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Fishers encourages public to take part in Youth Academy & City Government Academy

The REPORTER

Fishers residents are invited to explore the inner workings of local government through the city's annual Mayor's Youth Academy and City Government Academy. **Registration is currently open** for both programs and participation is free.

Mayor's Youth Academy

The free Mayor's

Youth Academy program invites local high school students to work alongside Mayor Fadness and other city leaders to address important issues facing the community. Students will go behind the scenes of city government, address thought-provoking policy questions, and explore career opportunities within the public sector.

Classes meet from 9 a.m.

to 2 p.m. on Wednesdays once per month at various locations around Fishers. Mayor's Youth Academy participants will conclude the program by presenting to the Fishers City Council in spring 2024.

Registration for the 2023-2024 Mayor's Youth Academy has been extended through Friday, July 14. Applicants must be a Fishers resident and a junior

or senior in high school with a minimum GPA of 3.0. Students with a passion for public service are encouraged to apply. Register at fishers.in.us/MayorsYouthAcademy.

Fishers City Government Academy

City Government Academy (CGA) allows residents of Fishers to examine the inner workings of city government by participating in

collaborative city governing processes, touring city facilities, and speaking directly with staff. At the end of the course, participants will have a greater understanding of how Fishers government works.

CGA meets twice a month from 6 to 8 p.m. from Aug. 10 through Dec. 14. Class locations vary, with some off-site meetings at locations such as the police

and fire departments.

Registration for the 2023 Fall CGA session is open through Friday, July 28. Applicants must be 18 and older and Fishers residents. Learn more about the program and register at fishers.in.us/CityGovernmentAcademy.

To learn more and to apply for programs, visit ThisIsFishers.com/CitizenAcademies.

BERRIES

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Photos provided

A Noblesville tradition, the Strawberry Festival is one of the ways the St. Michael's Episcopal Church congregation makes a difference in the community.

This Strawberry Festival is held in conjunction with the Nickel Plate Arts HATCH Fest, formerly known as the Maker Faire. Artisans, makers and craftspeople from Noblesville and surrounding areas will have amazing one-of-a-kind creations to sell, and area

nonprofits and businesses will be on display around the Courthouse Square with activities, demonstrations, performances and more.

The entire downtown square will be filled with activity and celebration, bringing the community together for a very special day.



Hannah Jackson of Cicero makes Dean's List at William & Mary

The REPORTER

Hannah Jackson of Cicero was recently named to the Dean's List for the spring 2023 semester at the College of William & Mary in Williamsburg, Va.

In order to achieve Dean's List status, a full-

time degree seeking undergraduate student must take at least 12 credit hours and earn a 3.6 quality point average during the semester.

William & Mary is the second oldest institution of higher learning in the United States.

Two local students graduate from Northern Colorado

The REPORTER

Two Hamilton County students were among those who received degrees from the University of Northern Colorado at the end of the spring 2023 semester. The students, their hometowns, and degrees are:

- Shelby Adams of Westfield, Bachelor of Arts in Art and Design

- Emily Briggs of Noblesville, Master of Arts in Special Education

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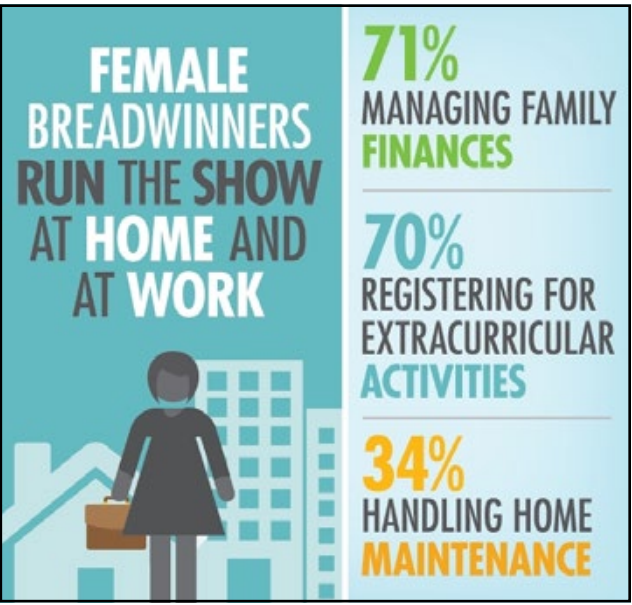
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- Set up the bedroom for guests
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- Get financials done
- Put up signs in house
- Clean golf cart
- Get in a bike ride
- Call Anthem about medical claims
- Review 401(k) for this year

• Make sure the Schwab account is all set up with new stocks

- Take out the garbage
- Wash sheets and blankets

Suddenly I didn't feel so alone in feeling overwhelmed!

According to a Novem-



ber 2017 report from the U.S. Census, over 16 percent of households in the United States are led by single dads. That's just over 52 million men. I find it hard to believe they don't have some sort of mental load going all the time! Millions of other men around the world

are lugging it around, too.

So, it's obvious what this series won't do – it won't just focus on women. It may often highlight women's struggles, but it will recognize the load that everyone carries. I'm excited to share tips with you through this column. Stay tuned!

GIVING

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enjoy the meal. If you are interested in volunteering or sponsoring RocksGiving, please contact Ashley Knott at knotta@wws.k12.in.us.

About the Westfield Education Foundation

The mission of the Westfield Education Foundation is to empower and invest in Westfield students, teachers, and staff. Scholarships and grants provide opportunities through generous community partner resources, driving the future of Westfield. WEF understands that its responsibility extends beyond meeting the academic requirements of students and

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staff. WEF is committed to being flexible and providing comprehensive support for students' overall welfare.

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Book 'em, Danno, murder one!



Reporter photo by Stu Clappitt

On recent murder mystery dinner train rides, the Big Caboose Players and the Nickel Plate Express have killed people in the 1920s and the 1980s. This month, someone dies in Hawaii and everybody gets lei'd! One of the people you see here will not survive the Luau Express on June 24 and 25, and someone else in this frame is already plotting how to get away with murder. If you didn't get tickets for this sold-out dinner and death extravaganza, have no fear! This September you can ride back to the 1920s again for a killer evening. (Hint: no, the squirrels didn't do it, Hamilton County).



Photo provided by WISH-TV

In January, WISH-TV's Hanna Mordoh interviewed Hinkle Creek Elementary School teacher Nathaniel Truitt and presented him WISH's Golden Apple Award for that month. Truitt was named the Grand Finale Winner this year.

Noblesville's Nathaniel Truitt wins WISH-TV's Grand Finale Golden Apple Award

By HANNA MORDOH
WISH-TV | wishtv.com

WISH-TV is Indiana's education station and honored nine teachers with the **Golden Apple Award** in the 2022-2023 school year.

The News 8 team collected student, parent, and community member nominations each month, then surprised the winning teachers in class. The award comes with a trophy, a \$500 school supply shopping spree to **Teachers' Treasures**, and a nomination video featuring their students explaining the teacher's positive impact.

In the Golden Apple Grand Finale Special, aired Wednesday night on WISH-TV, **all nine teachers** were invited to the WISH-TV studios for a celebration of their achievements. One teacher was also honored as the Grand Finale Award winner.

Nathaniel Truitt from Hinkle Creek Elementary School in Noblesville was crowned as the Grand Finale Winner on Wednesday night for his "class family" approach to teaching.

After the surprise, he was given another video from his students and a "Summer of Fun" swag bag

Grand Finale Award

- Year-end trophy
- One-night stay at the West Baden Springs Hotel in French Lick
- Four tickets to an Indy Eleven game
- \$100 gift card to Matteo's Ristorante Italiano in Noblesville
- School supply gift from Teachers' Treasures
- WISH-TV swag bag

from WISH-TV.

Keep reading *The Reporter* for Amy Adams' upcoming feature on Nathaniel Truitt being the Grand Finale Winner.

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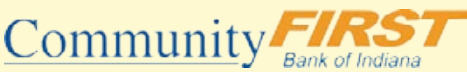


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Local musical artists announced for fourth season of *Live at the Center*

The REPORTER

The best in local and regional original music will continue onstage and online as the Center for the Performing Arts in Carmel begins the fourth season of its *Live at the Center* concert and livestream series, with nine events booked from July 2023 through May 2024.

Launched in 2020 to help support local musicians during the pandemic lockdown, *Live at the Center* delivers a front-row perspective on each performance, with rich stereo sound and multicamera HD video viewable worldwide on YouTube, Facebook, and the **Center's website**.

The livestream registration cost is pay-what-you-can with no minimum price. Tickets to watch the performances on site at the Center are pay-what-you-can with a \$10 minimum.

Seats are on sale now at **TheCenterPresents.org** or by calling (317)

843-3800. More information on tickets and viewing options is available at **TheCenterPresents.org/LATC**.

"We're very proud of this series and the boost it provides for local artists, not to mention their fans," said Jeffrey C. McDermott, President and CEO of the Center for the Performing Arts. "We take great care in curating this series, but there is no shortage of talented songwriters and performers in Indiana who deserve wider exposure."

Performances will take place at 7:30 p.m. Wednesdays throughout the 2023-2024 season:

- The Palace – rock/soul: **July 26 at the Palladium**
- Sean Imboden Trio – jazz: **Aug. 30 at the Tarkington**
- Okara Imani & The Call – neo soul: **Oct. 18 at the Palladium**
- John Boyle – blues rock: **Nov. 29 at the Studio Theater**



Photo courtesy Fred Miller III

Rock & soul group The Palace will be *Live at the Center* on July 26.

- Clare Longendyke – classical piano: **Jan. 31 at the Palladium**
 - Peyton Womock Band – R&B/hip hop/jazz: **Feb. 28 at the Palladium**
 - Bullet Points – indie rock: **March 27 at the Palladium**
 - Mike Wells – folk rock/country rock: **April 24 at the Palladium**
 - Nate Wolfe – singer-songwriter: **May 29 at the Studio Theater**
- More information is available at **TheCenterPresents.org/LATC**.



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OneZone Chamber of Commerce endorses Carmel Clay Schools' operating referendum

Submitted by OneZone

The OneZone Chamber of Commerce has announced its endorsement and full support for the upcoming renewal of the Carmel Clay Schools operating referendum.

According to OneZone, the referendum, set to be voted on Nov. 7, is a continued investment in the future of Carmel's children and the overall community of Carmel.

The OneZone Chamber of Commerce is committed to fostering economic prosperity. OneZone recognizes the crucial role that education plays in creating a skilled and knowledgeable workforce. The chamber firmly believes that a strong educational system is fundamental to the growth and success of our community.

"We are proud to support the upcoming Carmel Clay Schools Operating Referendum," OneZone

Chamber President Jack Russell said. "Our schools play a vital role in attracting talent and the overall well-being of the community. Carmel Clay schools are high performing schools due to the dedication of teachers, support staff, and the administration. Continuing this referendum will create continued success."

The OneZone Chamber of Commerce encourages all residents to support the renewal of this school referendum by participating in the upcoming vote on Nov. 7. Together, everyone can shape the future of education in Carmel and secure the prosperity of the community.



Russell

Hamilton County Reporter



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History of Arcadia's Delta Chapter of Phi Beta Psi, Part I

Submitted by Vicki Cooper
Phi Beta Psi, Delta Chapter

As Hamilton County celebrates its bicentennial, plans are underway in Arcadia for a centennial celebration in September for Delta Chapter of Phi Beta Psi Sorority.

Chapter beginnings

Delta was installed as the 15th chapter of Phi Beta Psi on Sept. 6, 1923, with the sponsorship of Pi Chapter in Kokomo. The founding members were Bonnie Karr Hill, Harriett Walker King, Frieda Drumm, Grace Gwinn, Nelle Ryan, Martha Gwinn Cox, and Helen Sowers Rodenbeck. Perhaps someone in our area currently can claim relationship to one of these ladies!

After installation by the National Sorority, Delta Chapter held their first meeting on Sept. 10, 1923, and elected their first officers. At this time, each chapter was expected to pay \$35 a year to the National treasury. Nowadays each member pays \$35 a year. In October 1923, this small group initiated five new members and were now 12 strong.

The National Phi Beta Psi organization started in February of 1904, two years after JCPenney was founded, which means our sorority is older than the Boy Scouts of America, Feb. 8, 1910; Kiwanis Organization, Jan. 21, 1915; and the American Legion, March 16, 1919. We are a philanthropic sorority whose National Project is Cancer Research, which was adopted in 1941. Since that time, we have donated \$11,057,853 to research doctors all across the country.

Please note that every penny given to our National Project goes to cancer research. There are no upfront costs – it all goes to cancer research!

First projects & early growth

Delta's first project was to plan and carry out a Christmas party for the children of Arcadia. Another project in Delta's first year was the showing of a movie *Mighty Lak'* a Rose at the Bee Pint theater in Arcadia costing them \$22.50: \$7.50 to rent the theater and \$15 for the film. Delta's ninth meeting as a chapter of Phi Beta Psi was, of all things, a slumber party at Frieda's house! By 1925, they had 15 members and seven inactive members.

In 1926, this young chapter of Delta hosted the first Indiana State Convention. Since Arcadia had no hotel, the sisters made use of their friends' homes for all the delegates. Everything went well until a bad storm came through which knocked out the electricity all over town. There was nothing to do but use candles.

In the fall of 1927, the Arcadia girls branched out to include girls from Cicero and Tipton. This growth led to Theta Delta chapter in Tipton being

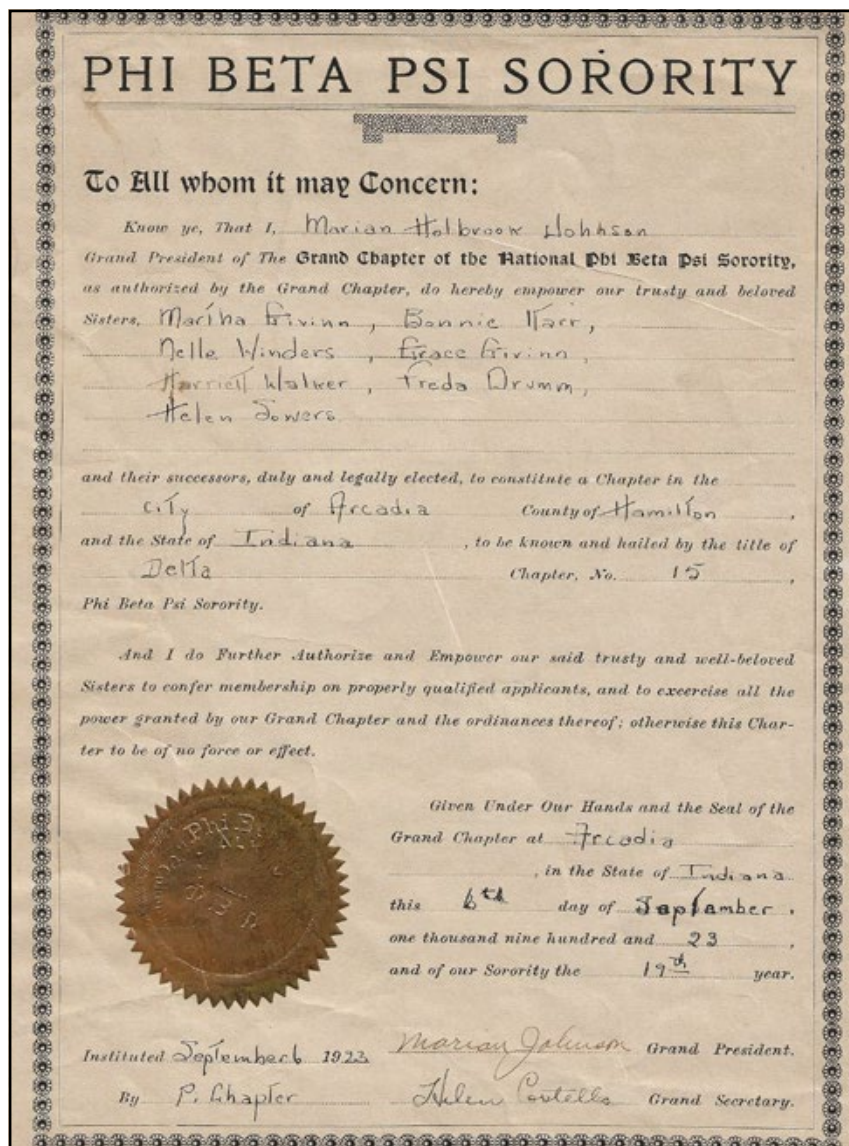


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This charter, signed on Sept. 6, 1923 by the founding members, established the Delta Chapter of the Phi Beta Psi Sorority in Arcadia.

installed in May 1930. Delta became a mother!

When the 25th anniversary of National Phi Beta Psi was celebrated at the National Convention in Ohio, Frieda Drumm was again honored by being Grand (Natl.) Treasurer after having served as Grand Inspectress the year before.

The Great Depression

Financial standing of Delta during the Depression was much the same as the country in general. For instance, on Jan. 2, 1934, there was \$14.99 in the treasury. However, lack of money didn't hinder the enthusiasm of Delta Chapter. They'd been building a Scholarship Fund for a while and \$150 was given to one girl and \$50 to another.

In 1936, the Grand Inspectress visited a Delta meeting. The bill for the party after the meeting was \$4.58. In 1937, the Chapter started buying things for the hospital, first purchasing a chair for \$18.75. Later in 1939, Delta bought a steam table and two more chairs for the hospital.

World War II & post-War years

In June 1942, Delta bought its first \$100 bond and hosted in November the State Convention at the Lincoln Hotel. After the convention, they presented an oxygen tent to the hospital and \$200 to National Project of cancer research.

In October 1945, Delta started the Kathryn Sumner Achievement Award of \$25, presenting it to a high school senior girl each year. This award is

still given to a Hamilton Heights High School graduating senior each year but is now \$400.

The chapter assumed the responsibility of the Cancer Drive in 1947. The final report showed \$1,092.08, which made the Delta sisters very proud! The building of the new Riverview Hospital, which opened in May 1950, was important to Delta because they worked and saved for several years to make enough to furnish a room and were able to present a check for \$500 to the hospital.

In April 1955, Delta became a grandmother when their daughter chapter Theta Delta in Tipton sponsored a new chapter, Theta Alpha Alpha of Sheridan. In June 1955, Delta discontinued a project they had been doing for several years of baking cookies for the Service Men's Center in Indianapolis. The need wasn't so great then, it was said.

A new moneymaker was tried in 1955 when each Phi Beta was given \$1 from the treasury to grow it. After six months the treasury received \$205.34. Joanna Wise and Eulanda Sumner made candles. Georgia Day got the change her husband left in his pockets. Pat Shaffer bet hers on a dog race in Florida – and her dog won! Delta ended 1955 planning a surprise party for Frieda Drumm, one of Delta's founders.

Keep reading *The Reporter* this summer for Parts II and III of the history of the Delta Chapter of Phi Beta Psi Sorority.

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Hamilton Town Center welcomes new shopping & entertainment additions

The REPORTER

Simon, the global leader in premier shopping, dining, entertainment, and mixed-use destinations, announced this month the opening of a variety of new stores at Hamilton Town Center, including X-Golf, Big Blue Swim School, Athleta and exciting 2023 additions.

"We're excited to announce the latest additions to Hamilton Town Center," said Leigh Reinert, Director of Marketing and Business Development for Hamilton Town Center. "Hamilton Town Center is dedicated to providing local families a welcoming outdoor shopping experience featuring the best selection of name-brand retailers and local offerings."

Now open

• Big Blue Swim School: The highly-anticipated swim school, created to encourage transformations in kids – to go from the development of swim skills to the development of life skills, opened the first week of May. Big Blue Swim School can be found next to JCPenney.

Coming soon

• Cinnaholic: Located across from Hamilton Town Center's lush green space, Cinnaholic will offer shoppers a variety of sweet treats, including their beloved Cinnamon Rolls. Cinnaholic

will open this summer.

• Dry Goods: Dry Goods has an ever-changing selection of today's newest fashions including clothing, jewelry, and accessories. The new Dry Goods is set to open late summer and can be found next to Evereve.

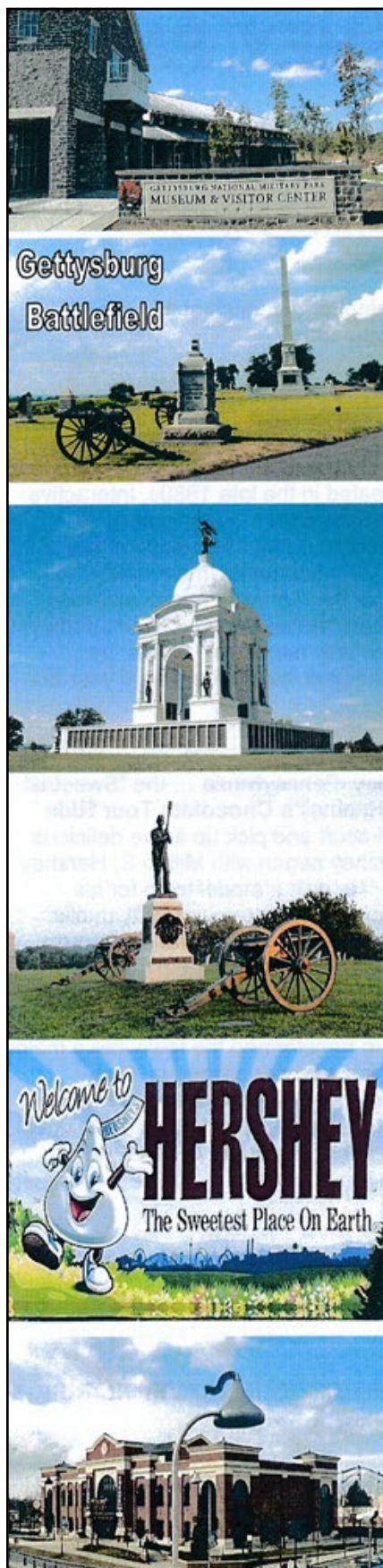
• X-Golf: Featuring renowned golf simulator technology, focused on indoor golf experience, X-Golf is scheduled to open this September. The unique indoor experience offers local golfers a unique experience to improve their golf game. The massive X-Golf location will be found near Dick's Sporting Goods.

• Ross Dress for Less: Coming early Fall, Ross Dress for Less has a devoted following of deal hunters and offers the best bargains on the latest trends in clothing, shoes, home decor and more. Ross Dress for Less is opening this fall, next to Big Blue Swim School

• Athleta: The athleisure powerhouse is set to open late fall 2023. Athleta offers a mix of women's and girl's athleticwear that integrates performance and technical features. Athleta will be found next to Old Navy's.

For more information on the latest updates and new additions to Hamilton Town Center, please visit simon.com/mall/hamilton-town-center.

**Thanks for reading
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Carmel Symphony Orchestra season subscriptions on sale now

Submitted

Get ready ... Carmel Symphony Orchestra season subscriptions go on sale at 10 a.m. this morning, June 16, at the Palladium Fifth Third Bank Box Office. Be among the first to secure your seats for CSO's extraordinary 2023-24 schedule – a fantastic blend of classical, pops, family selections and everything in-between.

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CSO Artistic Director Janna Hymes **makes the case convincingly in this video.** Please take just two minutes to hear what she has to say. Bonus: you'll also get to hear the goosebump-inducing *Pines of Rome*, performed by the CSO at last November's Masterworks concert.

Coming up: CarmelFest

Don't miss Carmel's fun and fabulous nod to the Fourth: CarmelFest. The CSO under Artistic Director Janna Hymes will be on hand again next month for its traditional performance of your



Photo provided

As always, you can see the Carmel Symphony Orchestra perform at the Gazebo during CarmelFest. The music begins at 8 p.m. on Independence Day.

favorite patriotic melodies, marches and more, all leading up to the city's gigantic July 4 fireworks celebration. The music begins at 8 p.m. at the Gazebo.

The 2023-24 Carmel

Symphony Orchestra season Performing Arts, the Palladium and Pedcor. Learn more at [CarmelSymphony.org](#).

Indiana University & Purdue University officially OK 2024 split

By CAMILA FERNANDEZ
WISH-TV | [wishtv.com](#)

Wednesday was an historic day for both Indiana University and Purdue University. Leaders of each university signed documents to effectively end IUPUI. Each university will start their separate Indianapolis operations in fall 2024.

Community leaders say there's a lot that lies ahead for the two institutions.

Both universities say it's a new and exciting chapter. They say by separating both universities, they can offer more opportunities for their students and graduates as well as leverage each university's unique strengths.

Community leaders say it would not be possible without the support of the presidents of both universities as well as state and local leaders.

IU says it plans to double enrollment in key tech-focused academic programs, invest in expanded research and lab space, and grow its Indianapolis-based science, technology, engineering, and mathematics faculty.

"This is tremendous," IU President Pamela Whitten. "It's wonderful for Indiana University. It's wonderful for Purdue University, but most importantly, it's for the city of Indianapolis and for the state of Indiana."

Purdue University in Indianapolis will assume responsibility for the existing engineering, computer science, and technology programs, and confer Purdue West Lafayette degrees.

Purdue has also received \$60 million from the Indiana General Assembly to fund the first "academic and student success building" on a 28-acre campus in downtown Indianapolis.

Purdue University in Indianapolis will be Purdue's first comprehensive urban campus.

Purdue University President Mung Chiang said, "This has long been a dream for the Boilermakers and today we get to do it and we thank all of the outstanding support."

split.

More information from Wednesday's event

Memorandum of Understanding

"August 12, 2022, the Trustees of IU and Purdue approved a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU).

"MOU stated the mutual intention to work toward a plan of realignment for Indiana University – Purdue University at Indianapolis.

"Parties agreed to cooperate and collaborate in good faith to develop and implement the Realignment Plan.

"Goal to enter into the Definitive Agreements by June 30, 2023, with effective date for the new model of July 1, 2024."

Program Transfer Agreement

"Memorializes the Agreement between IU and Purdue to give effect to the realignment plan and to cooperate with each other during the 1-year transition period from July 1, 2023, through June 1, 2024.

"Purdue shall transfer to IU and IU shall assume responsibility for the School of Science at IUPUI (other than the Department of Computer Science) as well as the Music and Arts Technology Department and related programs currently operated by IU within the Purdue School of Engineering and Technology at IUPUI.

"IU shall transfer to Purdue, and Purdue shall assume, all responsibility for the Department of Computer Science and IU shall transfer to Purdue the departments and programs covered by the School of Engineering and Technology at IUPUI."

Curriculum Offering And Academic Delivery Agreement

"Sets forth the mutual understanding about the course offerings and general support that IU, as the University having authority and responsibility to control academic units at the Indianapolis Campus other than the Purdue Realigned Academic Units, which provide to Purdue students enrolled in academic coursework on the Indianapolis Campus."

Teach-Out Agreement

"Sets forth the mutual understanding regarding Teach-Out Planning for students enrolled in Realigned Academic Units with a start date of June 30, 2024, and an end date of June 30, 2027."

Student, Faculty and Staff Services Agreement

"Sets forth the mutual understanding around the ongoing needs of both IU and Purdue for the successful implementation of the planned realignment and the need for operational collaboration to provide continued high-quality services to the students, faculty, and staff of both University and the need for IU to offer certain services to Purdue."

Leases

"Sets forth the mutual understanding concerning Purdue's lease of real estate and 3 surface parking lots and its lease of space in 4 IU owned buildings for its current academic and research programs already housed in these buildings until such time as Purdue determines that the space is no longer needed."

Fort Wayne Amendments: Program Transfer Agreement

"Via the July 2018 Agreement, IU and Purdue successfully completed the realignment of academic missions and operations on their joint campus formerly known as Indiana Univer-

sity-Purdue University Fort Wayne.

"The collaborative efforts to work toward an IUPUI realignment, IU and Purdue received feedback from key stakeholders that has prompted them to consider changes to this 2018 Agreement.

"IU and Purdue have agreed to amend the Agreement to:

- removed restrictive covenants regarding their ability to offer and deliver courses and degrees or to advance research and public service missions in the academic missions of the other Party on the Fort Wayne campus, and
- supplement the Agreement to expand upon the treatment of real property held by IU and Purdue on the Fort Wayne Campus."

Fort Wayne Amendments: Curriculum Offering And Academic Delivery Agreement

"As a result of the Amendment of the Program Transfer Agreement to remove restrictive covenants regarding the ability of IU and Purdue to offer and deliver courses and degrees or to advance research and public service missions in the academic missions of the other Party on the Fort Wayne Campus, IU and Purdue agreed to revise this Agreement to remove the same restrictive covenants."

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There is nothing more purr-fect than this rescue! The Carmel Fire Department on Thursday pulled a whole family of kittens from a storm drain. A video of the hair-raising rescue was [shared on Twitter](#). Carmel Fire says the six tiny kittens were taken to the Humane Society for Hamilton County. Good work, everyone!

Walmart opens high-tech fulfillment center in McCordsville

The REPORTER

Walmart associates were joined by elected officials and community members on Thursday to celebrate the grand opening of a new 2.2 million square-foot fulfillment center at 5259 W. County Road 500 North in McCordsville in Hancock County.

This next generation fa-

cility is Walmart’s largest fulfillment center to date and will enable the retailer to fulfill more orders more quickly.

“Indiana is proud to welcome this next generation Walmart fulfillment center, which represents a significant investment in our industry and our people,” said Ann Lathrop, chief strategy officer of the Indiana Economic Development Corporation. “Walmart has long been a good corporate partner in Indiana, and we’re excited to see their commitment grow in Hancock County.”

Increased order capacity, faster shipping speeds

The McCordsville fulfillment center is the second of four **next generation facilities** that brings the powerful combination of people,

technology, and machine learning together to achieve faster shipping and delivery, while increasing website order fulfillment capacity.

The space is Walmart’s largest fulfillment center to date and is designed to expand access to the retailer’s next- or two-day shipping. Combined with the rest of Walmart’s fulfillment network, these next generation fulfillment centers will enable the retailer to reach 95 percent of the U.S. population with the service. Walmart Fulfillment Services, Walmart’s end-to-end third-party fulfillment service, will also leverage the space to fulfill Marketplace items.

“The McCordsville grand opening marks a major milestone in our supply chain modernization journey,” said Karisa Sprague, senior vice president, Fulfill-

ment Network Operations for Walmart U.S. “With more customers shopping online, we’re leverage state-of-the-art technology to increase speed of delivery all while creating tech empowered career opportunities for our associates.”

New career opportunities

Additional benefits of this game-changing technology include new career pathways – and job comfort – for associates. The McCordsville fulfillment center will be home to more than 1,000 Walmart associates. The retailer is currently hiring for a variety of positions, including tech-focused jobs. Each job brings with it a pathway for opportunity at Walmart.

“I’m pleased that nearly half of the associates in our McCordsville fulfillment center are continuing their career with us here after having worked in our Plainfield facility,” said Geoffrey Appleby, general manager, McCordsville fulfillment center. “And I’m excited to welcome new team members from the area. Together, we’ll focus on the community and our customers.”

Full-time positions qualify for Walmart’s total rewards and benefits plans, including medical, vision and dental insurance, 401(k) matching, paid time off, stock purchase plan and access to a tuition-paid college degree through **Walmart’s Live Better U**. Candidates can search for open positions and complete applications online at [careers.walmart.com](#).

Continued investment in Indiana community

Walmart commemorated the grand opening with donations of \$5,000 to two local organizations – Riley Children’s Foundation and Mt. Vernon Education Foundation. The donation reflects Walmart’s commitment to community. In fiscal year 2022, Walmart and the Walmart Foundation contributed more than \$48.8 million in cash and in-kind donations to non-profit organizations in Indiana. Walmart serves Indiana customers at 127 retail units and online through [Walmart.com](#).

“Riley Children’s Foundation is grateful to partner with Walmart and to accept this donation that helps us ensure every child receives quality healthcare at Riley,” said Alane Helmer, assistant vice president of corporate and foundation giving at Riley Children’s Foundation. “Partnerships like this are so important as they fuel our mission to inspire people to invest in pediatric research, care and programs that support the physical and mental health of kids.”

“Walmart Associates have a boundless well of generosity that sparks dreams and transforms lives,” said Renee Oldham, executive director of the Mt. Vernon Education Foundation. “By extending their support this spring to the Mt. Vernon Education Foundation and the Mt. Vernon Community School District, they served as a catalyst for growth and success in our community. Through their presence in classrooms and their unwavering dedication, they not only aided but also, nurtured the aspirations of countless children. We deeply appreciate your investment in our students.”

The retailer employs over 43,000 associates in Indiana, and supports local business across the state, spending \$1.1 billion with Hoosier suppliers in fiscal year 2023 and supporting 33,373 Hoosier supplier jobs.

— **CICERO** —

Notice

On June 20, 2023, Cicero Town Council will hold an Executive Session at 6:00 at Cicero Town Hall, 70 N Byron Street, Cicero, IN according to Indiana Code IC 5-14-1.5-6.1(b)(2) (B) Initiation of litigation or litigation that is either pending or has been threatened specifically in writing. As used in this clause, “litigation” includes any judicial action or administrative law proceeding under federal or state law.

Also for discussion on 6/20/23, IC 5-14-1.5-6.1(b)(2)(D) A real property transaction including: (i) a purchase; (ii) a lease as lessor; (iii) a lease as lessee; (iv) a transfer; (v) an exchange; or (vi) a sale; by the governing body up to the time a contract or option is executed by the parties. This clause does not affect a political subdivision’s duty to comply with any other statute that governs the conduct of the real property transaction, including IC 36-1-10 or IC 36-1-11.

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— **ARCADIA** —

NOTICE

The Arcadia Town Council will meet in an Executive Session on Monday, June 19, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. at the Arcadia Town Hall located at 208 W. Main Street Arcadia, IN 46030 to discuss IC 5-14-1.5-6.1(b)(2)(D) A real property transaction including: (i) a purchase; (ii) a lease as lessor; (iii) a lease as lessee; (iv) a transfer; (v) an exchange; or (vi) a sale; by the governing body up to the time a contract or option is executed by the parties. This clause does not affect a political subdivision’s duty to comply with any other statute that governs the conduct of the real property transaction, including IC 36-1-10 or IC 36-1-11.

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Meeting Notices		
<p>The Carmel Board of Public Works and Safety will meet at 10 a.m. on Wednesday, June 21, 2023, in the Council Chambers at Carmel City Hall, 1 Civic Square, Carmel.</p>	<p>The Noblesville Schools Board of Trustees will meet at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, June 20, 2023, in the Board Room at the Noblesville Schools Educational Services Center, 18025 River Road, Noblesville.</p>	
<p>The Mt. Vernon Community School Corporation Board of Trustees will meet in an executive session at 5 p.m. on Monday, June 19, 2023, pursuant to I.C. 5-14-1.5-6.1(b)(6): With respect to any individual over whom the governing body has jurisdiction: A. To receive information concerning the individual's alleged misconduct; and B. To discuss, before a determination, that individual's status as an employee, a student, or an independent contractor who is: (i) a physician; or (ii) a school bus driver.</p> <p>A regular board meeting will follow at 7:30 p.m. in the Administrative Service Center, 1806 W. State Road 234, Fortville.</p>		<p>The Hamilton County Board of Zoning Appeals will meet at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, June 28, 2023, in the Commissioners' Courtroom / Council Chambers on the first floor of the Hamilton County Government and Judicial Center, 1 Hamilton County Square, Noblesville.</p>
<p>The Westfield Board of Public Works meeting scheduled for Wednesday, July 26, 2023, which was previously canceled due to lack of quorum, is now back on the schedule and will take place as originally scheduled: 1 p.m. on Wednesday, July 26, 2023, in the Assembly Room at Westfield City Hall, 130 Penn St., Westfield.</p>		

Indiana State Department of Agriculture names deputy director

The REPORTER

The Indiana State Department of Agriculture (ISDA) announced Thursday that Katie Nelson has been selected as Deputy Director of the Indiana State Department of Agriculture.

"We are so excited to promote a longstanding public servant, like Katie, to second in command for the Indiana State Department of Agriculture," said Lt. Gov. Suzanne Crouch, who also serves as Secretary of Agriculture and Rural Development. "I have worked alongside Katie for over six years now and she has been a strong advocate for farmers and agriculture in Indiana. I am sure that she will continue to push this industry forward in the coming years. Congratulations, Katie."

As deputy director of the department, Nelson will support the director in achieving ISDA's mission and strategies. Among many responsibilities, she will oversee the day-to-day operations of the department, represent ISDA at events, engage with producer organizations and identify opportunities to grow the state's agriculture sector.

Nelson has served and will continue to serve as a liaison between agricultural businesses, state agencies and local units of govern-

ment.

"We are excited to see Katie flourish in this role within our department," said Don Lamb, director of the Indiana State Department of Agriculture. "Katie has a passion for agriculture, public service, and supporting staff. I am hopeful this role will continue to support her as a public servant and bring our staff and department great success."

Nelson has been with the department since 2017. She was previously Director of Legislative Affairs within the department, a role she has held since 2020. Prior to that she was the program manager of policy and regulatory affairs at ISDA.

Nelson's past work at ISDA has included evaluating the legislative and regulatory landscape at all levels of government while positioning the department to support Indiana's agricultural industry. She also served as executive director of the **Indiana Land Resources Council**, which was created to assist state and local decision-makers with land use tools and policies.

"Working for ISDA over the last several years has provided me with numerous opportunities for personal and professional growth, and allowed me to support my favorite industry, agriculture,"



Nelson said. "I am looking forward to this new challenge of supporting our outstanding staff and continuing to pursue the ISDA mission of bettering Indiana agriculture within policy work, growing economically and enhancing our stewardship of natural resources."

Nelson graduated in December 2016 from the University of Missouri with a bachelor's degree in political science. In 2019, she graduated from the Agri-

business Council of Indiana's Emerging Professionals Leadership Program. She also is a 2021 graduate of the Richard G. Lugar Excellence in Public Service Series. In the summer of 2024, she will become a graduate of the AgriInstitute's Agriculture Leadership Program, Class 20.

Nelson resides in Franklin with her husband, two children and beloved dog.

Learn more at in.gov/isda.

Joyce Ann Killingsworth
August 2, 1955 – June 14, 2023

Joyce Ann Killingsworth, 67, Elwood, passed away on Wednesday, June 14, 2023, at her daughter's home in Dana, Ind. She was born on August 2, 1955, to Richard and Mary Coverdale in Noblesville.

Joyce worked as a beautician and was a member of the Daughters of the American Legion. She was very smart and a jack of all trades. Joyce enjoyed reading, crochet, and doing puzzles.

She is survived by her husband, Michael Killingsworth; daughters, Michelle Killingsworth (Tommy) Doan and Stacie (Jimmy) McCoy; mother, Mary Coverdale; sister, Elizabeth Swank; brother, Rick Coverdale; grandchildren, Dakota Thomas, Sidney (Bryant) Swinford, Michael Thomas, Bradley Albright, Zoe Badger, Madison Parkhurst, Lukas Parkhurst, and Axl Doan; great-grandchildren, Oaklynn Swinford and Baby Thomas; step-grandchildren, Calvin Doan, Thelma Doan, Aiden McCoy and Tanner McCoy; and step-great-grandchildren, Braxtyn White and Dominic Tomas.

Joyce was preceded in death by her father, Richard Coverdale.

Visitation will be from 11 a.m. to noon, with services at noon, on Monday, June 19, 2023, at Randall & Roberts Funeral Home, 1150 Logan St., Noblesville. Burial will be at Crownland Cemetery in Noblesville.

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Madelynn Grace Lucas
March 24, 1998 – June 13, 2023

Madelynn Grace Lucas, 25, Noblesville, passed away on Tuesday, June 13, 2023. She was born on March 24, 1998, to Jerry and Michelle (Bell) Lucas in Noblesville.

Madi is survived by her father, Jerry (Paula) Lucas; grandmother, Patsy Davis; and lots of aunts & uncles.

Madi was preceded in death by her mother, Michelle Lucas; brother, Jacob Michael Lucas; and her grandparents, James & Linda Bell, Belva Lucas, and Helen Story.

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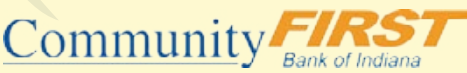
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HCC announces all-conference softball & baseball teams

Fishers, Avon tie for first in softball

The REPORTER

The race to first place in the Hoosier Crossroads Conference softball standings was about as tight as it could be during the 2023 season.

In fact, two teams finished at the top of the HCC standings: Fishers and Avon. The two schools tied for the conference championship this season, after both completed HCC campaigns with a 5-2 record.

Next up was a three-way tie for third place between the conference's three other Hamilton County schools: Hamilton Southeastern, Westfield and Noblesville all compiled 4-3 records. The Shamrocks would go on to win the Sectional 8 championship, marking the first time ever that a Shamrocks softball team claimed a sectional title.

All four county HCC schools finished the year with winning records. The Royals were 20-8, Westfield went 17-14, the Tigers were 15-8-1 and the Millers finished 14-11-1.

Here's a list of all-conference honorees for 2023.

FIRST TEAM

Avon: Lily Heath, Mandy Lauth, Emma Stopperich, Hannah Sutton.

Brownsburg: Addy Neal, Izzy Neal.

Fishers: Brooke Johnson, Kate Murray, Sophie Schoch, Hailey Trueblood.

Franklin Central: Jacylyn Tinsley.

Hamilton Southeastern: Payton Fox, Morgan Hicks, Grace Swedarsky.

Noblesville: Gabby Fowler, Mack Harvey, Taylor Thompson.

Westfield: Ava Kainrath, Maggie Roh, Chloe Tanner.

Zionsville: Syd Poeck.

SECOND TEAM

Avon: Madeline Herman, Amanda Logeais.

Brownsburg: Hailey Thompson.

Fishers: Taylor Duplessis, Jenna Grubb.

Franklin Central: Kasey Hickle.

Hamilton Southeastern: Addy Justice, Lani Wyrick.

Noblesville: Addi Emerson, Reis Sjolholm.

Westfield: Allie Dolenc, Makayla Watson.

Zionsville: Leah Helton.



Frank Brown / File photo

Fishers pitcher Kate Murray was one of four Tigers players selected to the Hoosier Crossroads Conference's First Team All-Conference for the 2023 season. Fishers shared the HCC championship with Avon this season, as both teams were 5-2 in conference play.

Millers baseball comes out on top

The REPORTER

The Noblesville baseball team came out on top in the Hoosier Crossroads Conference this season for the first time in seven years.

The Millers completed conference play with an 11-3 record to win its first HCC championship since 2016 and its fourth overall title. Noblesville finished one game ahead of Fishers, the runner-up with a 10-4 record.

The conference's four Hamilton County schools all placed in the top half of the standings. Westfield went 9-5 to take third place, while Hamilton Southeastern was fourth at 8-6. The Royals would go on to win sectional and regional championships, their first at both levels since 2019.

Overall, the Millers were 23-7 for the season, Southeastern was 20-15, the Tigers finished 19-12 and the Shamrocks went 17-11.

A list of the HCC All-Conference honorees now follows.

FIRST TEAM

Avon: Gerry Baltierra, Nate Simpson.

Brownsburg: Mason Tibbs.

Fishers: Jack Brown, Gavin Kuzniewski, Kyle Manship.

Franklin Central: Weston Harvey.

Hamilton Southeastern: Ty Bradle, Griffen Haas.

Noblesville: Trevor Corbett, Nolan Decker, Aidan Reynolds, Bryce Riggs.

Westfield: Ty Anderson, Brayden Hibler, Evan Russ.

Zionsville: Riley Agbonhese, Wrigley Bumgardner.

SECOND TEAM

Avon: Josh Heitert, Kyle Riley.

Brownsburg: Alec Murphy.

Fishers: Gavin Clayton, Huston Dunn.

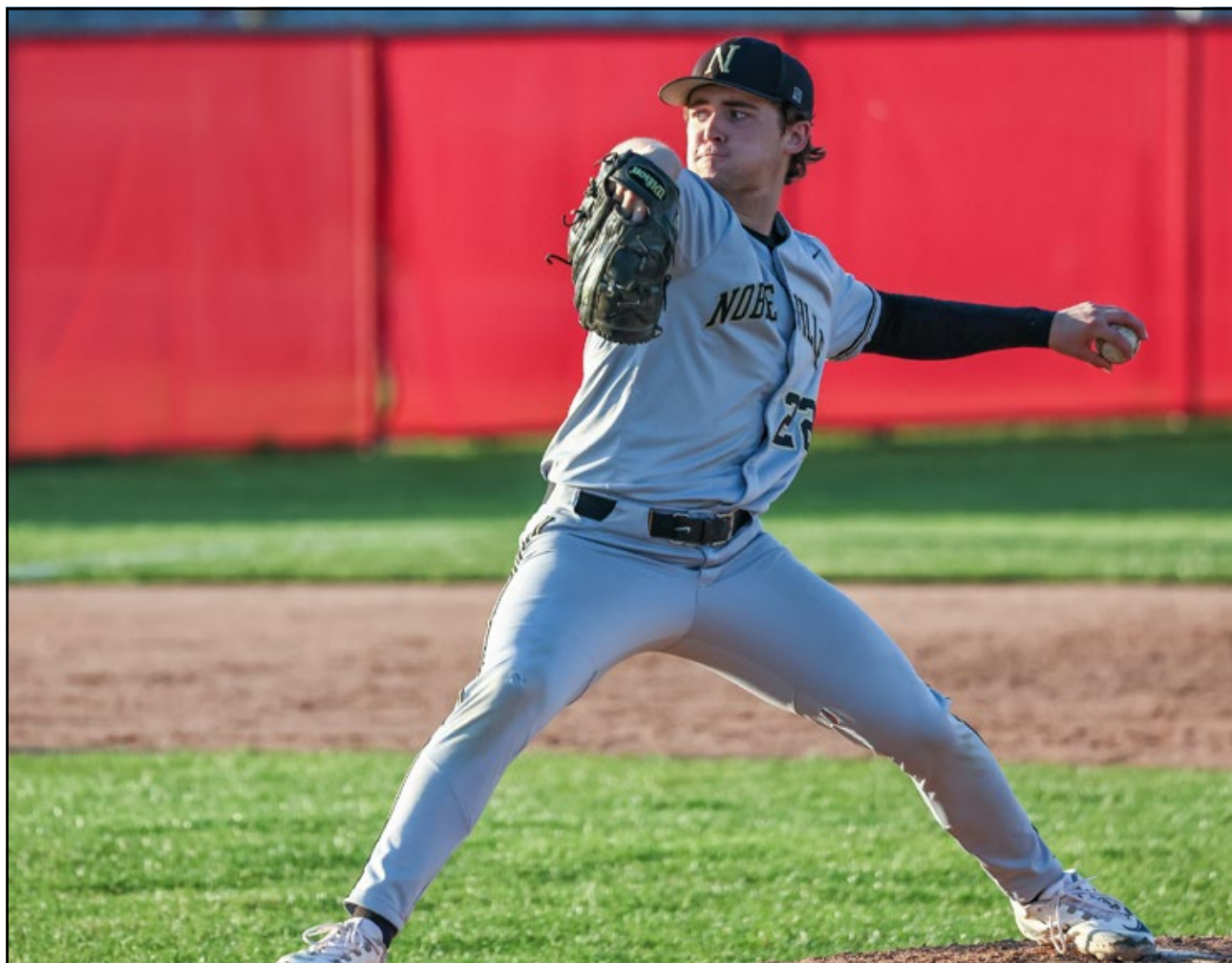
Franklin Central: Max Thacker.

Hamilton Southeastern: Harrison Dilts, Brady Strawmeyer.

Noblesville: Hunter Corbett, Lucas Stephan.

Westfield: Matt Drozle, Collin Lindsey.

Zionsville: Easton Moore, Chase Wagner.



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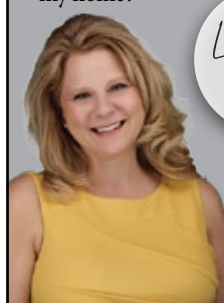
Noblesville's Nolan Decker was one of four Millers players named to the Hoosier Crossroads Conference First Team All-Conference. Noblesville won the HCC championship this season with an 11-3 record.

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One year out: Three-day tickets on sale for 2024 U.S. Olympic Team Trials – Swimming

The REPORTER

One year from the start of competition, three-day ticket packages are now on sale for the 2024 U.S. Olympic Team Trials – Swimming. The nine-day event will be held in Indianapolis from June 15-23, 2024 at Lucas Oil Stadium. Three-day ticket packages will be available for the following windows – June 15-17, June 18-20 and June 21-23 – and will provide fans with the opportunity to catch all prelims and finals sessions during each three-day period. This week, Indiana Sports Corp hosted festivities to celebrate one year out from the competition. On Wednesday, swimming was the theme at the quarterly Locker Room Lunch Series, and then Women in Sports & Events (WISE) Indianapolis hosted a panel discussion featuring female Olympians and the women working behind the scenes to produce the 2024 Trials. On Thursday, a press conference featured the mayor of Indianapolis and the CEOs of USA Swimming, OneAmerica, Indiana Sports Corp and Boys and Girls Clubs of Indianapolis at Lucas Oil Stadium,

followed by a youth swimming clinic and community event at Broad Ripple Park. The influx of visitors for the 2024 U.S. Olympic Team Trials - Swimming is set to bring more than \$100 million in economic impact to Indianapolis, while the unique configuration inside Lucas Oil Stadium will be broadcast to an estimated 25 million viewers on NBC. New for 2024, and to align with the competition schedule in for the Olympic Games in Paris, the U.S. Olympic Team Trials – Swimming includes nine days of competition with 17 sessions (eight preliminaries, nine finals). The order of events can be found [here](#). Three temporary pools – two 50-meter and one 25-meter – will be installed over the field in Lucas Oil Stadium. With this unique configuration, the stadium will seat up to 30,000 fans for each session. The Toyota Aqua Zone, an interactive fan experience, will be held at the Indiana Convention Center. USA Swimming Live on Georgia Street and USA Swimming House presented by OneAmerica will offer fans additional hos-

pitality and entertainment opportunities during the competition. USA Swimming and the Local Organizing Committee have launched Swim IN Safety, serving as one of several legacy initiatives surrounding the Trials. In partnership with the Indy Aquatic Alliance longitudinal program, Swim IN Safety aims to teach 25,000 people over the age of five to be water safe in 2023 and an additional 25,000 in 2024. Indiana Sports Corp is currently collecting interest forms from organizations throughout Indiana [here](#). Information on single-day tickets for the Trials will be available at a later date. The USA Swimming Foundation is offering [all-inclusive packages](#) and [VIP tickets](#) for those seeking an elevated experience. For more information on the 2024 U.S. Olympic Team Trials – Swimming, visit [here](#). **About USA Swimming** As the National Governing Body for the sport of swimming in the United States, USA Swimming is a 400,000-member service organization that promotes the culture of swimming by

creating opportunities for swimmers and coaches of all backgrounds to participate and advance in the sport through clubs, events and education. Our membership is comprised of swimmers from the age group level to the Olympic Team, as well as coaches and volunteers. USA Swimming is responsible for selecting and training teams for international competition including the Olympic Games and strives to serve the sport through its core objectives: Build the base, Promote the sport, Achieve competitive success. For more information, visit [usaswimming.org](#). **About Indiana Sports Corp** Founded in 1979 as the nation's first sports commission, Indiana Sports Corp is a not-for-profit organization focused on bringing premier sporting events to Indiana to drive economic vitality, facilitate a vibrant community with civic pride and garner positive media attention. Because of this, Indiana Sports Corp is able to provide positive, sports-related opportunities for youth in the community. For more information, please visit [IndianaSportsCorp.org](#).

Correction

In Thursday's article about the [IHSAA boys golf state finals](#), it was erroneously stated that Guerin Catholic's Jacob Modleski was the second Mental Attitude Award winner in the school's history. He is actually the second Guerin Catholic athlete to win this school year, joining Bridget Gallagher, who won the girls cross country award last fall. The Reporter regrets the error.

Carmel's Claire Swathwood commits to play golf at University of Memphis

The REPORTER

Carmel girls golf standout Claire Swathwood will soon be walking in Memphis. The senior-to-be announced Thursday on Twitter that she has committed to play Division I golf at the University of Memphis. Swathwood has been an integral part of the Greyhounds team for the

past three years, helping Carmel to a state championship in 2022. She also won the individual regional at Battle Ground Golf Course in Lafayette a week prior to state. Swathwood said on Twitter that it "has always been a goal of mine" to play at the Division I level, and "I can't wait to fulfill that" as a member of the Tigers team.

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