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Thanks for reading!

Noblesville Lions looking for dodgeball teams

The Reporter

The Noblesville Lions are host- ing their first Dodgeball Tournament on March 10 at the Ivy Tech College Gym in Noblesville. The Lions Club is looking for teams to participate in the tournament. Proceeds will be used to support programs for the blind and leader dogs for the blind. If interested, contact Dave March at 317-560-5168 or email dmarc36@qwest.net for information.

The 2018 Country Megaticket acts, dates announced

WISH-TV

Those looking for signs warmer weather won’t be disappointed by the acts and dates announced for the 2018 Country Megaticket presented by Jiffy Lube acts and dates have been announced. The fun kicks off on Saturday, May 19 as Jason Aldean will play at the Ruoff Home Mortgage Music Center in Noblesville. The others and dates are as fol- lows:

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Some of the attractions that helped bring a record number of people to Conner Prairie in 2017 included the Treetop Outpost (above left), the Civil War Journey (above right), the Lenape Indian Camp (below) and Animal Encounters (bottom).
Republican Women offer safety training you hope you never need

By STU CLAMPITT
ReadTheReporter.com

From 6 to 8 p.m. Wednesday evening, the Hamilton County Fed- erated Republican Women (HC-FRW) invited the community to learn about active shooter situations. Thineman Construction, 17219 Foundation Pkwy., Westfield, played host to the event.

Sergeant Bill Clifford of the Hamilton County Sheriff’s Depart- ment taught CRASE: Citizen Re- sponse to Active Shooter Events. Those in attendance learned the ADD (Avoid, Deny and Defend) strategy in preparing for emer- gency situations. Clifford called it, “a topic I feel every citizen should be aware of.” He also not- ed it was, “a great turnout on a cold January night.”

According to HCFRW Presi- dent Emily Pearson, approximately 50 people were in attendance. As one of his duties, Clifford helps train his fellow officers and, at events like this one, is a member of the community on how to respond to the threat of an active shooter. Using a series of visual displays and hands-on demonstrations, Clifford explained the current “Avoid, Deny and De- fend” strategy for personal surviving in active shooter situations.

“It was very informative,”Pear- son told The Reporter. “It’s some- thing you hope you never need to know, but at some point, you might need the training.”

According to Pearson, one of the most important things taught was to have a plan of ac- tion in the event you are ever in these situations. “You have to be aware of your circumstances and your surroundings,” Pearson said. “He said ‘think of yourself as a turtle.’” The examples she pointed out for defense included turning out the lights and locking or securing the door in some way.

Sergeant Clifford of the Hamilton County Sheriff’s Department talks to a crowd of nearly 50 people about the “Avoid, Deny and Defend” strategy for dealing with active shooter situations.

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HC-FRW member Denise Moe told The Reporter she learned a great deal during Sgt. Clifford’s presentation. “He played a video record- ing of Columbine High School,” Moe said. “Listening to the trage- dy helped us understand because we could hear the fear and panic in someone’s voice.”

Moe told The Reporter she thought the presentation was im- portant because, “Mass shootings have been on a steep rise in the last several years.”

Another example of an ac- tive shooter situation Moe spoke about was the recent outdoor shooting in Las Vegas. “People thought it was firecrackers and dismissed it for several minutes,” Moe said. “No one wants to think the worst, but it’s better to be safe than sorry. If you hear a popping noise or the hairs on the back of your neck stand up, trust your instincts and treat something that is wrong as an immediate threat.”

While situational awareness is perhaps the best survival tech- nique, sometimes events spiral out of control and situations arise that demand immediate action!

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According to HCFRW President Emily Pearson, several hundred dollars’ worth of donations were collected for the Right Now campaign at Wednesday’s event.

Help Right Now
HCFRW’s Right Now campaign needs donations of:

- toilet paper; sponges, main pads; toothpaste; toothbrushes; soap (soft or bar); shampoo and conditioner; laundry detergent; Q-tips; hairbrushes or combs; paper towels; dish soap; baby diapers and wipes.

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According to Moe, one important thing she learned was about what to do when the authorities arrive. “When the authorities arrive, they just know the law and don’t think about what the residents are going through,” Moe said. “They don’t know who the bad guy is.”
Barbara L. Fox
October 19, 1932 – January 24, 2018

Barbara L. Fox, 85, Carmel, passed away on Wednesday, January 24, 2018 at Allisonville Meadows in Fishers. She was born on October 19, 1932 to Ralph and Helen C. (Phillips) Landis in Davenport, Iowa.

Barbara was a homemaker and had previously been employed with Magnavox in Fort Wayne. She loved her family dearly; was a member of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Catholic Church in Carmel; enjoyed playing Bridge with her friends; and loved all things Notre Dame.

She is survived by her four children, Maureen (Peter) Holm, Terry P. (Theresa) Fox, Timothy (Heidi) Fox and Michael J. Fox; grandchildren, Nate (Down) Holm, Maddie Holm, Olivia Holm, Andrew (Melissa) Stevenson, Megan (Eric) Rosswurm and Quinn Fox; and great-grandchildren, Connor Roosevelt, Barrett Henry Stevenson, Micah Roosevelt, Dylan Roosevelt and Denise Roosevelt.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband of 44 years, Frank R. Fox; and a sister, Carol Emory.

Services will be held at noon on Monday, January 29, 2018 at Randall & Roberts Fishers Mortuary, 12010 Allisonville Road, Fishers, with visitation beginning at 11 a.m. prior to the service. Rev. Patrick Click will officiate. A private entombment will be held at Oaklawn Memorial Gardens in Indianapolis.

Memorial contributions may be made to Little Sisters of the Poor, 2345 E. 86th St., Indianapolis, IN 46240.

Condolences: randallroberts.com
The Hamilton Heights girls basketball team dropped a tough game to Lafayette Jefferson on Thursday, 42-19. While it was disappointing to drop their first regular-season contest and have to end a 10-game win streak, the Class 3A No. 10 Huskies have bigger things to look forward to this season. Heights’ next game is in the post-season, as it travels to Blackford on Wednesday to take on the host Bruins in the first round of Class 3A Sectional 24.

But first was a meeting with a Bronchos team that entered the Friday night contest 19-1 and in receipt of votes in the 4A poll. Jeff was the 12th 4A team that Heights has defeated this season, which coach Karen Cherry said is intentional.

“It should, and I hope it does,” said Cherry when asked if playing so many 4A teams would help his Huskies gain confidence entering the post-season. Heights went 7-0 against 4A opponents during the regular season.

“We built this schedule this season for that very reason, and that was to prepare for the tournament,” said the coach. “I like to hold the girls, we don’t lose a sectional. All of our post-season games are still obtainable. We need to be confident. We don’t let our schoool ever enter into that locker room. We expect to win whenever we’re playing.”

The Bronchos led 12-7 after the first quarter, with the Huskies trimming the lead to 1-3 by halftime. Heights got within one point a couple times during the final minute of the game, but just couldn’t get over the hump.

“I think we did a lot of things well,” said Cherry. “Our margin for error is not great. You go 9-of-18 from the foul line, we miss a lot of backers around the basket that we should convert, that we’ve got to convert. If you’re going to have a team like Lafayette Jeff, who’s lost one game on the season, you get to all those little things.”

Riley Vaughan led the scoring with 22 points. Ava Collar had seven rebounds and two blocks, while Lauren Wiley blocked two shots.

The Huskies fall to Jeff in close game, sectional is next

Husky Dome Thursday.

E. Kiser

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attended Heights of Fame member Krissi Davis.

The duo were the Shamrocks’

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Class 4A Sectional 8

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Kreag 3, Bunting 3, Wininger 2, DeCraene 2,

Pendleton Heights 53, Noblesville 42, Heights 39

Mallory Johnson added 10 points, while Maddie Knight scored 10. Madison Whetro

collected six rebounds and Abi Biller also

handed out five assists. The Menards had 21

team assists for the game.

Noblesville is now 14-7 and riding a

seven-game win streak. The Menards moved to Zionsville on Saturday for a girls-only doubleheader.

Noblesville 15 20 24 26 - 56

Westfield 12 14 30 30 - 66

Westfield overwhelmed Arsenal Tech 56-24 in a Thursday away game.

The contest was delayed by a day after Wednesday’s icy weather, but the Shamrocks were able to take control.

Westfield made 10 triples, including four from Branham, a fresh face in DeCraene. The duo were the Shamrocks’

leading scorers, with Bunting contributing

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Big third quarter sends

Miller’s past Pendleton

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Noblesville rebounds (40) E. Kiser 15, Whetro 6, Collar 7, Kirtley 3,

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The Shamrocks will play the first game of the Class 4A Sectional 8 tourney on Tuesday, taking on the host

Shamrocks overwhelm Tech

lead. Noblesville was in control from the first quarter, leading 14-2 after the first quarter and 27-7 at halftime.

Westfield finished the regular season with a 14-8 record. The Menards traveled to Zionsville on Saturday for a girls-only doubleheader.

Noblesville 66, Pendleton Heights 53

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ArsenalTech

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The University girls basketball team’s Thursday game with the Living Water Marlins was a last-minute addition to the schedule.

“It was a necessary addition, though, as the Trailblazers got many things out of the game. First, University got a win, 66-38. Second, the ‘Blazers got to honor their lone senior Natalie Nickless with a final regular-season home game at the ‘U’ Center.

‘It was definitely important for her, especially what she’s been to our program,’ said University coach Justin Blanding. ‘Just being able to get a game for her was huge for us. She’s done so much for our program that she deserved that.’

Third, UHS saw the return of Jhordan McGuire, whose play Thursday will be a definite help as the Trailblazers prepare to host Class 1A Sectional 58. McGuire saw her first action in the second quarter, where she scored four points, then added four more in the fourth quarter.

‘She played really well,’ said Blanding. ‘That normally how she plays. Obviously she’s not close to 100 percent, but she did well. She did exactly what we thought she would do. We’re definitely excited to have her back.’

The Living Water Marlins are a home-school team based out of Plainfield. While the Marlins didn’t let University have the game easily, the ‘Blazers were able to be in control the whole way. University led 14-6 after the first quarter and 33-14 at halftime.

“We hadn’t played in a while, so it was good to get some game reps,” said Blanding. ‘We’ll come back in and get shots up and get back in playing shape.’

Nickless scored 11 points in the first half, including three of her trademark 3-pointers.

‘It’s awesome,’ said Nickless. ‘I love my school and I love my team. I have no words, really, to explain it.’

Nickless threw in two more 3s in the second half, giving her a game-high total of 19 points. Lindsey Syrek was next in line, scoring 15, including nine in the third quarter.

With the victory, the ‘Blazers broke a four-game losing streak and finished the regular season 15-7. University will open play at its own sectional on Tuesday with a 7 p.m. game against Metropolitan.

University 66, Living Water 38

University    FG  FT  TP  PF
Brooke Andrus  3-5  1-2  7  2
Lily Syrek     4-9  1-2  9  3
Lily Var      1-5  0-1  2  0
Lucy Snyder   3-4  0-0  6  0
Lilly Fair    0-1  1-2  1  1
Lucy Snyder   3-4  0-0  6  2
Haley Tomlinson 1-3  0-0  3  0
Natalie Nickless 6-11  0-0  12
Elena Cacucci  0-0  0-0  0  0
Meredith Malott 0-0  0-0  0  0
Elise Nachlis  0-0  0-0  0  0
Jhordan McGuire 6-7  2-2  16
Elena Cacucci  0-0  0-0  0  0

Totals     27-57  6-8 66  11

Score by Quarters
Living Water   6    8  13  11 - 38
University  14  19  21  12 - 66

University 3-point shooting (6-19) Nickless 5-11, Syrek 1-4, Li. Snyder 0-2, Tomlinson 0-1, Toombs 0-1.

University’s lone senior Natalie Nickless was honored at the Trailblazers’ Thursday game with Living Water Thursday at the ‘U’ Center. Nickless scored 19 points and made five 3-pointers. She is pictured with Trailblazers coach Justin Blanding.

Reporter photo by Richie Hall

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At as water reflects a face, so a man's heart reflects the man. Prov. 27:9

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#### Eastern Conference

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### Sports

**Thursday’s scores**
Sacramento 89, Miami 88
Oklahoma City 114, Washington 112
Denver 130, New York 118
Golden State 126, Minnesota 113

**Friday’s games**
Golden State 126, Minnesota 113
L.A. Clippers 109, Dallas 117
Golden State 134, Sacramento 118
Denver 105, San Antonio 102
Utah 122, Phoenix 111
Denver 121, San Antonio 105
Oklahoma City 121, L.A. Clippers 110
Golden State 126, Sacramento 113

### Noblesville High School

The athletic Hall of Fame, which recognizes past student-athletes, will induct its Class of 2017-18 tonight during halftime of the Noblesville High School football game against Hamilton Southeastern.

**Tom Abel (1958)** - football, basketball and track
- In 1957, gained 1,057 yards on 80 attempts to establish a new school record of 13.2 yards per carry.
- Established a new school football individual record of 188 points in a season.
- Led the football team to a 9–1 record his junior and senior seasons.
- Selected as all-state, all-county and all-conference.
- Played on the 1957 semi-state basketball team.

**Joe Burris (1961)** - football, basketball, track and baseball
- Played on three sectional basketball championship teams.
- Outstanding fullback in football.
- Established the career county scoring record of 231 points.
- Held the school and county shot put record.
- Outstanding baseball player.
- Lettered in four different sports.

**Ray McDonald (1953)** - football, track, baseball and golf
- Outstanding four-sport athlete.
- Great offensive lineman in football.
- Named All State and All County in football.
- Also lettered multiple times in basketball, golf and track.

**Bill Nevitt (1950)** - football, basketball and track
- Won three letters each in football, basketball and track.
- All County in football.
- Named to the All Sectional basketball team as a senior.
- In track, qualified for the regional in 1949.
- Member of the Hamilton County Basketball Hall of Fame.

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