

TODAY'S VERSE

Psalm 23:1-6 The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want. He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: he leadeth me beside the still waters. He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake. Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me. Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the LORD for ever.



FACES OF HAMILTON COUNTY

People who call our community their own.

What makes Thomas Kneeland smile? "My kids," said the 30-year-old Fishers Arts Council member. He has a blended family of five children, ages 5-12. He was born and raised in Greenville, Miss. He came to Indiana to attend DePauw University in Greencastle to study creative writing and graduated in 2014. He is former assistant director of admission, diversity and inclusion specialist for DePauw University, and is a third-year Master of Fine Arts candidate at Butler University, where he studies the craft and passion of poetry. Today's feature is a look back at one of The Times' previous Faces of Hamilton County. He is currently an English instructor for Goodwill of Central and Southern Indiana. He is editor and chief of the Elevation Review. He is a former downtown Noblesville resident of three years. He graduated from Indiana Wesleyan with a master's degree in ministry. He is the founder and executive director for Kneeland Center for Poetry, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization. "We focus on creating places for underrepresented writers across the world." Professionally, he is a poet, best-selling author and copywriter and has three books of poetry, one in second edition that is available at Barnes & Noble Booksellers, where he also has other books available, the latest about black lives.

And Another Few Things...

1. Schedule Change

The holidays mean a few changes in schedules. For the most part, banks and government offices will be closed on Sunday and Monday, New Year's Day and the day after. This includes the U.S. Post Office as well. For us at The Times, following our custom of not publishing on major and postal holidays, there will be no Online Edition on New Year's Day and the day after, Jan. 1-2. In addition, our offices are closed for the holidays from now until Jan. 2. If you need something during that time, please e-mail Tim Timmons at timmons@thetimes24-7.com

2. Lantern Awards

The Westfield Lantern Awards is a time-honored tradition of the Westfield Chamber of Commerce. The signature community recognition event began in 1982. The event celebrates the community of Westfield and is a semi-formal cocktail reception designed to bring the community together for an evening of fellowship while recognizing and honoring outstanding residents and businesses. This year's Awards Ceremony will take place on Jan. 19 at the Prairie Waters Event Center in Westfield. The deadline to apply for an award below has been extended to midnight on Jan. 2. Don't miss your opportunity to recognize Westfield's best and brightest. Apply online at form.jotform.com/westfieldchamberindy/lanternawards2023

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Bicentennial Buzz Growing Bigger in Hamilton County

As Indiana and Hamilton County prepare to celebrate the State and County's 200th year, there are lots of exciting events and attractions to look forward to. Below, you can find all the details you'll need to help make this birthday the best one yet.

Opening event:

The Hamilton County Bicentennial opens the county's 200th year with a free, family-friendly event at 3 p.m. Sunday, January 22, 2023, at the Palladium, Center for the Performing Arts in Carmel.

Michael Feinstein, artistic director for the Center and founder of the Carmel-based Great American Songbook Foundation, will perform and emcee the program, which will include remarks from local dignitaries and engaging performances by area artistic talent.

Attendees will receive a goodie bag, as well as a chance at a special, limited quantity commemorative item. Tickets for this seminal event are free but must be reserved in advance at thecenterpresents.org/tickets-events/ or by phone at (317) 843-3800.

The Opening Ceremony will be the first of many free, family-friendly events celebrating the Hamilton County Bicentennial throughout the year.

Stay up-to-date with activities by signing up for the Hamilton County Bicentennial newsletter at hamcoturns200.com/e-newsletter or follow HamCoTurns200 on Facebook and Instagram.

Year-round events:

Upwards of 45 one-of-a-kind events funded by the Bicentennial's grant program are set to take place over 12 festive months to celebrate the county's 200th anniversary. In addition, a traveling exhibit will be available to the public at more than 25 locations around the county.

Access the complete events calendar on the Bicentennial website at hamcoturns200.com/events. To quickly find events, search by date, location, keyword or event type, including the following:

- Signature Township Event
- Arts
- Education
- Diversity/Inclusion
- Historic Preservation
- Parks/Environment
- County Event
- Traveling Exhibit

Most events and programs are free and family-friendly. From March to November, the spotlight will shine on each of the nine townships in Hamilton County for a full month. The townships and months are:

- **March** - White River Township
- **April** - Jackson Township
- **May** - Adams Township
- **June** - Washington Township
- **July** - Noblesville Township
- **Aug.** - Wayne Township
- **Sept.** - Fall Creek Township
- **Oct.** - Delaware Township
- **Nov.** - Clay Township



The event lineup will include live music, interactive reenactments, art shows, walking tours, food history, veteran events and more. If a program requires registration, the description will note it. Check the calendar for new events and listing details as the year progresses.

Traveling exhibit:

Funded by Hamilton County Community Foundation, an affiliate of CICF, the traveling exhibit will include two 8-by-8-foot, one-sided, free-standing panels with educational and historical information about Hamilton County's history. Businesses, nonprofits, schools, libraries, retirement communities, and any organization with an indoor space capable of housing the exhibit for one week are eligible to host.

A team of local historians will produce the exhibit content and a local graphic designer will design it. The exhibit will encompass all five themes of the 2023 Bicentennial:

- Art
- Diversity/Inclusion
- Education
- Historic Preservation
- Parks/Environment

The historical content based on these themes will educate the public about history topics that even long-time citizens might not be aware of.

The opening reception for the exhibit will be held on Feb. 17 at 6 p.m. at the Collaboration Hub (11810 Technology Dr., Fishers) and will run from March through the end of October. Each host will receive the

exhibit for one week, Saturday to Saturday; pickup and drop-off are to be arranged with the host.

Commemorative book:

"Celebrating Hamilton County, Indiana: 200 Years of Change," the official commemorative book of Hamilton County's 2023 bicentennial, was released in early December this year. The glossy, 9-by-12-inch, full-color book features events and figures many people know and love, as well as never-before-published photographs, stories and oral histories. Read about Hamilton County's earliest inhabitants and each of its nine townships.

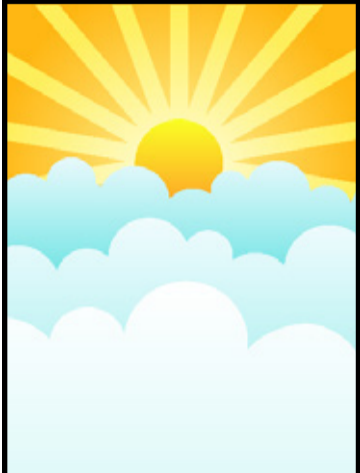
The book is available on Amazon and through MT Publishing Co. (mtpublishing.com). Visit the Bicentennial website at hamcoturns200.com/our-book to find an updated list of local retail stores carrying the book.

About the Hamilton County Bicentennial Commission:

The Hamilton County Bicentennial Commission was established by the Hamilton County Board of Commissioners as the official oversight agency for the 200th anniversary of the county. It will do so in partnership with the Hamilton County Historical Society and Hamilton County Tourism, Inc.

Duke Energy, Hamilton County, the Hamilton East Public Library and Hamilton County Tourism are all lead sponsors of the Bicentennial activities. For more information, visit HamCoTurns200.com or follow HamCoTurns200 on Facebook and Instagram.

The Daily Almanac



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RISE: 8:05 a.m.
SET: 5:27 p.m.



High/Low Temperatures
High: 56 °F
Low: 54 °F

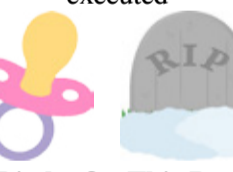


- Today is...**
- Bacon Day
 - Falling Needles Family Fest Day
 - No Interruptions Day



What Happened On This Day

- **1916** Grigori Yefimovich Rasputin, a Russian mystic and advisor to the Tsar, is murdered by a loyalist group led by Prince Felix Yusupov
- **1993** Israel establishes diplomatic relations with Vatican City and upgrades to full diplomatic relations with Ireland
- **2006** Former President of Iraq Saddam Hussein is executed



Births On This Day

- **1975** Tiger Woods American golfer
- **1984** LeBron James American basketball player

Deaths On This Day

- **1970** Sonny Liston American boxer
- **2006** Saddam Hussein Iraqi politician and 5th President of Iraq

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HONEST HOOSIER

I say this every year, but every year some lamebrain ignores it. If you are going out to celebrate tomorrow night, BE SAFE!!!



TODAY'S HEALTH TIP

Listen to your body - If it hurts, your body is telling you to rest it. Today's health tip was brought to you by Dr. John Roberts. Be sure to catch his column each week in The Times and online at www.thetimes24-7.com.



TODAY'S QUOTE

"Let our New Year's resolution be this: we will be there for one another as fellow members of humanity, in the finest sense of the word."

- Goran Persson

TODAY'S JOKE

The drunk was stopped after midnight by a cop, who asked where he was going. "To a lecture," the drunk said. "And who is having a lecture at this time of night," the cop asked. "My wife."

OBITUARIES

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FRI 54/56 RAIN, HEAVY AT TIMES	SAT 43/49 SHOWERS EARLY	SUN 38/52 CLOUDY AND MILD HAPPY NEW YEAR	MON 42/56 RAIN, HEAVY LATE IN EVENING	TUE 60/63 RAIN AND WINDY	WED 50/52 DRY, FALLING TEMPS FEW FLOODING COLDS	THU 32/36 FEW FLOODING COLDS
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⇒ OBITUARIES

Lora Cathern Cox

January 3, 1932-December 27, 2022

Lora Cathern Cox, 90, of Noblesville, passed away peacefully at her home with her loving family and friends on Tuesday, Dec. 27, 2022.

She was born on Jan. 3, 1932 to Luther and Dollie (Travis) Roberts in Lee County, Virginia.

Mrs. Cox moved to Indiana after marrying John Cox on Dec. 23, 1952. They had two sons, Gary and Mike. She was a faithful Christian and a member of Victory Baptist Church for over 50 years, serving as secretary and treasurer for much of that time.

She loved spending time with her family, traveling with her husband and sisters, the fellowship of her church, and especially all those who called her Grandma or Nana. Mrs. Cox was a wonderful mother, sister, wife, caregiver and friend.

Survivors include her 2 sons Gary (Pam) Cox and Mike (Jane) Cox; 2 sisters Shirley Lawson and Loretta Mercer, both of Noblesville; sister-in-law Gay Roberts; 6 grandchildren Jason (Lisa) Cox, Tasha Ferguson, Lisa Scott, Jeremy Cox, Kelli (Jeremy) Starkey and Amber (Steven) Taylor; 12 great-grandchildren Elizabeth Allan, Maryssa Cox, Jalen Cox, Chase Cox, Zoe Cox, Skylar Cox, Haven Starkey, Athen Starkey, Kyndall Ferguson, Addyson Ferguson, Maddox Isaac and Payton Taylor; 1 great-great-grandson Blayze Skidmore; and numerous nieces and nephews who called her Nana as well.

Preceding her in death were her parents; husband John D. Cox; 3 brothers Curtis Roberts, Clarence Roberts and Henry Roberts; and sister Thelma Davis.

Visitation is scheduled to be held from 4-8 p.m. on Monday, Jan. 2, 2023 at Randall & Roberts Funeral Home, 1150 Logan St. in Noblesville. An additional visitation is scheduled to run from 10 a.m. until service time, which is scheduled for 11 a.m. on Tuesday, Jan. 3, 2023 at the funeral home, with Pastor Darrell Jones and the Rev. James Clark officiating. Burial will be at Crownland Cemetery in Noblesville.

Memorial contributions may be made to Alzheimer's Association, 8430 W Bryn Mawr Ave, Suite 800, Chicago, IL 60631 (alz.org/indiana).

Online condolences may be made at randallroberts.com

Orus Steve Harvey

December 23, 1944-December 27, 2022

Orus Steve Harvey, 78, of Carmel, passed away on Tuesday, Dec. 27, 2022 at IU Health North Hospital in Carmel.

He was born on Dec. 23, 1944 to Max and Edith Harvey in Lebanon, Indiana, 1 of 5 children.

Mr. Harvey graduated from Westfield High School, Class of 1966.

He began his professional career in 1970 in his personal garage repairing and painting wrecked cars. He later opened Harvey's Body Shop in Westfield on Union Street in an old gas station. In 1995 he moved the family business to Westfield Park Road. From 1970 on, Mr. Harvey and his family ran Harvey's Collision Center for over 50 years until it closed in 2020 due to his health issues.

Although he was a car enthusiast his entire life, his real passion was owning his quarter horses and barrel racing. His love for horses started at a young age while growing up on his family farm. His family raised Standard Bred horses and enjoyed harness racing at various racetracks in the Midwest. Mr. Harvey was actively involved in the barrel racing industry and shared his love for horses with all his daughters.

Survivors include his 3 daughters Cindy (Danny, Jr) Nickel, Jody (John) Mumaw and Leah Harvey; 3 grandchildren Steven, Madison and Emerson; and great granddaughter Eleanor.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his 2 sisters Martha Jo Poe and Maxine Bracken.

Visitation is scheduled to be held from 4-7 p.m. on Monday, Jan. 2, 2023 at Randall & Roberts Funeral Center, 1685 Westfield Rd. in Noblesville.

Online condolences may be made at randallroberts.com



Tips to Minimize Holiday Clutter

(StatePoint) 'Tis the season for fun and festivities, which means more party attire, kids' toys and decorations coming into the home. Family organizing expert Jessica Litman, the CEO and founder of The Organized Mama, shares her tips to keep your space clean and under control during the holidays.

Clear the Countertops

"When the party invitations, gift lists and schedules start to pile up in the kitchen, it's time to designate one area where everything should go," Litman says. "This will make it easier to keep the counters clear and for everyone in the family to know where to find their things before running out the door."

Litman says to collect all the papers and store them in a tray. For a DIY organizing system, try hanging

a couple of clipboards on the wall in the entryway to hold important reminders and leave messages, or empty out a drawer and use shallow baking pans as bins for each person to place their grab-and-go items.

Prep for Cooking and Cleaning

With all the time spent in the kitchen cooking, baking and cleaning up after family parties, make sure that you're set up for easy maintenance.

A Lazy Susan is a great way to create more room in a cabinet and store ingredients and utensils in one place for quick access, while keeping the mess to a minimum. Litman suggests lining it with the Duck brand Smooth Top EasyLiner Lazy Susan Kit to keep surfaces free from sticky residue. The pre-cut, circular shaped

liner is simple to install, prevents items from falling over and is easy to wipe clean without having to remove the Lazy Susan from the cabinet. Litman also suggests decluttering drawers and stocking up on to-go containers so you can send guests home with leftovers.

Store the Décor

There will likely be an excess of bows, ribbons, gift bags, tape, scissors and wrapping paper around your home in the coming months. Instead of using a cabinet or drawer to store these items, Litman suggests hanging an over-the-door organizer in the closet and using the compartments to keep extras neat and tidy.

When the holidays are over, Litman says to store small ornaments in egg cartons and wrap breakables in bubble cushioning

for safekeeping until next year.

Make Way for Play

All of the gift wrap means the kids will have new toys that need to be stored. Before the holidays begin, Litman says to go through your little one's playroom and donate items they no longer use or have grown out of.

Once the room is clear of clutter, wipe and line storage bins and cubbies with machine-washable EasyLiner with Clorox. The liner contains antimicrobial protection that resists the growth of odor-causing mold and mildew, keeping surfaces spotless throughout the cold season and ensuring there is always a tidy spot to put holiday crafts, games and puzzles.

Following these simple tips will allow you to enjoy neat spaces all season long.

Resolve to Protect Your Finances and Your Family in the New Year

(StatePoint) After a holiday season spent racking up credit card bills, many Americans consider making financial resolutions in the New Year. However, now is the perfect time to not only reevaluate your saving and spending, but also commit to creating a more holistic financial plan designed to protect your finances and your family.

Consumers are seeking stability and preparedness in today's uncertain economic environment, according to a recent Consumer Sentiment Tracker study by Lincoln Financial Group. With ongoing inflation and market volatility, 56% of respondents cited protection from risk as being most important to them. When it comes to thinking about their finances, people said they have the greatest interest in protecting their family (39%) followed by their income (26%).

"Our research reinforced the importance of financial solutions that can

help consumers navigate through market cycles and protect their loved ones," said David Berkowitz, president, Lincoln Financial Network, Lincoln Financial's wealth management business. "People are not only concerned about having enough to pay their bills, but also saving for retirement and preparing for the unexpected. It's important to have a well-rounded financial plan that can address those risks, protect assets and create positive outcomes for today's families."

To achieve a stronger financial future, don't neglect your finances in 2023 — instead, add a little TLC (Talk, Learn, Commit). Resolve to create a robust financial plan using these three tips from Lincoln Financial:

1. Talk about it. Financial conversations play a crucial role. Be transparent with your loved ones about financial priorities so you can set expectations and work toward your shared

financial goals. Initiate ongoing discussions to stay on track with everything from saving for retirement to paying for a long-term healthcare event, which can happen suddenly and be very costly. Also, consider talking to a financial professional who can help identify solutions that best meet your individual needs, as well as drive better outcomes. Lincoln's research found those who work with financial professionals are more likely to prioritize retirement savings (26% vs. 10%).

2. Learn more about tax-deferred investments. Life insurance can be more than just a death benefit, with some types of policies offering income replacement for unforeseen events. It can also protect your financial security from the impact of taxes, market volatility and longevity. It's not just for individuals and families either, but businesses too. Also, consider diversifying your portfolio with an

annuity, which can provide protected growth and monthly lifetime income to help cover expenses in retirement and ensure you have a stream of income.

3. Commit to maximizing your workplace benefits. Look into supplemental coverages like disability, accident and life insurance that may be available through your employer. Solutions like these protect against unexpected events that can disrupt your ability to provide for your family or drive you into additional debt. If you have an employer-sponsored retirement plan, make sure you are contributing and getting a match, if offered. Tap into any financial wellness tools offered at work to help provide you with an accurate picture of your holistic financial situation and lower stress.

Visit www.lfg.com for more tools and resources.

With a robust plan, you can help ensure a solid financial future for you and your family.

New Year's Resolutions For Business Owners

(SPM Wire) New Year's resolutions aren't just for individuals and families. Businesses can benefit from them as a method to reflect and set themselves up for improvements in the months ahead.

Here are a few ways small business owners can get their enterprises on a better track in the new year:

- Hit the books smarter: Get your records in better

shape by making sure to put in effect a process of checks and balances, whereby at least two sets of eyes hit your books every month or at least every quarter. Now is also the time to update balance sheets, generate income statements and compile cash flow statements.

- Be more positive: Foster a more positive work environment for in-house employees, as well as those who work from

home or frequently are on the road for your business. Encourage real feedback and actually listen to what employees have to say. Be kind and encourage kindness among team members.

- Be goal oriented: Evaluate the past year and be honest in asking yourself if your business met its goals. Clearly define new ones and make sure your entire team knows what these goals

are. Create a plan with measurable benchmarks and with regular staff check-ins where your team honestly reviews monthly, quarterly and yearly goals together. Define goals and create a platform for your entire team to transparently benchmark their successes and failings.

The new year is the perfect time to reassess your company and to set it up for increased success in 2023.

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A Report on Our Stewardship

On Nov. 24, 2004, the company that would grow into Sagamore News Media published its first issue. Since then, we have committed ourselves to doing our part toward improving the communities in which we all live.

Thanks to our company, our owners and our employees, we submit this report to you. We believe that local ownership matters. We believe that not just having roots in a community makes a difference, but that what companies do with their time, treasure and talents matters. Some companies seem to continually cut back on the resources they use to serve our communities; cutting jobs and sending profits out of the state. But for us, it just means we get more involved.

From weekly church ads donated at no cost to sponsorship of community events to donated ads to investments of time and money, we don't just say it, we live it. SNM is proud to report that in 2022, we have donated more than

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