum around the state.

To see a quick snapshot into NHS's advanced manufacturing classroom, visit: <https://vimeo.com/221639634>

Conexus Indiana is the state's advanced manufacturing and logistics initiative, dedicated to making Indiana a global leader. Conexus is focused on strategic priorities like workforce development, creating new industry partnerships and promoting Indiana's advantages in manufacturing and logistics. Learn more at www.ConexusIndiana.com.

Westfield Green continues environmental awareness

The city of Westfield held an event last week as part of Westfield Green, the community's continuing environmental awareness initiative.

Students from Westfield Washington Schools participated in an educational composting event coordinated by Keith O'Dell of Castaway Compost. Students learned what composting is, how it can be done and what kinds of items are ideal for composting.

Students also participated in a workshop led by the Westfield High School Environmental Club learning how to make re-usable shopping bags out of old T-shirts.

Mayor Andy Cook and Westfield Washington Schools Superintendent Dr. Sherry Grate also participated in the activities.



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Westfield Washington Schools Superintendent Dr. Sherry Grate, Keith O'Dell of Castaway Compost and Mayor Andy Cook participated in a Westfield Green event.

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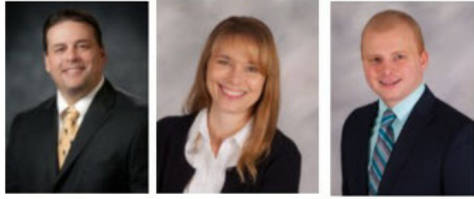
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"DivorceCare" is a helpful and encouraging 13-week seminar for people experiencing a separation or divorce. The sessions will begin Friday, August 18, 2017– 6:30-8:30 pm. at Noblesville First United Methodist Church, 2051 Monument Street, Noblesville, IN. (Enter door #1.) Participants may join anytime during our programs.

A one-time registration fee of \$20 is appreciated, but scholarships are available. Free childcare (thru age 10) is available with adult registration.

Weekly session topics include: The Road to Healing, Facing

Depression and Loneliness, New Relationships, Kid Care and Financial Survival.

All are welcome to our support group which features practical suggestions and reassurance through video interviews with counselors and other people who have experienced a separation or divorce. Join with others that are experiencing the same situations and questions with which you are struggling. We understand.

For more information, call church office, 317-773-2500, or email wmevers@sbcglobal.net

Music and All that Jazz takes place Friday on the Courthouse Square

Noblesville Main Street welcomes Jazz Elements to the courthouse lawn this Friday for the next concert in the Music and All that Jazz series.

Founded in 2013 by Jim and Judy Faux, Jazz Elements has a mission to put their own spin on some of the timeless jazz standards, such as those in The Great American Songbook. The usual line-up of the band is five piece: drums, bass, guitar, vocals and sax/flute.

They enjoy bringing back the tunes that most people have heard on TV, movies, radio, etc. They give new life to these songs, and it gives them great pleasure to do so. They keep it simple and let the songs do the talking.

Noblesville Main Street invites our community to the beautiful historic Courthouse Square for fun evenings this summer. All performances are 7 to 9 p.m. and are weather-dependent.

HSE

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the particular level of quality experience in preschool."

Dr. Bourff said the HSE School District would like to be partners with the pre-schools. Administrators estimate that there are about 150 preschools within the school corporation boundaries, if all of them, even the small preschool operations held in homes, are counted.

HSE schools would be unable to provide preschool services to all children in the school corporation boundaries and Dr. Bourff said the local school district has no interest in putting private preschools out of business.

Although there is no indication any certification process will be implemented anytime soon, Dr. Bourff told the board Mayor Fadness "has not said no" to the idea.

LEGACY

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citizens and local companies committed to doing good," says Tom Kilian, president, Legacy Fund. "The people who do the everyday work of making Hamilton County a great place to live, work and play are the pillars of our community. And they deserve our support and appreciation."

A winner will be chosen in each award category. Among other recognition, recipients of the Community Pillar Awards will receive \$5,000 each to grant to a Hamilton County not-for-profit organization. Award winners will be honored and grant recipients announced at Legacy Fund's annual event, Celebration of Philanthropy on Thursday, Nov. 9, at Ritz Charles in Carmel.

Nominations for the Legacy Fund Community Pillar Awards open July 1 and close at midnight July 31. For more information or to submit or download an awards nomination, visit cicf.org/pillar-awards/. Print copies of the nomination form may also be found at the Legacy Fund office at 515 E. Main St. #100, Carmel.

MEETING NOTICES

The Cicero Town Council will meet on July 31, 2017 at 6:30 pm at the Cicero Town Hall, 70 N. Byron Street, Cicero, IN 46034 according to IC 5-14-1.5-6.1 (b) (5) To receive information about and interview prospective employees.

Pursuant to IC 5-14-1.5-5 (a) The Hamilton County Council Public Safety Communications Committee will meet at 3:00 p.m. on Tuesday, August 1, 2017 in the EMA Conference Room, at 18100 Cumberland Road, Noblesville, Indiana. The purpose of this meeting is for discussion of general updates on operation and future plans.

/s/ Robin M. Mills,
Hamilton County Auditor

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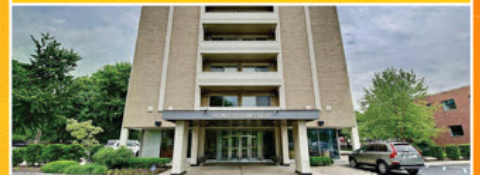
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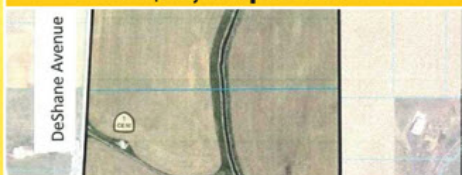
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Martha Delores Frye

February 15, 1930 - July 8, 2017

Martha Delores Frye died peacefully on July 8, 2017 at Harbor Manor in Noblesville, Indiana. She was born on February 15, 1930 in Weirton, West Virginia to John and Josephine Jezerski.

Martha attended the West Virginia School for the Deaf in Romney, West Virginia and Western Pennsylvania School for the Deaf in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. In 1952, she married Lynn Frye, Sr. of Altoona, Pennsylvania. In 1963, the Frye family moved to Columbus, Indiana. They were members of Peace Lutheran Church. Martha and her husband retired from Cosco.

Ms. Frye's passion was her family. Family always came first, and she will be remembered for her unconditional love and support for her husband and two sons. Martha's best friend and husband Lynn, Sr, passed in 2001.

She is survived by her brother John Jezerski, Jr. (wife Esten) of Weirton, West Virginia; her brother, Joe Jezerski (wife Noreen) of Boca Raton, Florida; her sister, Marilyn Knetzer (husband Paul) of Safety Harbor, Florida; her sons, Lynn Frye Jr. (wife Karen) and Kelvin Frye (wife MaryEllen); five grandchildren, Kristin (husband Kyle), Derek (wife Sarah), Robbie (wife Elizabeth), Nick (wife Marissa), and Danny; and three great-grandchildren, Weston, Bryson and Teagan.

Martha's life will be celebrated in a private ceremony to be held at Our Lady of Grace church in Noblesville, Indiana. Arrangements have been entrusted to Randall & Roberts Funeral Homes.

Donations can be made to Peace Lutheran Church for the Deaf, 6404 East 46th Street, Indianapolis, IN 46226.

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Arrangements

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Rita Jo Hoogenboom

November 17, 1937 - July 18, 2017

Rita Jo Hoogenboom, 79, of Noblesville, passed away on Tuesday, July 18, 2017 at Prairie Lakes Health Campus in Noblesville. She was born on November 17, 1937 to John and Iris (Anthony) Blair in Eaton, Indiana.

Rita was a 1956 graduate of Eaton High School, and attended Ball State University. She married Frederick Hoogenboom on March 12, 1960 in Eaton. Rita worked at GTE, was active in Gideon's Auxiliary, and was a member of Christ's Community Church in Fishers.

She is survived by her sons, Mark (Katrina M.) Hoogenboom, Alan (Charity) Hoogenboom, and Paul (Katrina A.) Hoogenboom; nine grandchildren, Benjamin, Jacob, Quinten, Colleen, Amanda, Aaron, Kinsey, Shelby and Caleb; two great-grandchildren; and three brothers, Tony (Carla), Roger (Candy) and Randy (Romie).

In addition to her parents, Rita was preceded in death by her husband, Frederick, in 2010.

Services will be held at 11 a.m. on Saturday, July 22, 2017 at Randall & Roberts Funeral Center, 1685 Westfield Road in Noblesville, with visitation from 9 a.m. to the time of service. Pastor Nate Pyle will officiate. Burial will be at Highland Park Cemetery, 2403 Wallen Road, in Fort Wayne.

Memorial contributions may be made to Gideons International, PO Box 97251, Washington, DC 20090-7251; or Alzheimer's Association, 50 East 91st Street, Suite 100, Indianapolis, IN 46240.

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Arrangements

Calling: 9 a.m. July 22

Service: 11 a.m. July 22

Location: Randall & Roberts Funeral Home, Noblesville

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TODAY'S BIBLE VERSE

That it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the prophet, saying, I will open my mouth in parables; I will utter things which have been kept secret from the foundation of the world.

Matthew 13:35

Shirley Ann Harmas

July 12, 1928 - July 18, 2017

Shirley Ann Harmas, 89, of Indianapolis, passed away on Tuesday, July 18, 2017 at IU Health North Hospital in Carmel. She was born on July 12, 1928 to Dr. Odus L. and Margaret Ann (Fielding) Baldrige in Terre Haute, Indiana.

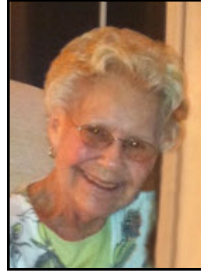
Shirley was a wife, a mother, and a grandmother - every precious moment included her family. She filled her life with sunshine and the beach.

She is survived by her sons, Robert O. (Sandra) Harmas, Douglas K. (Karen) Harmas, John H. (Diana) Harmas, and Thomas L. (Lori) Harmas; daughter, Laura A. Chappell; 18 grandchildren; and 17 great-grandchildren.

In addition to her parents, Shirley was preceded in death by her husband, Robert K. Harmas in 1985.

Services will be held at 1 p.m. on Saturday, July 22, 2017 at Randall & Roberts Funeral Home, 1150 Logan Street in Noblesville, with visitation from 11 a.m. to the time of service. Burial will be at Washington Park East Cemetery in Indianapolis.

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Arrangements

Calling: 11 a.m. July 22

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Part 2 -- Alaska and Canada

By COURTNEY COX COLE

I sit here in Banff, Alberta, Canada and realize that life has been difficult the past few years due to my fight with cancer; however, I am more than blessed. Tonight is the last night of my family vacation that has included my sister and her family, my parents, and my family. We started out by flying to Vancouver, Canada to get on a ship that toured Alaska and then returned to Vancouver. We ended the trip on a train ride from Vancouver that included a stop in Kamloops, British Columbia and ended in Banff, Alberta, Canada.

I just want to cover a few highlights because there's not nearly enough space to discuss everything. I absolutely loved this trip!! I had been to Vancouver one other time in my life and I have always loved the city. We boarded a ship and headed to sea. The ship had a basketball court on top and even though I have Stage 4 Cancer -- I still can play a little basketball. Just before we took off, I had fun shooting a few baskets with the kids. It is definitely a different experience shooting baskets on top of a ship. My right arm has a rod in it so my range is limited to about the free throw

line, but it is kind of cool to shoot baskets with the incredibly beautiful background of Alaska.

We headed out to Icy Straight Point and we were able to see both bears (from a distance) and we also had quite a few whale sightings. One of our stops was in Juneau -- the capital of Alaska. My boyfriend has been heavily involved in Indiana politics as he was Chief of Staff for Governor O'Bannon. Thus, he wanted to check out the Alaska House of Representatives and the Senate. It is much smaller than our facility in Indiana. We were able to walk right in -- they were not in session, but there were numerous pictures of former Governors including Sarah Palin.

However, I think there were two other major highlights (excursions) from our cruise stops. One of the big events was going on a dog sled ride. It is currently Summer in Alaska so we did not take a true dog sled through the snow, but they actually tie up the dogs to a 6-8 passenger "golf cart" and take you on a cool tour of the area. They are training the dogs for the Iditarod which is a huge dog sled race through Alaska during the winter season. The crazy side of me kept thinking this would be possible to actually do through Forest Park in Noblesville during the winter. We would just need an "Eskimo" to train us on how to train the dogs...

Finally, the other highlight of the cruise was checking out the iceberg formations. The ship gets very close to the formations and you can actually hear the ice cracking, melting, etc... I kept thinking of the Titanic -- especially as we approached these formations and saw the ice in the water...

When the cruise ended, we spent an extra day in Vancouver and biked around Stanley Park -- one of my absolute favorite places. It is bigger than Central Park and in 2014 Trip Advisor named it the top park in the world. It features forest trails, beaches, lakes, children's play areas, and the Vancouver Aquarium among many other attractions.

We then took a train from Vancouver to Kamloops, British Columbia -- the scenery is beautiful; however, there were major forest fires, and there was smoke everywhere. The town had so much smoke that they were passing out masks. Fortunately, we hopped on the train and hurried up to Banff, Alberta, Canada which I would like to visit again very soon. It is a major ski resort town with all kinds of activities. Furthermore, the water from the streams is like a teal color and there are hot springs that are like hot tubs. This has been a fabulous trip with the family and I would highly recommend it to everyone. The Western area of the United States and Canada is amazing.

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Both local and emergency traffic will be permitted through during work hours. The road will be open at the end of each afternoon. Until the job is complete, please drive with caution.

- Meanwhile, 276th Street between US 31 and Anthony Road will be closed for road reconstruction on or after July 31. The road is scheduled to be closed to all thru traffic for 75 calendar days, tentatively opening back up to traffic on or before Oct. 16.

During the closure, local traffic should utilize the signed detour route of 266th Street and Devaney Road. Property owners will continue to have access to their properties through the construction area. This closure is part of the improvements to 276th Street which will widen the lanes and shoulders from US 31 to Gwinn Road. This closure is the first of three phases of work to take place.

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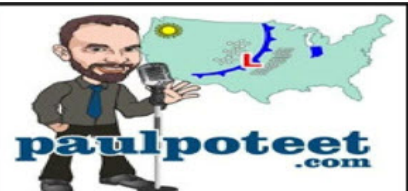
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HUD investigation in Noblesville could impact entire county

By GAREN BRAGG



What is the correct term for the federal government investigating a community for being too successful? Government overreach? The increasingly short march towards socialism? The Fair Housing Center of Central Indiana (FHCCI) would probably call it fighting housing discrimination. Towards that end they filed complaints with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) against the City of Noblesville and Hamilton County.

The complaints allege that the City and the County are proactively erecting significant barriers to "racial and ethnic integration and to keep out families with children." FHCCI maintains that they did this by blocking affordable housing for development and limiting housing opportunities for families. The problem? Noblesville has more subsidized housing than any other community in Hamilton County. The complaint and investigation are not really about housing options at all, it's about Noblesville being too successful. Residents of other communities should take note. If Noblesville is guilty of housing discrimination then so is Carmel, Fishers and maybe even Westfield.

The inevitable conclusion from FHCCI's logic is that if a community is successful, it must be discriminatory. Because property values are too high they claim that people

of color are unable to live here, which of course is false. For residents this should be concerning not just because a HUD decision against Noblesville and the County could impact their own property values, but because of what it would do to local government and school funding. In Indiana property tax rates are capped in the constitution, meaning that in order for a city to increase their revenue, they must find ways to raise the assessed value of its properties. Those same taxes go to fund local schools. If having high property values is discriminatory, then having well funded schools and cities is discriminatory too.

Properties with low assessed value cannot provide the same revenue as properties with higher assessed values, meaning less money for sidewalks, roads, infrastructure, policing etc. In every city space is limited, so the cost to the taxpayers for low income housing is more than just a federal subsidy, it's the cost of not having a more revenue producing building there. For communities in Hamilton County, which are growing at a breathtaking pace, this opportunity cost to the taxpayer could be both enormous and impossible to calculate.

Under the Fair Housing Act, housing discrimination includes practices that make housing unavailable to persons because of race or color, religion, sex, national origin, familial status or disability. Note that this does not include practices that increase property values of homeowners and protect the taxpayer. If high property values are discriminatory, success is discriminatory. Discrimination is wrong and we must always stand up against it whenever we find it. But

this is clearly not discrimination. This is protecting the taxpayer. Affordable housing is an important piece in urban planning, and that is why Noblesville has subsidized housing. The FHCCI doesn't care about the existing housing though, they're only worried that Hamilton County is too successful.

The government that is closest to you can affect you the most, so it is critical that we elect prudent men and women unafraid to grapple with the Federal government to serve as mayors and sit on our city councils. In your day to day life, City Hall is more important than Washington D.C. The FHCCI's allegations are false, but the HUD investigation could have a significant impact on our communities.

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Tips for protecting your family against bug bites



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From hikes to picnics to relaxing in the hammock, nothing ruins summer fun quite as fast as bug bites. Unfortunately, bug bites are more than just a nuisance. They can trigger allergic reactions in some people, and may transmit diseases like Zika Virus, Dengue Fever, West Nile Virus and Lyme Disease.

Taking these precautions this summer can help the whole family stay bite-free.

Drain the Swamp
Standing water can become a breeding ground for mosquitoes. Walk around your property after rainfall or after watering the lawn and take note of areas that are not draining properly or are catching and holding water in objects like garden buckets, lids and frisbees.

The smallest puddle of water can breed mosquitos. Drain everything you find.

Choose the Right Bug Spray
Lyme Disease expert, Dr. Michael Jacobs, MD says “When shopping for insect repellents look for those with the active ingredients DEET or Picaridin, two of the most effective active ingredients at preventing bug bites. Stronger concentrations of the active ingredient in the formula will give you more hours of protection. For example, a 10 percent DEET or 7 percent Picaridin formula provides one to two hours of protection, while higher concentrations provide protection for eight hours and longer.”

Safe for pregnant and breast-feeding women, and a popular choice for families, Natrapel Tick & Insect Repellent uses the CDC recommended 20 percent Picaridin active ingredient and provides up to 12 hours of protection against mosquitoes and ticks. This formula is also safe on gear and comes in variety of sprays and wipes for easy application.

For outdoor enthusiasts, DEET is the best-selling active ingredient in the U.S. For a trusted choice, consider Ben’s Tick & Insect Repellent, the first brand to register a 10-hour, 100 percent DEET formula with the EPA. The brand also offers an eight-hour, 30 percent DEET water-based formula that is made to evaporate slowly -- so repellent stays on longer with little absorption into the skin.

Cover Up and Be Smart
Make your skin less vulnerable to bug bites with smart fashion choices. When outdoors, particularly in wooded areas, wear loose-fitting long sleeves and pants. Light colors are a good choice, as mosquitoes seem to prefer darker clothing.

Why Me?
Have you ever felt you were being eaten alive by mosquitoes, while everyone else around you remained unaffected? There are many factors that can make one person more appealing than another to mosquitoes. And some are beyond one’s control, such as blood type and genetics. However, mosquitoes are attracted to sweat, so don’t forget the deodorant. They also seem to prefer beer drinkers, according to a study by Japanese researchers.

Vacation or Staycation
Get savvy when traveling. Research your destination so you know what types of insects you can expect to encounter. Staying nearby? Remember, most species of mosquitoes in the U.S. are busiest at dusk. During those hours, take extra precautions to avoid becoming their meal.

This summer, stay safe and comfortable by thinking about these strategies. By doing so, you will keep the bugs at bay so you can play.

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Summer football

Southeastern seniors will get their shot

By RICHIE HALL
Reporter Sports Editor
A theme has developed for the Hamilton Southeastern football team this summer: Next man up.
It wouldn't be the first time a sports team has used that phrase, but it will be accurate for the Royals once the 2017 season begins in a few weeks.

The Royals attended a one-day camp at the University of Saint Francis on June 29, and will travel to another single-day camp at Taylor University on Saturday. After that, Southeastern coach Scott May said, "we have been working on our own to get ready for the season."

May calls his offense "young/new," although there are a few key players returning on that side of the ball.

"We have a lot of seniors that have worked for their time and now they will get a shot," said May.

One of those seniors will be a standout: Running back Jackson Sweeney. As a junior, Sweeney was easily HSE's overall rushing leader, gaining 874 yards on 160 carries, as well as scoring seven touchdowns. Another running back returning is junior Lance Stephens, who got some solid playing time with 89 yards on 29 carries.

On the receiving end, tight end Nick Mutchner is a key returner as a senior. Mutchner had 30 catches last season for 382 yards.

Southeastern's defense looks to be very experienced as well, with May saying that "if we played tomorrow we would have 10 or 11 senior starters."

One of the big returns will be senior inside linebacker Johnny May, who is the leading returner in terms of total tackles. May had 110 stops last season, 71 solo and 39 assists. May was also the overall leader in sacks, with 4.5.

Senior defensive end Madison Norris brings back 67 tackles (42 solo, 25 assists), while two more seniors, offensive linebacker Jack Boyd and defensive back Isaiah Phillips also saw some playing time last season.

"I really like this group," said May. He noted that Southeastern's junior varsity team went undefeated with many of those players.



Brian Reddick/File photo

Hamilton Southeastern's Jackson Sweeney is a key returner for the Royals football team this season. Last year, as a junior, Sweeney was the leading rusher with 874 yards and seven touchdowns in 160 carries.

The Royals' schedule is slightly different this season, and the changes will be seen right away. Southeastern will travel to Kokomo for its opener, with the Wildkats replacing Carmel. Week 2 remains the same, with HSE hosting North Central for the

season's first game at Reynolds Royals Stadium.

After that is the Hoosier Crossroads Conference season, which will be interrupted in Week 8. Southeastern will host Brebeuf Jesuit that week; for the past two

years HSE had hosted out-of-state teams. The Royals will follow that with a trip to Brownsburg on Week 9 to finish the HCC and regular seasons.

Eighteen players make IHSBCA Academic All-State team

The Indiana High School Baseball Coaches Association announced its Academic All-State team on Wednesday.

Eighteen Hamilton County players were on the list, including four each from Carmel, Fishers and Guerin Catholic. A complete list of players now follows:

Owen Callaghan, Southeastern; Harris Camp, Noblesville; Colin Donahue, Carmel; Grant Fremion, Guerin Catholic; Kash Hale, Guerin Catholic; JC Hanley, Carmel; Kyle Hennie, Guerin Catholic; Dalton Hutchinson, Southeastern; Nathan Humphrey, Fishers; Parker Massman, Carmel; Bryce Masterson, Noblesville; Ryan Metz, Fishers; Matt Olovich, Guerin Catholic; Justin Pope, Fishers; Austin Sauerteig, Heights; Michael Scalzo, Noblesville; Brendan Tountgate, Fishers; Ryan Woock, Carmel.

Two Hamilton County players...

IUPUI's Benscoter, Cowen named to TopDrawerSoccer Fall State Stars list



Benscoter

Cowen

Two Hamilton County soccer players that will join the IUPUI women's soccer team this fall were named as TeamSnap Fall State Stars by TopDrawer Soccer: Fishers' Kam Benscoter and Carmel's Jessi Cowen.

Benscoter was named to the Third Team All State by the Indiana Soccer Coaches Association, and both were named to the Reporter's All-County team. They were part of an exceptionally strong class to be signed by the Jaguars, with Avon's Miranda Ricks, a Second Team All State player also on the list.

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Sunday, July 23rd, 5-7pm
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Chicago Cubs 8, Atlanta 2		Baltimore 10, Texas 2
Philadelphia 10, Miami 3		Cincinnati 4, Arizona 3, 11 innings
Minnesota 6, N.Y. Yankees 1		N.Y. Mets 7, St. Louis 3
Seattle 4, Houston 1		Boston 5, Toronto 1
Colorado 18, San Diego 4		L.A. Dodgers 9, Chicago White Sox 1, 8 innings
Oakland 7, Tampa Bay 2		Kansas City 4, Detroit 3
San Francisco 5, Cleveland 4		L.A. Angels 7, Washington 0

American League				
East	W	L	PCT.	GB
Boston	54	42	.563	-
Tampa Bay	51	45	.531	3.0
N.Y. Yankees	48	45	.516	4.5
Baltimore	45	49	.479	8.0
Toronto	43	51	.457	10.0
Central	W	L	PCT.	GB
Cleveland	48	45	.516	-
Minnesota	48	46	.511	0.5
Kansas City	46	47	.495	2.0
Detroit	43	50	.462	5.0
Chi. White Sox	38	54	.413	9.5
West	W	L	PCT.	GB
Houston	63	32	.663	-
Seattle	48	48	.500	15.5
L.A. Angels	47	50	.485	17.0
Texas	45	49	.479	17.5
Oakland	43	52	.453	20.0

National League				
East	W	L	PCT.	GB
Washington	57	37	.606	-
Atlanta	45	48	.484	11.5
N.Y. Mets	42	50	.457	14.0
Miami	42	51	.452	14.5
Philadelphia	32	61	.344	24.5
Central	W	L	PCT.	GB
Milwaukee	52	45	.536	-
Chi. Cubs	49	45	.521	1.5
Pittsburgh	47	48	.495	4.0
St. Louis	46	48	.489	4.5
Cincinnati	40	54	.426	10.5
West	W	L	PCT.	GB
L.A. Dodgers	66	29	.695	-
Colorado	56	41	.577	11.0
Arizona	54	40	.574	11.5
San Diego	40	54	.426	25.5
San Francisco	37	59	.385	29.5

Brantley Gilbert Big Machine Brickyard 400 fans encouraged to plan ahead at IMS.com

Fans attending the 24th annual Brantley Gilbert Big Machine Brickyard 400 and sixth annual Lilly Diabetes 250 on July 21-23 at the Indianapolis Motor Speedway are encouraged to "Plan Your Visit" through an interactive web page that serves as a home base for those headed to the track during this exciting NASCAR race weekend. The "Plan Your Visit" page - IMS.com/planyourvisit - features detailed information about the entire fan experience during the NASCAR event weekend at IMS, including directions, parking, track map, schedule, camping, gate regulations, tickets, ADA accessibility, special instructions for 400 Fest concert attendees and much more.

Daily Fan Information

IMS has worked closely with the Speedway Police Department, as well as other law enforcement agencies, on the traffic plan for IMS events. All Speedway patrons should be aware of the following to ensure a successful trip to the track Friday, July 21, Saturday, July 22 and Sunday, July 23:

Friday, July 21:

- Gate Entry: Public gates are open from 11 a.m.-6 p.m. (ET). The following gates are available for pedestrian entry and walk-up cash ticket purchases: 1, 2, 3, 6, 7 South, 9, 10A, 11A and 12. Open vehicle gates include 2, 7 Vehicle and 10, with cash ticket purchases available.
- Free Public Parking: Limited free infield public parking will be available until 3 p.m. on the South Road Course and North 40. All other infield parking is pre-paid, including Turn 3.
- Paid Public Parking: Lots open for paid public parking are Lot 2, Lot 3G and Main Gate. Parking in these paid lots is \$10 Friday. The North 40 lot is a paid lot after 3 p.m. at a cost of \$40. Parking in the infield South Road Course lot after 3 p.m. costs \$50 and is pre-paid only.
- Construction, Traffic Patterns: Construction at 30th Street and Patricia (just east of the North 40 Lot) will restrict inbound and outbound traffic patterns. Please expect delays. It is recommended to enter Gate 10 from the west.

Saturday, July 22:

- Gate Entry: Public gates are open from 8 a.m.-7 p.m. (ET). The following gates are available for pedestrian entry and walk-up cash ticket purchases: 1, 2, 3, 6, 7 South, 9, 10A, 11A and 12. Open vehicle gates include 2, 7 Vehicle and 10, with cash ticket purchases available.
- Free Public Parking: Limited free infield public parking will be available until 3 p.m. on the South Road Course and North 40. All other infield parking is pre-paid, including Turn 3.
- Paid Public Parking: Lots open for paid public parking are Lot 2, Lot 3G and Main Gate. Parking in these paid lots is \$10 Saturday. The North 40 lot is a paid lot

after 3 p.m. at a cost of \$40. Parking in the infield South Road Course lot after 3 p.m. costs \$50 and is pre-paid only.

- Construction, Traffic Patterns: Construction at 30th Street and Patricia (just east of the North 40 Lot) will restrict inbound and outbound traffic patterns. Please expect delays. It is recommended to enter Gate 10 from the west.

Sunday, July 23:

- Gate Entry: Public gates are open from 10 a.m. (ET) until the checkered flag of the Brantley Gilbert Big Machine Brickyard 400. The following gates are available for pedestrian entry and walk-up cash ticket purchases: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5A, 6, 7 South, 9, 10A, 11A, 11C and 12. Open vehicle gates include 2, 7 Vehicle and 10A, with cash ticket purchases available.
- Free Public Parking: There is no free infield public parking on Race Day. Limited free public parking, including ADA parking, will be available in the North 40 Lot.
- Paid Public Parking: These lots open for paid public parking: 1B, 2, 3G, 8, Main Gate, North 40 and Parcel B.
- Smoke-Free Stands: A Stand, H Stand and the Southwest Vista are completely smoke-free on Race Day. Fans are encouraged to smoke at least 20 feet away from the grandstand if they are sitting in those areas.
- Construction, Traffic Patterns: Construction at 30th Street and Patricia (just east of the North 40 Lot) will restrict inbound and outbound traffic patterns. Please expect delays.

400 Fest Information

400 Fest is an exciting, new two-night concert event Friday night, July 21 and Saturday night, July 22 at IMS, featuring six global music superstars led by The Chainsmokers and Major Lazer. Admission to the concert is separate from admission to on-track action for the Brantley Gilbert Big Machine Brickyard 400 and Lilly Diabetes 250.

Gate and parking information is below. For more information, visit www.400fest.com.

Friday, July 21:

- Gate Entry: Public gates for concertgoers are open from 5-10 p.m. No one will be allowed in the gates before 5 p.m. without a ticket for NASCAR track activity that day. Pedestrian gates open: 6, 7 South, 9, 10A. Vehicle gates open: 2, 7 Vehicle, 10A. Walk-up General Admission concert tickets must be purchased at the remote ticket trailers at Gates 6, 9 and 10A, at \$75 each. There will not be any walk-up ticket sales at Gate 2; please plan to enter the venue through the north.
- Public Parking: All parking for the concert is on the north end of the facility in Lots 1B and North 40. Parking in Lot 1B is \$20, and parking in the North 40 is \$40 after 3 p.m. Turn 3 concert parking is pre-paid only through the IMS Ticket Office.

Saturday, July 22:

- Gate Entry: Public gates for concertgoers are open from 5-10 p.m. No one will be allowed in the gates before 5 p.m. without a ticket for NASCAR track activity that day. Pedestrian gates open: 6, 7 South, 9, 10A. Vehicle gates open: 2, 7 Vehicle, 10A. General Admission walk-up concert tickets must be purchased at the remote ticket trailers at Gates 6, 9 and 10A, at \$75 each. There will not be any walk-up ticket sales at Gate 2; please plan to enter the venue through the north.
- Public Parking: All parking for the concert is on the north end of the facility in Lots 1B and North 40. Parking in Lot 1B is \$20, and parking in the North 40 is \$40 after 3 p.m. Turn 3 concert parking is pre-paid only through the IMS Ticket Office.
- Construction, Traffic Patterns: Construction at 30th Street and Patricia (just east of the North 40 Lot) will restrict inbound and outbound traffic patterns. Please expect delays. It is recommended to enter Gate 10 from the west.

Cooling Buses, Misting Stations

Fans are encouraged to hydrate with water often due to forecasted warm temperatures. Cooling buses will be available at the facility Saturday and Sunday, with misting stations available all three days.

- Cooling Bus Locations: A cooling bus will be available from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday behind the IMS Museum and from 5 to 11 p.m. Saturday behind the concert stage on Hulman Boulevard in the IMS infield. Several cooling buses will be located throughout Race Day behind the IMS Museum, behind the concert stage on Hulman Boulevard in the IMS infield and just inside Gate 9, adjacent to the Food Court behind the Northwest Vista grandstand. Seven cooling buses, in total, will be on hand Race Day.
- Misting Station Locations: Permanent misting stations will be located throughout the facility, with temporary stations available in the Pagoda Plaza, Gasoline Alley garage area and in the concert area in the IMS infield.

Brantley Gilbert Big Machine Brickyard 400 Street Street Closures, Parking Restrictions

To increase the safety and security of race patrons, the Speedway Police Department will close selected streets and restrict parking on Main Street and in other areas around the Indianapolis Motor Speedway and Town of Speedway during the Brantley Gilbert Big Machine Brickyard 400 race weekend July 21-23.

The Indianapolis Motor Speedway and the Speedway Police Department appreciate everyone's cooperation during these temporary restrictions.

- Street Closures: SPD will close Georgetown Road and 16th Street to all vehicular traffic during the running of the

24th Brantley Gilbert Big Machine Brickyard 400.

Georgetown Road will be closed south of 25th Street beginning at 11 a.m. After Georgetown Road is closed, no vehicular traffic, including placarded traffic, will be allowed to access the roadway. Race patrons with pre-paid parking passes who are accustomed to entering IMS Gate 7 must enter through Gate 2 (W. 16th Street) or Gate 10 (30th Street).

Upon completion of the race, Georgetown Road will remain closed to vehicular traffic until the vast majority of race pedestrian foot traffic clears from the roadway (approximately one hour after the race).

In addition, 16th Street will be closed between Olin Avenue on the east to the 16th Street roundabout on the west from approximately 1:30 p.m. until the race ends. In addition, 16th Street will not be accessible from Polco Street, as it will be blocked at 10th Street.

Once 16th Street is closed, traffic traveling east on Crawfordsville Road from the west will be turned around at the 16th Street roundabout. Traffic traveling west on 16th Street from downtown will be diverted south on Olin Avenue.

- Parking Restrictions: For general parking restrictions during this event in the Town of Speedway, visit https://www.speedwayin.gov/egov/documents/1499216132_63978.pdf

For Main Street in Speedway parking restrictions during this event, visit https://www.speedwayin.gov/egov/documents/1499216225_89598.pdf

Additional Resources and Information

Drivers can learn the locations of work zones and highway restrictions by calling INDOT's TrafficWise at 1-800-261-ROAD (7623) or viewing an online map at www.TrafficWise.IN.gov. ISP will offer updates on traffic and parking on Twitter and Facebook.

No coolers larger than 18 inches by 14 inches by 14 inches can be brought into the facility, which will be strictly enforced. Fans will be allowed to bring one cooler and one standard backpack or book bag per person to all on-track events during the weekend. Coolers are not allowed in the concert venue.

For more information regarding access to IMS, visit IMS.com, follow @IMS on Twitter or download the IMS app for iPhone or Android. For additional information, follow on Twitter the Indiana State Police @IndStatePolice, the Speedway Police Department @SpeedwayPD or listen to radio stations WNFI-AM 1070 or WIBC-FM 93.1.

Visit IMS.com to purchase tickets for the Brantley Gilbert Big Machine Brickyard 400 on Sunday, July 23 and the Lilly Diabetes 250 on Saturday, July 22, and for more information on the complete race weekend schedule at IMS.

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