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TODAY'S WEATHER

Today: Mostly cloudy.

Tonight: Mostly cloudy.



HIGH: 52 LOW: 37



Atlanta lights up the night with small town Christmas



Photos provided by Jennifer Farley / Town of Atlanta

After Mr. and Mrs. Claus rolled up in a 1923 Ford T-Bucket on Sunday evening, Atlanta Town Council President Murry Dixon and Duke Energy Community Relations Liaison Dagny Zupin flipped what may be a contender for the world's biggest light switch to officially light the Atlanta Christmas tree. *See more photos on Page 3 and at ReadTheReporter.com.*



Photo provided

K9s and their handlers worked with Coroner-elect Jeff Jellison to thoroughly search the 18-acre property last Sunday.

Indiana K9 Search assists Coroner's Office in searching Fox Hollow Farms

The REPORTER

Indiana K9 Search and Recovery conducted a search on Sunday at Fox Hollow Farms, the former home of infamous suspected serial killer Herbert Baumeister.

K9 teams worked with Coroner-elect Jeff Jellison and the homeowners to conduct a thor-

ough search of the 18-acre property.

All teams identified areas where their dogs exhibited behavior consistent with being in the odor of human remains.

"I am very proud of all the handlers, K9s, and spotters who participated today," said Leah Snyder, founder and Director

of the group. "If one person can find who they are missing, it's just worth it."

The following teams participated in today's search:

- Director Leah Snyder
- Judy and K9 Ziva
- Candace, K9 Raven, and K9 Rebel
- Cathy and K9 Talan

- Jordan, K9 Emma, and K9 Ella
- Miranda and K9 Guin
- Megan and K9 Dundy
- Bree and K9 Beau
- Susan and K9 Avery
- Dwane and K9 Denali
- Jeremy and K9 Rosie
- Spotters: Kyle, Cindy, Amy, Jim and Phillip

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Sheridan Schools invites community to public meeting

The REPORTER

A public meeting to provide a fiscal and building project update for Sheridan Community Schools (SCS) will be held at 6 p.m. on Tuesday, Dec. 13 at the Sheridan High School Library.

Superintendent Dave Mundy and Corporation CFO Robin Popejoy will provide updates on district financial planning, current SCS projects, potential phase 2 and 3 building projects, U.S. Highway 31 corridor plans and work with the county, and planning for SCS growth.

Mundy explained that over the last several months a lot has been done in terms of projects, projections, and preparation for future growth/facilities, and he is eager to share that with the public.

“We want to be fully transparent in the work we are doing,” Mundy said. “We have a supportive and involved community, and I want to continue to do all I can to keep communication lines open.”

This opportunity is open to parents and community members.



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Noblesville Lions enjoy Christmas parade



Photo provided by Noblesville Lions Club

Last Saturday, the Noblesville Lions participated in the city's downtown leg of the Christmas parade. Fun was had by all despite the very cool weather – even for Stanley, the Lion mascot. Lion participants included Steve Shaw, John Grimes, George Long, Dale Unger, Gordon Resler, Stanley the Lion (Steve Craig), and Julia Kozicki.

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CHRISTMAS

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the end of the season. The Christmas tree you had displayed in your front window all season may end up as mulch in one of your neighbor's flowerbeds this spring!

I love the season of Christmas and all the traditions my husband and I have started. We take our children and our family on the Sullivan Express to visit Santa at the North Pole. I love setting up my Christmas village display just the right way. We enjoy going downtown to see Yuletide. We make countless runs to Starbucks for our red cups and load the kids up in their pajamas with blankets to look at light displays. We love getting a hot chocolate and visiting the Magic of Lights display at Ruoff.

Our Christmas Eve starts with us making our special Christmas Krinkle Cookies for Santa. We enjoy a nice quiet dinner as a family at one of our favorite hibachi restaurants after a beautiful Christmas Eve service at our church. Once home, my husband reads *The Night Before Christmas* to our children and we leave out some cookies and milk (and a beer) for Santa before tucking our children in their beds in matching pajamas. I never knew Santa enjoyed a beer on Christmas Eve until I met my husband!

We spent Christmas morning seeing what surprises Santa brought before we have our family over for a big brunch. I start a ham first thing in the morning and the entire house fills with the sweet aromas of it and my Nana's coffee cake. Once everyone leaves and we have the house cleaned up, we all cuddle up to watch *A Christmas Story* movie. I cherish the time after the hustle and bustle of the day when sitting on the couch and our Christmas tree is the only light in the room. I am always a little melancholy when it is time to take down our tree and wonder to myself what our tree will look like next year.

Nature is speaking to us this holiday season. It is asking us to make room in our homes and create memories with our families. Are you listening?

Megan Rathz is a wife, mother and teacher. She says everything she has ever learned in life came from her Master Gardener mother.

Santa's Chocolate Krinkle Cookies

Makes 12 cookies

Prepare Ingredients

- 1/2 cup (2 1/4 ounces) all-purpose flour
- 1/4 cup (1/2 ounce) Dutch-processed cocoa powder
- 1/2 teaspoon baking powder
- 1/4 teaspoon baking soda
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 1/4 cup packed (3 1/4 ounces) brown sugar
- 1 large egg plus 1 large egg yolk
- 1/2 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 2 ounces unsweetened chocolate
- 2 tablespoons unsalted butter
- 1/4 cup (1 1/2 ounces) sugar
- 1/4 cup (1 ounce) confectioners' (powdered) sugar

Gather Baking Equipment

- Rimmed baking sheet
- Parchment paper
- 3 bowls (1 large, 1 medium, 1 small microwave-safe)
- Whisk
- Large zipper-lock plastic bag
- Rolling pin
- Oven mitts
- Rubber spatula
- 2 shallow dishes
- 1-tablespoon measuring spoon
- Cooling rack

Start Baking

1. Adjust oven rack to middle position and heat oven to 325 degrees. Line rimmed baking sheet with parchment paper.
2. In medium bowl, whisk together flour, cocoa, baking powder, baking soda, and salt. In large bowl, whisk brown sugar, egg and egg yolk, and vanilla until combined.
3. Place chocolate in large zipper-lock plastic bag and seal, removing as much air as possible from bag. Use rolling pin to gently pound chocolate into small pieces.
4. In small microwave-safe bowl, combine powdered chocolate and butter. Heat in microwave at 50 percent power until melted, 1 to 2 minutes. Use oven mitts to remove bowl from microwave. Use rubber spatula to stir chocolate mixture until well combined and shiny. Flour is visible. Let dough sit at room temperature for 10 minutes.
5. Add chocolate mixture to brown sugar mixture and use rubber spatula to stir until combined. Set in flour mixture until no dry.
6. Place sugar in one shallow dish and confectioners' sugar in second shallow dish.
7. Use your hands to roll dough into 12 balls (about 2 tablespoons each). Drop balls directly into shallow dish with sugar and roll to coat. Transfer dough balls to shallow dish with confectioners' sugar and roll to evenly coat.
8. Place dough balls on parchment-lined baking sheet, leaving about 2 inches between balls.
9. Place baking sheet in oven. Bake cookies until puffed and cracked and edges have begun to set but centers are still soft (cookies will look raw in cracks and seem underdone), about 11 minutes.
10. Use oven mitts to remove baking sheet from oven. Place baking sheet on cooling rack and let cookies cool completely on baking sheet, about 10 minutes. Serve.



Photo provided by Megan Rathz

The Krinkle Cookies the Rathz family leave for Santa by their fireplace.

Photo provided by Megan Rathz
The recipe I use with my children to make Krinkle Cookies, from the children's book *Cookies for Santa* by America's Test Kitchen.





PREVAIL
Advocating for Victims of Crime & Abuse

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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Christmas tree lighting, Atlanta style



Tommy & MaryAnn Brown and their daughter Nora



Photos provided by Jennifer Farley / Town of Atlanta
On Sunday evening in Atlanta, volunteers helped set up the area for the town to gather for the annual lighting of the tree. There were Christmas carols around the fire, food and treat bags donated from area churches, and hot cocoa and cider from the Choo Choo Café.



Photos provided by Jennifer Farley / Town of Atlanta
(Above left) Evelyn Farley and Ava Linerod passed out craft supplies to the kids so they could enjoy making crafts and decorating cookies. (Above right) Stephanie Lugenbeal certainly appreciated their efforts.



Atlanta Clerk Jennifer Farley told The Reporter there were more people present for the lighting of the tree this year than last. "It's nice to see the community come together," Farley said. "Hopefully it will continue to grow each year."

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Fishers GOP celebrates 2022 victories

Diane Eaton & Brad DeReamer honored as first Woman & Man of the Year

Submitted by Fishers GOP Club

On Thursday, Dec. 1, the Fishers GOP Club held its Holiday Meeting and Annual Toy Drive with all participants receiving Fishers GOP T-shirts.

Hamilton County Republican Party Chairman Mario Massillamany was the guest speaker and shared insight on the 2022 general election, congratulated Fishers Republicans for winning every contested race, and gave insight on the path ahead as the GOP works to keep Hamilton County a Republican stronghold.

Massillamany champions the selection and preparation of candidates committed to the arduous work of running for office, building relationships with all Hamilton County residents who identify with Republican values and principles, and embracing and destigmatizing early voting opportunities.

After the talk, Tiffanie Ditlevson broke from tradition and announced the Fishers GOP Club planned to recognize their first-ever Woman and Man of the Year, Diane Eaton and Brad DeReamer.

Eaton is a Fishers resident, entrepreneur, owner of Balmoral House Event Center, and former Ham-

ilton Southeastern school board member who founded Fishers One in March 2021. Under her direction and leadership, Fishers One is credited with orchestrating the election of four Fishers One-endorsed candidates into all four Hamilton Southeastern school board roles and ousting all four of the incumbent school board members by focusing on "a return to academic excellence." As of December 2022, Fishers One has assisted in the election, re-election, caucusing and appointment of 11 Fishers One members and candidates into community leadership positions.

DeReamer is a Fishers resident and an elected City Councilman representing Fishers' Northeast District. He is a true servant leader, serial entrepreneur, U.S. Army Veteran, and former Mayor of Greenfield. Over his distinguished career, he has blazed a trail of innovation, service, and true representation of his constituents and neighbors in Britton Falls. In his free time, he devoted his resources and talent to Fishers One, serving as a founding member. He also worked diligently with HSE school board trustee-elect Ben Orr's campaign team. He recently confirmed he will not seek re-election to the Fishers

City Council.

Both winners expressed gratitude for the recognition.

"I am honored to be selected as the first Fishers GOP Woman of the Year," Eaton said. "I was surprised by the award and had no idea the club honored members, and more surprised to win. It has been such an honor to work with so many fabulous like-minded people in Fishers. The Fishers GOP Club and the Hamilton County Republican Party, under Chairman Mario Massillamany, are truly making a difference in the county. Be bold and courageous, and together we are making a difference!"

"Thank you very much for the acknowledgement tonight," DeReamer said. "I enjoy helping others – I am in the time of my life where I have to give back for everything I have been given in my lifetime. I am very blessed to have a great wife that supports everything I do. Thanks again – and Sharon says thanks for the candy and crystal candy dish."

At the end of the evening Sharon DeReamer expressed gratitude and sheer surprise for the thoughtful honoring of her husband and recognition of his decades of work. "I'm so proud of him," she said.



Photo provided

(From left) Tiffanie Ditlevson, Fishers City Councilman Brad DeReamer, Hamilton County GOP Chairman Mario Massillamany, Diane Eaton, and Fishers City Councilman John Weingardt.



Enjoy best of art, shopping & music this Saturday at Carmel's Meet Me on Main

The REPORTER

Come to the Carmel Arts & Design District from 5 to 9 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 10 for Allied Solutions' *Meet Me on Main*. Make your way to Main Street and Range Line Road for an evening of art, shopping, music, and more.

Meet Me on Main is the City of Carmel's monthly "second Saturday" event to highlight local galleries, restaurants and design-related businesses in the District. Art galleries and businesses will feature special events specially planned to enhance the art and design-related features of the District.

Ribbon Cutting

The City of Carmel, Carmel Fire Department and Carmel Clay Parks will cut the ribbon on a new automated external defibrillator – or AED – station at 5 p.m. on Saturday in the plaza next to Anthony's Chop-house, 201 W. Main St.

Play Bingo for prizes

Go to Indiana Artisan to pick up an Arts & Design District Bingo card. Cover three of the squares in a vertical, horizontal, or diagonal row and return your Bingo card to Indiana Artisan by 7 p.m. for your chance to win a gift basket. Come back to Indiana Artisan, 22 N. Range Line Road, at 7:30 p.m. to hear the winner's name announced. Must be present to win.

Visit the art galleries and businesses to enjoy their special offers, as well as special activities in the Arts & Design District:

- **Live music:** Adam Shuntich, inside SubZero (111 W. Main St., #130); Owen Newkirk, inside Carmel Chocolate Cafe (43 W. Main St.); and Classical Music Indy, inside Indiana Artisan (22 N. Range Line Road)

- **Free activities:** Holiday nail and string craft by Art Lab and caricatures by Custom Eyes on Design, inside Kuaba Gallery (404 W. Main St.)

Art on Main Gallery & Gifts

Art on Main, 111 W. Main St. Featuring Bob's Belgian Hot Chocolate, the original cocoa of Carmel Christkindlmarkt and a variety of artisan mugs.

Carmel Arts Council

The Children's Art Gallery, 40 W. Main St. Kids can make sparkling snowflakes inside the Gallery.

CCA Gallery & Gifts

CCA Gallery, 111 W. Main St., Suite 135. Register to win one of four CCA Gallery \$25 gift certificates.

Indiana Artisan

Indiana Artisan, 22 N. Range Line Road. Meet and greet with Bev "The Basket Lady" Larson.

Kuaba Gallery

Kuaba Gallery, 404 W. Main St. Meet and greet with artists for discussion on their unique craft.

Special offers

• All Things Carmel:

Free candy canes for kids, snacks with samples of holiday-themed craft beers from our Carmel Brews & Barrels Trail. (110 W. Main St. #104)

- **Bubs Burgers and Ice Cream:** Stop by and enjoy \$2 Miller High Life 16-ounce beers. (210 W. Main St.)

- **Mary's Mountain Cookies:** Purchase six cookies and get two free. (110 W. Main St.)

- **Michaelangelo Candles:** Purchase two 12-ounce scented soy candles for only \$40. Michaelangelos is located inside of COHatch. (38 W. Main St.)

- **Sub Zero Nitrogen Ice Cream and 1832 Brew Espresso:** Buy one ice cream any size and get a second ice cream for 50 percent off and buy one coffee item and get a second one for 50 percent off. (111 W. Main St.)

- **Xchocol'Art:** Enjoy samples of chocolates during for Meet Me on Main. (228 W. Main St.)

A map of the gallery locations and more information about *Meet Me on Main* activities can be found at CarmelArtsAndDesign.com.

Public parking is available in the Carmel Lions Club lot (141 E. Main St.), Sophia Square parking garage (entrance off of 1st Ave. NW), Indiana Design Center parking garage (200 S. Range Line Road) or on-street. [Click here](#) to download the Arts & Design District parking map.

About the Carmel Arts & Design District

The Carmel Arts & Design District is the Midwest's premier arts and design destination. Home to more than 200 businesses, including art galleries, restaurants, antique dealers, design showrooms, boutiques and creative service providers, the Carmel Arts & Design District promises to stimulate the senses. The Indiana Design Center is housed in the Carmel Arts & Design District. In addition, hundreds have taken advantage of the wide variety of housing opportunities and call the Carmel Arts & Design District home.

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Guest Columnist

IRT's A Christmas Carol is “a true gem”

By ADAM CROWE
A Seat on the Aisle

This year marks 179 years since the publication of Charles Dickens’ *A Christmas Carol. In Prose. Being a Ghost Story of Christmas*. In the spring of that same year, Preacher William Miller of Massachusetts predicted that the world would end on March 21st. Miller was wrong about that, allowing us to continue to celebrate Dickens’ genius every December since.

Since 1980, Indiana Repertory Theatre has presented *A Christmas Carol*, adapted by former Artistic Director Tom Haas. As this year’s production director (and soon to retire Artistic Director) Janet Allen notes in the program, the adaptation has seen many incarnations over the years.

In one season’s version, a male actor portrayed Christmas Present dressed as Queen Victoria, in a nod to British Christmas Pantomime tradition. Sadly, as Allen notes, this was not a popular experiment. Pity. After experiencing this year’s Christmas Present, one can dream of the brilliance that Chicago actor Sean Blake would have delivered in such a royal performance. Even without the nod to Victoria, his costume and performance still rise to regal heights.

Annual theatrical traditions can wax and wane, even ones as storied as this. I am delighted to report that this year’s version is a true gem. A spare cast of eight performers beautifully embody all of London – past, present, and future. Rob Johansen was the only actor spared the task of multiple



Photo by Zach Rosing
Rob Johansen as the miserly Scrooge in Indiana Repertory Theatre’s *A Christmas Carol*.

roles. His Scrooge growled, sputtered, and trembled in a performance that held the audience in the palms of his hands throughout.

Surrounding him, in every role you remember, are seven strong performers, effortlessly slipping between narration and memorable characters. This chorus of sorts was made up of Ryan Artzberger, Sean Blake, Caroline Chu, Jennifer Johansen, Elliot Sagay, and Maria Argentina Souza. In addition, two young actors appear as the assorted children, Weezie Chavers and, in the performance I attended, Belle Taylor-Moore.

Every performance is fully alive and vibrant. With spare set pieces that dreamily suggest all the necessary locations and times, the production elicits all the warmth and wonder of this timeless story.

As directed by Allen, this production’s technical aspects were a wonderful mix of new and old. The ever-present snow on a raked stage still enraptured the audience. Russel Metheny’s scenic design has abandoned the golden picture frame of old, but still draws gasps from the audience with tricky floor-trap magic.

Linda Pisano’s costumes are practical and pitch perfect. Michael Lincoln and Bentley Heydt draw joy, mystery, and a little terror, in their lighting design. Finally, Michael Keck’s accompanying music envelopes the audience in the perfect moods throughout.

Bottom line: it is hard to imagine an experience that could fill one with more Christmas joy than this year’s *A Christmas Carol*. A full-length production, with intermission, this Carol sets the perfect holiday mood and makes a very familiar story feel simultaneously new and comfortable. Indiana Repertory Theatre celebrates its 50th anniversary this year. How fortunate for all of us that it continues to tell stories so well after all these years.

Indiana Repertory Theatre’s production of Tom Haas’ adaptation of Dickens’ *A Christmas Carol* runs through Dec. 24 at the Theater’s home at 140 W. Washington St., Indianapolis. Tickets and further information can be found at irtlive.com or by calling (317) 635-5252.

Read more great play reviews from *A Seat on the Aisle* at asota.wordpress.com.

Community First Bank adds Bob Hickman to Board of Directors

The REPORTER

Bob Hickman, Chief Credit Officer of Community First Bank of Indiana (CFB), has been appointed to the board of directors of the bank and its holding company, Community First Financial Corporation.

Hickman was selected for board appointment based on his banking expertise, leadership abilities, and his commitment to Community First’s culture and its people. He will also serve on the board credit committee.

“As a founding member of the bank, Bob has dedicated over 20 years to building this organization and has been instrumental in its growth and success,” CFB President and CEO Robb Blume said. “His commitment to developing our employees, dedication to our customers and passion for service have truly made a tangible, positive impact on the communities we serve. It is my great privilege to

welcome Bob as a fellow board member.”

Hickman received both his Bachelor’s in Marketing and MBA from Western Michigan University, and he has over 30 years of experience in finance and credit. A longtime community servant, he is the immediate past chair and current board member with the Community Foundation of Howard County and a member of the Economic Development Board within the Greater Kokomo Economic Development Alliance. Formerly, Hickman has also served as a board member with Family Services Association of Howard County, a Noon Rotary member, and a volunteer with several organizations including the Kokomo CEO Program, Healthy Families, and the Kokomo Rescue Mission.



Hickman

To see a full list of the bank’s board of directors, visit CFBindiana.com/board-of-directors.

About Community First Bank of Indiana

Community First Bank was chartered in 2003 in Kokomo and is committed to keeping outstanding customer service, local decision-making, and relationship-building at its core. The locally owned and operated bank currently has branches in Indianapolis, Kokomo, Westfield, and Noblesville. CFB has been named as one of the Best Places to Work in Indiana for eight consecutive years by the Indiana Chamber of Commerce. Additional information can be found at CFBindiana.com. MEMBER FDIC, Equal Housing Lender.

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Meeting Notices

Hamilton East Public Library Board of Trustees will hold a special meeting at 4:15 p.m. on Thursday, Dec. 8, 2022, in the Large Youth Program Room on the lower level of the Noblesville Library at 1 Library Plaza, Noblesville.

The Westfield Washington Schools Board of Trustees will meet for a work session to discuss strategic planning at 6 p.m. on Thursday, Dec. 8, 2022, in the Board Conference Room at the Westfield Washington Schools Administration Center, 19500 Tomlinson Road, Suite B, Westfield.

The Hamilton County Parks and Recreation Board will meet in an executive session to discuss land acquisition and litigation at 5:30 p.m. on Dec. 12, 2022.

A regular board meeting will follow at 6 p.m. in the HCPR Administration Building, 400 Lafayette Road, Noblesville.

The Sheridan Public Library Board of Trustees will meet at 6 p.m. on Monday Dec. 12, 2022, in the Community Room of the library, located at 103 W. 1st St., Sheridan.

The Noblesville Police Merit Commission will meet in an executive session at 4:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Dec. 7, 2022, in the Conference Room at the Noblesville Police Department Annex Building, 501 S. 9th St. The meeting will be held pursuant to IC 5-14-1.5-6.1 (2)(b)(6)(A), With respect to any individual over whom the governing body has jurisdiction, to receive information concerning the individual's alleged misconduct.

Send Meeting Notices to:

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Carmel man who helped heal others through tissue donation will be honored during 2023 Rose Parade

Floragraph on board Donate Life float to celebrate McKenzie Leichtnam's life, his final act of compassion

The REPORTER

When McKenzie Leichtnam was born in 1990, doctors quickly determined his heart wasn't functioning properly. He was diagnosed with hypoplastic left heart syndrome, a condition where one side of his heart didn't develop as it should have. He needed a heart transplant to survive.

He was put on the national transplant waiting list at just three days old and 10 days later, a donor heart became available. After surgery and two months of recovery, Leichtnam went home to celebrate his first Christmas with his family.

For the next 20 years, Leichtnam lived a normal life. Twice-daily medications, annual biopsies and routine stress tests kept the Carmel native's heart strong. After graduating from Carmel High School, he studied for two years at Vincennes University and was set to transfer to Indiana University to complete his undergraduate degree. But a day after visiting campus with his parents, Leichtnam unexpectedly died in his sleep, just shy of his 21st birthday.

Leichtnam became a tissue donor to heal the lives of many others in need. But his impact did not end there.

His experience as a transplant recipient and his gift of life as a tissue donor inspired his sister, Kelsey Leichtnam, to pay things forward. Today, honoring her brother, his heart donor

and the donor's family, she works as a hospital liaison for Indiana Donor Network, the organization that managed her brother's gift of life. Her work makes the gift of donation and transplantation possible for others.

"McKenzie's life was filled with friends, vacations, sporting events and an abundance of love," she said. "His laugh was infectious. His jokes were hilarious. His love was once in a lifetime."

Leichtnam's decision to be honored nationally Jan. 2

Leichtnam will be one of 44 donor heroes who will be honored in January during the 134th annual Rose Parade in Pasadena, Calif.

To honor Leichtnam's final act of compassion, a floragraph was created and will be displayed on the Donate Life Rose Parade float, which since 2004 has memorialized donor heroes and raised awareness about how critically important organ and tissue donations are in saving lives.

Floragraphs are artistic portraits created with floral materials, including spices, seeds and other organic materials, that cover a digitized photograph of honorees.

"Stories like McKenzie's ignite Hoosiers and people throughout the country to sign up to become organ and tissue donors and ultimately give the gift of life," said Kellie Tremain, president and CEO of Indiana Donor Network, the federally designated organ recovery or-

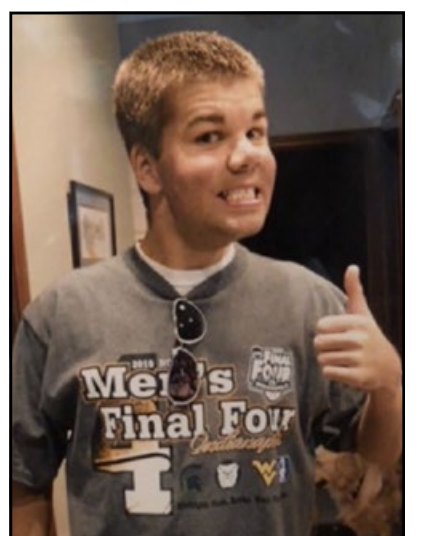
ganization that coordinates organ and tissue donation in Indiana and transplantation throughout the U.S. "The Rose Parade float is a fitting tribute to McKenzie's legacy as a donor hero and his family's selfless decision to heal lives through tissue donation."

Lifting Each Other Up

The theme of this year's Donate Life Rose Parade float is "Lifting Each Other Up." The float will join dozens of other floats, marching bands, equestrian units and tournament entries that will travel down the streets of Pasadena during the Rose Parade, which will be nationally televised in the U.S. starting at 8 a.m. Jan. 2, 2023, by broadcast partners ABC, NBC, HGTV, Hallmark Channel, Univision and more. For more, visit DonateLifeFloat.org.

A Chinese street dragon will be the centerpiece of the float. In the Chinese culture, dragons symbolize great power and are considered a sign of good fortune and strength. Dragons bring prosperity and abundance to everyone. The colorful dragon weaves through flowering trees, lanterns and fans and will showcase floragraphs honoring donor heroes from throughout the U.S. who gave the gift of life.

The dragon will be sup-



McKenzie Leichtnam

ported on poles by living donors and surrounded by organ and tissue recipients. A traditional paifang bridge is featured in the back of the float, with a special message in mandarin that highlights the power of donation and transplantation.

Thousands of individually dedicated roses will also be part of this year's Donate Life float. These roses will be placed in special pods along the float, sharing personal messages dedicated to those who have given the gift of life to others and recognizing organ recipients, transplant professionals and other honorees.

During the parade, the float will be surrounded by recipients whose lives have been saved and healed through organ and tissue donation.

Despite age or medical history, anyone can sign up to be a donor online at [Donate Life Indiana](http://DonateLifeIndiana.org).

Fishers-based INCOG Biopharma one step closer to special manufacturing certification

The REPORTER

INCOG BioPharma Services, a contract development and manufacturing organization (CDMO) specializing in sterile injectables, recently achieved another milestone by completing the installa-

tion of its state-of-the-art **OPTIMA MultiUse** production filling line.

This accomplishment brings INCOG BioPharma Services closer to being Good Manufacturing Practices (GMP) certified and

manufacturing customers' drug products before the end of the year.

"We strategically chose the OPTIMA MultiUse line for its flexibility to support the broadest array of filling needs for our customers," said Alex Haig, Vice President of Operations at INCOG BioPharma Services. "This MultiUse line enables us to process a broad matrix of ready-to-use vials, cartridges and syringes, while also supporting the ability to process bulk vials."

The OPTIMA MultiUse filling line resides within a barrier isolator. It has a quadruple-headed filling station capable of filling multiple

sizes of vials, cartridges and syringes. Key highlights of the OPTIMA MultiUse filling line include:

- Flexibility to handle both bulk vials and ready-to-use vials, cartridges, and syringes
- Zero-waste priming capabilities during line setup
- Maximizing batch yield with 100 percent in-process controls, supported by volumetric weight checks and redosing on demand, for each vial, cartridge or syringe unit
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Letter to the Editor

Shaffer: May be time for a change in Carmel

Dear Editor:

Carmel central planners have issued more than 1,000 residential building permits thus far in 2022. Just 23 percent are for single-family homes – the kinds of residences that built the city in the first place.

One year ago, 42 percent of new permits were for single-family homes.

The move to congestion and transient populations is the central planner's scheme of sucking higher property tax revenues from a given piece of property.

Monolithic, four-story, Soviet-style apartment eyesores will, the argument goes, generate property taxes that first pay off the subsidies Carmel lavishes on favored developers and create a tsunami of new tax revenues when the bonds are paid off.

The geniuses never point out the obvious.

The tsunami won't start for 25 years.

Meanwhile, the city's "brand value" decays in service to risky ventures by unelected bureaucrats without taxpayer approval.

And taxpayers foot the bill for the increased city services – police, fire, water, sewer, parks, libraries, etc. – the new residents put on the city.

Perhaps it's time for a change.

Bill Shaffer
Carmel

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Carmel, Fishers, Noblesville & Westfield each getting \$1M for road improvements

The REPORTER

Hamilton County’s four cities will receive \$1 million each to accelerate road and bridge improvements, according to Hamilton County legislators.

House Speaker Todd Huston (R-Fishers) said the local funding from the Community Crossings Matching Grant Program is for road and bridge preservation, road reconstruction, intersection improvements, guardrail replacements and signage, and can cover material costs for chip sealing and crack filling operations.

"Thanks to our strong fiscal health, we continue to make significant infrastructure investments in communities both large and small," Huston said. "This program has been a tremendous boost for road and bridge projects in Hamilton County, especially as our population and economic opportunities keep expanding."

State Rep. Chuck Go-



odrich (R-Noblesville) said 229 towns, cities and counties will receive over \$119 million in state matching grants.

"Hoosiers rely on our roads to travel safely, whether that's to the grocery store or across the state," Goodrich said. "Maintaining our local infrastructure is vital to our local economy and quality of life."

State Rep. Chris Jeter (R-Fishers) said large communities like those in Hamilton County provide a 50 percent match for the grant.

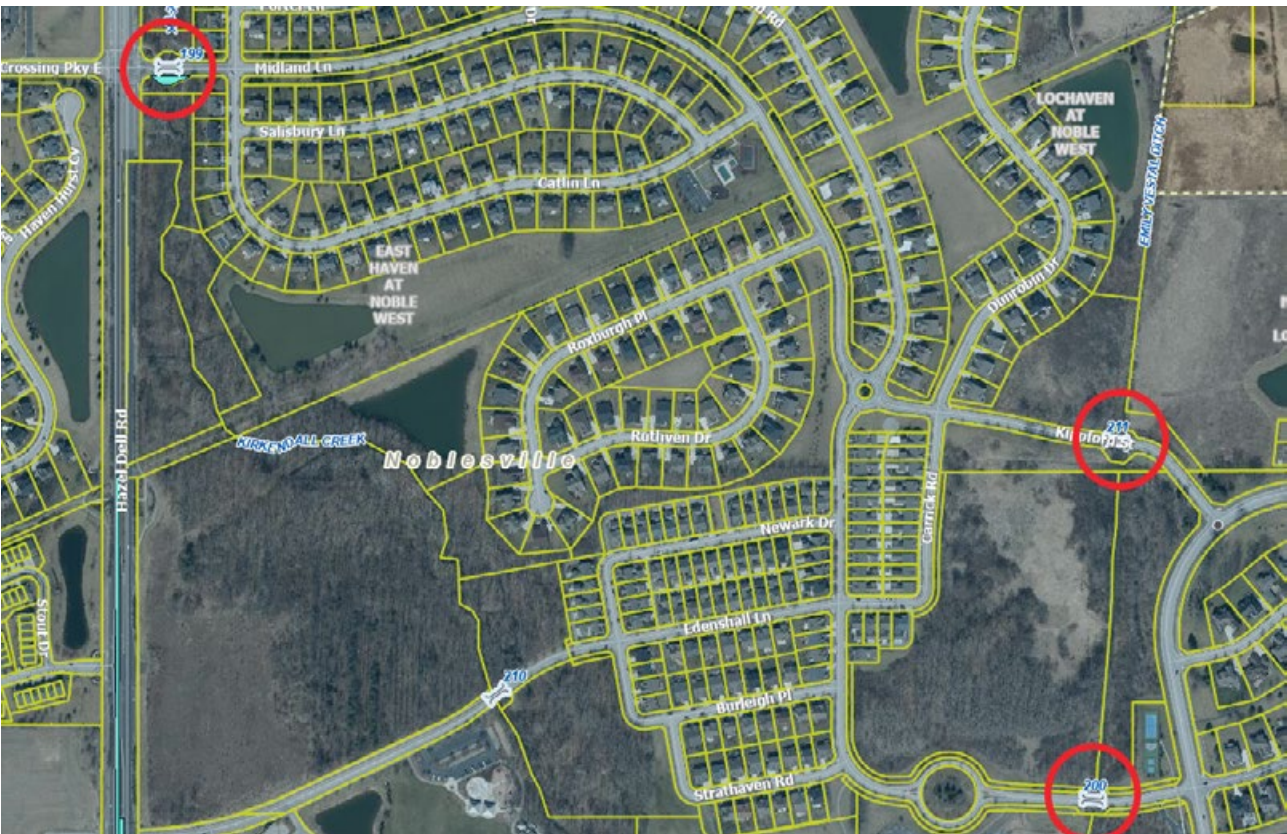
"These grants help us make strong investments across our communities, which is key to keeping jobs and attracting more economic development," Jeter said. "These dollars will be put toward keeping our roads safe and appeal to job creators and visitors."

State Rep. Donna Schaibley (R-Carmel) said to date, Hoosier communities are on the receiving end of more than \$1 billion in Community Crossings Matching Grants.

"The Community Crossings Grant program continues to be successful because of the strong partnerships between our state, cities, towns and counties," Schaibley said. "I look forward to seeing more growth in our area as these projects take shape."

"Hoosiers throughout our community will continue to see improvements to our infrastructure as a result of this program," said State Rep. Jerry Torr (R-Carmel). "These dollars go directly toward keeping Hoosiers safe on the road and improving our overall quality of life."

According to the Indiana Department of Transportation, which oversees and awards the grants, the next call for projects is expected in January. Awards are released two times a year. More information can be found at in.gov/indot/communitycrossings or by emailing LPAQuestions@indot.in.gov.



Graphic provided by Hamilton County Highway Department

Bridge surface work scheduled for East Haven & Lochaven neighborhoods in Noblesville

The REPORTER

Beginning on or after Monday, Dec. 12, the Hamilton County Highway Department will begin bridge wearing surface replacement work within East Haven and

Lochaven in Noblesville. This work will involve intermittent traffic restrictions or road closures along Midland Lane between Hazel Dell Road and Catlin Lane, Midland Lane be-

tween Cherry Tree Road and Strathaven Road, and Kippford Street between Carrick Road and Cherry Tree Road.

Work will be completed at one bridge location at a

time with the goal of minimizing travel disruptions to the nearby residents. These closures/restrictions will be between the hours of 9 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Fishers-based Round Room LLC makes it on Inc.'s 2022 'Best in Business' list

The REPORTER

Round Room, LLC, which leads and invests in companies serving the wireless retail industry, has been named an honoree of Inc. Magazine's 2022 **Best in Business** awards, a program that celebrates companies nationwide that have made an extraordinary impact in their fields and on society. Round Room was recognized in the list's retail category and was the sole Indiana business recipient this year.

Rather than relying on quantitative criteria tied to sales or funding, Inc.'s editors determined honorees for the Best in Business list by reviewing nominated company's achievements over the past year and noted how they made a positive difference in the world. Honorees were selected in 55 different categories, from advertising to sustainability to retail and more, as well as based on age, revenue, size and impact.

Round Room was selected to this year's list based on the evolutions made to its premier company culture built around driving connection, purpose and meaning for employees and the company's operating communities.

"When our customers walk into their local TCC or Wireless Zone store, they are immersed in our positive company culture. We've always operated with our Culture of Good philosophy, which makes our employees want to come to work and increases our customer satisfaction," Round Room CEO Scott Moorehead said. "We're proud that our Culture of Good initiatives have paid off for our employees, customers and communities. Being recognized by Inc.'s Best in Business is an honor, and we couldn't have gotten here without our phenomenal team."

The cornerstone of Round Room's culture is

the philanthropic efforts it conducts throughout the year, one of which being the annual School Rocks Backpack Giveaway. This past summer, Round Room's **TCC and Wireless Zone** retail companies donated 140,000 backpacks full of school supplies to children across the U.S., totaling more than 1.2 million backpacks provided in the event's 10-year history. Additionally, Round Room's TCC Gives and Wireless Zone Gives provided more than \$2.3 million in grants to employee and customer-nominated nonprofits over the past year.

Round Room has also enhanced its investments toward employees, rewarding them for strong company growth. This fall, Round Room celebrated the first payout of its annual Employee Profit Sharing

Program, where all employees received a percentage of the company's fiscal year profit. The total payout resulted in each of Round Room's more than 2,000 employees receiving at least \$2,000. The Employee Profit Sharing Program is just one of countless initiatives that have contributed to Round Room's industry-leading employee retention rate.

Round Room is a **Culture of Good Inc.** company that makes ongoing investments in the local communities where it operates. The company and its subsidiaries hold philanthropic efforts and events throughout the year to give back to the communities and neighbors that support them.

To learn more about Round Room and its companies, please visit roundroom.com.



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"This strategic capital investment in our drug product services strengthens our position as a new standard of CDMO," Haig said. "With our team working alongside OPTIMA, we managed to get the site fully operational at a record pace. We now look forward to building partnerships to support global bio-

pharma customers with our team of experts and focused approach to doing business."

With line installation complete, GMP qualification activities are underway. The company anticipates being GMP-ready in December 2022, less than 24 months after breaking ground on the construction of the facility.

"We've commissioned more than six OPTIMA

filling lines in our careers, which have directly contributed to the health and well-being of millions of patients globally," said JR Humbert, Vice President of Quality at INCOG BioPharma Services. "We're excited to qualify another great asset to better serve patients. This filling line provides assurance that products will be manufactured to the rigorous

safety and quality standards customers and patients deserve."

The INCOG BioPharma building in Fishers has the capacity to scale and accommodate up to three filling lines, as the market for injectable drug products continues to grow. For more information about INCOG BioPharma Services, visit INCOGBioPharma.com.

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Mary Ann Lewis January 15, 1940 – December 3, 2022



Mary Ann Lewis, 82, Noblesville, passed away on Saturday, December 3, 2022, at Maple Park Village in Westfield. She was born on January 15, 1940, in Noblesville.

Mary Ann was born and raised in Noblesville area through her grade school years. She moved to Indianapolis where she attended junior high and high school. It was there Mary Ann met her husband, Irvin, and later married in 1967. They became residents of Westfield for many years and moved back to Noblesville until this last year when they both became residents at Maple Park Village.

Mary Ann worked for the family dry cleaning business until 1973, then worked in the cafeteria for Westfield Schools. She was a member of Noblesville Christian Church and enjoyed crafting with friends and family. Mary Ann also crocheted doilies and afghans.

She is survived by her husband, Irvin Lynn Lewis; daughter, Beverlye J. & Scott Norman; step-sons, David Lynn & Joy Lewis and Dennis & Dawn Lewis; grandchildren, Chad & Debbie Norman, Chelsie & Ryan Hufferd, Rosemarie & Joseph Ferguson, Jeffery & Heather Lewis, Jennifer & Eric Swope, Heather & Jeremy Ingalls, Jessica & Adam Beckner, Lisa Evans, Nicholas Lewis, Nicole Lewis, Heather Summers, and Tara Kellet; great-grandchildren, Sophie, Carter, Steven, Jason, Abby, Tessa, Tamia, Dylan, Dominic, Damian, Domanic, Faith, Skylar, David, Corban, Clayton, Kaytlynn, William, Ezra, Sarah, Eddie, Abby, Jaylen, Charles, Gabriella, Nevach, Angel, Starr, Sophia, Aiden and Lyla; and great-great-grandchildren, Kalani and Javier.

Mary Ann was preceded in death by her parents, Ernest Malott and Mary Louise (Brown) Glover.

Visitation will be from noon to 2 p.m., with services at 2 p.m., on Thursday, December 8, 2022, at Randall & Roberts Funeral Home, 1150 Logan St., Noblesville. Burial will be at Crownland Cemetery in Noblesville.

Memorial contributions may be made to American Heart Association, P.O. Box 840692, Dallas, TX 75284-0692 (heart.org).

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Richard Albert Webb December 18, 1938 – December 3, 2022



Richard Albert Webb, 83, Atlanta, passed away peacefully at Riverview Hospital on December 3, 2022.

He was born December 18, 1938, in Indianapolis to Albert and Lola May (Stern) Webb. He attended Walnut Grove School in White River Township in Hamilton County and graduated from the school with the Class of 1957. Dick, as he was fondly known, then went to Pan American College in Texas on a basketball scholarship. He then furthered his education at Ball State University where he obtained his bachelor's and master's degrees in education.

Dick spent his entire career as an educator with the Crown Point School Corporation in Indiana as a high school teacher, coach, athletic director, and attendance director.

He married the love of his life, Frances Jean (Jeanie) Lively Webb, on September 3, 2011, and they enjoyed many happy years together. In retirement they spent time at a summer property in Wisconsin and enjoyed winters on Pine Island in Florida. His hobbies included golf, fishing, boating, gardening, fantasy football and even working in the yard. He greatly enjoyed spending time with his stepchildren and their children and grandchildren.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by a sister, Mary Alice Knapp.

Surviving him is his wife, Frances Jean Lively Webb of Atlanta; a brother, Donald Webb of Rensselaer, Ind.; four nieces and a nephew; stepchildren, Lanae Campbell of Atlanta, Kyle J. Lively of Tipton, Monte Lively and Lyndon Lively, both of Atlanta; 11 step-grandchildren; and nine step-great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held at 4 p.m. on Saturday, December 10, 2022, at Atlanta Christian Church, 200 E. Main St., Atlanta, with Pastor Jody Brown officiating. Visitation will be from 3 p.m. until time of the service. His final resting place will be Carey Cemetery north of Noblesville.

Memorial contributions may be made to Atlanta Christian Church or Carey Cemetery. Donation envelopes will be available at the church.

Hartley Funeral Home is entrusted with Mr. Webb's services. You may send condolences at hartleyfuneralhomes.com.

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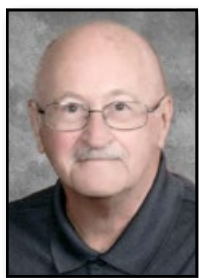
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Gene Edward Wernersbach

March 8, 1943 – November 30, 2022



Gene Edward Wernersbach, 79, Noblesville, passed away on Wednesday, November 30, 2022, at Golden LivingCenter Brookview in Indianapolis. He was born on March 8, 1943, to Max and Ann (Kuzemka) Wernersbach in East Chicago, Ind.

Gene proudly served his country in the United States Air Force during the Vietnam War. He retired after more than 30 years in mechanical engineering/IT. Gene was a past member of Christ Lutheran Church of Hammond, Ind., and a current member of Bethel Lutheran Church of Noblesville. He was an avid train enthusiast and the founder of the Lionel Modular Train Club.

Gene is survived by his wife, Judy Wernersbach; daughter, Stacy Mulcahy; son, Scott (Rachel) Wernersbach; brother, Bob Wernersbach; grandchildren, Emma Wernersbach, Channon Seifert, Jack Mulcahy, and Finnley Carter; as well as many nieces, nephews, and cousins.

Visitation will be from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., with services at 1 p.m., on Saturday, December 10, 2022, at Bethel Lutheran Church, 20650 Cumberland Road, Noblesville. Pastor Dave Hill will officiate.

Gene's wishes were to be cremated and his ashes spread on an active train line.

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Anita "Carol" Wallace

July 6, 1942 – December 1, 2022



Anita "Carol" Wallace, 80, Tipton, was called home by her Lord and Savior Thursday, December 1, 2022, at The Waters of Tipton, surrounded by her family. Carol was born on July 6, 1942, to her parents, Kenneth and Deloris (Cobb) Lindenmayer, at their home in Tipton.

Carol married the love of her life, Don (Wally) Wallace, on December 10, 1960. She enjoyed reading, listening to music and was an avid movie fan.

Most of all, Carol loved making memories with her family and friends which on occasion might include a cocktail or two ... Carol worked as a bookkeeper and in environmental services until she retired in 2008.

She is survived by her four girls, Jennifer Walker, Julia (Chris) Smith, Karla (Kim) Southard, and Marla Wallace. She was a loving G-ma to 10 grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

In addition to her parents, Carol was preceded in death by her daughter, Tracy Straley, one grandson, two great-grandsons, and the father of her surviving girls, Don Wallace.

The family will have a private service at a future date to remember Carol and celebrate her beautiful life.

Memorial contributions may be made to Alzheimer's Association, 8430 W. Bryn Mawr Ave., Suite 800, Chicago, IL 60631 (alz.org/indiana).

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TODAY'S BIBLE READING

The elder;

To my dear friend Gaius, whom I love in the truth.

Dear friend, I pray that you may enjoy good health and that all may go well with you, even as your soul is getting along well. It gave me great joy when some believers came and testified about your faithfulness to the truth, telling how you continue to walk in it. I have no greater joy than to hear that my children are walking in the truth.

3 John 1:1-4 (NIV)

Paul Adreani Jr.

October 26, 1926 – December 3, 2022

Paul Adreani Jr., 96, Noblesville, originally from Niles, Ill., passed away on Saturday, December 3, 2022, at Harbour Manor Care Center in Noblesville. He was born on October 26, 1926, to Paul and Eglina (Fabri) Adreani in Chicago, Ill.

Paul was a World War II veteran and served in the Army in Okinawa. He owned Adreani's Pizza for 40 years with his son and wife. He was a member of Rejoice Ministries in Chicago. Paul loved his family and friends, and he loved the Bears.

He is survived by his daughter, Karen (Ron) Solyst; son, Paul Adreani, III; grandchildren, Rachel Dickover, Bill Solyst, Rose Adreani (Audrey Gilbreath), and Tom Adreani; great-grandchildren, Jameson & Declan Dickover; sister-in-law, Jenny Peota (Bob); brother-in-law, Joe Azzarelli; brother-in-law, Leroy Gerali; and was a dear uncle to many nieces and nephews.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his wife, Theresa Adreani; brother & sister-in-law, Fred and Mary Adreani; sister & brother-in-law, Laura & Lawrence Menconi; sisters, Lois Adreani, Ella Adreani, and Anita Adreani; daughter-in-law, Jennifer Adreani; and grandson-in-law, Dylan Dickover.

A family graveside service was held on Wednesday, December 7 at Crownland Cemetery in Noblesville. A memorial service celebrating Paul will be held in Chicago next spring/summer at a date to be determined.

Memorial contributions may be made to Rejoice Ministries, 6120 N. Harlem Ave., Chicago, IL 60631 (rejoice-chicago.org).

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Harold Walter Ambrose

December 31, 1944 – December 5, 2022



Harold Walter Ambrose, aka Butch, 77, Westfield, passed away peacefully on Monday, December 5, 2022. Butch was born on December 31, 1944, to Margaret Carrie and Harold William Ambrose. He was one of five children, two sisters and two brothers.

Butch worked in the automobile business his entire adult life. He could be found working on cars both at home and at work. Butch loved working in the auto business. We mentioned retirement to him a few times and he was not ready to leave the business or his friends and co-workers at Auto King Automotive where he was co-owner for the past 17 years.

Butch's passion for many years were his horses. Horseback riding on the weekends and camping with family and friends on horse riding trips were the times he looked most forward to.

His other passion in his life was his family. Butch loved unconditionally and he loved hard. He always let you know how special and loved you were.

There are many in Heaven saving a place for Butch: his parents, both of his sisters, along with so many great friends including his best friend, Larry Moore, who probably has the horses saddled and ready to ride.

Butch leaves behind his devoted and loving wife of 45 years, Darlene Ambrose; his daughter, Margaret Lips, and her two daughters, Macy and Kaile Lips; his stepson, Lee Lawless, and his two boys, Daniel and David Lawless; his stepdaughter, Charmaine Lawless; and his two brothers, Rick and Howard Ambrose, as well as their wives, Carolyn and Becky, and their children.

There are many left behind who will feel this great loss and cherish the memories they have of him. Butch would want all of us to continue to live our best lives and to cherish each day.

Visitation will be from 6 to 8 p.m. on Friday, December 9, 2022, at Randall & Roberts Funeral Center, 1685 Westfield Road, Noblesville.

Memorial contributions may be made to Oral Cancer Foundation, 3419 Via Lido #205, Newport Beach, CA 92663 (oralcancerfoundation.org).

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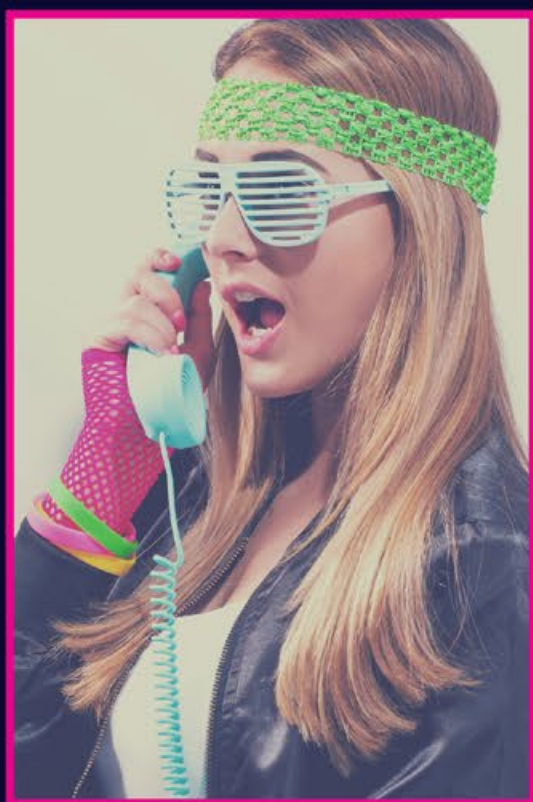
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Sam Orme’s layin puts Carmel over the top 60-58

By **RICHIE HALL**
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FISHERS – If a senior is near the ball when the clock is winding down, there’s always the potential for a good thing to happen.

Carmel senior Sam Orme was near the ball when the Class 4A No. 8 Greyhounds played at Fishers Tuesday night, with time running out in overtime. Orme got a steal, rushed down the court, and laid the ball in to give Carmel a 60-58 win over the 4A No. 10 Tigers in an exciting game at the Tiger Den.

The contest was tied at 51-51 at the end of regulation, this after many lead changes and big baskets during the four quarters. Fishers’ Jalen Haralson was quickly fouled and made two free throws nine seconds into the extra period, and Orme answered that with a layin.

Aidan Zimmer drained a 3-pointer, but Orme came right back and hit his own triple. Haralson made two more foul shots to put the Tigers up 58-56, but Jared Bonds went up for a dunk, and the game was tied once more.

Fishers held the ball for nearly a minute and a half waiting for a last-second shot, but after a timeout with 14.2 seconds left, Orme stole the ball, and took it in for the game-winner.

“It was something I saw developing,” said Orme. “As he was going over that screen, I thought maybe I can get on his hip, get a deflection, get out on the run. And it just led to a fast break, and converted and then a key stop at the end. Just win the game.”

“Sam just made a play,” said Carmel coach Ryan Osborn. “He’s had a great start to the year. He’s been super-efficient on the offensive end and has made leader-type plays. He’s really propelled this group to a good start.”

Both teams made small runs throughout the game, but since neither team led by more than seven points, even those small runs seemed big. The Greyhounds made the first run, a 6-0 stretch to get up 16-9 in the first quarter. Spencer White and Owen Huber sandwiched layins between two free throws from Jake Griffin.

The Tigers’ Keegan Garner made two free throws for the final points of the quarter, and that started



(Above left) Fishers’ Jalen Haralson (left) scored 25 points for the Tigers. Also pictured is Keenan Garner (23), who added 12 points. (Above right) Carmel’s Sam Orme makes the game-winning basket for the Greyhounds in their 60-58 overtime victory Tuesday at the Tiger Den. [Click here](#) to view more game photos.

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a 7-0 run for Fishers. Haralson threw in a 3-pointer, then a Garner basket tied the game. The remainder of the second period became a back-and-forth, which ended when Haralson drained another 3 to give the Tigers a 23-22 halftime lead.

“And I thought we did all the things that we talked about,” said Osborn. “We were doing some positive things. They hit some shots. They made some good plays. The biggest thing is keeping them off the boards, and we’re going to have to figure that out. We have to be a more relentless team on the glass.”

Fishers opened the second half with two more 3s, one each from Taden Metzger and Haralson, and the Tigers were up 29-22. Another Metzger triple gave Fishers a 34-27 advantage midway through the third.

Carmel blasted back with its own 9-0 run to take a 36-34 lead. Bonds and Couto made layins, then Orme stepped up with a 3 and a dunk. Two free throws from Ryan Clevenger put Carmel up 40-37, but Metzger’s 3 finished the quarter, and the game was tied again at 40-40.

It was Griffin’s turn to start the fourth quarter, and he pushed Carmel ahead 45-40 with a layin and a 3. Then Fishers went on an 8-0 run – Garner was good on a three-point play, then Zimmer hit two free throws and a triple.

Haralson’s and-1 put Fishers up 51-49 with 1:53 left in regulation, and Orme tied it up with a layin. The Tigers held for a last shot, but it didn’t go, which sent the game to overtime.

Orme led Carmel with 25 points and four rebounds. He said that over his last two years on the Greyhounds team, “I’ve seen seniors step into that role, so I’ve had to step into that role my own self and I felt like I did a pretty good job of that tonight, not letting them get too much momentum down the stretch.”

“And he’s been around,” said Osborn. “He’s been around some good teams, been around some good players. He’s a great kid, he’s stepping into his own and providing a lot for us on both ends of the floor. I think you can say that for a lot of our seniors.”

Griffin added 12 points for Carmel.

“Jake has guarded the other team’s best player at some point during every game,” said Osborn. The coach noted that Griffin “was sick all of last week and then came in late in the week and guarded two really good players” during Carmel’s Friday and Saturday games. Then he practiced on Monday and came back to play another game on Tuesday.

“He doesn’t say a word,” said Osborn. “He’ll do anything you ask him to do.”

Haralson also scored 25 points and dished out four assists, while Garner scored 12 points. Parker Perdue collected six rebounds.

“I thought we played better tonight,” said Fishers coach Garrett Winegar. “I think we’re getting better. Like I said after that game, we’re trying to figure it out. I think they’re learning to play hard and play together.”

“All these guys outside of Jalen haven’t really played with us. We’re figuring out at the end of games where the ball needs to be and how we need to execute in those situations and most of those guys just haven’t been in those situations.

It’s on me, I got to prepare them better for those situations and obviously they got to be ready to make some big plays in those big moments.”

Carmel is 4-1 and plays at Noblesville Friday. Fishers is 3-3 and takes on Bloomington North Saturday at the Forum Tip-Off Classic at Southport.

CARMEL 60, FISHERS 58 (overtime)					
Carmel	FG	FT	TP	PF	
Jake Griffin	3-4	5-7	13	2	
Alex Couto	3-6	0-1	7	0	
Spencer White	2-3	0-0	5	5	
Sam Orme	11-13	1-1	25	3	
Jared Bonds	3-5	0-0	6	2	
Owen Huber	1-1	0-0	2	2	
Logan Reinhart	0-0	0-0	0	0	
Ryan Clevenger	0-2	2-2	2	2	
Totals	23-34	8-11	60	16	
Carmel 3-point shooting (6-8) Griffin 2-3, Orme 2-2, Couto 1-2, White 1-1.					
Carmel rebounds (13) Orme 4, Couto 3, Griffin 2, White 2, Bonds 2.					
Fishers	FG	FT	TP	PF	
Taden Metzger	3-6	0-0	9	3	
Jalen Haralson	7-18	8-9	25	2	
Parker Perdue	0-4	0-0	0	1	
JonAnthony Hall	2-2	0-0	4	2	
Keenan Garner	3-6	6-7	12	3	
Millen McCartney	0-0	0-0	0	1	
Aidan Zimmer	2-3	2-2	8	0	
Grant Ables	0-0	0-0	0	0	
Grant Haworth	0-0	0-0	0	0	
James Stasey	0-0	0-0	0	1	
Totals	17-39	16-18	58	13	
Fishers 3-point shooting (8-22) Haralson 3-10, Metzger 3-6, Zimmer 2-3, Perdue 0-3.					
Fishers rebounds (19) Perdue 6, Haralson 4, Garner 4, Hall 2, Metzger 1, McCartney 1, Zimmer 1.					
Score by Quarters					
Carmel	16	6	18	11	9 – 60
Fishers	11	12	17	11	7 – 58

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IBCA girls basketball poll – Week of Dec. 4

Basketball

Rank	School	Points	Record
1	South Bend Washington (19)	399	9-0
2	Zionsville (1)	374	8-0
3	Hamilton Southeastern	367	8-0
4	Bedford North Lawrence	308	6-1
5	Noblesville	297	7-2
6	Fishers	278	9-2
7	Lake Central	257	6-1
8	Fort Wayne Northrop	255	6-1
T9	Homestead	209	7-2
T9	Indian Creek	209	9-0
11	Twin Lakes	169	9-0
12	Northridge	147	8-2
13	Mishawaka Marian	128	8-1
14	Warren Central	97	7-2
15	Fort Wayne Carroll	81	6-3
16	Corydon Central	79	9-1
17	Columbia City	72	8-1
18	Norwell	71	8-1
19	Warsaw	59	7-2
20	Lawrence Central	51	3-2

First place votes are in parentheses.

Other schools receiving votes, with records
Ben Davis (5-3), Carroll (8-1), Caston (9-0), Center Grove (5-4), Evansville Memorial (6-0), Fairfield (9-1), Fort Wayne Snider (7-3), Franklin Community (6-3), **Hamilton Heights (8-1)**, Huntington North (4-2), Jay County (7-1), Jennings County (5-2), Lafayette Central Catholic (5-2), Lanesville (8-1), Lawrence North (7-3), Linton-Stockton (8-0), North Knox (9-0), Scottsburg (6-2), Tri (8-0), Valparaiso (8-0), West Lafayette (10-1), **Westfield (5-3)**.

IBCA boys basketball poll – Week of Dec. 4

Rank	School	Points	Record
1	Cathedral (19)	399	4-0
2	Ben Davis (1)	380	5-0
3	Penn	353	2-0
4	Brownsburg	341	4-0
5	Carmel	298	5-1
6	Chesterton	247	3-0
7	Anderson	209	3-0
8	Homestead	199	2-0
9	Zionsville	172	2-2
10	Fishers	160	3-2
11	Warren Central	156	2-0
12	Kokomo	151	1-2
13	Bloomington North	145	2-1
14	NorthWood	128	3-1
15	North Central	122	3-1
16	Linton-Stockton	115	3-0
17	Lawrence North	106	1-1
18	Noblesville	90	2-0
T19	Southport	84	2-1
T19	Center Grove	84	4-0

First place votes are in parentheses.

Other schools receiving votes, with records
Beech Grove (3-1), Blackhawk Christian (2-0), Brebeuf Jesuit (1-1), Brownstown Central (3-1), Connersville (2-2), Crispus Attucks (1-2), Eastern Hancock (2-1), Floyd Central (1-0), Harrison (4-0), Heritage Christian (1-2), Lawrence Central (2-1), Mishawaka Marian (3-0), Munster (4-0), New Albany (3-0), New Palestine (3-0), North Daviess (3-0), Northridge (4-0), Norwell (2-1), Pike (0-1), Valparaiso (0-1), **Westfield (2-1)**, Yorktown (2-0).



Photo by Mike Kepner
The Hamilton Southeastern girls basketball team honored its six seniors and their families at the Royals' game with Pendleton Heights on Tuesday. Southeastern won 71-49 to stay unbeaten for the season.

Royals trounce Arabians last night

Southeastern girls enjoy comfortable victory on Senior Night

The REPORTER
The Hamilton Southeastern girls won their Senior Night game in solid fashion Tuesday, beating Pendleton Heights 71-49.
The Class 4A No. 3 Royals outscored the Arabians in all four quarters. Southeastern led 15-10 after one period and 34-22 at halftime, then poured in another 20 points in the third quarter. Four HSE players reached double figures.
Riley Makalusky led the scoring with 19 points, followed by Maya Makalusky with 16 points. Lauren Stewart and Kennedy Holman both added 11 points.
Riley Makalusky collected seven rebounds, with Maya Makalusky and Holman both pulling five. Olivia Brown had six assists and five steals, while Holman contributed five assists and five steals. Teegan Acres dished out four assists.
"Great night to honor our six seniors," said Southeastern coach Brian Satterfield.
The Royals stay unbeaten at 10-0 and play a Hoosier Crossroads Conference game Friday at Avon.

HAMILTON SOUTHEASTERN 71, PENDLETON HEIGHTS 49				
Southeastern	FG	FT	TP	PF
Riley Makalusky	7-15	3-4	19	1
Maya Makalusky	6-11	2-2	16	1
Lauren Stewart	4-9	0-0	11	3
Kennedy Holman	4-5	3-5	11	2
Olivia Brown	2-4	0-0	4	2
Teegan Acres	2-7	0-0	4	1
Kayla Stidham	1-3	0-0	3	0
Olivia White	1-2	1-1	3	0
Charity Beal	0-1	0-0	0	3
Kayla Brinley	0-0	0-0	0	0
Addison Van Hoesen	0-0	0-0	0	0
Totals	27-57	9-12	71	13
Score by Quarters				
Pendleton Heights	10	12	12	15 – 49
Southeastern	15	19	20	17 – 71
Southeastern 3-point shooting (8-25) Stewart 3-8, M. Makalusky 2-6, R. Makalusky 2-5, Stidham 1-3, Acres 0-2, White 0-1.				
Southeastern rebounds (29) R. Makalusky 7, M. Makalusky 5, Holman 5, Brown 4, Stewart 2, Acres 2, Beal 2, Stidham 1, White 1.				

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SPORTS SCHEDULE

Wednesday, Dec. 7	
WRESTLING	
Bishop Chatard at Hamilton Heights, 6 p.m.	
Carmel boys at Fishers, 6:30 p.m.	
Carmel girls at Lebanon, 6:30 p.m.	
Warren Central at Westfield, 6:30 p.m.	
Zionsville at Hamilton Southeastern, 6:30 p.m.	
Thursday, Dec. 8	
GIRLS BASKETBALL	
Sheridan at Rossville, 7 p.m.	
Cathedral at Guerin Catholic, 7:30 p.m.	
SWIMMING	
Hamilton Heights at Lewis Cass, 6 p.m.	
University at Lebanon, 6 p.m.	
WRESTLING	
Clinton Central at Sheridan, 6 p.m.	
Noblesville at Frankton, 6:30 p.m.	
Friday, Dec. 9	
BOYS BASKETBALL	
Carmel at Noblesville, 7:30 p.m.	
Clinton Central at Sheridan, 7:30 p.m.	
Lewis Cass at Hamilton Heights, 7:30 p.m.	
North Central at Hamilton Southeastern, 7:30 p.m.	
University at Seccina, 7:30 p.m.	
GIRLS BASKETBALL	
Muncie Burris at University, 7 p.m.	
Hamilton Southeastern at Avon, 7:30 p.m.	
Noblesville at Fishers, 7:30 p.m.	
Zionsville at Westfield, 7:30 p.m.	
Saturday, Dec. 10	
BOYS BASKETBALL	
Fishers vs. Bloomington North, 5:15 p.m. at Southport	
Anderson at Noblesville, 7:30 p.m.	
Guerin Catholic at Westfield, 7:30 p.m.	
Hamilton Heights at Delta, 7:30 p.m.	
Liberty Christian at University, 7:30 p.m.	
GIRLS BASKETBALL	
Carmel at Fort Wayne Snider, 1:30 p.m.	
Concordia Lutheran at Hamilton Heights, 1:30 p.m.	
SWIMMING	
Guerin Catholic at Hamilton Heights	
Husky Invitational, 9 a.m.	
University at Clinton Central Invitational, 9 a.m.	
Carmel, Hamilton Southeastern, Westfield girls at Fishers Tiger Claw Diving Invite, 10 a.m.	
WRESTLING	
Sheridan at Frankfort Duals, 8:30 a.m.	
Carmel boys at Falcon Duals, 9 a.m. at Perry Meridian	
Carmel girls at Lebanon Invitational, 9 a.m.	
Guerin Catholic at Columbus North Duals, 9 a.m.	
Hamilton Heights at Union City Super 6, 9 a.m.	
Hamilton Southeastern at Plainfield Invitational, 9 a.m.	
Noblesville at Roncalli Duals, 9 a.m.	
Fishers at Chris Traicoff Memorial Invitational, 9:30 a.m. at Franklin Community	
Monday, Dec. 12	
GIRLS BASKETBALL	
Noblesville vs. Oakton, Va., 7 p.m. at The Hoosier Gym	
Fishers at Pendleton Heights, 7:30 p.m.	
SWIMMING	
Carmel at Hamilton Southeastern, 6 p.m.	
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Noblesville’s own Tom Coverdale selected for Indiana Basketball Hall of Fame Silver Anniversary Team

The REPORTER

Tom Coverdale, a 1998 Noblesville graduate, is among the 17 men who have been named to the Indiana Basketball Hall of Fame’s 2023 Silver Anniversary Team, based on outstanding accomplishments as a senior basketball player 25 years ago.

The team includes 10 members named to the 1998 Indiana All-Star squad. Seven other all-state players are included to recognize the top of Indiana’s high school class of 1998. Coverdale, the 1998 Mr. Basketball, is among those 10 members, along with Adam Ballinger, Kueth Duany, Patrick Jackson, Djibril Kante, Rob Kent,

Isaac Kincaid, Maynard Lewis, Rodney Smith, and Greg Tonagel. The remaining seven, named to various all-state teams, are Herman Fowler, Lincoln Glass, Joe Nixon, Jarrad Odle, Steve Reynolds, Adam Seitz, and Brian Wray.

Coverdale holds nine Noblesville High School records including single season records of: Points in a game (44 in semi-state), free throws in a season (206), assists in a season (171), career points (1,911). Other records include career points (1,911), rebounds (581), assists (462), field goals (638), 3-point field goals (147), and free throws (488). During Coverdale’s senior season, the

Millers went 20-4 and were the Hall of Fame Classic Champions.

Coverdale went on to Indiana University where he was honored as the 2002 NCAA Tournament South Region MVP, a two-year IU team captain, and All Big-Ten 2nd Team in 2001-02. Coverdale has been inducted into the Hamilton County Basketball Hall of Fame along with the Noblesville High School Athletic Hall of Fame.

After playing at Indiana, Coverdale played for the Rockford Lightning (CBA) and was an assistant coach at the University of Louisiana-Monroe and Tyler Texas JUCO. Coverdale is currently in the insurance

industry, and has been the for last 10 years.

The 2023 Men’s Silver Anniversary Team members will be honored at the Indiana Basketball Hall of Fame’s 61st Men’s Awards Banquet on Wednesday, March 22, 2023. A midday reception, free and open to the public, will be held at the Hall of Fame museum in New Castle. The evening banquet will take place at the Primo Banquet Hall, which is located on the south side of Indianapolis.

Banquet reservations will soon be available on the Hall of Fame’s website or by calling (765) 529-1891. For more information, you may also email kayla@hoopshall.com.

Carmel girls get first win of season

The REPORTER

The Carmel girls basketball team got its first win of the season Tuesday, beating Westfield 43-33 at the Sham-rocks’ CSI Gymnasium.

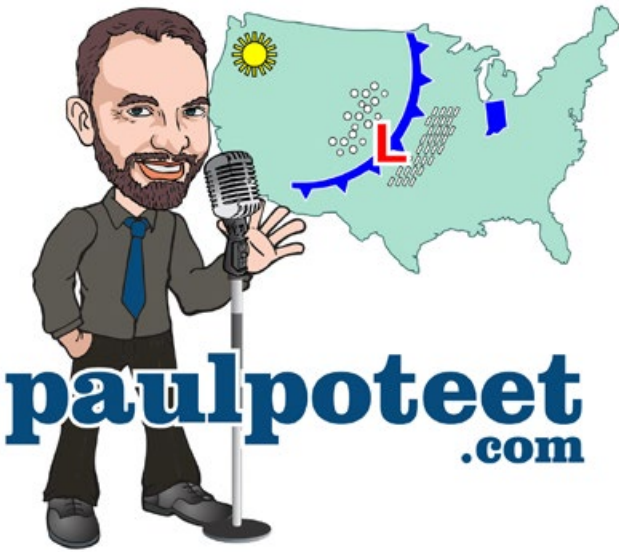
The Greyhounds toughed out an 8-5 lead after one quarter, then shut out Westfield 7-0 in the second period to take a 15-5 lead. Carmel expanded its advantage to 28-13 after three periods, then Taryn Fisher scored eight points in the fourth quarter to help the Greyhounds seal the victory.

Jamie Elliott and Hannah Lach both scored 10

points for Carmel, with Fisher adding nine. Fisher led the rebounding with six, while Elliott and Mackenzie Woods both collected five. Woods also handed out four assists.

Ellie Kelleher scored 10 points for the ‘Rocks. Aubrey Crockett pulled six rebounds and Emmrey Collinsworth had five steals.

The Greyhounds are 1-9 and play Saturday afternoon at Fort Wayne Snider. Westfield is 5-4 and hosts Zionsville Friday in a Hoosier Crossroads Conference game.



Sports Briefs

Sheridan Lions Club hosting pre-game dinner

The REPORTER

The Sheridan Lions Club is hosting a lasagna dinner Friday evening before the Sheridan-Clinton Central

boys basketball game. Dinner will be served from 5 to 7 p.m. at the Sheridan High School cafeteria. The cost is a free-will offering.

Huskies girls game postponed

The REPORTER

Tuesday’s Hamilton Heights-Northwestern girls basketball game was post-

poned due to illness on the Northwestern squad. A make-up date is to be determined.

CARMEL 43, WESTFIELD 33				
Carmel	FG	FT	TP	PF
Izzy Shepherd	0-4	0-1	0	2
Mackenzie Woods	2-4	0-0	4	1
Jamie Elliott	4-5	2-2	10	0
Brooke Thoren	1-1	0-0	2	0
Hannah Lach	4-6	1-2	10	3
Keaton Gatlin	0-0	0-0	0	0
Taryn Fisher	3-8	3-5	9	2
Mallory Bourquein	4-5	0-0	8	2
Totals	18-33	6-10	43	10
Carmel 3-point shooting (1-6) Lach 1-1, Shepherd 0-4, Woods 0-1.				
Carmel rebounds (25) Fisher 6, Woods 5, Elliott 5, Lach 4, Thoren 2, Bourquein 2, Gatlin 1.				
Westfield	FG	FT	TP	PF
Ellie Kelleher	3-6	2-2	10	4
Aubrey Crockett	2-11	2-4	7	3
Emmrey Collinsworth	3-10	1-2	8	2
Kiki Loveless	0-0	0-0	0	0
Lindsey Van Dyke	0-4	0-0	0	0
Reagan Lorenzen	3-6	0-1	7	2
MaKayla Hatcher	0-3	1-2	1	1
Maren Dee	0-0	0-0	0	0
Totals	11-40	6-11	33	12
Westfield 3-point shooting (5-18) Kelleher 2-3, Crockett 1-5, Collinsworth 1-5, Lorenzen 1-3, Van Dyke 0-1, Hatcher 0-1.				
Westfield rebounds (17) Crockett 6, Collinsworth 3, Kelleher 2, Lorenzen 2, Van Dyke 2, Loveless 1, team 1.				
Score by Quarters				
Carmel	8	7	13	15 – 43
Westfield	5	0	8	20 – 33

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