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TODAY'S WEATHER

Today: Sunny morning.  
Partly sunny afternoon.  
Chilly breezes to 25 mph.  
Tonight: Clear.

HIGH: 59 LOW: 41



## Hamilton Heights students earn Level 1 Skid Steer Certification

### The REPORTER

Hamilton Heights High School students Arcy Smith, Gavin Bramel, Jade Zachary, Brendan Mosbaugh, Drew Monnin, and Cole Amos recently completed a two-day course to earn their Level 1 Skid Steer Certification. Day one was safety and maintenance education in the classroom followed by a day of hands-on equipment operations in the school's Sandbox.

Skid steers are versatile machines that are used in a range of settings for tasks like digging, demolition, landscaping, and excavation to name a few.

"I am very proud of these students who completed their Level 1 Caterpillar Skid Steer certification," said Eric Fisher, Project Lead the Way – CEA Master Teacher and NCCER Instructor. "Industry recognized certifications are important for students to achieve and demonstrate to potential employers the



Photo provided by Hamilton Heights School Corporation  
**Six Heights High School students recently earned their Level 1 Skid Steer Certification. (From left) Arcy Smith, Gavin Bramel, Jade Zachary, Ridge Inman MacAllister/CAT instructor Brendan Mosbaugh, and Andrew Monnin. Not pictured: Cole Amos.**

skills they have accomplished while in high school. It does require an investment of time, knowledge, and actual experience to learn to operate this type

of equipment."

"Our CTE program is designed to give students valuable certifications and hands-on experience to better position

them to enter the construction workforce in a high-wage career after graduating from high

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## Fishers' own Paul Freeman named 'Distinguished Hoosier'

### The REPORTER

Paul W. Freeman, CAE, retired executive vice president of the Indiana Bankers Association (IBA), has been named a Distinguished Hoosier by Gov. Eric J. Holcomb. The award was presented on Oct. 12 by State Sen. Travis Holdman at the IBA Mega Conference in Indianapolis in recognition of Freeman's contributions to the Indiana banking community.

The Distinguished Hoosier is regarded as one of the highest tributes bestowed by the state of Indiana. Additionally, Michael S. Zahn, IBA chairman, presented Freeman with a plaque of appreciation from the Board of Directors.

Freeman retired in September after 34 years of service to

the Association. He had joined the IBA in 1987 to fill the newly created position of director of member services. Previously, Freeman was employed for four years with Robert Morris Associates (now the Risk Management Association) in Philadelphia, and additionally had nine years of banking experience with American Fletcher National Bank and Trust Company, Indianapolis. In 2014, he was named to the IBA 40 Year Club, which recognizes Indiana professionals with 40 or more years of banking experience.

Freeman is a past chairman of the Indiana Council for Economic Education and past president of the Indiana Society

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Photo provided  
**Paul W. Freeman (center), retired executive vice president of the Indiana Bankers Association, is presented with a Distinguished Hoosier award by State Sen. Travis Holdman (right) and congratulated by IBA President and CEO Amber R. Van Til.**

## Feed the Frontlines reinstated in Carmel

### The REPORTER

Hospitals in Carmel are again working 24/7 to respond to a surge in COVID-19 cases. Independent restaurants still challenged from the initial wave of the pandemic are facing additional setbacks and possible closures. The City of Carmel is gearing back up its Feed the Frontlines initiative to help provide hot meals to frontline workers at IU Health North and Ascension St. Vincent Carmel hospitals.

Feed the Frontlines Carmel was originally launched in April of 2020, then was suspended when the number of COVID-19 hospitalizations subsided. Unfortunately, due to a surge of recent COVID-19 hospitalizations, a reinstatement of the program is necessary. Feed the Frontlines Carmel is designed to benefit both healthcare workers and restaurants.

Meals from locally-owned restaurants will be delivered to healthcare workers on the frontlines. It's a true win-win: Healthcare workers will enjoy nourishing meals, while local restaurants will receive the critical business they need to continue to keep staff employed.

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## Local lawmakers: Deadline nearing for paid House internships

### The REPORTER

Hamilton County lawmakers encourage local college students and recent graduates to apply online for internships at the Indiana Statehouse before the Oct. 31 deadline.

"Our internship program is a unique opportunity to hone your skills, build your portfolio of work and get a behind-the-scenes look at the legislative process," said House Speaker Todd Huston (R-Fishers). "Because of the fast-paced nature of session, each day offers new tasks and challenges. From helping constituents to working with the media, House interns manage a lot of responsibilities, and their unique experience will help set them apart from other candidates in this competitive job market."

State Rep. Chuck Goodrich (R-Noblesville) said interns will work at the Statehouse in Indianapolis for the duration of the 2022 legislative session, which kicks off in

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## Noblesville company treats seniors to fall foliage trip on Nickel Plate Express

### The REPORTER

On Wednesday, Dick Gordon and several associates of the senior consumer insurance division of Gordon family-owned businesses were on hand to host a contingent of residents of the Five Star Residences of Noblesville. The group went on a relaxing round trip by rail between Forest Park in Noblesville and Atlanta to the north.

Thanks to the donation of the excursion by local business benefactor Peterson Architecture to the charity auction at the 2021 Noblesville Mayor's Charity Ball and Jubilee, Dick and Margaret Gordon's family bought plenty of tickets for a chance at the prize and came up winners. The Gordon's various companies have long been active in numerous Hamilton County philanthropic endeavors, with the Mayor's Ball and Jubilee being a favorite over the years.

"I was disappointed to not



Photo provided  
**(From left) Dick Gordon, Kym Flannery (Gordon Marketing, Gordon Insurance, Harbour Storage, the Gordon Building, Gordon Realty, The Medicare Family), Keith Sharples and Leslie Sharples (Indiana Insurance Advisors, Gordon Marketing).**

be able to attend this excursion," Margaret Gordon said. "When we won the trip, I was really looking forward to joining in."

Keith Sharples and his wife

and colleague Leslie Sharples were on hand to enjoy the outing. They had a great time interacting with the senior riders. "This kind of outing is

part of the special relationship Dick and Margaret have with our community," Keith said.

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## GSN's Festival of Trees back for 2021

*Pre-event silent auction combined with live auction at event*

### The REPORTER

Good Samaritan Network of Hamilton County, Inc. (GSN), a local nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization, announces its eighth annual Hamilton County Festival of Trees. The return of this holiday tradition marks a significant impact for local families because it helps provide

direct funding for Holiday Assistance to the unserved, at-risk, and underserved.

The Festival of Trees will be held at 6 p.m. on Nov. 20 with an onsite live event and auction, as well as an onsite silent Auction. The event will take place at a new location this year, the beautiful Renaissance Indianapolis North

Hotel, 11925 N. Meridian St., Carmel. The evening includes a dinner, a keynote speaker, and an auction including custom-designed themed Christmas trees, wreaths, and table centerpieces – all hand decorated by local designers specifically as fundraising pieces. The cost is \$75 per person.

Reservations are now available and are required due to limited seating. To RSVP, please visit [gsnlive.org/festival-of-trees](https://gsnlive.org/festival-of-trees), or call Good Samaritan Network (317) 842-2603 ext. 200 for more details.

Purchased trees will be

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## FRONTLINES

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The program will provide hundreds of meals throughout the week, which will be divided between Ascension St. Vincent Carmel and IU Health North hospitals to support healthcare workers dealing directly with COVID-19 patients. The City of Carmel has partnered with IU Health North and Ascension St. Vincent Carmel hospitals to reinstate the program that was so successful in the spring.

Previous locally-owned participating restaurants will be contacted to see if they would like to participate again. If you own a restaurant in the city limits



Photo provided by City of Carmel

**Thank you to Verde for providing meals to frontline workers on Oct. 5**

of Carmel and you are not affiliated with a national chain, please email Carol Dixon at [cdixon@carmel.in.gov](mailto:cdixon@carmel.in.gov) if you are interested in participating.

## SKID STEER

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school,” continued Fisher. “Today, more than ever, there is a need for skilled tradesmen and women. There are incredible options in the construction trades to earn high wages and benefits that make careers in the construction trades highly desirable as a career path. We are committed to growing our Career and Technical Education program and providing opportunities for students to gain real-world experience that helps develop the next generation of skilled workers, entrepreneurs, and community leaders.”

Andrew Monnin, a senior in Heights’ CTE program, said the best part of the class was definitely the opportunity to operate the skid steer.

“The actual seat time on the equipment provided valuable experience that will make us much more employable and beneficial employees,” Monnin explained. “I learned how to use a skid steer to grade which was something that I



Photo provided by Hamilton Heights School Corporation

**Gavin Bramel is pictured demonstrating his ability to operate a skid steer as part of the interactive, hands-on part of the two-day certification course.**

didn’t realize could be performed on a skid steer ... Earning this Caterpillar skid steer certification is very special to me. It represents a comprehensive knowledge of the proper operation and maintenance of this piece of equipment, a unique skill that very few my age have.”

A special thank you is extended to Ridge Inman MacAllister/CAT instructor, who administered the

## Hello, Hamilton County!



**Paul Poteet goes Purple with Prevail!**

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***Thank you for reading The Reporter!***

## FREEMAN

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of Association Executives, which honored him as Association Professional of the Year in 2006. Other affiliations include service on the board of directors of the Indiana Statewide Certified Development Corporation and membership in the American Society of Association Executives. A certified association executive, Freeman earned bachelor’s and MBA degrees from Butler University and is a graduate of the Institutes for Organizational Management at the University of Delaware.

“Paul Freeman upholds the spirit of the Distinguished

day-long course and helped supervise the hands-on portion that took place in the Sandbox. Hamilton Heights’ partnership with companies like MacAllister/CAT provides opportunities for its students to gain real-world experience in heavy equipment operation that prepares them for life and careers in the construction industry beyond high school.

Hoosier award,” said Amber R. Van Til, IBA President and CEO. “His legacy of dedicated service, boundless work ethic and vast of knowledge of banking leave the Indiana Bankers Association well-positioned to serve the needs of the industry for years to come.”

## PREVAIL

Advocating for Victims of Crime and Abuse  
[prevailinc.org](http://prevailinc.org)

I was born and raised right here in Noblesville. I grew up in a home without domestic violence or assault – it wasn’t something I saw, or even heard about. But when I was introduced to Prevail of Central Indiana, I was shocked by the number of individuals who are affected by domestic violence. In 2018 alone, Prevail helped more than 4,000 clients in Hamilton County. (Nearly 80 percent of clients are women and children.) Domestic violence and abuse are hard topics to discuss, so you don’t often hear about them. But at Tom Wood Volkswagen in Noblesville, we’re breaking the taboo and raising awareness for Prevail, an organization that helps families in Hamilton County.

– Mike Bragg, GM of Tom Wood Volkswagen in Noblesville

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# NICKEL PLATE

“They’re always finding ways to give back.”

Dagny Zupin, Executive Director of the Nickel Plate Express, which runs the train excursions, said this outing was one of the 300-plus rides offered annually in Hamilton County. “We see people of all ages and backgrounds from the Midwest on our train rides throughout the year,” Zupin said. “I always advise folks to get their tickets for our events early as they will sell out, particularly those near the holidays.”

Dick Gordon and his wife Margaret started the insurance field marketing organization, Gordon Marketing, in 1980. Their success enables the family and its companies to participate in numerous charitable activities in Noblesville. Dick said he thoroughly enjoyed the scenery and the company. “This is a great opportunity to see my neighbors enjoying themselves,” he

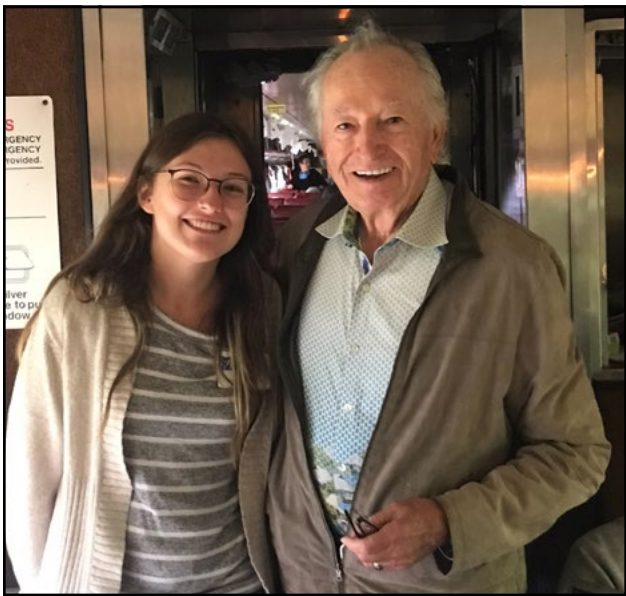


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**Emily Bradley, Activity Director or Five Star Residences of Noblesville, and Dick Gordon.**

said. “The only thing that would have made it better is if the leaves had been more colorful.”

Gordon Marketing, which employs nearly 100 people at their ever-growing campus on Hague Road, is always looking for ways

to interact with neighbors of all ages and walks of life through such events. “The Five Star Residents that joined us today really gave me a boost,” Gordon said. “We love Noblesville and its people, and want to see it thrive.”

# INTERNSHIPS

January and concludes mid-March.

“A paid internship offering hands-on experience while working alongside state lawmakers is a valuable addition to any resume,” Goodrich said. “Students or recent graduates seeking to grow their skills in a professional setting should apply soon.”

According to State Rep. Tony Cook (R-Cicero), internship positions are open to college sophomores, juniors, seniors, graduate students and recent graduates of all majors. He said students can apply for internships in a variety of departments related to their field of study, including legislative operations, communications and media relations, policy and fiscal policy.

“Interns get to network with lawmakers, business owners and other professionals from across Indiana,” Cook said. “They can build on these connections and the new skills they learn as they prepare to launch their careers. No matter your interests, in-

turning with Indiana House Republicans can open doors to many possibilities.”

State Rep. Chris Jeter (R-Fishers) said the paid, spring-semester positions are full time, Monday through Friday. Interns receive bi-weekly compensation of \$750, free parking, career and professional development assistance, enrollment access to an Indiana government class, and can earn academic credit through their college or university.

“This program is a great opportunity to gain experience outside the classroom, strengthen your resume and connect with leaders across the state,” Jeter said. “As a small business owner, I know how important it is to bring tangible, working skills to the table when taking the next step in your career.”

State Rep. Donna Schaibley (R-Carmel) said interns are also eligible to apply for a competitive \$3,000 scholarship to use toward undergraduate and graduate expenses.

“There are so many benefits to this internship,”

Schaibley said. “Getting to work at the Statehouse during the legislative session is an experience you simply can’t get in the classroom. From covering public hearings and press conferences to drafting constituent responses and press releases, our interns are an integral part of our staff and can put their skills and knowledge to work.”

State Rep. Jerry Torr (R-Carmel) said the deadline to apply is Oct. 31.

“We always have such talented individuals interning with our team throughout the legislative session,” Torr said. “It’s encouraging to see our state’s future leaders engaged in their government and learning how to be involved in the law-making process. Their experiences at the Statehouse prepares them for their next job and encourages them to be engaged members of our community.”

Torr said to visit [indianahouserpublicans.com/internship](http://indianahouserpublicans.com/internship) for more information and to apply before the Oct. 31 deadline.

# TREES

professionally delivered free to the purchaser’s residence or address of choice by the following Monday or Tuesday after the live auction and event.

The Festival of Trees will include mobile and online bidding. You will simply register which allows you to bid by phone and/or online at any time during the bidding timeline for both the Pre-Event Silent Auction and the Live Event date. No app download required.

The last onsite Festival of Trees was in 2019 and 45 items were auctioned, raising \$43,360 for Holiday Assistance. The event was widely supported with near-capacity attendance. One comment received said, “It was such a fun and festive atmosphere ... truly benefits those in need in Hamilton County. I’m so glad to see this extend the work of GSN!”

Sponsors are critical to advance the fundraising goal for this essential holiday program that services Hamilton County families. Sponsors represent an investment in the community signaling a huge commitment and concern for its neighbors at the holidays.

Again this year, the County Commissioners are allowing GSN the opportunity to provide a Festival of Trees pre-event silent auction featuring custom decorated Christmas Trees before the actual live auction/event.

The silent auction will

be held at the Hamilton County Government and Judicial Building in downtown Noblesville from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Public viewing and online or mobile bidding for four custom-designed Christmas Trees will be held Nov. 1-20. The public will simply view the information signs available at each item for complete details and follow directions on how to bid. Winning bids will be determined at the close of bidding on Nov. 20. The winning pre-event trees will be delivered free on Nov. 29.

This county-wide holiday assistance program is made possible because of in-kind donations received and processed all year long to Good Samaritan Network. GSN is dependent upon the neighbors and residents of Hamilton County for their donation of gently used or new toys (especially for 8- to 13-year-olds) and that are

repurposed without cost to county residents. Gently used bicycles are also welcomed and repurposed to families through GSN’s Recycled Cycles program.

Sponsorships are available in multiple categories, including: Event Sponsor for \$8,000, Pinnacle Sponsor for \$4,000, Pillar Sponsor for \$2,000, Platform Sponsor for \$1,000, and Partner for \$500. Sponsors can easily register online at [gsnlive.org/festival-of-trees](http://gsnlive.org/festival-of-trees).

Interested designers should contact Event Coordinator Kim Harden at (317) 379-0470 or at [iloveitdesigns@att.net](mailto:iloveitdesigns@att.net); or GSN Founder and Executive Director Nancy Chance at (317) 842-2603 ext. 202, or at [nchance@gsnlive.org](http://nchance@gsnlive.org).

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 RL5040 10/16/21

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# Rehearsing for letting go

Hospice has befallen the household.

This, just in time for the fifth anniversary of Mom being told she might have five years to live.

The stage four colon cancer

has progressed to nearly every organ, most recently robbing her right eye’s vision while en route to her brain. A walnut-sized, cancerous lump protrudes from her groin.

She’s still alive, after snoozing away most of the summer. Each nap seemed to pull her farther away, as if caught in a cancerous riptide. Lately, the frequency of friends visiting has increased. Despite her deterioration, she still enjoys company and conversation and becomes livelier when the faithful share afternoons with her, her vitality somehow replenished with each door knock.

Her humor remains. She whispers her zingers. “Make sure those floozies who show up with casseroles aren’t allowed in,” she reminds her posse. Mom’s certain Dad (M.J.) is destined to be the greatest catch in town soon. There’s always been a tinge of jealousy there.

The hospice bed is positioned so she can watch her favorite show, “Two and a Half Men.” She loves Charlie Sheen, but Dad doesn’t seem threatened. If it was Martin Sheen, maybe he’d worry.

A funny funeral-related story Mom likes retelling: When she and Dad volunteered to deliver food and booze to a relative’s house for a wake, they carried the fried chicken and cooler into the kitchen. Two strangers inside seemed surprised. My parents had entered the wrong house.

The funeral home director recently visited. Mom dictated arrangements. She selected a navy blue coffin. She will don a white shirt, black and white jacket, black pants and black hat. In lieu of flowers, visitors will be encouraged to make donations to her favorite charity, Anderson Woods

Summer Camp for the disabled. Visitation: 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Services will include Elvis singing “Amazing Grace” and Tom T. Hall singing “Me and Jesus,” the latter describing to a

Ther daily, non-congregational, personal talks with Jesus. “Me and Jesus, got our own thing goin’ / Me and Jesus, got it all worked out / Me and Jesus, got our own thing goin’ / We don’t need anybody to tell us what it’s all about.” She hopes everyone will clap to the lively, gospel beat of “Me and Jesus.”

On Sept. 17, Mom was helicoptered to an urban hospital across the river. This, after Dad found her in their bedroom staring into space, unresponsive. A stroke was suspected, but scans pinpointed seizures caused by swelling brain tumors. “That was very scary,” she recalled in intensive care. “I’d hate to go through that again. I was just staring into the mirror. I saw strange little animals, even a unicorn, in my vision. The doctor called them hallucinations.”

Dad encouraged more radiation to shrink the tumors, but a turning point had already been reached.

“I’ve gone through a lot,” she said from a Louisville hospital bed. “I didn’t give up to chemo or radiation, and I didn’t give up to the surgeries. I’m ready to give up now.”

Her uncharacteristic throwing in the towel was akin to Muhammed Ali retiring from boxing.

Outside, Dad remarked, “After all this time, I can’t believe she’s giving up now.”

“Her body’s giving up, Dad. She’s been not giving up for almost five years. We should respect her wishes.”

“It’s not that I don’t respect her wishes. I just keep thinking there could be a miracle.”

“Dad, she’s been with us for the last five years, isn’t that miracle enough?”

Last week, Mom told my wife Brynne, “I am ready to let go, though M.J.

doesn’t think so.”

“I don’t think he’ll ever be able to bring himself to say ‘it’s OK to let go’ to you. He loves you so much and wants you to be OK.”

“How’s Scott handling this?”

“He’s OK, and when he’s not OK, I’m there, and I hold him.”

“I’m glad.”

“Are you hurting today?”

“I always hurt. I’m just good at powering through. But I’m tired, and I can’t do it much more. The doctor said, ‘You only have a short time.’ How short is short? Is it a month? A week? A day? God has let me be in control and make my decisions around this. I’m just tired. It’s time to let God make this decision for me. I don’t want to do this anymore.”

Another funny funeral story Mom likes retelling: While looking into a coffin to pay her last respects to a friend’s brother, Mom’s sunglasses slipped off her face and somehow landed perfectly onto the face of the deceased. “I had to get them back without the others seeing. I was so embarrassed.”

“This dying thing ain’t like I thought it would be,” she said at home. “I’ve been laughing, planning my funeral. My visitors have been dancing and drinking. We’ve had a good time. They keep my mind going. I think that’s what it’s all about.”

Her headstone sits on a pre-purchased cemetery plot. It advertises her beginning: February 29, 1944. It awaits her ending.

A poem’s passage written by Kimberly Blaeser, “. . . and if the soul leaves our body, then we must rehearse goodbye,” resonated for me today, for through those words I realized how my columns written over the past five years about Mom have represented just that: rehearsals for the letting go.

Scott Saalman also writes columns for the DuBois County Herald and the Evansville Courier-Press. He is now a proud Fishers resident. You can reach him at [scottsaaalman@gmail.com](mailto:scottsaaalman@gmail.com).

# Community First Bank announces new Board of Directors appointees

The REPORTER

Robb Blume, President and CEO of Community First Bank of Indiana, has announced the appointment of Matthew B. (Matt) Murphy III, Dr. Stacy V. Atkinson, and John C. (Jack) Hingst to the boards of directors of the bank and its holding company, Community First Financial Corporation.

“We are thrilled to welcome Matt, Stacy and Jack to our boards,” Blume said. “Their unique and diverse experiences, skill sets and centers of influence will help the bank fulfill its mission of being a high performing, independent community bank that creates positive outcomes for our communities and delivers a superior customer experience.”

Matt Murphy currently serves as the Founder and Chief Consultant at Emboss Partners, LLC in Indianapolis and has been a resident of Marion County for more than 40 years. Murphy brings 10 years of banking experience and 25 years of senior leadership experience in providing strategic direction for corporate governance, social impact investing, strategic planning, and fiscal management. He is a graduate from the Indiana University Kelley School of Business, where he currently serves on the advisory board for the Johnson Center for Entrepreneurship & Innovation. For more than 20 years, Murphy has been a governor’s appointee to boards overseeing the Indiana Health Facility Financing Authority, Indiana State Teachers Retirement Fund, Public Employee Retirement Fund of Indi-



Murphy

ana, and INvestED. He also serves on boards of the Lynx Capital Corp., Monument Capital Partners, Heron Capital Venture Fund, Community Investment Fund of Indiana, Inc., and EmpowerED Families, as well as being an appointee by the Indianapolis Public Schools Board to serve as a member of the IPS Finance Committee. Murphy is a recipient of the Coalition of Minority Business Development and Indy Chamber’s William Henry Entrepreneurial Achievement Award, the Center for Leadership Development’s Minority Achievement Award in Finance, and has been named to the Indianapolis Business Journal’s “Forty Under 40” list.



Atkinson

Dr. Stacy Atkinson currently serves as the Chancellor of Ivy Tech Hamilton County. Atkinson moved to a career in higher education after being honorably discharged from the United States Marine Corps where she served as an Avionics Technician and worked on the F/A 18A fighter jet during both Operation Iraqi Freedom and Enduring Freedom. Atkinson earned a Bachelor of Science in Professional Aeronautics from Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University, a Master of Arts in Elementary and Early Childhood Education from the University of



Hingst

South Carolina, a Master of Arts in Curriculum and Instruction from Lesley University, and a PhD in Adult Learning and Development from Lesley University. She serves on the National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC) Commission on Accreditation of Higher Education programs. As a native Spanish speaker and English language learner, her passion for children and their literacy is an important component of her work with AMIGOS Latino Centers, PHASE Foundation and Girls, Inc. Additional boards she currently serves on include the Wayne County Chamber of Commerce and the Reid Health Community Benefit Council. She has also been named one of the *Indiana Business Journal’s* “Forty Under 40”.

Jack Hingst currently serves as President of Mid-America Beverage, with 10 years of experience in the beer distribution business. Hingst was born and raised in Kokomo, where he currently resides. He received his Bachelor of Science in Economics from Purdue University in 2010, before graduating with his J.D. from the IU Robert H. McKinney School of Law in 2018. Hingst also serves on the board of directors of Bona Vista Programs.



## Eat at the Boathouse in Cicero Monday, support Tipton High School band

### The REPORTER

The Boathouse restaurant in Cicero is partnering with the Tipton High School (THS) Band Department for a special fundraiser in which anyone can participate.

This worthwhile student program at THS is the most

recent for which The Boathouse is doing its part to support. Plan to enjoy lunch or dinner at The Boathouse, 409 W. Jackson St., Cicero, from 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. on Monday, Oct. 18 and mention the THS Band fundraiser when ordering. Eat inside

or outside on the dock, or carry out.

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## Noblesville Lions Club hosts Hamilton County Historian David Heighway



Photo provided by Noblesville Lions Club

Last Wednesday evening, Hamilton County Historian David Heighway spoke to the Lions Club detailing some of the stories in his new book, *Hidden History of Hamilton County*. He highlighted one funny story, that being the “Great Squirrel Stampede” of 1822. This story, and others, generated a lot of questions from the club. He also mentioned that he is working on stories for the Hamilton County Bicentennial, with a book coming out next year. Heighway mentioned that anyone with stories or photos to contribute of the time period should contact him. (Above) David Heighway and Noblesville Lions Club President Bill Lynch.

## IU School of Medicine researchers discover ties between COVID-19, significant bone loss

### The REPORTER

Researchers in the Department of Orthopaedic Surgery at Indiana University School of Medicine, with support from the Richard L. Roudebush Veterans Affairs Medical Center in Indianapolis, have discovered that SARS-CoV-2 can cause quick and significant bone loss—even when infections are mild.

Mouse models infected with the novel coronavirus that causes COVID-19 lost approximately 25 percent of their bone mass within two weeks of contagion and exhibited a 63 percent increase in osteoclasts, the cells that cause bone to break down. These changes were observed even in mice who experienced only mild COVID-19 symptoms and those who were asymptomatic.

The findings are being published in *BONE*, a journal focused primarily on research into bone and mineral metabolism and the interactions of bone with other organ systems.

The study raises questions about the lasting implications of the pandemic and the virus’s effects on the musculoskeletal system. The discovery will likely inspire further research into the potential bone loss experienced by people of all ages who contract COVID-19.

The study is part of ongoing coronavirus research being conducted by the Kacena Lab in Indianapolis, led by Melissa Kacena, PhD, Vice Chair of Research for the Department of Orthopaedic Surgery.

This year, the Kacena Lab became the first lab in Indiana to begin using

mouse models to study the coronavirus, in hopes of learning more about and discovering a treatment for the disease. The lab acquired transgenic mouse models to aid in its experiments, making it only one of a handful of labs in the United States to be conducting coronavirus-related experiments at this level.

Diverting research to SARS-CoV-2 came after several studies revealed that those dying from the coronavirus had high numbers of megakaryocytes built up in various organs, which causes significant issues. Megakaryocytes are among the Kacena Lab’s areas of expertise. Researchers working under Kacena’s mentorship study the cells in relation to bone regeneration and fracture healing.

Kacena’s researchers then began questioning the other effects COVID-19 might be having on the body, particularly the musculoskeletal system. These inquiries ultimately led to the discovery of decreased bone matter in the coronavirus-infected mice.

Decreased bone mass, or osteoporosis, can cause brittle bones that are prone to breaks. Elderly people have always been one of the most at-risk group for complications due to osteopo-

rosis because they are least likely to naturally regenerate lost bone matter. Because the elderly are also at a higher risk of contracting COVID-19, Kacena’s team is studying if those who overcome the virus will now be even more likely to suffer broken bones.

And with more children contracting the Delta variant, further questions are raised about whether young people can develop adequate bones after contracting the virus. Humans don’t reach peak bone mass until approximately age 25, Kacena said, and COVID-19 could be impacting development.

This work was supported by the Indiana Clinical and Translational Sciences Institute, funded in part by NIH UL1TR002529, and by NIH 1U54DK106846 T32AR065971, and T32HL007910.

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Galatians 4:8-11 (NIV)

### Dylan James Alwine

June 14, 1995 – October 14, 2021

Dylan James Alwine, 26, Westfield, passed away on Thursday, October 14, 2021 at his home. He was born on June 14, 1995 to James and Jennifer (Coe) Alwine in Fort Wayne.

Dylan was a 2014 graduate of Westfield High School and earned a bachelor's degree in Aeronautical Engineering from Purdue University in 2018. He was employed by Lowes since 2018. Dylan was an avid Purdue sports fan and enjoyed gaming.

He is survived by his parents; brother, Matthew Alwine; grandparents, James Alwine, Sr., and David and Judy Coe; and aunts and uncles, Michelle and John Federspiel, Pam and Brad Hively, Paul and Christy Coe, and Scott and Kelly Coe.

He was preceded in death by his grandmother, Cecilia Alwine.

A celebration of life service will be held at 4 p.m. on Friday, October 22, 2021 at Randall & Roberts Funeral Center, 1685 Westfield Road, Noblesville, with Rev. Stanley R. Sutton officiating. Visitation will be from 2 p.m. to the time of service at the funeral home.

Memorial contributions may be made to Suicide Prevention at [suicidepreventionlifeline.org/donate](https://suicidepreventionlifeline.org/donate).

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# Rep. Spartz's Consider Teachers Act signed into law

## The REPORTER

The Consider Teachers Act, a bipartisan bill introduced in the Senate by Senators Mike Braun (R-Ind.), and Kyrsten Sinema (D-Ariz.), and in the House by Congresswomen Eleanor Holmes Norton (D-D.C.) and Victoria Spartz (R-Ind.), was signed

into law by President Biden this week.

The law is aimed at fixing an unintended and burdensome provision in the Higher Education Act.

"I am pleased to see that this legislation, which fixes an inadvertent error and keeps our promise to teachers in rural

and underserved communities across America, was signed into law," Rep. Spartz said. "I want to thank my colleagues and educators in Indiana for their support and hard work in passing this bill."

[Click here](#) for more information on the Consider Teachers Act.



Spartz

# Attorney General Todd Rokita files lawsuit against alleged robocalling scammers

## The REPORTER

Indiana Attorney General Todd Rokita has filed a lawsuit against an Indiana company that allegedly acted as a gateway into the United States for robocallers in India, the Philippines and Singapore. The company, Startel Communication LLC, was owned and operated in Evansville by Wanda Hall and Abhijit Chowdhury, an Indian national.

These robocallers allegedly made over 4.8 million phone calls to Hoosiers

and hundreds of millions of calls to other states across the United States. The robocallers allegedly operated a variety of scams, including IRS and Social Security Administration imposter scams, legal action or arrest scams, computer support scams, Apple support scams, and Amazon subscription scams.

"Hoosiers are sick and tired of being harassed by illegal and unwanted robocalls, and Kathy and I are two of them," Rokita said. "Just

as I promised, we will stay on the offense in our efforts to protect Indiana consumers and bring these people to justice."

This lawsuit is part of Rokita's crackdown on providers that knowingly profit from robocalls. The investigation started with a few consumer complaints and took over a year to complete.

The suit also includes two California companies – Pirate LLC, which routed 3.1 million of the robocalls, and VoIP Essential LLC, which routed 1.5 million of the robocalls. Both companies knew Startel was sending robocalls, and they were each paid more than \$100,000 to look the other way.

Of the Hoosiers who were called, more than 780,000 of them were on the federal Do Not Call Registry and over 605,000 were on the Indiana Do Not Call list.

The lawsuit alleges the companies and individuals

committed millions of violations of federal and Indiana law, with potential fines in the billions.

Rokita offers the following tips to avoid scams and unwanted calls:

- Be wary of callers who specifically ask you to pay by gift card or crypto-currency (Bitcoin). For example, the IRS does not accept iTunes gift cards.
- Look out for prerecorded calls from government agencies you were not expecting. Typically, the IRS and SSA do not call people.
- If you suspect fraudulent activity, do not provide any personal information and end the call.
- Contact the Consumer Protection Division at 1-888-834-9969 or [donotcall@atg.in.gov](mailto:donotcall@atg.in.gov).
- Add your number to the Indiana Do Not Call List at [indonotcall.org](https://indonotcall.org).
- File a Do Not Call or Text complaint at [this link](#).



Rokita

## Meeting Notices

The Carmel Redevelopment Commission will meet on Wednesday, Oct. 20, 2021. The Commission will first meet in an executive session at 5:30 p.m. in the Department of Community Services Conference Room on the third floor of Carmel City Hall, 1 Civic Square, Carmel. A regular meeting will follow at 6:30 p.m. in Council Chambers on the second floor of City Hall.

The Westfield City Council will hold a special meeting to discuss and approve the 2022 budget at 9 a.m. on Wednesday, Oct. 20, 2021, in the Assembly Room at Westfield City Hall, 130 Penn St., Westfield.

Pursuant to IC 5-14-1.5-5 (a) The Hamilton County ISS Board will meet at 9 a.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 19, 2021, via Microsoft Teams. The purpose of this meeting is for discussion of ISSD projects.

The Noblesville Downtown District Council Committee meeting scheduled for 3 p.m. on Monday, Oct. 18, 2021, has been canceled.

The Hamilton Heights School Corporation Board of Trustees will meet at 7:30 a.m. on Wednesday, Oct. 20, 2021, in the LGI Room at Hamilton Heights Elementary School, 25350 State Road 19, Arcadia.



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Friday night football - Week 9

# Blackhawks hold off Cougars, clinch Hoosier Heartland Conference title

By RICHIE HALL  
**SHERIDAN** - As Sheridan's game with Carroll Friday night at Bud Wright Stadium rolled on, the intensity level on the Blackhawks' side continued to rise.

If Sheridan won the game, it would clinch at least a share of the Hoosier Heartland Conference championship. The Cougars made it tough, and the Blackhawks had to play all the way to the end of the game before they were finally assured of the victory.

Once Sheridan's 28-21 win over Carroll was complete, the Blackhawks players ran out onto the field cheering, screaming, hugging and a couple helmets were thrown in the air. Seconds later, the 'Hawks had their trophy, the first time the team had won a conference title since 2018.

"They got fired up," said Sheridan coach Bud Wright. "I thought early, I didn't know whether we were or not, but after we got going, they got fired up over it. I think they were ready to play."

The Blackhawks were ready from the beginning. Less than two minutes into the game, the Cougars punted the ball. Jalen Herron caught the punt, then ran, found a couple openings, ran some more and didn't stop until 89 yards later, when he was in the end zone for the game's first touchdowns. Freshman Owen Bell made the extra-point kick, and he was just getting started, too.

"I thought it was very important that we got on the board early there, because they were pretty tough on defense," said Wright.

Carroll answered right away, as the Cougars' Clay Metzger took the kickoff return 81 yards for a touchdown. The extra-point kick tied the score at 7-7. Carroll added another touchdown early in the second quarter when Metzger ran in from five yards, giving the Cougars a 14-7 lead.

The Blackhawks had to wait until later in the second quarter to score. Peyton Cross punched the ball in from the one-yard line with 3:49 left, and Bell's kick



**The Sheridan football team clinched the Hoosier Heartland Conference championship after beating Carroll 28-21 Friday in a hard-fought game at Bud Wright Stadium. The Blackhawks finished HHC play with a 6-1 record and won their first conference title in three years.**

Reporter photos by Kirk Green

tied the game at 14-all. Minutes later, Herron scored again on a 10-yard run. Another Bell kick gave Sheridan a 21-14 lead, and that would be the halftime score.

Neither team scored in the third period, but the Blackhawks were making a promising drive as the fourth quarter began. That drive culminated in another touchdown for the 'Hawks, with Herron making another outstanding effort. The junior ran 34 yards mostly down the sideline, evading a defender along the way to reach the end zone for his third touchdown of the game. Bell then put up his

fourth extra-point kick of the night.

"Jalen had a heck of a good ball game, offensively and defensively," said Wright.

Sheridan thus led 28-14 with 9:59 to go. The Cougars scored at the 8:46 mark, keeping them within a touchdown of the 'Hawks.

Carroll seemed like it was ready to score with under two minutes to play, but there was a fumble with 1:59 left, and Sheridan recovered. During that drive, the Cougars used up their timeouts. While the Blackhawks were held to a three-and-out, they did run a significant amount of time from the clock.

Carroll got the ball back and was able

to run a couple of plays, but Sheridan stopped the Cougars both times, keeping the clock running both times. Jake Jones made the last tackle for the Blackhawks.

Wright said Carroll kept going up the middle at the end of the game, "and that's where we wanted to them go," because Jones, who Wright said is Sheridan's leading defensive player, was right there waiting.

Herron finished the game with 106 yards rushing, while Cross had 58 yards.

The Blackhawks completed HHC play with a 6-1 record and are 7-2 overall. Sheridan begins Class 1A Sectional 46 play next Friday, hosting Park Tudor.



**Sheridan's Jalen Herron (left) scored three touchdowns for the Blackhawks during their Friday win over Carroll, while Peyton Cross (right) punched the ball in from the one-yard line for a second-quarter touchdown.**



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## SHERIDAN 28, CARROLL 21

### Score by Quarters

Carroll	7	7	0	7	-21
Sheridan	7	14	0	7	-28

Team Stats	CHS	SHS
First Downs	9	10
By Rush	7	9
By Pass	2	0
By Penalty	0	1
Rushes-Yards	35-200	46-232
Yards Passing	88	0
Comp-Att-Int-TD	4-16-0-0	0-1-1-0
Fumbles-Lost	7-2	2-1
Penalties-Yards	9-62	5-46
Punts-Average	4-36.8	6-31.3

### Sheridan Scoring

**First Quarter**  
 10:14 - Jalen Herron 89-yard punt return (Owen Bell kick)  
**Second Quarter**  
 3:49 - Peyton Cross 1-yard run (Bell kick)  
 1:47 - Herron 10-yard run (Bell kick)  
**Fourth Quarter**  
 9:59 - Herron 34-yard run (Bell kick)

### Sheridan individual stats

**Rushing:** Herron 16-106, Cross 9-58, Gavin Reners 12-34, Cale Cummings 4-27, Cole Weibel 5-7.  
**Passing:** Cummings 0-1-0.  
**Receiving:** none.



Historic achievement for Westfield...

# Shamrocks cruise past Flashes, win second straight unbeaten HCC title

The Westfield football team has been surpassing expectations left and right over the past couple years, and the Shamrocks found some new ground to break on Friday night.

Westfield traveled to Franklin Central to finish up the regular and Hoosier Crossroads Conference seasons, and came home with a 42-28 victory. That win gave the Class 6A No. 2-ranked Shamrocks an undefeated HCC championship for the second year in a row.

Never before in the 21-year history of the HCC has any team had two perfect conference seasons back-to-back. It's something that didn't happen overnight: Westfield coach Jake Gilbert said the amount of work that's gone into the success could be measured "over the course of years, really."

"We are reaping what we've sown," said Gilbert. "Super proud of our kids, of the effort that they've put in, the preparation of the coaches."

The coach said that two seasons is "such a long time to not have a letdown," noting how hard it is to win every single game.

"Just couldn't be happier with our guys," said Gilbert. "I have high expectations, but it's just hard to stay this consistent."

Westfield never trailed, leading 14-0 after the first quarter. Maximus Webster was responsible for both touchdowns, pushing the ball in from the one-yard line for the first score, then connecting with Ian Bruch for a 15-yard pass play touchdown late in the quarter.

Webster struck again in the second quarter, sending a 60-yard touchdown throw to Nic Depasquale. Micah Hauser finished up the first-half scoring with a 13-yard run, and the 'Rocks led 28-7 at the break.

"I really felt like we were in control," said Gilbert.

Westfield added two more scores in the third quarter. Hauser caught a 34-yard touchdown pass from Webster; it was the fourth TD throw for the quarterback on the night. Hauser then completed the scoring with a last-second 14-yard run that was set up by a kickoff return from Gabe Arambales. Caleb King made all six extra-point kicks.

**WESTFIELD 42,  
FRANKLIN CENTRAL 28**

**Score by Quarters**

Westfield	14	14	14	0 - 42
FCFS	0	7	14	14 - 28

Team Stats	WHS	FC
First Downs	19	20
By Rush	7	12
By Pass	10	7
By Penalty	2	1
Rushes-Yards	25-140	41-240
Yards Passing	271	113
Comp-Att-Int-TD	14-22-0-3	14-22-1-0
Fumbles-Lost	0-0	0-0
Penalties-Yards	6-51	4-39
Punts-Average	2-26.5	4-34.3

**Westfield Scoring**

**First Quarter**  
8:11 - Maximus Webster 1-yard run

(Caleb King kick)  
1:18 - Ian Bruch 15-yard pass from Webster (King kick)  
**Second Quarter**  
9:31 - Nic Depasquale 60-yard pass from Webster (King kick)  
2:48 - Micah Hauser 13-yard run (King kick)  
**Third Quarter**  
9:39 - Hauser 34-yard pass from Webster (King kick)  
0:01 - Hauser 14-yard run (King kick)

**Westfield individual stats**  
**Rushing:** Hauser 12-60, Webster 3-57, Trevon Hatchett 4-13, Gabe Arambales 1-8, Ja'Veyon Averitte 2-2, Jackson Gilbert 1-0, team 2-0.  
**Passing:** Webster 14-22-271.  
**Receiving:** Hauser 3-88, Depasquale 3-78, Bruch 3-51, Arambales 2-30, Jackson Wasserstrom 1-12, Steven Wilkos 1-9, Patrick Schramm 1-3.

Webster finished the game with 271 passing yards on a 14-of-22 clip. Seven different players made at least one reception; Hauser, Depasquale and Bruch all had three catches. Tyler Dikos made 10 tackles, followed by Popeye Williams with nine and Dillon Thieneman with

eight.

This was the 15th consecutive conference win for the Shamrocks, who are now 8-1 overall for the season. Westfield is off next week, then travels to Noblesville on Oct. 29 for a Sectional 4 semi-final game.

Carmel wins sixth straight game...

# Greyhounds beat LC, finish as MIC runner-up

Carmel finished its season with a win on Friday, beating Lawrence Central 14-0 in a Metropolitan Conference game at the Bears' field.

The Class 6A No. 3 Greyhounds scored both of their touchdowns in the first half. Ethan Hall caught a 20-yard pass from Zachary Osborne midway through the first quarter for the first score. Osborne then punched the ball in from the one-yard line during the middle of the second quarter. Ben Sponsler made both extra-point kicks.

Osborned had an efficient night, connecting on 10 of his 19 pass attempts. Desmond Duffy and Jaedon King each had four receptions. Nick Beidl led the

rushing with 55 yards.

Carmel finished 6-1 in MIC play, good for second place in the conference behind Center Grove. The Trojans were 7-0 in the MIC; having already clinched the unbeaten conference season last week against Lawrence North. Center Grove, the No. 1-ranked 6A team, played 5A No. 1 Cathedral on Friday, winning 14-6 to complete a 9-0 regular season campaign.

The Greyhounds are 8-1 overall, having won six games in a row, and will join the other 6A teams in having a bye week next week as sectionals begin. Carmel travels to Avon Sept. 29 to play in the semi-finals of Sectional 5.

**CARMEL 14,  
LAWRENCE CENTRAL 0**

**Score by Quarters**

Carmel	7	7	0	0 - 14
LCBS	0	0	0	0 - 7

Team Stats	CHS	LC
First Downs	17	14
By Rush	11	6
By Pass	5	4
By Penalty	1	4
Rushes-Yards	40-149	30-98
Yards Passing	80	90
Comp-Att-Int-TD	11-22-3-1	9-32-2-0
Fumbles-Lost	0-0	1-1
Penalties-Yards	6-87	7-55
Punts-Average	3-32.3	2-30.5

**Carmel Scoring**

**First Quarter**  
6:28 - Ethan Hall 20-yard pass from Zachary Osborne (Ben Sponsler kick)  
**Second Quarter**  
5:42 - Osborne 1-yard run (Sponsler kick)

**Carmel individual stats**  
**Rushing:** Nick Beidl 15-55, Hall 10-39, Osborne 5-38, Nate Williams 1-19, Lleyton Lukowski 9-minus 2.  
**Passing:** Osborne 10-19-78, Lukowski 1-3-1.  
**Receiving:** Desmond Duffy 4-21, Jaedon King 4-19, Blake Matthews 2-20, Hall 1-20.

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Minns to McPeck wins the game . . .

# Tigers hold off Eagles in double OT

Very few football teams in Indiana - or anywhere, for that matter - had to work as hard for victory as Fishers did on Friday night.

The Tigers needed double overtime to get past Zionsville when the Class 5A No. 10 Eagles visited TCU Field for a Hoosier Crossroads Conference game. But Fishers won, thanks to two touchdown receptions by Colin McPeck. His second-overtime catch was the one that clinched the game, a 49-46 win for the Tigers.

"It was a wild game," said Fishers coach Curt Funk. The coach said the game could've easily gone either way.

"It's a game that the kids will remember for the rest of their lives," said Funk.

The contest was tied at 37-37 at the end of regulation. The Tigers got the ball first in the first overtime, and quickly scored, with McPeck grabbing an eight-yard pass from Lucas Minns. A two-point conversion try didn't go, so Fishers led 43-37.

Zionsville then had its turn, and the Eagles needed a fourth down before they could score on a six-yard run by Luke Murphy. But the extra-point kick was no good, and it was on to a second overtime.

Zionsville got the ball first this time, and the Eagles wound up settling for a 30-yard field goal by AJ Vinatieri. The Tigers' Andre Glover made a second-down sack that helped push back Zionsville.

"Our defense came up with the big plays when they needed them," said Funk.

On Fishers' turn, Minns connected with McPeck again, this time for an 11-yard pass play that delivered the win.

Funk said that any time a team can win it's special, but winning in this fashion "took such a team effort."

"Throughout the game, it brought our team closer together and it just helps form a stronger bond," said Funk.

Both teams scored in every period of the game. Fishers got on the board first after Carson Dunn scored on a 19-yard run. Two Vinatieri field goals kept the Eagles within 7-6 at the end of the first



Photo by Joshua Herd

**Fishers' Colin McPeck reacts after scoring the game-winning touchdown in double overtime for the Tigers on Friday night. Fishers held off Zionsville 49-46.**

quarter.

In the second quarter, Minns found McPeck for a five-yard touchdown throw, then Dominic Oliverio ran in a two-point conversion. Zionsville then scored on a rushing touchdown, and Vinatieri's third field goal of the game pushed the Eagles ahead 16-15 at halftime.

Oliverio scored a five-yard rushing touchdown for the Tigers, and Zionsville answered on a 16-yard pass play from Murphy to Trey Firestone. Both teams then scored two touchdowns in the fourth; with Dunn getting both of the Ti-

gers' scores. He found the end zone on a five-yard rush early in the fourth, then set up overtime with an 11-yard rushing score late in the quarter. John Tangara made the extra-point kick to tie the game; he was 3-for-3 on the night on kicks.

"I thought our offense did a nice job of being balanced," said Funk. "I thought we had good performances from junior quarterback Lucas Minns."

Funk credited McPeck with doing a nice job of receiving, along with the Tigers' other receivers, and Dunn with running hard all night. Overall, the coach

said, "it was just a great team effort from our offense."

Minns finished the game with 327 yards on 24-of-34 passing; McPeck had nine of those receptions, totaling 150 yards. Dunn gained 98 yards in rushing. Jack Alvarez had eight tackles, while Oliverio made seven tackles and forced a fumble. Oliverio and Glover each made one sack.

The Tigers finished HCC play 4-3 and are 6-3 overall. Fishers is off next week, then plays at Hamilton Southeastern in the semi-finals of Class 6A Sectional 4.

FISHERS 49, ZIONSVILLE 46 (Double overtime)			
Score by Quarters			
Zionsville	6	10	7 14 6 3 - 46
Fishers	7	8	7 15 6 6 - 49
Team Stats	ZHS	FC	
First Downs	19	20	
By Rush	10	9	
By Pass	9	11	
By Penalty	0	0	
Rushes-Yards	38-153	33-116	
Yards Passing	222	327	
Comp-Att-Int-TD	21-32-1-3	24-34-3-1	
Fumbles-Lost	3-1	1-1	
Penalties-Yards	5-30	6-35	
Punts-Average	2-44.0	0-0.0	
Fishers Scoring			
First Quarter			
9:33 - Carson Dunn 19-yard run (John Tangara kick)			
Second Quarter			
9:31 - Colin McPeck 5-yard pass from Lucas Minns (Dominic Oliverio run)			
Third Quarter			
4:48 - Oliverio 5-yard run (Tangara kick)			
Fourth Quarter			
11:33 - Dunn 5-yard run (Jeffrey Simmons pass from Minns)			
2:23 - Dunn 11-yard (Tangara kick)			
First Overtime			
McPeck 8-yard pass from Minns (run failed)			
Second Overtime			
McPeck 11-yard pass from Minns (no attempt)			
Fishers individual stats			
<b>Rushing:</b> Dunn 20-98, Khobie Martin 3-7, Oliverio 3-6, Luke Valerio 1-4, Minns 5-1, team 1-0.			
<b>Passing:</b> Minns 24-34-327.			
<b>Receiving:</b> McPeck 9-150, Aidan Zimmer 6-87, Valerio 4-27, Dunn 2-44, Joe Syrus 2-12, Simmons 1-7.			

## Royals edged out by Brownsburg

Hamilton Southeastern dropped a back-and-forth Hoosier Crossroads Conference game with Brownsburg 31-28 Friday at the Bulldogs' field.

The Class 6A No. 5 Royals led 7-3 after the first quarter, with Owen Jones scoring on a 54-yard pass play. Southeastern then led 21-17 at halftime, with Dylan Connor finding the end zone on a 55-yard pass play, and Blaine Wertz scoring a rushing touchdown.

Wertz added another rushing touchdown in the third quarter, and the Royals led 28-24 going into the fourth. But the 6A No. 6 Bulldogs scored with 9:40 left

in the fourth and held the lead from there.

Southeastern coach Michael Kelly said that after the Royals led by 10 points, "offensively, we just kind of stalled out big time. And then they were able to get some momentum running the football in the second half."

Game stats were unavailable at press time and will run in a later edition.

Southeastern finished in third place in the HCC standings with a 5-2 record and are 7-2 overall. The Royals are off next week, then host Fishers on Friday, Oct. 29 in the semi-finals of Sectional 5.

## 'Hounds host state meet today . . . Carmel boys tennis reaches state quarter-finals

The Carmel boys tennis team won its state quarter-final match on Friday, advancing to this morning's semi-finals.

The No. 1-ranked and five-time defending state champion Greyhounds beat No. 5 North Central 4-1 in a match that took place at Zionsville's Pearson Automotive Tennis Club after rains forced all four state quarter-finals indoors. Carmel got wins from No. 2 singles Eli Mercer 6-3, 6-2 and No. 3 singles Rocky Li 6-2, 6-3. In doubles, No. 1 Jack Jentz and Srisanth Malpeddi triumphed 7-6 (3), 6-3

and No. 2 Braedon McIntyre and Adrien Qi were 7-5, 6-2 winners.

The Greyhounds are undefeated for the season at 22-0 and will host today's state semi-finals and championship matches at the Todd Witsken Tennis Center. Carmel takes on No. 2 Columbus North in one semi-final, with No. 7 Zionsville playing No. 12 Jasper in the other semi-final.

Both matches start at 10 a.m., with the winners playing for the state championship at 2 p.m.

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# Huskies battle to victory at Rensselaer

Football players remember games in the rain, especially if they win.

Hamilton Heights did battle with the elements up at Rensselaer Central Friday night as the Huskies took on the Bombers in the Hoosier Conference fifth-place game. Heights didn't just get through the weather, but instead thrived in the conditions, shutting out Rensselaer 14-0 to claim fifth place in the conference.

As the Huskies' bus was headed home, Heights coach Jon Kirschner said this game meant a lot to him.

"Games like this don't come around very often," said Kirschner. "You remember where you were and you remember what you did. For our team to have that and for these young men to have that game is something I consider to be very special and dear to my heart. I've been a part of a lot of fun games, but this one I'm going to remember for a long time and I think the boys will, too."

The Huskies got on the board in no time, needing just 62 seconds to score. Guy Griffey sent a pass to Isaac Tuma, and the result was a 72-yard pass play

touchdown. Jonathan Glenn kicked the extra point.

That made the score 7-0, and it would stay that way until there were less than two minutes in the fourth quarter. Trey Ehman finally got Heights its insurance score on a five-yard touchdown run. Glenn made the extra-point kick there as well. The Huskies ran over seven minutes off the clock during that drive.

"It was just smash mouth - three yards, four yards, three yards, four yards - we did that all night," said Kirschner.

The coach had praise for everyone, starting with Heights' offensive line. He credited Griffey with controlling the ball, holding on to it in the adverse conditions.

"His ability to hold on to the snap and pick up some stuff in the mud and keep it playable for the next down, it doesn't get in the stats, but it's huge," said Kirschner.

The Huskies' defense held Rensselaer to 58 yards total rushing, which Kirschner said is "pretty impressive" considering the Bombers' prolific rushing attack. Heights made two goal-line stands in the second quarter, keeping

Rensselaer off the board. In fact, this is the first time the Huskies have shut out back-to-back opponents since 2012.

Heights' kicking game also played well, Kirschner saying it was "the best it's been." He called punter Dean Mason's kicks a "huge field-flipper for us," and noted that Michael Lecher's kickoffs "were on point, forcing them to make bad catches and allowing our guys to get down there and swam their returners."

The kicking game was a big factor for us tonight."

Ehman led the rushing with 112 yards. In addition to his big touchdown catch, Tuma also made an interception at the end of the game that clinched the victory.

Heights is 6-3 and will travel to Guerin Catholic next Friday for the first round of Class 3A Sectional 28 play.

HAMILTON HEIGHTS 14, RENSSELAER CENTRAL 0			Punts-Average	2-49.5	5-43.0
Score by Quarters			Heights Scoring		
Heights	7	0 0 7 - 14	<b>First Quarter</b>		
Rensselaer	0	0 0 0 - 0	10:58 - Isaac Tuma 75-yard pass from Guy Griffey (Jonathan Glenn kick)		
Team Stats			<b>Fourth Quarter</b>		
First Downs	9	7	1:34 - Trey Ehman 5-yard run (Glenn kick)		
By Rush	7	4	Heights individual stats		
By Pass	1	3	<b>Rushing:</b> Ehman 28-112, Chance Yeager 3-7, Griffey 7-2, Owen VanHaaren 2-1.		
By Penalty	1	0	<b>Passing:</b> Griffey 3-9-95.		
Rushes-Yards	40-122	34-58	<b>Receiving:</b> Tuma 2-83, Jesiah Achenbach 1-12.		
Yards Passing	95	72			
Comp-Att-Int-TD	3-9-0-1	5-10-1-0			
Fumbles-Lost	2-1	2-0			
Penalties-Yards	0-0	4-45			

# Noblesville falls to Avon, 35-21

Noblesville found itself on the wrong end of a comeback win Friday night, as the Millers fell to Avon 35-21 in a Hoosier Crossroads Conference game at the Orioles' field.

Noblesville led 21-0 early in the second quarter. Connor Meinerding got the Millers on the board with a 34-yard touchdown run with 9:25 left in the first period; Jack Letourneau made the extra-point kick. Later, Gage Gulley blasted off on a 30-yard run, then Alairic Rogers-Walton ran in a two-point conversion.

That gave Noblesville a 15-0 first-quarter lead, and Parker Bell added to that margin by pushing the ball in from the one-yard line. The Orioles came back to 21-14 by halftime, then tied the game at 21-21 going into the fourth quarter. Avon took the lead with two touchdowns in that period.

Meinerding finished the game with 80 yards rushing, while Rogers-Walton gained 65 yards rushing. Sam Steinhofler led the Millers' defense with nine tackles, followed by Cameron Wilson with 6.5 stops and Tanner .

Noblesville finished HCC play 0-7 and is 2-7 overall. The Millers are off next week, then host Westfield on Friday, Oct. 29 in the semi-finals of Class 6A Sectional 4.

Avon 35, NOBLESVILLE 21

Score by Quarters

Noblesville 15 6 0 0 - 21

Avon 0 14 7 14 - 35

Team Stats

NHS AHS

First Downs 20 19

By Rush 14 4

By Pass 1 12

By Penalty 5 3

Rushes-Yards 57-271 28-114

Yards Passing 26 237

Comp-Att-Int-TD 2-7-1-0 26-36-0-3

Fumbles-Lost 2-2 1-1

Penalties-Yards 5-55 16-151

Punts-Average 4-16.8 4-41.3

Noblesville Scoring

First Quarter

9:25 - Connor Meinerding 34-yard run (Jack Letourneau kick)

3:50 - Gage Gulley 30-yard run (Alairic Rogers-Walton run)

Second Quarter

9:07 - Parker Bell 1-yard run (run failed)

Noblesville individual stats

Rushing: Meinerding 6-80, Rogers-Walton 11-65, Gulley 13-48, Logan Shoffner 10-37, Bell 12-27, Blake Widget 4-10, Brayan Gómez-Sánchez 1-4.

Passing: Gulley 1-6-25, Meinerding 1-1-1.

Receiving: Aiden Brewer 1-25, Shoffner 1-1.



Noblesville's Jacob Long (72) leads Gage Gulley (6) as Gulley makes a rush during the Millers' game at Avon Friday. Gulley would make a 30-yard scoring run for Noblesville in the first quarter.

# Golden Eagles beat Culver

Guerin Catholic scored a late fourth-quarter touchdown to beat Culver Academies 25-20 in a Friday night road game.

The Golden Eagles' Justin Zdobylyak got the first touchdown of the game with 8:13 left in the opening quarter. Culver tied the game up at 7-7 with 4:18 left in the first. The contest was then tied 13-13 at halftime.

Culver went up 20-13 in the third quarter, but Zdobylyak delivered a five-yard rushing touchdown to get GC within 20-19 early in the fourth quarter. Finally, with 1:26 left in the game, Ryan Zimmerman ran 12 yards into the end zone and that would be the game winner.

Stats from the game were not available at press time.

Guerin Catholic is 2-7 and hosts Hamilton Heights next Friday in the first round of Class 3A Sectional 28.

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# Friday night football scores

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Adams Central 62, Woodlan 0  
Avon 35, Noblesville 21  
Batesville 40, Connersville 13  
Ben Davis 52, North Central (Indiana-  
napolis) 14  
Bloomington North 42, Southport 14  
Bluffton 33, Lakeland 29  
Brebeuf Jesuit 44, Terre Haute  
North 13  
Bremen 49, South Bend Clay 0  
Brown County 12, Edgewood 0  
Brownsburg 31, Hamilton South-  
eastern 28  
Brownstown Central 42, Scottsburg  
28  
Carmel 14, Lawrence Central 0  
Carroll (Fort Wayne) 59, Fort Wayne  
Wayne 0  
Cascade 30, Indianapolis Ritter 8  
Castle 21, Evansville Memorial 7  
Center Grove 21, Indianapolis Ca-  
thedral 6  
Centerville 46, Knightstown 0  
Central Noble 8, Garrett 0  
Charlestown 35, Eastern (Pekin) 14  
Churubusco 26, Fairfield 0  
Clarksville 69, Rock Creek Acade-  
my 8  
Columbus East 31, Bedford North  
Lawrence 15  
Columbus North 36, Terre Haute  
South 0  
Concord 26, Warsaw 22  
Covington 52, Riverton Parke 18  
Crawfordsville 18, Frankfort 8  
Danville 10, North Montgomery 0  
Decatur Central 42, Franklin 7  
Delphi 60, Taylor 6  
East Noble 56, Belmont 7  
Eastbrook 62, Madison-Grant 13  
Eastern (Greentown) 14, Clinton  
Prairie 7  
Eastside 49, Angola 14  
Elkhart 21, New Prairie 14  
Evansville Harrison 17, Evansville  
Bosse 14  
Evansville Mater Dei 21, Evansville

Reitz 17  
Evansville North 28, Evansville  
Central 6  
Fishers 49, Zionsville 46, 2OT  
Fort Wayne Dwenger 42, Fort  
Wayne Northrop 21  
Fort Wayne Snider 27, Fort Wayne  
Luers 15  
Franklin County 28, Beech Grove  
26  
Frankton 28, Alexandria 0  
Gary West 40, Indianapolis Attucks  
0  
Gibson Southern 37, Boonville 6  
Goshen 28, Wawasee 25  
Greencastle 49, North Putnam 13  
Greenfield-Central 27, New Castle  
26  
Greensburg 62, Rushville 7  
Guerin Catholic 25, Culver Acade-  
my 20  
Hammond Central 51, East Chica-  
go Central 12  
Hanover Central 28, Calumet 6  
Harrison (West Lafayette) 44, Rich-  
mond 22  
Heritage Hills 43, Princeton 0  
Heritage 39, Jay County 7  
Highland 27, Kankakee Valley 14  
Hobart 40, Munster 14  
Homestead 48, Fort Wayne South 0  
Indiana Deaf 42, Southside Home-  
School 12  
Indianapolis Chatard 42, Bloom-  
ington South 7  
Indianapolis Lutheran 43, Traders  
Point Christian 6  
Indianapolis Roncalli 35, East Cen-  
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Indianapolis Scecina 42, Monrovia  
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Indianapolis Washington 48, India-  
napolis Tindley 18  
Jasper 42, Vincennes Lincoln 6  
Jeffersonville 40, Jennings County  
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Jimtown 35, South Bend Riley 0  
John Glenn 41, South Bend Wash-  
ington 0  
Knox 19, Caston 6

Kokomo 28, Indianapolis Tech 0  
LaVille 19, Culver 6  
Lafayette Jeff 56, Muncie Central 10  
Lapel 42, Eastern Hancock 21  
Lawrenceburg 56, South Dearborn  
7  
Lebanon 12, Western Boone 7  
Leo 14, DeKalb 0  
Linton-Stockton 48, South Putnam  
12  
Lowell 17, Andean 7  
Marion 20, McCutcheon 13  
Merrillville 40, Chesterton 6  
Michigan City 41, Crown Point 28  
Milan 47, Switzerland County 6  
Mishawaka Marian 16, South Bend  
St. Joseph 6  
Mishawaka 58, Northridge 14  
Mississinewa 63, Elwood 3  
Monroe Central 49, Shenandoah 7  
Mooresville 56, Perry Meridian 27  
Mount Vernon (Fortville) 63, York-  
town 13  
Mount Vernon (Posey) 54, Wash-  
ington 6  
New Albany 35, Floyd Central 16  
New Haven 57, Huntington North  
27  
New Palestine 55, Delta 6  
North Central (Farmersburg) 46,  
Eastern Greene 12  
North Decatur 28, Covenant Chris-  
tian 25  
North Harrison 28, Providence 6  
North Knox 28, Paoli 20  
North Newton 12, Tri-County 0  
North Posey 52, Pike Central 16  
North Vermillion 14, Seeger 7  
North White 14, West Central 0  
NorthWood 42, Plymouth 14  
Northeastern 60, Hagerstown 27  
Northfield 35, North Miami 0  
Northview 44, Indian Creek 0  
Norwell 23, Columbia City 13  
Oak Hill 49, Blackford 0  
Park Tudor 52, Edinburgh 10  
Parke Heritage 54, Fountain Cen-  
tral 18  
Pendleton Heights 42, Shelbyville 0  
Penn 38, South Bend Adams 0

Perry Central 33, Mitchell 7  
Peru 33, Manchester 13  
Pike 10, Lawrence North 7  
Pioneer 22, North Judson 14  
Plainfield 28, Martinsville 27  
Portage 35, LaPorte 13  
River Forest 63, Bowman Academy  
0  
Rochester 44, Maconaquah 12  
Salem 61, West Washington 0  
Seymour 34, Madison 0  
Sheridan 28, Carroll (Flora) 21  
Silver Creek 61, Corydon Central 7  
South Adams 49, Southern Wells 6  
South Central (Union Mills) 62,  
Hammond Noll 14  
South Decatur 54, Cambridge City  
Lincoln 0  
South Newton 12, Frontier 0  
South Spencer 21, Tell City 14  
South Vermillion 42, Attica 0  
Southridge 26, Forest Park 6  
Speedway 24, Triton Central 21  
Springs Valley 38, North Daviess 7  
Sullivan 28, West Vigo 7  
Tecumseh 36, Crawford County 3  
Tippecanoe Valley 56, Southwood  
25  
Tri-Central 12, Clinton Central 6, OT  
Tri-West 42, Southmont 13  
Tri 41, Union County 7  
Valparaiso 42, Lake Central 7  
Wabash 12, Whitko 9  
West Noble 26, Prairie Heights 12  
Westfield 42, Franklin Central 28  
Wheeler 28, Griffith 7  
Whiteland 42, Greenwood 28  
Whiting 7, Boone Grove 6  
Winamac 27, Triton 7  
Winchester 44, Union City 34  
**Hoosier Conference playoffs**  
Benton Central 8, Northwestern 6,  
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Hamilton Heights 14, Rensselaer  
Central 0, 5th  
Tipton 28, Lafayette Central Catho-  
lic 13, 3rd  
West Lafayette 44, Western 0, 1st

## Pacers watch game of incarcerated players at Indiana prison

By GREGG MONTGOMERY  
WISH-TV  
The Indiana Pacers, Represent Jus-  
tice, The Last Mile, the Anti-Recidivism  
Coalition, and the Indiana Department of  
Correction came together Thursday in the  
Play For Justice program.  
It's designed to bring awareness to ra-  
cial and socioeconomic disparities in the  
justice system.  
Play For Justice was at Putnamville  
Correctional Facility. The event featured  
a roundtable discussion and basketball  
game in which prison residents and Pac-  
ers players, staff and leadership shared  
an afternoon of meaningful engagement

and learning, according to a news release  
from the Department of Correction.  
Gregory Dunn, communications di-  
rector for the Department of Correc-  
tion, told News 8 by email, "The Pacers  
toured parts of the facility including our  
Last Mile Classrooms. The Last Mile  
is a multifaceted program that includes  
coding and audiovisual production. The  
Pacers also participated in a round table  
with with incarcerated individuals and re-  
turned citizens. After the game, the Pac-  
ers attended a game featuring incarcerated  
players. The group hosting the event,  
Represent Justice, provided uniforms and  
shoes to the incarcerated players."

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