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– Romans 12:12 (NLT)



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## Strange BUT TRUE

By Lucie Winborne  
 \* Football player Ronaldinho Gaucho lost a \$750,000 deal with Coca-Cola simply by taking a sip from a Pepsi.  
 \* The fastest any human has ever traveled was during the re-entry of the Apollo 10 module, at a maximum speed of 24,830 miles per hour, or 7 miles per second.  
 \* If you can convince yourself that you slept well last night, even though you didn’t, your brain will be tricked into thinking you aren’t tired. It’s called “placebo sleep.”

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## SECTIONAL



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### ‘500’ practice begins with feuds, Power drought, Ganassi team momentum



A tangle of cars battle for position on the first lap of Saturday’s Sorsio Grand Prix.



Eventual winner Alex Palou leads Will Power early in Saturday’s Sorsio Grand Prix on the Indianapolis Motor Speedway road course.

By Al Stillely  
 Editor

Some NTT IndyCar Series drivers are feuding, 2018 Indianapolis 500 winner Will Power remains winless in the series since June 2022, and the Chip Ganassi Racing team has momentum in the aftermath Saturday of the Sorsio Grand Prix at the Indianapolis Motor Speedway.

With practice under way this week for the 108th running of the Indianapolis 500, the emphasis shifts from the IMS road course to the world famous 2.5-mile oval, home of the Greatest Spectacle in Racing.

The feud between A.J. Foyt team driver Santino Ferrucci and Juncos Hollinger’s Romain Grosjean, survivor of a fiery death-defying Formula One crash in 2020 at Bahrain, brought their argument to the Speedway from a pit lane incident at Barber Motorsports Park last month.

They banged wheels again Saturday morning in pit lane during a brief warmup session for the IMS road course race. This time, Ferrucci gave Grosjean a one-finger salute.

Later, Grosjean brushed the budding rivalry aside.

Not so much for the fiery Ferrucci who said, “This isn’t Formula One racing. I had the corner, and if he doesn’t like it, he can come to me.”

Ferrucci continued, “Man, he drove me at Barber in the warmup for no reason. I’m simply returning the favor ... He doesn’t like it, then come over here and talk to me about it.”

After a wild moment in the road course race, two Andretti drivers – Colton Herta and Marcus Ericsson – were at odds after a collision that sent Herta’s Honda through a gravel trap. Herta, who went into the event as the series leader, had a few words afterward for his teammate.

Herta recovered and finished seventh after starting 24th; Ericsson finished 18th; Grosjean, who was run off the course twice, soldiered to 12th place after starting 23rd; and Ferrucci had the only race car that did not finish the race due a mechanical failure.



A Huey helicopter, like the ones used in Vietnam – this one from the American Huey 369 Museum in Peru – provided the pre-race flyover Saturday at the Indianapolis Motor Speedway.

Herta trails two-time consecutive Sorsio Grand Prix winner Alex Palou by 25 points in fourth place, with the “500” looming ahead.

Power, a two-time series champion, finished second to Palou by 6.6 seconds Saturday after failing in his bid for the lead on the race’s only caution and restart on lap 68.

Power, driver of the No. 12 Team Penske Verizon Chevrolet, pulled close to Palou into Turn 1, but was on the outside and could not make the pass.

“Just didn’t quite have enough on that restart,” Power recalled in a post-race media conference.

“I had to lift coming into the last corner, just had too much push. Had to lift, otherwise would have been an interesting battle into Turn 1. I didn’t know whether to go for the inside or the outside, but he made it very clear he was going to blow up the inside, so I kind of went the outside. Just wasn’t far enough along to make it work.”

Power, winner of 41 IndyCar races, teamed with longtime engineer David Faustino, who doubled as his race strategist Saturday in the aftermath of a Team Penske reshuffling after announcing team suspensions earlier last week. Teammates Scott McLaughlin was sixth and reigning “500” winner Josef Newgarden was 17th.

Power said he expects the team assignments to remain the same at Indy for the rest of the month.

See “500 practice” on Page 5.



The cars of Romain Grosjean (77) and Sting Ray Robb make contact as they race around a curve in Saturday’s race on the IMS road course.



Alex Palou

### Roncalli alum Sam Otley becomes Royals’ new head football coach



(SUBMITTED PHOTO) Former football standout Sam Otley, a Royals’ assistant coach for eight seasons, takes the reins of the Royals’ program as head coach.

Sam Otley becomes the first Roncalli High School alumnus to lead the football program.

Otley (Class of 2011) becomes the 11th head coach in the Royals’ prestigious football history that includes 10 state championships.

He has served as an assistant coach for eight seasons, including the past two seasons as offensive coordinator. He has been a running backs and offensive line coach. He was a coach on Roncalli’s 4A state championship teams in 2016 and 2020 under Indiana Football Hall of Fame coach Bruce Sciffes.

As a student-athlete at Roncalli, Otley was a four-year football player and was team captain his senior year and selected to the North-South All-Star Game. He is the oldest of five brothers who played football and graduated from Roncalli.

Otley was a student-athlete at Franklin College where he played football for four seasons. The Grizzly Cubs were four-time conference champions and advanced to the second round of the NCAA DIII playoffs for three seasons. He was team captain his senior year.

He also coached at Franklin College and North Carolina Wesleyan College.

Otley will teach advanced physical conditioning at Roncalli and work with the athletic department in managing the strength and conditioning programs.

With his Roncalli roots, the 31-year-old coach firmly believes he has benefitted from the teachings as a student-athlete at Roncalli.

“Roncalli is a special place that’s had a significant impact on me throughout my life,” Otley said in a news release. “It’s an honor to lead the program as head coach.”

Roncalli athletic director David Lauck stated, “He (Otley) is a Roncalli alumnus, understands and lives our mission and vision and bleeds red, white and blue.”

Roncalli principal Kevin Banich added, “He understands the rich tradition of Catholic football and is ready to prepare our students for both Friday night lights and life beyond the high school.”

Otley succeeds Eric Quintana (two seasons, 16-9), who guided the Royals to the 2022 semistate before falling to East Central in overtime and was the Marion County Coach of the Year. The Royals rebuilt last season with a 4-7 record, losing to Mooresville in a sectional semifinal game.

Otley is the fifth coach to lead Roncalli since 2016 and seeks to bring stability to the historic program.

### ROTHROCK, GATORS AND HOOSIERS ADVANCE



(SUBMITTED PHOTO) University of Florida freshman pitcher Keegan Rothrock holds 2024 Southeastern Conference softball tournament championship trophy after Gators defeated Missouri, 6-1 Saturday at Auburn University.

Rothrock is this season’s SEC Freshman of the Year and All-SEC tournament team member with three teammates. Rothrock (26-6) has a 2.48 ERA and 169 strikeouts. The former Roncalli standout started the final three SEC tournament games for the Gators. The No. 4 seed Gators (46-12) advance to the NCAA DI Softball Championship as a regional host, facing Florida Gulf Coast (37-19) with South Alabama (32-18-1) meeting Florida Atlantic (41-14) in the four-team double-elimination tourney that begins Friday. Indiana’s Hoosiers (40-18) were selected for the Columbia (Mo.) Regional to face Washington (31-13) with No. 7 seed Missouri (43-15) meeting Omaha (41-13). The 16 regional winning teams advance to the super regionals May 23-26 best-of-three tournament format.

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# BREAKFAST CLUB MENTORS FROM BGHS



(SUBMITTED PHOTO)

Sixteen kindergarten/First grade students from Beech Grove schools met regularly throughout the school year for breakfast club get-togethers. Beech Grove High School students served as breakfast club mentors. The high school students are, not in order, Jaydyn Madry, Simeon McIntosh, Lillianna Jansen, Tyquan Lee, Griffin Matracia, David Carney, Andrew Buerosse, and Jacob Maio. The high school students were acknowledged for the love and time they poured into the program and building strong foundations within the community. They made the elementary students feel important throughout the school year. This is the third year for the breakfast club program, according to Desiree Gunter.

## Business brief RIBBON-CUTTING CEREMONY



(SOUTHSIDER VOICE PHOTO BY BOB KELLY)

Coffman Wealth Management, owned by Steve Coffman, had a ribbon-cutting ceremony on Thursday for its newly-built office at 1266 Lincoln Park Blvd. in Greenwood. Pictured are Joe Coffman, from left, Steve Coffman, Mike Coffman, and Beech Grove Mayor Jim Coffman. The firm develops a customized financial program for its client, then they walk you through a step-by-step process that will help make you feel confident in your decisions. Once your goals have been established, they customize appropriate strategies to suit your vision and objectives. They can also help you execute a sound financial program utilizing the following products and services: college funding, investment management, retirement strategies and insurance and annuity products. Info: 317-888-6101.

## EAGLE SCOUT PROJECT AT ST. JUDE CATHOLIC CHURCH

Colin Denzer has earned the Eagle Scout honor, the highest honor of the Boy Scouts of America, for his project. The Roncalli High School senior built an ambo, altar table, and tabernacle, in photo, for the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd at St. Jude Catholic Church where his family are members. Denzer is a member of Troop 51 that is based at St. Jude. He is the son of Christine and Brandon Denzer. Colin hopes that his project "will help educate or, at the very least, entertain the children of the parish."

(SUBMITTED PHOTOS)



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## Southsiders' Bulletin Board

### MEET TEDDY ROOSEVELT

The May 21 meeting of the Perry Township / Southport Historical Society features Gib Young portraying Teddy Roosevelt. He has done more than 600 performances, including at Mt. Rushmore and the White House. This is a joint meeting with the Franklin Township Historical Society. Join us for a fun and informative evening, free and open to the public.

The meeting is at 7 p.m. on **Tuesday, May 21**, in the Perry Township Education Center, 6548 Orinoco Ave. Enter through the center doors at the northwest corner of the building.  
**Info: 317-787-5157.**

### NEW 'PEANUT ROUNDOABOUT' CONSTRUCTION

Construction begins this week on a "peanut roundabout" to improve safety at the intersections of Churchman, Perkins, and 25th avenues in Beech Grove. Construction of the roundabout will force area roads to close; however, the redesign will not require nearby streets to be realigned. The City of Beech Grove encourages drivers in the work zone to use caution and obey any detour signage. Funding of \$1.5 million from the Indianapolis Metropolitan Planning Organization and \$459,000 from Beech Grove make the improvements possible. The project is to be completed later this summer.

### BEECH GROVE YOUTH FUN DAY

Special events for Beech Grove youths take place Saturday, May 18, 10:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Beech Grove branch library, 1102 Main St. Activities include tree of strength arts and crafts, inspirational canvas painting, Silly Safari, chance to win a \$50 gift card, National Prevention Week proclamation by the City of Beech Grove, and an important message by Rep. Mitch Gore on risks of harm of using drugs. Free lunch available. Theme of the event: "A Healthy Brain Sprouts Ideas, Grows, and Inspires." Registration suggested but not required. Info: [beechgrovecdfc.org](http://beechgrovecdfc.org) or [bgdrugfree@gmail.com](mailto:bgdrugfree@gmail.com)

### BGHS SPRING SPECTACULAR

Beech Grove High School's Spring Spectacular unfolds Saturday, May 18 at 6:30 p.m. at the Mike Morrow Auditorium on campus. The annual choral spectacular features the high school's Chamber Choir, Elan and Co., and Jubilaires in celebration of their recent ISSMA gold ratings. Doors open at 6 p.m. Tickets are \$12 at the door. Info: [Beech Grove City Schools Page on Facebook](http://Beech Grove City Schools Page on Facebook).

### TEDDY BEAR CONCERT AND CLASSIC MOVIE

The White River branch library has back-to-back events Saturday, May 18. Indianapolis Symphony musicians will present a teddy bear concert for children. The musicians interact with the kids through music, stories, and movement. Begins at 11 a.m. Then at 1 p.m., in honor of National Classic Movie Day, the library is showing the 1940 comedy movie, "His Girl Friday," starring Cary Grant and Rosalind Russell. Snacks, popcorn, and beverages provided. Info: call 317-885-1330.

### GENEALOGY RESEARCH WORKSHOP

Representatives of the Samuel Bryan Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) will be on hand to assist Southsiders interested in genealogy research Monday, May 20, 3 p.m. at the Beech Grove branch library, 1102 Main St. Registration required. Assistants will use Ancestry.com and other online resources. Info and to register 317-275-4560.

### FAMILY TRIVIA NIGHT

A fun night for families takes place with trivia night Tuesday, May 21 at 6 p.m. at the Clark Pleasant branch library, 350 Clearwater Blvd., Whiteland, with easy access from U.S. 31. Info: call 317-535-6206.

### LANDSCAPE DESIGNER AT BOLTON PARK

Landscape designer Kelsey Behl meets interested residents to learn about clearing out invasive plants from lawns and gardens Saturday, May 18, 9 a.m. at Sarah T. Bolton Park, 1300 Churchman Ave., Beech Grove. Patrons can learn how to identify native plants. Gloves, tools, and snacks provided. Info: 317-788-4986.

### HISTORY ROUNDTABLE AT GPL

Topic of the next history roundtable at the Greenwood Public Library is vice presidents of the United States. History buffs gather Thursday, May 23 at 6:30 p.m. Patrons may contribute by summarizing a non-fiction book, documentary, or podcast pertaining to U.S. vice presidents. The library is at 310 S. Meridian St., Greenwood. Info and registration 317-881-1953.

### FRANCISCAN HEALTH TICKLED TEAL EVENT

Cancer survivor and nationally recognized comedian Karen Mills is the featured entertainer at the Franciscan Cancer Center's Tickled Teal women's education event Thursday, June 6, 7 p.m. to 9 p.m., at the historic Artcraft Theatre in downtown Franklin. The evening begins with a panel discussion of women's health topics with oncology surgeon Tina Ayeni, MD, and Franciscan Health physical therapist Heidi Pierce. The event for women 18 years and older is free to attend, but registration is required. All guests will receive a free Vera Bradley Zip ID case and an entry to win raffle prizes. Soda, water, popcorn, and candy provided. Registration: [franciscan-health.org/community/classes-supportgroups-events](http://franciscan-health.org/community/classes-supportgroups-events).

### PERRY KIWANIS GOLF OUTING

Registration for golfers and sponsors is underway for the ninth annual Perry Kiwanis golf outing Thursday, June 13 at 10:30 a.m. at Smock Golf Course, 3910 E. County Line Road. Sign-in begins at 10:30 a.m. with a shotgun start at noon. Food and awards. This is the organization's major fundraising event of the year and helps support Hunger Inc., Riley Hospital for Children, Baxter YMCA, and Perry Township Schools. Info and registration: [www.Kiwanisgolfouting.org](http://www.Kiwanisgolfouting.org).

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## Personal Recollections By Fred Shonk & Simon

### 'LITTLE T', WE MISS YOU

Several years ago, my wife, Lyn asked me to sit down because we needed to talk. This does not happen very often, and I am always a bit caught off guard each time. I had no clue what this discussion was going to be about.

We sat and she started explaining to me about our youngest grandson's girlfriend. They met at IUPUI where they were both students. She and her mother had relocated from Ecuador to Indiana. This had been a necessity for her mother. As I understood it, her mother's life had been threatened. She had been a practicing attorney in Ecuador.

Her mother needed to relocate to Atlanta, Georgia to find employment and her daughter was going to stay in Indianapolis to continue schooling at IUPUI. The young lady needed a place to stay. We had a spare bedroom.

Our grandson brought her down to our house for introductions and we hit it off quite well. Quickly, our spare bedroom was back in business. Between her classes and our grandson, we did not see her very much.

We seemed to get along great and were enjoying getting to know each other. I remember that she would sneak up behind me while I was sitting in my recliner and press the button on a small battery powered thing on the table beside my chair. When she pushed the button the thing announced, "That was Easy." I quickly gave her the nickname, "Little T." That is short for "Little Trouble."

She and our grandson quickly got engaged. Soon they were married and moved to Whiteland. We were incredibly happy for them. Lyn took the opportunity to convert our spare bedroom into her office, library, music room and lounge.

Unfortunately, their marriage did not last very long. Lyn listened to both sides of the story and spent time trying to help in any way we could. When it was positive that they were splitting up and they both needed to move out of the house, we took "Little T" back in with us.

Our grandson brought all of her belongings to our house, and she was back. This time, because of Lyn's office, "Little T" needed to sleep on her air mattress in our family room. She had graduated from IUPUI and had a job.

During most mornings, I would need to get up and take care of our dog, Simon and our cat, Harry. Simon needed to have several teeth removed before we adopted him, and I always chopped up his dog food to make it easier for him to deal with.

Our kitchen and family room are remarkably close. I quickly discovered that the chopping sound was too much for "Little T" to continue sleeping. My thought was that it helped her get up and be to work on time.

She was with us for a few months and during that time she changed jobs. She then rented an apartment out in the Avon area that was close to her work. Things were going nicely.

All of a sudden, she was contacted by the US Immigration Department and was notified that she was being deported. I understood that she had a student visa and after graduation her marriage did not last long enough. She had several meetings to no avail.

She needed to be out of the country by the end of April. The company where she was employed had to let her go immediately. They told her that as soon as she could return with the proper paperwork, her job would be her's again.

Her mother and her uncle came up from Atlanta to assist her in this terrible move. "Little T" is now again in Ecuador. She will be there a few months and then moving to Spain. She will be attending college in Spain to get her masters.

Hopefully, she will get a new visa and be able to return to the United States. We really miss her.

I purchased her a new cassette tape player and recorded the sound of me chopping Simon's breakfast. It might help her wake up and get to school on time.

Shonk is a 1960 graduate of Southport High School, a '63 grad of Indiana Central College (now the University of Indianapolis) and a retired bus driver from Beech Grove Schools. He can be reached through email at [fdshonk@aol.com](mailto:fdshonk@aol.com).

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# OBITUARIES

RALPH DeBOOR JR., 78, of Indianapolis, passed away peacefully at home with his beloved wife, Virginia DeBoor (Kirkpatrick) and family, at his side on May 6, 2024. Early that morning, the clouds lifted Ralph and ushered him to heaven.



Ralph was born on August 21, 1945 in Beech Grove, IN to Ralph and Helen Clem DeBoor. He is the oldest of three children. As a child, he was a proud member of the Future Farmers of America (FFA). He also showed livestock for 4-H. In High School, he worked with his dad, Ralph DeBoor Sr., making ice cream at Borden Dairy. In 1964, he graduated from Southport High School. After graduation, he worked for Indianapolis Power and Light (IPL) as a lineman.

On March 5, 1965, Ralph married his high school sweetheart, Virginia Fay DeBoor (Kirkpatrick) in Southport, Indiana at Southport Nazarene Church. They have been happily married for 59 years.

On December 18, 1968, Ralph was appointed to the Indianapolis Fire Department where he proudly served for 36 years. He spent his first day assigned to Engine 26 C shift. Ralph was promoted to Lieutenant on January 12, 1977 and became the officer of Truck 07 C shift. Through the years, Ralph was assigned to several stations including 26, 22, 14, 05, 07, 19, 13, and 29, where he remained until his retirement on March 2, 2005. After that, Ralph was an active member of the Retired Firefighters Club and attended many breakfasts and lunches.

Ralph and his loving wife, Ginny, spent their free time for the past 25 years at their lake house on Kentucky Lake. They would often be found boating, fishing, and visiting with their friends. The lake house was their happy and peaceful place.

He is survived by his devoted wife Virginia DeBoor (Kirkpatrick), his loving daughter Angie (Mike) Bienz of St Peters, Missouri, the joys of his life, grandchildren Erin Bienz (Clark Hepler) of O'Fallon, Missouri, Sam, Drew and Lauren Bienz at home, Keegan (Kylie) Dehner, and the absolute light of his life great grandson, Memphis Lee DeBoor Dehner of Greenwood, Indiana, sisters Ann (Larry) Hart, and Judi (Ronnie) Hart all of Indianapolis, sisters-in-law Pam Kirkpatrick of Indianapolis, and Annetta (Denny) Richards of Greenwood, brothers-in-law Robert (Melinda) Kirkpatrick, Tim (Tammie) Kirkpatrick and Art (Tina) Kirkpatrick all of Indianapolis, many nieces and nephews, and special family friend Jessica Burnett of Whiteland, Indiana.

Besides his parents, he was preceded in death by his father and mother-in-law Donald and Eldora (Salter) Kirkpatrick, and brother-in-law Donald Kirkpatrick Jr.

Visitation was held on May 12 and the funeral May 13 at G. H. Herrmann Madison Avenue Funeral Home, 5141 Madison Avenue. He was laid to rest at Greenlawn Cemetery, Franklin, Indiana.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Indianapolis Fire Fighters Museum in Ralph DeBoor's name.

PAID OBITUARY

RICHARD "RICH" JOSEPH DOYLE, 78, of Fort Myers, Florida passed away on April 29, 2024. He was born on February 9, 1946 to Helen (McCaughey) Doyle and Alvin Doyle in Beech Grove, Indiana.



Rich was a graduate of Sacred Heart Central in Indianapolis and then attended and graduated from Purdue University as an electrical engineer four years later. He worked at Naval Avionics and Raytheon where he retired as a project manager. He was passionate about playing as much golf as possible, as well as traveling with his wife. He enjoyed spending winters down in Florida and being involved in the community activities. Rich will be remembered for his teasing jokes, laughter, compassion for others, and love for his family.

Rich was a devoted husband of almost 55 years to his wife Pamela (Hippensteel) Doyle, and an amazing father to his two daughters Melissa Schossler (John) and Michelle Kernea (Scott). He was a proud grandfather to two grandchildren, Abigail Schossler and Adam Schossler. He is survived by his three sisters, Ann (Doyle) Dodds (Skip), Mary (Doyle) Hines, and Barbara (Doyle) Boehm (Bob). Rich is also survived by numerous nieces and nephews.

Rich is preceded in death by his parents, Alvin Doyle and Helen (McCaughey) Doyle, and by his two brothers and sister, Charlotte (Doyle) Cahill, Gerald "Jerry" Doyle, and John "Jack" Doyle.

A funeral mass will be held on May 17th at 10:00 am at Saint Jude Catholic Church (5353 McFarland Rd. Indianapolis, IN 46227) with visitation one hour prior. There will be a private ceremony at Fairview cemetery in Servia, Indiana on Saturday for the family.

PAID OBITUARY

DAVID WRIGHT GALLAGHER, 40, of Indianapolis, Indiana, passed away on May 7th, 2024 at his home in Marion County.



David Gallagher was born on September 25, 1983 to Christine and Francis Gallagher.

David graduated from the Indiana School for the Blind and was an All-State wrestling champion and competitive swimmer in high school. He coached youth soccer for 16 years and loved camping and watching basketball and football. David will forever be remembered for being a jokester and having a natural way of making people laugh.

David was preceded in death by his brother, Henry Gallagher. He is survived by his wife, Kristen Gallagher; two daughters, Alyssa Critser and Adalynn Gallagher; parents, Christine and Francis; seven brothers, Adam, Jared, Seth, Stephen, Clay, Daniel, and Luke Gallagher.

The family deeply appreciates your support during this difficult time and would cherish any contributions in the form of flowers or monetary donations to celebrate David.

Services will be held on Saturday, May 11th, 2024 at New Hope Church, located at 5307 W. Fairview Road in Greenwood, Indiana. His service will take place from 2:00pm to 3:00pm with a reception following until 5:00pm.

Arrangements entrusted to Jessen Funeral Home & Simple Cremation ~ Whiteland Chapel. 729 N. US Highway 31

PAID OBITUARY

WANDA GREEN AULT, 76, widow of David Ault; children, Tony and Dianna Ault; six grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; siblings, Roger Green, Joann Long.

Wanda was always a loving person who cared for many people. She had a love for flowers and her garden. Her children and grandchildren were her world. She was a strong believer and loved the Lord. She was a simple person and never asked for much in this world. Wanda loved the closeness of family and cooking for you. It did her heart good to do for others.

Visitation was held at O'Riley-Branson Funeral Home.

MONA L. BEATON, 76, husband, Bradley Beaton Sr.; sons, Bradley (Michelle) Jr. and Jeff (Lori) Beaton; sister, Marganna Gillock; many grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Mona will be fondly remembered for her kind and loving nature. She had a heart of gold and was always generous with her time and love. She enjoyed going to lunch with close lady friends.

She found immense happiness creating countless beautiful memories at the Beaton home. Mona graduated from Greenwood High School in 1965 and earned a degree from the University of Indianapolis.

Services took place at O'Riley-Branson Funeral Home.

ANNETTA M. BROWN, 62, husband, John W. Brown; son, Dwight Brown.

Annetta graduated from Perry Meridian High School in 1979 and Ivy Tech College. An exuberant party planner, no matter the occasion she would always have friendly competitive games with gifts and prizes at her celebrations. She loved spending time with family and friends boating or jet skiing at Lake Lemon, or on the beach. Annetta could often be found in her favorite color purple, or a Mickey Mouse print. She passed her passion for basketball on to her son.

Wilson St. Pierre Funeral Home handled arrangements.

JEFFREY CABRERA, 48, parents, Luis and Amanda Cabrera; children, Selena, Sheldon, Ryan, Spencer; siblings, Ken and Terry (Elba) Cabrera, Diana (Rob) Pero; one granddaughter.

He was a supervisor for Cooper Tires and proudly served in the U.S. Air Force.

Jeffrey had an unwavering passion for adventure and a deep love for his family and friends. He found joy in the thrill of CrossFit, skydiving, and nights spent dancing and was a true enthusiast of motorcycles and trucks. Jeffrey graduated from Roncalli High School and Indiana Tech.

Arrangements handled by O'Riley-Branson Funeral Home.

# Reminiscing

By B. Scott Mohr  
A retrospective glance at the Southside  
From *The Spotlight* and  
*The Southsider Voice* archives

### 60 Years Ago This Week — 1964

Southern Plaza was adding on 25,000 square feet of retail space to accommodate eight new stores, including Baker Shoes, Zale Jewelers, Paul Harris and Ace Hardware.

Pvt. Wanda Rogers completed eight weeks of basic training at the Women's Army Corps Center at Fort McClellan in Alabama.

Southport seniors Kathy Sasek and Winnie Eads placed first and third in Indiana University's high school literary contest. Sasek won a \$100 scholarship to IU, Eads a \$50.

### 50 Years Ago This Week — 1974

Bob and Betty (Brunning) Wick celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary. Mr. Wick, employed by Eli Lilly, and Mrs. Wick, a dental assistant for Dr. Carl R. Kohlman, were graduates of Manual. They had one daughter, Terry, who attended Vincennes University.

Indianapolis Public School announced the winners in its annual poster contest: Dottie Entwistle, Trina Smith, Denise Belin, Lisa Riddle, Lorie Branch, Edie Billhimer, Deana Todd, Carl Meade, Clifford Carnes, Mary Qualls and Cindy Gorman.

A.J. Foyt won the pole for the Indianapolis 500 and was looking for his fourth win at The Brickyard.

### 40 Years Ago This Week — 1984

Central Catholic School seventh-graders Paula Botos, Kim Cothron, Shawn Hayes and Jennifer Blank qualified for the National History Day contest in Maryland.

T-shirts emblazoned with the saying "Where's the Beef?" which was made famous by Clara Peller in commercials for Wendy's hamburgers, cost \$1.99 at G.C. Murphy.

Valle Vista Golf Club pro Bob Mann and amateur Doc O'Neal placed second in the Pete Dye tournament at Crooked Stick.

### 30 Years Ago This Week — 1994

The Southside Art League in Greenwood celebrated its 30th anniversary with an open house and a champagne reception, during which Sally Kriner, a founder of the league and its first president, was honored.

The public was invited to autograph the final piece of Circle Centre's structural steel.

Nikki Lawrie, who won 12 varsity letters at Roncalli, was named Marion County's Most Outstanding Female Athlete. She was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Chris Lawrie and planned to study biology at the University of Miami of Ohio.

### 20 Years Ago This Week — 2004



Former Indy 500 winners (from left) Johnny Rutherford, Al Unser Sr. and Eddie Cheever were pictured with the Borg-Warner Trophy.

Emmaus Lutheran Church and School celebrated its 100th anniversary with a picnic and a gander into its cornerstone.

Perry Meridian's junior varsity softball team defeated Southport to win the North Central tournament. The squad featured Kayla Morgan, Sara Abplanalp, Ashleigh Dees, Brittany Herndon, Megan Fowler, Amanda Mattox, Stephanie Ritter, Pam Lickliette, Jenna Williams, Brittany Herrholtz, Ashley Bennett, Chelsea Patterson,

Rachel Matthews, Rachael Manson, Megan Zieles, Lauren Kelly, Amanda Moore and coaches Steve Taylor and Steve Robinson.



Bosnian refugee Miso Ziovic was painting a mural on the exterior wall of Mercer's Model Home Furniture in Southport.



John O'Gara, team manager of the Dreyer & Reinboldt/Robbie Buhl entry for the Indy 500, had high hopes for his driver, who qualified in the ninth row.

Reminiscing is popular amongst The Southsider Voice readers. Enjoy!

### 10 Years Ago This Week — 2014



Zackery Ellis, a 2013 graduate of Beech Grove High School, served as a culinary specialist aboard the USS Hawaii, a Navy attack submarine.



Lutheran High School senior Kylie Baynes, daughter of Tim and Chris Jeffers, signed a letter of intent to participate in Indiana University's rowing program.



Logan Walker, Madelynn Coates and Breydon Calloway from Central Elementary in Beech Grove participated in their school's shoe and toy drive for Third World countries.

# OBITUARIES

CRYSTAL CLEARY, 46, mother, Linda (Greg) Williams; sisters, Angela (Andrew) Nord and Nicole (Jon Hendren) Pence.

She enjoyed painting, loved animals especially her dogs Chase, Ace and Bruise and dedicated her time to spoiling them. She was a fierce competitor at softball and basketball. She helped others by sharing her recovery journey. She was a kid at heart and always lit up a room with laughter.

G.H. Herrmann Funeral Home was entrusted with arrangements.

FRANKLIN CHARLES "CHUCK" DAY, 78, daughter, Julie Tinsley and Jami; siblings, Patricia, Carol and Brenda; two grandchildren.

He graduated from Emmerich Manual High School. Chuck worked as a Label Manager at the Post Office for many years before retiring. He enjoyed going to LA Fitness gym.

Services were held at Newcomer Funeral Home.

LORA "LORI" WILES FETSKO, 62, husband, David Fetsko; children, Lauren (Charlie), Ethan, and Evan; one granddaughter; siblings, Greg (Brenda), Alicia (Jay) and Gretchen (Frank).

Life with Lori was an adventure. There was never a dull moment. Lori's extraordinary sense of humor and quick wit brought lots of joy and laughter to their marriage. Lori was smart, funny, gorgeous, silly, kind, giving, and resilient. She loved those around her fiercely and unconditionally. Lori was a beautiful soul who would do anything for her family and friends.

Singleton and St. Pierre Funeral Home handled arrangements.

BROOKE TAYLER GREENWOOD, 22, mother, Heather (Kasey) Dillman; siblings, Libby and Luke (Riley) Greenwood; stepbrothers, Spencer (Mackenzie) and Michael Dillman; grandparents, Sandra Dillman, Phyllis Ittel and Mike and Carolyn Greenwood.

She had a bachelor's degree in Public Health from the University of Indianapolis. She was a member of Village Bible Church.

Brooke loved spending time with friends and playing card games, Christian music (especially the band Cain), scary movie nights, cows, macaroni and cheese, going to the beach, and Disney movies (especially Lilo & Stitch).

Arrangements entrusted to Wilson St.Pierre Funeral Home.

SUSAN OWENS HART, 76, husband, Elmer Hart; children, Rebecca (Mike) and Russell (Suzy); sibling, Barbara Cooper; three grandchildren; six great-grandchildren.

Susan had a 27-year career as a Neonatal Intensive Care Unit nurse at Riley Hospital. She was a veteran of the U.S. Navy.

She enjoyed singing karaoke, entertaining and being the life of the party, wild and free, home sewing, crocheting, gardening or simply sitting on the porch. Susan had a kind heart and was a mentor to many.

A ceremony was held at Newcomer Funeral Home.

VIOLA "VI" HOFFMANN, 96, children, Daniel and Steven Hoffmann, Angela; one granddaughter; special friends, Debbie Rizzi, Mary Ann Williams, and Betty.

She retired from Indianapolis Stage Sales and Rentals in 1999, serving 15 years. She previously worked for Paramount Pictures for 15 years.

Little & Sons Funeral Home handled arrangements.

DAVID WILLIAM KEIM, 68, wife, Janet Keim; children, Leah and Brandon (Melissa) Keim, Breahe (Jas) Ferreras; one grandson; brother, Marty (Karen) Keim.

Growing up, Dave led his brothers on numerous adventures and misadventures! He loved the Colts, water skiing, boating, skydiving, roller coasters, traveling, beaches, music and shared that love with

his son. He was incredibly proud of his children.

He attended Indiana State University and was employed as an electronics technician retiring from MedTronic in 2023.

A Celebration of Life will be 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturday, May 18, 2024, at Indiana Funeral Care, 2433 E. Main St., Greenwood.

KENNETH RAY LENTZ, 71, significant other, Kay Truss; children, Phillip (Erin) Lentz, Natalie Beatley, Nicole (Matthew) Jewell; siblings, Clifford (Sheryl) Lentz, Loretta (Scott) Ridge; seven grandchildren.

Kenneth retired as Senior Chief Petty Officer from the U.S. Navy. He loved motorcycles, trains, history, but most of all he loved the time spent with his family. He was a member of the Monon Historical Society and the VFW Post #1587. Kenneth lived his life his way and it was to the fullest.

Services conducted at Wilson St. Pierre Funeral Service Home.

MINNIE BEGLEY RAGLAND, 84, husband, Jack Ragland; children, Crystal (Larry) Minnix, Connie (Teddy) Bundy, Jack (Denise), and Jerry (Nancy) Ragland; eight grandchildren; 23 great-grandchildren; sister, Mary Neal.

She graduated from Manual High School and Ivy Tech. Minnie was employed and retired from Western Electric. She and Jack were married for 67 years.

Visitation took place at G.H. Herrmann Funeral Home.

DAVID "DAVE" J. SMITH, 70, wife, Mary; children, Jeremy (Mary Beth), Matt (Sandy), Andrew (Stephanie), and David (Lauren); 11 grandchildren.

Dave was a dedicated insurance agent for Prudential Insurance for decades, transitioning into the role of emeritus agent.

Throughout his life, Dave cultivated a love for music from the '60s and found solace in attending local wineries and parks for concerts with his cherished wife. He was active and had a heart of gold. He generously gave back through volunteering at Hunger Inc. Food Pantry and the Indianapolis Symphony Orchestra.

O'Riley-Branson Funeral Home handled arrangements.

GARY LANE THOMPSON, 59, children, Robbert Thompson and Megan Frazier; mother, Joann Thompson (John Hughes); sister, Cynthia Alvey.

Gary graduated from Center Grove High School in 1983, and went on to serve in the U.S. Marine Corp, primarily at Camp Lejeune. He was an automotive mechanic and a motorcycle enthusiast. He was proud of his children and was always willing to help others when needed. Gary will be remembered as a talented mechanic and for his strong work ethic.

Lauck & Veldoff Funeral Home handled arrangements.

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# SECTIONAL PREVIEW

## Franklin Central has sectional showdown with Roncalli Monday; Talented Beech Grove seeks to go deeper into IHSAA playoffs



By Al Stilley  
Editor

Within less than a year, the landscape of Southside softball has changed on the eve of the 2024 IHSAA playoffs.

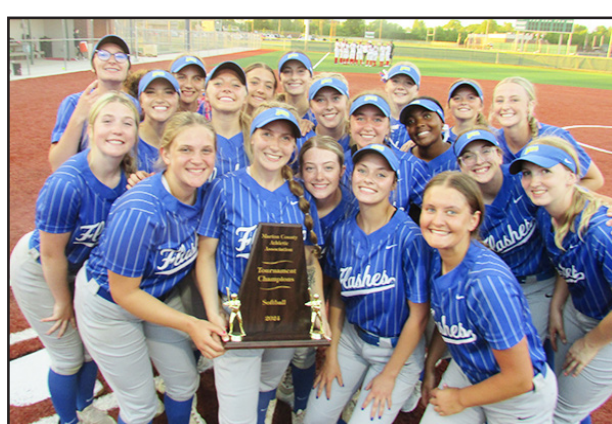
The field of teams (and dreams) is tighter than in previous years when Roncalli dominated Class 4A with two consecutive state championships and a third straight title game appearance.

Make no mistake, Roncalli remains a threat for a sectional championship, but the Royals aren't the same team as they were with Garatode Indiana Player of the Year and recently named 2024 Southeastern Conference Freshman of the Year Keegan Rothrock and company of hard hitters and speed on the bases.

Most Southside teams will see action Monday on opening day of the sectionals. Southside host sites are 4A at the Kathy Stricker Softball Complex at Franklin Central, at Center Grove, 3A at Beech Grove, and 1A at Lutheran.

Young and dangerous Franklin Central (14-12) and experienced and quick Beech Grove are looking for deep runs.

The Flashes jelled during the recent Marion County tourney by defeating 1A No. 8 Lutheran, 4A No. 8 Roncalli, very dangerous Beech Grove,



(SOUTHSIDER VOICE PHOTO BY AL STILLE)

Franklin Central's softball team gathers as tourney champions after defeating Lawrence North for the Marion County championship May 6 at Lawrence North. This is the Flashes' second championship since 2021. Flashes' team members are, not in order, August Coons, Kiley Renick, Ava Fowler, Alex Ireland, Sarah Miller, Audrina Yorn, Jady Tinsley, Kaylie Grayson, Jenna Thompson, Ashyr Lawson, Adelaide Hubbard, Mallory Stinson, Safiyah Shankle, Mariah Brown, Nayely Boyzo, Miley Smith, Ava Scott, and Adalynn Foster. The Flashes will host a 4A Sectional, beginning Monday at the Kathy Stricker Softball Complex.

and out-fought Lawrence North, 10-6 with a four-run seventh inning in the county championship game.

FC survived wild momentum swings at Lawrence North, leading, then falling behind on two consecutive Wildcat home runs, and exploding with confidence and determination in the last inning.

Prior to the county tourney, the Flashes were not in a good place. They had been smashed by Roncalli and had been inconsistent.

As FC's only softball coach Stricker said, "They weren't getting over the hump."

"We have a lot of fight," contended sophomore pitcher Kiley Renick, who survived the fifth-inning Wildcat onslaught and put down six LN batters in a row in the last two innings.

The Flashes also have senior pitcher Mallory Stinson and senior catcher Jenna Thompson. Otherwise, they are all juniors, sophomores and one freshman.

"We're playing for each other instead of ourselves," observed junior infielder Jady Tinsley.

This is a savvy team that runs right smack into Roncalli in the Monday nightcap at FC.

The Royals, coached by veteran David Lauck, are determined to keep their sectional championship string alive.

Roncalli relies upon senior pitcher Avery Clark in the circle along with seasoned veteran Emma Fegan, also on last year's state runner-up team. The Royals had lost only two games until they fell 10-0 in five innings to FC in the county tourney.

No doubt, the tension on the field Monday between Roncalli and FC will be for real.

### HORNETS READY TO STING

A few miles away, Beech Grove is primed with its same position players as last year to make another deep run in the playoffs. They set a record for wins last season and reached the Elite Eight for the first time.

The Hornets are very solid with senior pitcher Malone Moore, who lived in Rothrock's shadow last year, sister and speed merchant freshman Harper Moore, rangy junior shortstop Mylee Boling, and senior infielder Aubree Bailey.

The Hornets, coached by veteran Kacy Ferrell, are adept at "small ball," bunts, sacrifice grounders, and stolen bases, along with some power.

"I think we have a lot of power," Bailey contended during the county tourney. "We also have high team speed and a high softball IQ."

Harper Moore is the leadoff hitter who is adept at reaching first base and then stealing her own way on the bases.

"I use my speed for our benefit; it's infectious," Harper said. "I'm the first batter up, so it's up to me to get on base. We are capable of scoring a lot of runs."

Boling attests that the Hornets success this season is because they don't look beyond their next game.

It has resulted in a 17-5 record against a tougher schedule this

season.

"We are competitive and love to win," Ferrell contends. "They compete, want to win, pull together, and all-around love softball." Six of this year's seniors are products of the Beech Grove Girls Softball Association.

When the sectionals begin, some Southside teams will have some traveling to do. Decatur Central is at Terre Haute North, Whiteland is at Columbus East, and Christel House Manual goes to Heritage Christian.

The outlook for Southside teams at each sectional site.

### AT FRANKLIN CENTRAL (4A)

The fireworks begin Monday with Southport facing Warren Central at 5:30 p.m., followed by the marquee showdown between the host Flashes and Roncalli.

**FRANKLIN CENTRAL** leaders include sophomore Sarah Miller (.467, 42 hits, 22 RBI, 6 home runs), Tinsley (.429, 18 RBI), and Audrina Yorn (.357, Stinson (7-8, 3.83 ERA) and Renick (6-2, 4.30 ERA) leads from the circle. FC is 1-5 in the rugged Hoosier Crossroads Conference.

**RONCALLI** (17-4), since its county tourney loss, fell to Noblesville, defeated Huntington North, and lost to Lafayette Harrison, all on the road. Roncalli has given up 10 runs in each of their last three losses. Royals' big hitters are all juniors, Natalie Summers (.500, 25 RBI), Carley Keller (.478, 32 hits), and Addy Poe (.415, 23 RBI). Senior Avery Clark (11-3, 2.48 ERA) carries the Royals in the circle.

Royals own impressive 15-1 triumph on April 24 against Flashes that spurred FC's recent surge.

**SOUTHPORT** (4-15) recently snapped 10-game losing skid with 2-1 win against Pike. Cardinals have opening-game win against Warren Central, 12-1. The Cardinals are led by freshman Hayli Phoenix (371, 13 hits) and sophomore Malia Breedlove (.293).

The WC-Southport winner meets Tech at 5:30 p.m. Tuesday followed by the Roncalli-FC winner facing Perry Meridian in the nightcap.

**PERRY MERIDIAN** (5-13) has dropped three straight games since defeating township rival Southport in county tourney. Falcons led by sophomore Mary Stroud (.508, 31 hits, 15 stolen bases), juniors Lydia Hartman (.500) and Alivia Neace (16 RBI), and Addison Berry (.460).

The championship game is Wednesday, May 22 at 7 p.m.

Look for Franklin Central to emerge with the championship trophy.

### AT TERRE HAUTE NORTH (4A)

**DECATUR CENTRAL** (9-13) opens the sectional Monday at 5:30 p.m. against favored Brownsburg. Hawks coach Don Ivey has his youngest team ever at DC. They have had a rocky road that bodes well for a smoother 2025. However, with Ivey at the helm, they cannot be overlooked.

DC's leaders are freshman Mackenzie Cummings (.468, 29 hits), junior Kylie Vasehoff (.360, 24 RBI), sophomore Mayce Hayman (.350), and freshman Harlow Estes (.297, 19 hits, 16 RBI). Junior Hailey Cruz (6-6, 2.99 ERA) is mainstay in the circle.

The DC-Brownsburg winner meets Terre Haute North Tuesday at 5:30 p.m. with the winner advancing to the title game Wednesday at 6 p.m.

The lower bracket features Plainfield against Terre Haute South Monday with the winner meeting Avon Tuesday.

Brownsburg is favored to take this sectional.

### AT CENTER GROVE (4A)

Host Trojans should be able to take care of business on their home field but could collide with last year's nemesis Mooresville. The Pioneers spoiled CG's hopes of a sectional title last year by defeating the Trojans in the opener.

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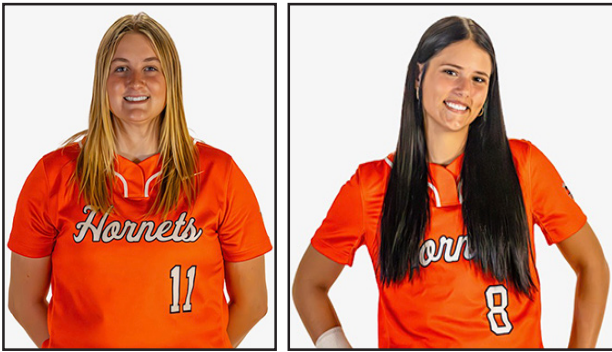
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From the Roncalli Athletic Department

# SECTIONAL PREVIEW

## TROJANS DOMINATE COUNTY SOFTBALL TOURNEY



(SUBMITTED PHOTO)

The Center Grove Trojans captured the Johnson County softball tournament Saturday at their Russ Milligan Field. The Trojans outscored three opponents, 31-1 while marching to the title. CG defeated Indian Creek, 6-1 as Riley Janda drove in three runs and Hannah Haberstroch two runs. Center Grove (17-6) is host of a 4A Sectional beginning Monday.

**CENTER GROVE** has been led by seniors, infielder Riley Janda (.535, 50 RBI, 7 home runs) and centerfielder Hannah Haberstroch (.557), and sophomore Brynn Meyer (.513, 39 hits, 35 runs, 23 stolen bases) throughout this campaign. Pitching chores fall to senior Riley Henson and sophomore Riley Fuhr.

**GREENWOOD** opens the CG Sectional Monday at 6 p.m. against Bloomington South with the winner meeting the host Trojans Tuesday at 6 p.m.

Woodmen (13-9, 6-6 Mid-State) are most improved team on the Southside under first-year coach Sara Beers Allison, a former Soccina standout on Crusaders 2017 Class 2A state championship team who later helped lead Olivet Nazarene to the NAIA World Series. Greenwood won only four games last year and went winless in the Mid-State. This is first winning season since 2017.

A combo of a few experienced players and newcomers have bought into the Woodman program.

Woodmen are led by seniors Emma Chism (.571, 36 hits, 27 RBI) and Courtney Hankenhoff (.530, 21 RBI; 11-3, 3.55 ERA) and sophomore Kinsley Clark (.371, 26 runs, 23 hits). Sophomore Bella Blythe (2-3) is No. 2 pitcher.

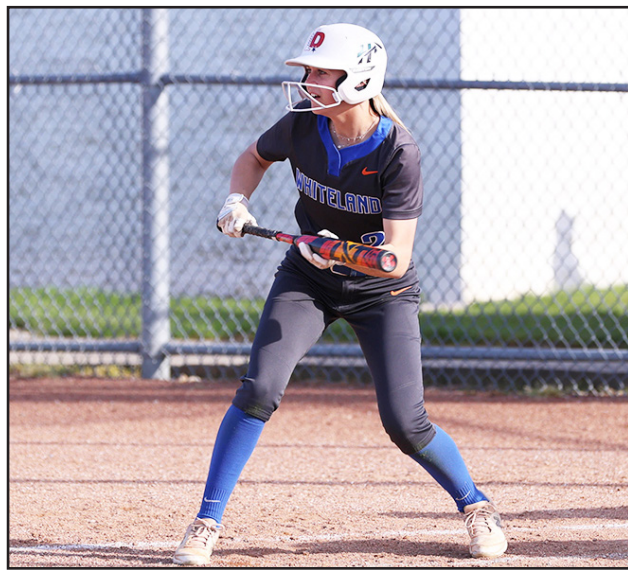
In the lower bracket, rivals Martinsville and Mooresville meet Monday in the nightcap with the winner facing Bloomington North in Tuesday's second game. The championship game unfolds Thursday, May 23 at 6 p.m.

This time, Center Grove figures out a way to advance to regional.

### AT COLUMBUS EAST (4A)

**WHITELAND** (11-10) drew a bye in the upper bracket and does not play until Tuesday at 6 p.m. against the Franklin-Columbus East winner from Monday's sectional opener. The lower bracket features Columbus North against Shelbyville with the winner meeting East Central in the Tuesday nightcap.

The Warriors have a good mix of youth and experience. Leaders include junior Kiley Sullivan (.531, 34 hits, 26 runs, 12 stolen bases; 6-3, 3.56 ERA) and seniors Madison Myers (.410, 25 hits, 24 RBI) and Josslyn Harbert (.392, 29 hits). Freshman pitcher



(WHITELAND BEAT SPORTS NETWORK PHOTOS)

Whiteland senior Josslyn Harbert prepares to bunt. The Warriors compete in a wide open IHSAA 4A Sectional at Columbus East.



Whiteland junior Kiley Sullivan is among several outstanding Warriors' softball players. Sullivan has a .532 batting average with 34 hits at the plate and a 6-3 won-lost record as a pitcher.

Jordyn Crouch (4-3, 1.62) adds clout in the circle.

The championship game is Thursday, May 23 at 6 p.m. East Central survives two round trips from the border in three nights to steal sectional title.

### AT BEECH GROVE (3A)

The host Hornets are heavy favorites to win their sectional for the second consecutive season.

**BEECH GROVE** plays Purdue Polytechnical Tuesday at 5:30 p.m., and meets the opening night Speedway-Herron winner Wednesday, May 22 at 5:30 p.m.

Hornets have deepest team on the Southside and have one of the few four-team sectionals. Seniors Malone Moore (.530, 35 hits, 31 RBI; 16-2, 0.71 ERA,

139 strike outs) and Lilliana Jansen (.463, 31 hits) are among team leaders. Major impact from freshman speedster Harper Moore (.585, 48 hits, 38 stolen bases, 29 runs).

### AT HERITAGE CHRISTIAN (2A)

**CHRISTEL HOUSE MANUAL** collides with favored Soccina in the second game on opening night Monday at 7 p.m. Part Tudor faces host Heritage Christian in the opener. The CH Manual-Soccina winner meets Irvington Prep Tuesday at 7 p.m. after Triton Central meets the PT-HC winner at 5 p.m. The title game is 6 p.m. Wednesday, May 22.

The Eagles have power at the plate with junior Allie Schultz (.500, 18 hits, 20 RBI) and sophomore Odalis Valerio (.438, 16 runs, 14 hits). Schultz is 6-5 as a pitcher with sophomore Savanna Curry (1-2).

Interesting six-team field with Triton Central emerging. Interesting six-team field with Triton Central emerging.

### AT LUTHERAN (1A)

This four-team sectional on the Southside also is interesting because of a Southside rivalry.

**LUTHERAN** (12-8) and **GREENWOOD CHRISTIAN** (3-8) square off Tuesday at 5:30 p.m. Morristown and Edinburgh open the tourney Monday at 5:30 p.m. The winners meet Wednesday at 5:30 p.m.

The host Saints are primed for the playoffs with a veteran team. Senior leaders include Caitlyn Brooks (.433, 26 hits, 23 runs, 17 RBI), Leyla Miller (.476, 30 hits), and Kayla Burns (.426, 26 hits). Junior Zoe Sontag (.404, 23 hits, 22 RBI) cranks it up, too. The Saints circle features pitchers Brooklyn Barger (10-7), 2.75 ERA) and newcomer Addelyn Clark (2-1, 3.67 ERA).

GCA's Cougars have some clout at the plate with seniors Sydney Waldron (.417) and Summer Huberts (.368) and freshman Reagan Willis (.471). Pitching corps is three-deep with senior Sophia Doyle, sophomore Sarai Gabrielle Robertson, and freshman Annaleece Jackson.

Who will win the rivalry between the host Saints and GCA? Lutheran has upper hand due to strength of schedule.

Regional championships are single games at each site Tuesday, May 28. Four-team semistates follow Saturday, June 1. State championship games are Friday, June 7 at Purdue University. Info: ihsaa.org.

## "500" Practice (Continued from Page 1)



(SOUTHSIDER VOICE PHOTO BY STEVE PAGE)

Graham Rahal of New Albany, Ohio, leads Ed Carpenter Racing driver Rinus Veekay on Saturday.

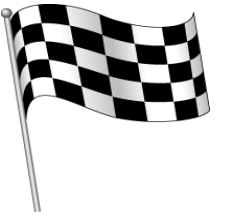
"The team has good people," Power said. "The team has lots of depth and they perform at a high standard. Any time you're on the podium (top three), it's a good day." Reminding of his winless streak, the confident Power said, "I just know eventually I will get a win."

No one had to remind longtime team owner Ganassi that all four of his drivers finished among the top five, including third through fifth Christian Lundgaard, Scott Dixon and Marcus Armstrong.

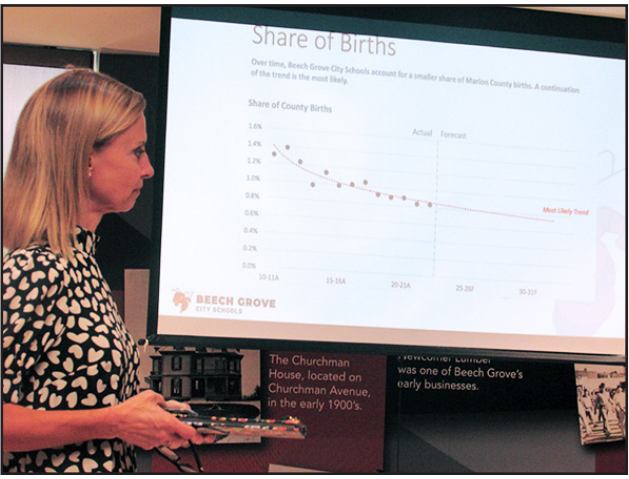
"A good way to begin the month of May," Ganassi said. "Momentum is real in any sport; it is your friend."

This week, practice days are today, Thursday and Fast Friday with qualifying Saturday and the pole run Sunday. Carb Day is Friday, May 24 and Race Day, Sunday, May 26.

Info: indianapolismotorspeedway.com.



## Supt. Hammack outlines school changes, praises BGMS as School of Promise



(SOUTHSIDER VOICE PHOTO BY AL STILLEY)

Beech Grove City Schools Supt. Laura Hammack provides insights to the school district's accomplishments at the Greater Beech Grove Chamber of Commerce luncheon Thursday at the Hornet Park Community Center.

By Al Stille  
Editor

Beech Grove City Schools Supt. Laura Hammack outlined changes at Central Elementary and South Grove Intermediate schools for the 2024-2025 school year.

She also praised Beech Grove Middle School teachers and staff for being named by the National Institute for Excellence in Teaching (NIET) as its 2024 School of Promise during her remarks Thursday at the monthly Greater Beech Grove Chamber of Commerce luncheon.

Hammack, in her third annual State of Beech Grove City Schools address, said that grade levels at Central and South Grove schools would undergo changes.

Central Elementary will become Central Intermediate School for grades 5 and 6 only, and South Grove would become South Grove Elementary School for grades 2 through 4.

The changes, Hammack explained, are being made due to student enrollments and classroom space.

Also, high school principal Andrew Karr will move to the intermediate school, and Brown County school principal Trent Austin, a 27-year school administrator, becomes the new BGHS principal, effective July 1. A new principal at South Grove Elementary School is being sought.

Hammack said that the total enrollment is 2,750 students for Beech Grove schools this year, but future trends show a slight decrease in student population, a phenomenon also anticipated throughout Marion County and Indianapolis Public Schools.

Hammack also pointed out that BGCS administra-

tors are urging families of students enrolled in schools outside BGCS to consider city schools as well as an estimated 120 students who are taking virtual education classes outside of BGCS.

Hammack also had high praise for Beech Grove Middle School that was honored by NIET recently as its only School of Promise. Under principal Ryan Morgan, teachers, and staff, BGMS was honored "as a testament to their efforts to build a team of exemplary educators that propels students to reach their potential. BGMS has partnered with NIET to support teachers with proven instructional strategies.

Hammack also explained the success of the district's motto "Love Where you Learn."

She said that extends to love of belonging, community, growth, diversity, and learning.

"We hold true to our vision that education can change the world," Hammack said. "We hold the highest expectations for all students. Upon graduation, they are ready for college, the workforce, or the military."

Hammack also acknowledged BGMS art teacher Jonee Sutton as a top-10 finalist for 2024 Indiana Teacher of the Year.

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# Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

### DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦♦

- ♦ Moderate
- ♦♦ Challenging
- ♦♦♦ HOO BOY!

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## CryptoQuip

This is a simple substitution cipher in which each letter used stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Solution is accomplished by trial and error.

Clue: Y equals T

KQZY HB FBT IZJJ Z  
 IVJVMUZYVH AEIYEBRZJ PXF  
 KQB'P XUBHTIERL YBRP BA  
 BTYXTY? Z QELQ-FEVJH MBRH.

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# HOROSCOPE

**ARIES** (March 21 to April 19) The cautious side of your usually adventurous nature stands you in good stead this week. Someone might, indeed, be trying to pull the wool over the Sheep's eyes.

**TAURUS** (April 20 to May 20) Planetary alignment still causes unsettling situations. Consider delaying matters that aren't a priority until the weekend. Cheer up! The next such alignment isn't until 2028.

**GEMINI** (May 21 to June 20) Family matters take precedence. Spend more time with those close to you. A career move sounds promising, but ask for more facts before making a decision.

**CANCER** (June 21 to July 22) Your watchword this week is "tact!" While honesty is, of course, the best policy, it's best to temper your tendency toward bluntness with discretion.

**LEO** (July 23 to August 22) Nothing pleases our Leos and Leonas more than knowing they're admired, and this week, you'll be overwhelmed with compliments. Enjoy the adulation. You earned it.

**VIRGO** (August 23 to September 22) You're making progress in your dealings with a troubled loved one. Continue to offer understanding and support. You'll soon see positive results.

**LIBRA** (September 23 to October 22) Change is favored this

week. You might want to reassess a situation that has become too demanding. Also, reconsider that job move you rejected earlier.

**SCORPIO** (October 23 to November 21) A loved one returns after a long separation. At work, a decision is made that could lead to the changes you hoped for. The next step is up to you.

**SAGITTARIUS** (November 22 to December 21) This is a good time to set things straight in your personal

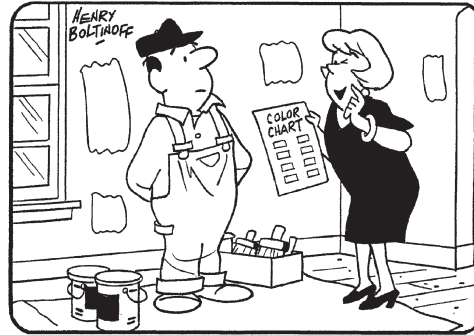
relationships. Some decisions might be difficult but necessary if you're to turn things around.

**CAPRICORN** (December 22 to January 19) Cupid rules the Capricorn Goat's heart this week. It's a good time to start a new romance or reaffirm your commitment to your current beloved.

**AQUARIUS** (January 20 to February 18) Travel and entertainment are favored for the rest of the month. You earned this good time. Enjoy it with friends and family members.

**PISCES** (February 19 to March 20) Someone you've been close to reveals a secret that

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Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences: 1. Leg is moved. 2. Tarp is longer. 3. Paint can is larger. 4. Window sill is different. 5. Foot is moved. 6. Top of doorway is different.

### PUZZLE ANSWERS SEE PAGE 10

## King Crossword

#### ACROSS

- 1 Reddish brown
- 5 \$ dispenser
- 8 Cries of aversion
- 12 Spiced tea
- 13 Goat's plaint
- 14 Entreaty
- 15 Mystique
- 16 Blue Angels events
- 18 Australian red wine
- 20 Fedora feature
- 21 Medicinal plant
- 23 PC key
- 24 Schubert compositions
- 28 "Monopoly" cubes
- 31 Misery
- 32 Barbs
- 34 "Science Friday" network
- 35 Adjoining

#### DOWN

- 1 Early TVs
- 2 "Nopel!"
- 3 Rani's dress
- 4 Royal crowns
- 5 Vast rainforest region
- 6 — chi
- 7 Painter
- 8 Supported
- 9 Acting smug
- 10 Hacks with an axe
- 11 Postpaid enc.
- 17 Mexican Mrs.
- 19 Sleep like — on the slopes
- 22 Treble clef lines
- 24 Bristle
- 25 Caviar base
- 26 Fabric features
- 27 Calming drug
- 29 Tax pro
- 30 Mess up
- 33 Bygone jets
- 36 Prairie homes
- 38 Of service
- 40 — Moines
- 42 Beach bucket
- 43 Church area
- 44 Invitation notation
- 46 Story
- 47 China (Pref.)
- 48 Historic periods
- 50 White wine cocktail

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answer

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— Weekly SUDOKU —

Answer

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7	9	3	2	1	5	4	6	8
4	2	8	3	6	9	5	1	7
9	3	1	8	5	7	2	4	6
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6	5	7	1	4	2	9	8	3
3	4	9	6	7	8	1	2	5

— TRIVIA —

Answers


- Russia.
- "Parks and Recreation."
- Crust, mantle and core.
- "Legally Blonde."
- Zinc.
- Rabbit or hare.
- "Alice in Wonderland."
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