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**ROVETRY**

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what successful people will do for the rest of their lives is whatever they choose. And getting a few bucks of pocket change for winning is a nice incentive for the winning student. And the runner-up student also gets a smaller cash award.

For many years now the Sheridan Rotary speech contest has been guarded by long-time member Dale McGuilage. As many people know, Dale has been a very successful local businessman and knows the importance of speaking extemporaneously at various functions. He is quite encouraging of the young students who are just beginning their work lives and provides an excellent example of what can be accomplished by being able to speak well in public. The Sheridan Rotary Club meets formally twice a month on the first and third Tuesday evenings at 6:35 p.m. at the Sheridan Public Library in the Community Room. These meetings feature a sit down meal and a great speaker or presentation. The other Tuesdays of the month are dedicated to accomplishing community projects or club business meetings. Rotary is an excellent way for people to make a contribution to their community. If you are interested in attending a meeting or want more information, please contact any Rotarian or pick up one of our brochures from the library and talk with Steve Martin.

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**TRAIL**

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The Allisonville Road construction project should be bid in May, with construction starting in mid-summer. “During the construction, there should be traffic maintained along Allisonville Road,” said Mekky. “[Expect] some limited closures, or some closures on 126th and 131st just to get those tie-ins and elevation differences going in. You will not have 126th and 131st [altogether] closed at the same time.

The tree removal project underway the past few weeks along Allisonville Road is to make way for the intersection improvements and lane expansions. The trail along Allisonville Road is a part of a plan to connect Conner Prairie with downtown Fishers. “It will be really great for our residents to be able to just take their bike and ride safely to Conner Prairie, to visit their exhibits or go to Symphony on the Prairie,” Fishers City Director of Public Relations Ashley Elrod said. “I think it’s an exciting connection point.”

That trail connection from downtown Fishers to Conner Prairie should be available by the end of summer this year.

The trail connecting Conner Prairie and downtown Fishers was originally named the Nickel Plate Trail, but will be renamed. The planned trail along the Nickel Plate Rail Line is expected to receive the moniker of Nickel Plate Trail. That plan trail is a decision by the Federal Surface Transportation Board. You can keep up-to-date on trails in Fishers by visiting the Drive Fishers section of the city website at this link. If you are a Twitter user, you can get updates regularly by following @driveFishers.

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Bone density, fitness go hand-in-hand

By SHARON McMAHON

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When I found out I was going to digress this time to expound nutrition and well-being, I umns focus on aspects of ‘Bond Girl’ and former "Booster Club" star Dyan Cannon. Although not as glamorous as one might think when focusing on nutrition, strength training for bone density is crucial as well to maintain mobility, range of motion, and energy level. Good posture that strength training can increase bone mineral density in the spine.

By TIM LANANE

Sen. Lanane: Legislature fails to lead on redistricting reform

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IMCU contributes $8,075 to Ronald McDonald House

Indiana Members Credit Union (IMCU) recently presented a check for $8,075 to Ronald McDonald House Charities of Central Indiana (RMHCCIN) as part of an ongoing debit card give back program.

The partnership allows members to show their support for RMHCCIN by signing up for and using a RMHCCIN debit card. Every time the card is used as a signature based transaction, RMHCCIN benefits. The more cards that are in use, the larger the contribution.

Since beginning the program in 2015, RMHCCIN has earned $21,403 through this IMCU give back program.

IMCU’s AVP of Sales and Marketing, Thorpe Miller, presented the most recent check to Michelle Study-Campbell, Chief Executive Officer, RMHCCIN, at the State of the House Breakfast and Annual Meeting on March 14.

The card is available for issue to members at IMCU’s 26 Central Indiana locations. The RMHCCIN debit card is free to members with a free checking account and can be issued immediately via IMCU’s Instant Issue program, which allows members to receive their debit card on the spot. To support RMHCCIN, those interested should visit imcu.com for details.

About Indiana Members Credit Union

Indiana Members Credit Union, headquartered in Indianapolis, was founded in 1956 on the campus of IUPUI. IMCU has since grown to 26 branches in Central Indiana, offering consumer and business members a better financial alternative and a full array of products and services. Traditionally offering better rates on loans and deposits, IMCU maintains true to its roots by “Keeping It Simple” for members. For more information, please visit IMCU online at imcu.com.

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Meeting Notice

Pursuant to IC 5-14-1.5-5 (a) the Hamilton County Personnel Committee will meet at 10 a.m. on Wednesday, April 11, 2018, at One Hamilton County Square, Noblesville, IN (Conference Room 1A). The purpose of the meeting is for discussion of personnel issues.

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Prepare for spring's extreme weather

The Reporter

In Indiana the spring and summer can produce potentially devastat ing weather. In 2016, there was a total of 840 fatalities and $13.5 million in property damage in Indiana caused by weather-related hazards, according to the National Weather Service. Knowing what to do before and after a storm can help protect your family and your property.

For too-frequent thunderstorms, Indiana residents are not aware if they have adequate coverage from their insurance policies, in particular with their homeowners insurance policies. "Generally, Indiana homeowners insurance policies cover storm damage, but it's up to the policyholder to make sure they understand what's covered and what isn't," said Indiana Commissioner Stephen W. Robertson.

The Indiana Department of Insurance offers tips for becoming firewise, including what to do before and after a storm and how to protect yourself from fire-related hazards. Understanding extreme weather hazards

Check the weather online or in the newspaper every morning to better understand what the day may bring. Unpredictable weather scenarios can occur quickly, so it's important to be prepared.

- Tornadoes can strike any time of the year and are associated with severe weather. Tornadoes take just minutes to form and can be as few as one inch wide. If you are under a tornado warning, seek shelter immediately.
- Lightening is common throughout most of Indiana, but is rare. Stay inside during severe thunderstorms and take precautions such as unpluggng your appliances, and avoid talking on your phone.

Create an inventory checklist

To make the claims process easier, create a home inventory of your belongings. Keep detailed information about your possessions, and take photos. The National Association of Insurance Commissioners (NAIC) offers a free smartphone app that will help you create and maintain a list of your possessions.

- Home and Android. A complete-to-use portable home inventory checklist is also available. If you don't have time to create a full list of the items in your home, consider videotaping and/or taking photographs or videos at key room. The more detail you include, the better for the insurance company to evaluate your loss. When making your list, open drawers and closets, and don't forget to document what's in your basement, garage, and storage buildings.

You have created an inventory, and now it is time to inform your insurance of your new insurance and keep a record on your app.

Collect your insurance information

Before a storm hits, review your insurance policy to ensure what is and isn't covered. Be sure you understand what your insurance agent or agent has included in your insurance plan.

More electronic copies of your insurance policies, including your policy number, can be found online. You can also ask your insurance agent or agent for a printed copy of your insurance policy.

Your insurance papers, in particular the policy document, should include:
- Protect yourself from fraud

Home repair fraud is common after a storm, and fraud can happen with your insurance claims. Make sure you know what to do before you begin any repair or restoration work. The best way to avoid repair fraud is to know your rights.

If you have a home damaged in the storm, make sure you have insurance coverage for your storm-related repair. 
- Work with your insurer to learn what documents, including names, titles, and phone numbers, are needed to process your claim.
- Include a copy of your policy and the contact information of the insurance company or agent to protect your interests.
- Review your insurance policies to make sure you have home insurance that covers damage to your home, personal belongings, and loss of use.
- Make sure you have adequate coverage for your home, personal belongings, and loss of use.
- Report any storm damage to your insurance company as soon as possible.
- Follow your insurance company's instructions for submitting a claim.
- Keep all receipts and records of expenses related to your claim.
- If you have a disagreement with your insurance company, contact your state insurance department.
- If you are unable to reach an agreement with your insurance company, contact your state insurance department.
Obituary

TODAY’S BIBLE READING
O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, thou that killest the prophets, and stonest them which are sent unto thee, how often would I have gathered thy children together, even as a hen gathereth her chickens under her wings, and ye would not? Behold, your house is left unto you desolate. For I say unto you, Ye shall not see me henceforth, till ye shall say, Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.

Matthews 23:37-39 (KJV)

Mildred Louise Couch
August 31, 1930 – April 5, 2018

Mildred Louise Couch, 87, Noblesville, walked into Heaven to be with her Lord and Savior on Thursday, April 5, 2018. She was born on August 31, 1930 to Charles and Maude (Ivey) Miller in Harlan, Ky.

Mildred was a beautiful soul and gentle spirit. She was kind and generous to all she met, and lived her life with grace, dignity, love, and independence. Mildred touched so many hearts and lives. She will be dearly missed by her many family and friends.

Mildred is survived by her husband, Roy Couch, and two children, Sue (Harry) Boggs-Wyatt and James (Gina) Couch. She is also survived by a brother, Louis (Gladys) Miller; and sister, Barbara Gayle. Mildred was blessed with 10 grandchildren and 19 great-grandchildren.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her son, LeRoy Couch; four brothers; one sister; and one grandson.

Services will be held at 1 p.m. on Tuesday, April 10, 2018 at Randall & Roberts Funeral Home, 1150 Logan St., Noblesville, with visitation from 11 a.m. to the time of service. Pastor Alfred Parks and Pastor Darrell Jones will officiate. Burial will be at Carey Cemetery in Noblesville.

Condolences: randallroberts.com
By RICHIE HALL  Reporter Sports Editor

Noblesville got one of those Friday afternoon heartbreaks at Fishers, outlasting Fishers 6-3 to finish up play in that Hooiser Crossroads Conference series. Class 4A No. 2 Fishers had already taken the first two games of the series on Thursday, so this marked the 4A No. 5 Millers first HCC victory of the season.

Since the Tigers had already clinched the series the night before, it wouldn’t have been much of an upset for Noblesville to play indifferent baseball on Friday. But the Millers would have none of that, streaming and shouting in bitterly cold weather (this is April, isn’t it?) and eventually scoring three runs in the top of the seventh to take control of the game.

“I think our kids were much tougher than they were last night,” said Noblesville coach Justin Keever. “It’s gritty, not pretty, right? That’s what it comes down to. We just got to go out and just compete. They gave us some opportunities and we were able to take in on some of them.”

Both teams matched each other run-for-run over the course of the first four innings, beginning with one run each in the first. The visiting Millers got on the board when DJ Owens singled in Tyler Owens. Fishers got its run in the bottom of the first, when a center field single by Grant Richardson scored both batters. Noblesville got its second run in the second inning, with Jackson Ramey getting an error, then Brenczewski singled. Another error got both Tigers into scoring position, but the game ended when DJ Owens made another outstanding double play on the first two batters, who both tried to advance.

“Coach Keever did a good job of getting his guys ready to play and bounce back after a loss last night,” said Fishers coach Matt Waltermann. “I thought Reese Sharp was really good on the mound.” said Keever. “Kade German comes in and slam the door. The big play by Bryce Randolph in right center field then to start that bottom of the seventh there was game-changer, really. They had the middle of their order up and all three really good hitters.

I just thought our kids played tough tonight. It was an awful day in terms of the elements and they just came out and competed all seven innings.”

Sharp finished the game with 10 strikeouts in four and two-thirds innings, an outstanding effort against Fishers’ big hitters. Both Brenczewski and Richardson had two hits for the Fishers. Fishers’ Jon Vore and AJ Waltermann both struck out four.

Noblesville is now 4-4 for the season and will begin an HCC series with Westfield on Thursday. The Tigers are 5-3 and play at Greenfield-Central on Tuesday.

Noblesville 6, Fishers 3

Noblesville
AB R H RBI
Nick Lukac 2 0 0 0
Jon Vore   3 3 2 2
Griffin Rhoads  0.1 0 0 1
Mark Goudy  5 0 1 1
Jacob Thieman 3 0 0 0
Bryce Randolph 1 0 0 1
Mark Goudy  5 0 1 1
Camden Nagel  0 1 0 0
Jackson Ramey 3 0 1 1
Connor Vanosdol 0 1 0 0
Zac Tuinei  0 1 0 0
Kade Gorman (who came in to pitch in the fifth inning) retired the Fishers side 1-2-3 to get Noblesville into the seventh. German then was the leadoff man, and he singled on to first - his first base hit ever. That really got the Millers fired up.

While all this was going on, Keever, cool as a cucumber - sent Zac Tuinei on to second on a fielder’s choice, then had to stay there when Fishers got a strikeout for the second out.

That brought up Sharp, who was intentionally walked. Ramey was next, and he reached on error, loading the bases. Randolph then drew a walk, which scored Tuinei, then Camden Nagel (running for Sharp) scored on an error.

“Coach Keever did a good job of getting his guys ready to play and bounce back after two losses last night, just like I know that would,” said Fishers coach Matt Cherry. “His guys brought energy. Nothing taken away from them because they capitalized, but we walked eight guys, hit two guys and didn’t put ourselves in a position to win. They capitalized on our mistakes.”

In the bottom of the seventh, Bryce Randolph made a remarkable one-handed catch to get the first out. Fishers got two men on when Richardson reached on an error, but Bloomington Heights righthander Andrew Vore got both Tigers into scoring position, but the game ended when DJ Owens made another unsualled double play for the final two outs.

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Matt Buckingham was hit by a pitch, then fielder’s choice, was moved to second after tie the game. Michael Dillon led off with a center field fence for a home run, and that Droste sent a 1-2 pitch sailing over the at the Super Preps tournament. Greyson way to end a game is on a home run. that has to do with a lack of reps due to in the bottom of the inning, Anderson hit an inning for its next score, but it tied the game. Michael Cross hit a double into left field to after Cole Meyer scored on a fielder’s choice. The Huskies got on the board in the fourth, in a Friday away game.

After eight innings of a slugfest, the only After blowouts led to a 2-0 lead in the top of the first inning, thanks to Drew Kelly’s two-run single in the bottom of the first, but the Indians steady to score more in the first. Remonfort doubled in Jared Greene, then Jackson Adams hit a sacrifice fly to get Remortel home and make the score 4-1. The Raiders scored their run in the top of the sixth. Neither team scored in the seventh, third and fourth innings. Brayton Harrison scored on the second in a bases-loaded fielder’s choice from DeWael. Droste got the third-inning run after Harrison struck out on error. Roncalli’s lead to 6-5, but a two-out double scored on a sixth-inning wild pitch to cut the score 4-1. Jackson Adams hit a sacrifice fly to get Van Remortel home and make the score 4-1. "We haven’t had a practice on our field since March 22, may be a lot of teams in our area were in some different situations tonight than we were last night, we didn’t handle them well, are reps will take care of cleaning that up. The weather isn’t anyone’s fault, you just have to fight through it and get better. We’re not the only ones to do this. I’m not concerned about that. These guys fought and didn’t quit and did a great job going themselves a chance to win the game. Anderson did a good job of harvesting in two to zero. We are an older team but only three of our guys have varsity experience last year. We have a lot of talent and being on the field regularly will really change who we are quickly.”

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ABOVE: Noblesville’s Tyler Owens slides into home to score the first run of the game in the first inning. Pictured for Fishers is catcher Kiel Brenczewski, who was 2-for-2 for the Tigers, including a double.

LEFT: Noblesville’s Kade Gorman pitched two and a third innings of relief and got the win for the Millers in their Friday game with Fishers.

BELOW: Fishers’ JJ Woolwine puts down a bunt.
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