

➔ TODAY'S VERSE

Jeremiah 33:3 Call unto me,
and I will answer thee, and
shew thee great and mighty
things, which thou knowest
not.



➔ FACES OF
HAMILTON COUNTY

People who call our community their own.

What makes Linda Behrends smile? "Family, helping my veterans, mostly family. I'm very big on family, and we're a big family up here" said the 42-year-old Noblesville resident, who was found bartending an evening crowd at the Ralph Lehr VFW Post 6246 in Noblesville. "They come in for drinks, coffee, just somebody to talk to," said Linda, president of the VFW auxiliary. "I enjoy the interaction with the veterans and hearing their stories and what they've done in their life." Before working at the VFW, she was a certified nursing assistant for 22 years. "I'm just helping people in a different way now." When she's not at the VFW, she likes to spend time with her children. "We do a lot of activities, go to the pool...parks..." She has a husband, Eric, a disabled U.S. Army veteran and two kids, and she takes care of her nieces. She has lived in Noblesville since she was 5 years old and graduated in 1999 from Noblesville High School. Behrends has reigned as the Loyalty Day Parade Queen but this weekend is looking forward to the Charity Ride for American Veteran Riders Association, which is at 8:30 a.m. Saturday beginning at the Ralph Lehr VFW Post 6246. The charity ride, in its first year, is asking \$15 per bike or vehicle, \$5 per passenger; for non-riders food will be \$5 per person including dessert. This charity event benefits the AVR Veteran's Community Support Missions. Registration begins at 8:30 a.m. with pre-ride meeting at 10:30 a.m. with kickstands up at 11 a.m., with dinner served afterward.

And Another Thing...

1. Braun and Peters' bipartisan legislation to establish training programs about AI for federal leaders passes committee

Bipartisan legislation authored by U.S. Senators Mike Braun and Gary Peters to create an artificial intelligence (AI) training program for federal supervisors and management officials has advanced in the Senate. The training program would help improve the federal workforce's understanding of AI applications, and ensure that leaders who oversee the use of these tools understand AI's potential benefits and risks.

2. Spartz Calls for President Biden and Congressional Leaders to Grow a Backbone and Reform Budgeting

Yesterday, Rep. Victoria Spartz (R-IN) sent a letter to President Joe Biden, Senate Majority Leader Chuck Schumer (D-NY), Senate Minority Leader Mitch McConnell (R-KY), Speaker Kevin McCarthy (R-CA), and House Minority Leader Hakeem Jeffries (D-NY) urging them to come to a bipartisan consensus to move the needle with "real" dollar savings, not gimmicks of accounting, in our spending and establish an actionable select committee process to deal with our budgeting or the lack of thereof. "Speaker Randall warned us about 150 years ago that if our budgeting process involves too many committees and becomes too convoluted, we will find the treasury of the country bankrupt. The House did not listen and incurred some of the largest peacetime deficits. 100 years ago, the House exercised leadership, urged members 'to submerge ambitions for the public good,' and reformed the budgeting process to get spending under control," Spartz said. "The time has come now for our leaders to become statesmen - not politicians, grow a backbone and reform our budgeting and spending."

The TIMES

Hamilton County's Own Daily Newspaper

NOBLESVILLE, INDIANA

50¢ WWW.THETIMES24-7.COM



Photo courtesy of the Indiana Peony Festival

The Indiana Peony Festival is 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday at Seminary Park in Noblesville, with 70 vendors celebrating Indiana's state flower with beautiful flowers decorating the park, plus peony judging, floral arrangements, floral growers and installations, food trucks, vendors, music and more.

Everything's Coming Up Peonies This Weekend



BETSY REASON
From The Editor's Desk...

Peonies are everywhere downtown Noblesville this weekend during the Indiana Peony Festival, plus join the Charity Ride for American Veteran Riders Association Saturday morning leaving from the Ralph Lehr VFW Post 6246, find your favorite plants at the Hamilton County Master Gardeners' Plant Sale on Saturday, and buy a new mattress during Noblesville High School Music Mattress Sale Fundraiser on Sunday to benefit your favorite music student. These are among the plethora of things to do this weekend and beyond. Here's our Times' list of 30 things to do.

1. A VIP event kicks off the third annual Indiana Peony Festival from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. today at Seminary Park in downtown Noblesville. The \$100-per-person ticketed event, sponsored by Smith Jewelers, is a fundraiser for the festival to continue work with beautification projects, peony gardens and horticulture education and promoting Hamilton County as a destination for peony lovers.

2. Enjoy live music of Stella Luna at 10 p.m. today at Britton Tavern in Fishers and at 9 p.m. Saturday at Joe's Grille in Westfield.

3. The Indiana Peony Festival is 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday at Seminary Park in Noblesville, with 70 vendors celebrating Indiana's state flower with beautiful flowers decorating the park, plus peony judging, floral arrangements, floral growers

➔ See BETSY Page AX

Wrapping Up Reader's Choice

Readers' Choice is wrapped up for another year, and once again, The Times' annual promotion to recognize your favorites in a multitude of categories was a huge success.

Back when our company was founded, the staff at The Times brought Hamilton County this fun and good-natured promotion that features local businesses, people, products and more and gives you, our readers, the opportunity to vote for your favorites. We often joke that this is like Chicago politics and encourage you to vote early and vote often.

You see, this has never been about the rigidity of the process. Instead, it is designed to be an absolutely fun and very positive way for our readers to cast a good light on their favorites. And oh, how you have responded!

We annually see ballots that number in the hundreds of thousands - so many in fact that we had to find a way to automatic the counting process.

This year, rather than unveil all the winners at one time like we have in the past, we are revealing several categories a day.

Today's categories can be found inside and a quick list is also provided here.

When the final winners, runner-ups and honorable mentions are revealed, we will compile all of them into one keepsake

Want MORE?

The results for winners, runner ups and honorable mentions will be inside on Ax!

➔ See WRAP Page Ax

The Daily Almanac

Sunrise/Sunset
RISE: 6:27 a.m.
SET: 9:01 p.m.

High/Low
Temperatures
High: 80 °F
Low: 54 °F

Today is...

- Accounting Day
- Jerusalem Day
- NASCAR Day

What Happened On This Day

- 1963 Martin Luther King's Letter from Birmingham Jail is published.
- 1959 The North Vietnamese Army begins organizing the Ho Chi Minh trail.
- 1743 Jean-Pierre Christin invents the Celsius thermometer.

Births On This Day

- 1945 Pete Townshend English singer-songwriter, guitarist
- 1925 Malcolm X American minister, activist

Deaths On This Day

- 1994 Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis 37th First Lady of the United States
- 1536 Anne Boleyn English wife of Henry VIII of England

Congratulations To The Class Of 2023!



Photo courtesy of Hamilton Heights Schools

300 students recognized at Honors Night last night for a 3.5 or higher GPA and over \$5 million in scholarships awarded.

Here & Happy To Help: The Schaaf CPA Group

By Christy Heitger-Ewing

Some people like to do their own taxes while others prefer to hand the task over to professionals. If you don't have complicated returns and are just filing your and your spouse's W-2s, filing is rather simple so why not do it yourself?

"I could pay a professional to mow my lawn. They would do a better job and save me some time, but I don't because I like cutting the grass," says John Schaaf, owner and partner of Schaaf CPA Group, LLC.

"The same thought process applies here. On the other hand, if you hate filing your taxes, give it to us and we'll get it done."

It may not always come down to a matter of preference, however. According to Schaaf, there are certain life complications that Turbo Tax or H&R Block will not be able to handle. Those complications include being

➔ See CPA Page AX

➔ INSIDE TODAY

- Obituaries.....A2
- Dick Wolfsie.....A4
- Ken Thompson.....A3
- Capital Chronicle.....A4
- Public Notices.....A3
- Business.....A6
- Voices.....A7

➔ HONEST HOOSIER

Most Americans are against a Biden-Trump rematch. Like that matters. When was the last presidential election when most Americans were in favor of whatever matchup we had?



➔ TODAY'S HEALTH TIP

If you're planning a trip overseas, make sure you contact your doctor early to see if you need to receive recommended vaccines. Today's health tip was brought to you by Dr. John Roberts. Be sure to catch his column each week in The Paper and online at www.thepaper24-7.com.



➔ TODAY'S QUOTE

"At age 20, we worry about what others think of us. At age 40, we don't care what they think of us. At age 60, we discover they haven't been thinking of us at all."
-Ann Landers

➔ TODAY'S JOKE

The boss tried to put together a race team. It was so bad he had to pay the driver overtime.

➔ OBITUARIES

Dinah Sue Owen
Sandra Faye Jones

The Times appreciates all our customers. Today, we'd like to personally thank **TRACY and STEVEN LINE** for subscribing!



WTHR 7 DAY FORECAST

76 CHILLY START, SUNNY LATER	54/80 BREEZY, PM STORMS	51/70 SUNNY AND COOLER	48/77 COOL START, SUNNY	52/80 SUNNY AND WARMER	53/82 MAJILY SUNNY	60/85 SUNNY AND WILD
THU	FRI	SAT	SUN	MON	TUE	WED

OBITUARIES

Sandra Faye Jones

September 18, 1953, Sunday, May 7, 2023

Sandra Faye Jones, age 69, passed away unexpectedly at her home in Sheridan, Indiana, on Sunday morning, May 7, 2023.

Born September 18, 1953, in Sheridan, she was the daughter of the late William B. and Geneva Elaine (Wells) Jones.

After graduating from Carthage High School, Sandra went on to graduate from Barber College, and later from Kay's Beauty College. For many years she worked as a licensed beautician and barber, garnering a loyal following of customers throughout her career.

She was a member of the Noblesville Church of the Nazarene and was currently attending the Sheridan First United Methodist Church. As a devoted Christian, she felt very strongly about taking an active role within her church family, as well as giving back to the community that she called home. Working with the church's lunch program and preschool classes gave her a real sense of purpose and helped her to find other avenues in which to volunteer within the communities that she loved. Serving and helping others was Sandra's true calling in life. When it was time to relax, Sandra found activities that let her explore the great outdoors. Sometimes that meant fussing around with her flowers or putting around in the garden, and other times she was content just laying out on the beach or taking a relaxing boat ride. But the place where she was the happiest was on the back of her bike. Sandra was a Harley girl and never passed up an opportunity to hit the open road, with a little Rod Stewart blasting from the speakers and the unmistakable rumble of her Hog. She also enjoyed getting back to nature and always looked forward to her next camping trip.

Sandra is survived by her 2 sons, Jeremy William McCubbins, and Joshua Edgar McCubbins, both of Sheridan; 2 grandchildren, Logan U. McCubbins (Maggie) of Sheridan, and Christian W. McCubbins of Noblesville; 1 great grandchild, Vincent McCubbins; 3 brothers, Larry Blankenship, Terry Blankenship, and Gary Jones; 2 sisters, Laura Elaine Moore, and Tammy Jo Reynolds (and best brother-in-law ever, Bryan Reynolds); many nieces and nephews, starting with Tabatha McKenney, and everyone that followed; and by her black cat, Athena, and her 2 grand furbabies.

She was preceded in death by her parents, William B. and Geneva Elaine (Wells) Jones; and by her brother, Chuck Jones.

Services will take place at 2 pm on Wednesday, May 17, 2023, at Kercheval Funeral Home, 306 East 10th Street, Sheridan, with visitation from noon until the time of service. Pastor John Meunier will be officiating.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be presented to Kercheval Funeral Home, P.O. Box 42, Sheridan, Indiana 46069, to help defray the cost of funeral expenses.



Dinah Sue Owen

February 4, 1960, Sunday, April 23, 2023

Dinah Sue Owen, age 63, of Sheridan, Indiana, passed away on Sunday morning, April 23, 2023, at Riverview Hospital in Noblesville, Indiana.

Born February 4, 1960, in Columbus, Mississippi, she was the daughter of the late Paul Leonard and Tina Pearl (Flora) Sanders.

She was a graduate of Woodford County High School, as well as a graduate of PCI College, earning her certification as a Medical Assistant. For 30 years, she worked as a nurse for Dr. Habig's office in Westfield. She quickly became an irreplaceable part of office and was a favorite of Dr. Habig's patients.

Dinah was a caregiver with a servant's heart. She thought everyone deserved at least one person in their corner and went out of her way to help those who didn't have anyone in their lives they could count on. She always seemed to be bringing in "strays" (the people kind) and giving them exactly what they needed... someone who cared. Dinah enjoyed crafting and making jewelry, but her family road trips really helped her relax. Even though Cozumel, Mexico was one of her favorite travel destinations, there was something special about her "sister" trips to Kentucky Lake that made them the place to be, year after year.

Dinah is survived by her loving husband, Mitchell Lee Owen. She and Mitchell were married on November 19, 1988. Also surviving are her son, Levi T. Owen (Maggie) of Sheridan; daughter, Morgan Ferguson of Indianapolis; 2 grandchildren, Brynn Scott and Ryann Owen; brother, Thomas Sanders of Westfield; sisters, Paula Sanders-DeWar (Tom) of Gary, and Lillie Sanders-Owen (John) of Spencer; and her canine furbaby, Tobie.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Paul Leonard and Tina Pearl (Flora) Sanders.

A celebration of Dinah's life will be held at 3:00 pm on Saturday May 20, 2023, at the Sheridan American Legion, 406 E. 10th Street, Sheridan, Indiana.

Through Dinah's gift of organ donation, she was able to save three lives. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that memorial contributions may be presented to the Angel Fund, c/o Indiana Donor Network Foundation, 3760 Guion Rd., Indianapolis, IN 46222.

Arrangements have been entrusted to Kercheval Funeral Home in Sheridan.



HALLMARK
ORTHODONTICS

Thank you for voting!

Readers' Choice 2023

17800 CUMBERLAND ROAD • NOBLESVILLE

jiffy lube
multicare

If it seems iffy, bring it to Jiffy!
Thank you for your vote!

317-776-0269
2390 Conner St • Noblesville

EST 2020
BANTER'S
Fresh Meats

Thank you for your votes!

1802 Conner St. • 15009 N Gray Rd. • Noblesville

• Fresh Beef, Pork, Chicken • Smoked Meats • Frozen Seafood • Signature Sauces
• Take N Bake • Grab N Go • House Made Sides • Deli Meat & Cheese

PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNERS OF PUBLIC HEARING
Board of Zoning Appeals
City of Noblesville, Indiana

This notice is to inform you of a Public Hearing that will be held by the Noblesville Board of Zoning Appeals on the 5th day of June 2023. This hearing, to discuss application BZNA-0034-2023, will begin at 6:00 p.m. in the Common Council Chambers, Noblesville City Hall at 16 South 10th Street. The application submitted by Life Church Assembly of God Inc. requests that approval be granted for a Variance of Development Standards applications pursuant to UDO § 10.4.D.1 to eliminate the required perimeter parking curbing for an existing parking lot; and UDO § 12.5.D to reduce the required Perimeter Parking Lot Landscaping; on the property located at 2200 Sheridan Road.

Written suggestions or objections relative to the application above may be filed with the Department of Planning and Development, at or before such meeting, and will be heard by the Noblesville Board of Zoning Appeals. Interested persons desiring to present their views, either in writing or verbally, will have an opportunity to be heard at the above-mentioned time and place.

This hearing may be continued from time to time as found necessary by the Noblesville Board of Zoning Appeals. A copy of the proposal is on file in the Department of Planning and Development at 16 South 10th Street, Suite B140 and may be reviewed during regular office hours: 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. A copy of the file may also be viewed on the Department of Planning website, <http://www.cityofnoblesville.org/planning>, by clicking the Boards & Committees button, clicking the icon on the map relating to this location and selecting the application materials link.

Noblesville Board of Zoning Appeals
Caleb Gutshall, Secretary

TL20407 5/19 1t hspaxlp

Never miss a public notice on legal proceedings!
After it prints in your local newspaper, it goes online:
IndianaPublicNotices.com
TheTimes24-7.com

Thanks for reading The Times!

LUSCO CORPORATION
WE LOVE HEAVY METAL

WE'RE HIRING DRIVERS

We are looking for drivers who have:

- CDL B with Air Brake Endorsement
- Minimum 1 year Commercial Truck Driving Experience
- Roll-Off or Dump Truck experience preferred

We provide great wages & benefits plus overtime

- Local runs only - home every night
- Monday - Friday with occasional Saturday morning
- Regular schedule (no night shifts), year-round employment

To Apply: Send your resume to ksmith@luscocorp.com

Call Karl • 317-565-8036

Hersberger Bozell FUNERAL HOME

Traditional Funerals | Affordable Cremation | Pre-Planning

765•534•3131 www.hersbergerbozell.com

1010 North Main, Street Lapel, IN 46051

8496 Comet Lane Pendleton • \$324,900
IMPROVED PRICE!
Stunning custom home. 4BR, 2.5BA, luxury vinyl plank on main, 9ft ceilings, recessed lights & gas fireplace, kitchen with quartz, subway tile backsplash, SS appliances, large pantry. Upstairs laundry, primary BR w/tray ceiling, ensuite BA and walk-in closet. 3 large bedrooms with walk-in closets! BLC#21917748

19344 Morrison Way Noblesville • \$434,900
SOLD!
Charming 4 BR, 2.5 BA home is in popular Potters Woods. Hardwood throughout main level, family room with fireplace, kitchen with center island, new granite, finished basement, fenced parklike backyard, 3-car garage and so much more. BLC#21905032

17155 McKenna Way Noblesville • \$354,900
NEW LISTING!
Well maintained 2 BR, 2 BA home in Willow Lake, home overlooks pond, has huge great room, double sided gas fireplace, sunroom, den, upper loft, 3 season room, kitchen w/island, eating area and kitchen appliances stay. A perfect "10". BLC#21918617

7076 Willowleaf Court Noblesville • \$345,900
PENDING
Lovely home in Willow Lake neighborhood, home is pristine and overlooks pond, w/2BR and 2 full BA, den, sunroom, 2-sided gas fireplace, kitchen w/pantry, solid surfaces and all appliances stay. BLC#21915325

Spring is in the air and it's a great time to buy or sell!

Speak to Deak!

THE Deaklyne Team
REALTORS®

Jennifer
Peggy

Speak to Deak.com
317.439.3258 Peggy or
317.695.6032 Jennifer

Talk to TUCKER REALTORS
F.C. TUCKER COMPANY



Photo courtesy of HCCF

200+ Leaders Attend HAND's May 3 'Housing Our Workforce' Conference

More than 200 central Indiana community leaders gathered at the Embassy Suites Conference Center in Noblesville on May 3 to hear from experts working to address a growing need for suburban workforce housing.

HAND's 2023 Suburban Housing Conference, presented by the Hamilton County Community Foundation, was the Noblesville-based nonprofit's ninth annual event. It attracted elected officials, political candidates, municipal planners, housing developers, funding partners, nonprofit executives, community activists, and others concerned about the widening gap between household incomes and housing costs.

HCCF President & CEO Tim Kilian set the tone for the educational day, which began with a panel of local developers discussing how they navigate obstacles like high land costs and restrictive zoning ordinances. Invest Hamilton County CEO Mike Thibideau led the discussion among developers Marchelle Berry from Radiant CDC, Alison Birge from Village Capital Corp., Nate

Harris from Buckingham Cos., and Bryan Stumpf from 11th Street Development.

"Quick Hits on Housing" included an update on how housing-related bills fared in the just-completed General Assembly, from Prosperity Indiana's Andrew Bradley, as well as an overview of the regional housing study the Indianapolis Metropolitan Planning Organization is working on, from the MPO's Andrea Miller. Hamilton County Commissioner Christine Altman provided a brief update on the county's plans to invest \$5 million in federal ARPA funds to acquire land and build infrastructure for an attainable housing development.

Over lunch, Chris Watts, Vice President of Public Policy at the Indiana Association of Realtors, provided a real-time report on state and local real estate trends as the market recovers from its 2022 slowdown. One fascinating data point: In 2023, Hamilton County has had more million-dollar home sales (58) than home sales under \$200,000 (38).

After lunch, attendees dug into three breakout session topics:

Community Land Trusts, Modular Construction, and Creative Partnerships.

The event would not have been possible without the support of its sponsors. In addition to the Hamilton County Community Foundation, sponsors included:

Keystone: Merchants Bank of Indiana and Noblesville Housing Authority

Supporting: Breathe Easy Hamilton County, Family Promise of Hamilton County, Intend Indiana, PNC Bank

Table: C&H Capital LLC, Church Church Hittle + Antrim, City of Carmel, City of Westfield, Federal Home Loan Bank of Indianapolis, Glick Philanthropies, Greater Indy Habitat for Humanity, Indiana Housing & Community Development Authority, Invest Hamilton County, Kittle Property Group, Lake City Bank, Multi-Family Construction Services, MIBOR REALTOR Association, Old Town, Stenz Construction, Woda Cooper Cos., Westfield-Washington Township

Half-Table: Brenner Design, Duke Energy, Meyer Najem

Snack: Peterson Architecture

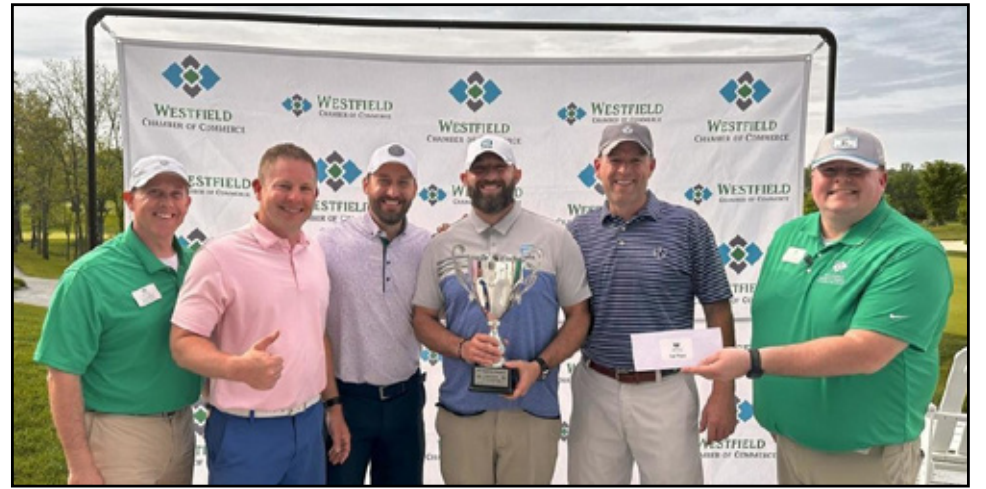


Photo courtesy of the City of Westfield

20th Annual Chamber Golf Outing

A big thank you to all of the golfers who participated in the 20th Annual Chamber Golf Outing at The Club at Chatham Hills on Monday, May 15.

Congratulations to the Abbott team for winning the Dipple Cup and taking home first place (-23) - Shawn Williams, Joe Gushworski, Dan Witt, and

Eric Snyder. The Huston Electric team took home second place (-17) - Corky Huston, Justin Lowder, Jeremy Ross, and Aaron Haehi and making their first appearance in the Golf Outing. Congratulations to The Farmers Bank team on third place (-16) - Byron Dispennett, Jana McNeely, Jared Stillwell, and Alan

Oyler.

We would also like to thank the sponsors and volunteers for making the day one of our best golf outings to date. Finally, a huge thank you to The Club at Chatham Hills Staff and Henke Development Group for the opportunity to host our outing at Chatham.

Young, Senate Republicans Introduce Legislation To Recover Hundreds Of Billions In Unchecked Unemployment Fraud

Senator Todd Young (R-Ind.), Senate Finance Committee Ranking Member Mike Crapo (R-Idaho), and a group of Senate Republicans reintroduced legislation to help recover funds lost to unemployment insurance (UI) fraud and provide incentives for states to recover fraudulent payments. The introduction of the legislation follows ongoing concerns that just a sliver of the funds lost to misspent unemployment insurance has been recovered—slightly over \$5 billion of an estimated \$191 billion.

"Pandemic unemployment programs were created to assist taxpayers during unprecedented times, not cause them to pay billions of dollars after the pandemic ended," said Senator Young. "This legislation is critical for both protecting

taxpayers from fraud and reclaiming funds that were misspent."

"Improper payments in pandemic unemployment programs left taxpayers on the hook for hundreds of billions of dollars," said Senator Crapo. "This legislation will help gain restitution for victims of fraud and theft by jumpstarting efforts to claw back federal funds and recover fraudulent payments."

The Protecting Taxpayers and Victims of Unemployment Fraud Act would advance efforts to claw back federal funds stolen through UI fraud and pursue recovery of fraudulent payments by ensuring aggressive identification, investigation and prosecution of criminal fraud in pandemic unemployment programs. It also gives the federal government and states better tools to detect and

prevent future fraud in federal UI programs.

The U.S. House of Representatives, led by House Ways and Means Committee Chair Jason Smith (R-Missouri), today passed a companion bill (H.R. 1163).

More specifically, the Protecting Taxpayers and Victims of Unemployment Fraud Act would:

- Allow states to keep 25 percent of recovered fraudulent overpayments of federal funds.
- Allow states to use recovered funds to improve program integrity and fraud prevention.
- Allow states to keep 5 percent of state UI overpayments, conditioned on meeting data matching integrity conditions, and dedicating those funds to preventing future fraud.
- Extend the statute of limitations for criminal charges or civil actions from 5 to 10 years.

got **stuff?**
sell it in the classifieds.
317.770.7777

relax & enjoy

THE TIMES

Discover
 fine local dining
Dine In Downtown

Buy. Sell. Rent. Lease.

THE TIMES classifieds.

The Times
Public Notices Deadline:
11:00 a.m.
2 Business Days Prior to Publication
legals@thetimes24-7.com
Private Party Notices Submitted After Deadline
May Be Subject To \$25.00 Fee
In Addition To The Cost Of The Advertisement

www.TheTimes24-7.com

A Profile On Ed Flanagan And The Next Big Ten Coach



KENNY THOMPSON
Columnist

It was never fun for opposing centers to see Chicago Bears legend Dick Butkus lined up across the line of scrimmage.

For Detroit Lions center Ed Flanagan, it was a rivalry that was played out twice a year from 1965 to 1973.

Flanagan, who starred at Purdue before launching a 12-year NFL career, once described Butkus as “a wild man on defense, one of the most foul-mouthed guys in the league. He insults you, your mother, and the team.”

Butkus was not above spitting down the back of Flanagan’s neck, either.

Flanagan died May 10 in his hometown of Altoona, Pa., at the age of 79 of heart failure, the Altoona Mirror reported. His family announced that Flanagan’s brain was donated to the center for the study of Chronic Traumatic Encephalopathy (CTE) at Boston University.

Flanagan earned second-team All-Big Ten honors as a senior in 1964, snapping the ball to future College and Pro Football Hall of Fame quarterback Bob Griese. Flanagan only started one season in high school and one season at Purdue.

“I was never a star,” Flanagan told Jim Lane of the Altoona Mirror upon his induction into the inaugural class of the Blair County (Pa.) Sports Hall of Fame in 1987.

“I guess it shows it’s never too late.”

His coach at Purdue, Jack Mollenkopf, was known for developing linemen and Flanagan was one of his best.

“You name what you want done and Ed can do it,” Mollenkopf said. “He’s a steady player and a darned good one.”

That lack of starting experience didn’t stop the Lions from selecting Flanagan in the fifth round of the 1965 NFL Draft. It proved to be a steal. Flanagan was selected to the NFL all-rookie team and was a four-time Pro Bowl selection while starting every game for the next nine seasons, a span of 129 games. Flanagan was chosen

to the Lions’ all-time team in 2019.

“He was an outstanding center,” his former position coach and later NFL head coach Chuck Knox told The Detroit News in 2014. “He had been a wrestler in high school and college and had good balance. Plus, he was tough and smart.”

Flanagan signed with the San Diego Chargers in 1975 and started for two seasons before retiring.

The next great Big Ten coach?

Like the NFL, there’s no offseason these days for college football and the media that cover the sport.

Normally, an online story in May making “bold predictions” about Big Ten Conference football in 2023 is worth the paper it’s written on.

But this Fansided column by John Buhler lived up to its bold billing.

Matt Rhule guiding Nebraska to a bowl game in his first season qualifies. The Cornhuskers haven’t been in the post-season since losing 38-24 to Tennessee in the 2016 Music City Bowl.

Slightly less bold is Buhler’s prediction that the Ferentz era ends at Iowa when head coach Kirk’s son, Brian, is fired as offensive coordinator by athletic director Gary Barta. The younger Ferentz will only keep his job if the Hawkeyes average 25 points a game this season.

Iowa ranked 12th in the Big Ten a year ago with its 17.7 scoring average. Buhler predicts the Hawkeyes will fall short, leading to Kirk Ferentz’s resignation when his son is fired. Buhler’s prediction for the new Iowa head coach? Former Hawkeye and current Kentucky head coach Mark Stoops.

Buhler also predicts two Big Ten teams in the College Football Playoff and unhappy Michigan State boosters will try to force out coach Mel Tucker.

The No. 1 bold prediction? “Ryan Walters emerges as the Big Ten’s new coaching rock star at Purdue.”

“Walters picked a fantastic spot to be a first-time head coach,” Buhler wrote, probably the first time fantastic and Purdue football have been in the

same sentence in decades.

“Purdue isn’t going 10-2, but Walters could go 8-4 in his first season at the helm.

“Even if Walters does not achieve what (Jeff) Brohm did in West Lafayette, he will be a strong college football head coach we will talk about for well over a decade.

“There is a chance the Walters hire could be as good as Sonny Dykes at TCU or Brian Kelly at LSU.”

Dykes led TCU to a 13-2 record and a berth in the College Football Playoff during his first season. Kelly went 10-4 in his first season at LSU after his shocking departure from Notre Dame.

Unmentioned by Buhler is another reason why Walters could make his bold prediction come true: the transfer portal.

It is possible that many of the seven new starters on defense will come from the portal. Incoming cornerbacks Braxton Myers (Mississippi), Salim Turner-Muhamad (Stanford) and Marquis Wilson (Penn State) could be paired with, or challenge, veteran Jamari

Brown.

Jeffrey M’Bba (Auburn), Malik Langham (Vanderbilt) and Isaiah Nichols (Arkansas) will compete to replace Branson Deen (Miami, Fla.), Lawrence Johnson (Auburn) and Jack Sullivan (USC).

Transfers also are likely to fill the holes left on the offensive line by the departures of Spencer Holstege to UCLA and Eric Miller to Louisville. Ben Farrell (Indiana Wesleyan), Jalen Grant (Bowling Green), Luke Griffin (Missouri) and Preston Nichols (UNLV) are among the candidates.

The portal also restocked the quarterback room with Hudson Card (Texas) the presumed starter and Bennett Meredith (Arizona State) competing for the No. 2 job with incoming freshman Ryan Browne and West Lafayette graduate Kyle Adams.

- Kenny Thompson is the former sports editor for the Lafayette Journal & Courier and an award-winning journalist. He has covered Purdue athletics for many years.

So, Here’s The Scoop



DICK WOLFSIE
Funny Bone

I am tired of celebrating the 10th anniversary of this, or the 75th anniversary of that. What makes those numbers so special?

I told Mary Ellen I had big plans for our 53rd anniversary in a few years. “Great,” she said, “but what about our 50th? I’m sure you have even bigger plans for that one.”

“Mary Ellen, 50 is just a number. Let’s wait and make number 53 special. Don’t give the 50th another thought.” Ever since I said that, Mary Ellen has also not given another thought to making dinner, going grocery shopping or editing my column. I guess it really is the thought that counts.

In keeping with my theory, this month I am celebrating the 121st anniversary of the ice cream cone. I skipped the 100th, because who really cares? But the 121st? Now there’s a cause for celebration.

Like other great inventions in history, there is some controversy about when the first cone was really created. Some say it was the idea of Italo Marchiony; others say Charles Menches; and who could forget Ernest Hamwi? Apparently, they’ve all been forgotten.

Some food writers think the sandwich was invented by the Earl of Sandwich back in the late 1700s when he put meat between bread so he could play cards while he ate. This has never been confirmed, but the name says it all, so I believe it. I went to college with a guy named Herb Cohn. He claimed it was his great-great-uncle who invented the ice cream cone. Cone? Cohn? Sounds logical to me.

The biggest mystery about the ice cream cone is why it ever caught on in the first place. Think about it: Sugar cones are poorly designed and constructed. Because of the pointed bottom, you can’t set them down. There is the cake cone that has a flat bottom; it also has no taste. I want to be able to put my cone on the driving console so I can make a left-hand turn while I’m on my cell phone.

Half the time a cone crumbles when you try to balance the second ice cream scoop on top and apply a little pressure. If the ice cream is soft and you pack it down, by the time you’ve taken the tenth lick, it’s leaking out the bottom, all over your new beige corduroy pants.

If you’re a strong licker,

the top scoop falls off in a big plop—and there’s no five-second rule for ice cream. When it hits the ground, it’s history. Except for mint chip. I would eat mint chip off the pavement.

Imagine if the simple plastic cup had been created years after the cone. People would have rejoiced at this incredible invention. Advertisements would have heralded this new concept that prevented many ice cream disasters that people were experiencing. It would have been the end of scraping your desserts off the street.

We should be thankful today that we have two alternatives for enjoying America’s favorite frozen treat. What would it be like if people had to carry around a scoop of ice cream in their bare hand? I shiver to think.

By the way, some food historians claim a guy name Reuben Kulakofsky invented the popular corned beef and kraut sandwich. I’ll tell you more when we all celebrate the very important 108th anniversary of the Reuben next year.

-Dick Wolfsie spent his career sharing his humor, stories and video essays on television, radio and in newspapers. His columns appear weekly in The Times in Noblesville. E-mail Dick at Wolfsie@aol.com.



THE TIMES

got stuff?
sell it in the classifieds.
317.770.7777



Life without local news is like hearing crickets

STOP LISTENING TO CRICKETS

The **TIMES**
Serving Noblesville & Hamilton County

SUBSCRIBE TODAY!

770-7777

FRIDAY

Business

Notes and NEWS

Friday, May 19, 2023

A5

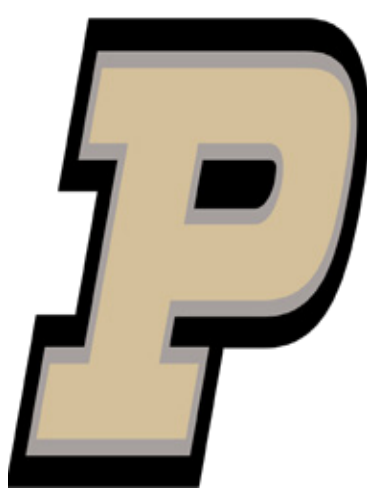
EMAIL, news@thetimes24-7.com U.S. MAIL, 54 N. 9th St., Noblesville, IN 46060 ONLINE, www.thetimes24-7.com



Photo courtesy of Purdue University

Amit Varma, Purdue's Karl H. Kettelhut Professor of Civil Engineering and director of Bowen Laboratory, was part of the Purdue research to establish SpeedCore, an award-winning construction system.

High-Rise Structure Efficiency, Completion Time Look Different Thanks To Speedcore Composite Modules



Varma dating back to his doctoral degree, which was based on columns using the same steel and concrete composite system.

"You could say that it was the little brother of the steel and concrete composite SpeedCore wall system. I always felt that it was an amazing idea, and it's time would come someday," said Varma, director of Purdue's Robert L. and Terry L. Bowen Laboratory for Large-Scale Civil Engineering Research.

SpeedCore essentially resembles a concrete sandwich, with parallel steel plates connected by metal rods in the space between the plates. The steel modules can be fabricated off site and brought into any construction layout and connected as needed. Concrete is then poured into the space between the steel plates, making the composite steel-concrete-steel sandwich system.

The earliest work on SpeedCore was in 2006 and funded at Purdue. At the time, Varma said an application for the construction process hadn't been realized. Klemencic and Varma's involvement brought potential use of SpeedCore into the realm of high-rise structures with early plans to use it on the planned 58-story Rainier Square building.

Varma worked extensively at Purdue to research some of the major safety aspects SpeedCore deals with at the central core of a high-rise

building. High winds and earthquakes can cause varying levels of swaying that require a solid interior core to maintain the building's safety.

"In addition to earthquake resistance, we also have looked at the fire resistance of this system because of the steel plates," Varma said. "There's always the question of what fire is going to do to such a construction. So we've done actual testing and analysis and developed earthquake-resistant and fire-resistant design equations for the system as well.

"The behavior of steel structures under fire can be improved drastically by having a composite structure like SpeedCore because concrete does not heat up as fast. It creates a heat sink, and it provides stiffness to the steel structure. So composite construction like this is another way to get good fire resistance for a building."

Varma received several awards, including the 2021 T.R. Higgins Lectureship Award from the American Institute of Steel Construction (AISC), for his work on SpeedCore. Varma and his graduate students have published numerous journal articles and recently authored a Design Guide, published by AISC in 2023 for the SpeedCore systems.

There are additional plans for high-rise buildings using SpeedCore this year and in the future.

Grant Funding Available To Boost Recycling Markets, Manufacturing Capacity And Job Creation

The Indiana Department of Environmental Management (IDEM) today announced the availability of grant funding for recycling projects from the Recycling Market Development Program. Eligible candidates may seek a grant ranging from \$50,000 to \$500,000. Proposals are being accepted now through June 21, 2023.

Public and private businesses, local government, solid waste management districts, and nonprofit organizations located and doing business in Indiana are eligible to submit proposals for funding. Proposals must show a need, an increase in recyclable material collection or consumption, a reduction in municipal solid waste shipped for final disposal, or improved partnerships with communities, including economic impacts and increased public awareness of recycling opportunities through tangible outreach and education efforts.

Projects should demonstrate sustainability and an understanding of the changing economy for recyclers and look at where monies can be used most effectively to increase statewide

recycling. Final funding determinations will be made this fall. To apply, visit idem.IN.gov/recycle/2358.htm. For additional information, please contact 800-988-7901 or RMDPGrants@idem.IN.gov.

About the Recycling Market Development Program

The Recycling Market Development Program operates under the Recycling Market Development Board as established by IC 4-23-5.5. The grant money for the program comes from the Recycling Promotion and Assistance Fund, an account generated by a per-ton fee on solid waste disposed at Indiana landfills. The fund supports source reduction, reuse, recycling and composting to prevent solid waste from permanent disposal.

About IDEM

IDEM (idem.IN.gov) implements federal and state regulations regarding the environment. Through compliance assistance, incentive programs and educational outreach, the agency encourages and aids businesses and citizens in protecting Hoosiers and our environment.

Purdue's eXcellence In Manufacturing And Operations Initiative Meets The Moment

As the U.S. experiences a resurgence of manufacturing and operations, Purdue University is providing a big lead. The university's efforts in such areas as semiconductors, aerospace, defense, biomanufacturing for agriculture and transportation figure prominently in bringing jobs and needed technology back to America and in defining the future through excellence in manufacturing and operations.

The Purdue College of Engineering and its campus partners are drawing on a long history of excellence in manufacturing and operations research, education and innovation in announcing the eXcellence in Manufacturing and Operations (XMO) Purdue Engineering Initiative (PEI).

"In making decisions at Purdue, we like to ask how they will maximize our positive impact on society through education, research and advancing our state and nation," said Arvind Raman, the John A.

Edwardson Dean of the College of Engineering and Robert V. Adams Professor in Mechanical Engineering. "This initiative provides another important arena in which we can help deliver tremendous benefits to the American people, our economy and our society. Reshoring and reimagining manufacturing for the 21st century is crucial to our future as a country, and we are proud to do our part in the revitalization of American manufacturing might."

The initiative will build a community of faculty, students and industries at the intersection of physical, digital and sustainable manufacturing. Manufacturing talent and workforce creation will be one of the strong components of the PEI, enhancing training of the new workforce and empowering existing workers through retraining in the ecosystem of small, midsize and large companies that constitute Purdue's industrial base.

TheTimes24-7.com

Buy. Sell. Rent. Lease.



THE TIMES classifieds.

Never miss a public notice on legal proceedings! After it prints in your local newspaper, it goes online here: IndianaPublicNotices.com

Voice of our PEOPLE

The Times of Noblesville

Friday, May 19, 2023

A6

Slate Of Hate Has It All Wrong Here . . .



TIM TIMMONS
Two Cents

How do you argue with . . . silly . . . illogical . . . nuts? Our world is upside down and I don't know anyone who knows how to get it back. Case in point: A library allows sexually explicit books of – at best – questionable value and gets ripped for not putting them in the children's section. In. The. Children's. Section. I couldn't make this crap up if I wanted to – and I sure

don't want to.

Things that used to be common sense are now up for debate. For example.

The governor just signed a new law that – are you ready for this – tells teachers that they may not teach kids in kindergarten through third grade anything about gender roles and sexual orientation.

Kindergarten through third grade!

Kindergarten! Through! Third! Grade!

Isn't it sad we had to have a law to tell us that?

But wait, that's not all.

Another law was passed that stops medical folks from knowingly providing gender transition procedures to a teenager less than 18 years of age; and aiding or abetting another physician or practitioner in the provision of gender transition procedures to a minor.

And folks lost their minds.

The American Civil Liberties Union filed suit. Fans of

the LGBTQ movement called the bill – and others – the slate of hate.

Hang on.

If you are a parent, do you think you should have some say about, oh, I don't know . . . EVERYTHING your

child does until they reach 18 years of age? If that's what you believe, then according to some folks, that makes you a bad parent.

Really?

I thought if you didn't have control over your kid until they reach 18 that you were indeed a bad parent . . . and legally irresponsible. Does this mean you should just ignore your 17-year-old during what might be the toughest time of their life? Does this mean you should hand over your kid to a doctor, a school, a friend or whoever just because they have questions / issues / curiosities about sex.

Really? At 17, who among us didn't have trepidations

about sex?

Yet a whole lot of us – from the mainstream media to some in the schools to well-meaning but clearly misguided people – are screaming from the rooftops that we're discriminating against the alternative lifestyle community.

Books are being banned! Lines are being drawn!

Liars and fakers and fears, oh my!

You can't go to the Internet without seeing some story decrying the fact that Indiana will lose untold amounts of money because of our – what did they call it, oh yeah, our slate of hate.

Poppycock.

If a librarian allowed sexually explicit books in the children's section, you would read here that the librarian ought to be fired. Immediately.

This is about protecting children – yet the upside down world we live in would have you believe this is about

persecution of the LGBTQ community. I will tell you this – most responsible people in that community aren't advocating for sex ed of any kind being taught to small children. It's only the lunatics who have the common sense of a garden hose who are trying to flip the world on its ear.

Not too long ago I wrote a piece on this and said we must stand up and protect the children. I got a lot of hate mail and got called a bunch of not-so-friendly names. That's OK, goes with the territory. What doesn't go is this insanity.

Thank you to librarians, teachers, legislators and everyone who are finally standing up and saying enough is enough.

Two cents, which is about how much Timmons said his columns are worth, appears periodically on Wednesdays in The Paper. Timmons is the publisher of The Paper and can be contacted at ttimmons@thepaper24-7.com.

Ask Rusty – Should Octogenarians Tell Social Security They Married?

Dear Rusty: We were married two years ago at age 78 and 81. Do we need to do anything with Social Security? Signed: Blissfully Happy

Dear Blissfully Happy: Congratulations on your fairly recent marriage and, yes, there are some things you should do. Specifically, you should contact Social Security to inform them of your marriage, see whether any additional benefits are available, and to make any changes needed to your contact information. Here are some things to consider:

- If a name change has occurred for one of you, that person should contact Social Security to report the change. A copy of your marriage certificate (and other ID) will be required, and a new

Social Security card will be issued.

- If a change of address has also occurred for one or both of you, that must be reported. It's important that Social Security has the correct mailing address, email, and contact phone number for every beneficiary.

- If there are any other changes to the contact information on file with the Social Security Administration for either of you (e.g., your banking information), the affected person should inform Social Security of the changes needed.

- Social Security will evaluate whether any benefit increase is available as a result of your marriage, which may be the case if one of you is entitled to a "spousal boost" (an additional amount from



ASK RUSTY
Social Security Advisor

the other now that you're married). A spousal boost may be available if one has a monthly Social Security payment which is more than twice the other's benefit. Social Security can answer that question for you when you call.

You can contact either your local Social Security office (find the number at www.ssa.gov/locator) or

Social Security Matters

by AMAC Certified Social Security Advisor
Russell Gloor

This article is intended for information purposes only and does not represent legal or financial guidance. It presents the opinions and interpretations of the AMAC Foundation's staff, trained and accredited by the National Social Security Association (NSSA). NSSA and the AMAC Foundation and its staff are not affiliated with or endorsed by the Social Security Administration or any other governmental entity. To submit a question, visit our website (amacfoundation.org/programs/social-security-advisory) or email us at ssadvisor@amacfoundation.org.

call the national number at 1.800.772.1213 and tell them you need to inform them of your marriage and update your contact information. If you have (or if you create) an online "my Social Security" account at www.ssa.gov/myaccount, you can initiate changes to your contact information online, but you will need to call Social Security di-

rectly via phone to record your marriage and see if any changes to monthly benefits are available. All of this can likely be done without requiring a visit to your local SS office.

It is very important that Social Security be made aware of your new marital status and to ensure that they have the correct contact information for both of

you. Even if the contact information is unchanged for one of you, the other should contact Social Security as described above to update their contact information and to determine if any changes to monthly benefits are appropriate as a result of your marriage. Doing so now will avoid future issues and will make sure you are both getting the correct monthly Social Security payments as a married couple. And if one of you is entitled to a higher spousal amount, you should ask for the increase to be applied retroactively (SS will pay up to 6 months retroactively). I suggest you call Social Security as soon as possible to inform them of your marriage and make any necessary changes to your contact information.

Dreaming of a new home?



find it here!
the times

Mother's Day And Your Time



GLENN MOLLETTE
Guest Columnist

You may have lost your mother early in life or never really knew your mother. My two sons were only 17 and 20 when their mother passed at the age of 49 from multiple sclerosis. Mother's Day is a tough day for them and many others around the world. This day may be very difficult for you.

My mother has also passed on but I remember her as one of the hardest working persons I've ever known. On Sunday and often during the week she loved getting dressed up and going to church. One of the greatest joys of her life was singing in a gospel quartet with my dad and another lovely couple.

Eula Hinkle Mollette was just the best mom ever. Yes, I'm prejudiced of course.

Mom helped me with my homework. She

washed and ironed my clothes. She put breakfast on the table for me every morning. She had something for me to eat every day when I came home from school. She read to me when I was a child and took care of me when I was sick. During the summer we would carry water from our nearby creek to wash clothes. Typically, we caught rain water in large tubs to wash our clothes but summer months often brought dry weather. We had lunch together every day during the summer break. Usually, it was a homemade sandwich and sometimes a candy bar from Grandpa Hinkle's grocery store. I once wanted root beer and she said, "You won't like it." I debated that I would but I didn't. I was stuck with the root beer.

She never hesitated to set me straight with a peach tree limb across my back side.

If she were alive today, I would try to make up for all the things I didn't do or didn't consider doing. I always had good intentions for all the things I might try to do for mom and dad but they slipped from this life before I had the opportunity.

Missed opportunities happen often to most of

us. We have good intentions but often we don't have the ability to act on those intentions. I'm envious of those who are able to do a lot for their moms and dads and wish that I could have done more.

However, so often what we can do are the simplest things that mean so much. Today, I don't want my family to do anything for me but call me or visit me occasionally. A hug and some shared times are the most meaningful to me. Some good quality time is actually the best gift we can give to mom, dad or anyone.

Our time is fleeting for us all. To be generous with a visit, conversation and sharing of life is probably the most precious gift we can give.

Mother's Day is here. Set aside your best gift – your time.

Dr. Glenn Mollette is a graduate of numerous schools including Georgetown College, Southern and Lexington Seminaries in Kentucky. He is the author of 13 books including UncommSense, the Spiritual Chocolate series, Grandpa's Store, Minister's Guidebook insights from a fellow minister. His column is published weekly in over 600 publications in all 50 states.

Thanks for reading The Times!