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These costs do not include family needs such as lodging, food and transportation during the transplant stay. Additionally, post-transplant medications and medical care costs often add up to more than \$10,000 annually. Very few transplant families have the resources to meet these tremendous financial demands. When faced with the burden of a child's potentially fatal diagnosis, most families need help."

Help is exactly what COTA provides. Based in

Bloomington, Ind., COTA is a non-profit organization that focuses on providing financial assistance and support to families with children in need of live-saving transplants. COTA helps these families by organizing fundraising campaigns, community events, and mobilizing volunteers to cover transplant-related expenses such as medical bills, travel costs and post-transplant care.

The organization aims to alleviate the financial burden on families facing

the challenges of pediatric organ transplants, fostering hope and support throughout the transplant journey for both the children and their loved ones.

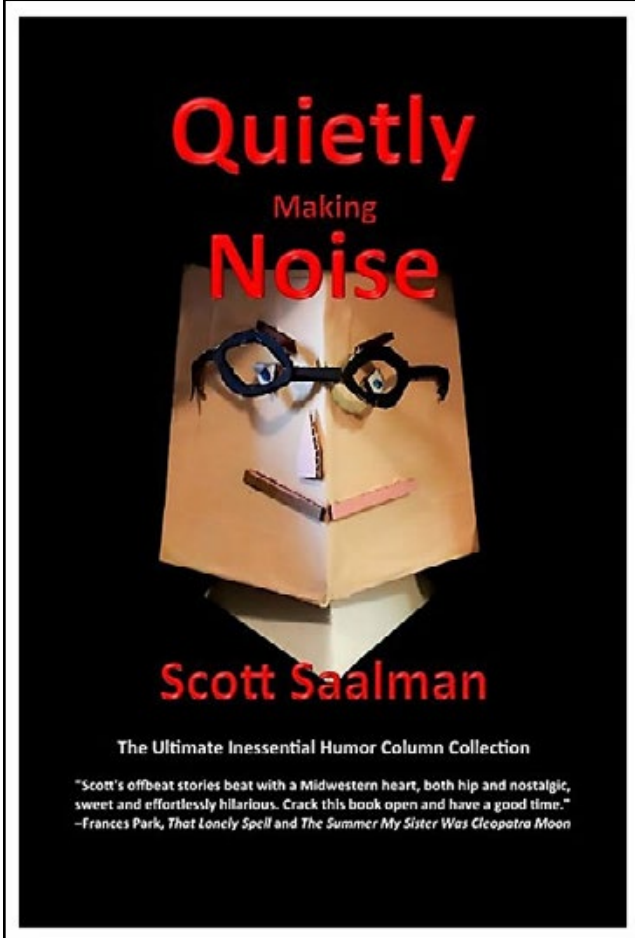
"For over 40 years, raising more than \$160 million, The Children's Organ Transplant Association has been assisting transplant families across the country, remove the financial burdens to life-saving transplants," Gallagher said. "Currently, we are serving 48 children throughout central Indiana. We've been able to serve every child that has come to us, we just haven't been able to get in front of every child that needs us. Which is how the Cicero Kiwanis Club and other organizations like yours can help, by spreading the word about COTA and our services."

To learn more about The Children's Organ Transplant Association go to cota.org.

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Brimberry added, "We would like to thank Melissa Martin, President of the Hamilton Heights Education Foundation, and Dr. Derrick Arrowwood, Superintendent of Hamilton Heights School Corporation, for their help and support in forming our foundation."

The group is planning a major fundraiser for Aug. 3: a Jeep Event. The day will include a Jeep parade down Sheridan Main Street, ending at the Sheridan Airport with a band and many activities.

"The airport is planning a fly-in on that day also,

which will create great excitement," Brimberry said.

Donors recognized at the reception included business donors KV Elliott Post 67 American Legion and Legacy Images. Individual donors honored were Sharon Brimberry, Robert Burnell, Kenneth Burnell, Jane Newblom, Barbara Glunt, Kim Zachery, Brian Zachery, Randy Brimberry, Bob Boone, Nancy Boone, Judy Langdon, Roy Langdon, Dave Glunt, George Kristo, Tony & Renea Scott, Marie Mosbaugh, Aryn Boone DeLuca, and Phyllis Kounsere.

When asked about how Sheridan supporters can get involved, Brimberry urged them to attend fundraising events and to help spread the word about the foundation and its purpose.

"We are so fortunate to have this dedicated group of supporters," Sheridan Superintendent Dr. Dave Mundy said. "Sheridan is a tremendous place with great people who always step up for their teachers. No community supports its school more than Sheridan. I'm excited to see continued growth and I appreciate all the Foundation is doing."

GUARD

an antibody injection for infants. There is heightened awareness that RSV is not only a potentially serious pediatric illness but also a major threat to older adults and especially for those with chronic underlying conditions. Over 14,000 seniors die each year from RSV. The current recommendation is for a single vaccination; additional immunization in subsequent years is under study.

The immunization rates (as of Jan. 12, 2024) for these three infections are poor and lagging behind historical levels. For flu, it's

46.8 percent among adults and 74.1 percent for 65 and older. For the new COVID booster, it's 21.4 percent for adults and 41.5 percent for 65 and older; for RSV it's 20.1 percent for 60 and older. Regrettable. These diseases account for tens of thousands of hospitalizations and deaths yearly – the prevention of which is the greatest value of these vaccines.

We are in the winter season when the risk of these respiratory illnesses is greatest. The illness and hospitalization rates for these diseases are currently surging. But most

Americans are looking at the COVID pandemic in the rear-view mirror and letting down their guard. Many are vaccine fatigued with some brushing all vaccines aside.

Seniors being vaccinated for flu, COVID, and RSV is essential. And they should also remember the CDC-recommended one-time pneumonia shot at age 65. Lifesaving measures.

Richard D. Feldman, M.D. is an Indianapolis family physician and former Indiana State Health Commissioner who served in the administration of Governor Frank O'Bannon.

COUNCIL

continue the strategic and fiscally responsible development of our community, while maintaining the historic character," Peterson said.

Peterson earned his bachelor's degree in architecture from Ball State University. In 1996, he founded Peterson Architecture, a full-service architectural and planning firm, in Downtown Noblesville. He is married to Jennifer Roberts and has two daughters, Ava and Emily Peterson.

Also discussed at the organization meeting were the 2024 Noblesville Common

Council committee assignments, which include:

- Downtown District / Parks: Aaron Smith (Chair), Megan Wiles, Darren Peterson, Dave Johnson
- Economic Development / Building and Land Acquisition: Megan Wiles (Chair), Pete Schwartz, Mark Boice, Todd Thurston
- Finance: Mike Davis (Chair), Megan Wiles, Aaron Smith, Dave Johnson
- Public Safety: Darren Peterson (Chair), Aaron Smith, Mike Davis, Evan Elliott
- Roads/Traffic/Engineering: Mark Boice

(Chair), Pete Schwartz, Darren Peterson, Todd Thurston

- Utilities: Pete Schwartz (Chair), Mark Boice, Mike Davis, Evan Elliott
- Nominating: Darren Peterson (Chair), Megan Wiles, Aaron Smith, Mark Boice

The Council holds its regular meetings at 7 p.m. on the Tuesdays that follow the second and fourth Monday of each month inside the Council Chambers on the second floor of City Hall, 16 S. 10th St. For more information on the Noblesville Common Council, visit noblesville.in.gov/council.

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Hamilton County graduates 20 from Ivy Tech Leadership Course

The REPORTER

The Hamilton County Human Resource Department announces the successful graduation of 20 employees from the Ivy Tech Leadership Series, marking a significant milestone in the county's ongoing commitment to workforce development.

The semester-long program was designed to equip county employees with essential leadership skills and knowledge in topics ranging from behavior and communication styles to poor performance and conflict resolution. Held during work hours, the training series provided employees with free on-campus coursework and three hours of college credit.

Reflecting on the experience, Sam Sachs, a class graduate and Airport Director at the Indianapolis Executive Airport, said, "The Ivy Tech Leadership Class has been transformative for



Photo provided
(From left) Sheena Randall, Sam Sachs, Ivy Tech Skills Training Instructor Rhonda Foster, and Ivy Tech CareerLink Employer Consultant Terry Cortese.

me. The lessons learned will stick with me for the rest of my career. I am grateful for the opportunity to have been part of this program."

In addition to the leadership and skills training, Ivy Tech will continue to provide Hamilton County employees with career coaching and mentoring, contributing to the overall professional development of its workforce.

"Fortunately, we don't have a lot of turnover at the county," said Sheena Randall, Director of Human Resources. "But that also means we have an aging workforce. We need to start planning for succession, to upskill our younger employees, and to build a pipeline for future leaders so they're ready to fill those gaps when they open."

Community First Bank joins OneZone Chamber's Leadership Investor Circle

The REPORTER

OneZone Chamber of Commerce announces Community First Bank (CFB) of Indiana as the Chamber's newest Leadership Investor. CFB is a locally owned and operated bank serving Kokomo, Westfield, Noblesville, Fishers, and the greater Indianapolis area.

"CFB is committed to remaining a locally owned bank that serves as a supportive and responsive community partner, and this relationship will deepen our ability to do so," CFB President and CEO Robb Blume said. "Our presence in Hamilton County has been rapidly expanding since we entered the market in 2015, and with our newest full-service banking center opening in

Fishers next month (February 2024) it is the opportune time to become a trusted Leadership Investor with OneZone."

"We are excited to welcome Community First Bank of Indiana as a new Leadership Investor," OneZone President and CEO Jack Russell said. "Community First Bank of Indiana is a strong community partner who believes in our mission of helping businesses and communities thrive."

OneZone Chamber of Commerce serves over 1,300 businesses in the Carmel and Fishers area. To learn more about OneZone Chamber of Commerce, go to OneZoneChamber.com. Learn more about Community First Bank of Indiana at CFBIndiana.com.



Blume



Russell

Aldi plans second grocery in Westfield



Rendering provided by Aldi & SGA Design Group
Aldi is planning to build a new grocery in Hamilton County. It would be part of the SpringMill Pointe development on the south side of State Road 32, about a mile west of U.S. 31 and southwest of Grand Park Sports Campus. The site is east of a Meijer store and next to the Valvoline Instant Oil Change facility. The Westfield Board of Zoning Appeals on Tuesday night approved changes to the store's façade and roof. According to documents, the store would sit on nearly four acres that is currently unused and would be the second Aldi location in Westfield. The other Aldi sits northwest of the intersection of U.S. 31 and 146th Street. Written by WISH-TV's Christopher Claffey.

12 local students make Iowa State dean's list

The REPORTER

More than 10,800 Iowa State University students have been recognized for outstanding academic achievement by being named to the fall semester 2023 Dean's List.

Among those are 12 Hamilton County students. They are:

- **Arcadia:** Blake A. Webel, Year 4, Animal Science
- **Carmel:** Lexie Elise Balkema, Year 4, Biology; Megan Elizabeth Colosi, Year 4, Interior Design; Sarah Elizabeth Thiel, Year 1, Biology; Isabelle Woodward, Year 4, Entrepreneurship; and Adam Zeitlin,

- Year 4, Civil Engineering
- **Fishers:** Ella Pauline Case, Year 2, Biology (AGLS); Morgan E. Reigeluth, Year 4, Interior Design; Zachary T. Steinmetz, Year 4, Genetics (AGLS); Samuel Christopher Syrus, Year 4, Computer Science; and Lillianna Grace Touhey, 2, Business Undeclared
- **Noblesville:** Joshua Paul Steffen, Year 2, Aerospace Engineering

Students named to the Dean's List must earn a grade-point average of at least 3.50 on a 4.00 scale while carrying a minimum of 12 credit hours of graded course work.



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Fishers Arts Council welcomes four new board members

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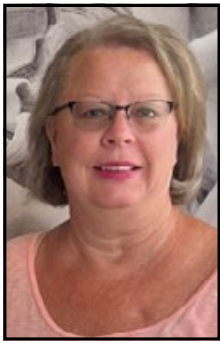
Fishers Arts Council (FAC) announces the addition of four new board members for 2024. They are Susan Dickey, Tom Rich, Latrica Schooley, and Amanda Wilhite.

SUSAN DICKEY moved to the west side of Indianapolis in 1983 and in June 2003 she relocated to Fishers. She worked for VisitIndy for 30 years, partnering with meeting planners bringing conventions to Indianapolis. An avid flower gardener, she enjoys giving away surplus blooms.

Always on the lookout for new restaurants, retail, and attractions to share with others, Dickey has a grasp on what is where in the area. Going to First Fridays, Second Saturdays, and other arts events plus annual local art fairs is a favorite pastime. “Meeting artists and seeing their studios is the best part of making purchases.”

TOM RICH hails from Western Pennsylvania, but spent 30 years in suburban D.C. He has lived in Fishers for the past 29 years and is a former board member of FAC where he served for six years in various roles such as Treasurer, Vice President, and President. His goals are to work with the city of Fishers, local businesses, and various artist organizations to expand opportunities for artists to exhibit and sell their art; to expand the opportunities for residents and visitors of Fishers to enjoy the visual arts; and to promote additional opportunities for the performing arts in Fishers.

Rich is also a member of Fishers Police Academy Alumni Association. He earned a B.S. in Education from Indiana University of



Dickey



Rich



Schooley



Wilhite

Pennsylvania and an M.A. in Curriculum & Instruction from the University of St. Thomas in Minnesota. He lives in Fishers with his wife, Connie. Free time is spent with grandchildren, Nash and Cooper, and traveling.

LATRICA SCHOOLEY has been an entrepreneur and community volunteer for 29 years. She has been a lover of the arts since sixth grade when she started her journey at Emerson Performing Arts School of which she is proud to be a graduate as a music major. It afforded her opportunities to attend college with the assistance of a music scholarship coupled with an academic scholarship as a first-generation college student.

Schooley’s focus in volunteering has been with youth groups at Grace Church and she has a deep passion for speaking up for children who cannot speak up for themselves whether they are differently abled, and/or in foster care. She is a mom, wife, and grandmother. She enjoys visual and performing arts and looks forward to assisting the Fishers Arts Council bringing Arts forward to community members and meeting more residents in Fishers.

AMANDA WILHITE is a Corporate/M&A attorney



and has lived in Fishers for two years. She holds a JD from Howard University School of Law and a BA from Alabama State University. She considers herself an avid admirer of art and enjoys helping stage the gallery. She looks forward to serving the community and its artists as a FAC board member.

The addition of these new board members puts FAC in a strong position to continue its work supporting and promoting visual and performing arts in Fishers.

Executive Officers were also elected at the January annual meeting: Ross Hilleary as President, Chris Hayes as Vice President, Douglas Dusseau as Treasurer, and Olivia Harris as Secretary. Returning board members are Greg Dierfeldt, Pat Grabill, Tyna Green Seall, Olivia Holt, Philip Paluso, and Laura Villanyi. Les Reinhardt

will continue to serve as Executive Director for 2024.

If you are interested in learning more about Fishers Arts Council and how to get involved, please attend any of the Second Friday receptions from 6 to 8 p.m. at the FAC Hub Gallery, located at 11810 Technology Drive, Fishers, inside the Hamilton County Community Foundation.

About Fishers Arts Council

Fishers Arts Council is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit arts organization whose mission is to support, advocate, and cultivate visual and performing arts opportunities that educate and/or enhance the lives of those who live, work, and visit Fishers. Visit the art gallery space at the Collaboration Hub at Hamilton County Community Foundation, 11810 Technology Drive, Fishers, online at FishersArtsCouncil.org, or call (317) 537-1670.

Rebecca Carl leading Marketing & Community Relations for Carmel

The REPORTER

Carmel Mayor Sue Finkam announced on Tuesday that Rebecca Carl will serve as Director of Marketing & Community Relations for the City of Carmel, effective Tuesday. She has served as interim director since Jan. 8.

“Rebecca has provided critical expertise as a member of my transition team and we are fortunate to have someone of her caliber join our executive team,” Finkam said. “She has led large complex marketing and communications teams in diverse industries and understands the importance of being inclusive, transparent and strategic, all of which our future success will require.”

Carl has more than 25 years of marketing and communications experience

in higher education and healthcare. She is currently an adjunct instructor at Butler University in the Andre

B. Lacy School of Business, teaching international marketing. She received her Master of Business Administration (MBA) from Butler University.

“Being tasked with executing a dynamic vision for the City of Carmel is one of the great honors of my professional career,” Carl said. “Mayor Finkam has tasked our team with developing a robust approach to creating community engagement and telling the Carmel story across our city and around the world.”

Marketing & Community Relations was previously called Community Relations and Economic Development.



Carl



Finkam

Westfield Chamber Calendar of Events

JANUARY
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Over 70 Democrats turn out in Westfield to kick off 2024



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The Westfield Democrats saw great turnout to start 2024 at their “Happy Blue Year” event on Friday, Jan. 19. Over 70 Democrats braved cold, snowy weather to hear from Dr. Jennifer McCormick (above left), candidate for Governor, and Josh Lowry (above right), candidate for State House District 24. To hear about future events from the Westfield Democrats, follow them on social media or sign up for their newsletter at [this link](#).

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BraunAbility donates disability trailblazer books to local schools



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Last Saturday, Carmel-based BraunAbility, the leading global provider of wheelchair accessible vehicles, donated a series of books celebrating disability trailblazers to several local preschools and schools in communities where employees live. The series highlights prominent individuals in the disability community, including BraunAbility founder Ralph Braun, and serves to teach children about acceptance, inclusion, and the many ways people with disabilities have contributed to our society. The books were hand-delivered by BraunAbility employees, many of whom had children or grandchildren attending the local school. [Click here](#) to learn more about the series and how you can purchase a set.



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Westfield's Melt the Trail 5K returning on March 2

The REPORTER

Westfield Welcome's 10th annual Melt the Trail 5K returns in March. The 5K will start at 10:30 a.m. on Saturday, March 2 at Grand Junction Brewing Company, 1189 E. 181st St., Westfield.

"Health and well-being are priorities for a thriving community," Mayor Scott Willis said. "Events like Melt the Trail not only provide opportunities for our residents to connect with each other but reminds everyone that our trails are ac-

cessible year-round." Westfield Welcome continues to partner with Grand Junction Brewing Company to host the race festivities. After the race, participants can redeem their drink ticket, purchase food, and enjoy music and arcade games. The taproom is friendly for both kids and dogs, making it a perfect opportunity for the whole family to join in the fun.

The cost to register is \$35 and will increase to \$40 on Feb. 18. To guarantee a Melt the Trail long-sleeve

shirt, the deadline to register is Feb. 13. Early packet pickup details will be available in the coming weeks. Race day packet pickup will take place at Grand Junction Brewing Company. To sign up, visit [MeltTheTrail.com](#).

Westfield Welcome focuses on community engagement and hospitality for residents, businesses, and visitors. As a department of the City of Westfield, Westfield Welcome hosts more than 35 annual events and provides hundreds of volunteer opportunities each year.

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Hamilton County Health Department awards more than \$600,000 in grants

Nine not-for-profits selected to fill health care gaps

The REPORTER

The Hamilton County Health Department has awarded \$639,915 in grants to nine non-profits for projects that address health care gaps in Hamilton County.

The grants will be the first funded through the state's Health First Indiana program created by Senate Enrolled Act 4. The new legislation will invest \$225 million in public health over the next two years.

"We look forward to partnering with these health-focused organizations to address the unique health needs of Hamilton County," Hamilton County Health Department Administrator Jason LeMaster said. "We are confident these services will complement and

enhance the work we're already doing at the Health Department providing our residents with the very best in public health services."

Applicants were encouraged to propose projects, programs, or activities that addressed issues like Maternal and Child Health, Chronic Disease Prevention, Access to and Linkage to Clinical Care, School Health, and Fatality Prevention Initiatives.

Trinity Free Clinic was the biggest award recipient with \$386,898 in funding. Executive Director Mel Wischmeyer says the grant money will help provide partial dentures, bridges, and soon, full dentures and denture repair for low-income seniors and vet-



LeMaster



Wischmeyer

Grant Recipients	
Breathe Easy Hamilton County School Health.....	\$61,476
Hamilton County Council on Alcohol and Other Drugs Fatality Prevention Initiatives.....	\$17,400
Heart and Soul Clinic Chronic Disease Prevention	\$24,000
HOPE Family Care Center Access to and Linkage to Clinical Care.....	\$44,100
Noblesville Fire Department (EMS Division) Chronic Disease Prevention	\$8,210
Partnership for a Healthy Hamilton County, Inc. dba A Healthier Hamilton County Maternal and Child Health.....	\$16,900
Prevail, Inc. Maternal and Child Health.....	\$32,491
Trinity Free Clinic Access to and Linkage to Clinical Care.....	\$287,400
Access to and Linkage to Clinical Care.....	\$99,498
YMCA of Greater Indianapolis Chronic Disease Prevention	\$46,440

erans in Hamilton County. "This truly is one of the largest requests for services we receive at Trinity, and patients are heartbroken when they are turned away because we do not currently offer this service," Wischmeyer said. "This will fill a huge void and restore a wealth of dignity and good health to county residents who lack access to

good oral health." Each awardee is required to report its progress to the Health Department. To apply for a grant through the Health First Hamilton County (HFHC) program for 2025, interested parties can visit hamiltoncounty.in.gov/1858/Health-First-Hamilton-County. The application deadline will be in September.



Westfield's own Madelyn Macallister graduates from Indiana Connections Career Academy

The REPORTER

More than 40 students recently graduated from Indiana Connections Career Academy, a **tuition-free full-time public virtual school**, as part of the Class of 2024, including Madelyn Macallister from Westfield.

Indiana Connections Career Academy provides students with a safe, engaging environment that offers STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Math) and career-focused courses for specific skill development and career exposure.

In its seventh year of operation, Indiana Connections Career Academy students utilize the same long-standing and developed online curriculum and technology as its companion school, Indiana Connections Academy. The difference between the two high school programs is that Indiana Con-

nections Career Academy students pursue graduation requirements to earn a high school diploma while also completing a career-focused program that prepares them for joining the workforce in one of Indiana's high-growth fields. By engaging in Career Education Live Lessons, completing career-facing activities, and demonstrating employability skills, students earn badges, gain elective credit, and are better prepared for life after high school.

Enrollment for Indiana Connections Career Academy's 2024-2025 school year is now underway for students in grades 6 to 12. Interested families are encouraged to attend one of the upcoming **online information sessions** to find out if virtual school is the right fit for their students.

For more information, visit IndianaConnections-CareerAcademy.com.

Carmel seeks applications for 2024 City Arts Grants

The REPORTER

The City of Carmel is now seeking applications for 2024 City Arts Grants, a program designed to support local arts organizations whose work keeps the city vibrant and appealing to residents and visitors alike.

Since 2004, more than \$17.3 million in arts grants have been awarded.

"There is no doubt that the culture of arts in our city has been a major benefit to our residents, visitors and small business owners,"

Mayor Sue Finkam said. "Carmel is known nationally for our Arts & Design District and our Center for the Performing Arts. By investing in our arts organizations, we encourage economic activity that supports small business and enhances quality of life."

Carmel's nonprofit arts and culture industry generated \$42.7 million in economic activity in 2022, according to the Arts & Economic Prosperity 6, an economic and social impact study con-

ducted by Americans for the Arts. That economic activity – \$17 million in spending by nonprofit arts and culture organizations and \$25.7 million in event-related spending by their audiences – supported 981 jobs and generated \$10 million in local, state and federal government revenue.

Local arts groups are encouraged to apply. The deadline for the initial round of applications is 5 p.m. on Friday, Jan. 26. [Click here](#) to apply.



Photo provided by City of Carmel

So Many Unanswered Questions!



Dad, why is the sky blue? Why is it dark at night? Why can't I have cake for breakfast?" If you have children you have likely faced these or similar questions from inquiring young minds. Do you always have logical truthful answers? Even as adults we often face questions of life that are problematic to answer.

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Letter to the Editor

Carmel reader calls on Hoosiers to oppose state legislators’ plan to legalize bobcat hunting

Dear Editor:

Bobcats, Indiana’s last remaining native wildcat, are finally making a comeback. The shy, elusive critters are rarely seen as they go about their work of hunting rabbits, mice, and other rodents. Bobcats perform an essential (and free!) service to our backyards, farms, and ecosystems, and they are a delight to observe if you’re lucky enough to spot one.

Given the benefits of letting bobcats return and thrive in our state, it’s difficult to understand why there’s a bill currently before the state legislature that would open a trophy hunting and trapping season on Indiana’s bobcats. The bill, **S.B. 241**, would charge residents just \$15 for a license to “take” a bobcat. Bobcats are not hunted for food; they are killed solely for trophies, for fun, or to sell their skins to the global fur trade. The steel leghold traps used on bobcats leave them in pain and suffering in the elements for hours.

Our treasured bobcats don’t deserve to be cruelly, needlessly killed. Hoosiers came together in 2018 to **resoundingly defeat** a proposed bobcat trophy season. It’s time to speak up for bobcats again and oppose S.B. 241.

Ian Goodman
Carmel

Letter to the Editor

Sheridan reader offers context for “waters of the United States” SCOTUS case

Dear Editor:

I read with interest the letter written by Alex Libby (Dec. 8, 2023) discussing the Supreme Court Case *Sackett v. EPA*.

The Sacketts are a couple who purchased land in Priest Lake, Idaho, to build a home. This case took 16 years in supporting the Sackett’s claim against the EPA.

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) became involved and told the Sacketts they had to stop their construction of their home immediately or be fined thousands of dollars per day if they continued their construction of their home.

The Sacketts had obtained all the permits in 2004 to build their home which was in a subdivision. Take note: “in a subdivision,” which had to be approved by the local authorities. Were other homes already built in this subdivision or in the process? Why were the Sacketts singled out?

It may be that their lot was in the area of “the waters of the United States.” The Sacketts had to level out the dirt by backfilling on their lot in preparation of building their home. The EPA declared this backfilling was against the Clean Water Act alleging the property was a protected wetland under federal authority.

The issue here is the definition of navigable waters. In this case their property drained into a ditch which drained into a creek which drained into Priest Lake, a navigable, intrastate lake. The Sacketts sued, alleging that their property was not “waters of the United States.”

The problem with the act initiated by Congress in 1972 has caused confusion about adjacent wetlands and adjoining wetlands near covered navigable waters. Adjacent means side by side and adjoining indicates connecting.

In the case of *Rapanos v. United States*, “To assert jurisdiction over an adjacent wetland under the CWA, a party must establish “first, that the adjacent [body of water constitutes] ... ‘water[s] of the United States’ (i.e., a relatively permanent body of water connected to traditional interstate navigable waters); and second, that the wetland has a continuous surface connection with that water, making it difficult to determine where the ‘water’ ends and the ‘wetland’ begins.”

Justice Alito delivered the opinion of the Court. He asked these questions about “waters of the United States.” “The Act applies to “the waters of the United States,” but what does that phrase mean? Does the term encompass any backyard that is soggy enough for some minimum period of time? Does it reach “mudflats, sandflats, wetlands, sloughs, prairie potholes, [and] wet meadows? How about ditches, swimming pools, and puddles?”

In the Sacketts’ case, how much water will be coming from their property with a continuous flow from the pipe to the ditch to the creek continuing on to Priest Lake? Will their ditch be a seasonal puddle?

This Supreme Court case was very important to property owner rights and using common sense about ambiguous laws concerning government overreach. As stated in the facts of this case, the EPA provided the Sacketts “no proof of any violation and no opportunity to contest its claims.”

Libby claimed, “With the snap of its fingers, land can be lost, water can be polluted, and humans can suffer.” The Sacketts suffered for 16 years of court cases and most likely financial stress.

Mari Briggs
Sheridan

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Goodrich’s bill to expand work-based learning advances

The REPORTER

The Indiana House of Representatives advanced on Tuesday State Rep. Chuck Goodrich's (R-Noblesville) bill to expand work-based learning access in Indiana.

If passed, **House Bill 1001** would expand the **Frank O'Bannon Grant and the 21st Century Scholarship** beyond traditional college coursework to include job training. Goodrich said this bill would provide opportunities for Hoosiers who may not be

interested in pursuing a two- or four-year degree, to use these funds to skill up and obtain high-demand job.

“We know that college isn't for everyone and that there are numerous opportunities like apprenticeships and other work-based learning experiences that can open up new pathways for students to learn the skills they need,” said Goodrich,



Goodrich

a member of the House Education Committee. “Expanding what our students can do with these scholarships will help ensure more Hoosiers are better prepared for jobs today and into the future.”

Goodrich said this bill builds on a law he authored during the 2023 legislative session, creating Career Scholarship Accounts for Hoosier students to pay

for career training, apprenticeships, certifications, and internships. These accounts can be used by sophomores, juniors, and seniors to enroll in earn-and-learn opportunities, as well as to pay for items like transportation and uniforms to remove barriers to accessing these experiences.

HB 1001 now heads to the Indiana Senate for further consideration. For more information, or to watch session and committees live, visit iga.in.gov.

Garcia Wilburn votes to send 13th check to retired public employees

The REPORTER

State Rep. Victoria Garcia Wilburn (D-Fishers) voted on Monday to send public retirees a 13th check this year.

After Monday’s third reading vote, House Bill 1004 has passed the House of

Representatives and is heading to the Senate for consideration.

“I am thrilled to have voted to send public retirees, including teachers, a 13th check this year,” Garcia Wilburn said. “With rising property taxes and utility bills, lawmakers should do everything we can to make household costs easier for seniors. I am calling upon my colleagues in the Senate to take up House Bill 1004 and pass it. It's what our public retirees deserve.”



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Raju Chinthala files to run for 5th Congressional District seat

Submitted

During a brief ceremony at the Indiana Secretary of State's office on Monday, Indiana Fifth Congressional District candidate Raju Chinthala officially filed for office. He was accompanied by his wife, Dr. Prasanna Chinthala, as well as other family members, friends, and colleagues.

"I'm proud to run for Congress, so that I can take the opportunity to serve all of the citizens of Indiana's Fifth District," Chinthala said. "My successful business background and my extensive healthcare experience provide me with the skills for the job. My drive to achieve meaningful results in everything I do will

help me make a difference in an often slow-to-act legislature. I'm proud to be an American. I will be proud to represent you."

Chinthala is a successful speech-language pathologist and Hoosier businessman. He is the Treasurer of the Hamilton County Republican Party and has served as Senior Advisor for India at the Indiana Economic Development Corporation and as Founder and President of the Indiana India Business Council. He has been honored by President Biden with the Presidential Lifetime Achievement Award in 2022 and has received the Sagamore of the Wabash Award from both Governor Pence and



Photo provided
Indiana Fifth Congressional District candidate Raju Chinthala and his wife, Dr. Prasanna Chinthala, celebrate his official filing for office.

Governor Holcomb. Chinthala lives in Carmel with his wife Dr. Prasanna Chinthala, their son Anoop, and their dog Snowball. Learn more about the candidate at RajuForCongress.com.

AG Rokita warns fellow Hoosier families of recent cyber kidnapping schemes

The REPORTER

After recent, heartbreaking cyber kidnapping stories have surfaced in the U.S., Indiana Attorney General Todd Rokita pushes Hoosier families to beware of false ransom threats.

"This type of attack largely targets our students as they travel overseas," AG Rokita said. "These malicious scammers are willing to dupe and terrify families as they create a false kidnapping heist – all to convince them to hand over their hard-earned money."

Cyber kidnapping occurs when victims are tricked into paying a ransom fee to free a loved one who they believe has been threatened with violence or death. In reality, cyber kidnappers have not actually kidnapped anyone, but they have instead obtained a photo of the alleged person alone in a secluded area.

The worrisome photos are used to create the illusion that an individual has been kidnapped and needs immediate aid. After the family members or friends receive this information, they are asked to wire ransom money immediately.

According to the FBI, these cases are extremely difficult to investigate since the calls typically come from outside of the country.

This crime often occurs when family members are unable to track the location of the person, contact them, or verify their safety.

"Do not hesitate to contact our office if you suspect or witness this type of crime," AG Rokita said. "Our Consumer Protection Division is dedicated to helping Hoosiers when they're faced with these devastating situations. When your loved one is being threatened, it is your natural instinct to jump to their aid, but we also need to be informed of the newest scams."

The AG's Office suggests the following:

- Beware of incoming

calls coming from an outside area code, sometimes from Puerto Rico with area codes 787, 939, and 856.

- Beware of calls that do not come from the alleged kidnapped victim's phone.

- Beware of callers who go to great lengths to keep you on the phone.

- Beware of callers who prevent you from calling or locating the "kidnapped" victim.

- Beware of ransom money that is only accepted via wire transfer service.

If you receive a phone call from someone who demands payment of a ransom for a kidnapped victim, the following should be considered:

- Try to slow the situation down. Request to speak to the victim directly. Ask, "How do I know my loved one is okay?"

- If the callers don't let you speak to the victim, ask them to describe the victim or describe the vehicle the victim drives, if applicable.

- Listen carefully to the voice of the kidnapped victim if he/she speaks.

- Attempt to call, text, or contact the alleged victim via social media. Request that the victim call back from his or her cell phone.

- While staying on the line with the alleged kidnappers, try to call the alleged kidnap victim from another phone.

- To buy time, repeat the caller's request and tell them you are writing down the demand, or tell the caller you need additional time to meet their demands.

- Don't directly challenge or argue with the caller. Keep your voice low and steady.

- Request the alleged kidnapper allow the victim to call you back from his/her cell phone.

- At the earliest opportunity, notify your local police department.

For more information, visit IndianaConsumer.com or call (800) 382-5516.



Rokita

Maki files for re-election to County Council

Submitted

Sue Maki, a 34-year Hamilton County resident, has filed for re-election for Hamilton County Council. She is currently serving in her first term in as an At-Large Councilor and holds the position of Vice President of Council.

Over the last four years, Maki built on the success of Hamilton County. Through her work on the County Highway Committee, the improvements of intersections on 146th Street are underway, including Allisonville Road and coming soon to Hazel Dell Parkway. These improvements will make it much safer to navigate this very busy thoroughfare. As the liaison to the County Extension Board, Maki has championed work that has finally begun on the \$15 million expansion of the Hamilton County 4-H Fairgrounds.

Maki served as the County Council representative on the American Rescue

Plan Act committee, investing more than \$65 million in federal funding for lasting and transformative projects throughout the county. She also revamped and streamlined the county's non-profit grant process, which awards over \$850,000 to Hamilton County-serving non-profit organizations.

County Council is the fiscal body for the county. The achievement and maintenance of the AAA bond rating is testament to the conservative and thoughtful manner Maki and her County Council colleagues oversee the spending decisions for the county. Hamilton County is the only county in Indiana to have a AAA bond rating.

Maki has a long history of leadership within Hamilton County and community service dedication. She previously served as President of the Hamilton County Solid Waste Board, President of the Hamilton County Tourism Commission, Pres-

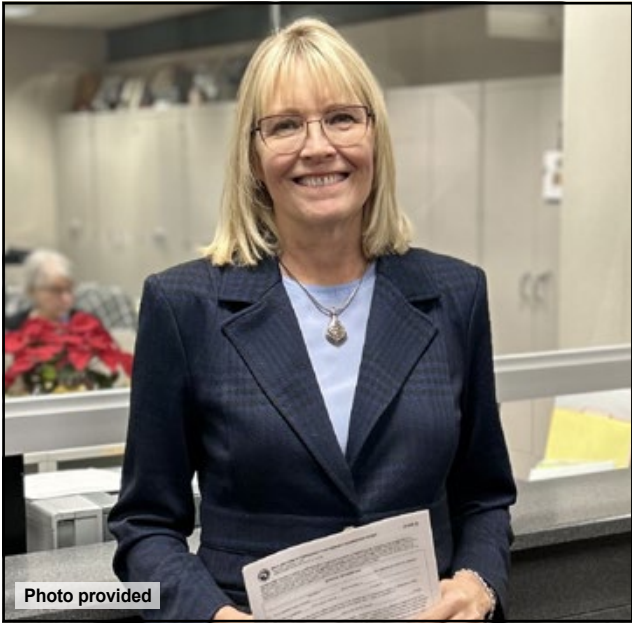


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ident of The Rotary Club of Carmel, and President of the Carmel Middle School PTO.

Making an impact across all towns and cities in Hamilton County, Maki served as Executive Director of the Hamilton County Leadership Academy from 2000 to 2003. She is also a 1999 graduate. Maki spent 18 years in the insurance indus-

try, with most of those years being in a leadership role.

Maki has been married to her husband Tom Kapostasy for almost 42 years, has two grown sons, and a daughter-in-law. Her first grandchild is expected early April 2024.

For more information visit SueMaki.com and follow her on Facebook [@ElectSueMaki](https://www.facebook.com/ElectSueMaki).





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Community First Bank of Indiana hires Lundin as Mortgage Loan Officer

The REPORTER

Community First Bank of Indiana (CFB) welcomes Zach Lundin as its newest Mortgage Loan Officer serving Hamilton and Marion counties.

Lundin brings 10 years of direct mortgage experience to the team, with an extensive background as a Loan Processor and Loan Officer where he has earned industry awards such as the Above and Beyond Award. Additionally, he spent four years in the Residential Construction industry.

In his spare time, Lundin has coached for the Noblesville Youth Baseball League, Noblesville Elementary Football League, and the Boys & Girls Club of Noblesville.

"I'm thrilled to join the CFB team," Lundin said. "I believe we should lend ourselves to others, to help and to serve, and the bank also

shares this value. My goal is to help others reach theirs; to help them buy a house, so they can make it a home."

CFB's friendly and knowledgeable loan officers are here to help every step of the way in the home-buying, construction, or refinancing journey. The locally owned and operated bank offers

a variety of loan products to fit your unique needs and is a team of local decision makers who can offer the flexibility you deserve. Apply easily online at CFBIndiana.com.

About CFB

Community First Bank of Indiana 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 offices in Fishers, Indianapolis, Kokomo, Noblesville, and Westfield. Bank mission: "We partner with you to build a better future." MEMBER FDIC, Equal Housing Lender, NMLS: 614034



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Range Line Road Corridor in Carmel receives ACEC Indiana Engineering Excellence Awards

The REPORTER

American Structurepoint and the City of Carmel have earned an Honor Award from the American Council of Engineering Companies of Indiana in the 2024 Engineering Excellence Awards for the Range Line Road Corridor.

American Structurepoint provided multiple engineering services to the City of Carmel to transform a 1.5-mile stretch of Range Line Road into a pedestrian-friendly, tree-lined, multimodal corridor with parallel multi-use paths and six new roundabouts that replaced existing traffic signals.

A landscaped median replaced a two-way, left-turn lane, improving traffic flow and safety by eliminating mid-block left turns. Raised crosswalks, accented by decorative brick pavers, were incorporated at intersections and at several mid-block locations to increase pedestrian safety and visibility. A cycle track, buffered by heavy-duty planters to protect bike traffic, was integrated into the project and replaced one vehicular travel lane.

The six roundabouts were designed to accommodate the future placement of corridor-defining public art features in the central islands of these circular intersections. The design team included public gathering spaces along the corridor to create an engaging, vibrant environment.

American Structurepoint provided program



Photo provided by American Structurepoint

The new roundabout intersection at 116th Street and Range Line Road.

management and oversight services for the entire corridor’s design and construction. This included an extensive public outreach campaign, conceptual design and renderings, traffic studies and high-level regional traffic management analysis. American Structurepoint also provided design engineering services for roundabouts at three intersections – 116th Street, Medical Drive and Executive Drive – and for the connection pieces between all six roundabouts. The firm also provided landscape architecture design of the streetscape for the entire corridor and construction



Kashman

inspection services for the six corridor roundabouts.

“The Range Line Road project is a fantastic example of revisiting the design of our infrastructure to ensure we are meeting our goals to be a more bike and pedestrian-friendly community,” Carmel City Engineer Jeremy Kashman said. “This project also is an example of the City of Carmel leading the nation in our Safe System initiatives. Planning began years before the Federal Highway Administration championed similar efforts for all cities to follow.”

The Safe System approach aims to eliminate

fatal and serious injuries for road users by designing roads that reduce serious crashes, manage speed better, and manage crash angles. Statistics show that roundabout intersections result in a 90 percent reduction in fatalities, a 76 percent reduction in all injuries, and a 35 percent reduction in pedestrian crashes.

“American Structurepoint is grateful for this recognition,” American Structurepoint Vice President Mike McBride said. “However, we are more grateful for the opportunity to help the City of Carmel achieve its goal of transforming Range Line Road into a safe, sustainable and vibrant destination for travelers.”

Applications open for United Way of Central Indiana pitch competition

More than \$100K in grants will be given out April 25 at Propel

The REPORTER

Applications are now being accepted from non-profits interested in winning funding by showcasing their innovative ideas at a pitch contest in April.

At Propel, human services organizations will pitch their ideas on how to reduce barriers for those from under-resourced communities or asset-limited backgrounds. The event is open to nonprofits serving residents in Boone, Hamilton, Hancock, Hendricks, Marion, Morgan, or Putnam counties.

More than \$100,000 in grants will be given out when finalists make their pitches live April 25 at High Alpha in Indianapolis. For a third year, the event will be sponsored by media company Audiochuck.

Interested nonprofits can apply through Feb. 12. Applicants do not need to be accredited with United Way to participate. For more information or to apply, go to uwci.org/propel.

This will be United Way’s third Propel. In the event’s inaugural year in 2022, five organizations



United Way of Central Indiana

pitched their ideas, winning \$45,000. At last year’s Propel, seven organizations participated, and more than \$100,000 was awarded.

Propel is also made possible thanks to generous sponsorship from The National Bank of Indianapolis.

TODAY: Zionsville Meadows holds open house at new Memory Care Neighborhood

The REPORTER

Zionsville Meadows recently opened a Memory Care Neighborhood and the public is invited to attend an open house from 2 to 4 p.m. today, Jan. 24.

The senior healthcare community offers a variety of care options including Short-Term Rehabilitation, Long-Term Care, Respite Care, Hospice Care and Outpatient Therapy. The addition of a Memory Care Neighborhood is a testament to the community’s ongoing dedication to serving its community.

Zionsville Meadows is managed by American Senior Communities (ASC) and is located at 675 S. Ford Road, Zionsville. ASC’s Memory Care Neighborhoods aim to provide a safe and enriching environment for those living with Alzheimer’s or other forms of dementia. Residents and families can expect personalized care plans and a compassionate approach to ensure comfort and well-being.

“We’re excited to enhance our services and cater to the specific needs of individuals requiring memory care support,” Zionsville Meadows Executive Director Dana Huffman said. “This expansion reaffirms our commitment to ensuring the highest quality of care for our community members.”

About Zionsville Meadows

Zionsville Meadows offers a wide variety of Lifestyle and Care Options including Short-Term Rehabilitation, Memory Care, Long-Term Care, Respite Care, Hospice Care and

Outpatient Therapy. Zionsville Meadows’ mission is to compassionately serve each customer with quality care and excellence. Learn more at ASCCare.com/ZVM.



Meeting Notices

The Atlanta Plan Commission will meet at 5 p.m. on Monday, Feb. 19, 2024, at Atlanta Town Hall, 105 E. Main St.

The Atlanta New Earth Festival Committee will hold its monthly meetings immediately following the first Town Council meeting of each month, which start at 6 p.m., at Atlanta Town Hall, 105 E. Main St.

The Atlanta Plan Commission will hold its monthly meetings before the second Town Council meeting of each month at 5:30 p.m. at Atlanta Town Hall, 105 E. Main St.

The Noblesville Council Roads Committee will meet at 9:30 a.m. instead of 8 a.m. on Friday, March 1, June 7, Sept. 6, and Dec. 6, 2024. All other meeting times remain unchanged.

The Noblesville Economic Development Council Committee will meet at 11 a.m. on the following dates in 2024 in Room A213 at Noblesville City Hall, 16 S. 10th St.
Wednesday, March 6
Wednesday, June 5
Wednesday, Sept. 4
Wednesday, Dec. 4

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HAMILTON COUNTY REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION MEETING NOTICE

Pursuant to IC 5-14-1.5-5 (a) The Hamilton County Redevelopment Commission will meet on Friday, January 26, 2024 at 8:30 a.m. in the Commissioners Courtroom located in the Hamilton County Government and Judicial Center, One Hamilton County Square, Noblesville, Indiana 46060. The meeting may be viewed via Teams by using the following: Meeting ID: 238 912 051 904 Passcode: piZu8r R3709

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Phillip Ragan West
May 22, 1946 – January 18, 2024

Phillip Ragan West, 77, Lebanon, Ind., and formerly of rural Kirklin, Ind., passed away on Thursday evening, January 18, 2024, at Signature Healthcare at Parkwood in Lebanon. Born on May 22, 1946, in Lebanon, he was the son of the late Thomas Ragan and Julia Ellen (Marlow) West.

He was a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows of both Kempton and Ekin.

He was a 1964 graduate of Sheridan High School and continued his education at Indiana State University. Two years into his studies, Phil enlisted in the U.S. Naval Reserves. He quickly found himself aboard the USS Higbee and honorably served his country as a radar man during the Vietnam War. After his time in the service was complete, Phil returned home with many stories to tell. He also returned with a newfound desire to seek out parts unknown. He enjoyed traveling to various states and never passed up a chance to hit the open road on his motorcycle (or do some drag racing outside of town).

Phil spent most of his working life in telecommunications. He was employed at Indiana Bell as a lineman and worked on nearly everything in the company's arsenal during his 30-year career. He enjoyed the people he met along the way and thoroughly enjoyed what he did (even if it meant shimmying through some very tight attics and crawlspaces). The company Phil worked for may have changed from Indiana Bell to AT&T, and finally Lucent Technology, but the attention to detail and the pride he took in his work never did. After leaving the phone company, Phil worked for CNH in Lebanon before finally retiring in 2019.

On September 10, 1972, Phil's life would change forever. He married the love of his life, Juanita Lynn Kirby, and together they embarked on a lifelong adventure of laughter and memories. A devoted father and husband, Phil never let his work take away from his time with his family. He and Juanita spent countless hours working on their home, which sometimes put his handy man skills to the test. There was also equal time devoted to the property as well. From working the garden to mowing on his and her lawnmowers, the hours spent taking care of the homestead was quality family time well spent. There wasn't too much that Phil couldn't fix or build, and somehow there always seemed to be extra hours in the day and days in the week to get everything done. However, no matter how busy things got, there was always time to sit and enjoy the wonder of watching a good storm roll in.

As the kids grew older and became more involved in sports and activities, Phil made his attendance a priority. Phil's AT&T van was usually in the parking lot at most of the kids' events, creating even more memories for the family to look back on.

Sports and politics were favorite topics for Phil. He would print out a monthly calendar, listing all the games,



times, and channels, so he wouldn't miss a thing. Playing football, basketball (his favorite), and running track at Sheridan H.S. instantly made him a lifetime Blackhawk fan, but he was equally dedicated to IU basketball and the Colts. If IU wasn't playing, Phil would suck it up and turn on the Purdue game, just to get his basketball fix. And just like any self-respecting Hoosier, he loved the Indianapolis 500. Many a race day were spent in the backyard listening to the radio broadcast and cheering on his favorite driver, A.J. Foyt.

Family was everything to Phil. He was blessed to have gained even more family to cherish during his years at Parkwood. He enjoyed working large difficult puzzles, and his room became the hangout for those who were in the know. He loved visiting with everybody and was a wonderful support system for those who didn't have anyone in their corner. Phil's room ultimately became a part of the facility tour, and with that came ample opportunity to brag on his grandkids to visitors, residents, and staff alike. His years at Parkwood also helped him reconnect with his older brother, Harold. There was always a fun time to be had when those two would hop on the golf cart and drive around Lebanon.

On behalf of Phillip West, his family would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to each and every person that touched his life while living at Parkwood. You provided him a great retirement and a wonderful environment for him to live and his family to visit. God Bless.

Phil is survived by his son, Brant Ragan West (Paige) of Lebanon; two daughters, Michelle Lynn Ramsey (Brett) of Reynolds and Mindi Lee Cheek (Travis) of rural Frankfort; 14 grandchildren, Braedon Ramsey (Levi), Broderick Ramsey (Nancy), Arianna Ramsey, Kyleigh Bolinger, Hayley Bolinger, Brayden Bolinger, Trace Cheek, Raigan Cheek, Kynlee Cheek, Trenton Cheek, Lauren West, Rachel West, Sarah West, and Hannah West; great-grandchild, Crew Ramsey; sister, Arilla June Holt of Florida; and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Thomas Ragan and Julia Ellen (Marlow) West; granddaughter, Morgan West; infant sister, Beth Ann West; brother, Harold Thomas West; sister and brother-in-law, Louise Price and husband Vernon; mother-in-law, Betty Egler; brothers-in-law, Ronald Kirby and Gerald "Butch" Kirby; and by his loving wife, Juanita Lynn (Kirby) West on June 4, 2019. She and Phil were married on September 10, 1972.

Services with military honors will be held at 7 p.m. on Thursday, January 25, 2024, at Kercheval Funeral Home, 306 E. 10th St., Sheridan, with visitation from 4 p.m. until the time of service. Pastor Robert Trafford will be officiating.

Phil will be laid to rest at Crown View Cemetery in Sheridan.

Condolences: kerchevalfuneralhome.com

TODAY'S BIBLE READING

LABAN PURSUES JACOB

Laban answered Jacob, "The women are my daughters, the children are my children, and the flocks are my flocks. All you see is mine. Yet what can I do today about these daughters of mine, or about the children they have borne? Come now, let's make a covenant, you and I, and let it serve as a witness between us."

Genesis 31:43-44 (NIV)

Patti Ione Koerber

March 26, 1931 – January 20, 2024

Patti Ione Koerber, 92, died on January 20, 2024. She was born March 26, 1931, in Noblesville to Ione and Kenneth Pickett. At 18, she became Catholic, and her deep faith animated the rest of her life.

After Noblesville High School, she attended Antioch and Marian University, graduating from Marquette University. In Milwaukee, she met Leonard who shared her faith and intellectual curiosity. They were married 57 years until his death in 2015.

She reoriented her life after her first child, John, was born, becoming an advocate for people with developmental disabilities and their families. She earned a master's in special education from Indiana University and founded the Parent Information Resource Center (PIRC) in 1975, expanding it into a national network, Parentele. Pat and Leonard also won a federal civil rights suit against the segregation of developmentally disabled students at IPS.

In 1980, Pat realized a long-held dream, opening a used book business, Abstract Books, in her home. She was one of the early book dealers online and the business is still in operation.

Her love of architecture, seen in her work at each family home, helped shape the new church at St. Ann's in Indianapolis where the family became parishioners in 1989.

She was devoted to her family and is survived by her children Lisa Barks, Susannah Koerber, and Kin (Ravi) Koerber; grandchildren Caron (Tim) Phillips, Lauren (Trevor) Green, Edward Barks, Sameer and Arnav Kuber; and great-grandchildren Max, Archer, James, and Amelia.

She was preceded in death by Leonard, her son John, her sister Wanda Lee Chatel, and her brother Kenneth Kinsey "Bud" Pickett.

Visitation will be held from 5 to 7 p.m. on Friday, January 26, 2024, at Flanner Buchanan Decatur Township, 5463 Kentucky Ave., Indianapolis, with the Mass of Christian Burial on Saturday, January 27, 2024, at St. Ann Catholic Church, 6350 S. Mooresville Road, Indianapolis. She will be interred at Crownland Cemetery in Noblesville following her mass.

In lieu of flowers, please consider a gift to St. Ann's Building Fund, Brebeuf Jesuit Preparatory School, or Outside the Box.

To sign the online guest book and share your memories of Patti with her family please go to flannerbuchanan.com.

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Basketball

Golden Eagles roll past tough Liberty Christian

By **RICHIE HALL**
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NOBLESVILLE – The score of the Guerin Catholic boys basketball team’s Tuesday victory over Liberty Christian on Tuesday night doesn’t tell the whole story.

Golden Eagles coach Bobby Allen would be the first one to tell you that. Class 3A No. 3 Guerin Catholic had to battle with a Lions team that’s receiving votes in the 1A poll. Liberty Christian had leads on GC in the first half before the Golden Eagles took over in the second half, sailing to a 78-61 victory at the Eagles Nest.

“They’re a young team with nothing to fear,” said Allen. “They have incredible energy. Their coach does a great job with them. They’re a dangerous team and they showed it tonight.”

The first half was almost all scoring runs from both teams. Guerin scored the first seven points of the game, with five of them coming from Robert Sorensen. The Lions responded with an 8-0 spurt, including five from T.J. English, one of three promising freshmen on the LC team.

The Golden Eagles blasted back, outscoring the Lions 17-4 in a run that carried into the second quarter and was led by Guerin Catholic’s big men. Dylan Murans made a couple dunks, while Bryson Cardinal was good on a pair of three-point plays. Ben Grissom finished the run with a triple early in the second period, and the Golden Eagles led 24-12.

Liberty Christian responded with a 14-0 run, facilitated by five different players. English and Kendrick Martin, another freshman, both had four points. Murans stopped the spurt with a layin, then Sorensen took over, adding seven points in the final 2:45 to give Guerin Catholic a 33-30 halftime lead.

The Golden Eagles began to pull away in the third quarter, outscoring the Lions 20-13. Jack Cherry helped out with five points, including a 3. This was Cherry’s fourth game back after missing the first part of the season with an injury, and he is coming back strong.

“It feels good to be back,” said Cherry. While the senior said it was tough to be on the bench, he took a positive attitude, saying he was able to see what his teammates – “you get to see what they can do and it gives other people opportunities to play.”

Cherry showed everyone what he could do. He had a perfect shooting night that translated into 12 points: Cherry made both his two-



Guerin Catholic’s Robert Sorensen (3) scored 23 points for the Golden Eagles in their Tuesday win over Liberty Christian. In the background is Jack Cherry, who had 12 points and eight assists.

point attempts, both his 3-point attempts, and both of his free-throw attempts.

“Robert Sorensen does a really good job scoring the ball, and the teams take him away,” said Cherry. “Then you just got to step up.”

Guerin Catholic led 53-43 after three quarters, then poured in another 25 in the fourth. An 8-0 run gave GC its biggest lead of the game at 69-49; Cherry hit a 3 and two free throws, then Murans nailed a 3. Cardinal had nine points in the quarter, including his third and-1 of the game with 3:12 left.

“We also had 15 turnovers in the first half, which is too many,” said Allen. “We came out in the second half, we only had three. So, when we take care of the ball and when we get the ball in sight first, then we find success.”

Sorensen scored 23 points, while Cardinal earned another double-double, 19 points and 10 rebounds. Murans totaled 16 points and Cherry had 12.

The Golden Eagles rebounded Liberty Christian 38-19. Sorensen collected seven rebounds and Andy Caron had five. Guerin Catholic had 21 team assists, with Cherry dishing

GUERIN CATHOLIC 78, LIBERTY CHRISTIAN 61				
Guerin Catholic	FG	FT	TP	PF
Jack Cherry	4-4	2-2	12	1
Robert Sorensen	8-17	3-4	23	2
Andy Caron	1-3	0-0	2	1
Dylan Murans	6-12	3-4	16	0
Bryson Cardinal	7-10	5-8	19	4
Malcolm Houze	0-3	1-2	1	1
Ben Grissom	1-2	0-0	3	0
Jake Grissom	0-0	0-0	0	2
Nik Balmuri	0-0	2-2	2	0
Hayden Rodgers	0-0	0-0	0	0
Asher Arkenau	0-0	0-2	0	1
Totals	27-51	16-24	78	12
Score by Quarters				
Liberty Christian	12	18	13	18 – 61
Guerin Catholic	20	13	20	25 – 78
Guerin Catholic 3-point shooting (8-25) Sorensen 4-11, Cherry 2-2, Murans 1-4, B. Grissom 1-2, Houze 0-3, Cardinal 0-2, Caron 0-1.				
Guerin Catholic rebounds (38) Cardinal 10, Sorensen 7, Caron 5, Murans 4, Houze 3, Cherry 2, Arkenau 2, J. Grissom 1, team 4.				

out eight, followed by Sorensen and Caron with two each. Sorensen and Murans both blocked two shots.

The Golden Eagles are 12-5 and host Lafayette Central Catholic Friday in a girls-boys doubleheader.



Allison Scheu led Fishers with 16 points during the Tigers’ overtime win Tuesday at Lawrence North.

Tigers trounce Wildcats in big overtime win

The REPORTER

Fishers scored a huge victory at Lawrence North on Tuesday, as the Tigers beat the Class 4A No. 8 Wildcats 63-57 in an overtime game.

Fishers, ranked No. 15 in the IBCA one-class poll, got off to a good start, leading 15-6 after one quarter. Talia Harris had six points, with Allison Scheu scoring five. The Tigers then led 31-21 at halftime, with Nevaeh Dickman adding six points.

Lawrence North came back in the second half, scoring 16 points to cut Fishers’ lead to 41-37 by the end of the third quarter.

The Wildcats forced overtime with another 16 points in the fourth period, which finished with the teams tied 53-53. The Tigers outscored LN 10-4 in the extra period, Talia Harris made 6 of 8 free throws to clinch the game.

Scheu finished with 16 points, followed by Dickman with 15 and Harris with 14. Joirdyn Smith made her return to Fishers after an injury; she made a 3-pointer in the fourth quarter.

The Tigers are 16-5 and finish regular season and Hoosier Crossroads Conference play Friday at Franklin Central.

FISHERS 63, LAWRENCE NORTH 57 (overtime)				
Fishers	FG	FT	TP	PF
Talia Harris	4	6-10	14	2
Morgan Roberts	1	2-2	5	0
Kate Thomas	3	2-2	8	3
Nevaeh Dickman	7	1-3	15	2
Allison Scheu	3	9-12	16	3
Joirdyn Smith	1	0-0	3	0
Alanna Anthony	0	0-0	0	1
Natalie Thomas	1	0-0	2	0
Totals	20	20-29	63	11
Score by Quarters				
Fishers	15	16	10	12
Lawrence North	6	15	16	16
Fishers 3-pointers (3) Smith, Roberts, Scheu.				

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Girls Basketball



Carmel's Taryn Fisher had eight points and four steals during the Greyhounds' Tuesday win over Cathedral.

Greyhounds get 10th win of season by beating Cathedral

The REPORTER

Carmel's girls reached the 10-win mark on Tuesday as they beat Cathedral 38-34 at the Eric Clark Activity Center.

The first quarter was all defense, as the two teams played to a 4-4 tie. Taryn Fisher had all four of the Greyhounds' points. Carmel got its offense going in the second quarter, taking a 15-11 lead by halftime.

In the third period, Megan Hamm led the way by scoring six points. That helped the 'Hounds to a 27-17 lead

going into the fourth quarter. The Irish made a little comeback in that period, but Carmel clinched the game from the free-throw line, making 8 of 10 to secure the win.

Hamm scored 13 points to pace the Greyhounds, with Izzy Shepherd scoring nine. Fisher and Mackenzie Woods both had eight points. Jamie Elliott led the rebounds with seven. Fisher made four steals and Lauren Perry had two blocked shots.

Carmel is 10-11 and hosts Ben Davis on Friday to finish the regular season.

CARMEL 38, CATHEDRAL 34				
Carmel	FG	FT	TP	PF
Izzy Shepherd	3-12	2-4	9	1
Mackenzie Woods	2-4	4-6	8	1
Lauren Perry	0-4	0-0	0	2
Jamie Elliott	0-4	0-0	0	1
Taryn Fisher	3-7	2-2	8	1
Megan Hamm	4-5	5-6	13	1
Rilee McBride	0-1	0-0	0	0
Totals	12-37	13-18	38	7
Score by Quarters				
Cathedral	4	7	6	17-34
Carmel	4	11	12	11-38
Carmel 3-point shooting (1-11) Shepherd 1-6, Perry 0-3, Elliott 0-1, Fisher 0-1.				
Carmel rebounds (17) Elliott 7, Shepherd 4, Perry 4, Fisher 1, Hamm 1.				

Westfield edges out Ben Davis

The REPORTER

After two close losses in a row, the Westfield girls were ready for a win.

They got one Tuesday at Ben Davis. The Shamrocks got past the Giants 53-50, breaking a four-game skid and finishing the regular season on a positive note.

Westfield led 13-10 after one quarter, then went up 26-19 at halftime. Reagan Lorenzen helped out with eight points in the first period, then added another four in the second quarter for 12 first-half points.

Ben Davis inched its

way back into the game in the second half, but the 'Rocks were able to hold the Giants off. Ellie Kelleher scored eight points in the fourth quarter, making all four of her free throws during that time.

Kelleher finished with 15 points, while Lorenzen scored 14. Lindsey Van Dyke had 10 points, scoring six in the third quarter.

Westfield completed its regular season 13-9. The 'Rocks play in the first game of Sectional 8 next Tuesday at 6 p.m., taking on host Hamilton Southeastern.

WESTFIELD 53, BEN DAVIS 50				
Westfield	FG	FT	TP	PF
Ellie Kelleher	5	5-7	15	2
Aubrey Crockett	1	1-2	4	3
Kiki Loveless	0	0-0	0	0
Reagan Lorenzen	5	3-3	14	1
Lindsey Van Dyke	5	0-2	10	0
Meg Hamilton	1	0-0	3	0
MaKayla Hatcher	1	2-2	4	4
Sam Price	1	1-4	3	2
Totals	19	12-20	53	12
Score by Quarters				
Westfield	13	13	15	12-53
Ben Davis	10	9	16	15-50
Westfield 3-pointers (3) Hamilton, Crockett, Lorenzen.				

Sheridan slips against Clinton Central

The REPORTER

Sheridan's girls dropped a Hoosier Heartland Conference game at Clinton Central Tuesday by the score of 51-42.

The Blackhawks got out to a 14-7 lead on the Class 1A No. 5 Bulldogs after the first quarter. But Central came back in the second period, taking a 22-19 lead into halftime. Sheridan battled in the second half, but the Bulldogs were able to outscore

the 'Hawks in both the third and fourth quarter to clinch the win, running their record to 21-1 for the season.

Kenzie Garner scored 17 points for Sheridan, and also had five rebounds, four steals and two blocked shots. Sadie Timme hit three 3-pointers for nine points.

The Blackhawks are 5-2 in conference play and 15-5 overall. Sheridan is back home tonight, hosting Southmont.

CLINTON CENTRAL 51, SHERIDAN 42				
Sheridan	FG	FT	TP	PF
Nova Cross	2-3	0-0	5	4
Sadie Timme	3-4	0-0	9	2
Kenzie Garner	6-24	5-6	17	1
Brielle Garner	3-7	0-0	8	2
Cecilia Timme	1-9	1-2	3	4
Mac Smith	0-2	0-0	0	1
Totals	15-49	6-8	42	14
Score by Quarters				
Sheridan	14	5	10	13-42
Clinton Central	7	15	14	15-51
Sheridan 3-point shooting (6-14) S. Timme 3-3, B. Garner 2-4, Cross 1-1, K. Garner 0-5, C. Timme 0-1.				
Sheridan rebounds (16) K. Garner 5, C. Timme 4, S. Timme 3, B. Garner 2, Cross 1, Smith 1.				

IHSAA announces girls sectional pairings

The REPORTER

The IHSAA announced the girls basketball sectional pairings last Sunday.

Hamilton County's Class 4A schools travel to Hamilton Southeastern to play in Sectional 8. The Royals will take on Westfield in the site's first game, which is set for Tuesday, Jan. 30. That will be followed by another opening-round game, with Carmel taking on Fishers.

The semifinals take place Friday, Feb. 2. Zionsville plays the West-

field-Southeastern winner, with Noblesville playing the Carmel-Fishers winner.

Hamilton Heights travels to Yorktown for Class 3A Sectional 24, a seven-team site. The Huskies play New Castle in the second of two first-round games on Wednesday, Jan. 31. The opening game that night will take place between Center-ville and Frankton.

Yorktown and Jay County play the sectional's first game on Tuesday, Jan. 30, with the winner advancing

to face Delta in the Feb. 2 semifinals. The two Wednesday winners play the second semifinal game that night.

Guerin Catholic heads south to Bishop Chatard to compete in Class 3A Sectional 27. The Golden Eagles got the bye and play in the Feb. 2 semifinal, taking on the winner of a first-round game between Heritage Christian and Herron. In the other side of the bracket, Brebeuf Jesuit plays the host Trojans in the

first round, with the winner advancing to take on Shortridge in the semifinals.

Sheridan and University will play at Class 2A Sectional 43 at Park Tudor. As a four-team site, this sectional begins on Friday, Feb. 2. The Blackhawks play the host Panthers in the evening's first game, while the Trailblazers take on Covenant Christian in the following game.

Sectional championships at all four sites are set for Saturday, Feb. 3.

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Basketball

No. 5 Royals outlast Pike in regular-season finale

The REPORTER

Hamilton Southeastern hosted the Pike Red Devils on Tuesday night for their regular season finale. The Royals would be tested throughout, but they were able to outlast the visiting Red Devils, 76-71. HSE was clinging to a 20-18 lead after one quarter. The Class 4A fifth-ranked Royals found a little bit of breathing room in the second, scoring 22 and holding Pike to 15 for a 42-33 halftime score. That second quarter momentum carried over into the third with Southeastern posting 22 again to take a 64-47 lead into the fourth. Pike wasn't going to go away quietly. The Red Dev-

ils gave the Royals all they could handle in an attempt to upset HSE. But, despite outscoring Hamilton Southeastern 24-12 in the quarter, HSE would hold on for the 76-71 win to close out the regular season. Pike (9-13) will host Class 4A Sectional 11. The Red Devils open up against Perry Meridian (3-16) on Tuesday in the only game that night for the seven-team field. The Royals were led by Kennedy Holman's 21 points and eight assists. Maya Makalusky finished with 19 points and six rebounds. Kayla Stidham had 14 points with Kenley Johnson adding 10. Hamilton Southeastern

HAMILTON SOUTHEASTERN 76, PIKE 71				
Southeastern	FG	FT	TP	PF
Maya Makalusky	5-13	7-12	19	4
Kennedy Holman	9-16	3-4	21	2
Zoe Lawless	0-0	0-0	0	2
Kayla Stidham	4-10	5-6	14	4
Addison Van Hoesen	0-1	2-2	2	3
Antonette Green	2-2	0-0	6	1
Kenley Johnson	5-7	0-0	10	1
Kayla Brinley	2-4	0-0	4	2
Totals	27-53	17-24	76	19
Score by Quarters				
Pike	18	15	14	24 - 71
Southeastern	20	22	22	12 - 76
Southeastern 3-point shooting (5-18) Makalusky 2-8, Green 2-2, Stidham 1-6, Holman 0-1, Brinley 0-1.				
Southeastern rebounds (30) Holman 6, Makalusky 6, Brinley 4, Van Hoesen 4, Stidham 3, Green 3, Johnson 2, Lawless 2.				

(19-3) also gets to stay home for sectional play. The Royals host Class 4A Sectional 8. HSE drew the first game on Tuesday and will play the Westfield Shamrocks (13-9) at 6 p.m. The 'Rocks were also winners at Ben Davis (53-50) last night to conclude the regular season.

IBCA girls basketball poll – Week of Jan. 21

Rank	School	Points	Record
1	Lawrence Central (11)	382	22-1
2	Columbia City (4)	369	18-2
3	Center Grove (3)	356	21-1
4	Fort Wayne Snider (1)	350	18-2
5	Hamilton Southeastern (1)	303	18-3
6	Jennings County	297	19-3
7	Franklin Community	279	19-2
8	Lawrence North	266	16-4
9	Northridge	207	20-3
10	Homestead	184	18-4
11	Hamilton Heights	178	19-2
12	South Bend Washington	173	16-4
13	Norwell	139	17-4
14	Bedford North Lawrence	115	16-4
15	Fishers	114	15-5
16	Lake Central	111	18-4
17	Zionsville	109	16-5
18	Noblesville	75	13-8
19	Rensselaer Central	36	19-1
20	Indian Creek	31	16-4

First place votes are in parentheses.

Other schools receiving votes, with records Borden (17-3), Eastern Hancock (19-1), Evansville Memorial (18-3), Franklin Central (11-8), Gibson Southern (18-4), Greensburg (16-4), Lanesville (20-1), Marquette Catholic (18-2), North Knox (21-1), Scottsburg (19-2), Silver Creek (16-4), South Knox (20-1), Warsaw (12-7), Washington (18-4).

Huskies roll big in road win at Hagerstown

The REPORTER

On Tuesday night, Hamilton Heights hit the road to play Hagerstown. The Huskies got off the bus on a mission and kept their foot on the gas pedal, rolling to a big road win over the Tigers, 77-43. The Huskies jumped out big in the first quarter lead, making a statement 25-7. Hagerstown tightened up on the defense in the second and scored a little in the process. Heights was still able to outscore the Tigers 16-13 to push their lead even more at halftime to 41-20. Hamilton Heights came out of the halftime locker room in the third and kept the offense going. The Hus-

kies scored 22 to the Tigers' 18 for a 63-38 margin with one quarter left. The Tigers simply ran out of gas in the fourth with just five points while yielding 14 on the way to a 77-43 win for the Huskies, their biggest victory of the season thus far. Heights was able to get five into double figures. Tillman Etchison led with 17, with John Irion and Tyler Champion each scoring 12. Dreydin Serna and Landen Scheiber both had 10, while Sam Dawson and Carson Felger chipped in with six each. The Huskies shot 58 percent overall, making 34 of 58 field goals, including knocking down 7-for-16 from outside for 43 percent.

HAMILTON HEIGHTS 77, HAGERSTOWN 43				
Heights	FG	FT	TP	PF
Tyler Champion	5-8	0-0	12	0
Dreydin Serna	5-5	0-0	10	4
Tillman Etchison	7-10	0-1	17	0
John Irion	5-10	2-2	12	0
Sam Dawson	3-6	0-0	6	1
Phoenix Vondersaar	0-1	0-0	0	1
Landen Scheiber	4-7	0-0	10	2
Carson Felger	3-3	0-0	6	4
Isaiah Grimsey	1-1	0-0	2	5
Rees Knapp	1-4	0-0	2	1
Chris Nobbe	0-3	0-0	0	1
Totals	34-58	2-3	77	21
Score by Quarters				
Heights	25	16	22	14 - 77
Hagerstown	7	13	18	5 - 43
Heights 3-point shooting (7-16) Etchison 3-4, Scheiber 2-4, Champion 2-3, Knapp 0-2, Dawson 0-2, Nobbe 0-1.				
Heights rebounds (32) Serna 7, Champion 4, Felger 4, Vondersaar 3, Knapp 3, Grimsey 3, Irion 3, Scheiber 2, Etchison 2, Dawson 1.				

Hamilton Heights (8-8) against Class 2A No. 1 Tip-ton (14-1).

IBCA boys basketball poll – Week of Jan. 21

Rank	School	Points	Record
1	Lawrence North (18)	436	15-0
2	Fishers (4)	422	15-0
3	Westfield	368	12-1
4	Cathedral	360	12-1
5	Noblesville	343	13-2
6	Crispus Attucks	317	12-3
7	Greenfield-Central	308	15-0
8	Lake Central	300	13-0
9	Kokomo	268	14-3
10	Ben Davis	231	10-3
11	Richmond	199	17-1
12	Brownstown Central	180	13-4
13	South Bend Riley	136	15-3
14	Evansville Harrison	131	12-2
15	Tipton	105	14-1
16	Brebeuf Jesuit	71	9-4
17	New Palestine	54	11-3
18	Guerin Catholic	47	12-5
19	Anderson	41	11-3
20	Wapahani	33	13-1

First place votes are in parentheses.

Other schools receiving votes, with records Brownsburg (9-8), Center Grove (10-4), Concord (12-2), Crown Point (9-4), Danville (13-1), East Chicago Central (13-4), Evansville Memorial (8-4), Fort Wayne Bishop Luers (12-1), Fort Wayne Wayne (11-3), Franklin Community (12-2), Gary West Side (10-2), Hamilton Southeastern (11-5), Heritage Hills (13-2), Jeffersonville (10-6), Manchester (13-2), Merrillville (9-5), New Albany (11-3), North Central (Indianapolis) (9-5), Northridge (11-4), Penn (9-4), Scottsburg (12-4), Seymour (12-4), Valparaiso (12-4), Warren Central (9-7), Warsaw Community (9-3), Evansville Christian School (12-1).

Heritage Christian hands defeat to University girls

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Heritage Christian outscored the University girls 19-4 in the first four minutes of the third quarter and went on to hand the Trailblazers a 58-47 defeat Tuesday night. Anyah Turley had 17 points and a career-high nine rebounds for the Trailblazers, who lost their fourth straight game. Charlotte Conyers had 10 points and seven rebounds. Mack Feeney had a game-high 14 rebounds. University got off to a fast start scoring the first nine points of the game. Turley opened the scoring with a three-point play then added a bucket off a Feeney offensive rebound. Conyers scored after a Turley rebound and Feeney added a basket off a Conyers assist. Two buckets by Conyers and a Turley basket with 10 seconds left gave University a 15-8 lead at the first quarter break. The Eagles scored the first seven points of the second quarter to knot the game

HERITAGE CHRISTIAN 58, UNIVERSITY 47				
University	FG	FT	TP	PF
Hannah Grubbs	2-4	2-5	6	4
Keira Bright	3-7	1-2	7	0
Anyah Turley	7-12	3-5	17	5
Leah Norvell	2-8	0-0	5	0
Mack Feeney	1-3	0-0	2	2
Charlotte Conyers	5-15	0-0	10	1
Totals	20-49	6-12	47	12
Score by Quarters				
University	15	9	9	14 - 47
Heritage Christian	8	14	25	11 - 58
University 3-point shooting (1-8) Norvell 1-3, Conyers 0-4, Bright 0-1.				
University rebounds (39) Feeney 14, Turley 9, Conyers 7, Grubbs 3, Bright 3, Norvell 3.				

at 15, the first of three ties in the quarter. Keira Bright made a basket with six seconds left to send the Blazers to halftime with a 24-22 lead. Heritage Christian took the lead for good at 26-24 one minute in to second half and broke the game open scoring a trio of three pointers in 50 seconds to open up an 11-point lead at 36-27. University was unable to get closer than nine the rest of the game. Mya Davis led the Eagles

with 21. Joslyn Marshall had 12 and Casey Frost 10. Heritage Christian improved to 12-9. University falls to 11-9. The Trailblazers are next in action Thursday at Tri-West.

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