

**TODAY'S VERSE**  
1 Thessalonians 5:18 In everything give thanks: for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you.



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What makes Tanya Haas smile? "Spending time with my husband of going-on 30 years, or my children who are all now adults, or my friends who always accept me just as I am." She was born and raised in Cincinnati and has lived in Carmel for the past 18 years. Haas fell in love with acting the first time she got on stage her freshman year of high school. "I love the excitement of bringing a story to life." Haas has performed in more than 50 shows since high school, most recently in Carmel Community Players' "The Musical Comedy Murders of 1940." CCP's "Godspell," which is on stage now through Sunday at The Ivy Tech Auditorium in Noblesville, will be the eighth musical that she's directed and the 10th youth production she's directed as a drama teacher. She was asked to direct the youth production of "Back to the '80s" in 2016 when the original director dropped out, since she had been the drama teacher, directing school musicals for Midwest Academy, for a few years after helping to introduce theater to her oldest son's English class when he attended the school. She and her husband raised six children, so she is used to "wrangling children" through her own life experiences. She is also directing Basile Westfield Playhouse's summer youth production, "The Somewhat True Tale of Robin Hood," July 27-Aug. 6. Haas has worked with kids since she was a kid. Her first jobs were babysitting, and then she was a preschool teacher and taught religion classes throughout high school and college and after she got married and started a family of her own. "My parents raised my brother and I to be big theater aficionados from an early age. My parents still go to see over 100 productions a year." When she's not directing or acting, she enjoys volunteering a few times a week taking care of refugee children while their parents are learning to speak English, but especially enjoys spending time with her husband and children and friends.

**And Another Thing...**

**1. Fist bumps, anyone?**

David Rush may not have broken the most Guinness World Records; that honor belongs to 68-year-old Ashrita Furman who, thus far, has won no less than 600 records, including the record for breaking the most Guinness Records. But Rush has broken more than 250 records thus far including the record for the most fist bumps, which he achieved with the help of Howie Mandel, the host of the America's Got Talent TV show. Together they racked up 380 fist bumps in 30 seconds on a recent episode of the show.

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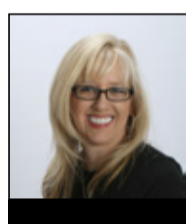


The Times photo by Betsy Reason

**Craig Bolden (from left), his mom Joan Bolden and his sister, Beth (Bolden) Miller reminisce about Bolden's Dry Cleaners' many years of serving the community. The dry cleaners will close on July 29. Last day for dropoff is July 1.**

## Boldens Say 'It's Time' To Close after 63 Years

### Dry Cleaner Family Has Loved Serving Our Community



**BETSY REASON**  
From The Editor's Desk...

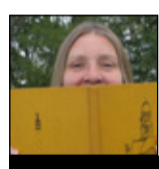
It's the end of an era for the last dry-cleaning business in downtown Noblesville. The family-owned 63-year-old three-generation Bolden's Dry Cleaners will close on July 29. Last day for drop-off is July 1. Retiring owner Joan Bolden and her son, Craig Bolden, and daughter, Beth (Bolden) Miller stood behind the front counter, in front of the many moving racks filled with freshly cleaned items, earlier this month. They

reminded about their years of serving the community and talked about their anticipated closing. "It's time," Craig Bolden said, as his sister and mom chimed in with the same two familiar words. The business will be 63 years old this month. Joan Bolden, 84, is ready to retire. She's been working at the family business for about 50 years and is there every day but the weekends, she said. Hours are 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. weekdays and 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturdays. "Don't let her fool you. She's here on Sundays, too," Craig Bolden said. "If we're behind," Joan Bolden replied, laughing. One thing that customers know when they go to Bolden's Dry Cleaning is that there is always a Bolden working. "You can go a lot of places and not know who's going to show up," Joan Bolden said.

"We always show up," Miller said. "There is always a Bolden in the house," Craig Bolden said. A couple of the Bolden family teenagers have worked at the business the past few years. "But the thing is, there were going to be no Boldens after us," Miller said. None of Joan Bolden's grandkids wanted to take over the business. Miller said, "It's just time for her (mom) to retire." Joan Bolden said it will be nice to "just be home" and not have to go to work. She looks forward to spending time with her sisters. "It'll be nice to take some time and visit with them." Craig Bolden, 57, has worked for the family business for 37 years, and Beth (Bolden) Miller, 61, has worked there for 35 years. The business has been for

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## Why Did The Surveyor Dig A Hole In The Road?



**PAULA DUNN**  
From Time to Thyme

After I mentioned the Public Land Survey System or PLSS (actually, I'm told that should be USPLSS) recently, I heard from surveyor Gary Kent, who offered to answer some common questions related to the USPLSS. I have a slight acquaintance with that system from previous research, but I knew there was a lot I didn't know, so I jumped at the opportunity. Gary really knows his stuff. He's testified as an expert witness in cases across the country involving land disputes and surveying practices, he frequently presents programs on surveying at conferences and he's taught

at Purdue University in Indianapolis. He started with an explanation of the USPLSS and its history. In the original thirteen states the establishment of property boundaries was a haphazard affair that caused a lot of headaches. When the Northwest Territory (Indiana, Ohio, Illinois, Michigan, Wisconsin and northeast Minnesota) was acquired, the federal government wanted a better arrangement for describing land and determining ownership before settlers were allowed in. Thomas Jefferson proposed a grid system that became known as the USPLSS. Under the USPLSS, land is surveyed into six-mile squares called "townships." (Not to be confused with governmental townships,

e.g. Adams Township.) Each township is divided into 36 one-mile square sections. Each section contains 640 acres. (Usually. Measurements weren't always precise. Read on.) Townships are identified by numbers based on their distance from a Principal Meridian, a line that runs north and south, and a Base Line that runs east and west. In Indiana, the Principal Meridian goes through the center of Lebanon's courthouse and the Base Line lies about 6 miles south of Paoli. For example, the Hamilton County courthouse is located in Section 31 of Township 19 North, Range 5 East (Section 31, T.19N., R.5E.) That means the township is 19 townships north of the Base Line

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## The Daily Almanac

**Sunrise/Sunset**  
RISE: 6:17 a.m.  
SET: 9:21 p.m.

**High/Low Temperatures**  
High: 82 °F  
Low: 64 °F

**Today is...**

- First Day of Summer
- National Selfie Day
- National Smoothie Day

**What Happened On This Day**

- 2004 SpaceShipOne completes the world's first manned private space-flight.

- 1985 The body of Josef Mengele is identified.
- 1963 Cardinal Giovanni Battista Montini becomes Pope Paul VI.

**Births On This Day**

- 1982 Prince William, Duke of Cambridge
- 1905 Jean-Paul Sartre French philosopher, writer

**Deaths On This Day**

- 1527 Niccolò Machiavelli Italian historian, philosopher
- 1377 Edward III of England

## Spark!Fishers Festival Kicks Off Today

Weeklong festival kicks off with free concert tonight, continues with family fun through Saturday. The weeklong Spark!Fishers festival kicks off tonight with a Free Tuesday Concert at the Nickel Plate District Amphitheater (6 Municipal Drive) located in the heart of Fishers' downtown Nickel Plate Cultural District. The celebration continues this week with a family-friendly 5K Run/Walk & Kids' Dash tomorrow night; a Car and Art Show on Thursday; a concert featuring Burning Red: A Taylor Swift Tribute on Friday evening; and a street fair, parade, and state-of-the-art aerial light show to cap off the festivities on Saturday. New this year, participants will enjoy an exciting, redesigned parade route down 116th Street, as well as the first aerial light show in Central Indiana featuring over 200 drones in the sky. The drone show will replace the primary fireworks show this year. For the full festival lineup, visit

**HONEST HOOSIER**

Hardly remembered on this date in 1942, a Japanese submarine shelled Fort Stevens in Oregon near the Columbia River.



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**TODAY'S QUOTE**

"And so with the sunshine and the great bursts of leaves growing on the trees, just as things grow in fast movies, I had that familiar conviction that life was beginning over again with the summer."  
-F. Scott Fitzgerald, The Great Gatsby

**TODAY'S JOKE**

Where do basketball players go on summer vacation?  
No where. They would get called for traveling!

**TODAY'S HEALTH TIP**

Treat burns by immediately soaking the area in cold water for at least five minutes and cover any open areas with antibiotic ointment. 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.



**OBITUARIES**

None

The Times appreciates all our customers. Today, we'd like to personally thank **PEGGY BEAVER** for subscribing!



## OBITUARIES

### John O. Marlowe July 8, 1957 - June 13, 2023

John O. Marlowe, 65, of Clayton, passed away June 13, 2023.

He was born on July 8, 1957, to Chuck and Ann (Mitchell) Marlowe.

John was a 1975 graduate of Cascade High School, and a 1979 graduate of Wabash College. He was a member of Wabash's 1977 NCAA Division III National Runner-Up football team. John was a sports writer and columnist for The Paper of Montgomery County and the Noblesville Times.

He was an award-winning scribe, winning six writing awards from the Hoosier State Press Association in the last five years, including three best columns in the state. For many years, he co-published the Indiana Basketball Handbook.

John served on the Hendricks County Community Foundation Board, as well as the Clayton / Liberty Township Library Board. He was an elder in the Clayton Presbyterian Church. He was a kind and gentle spirit, an immediate friend to all people he met, and a devout loyalist to his family and "his peeps."

Survivors include his brother Todd (Cyndi) Marlowe, of Houston, Texas; half-brothers Ben (Erinn) Marlowe of Whitestown; David (Cadie) Marlowe of Indianapolis; and step-mother Marian Marlowe of Indianapolis.

Funeral services are scheduled for Thursday, June 22, at 7 p.m. in Hazelwood Christian Church. Friends and family may pay their respects from 4 p.m. until the time of service. Please enter through the east-side doors of the church.

Memorial donations may be made to the Hendricks County Humane Society 3033 E. Main Street, Danville, Ind. 46122.

Hall-Baker Funeral Home, Plainfield is handling arrangements. Please visit [http://www.bakerfuneralservice.com to leave a condolence.]

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## Beck's Supports K9s For Warriors In 4th Annual 5K

Beck's, the largest family-owned retail seed company in the United States, hosted their fourth annual 5K on June 10 at their headquarters in Atlanta, Ind. Beck's 5K promotes health and wellness among Beck's employees and their families, customers, seed dealers, and the community.

It was a beautiful morning to bring together employees, friends, and the community to support such an important mission," said Bethany Gremel, director of culture and brand experience at Beck's. "We are happy to support an organization focused on stewardship and service to others."

Through a combination of in-person and virtual participants, a total of 422 people registered for the race. Through registrations, sponsorships, and generous donations, Beck's 5K generated \$55,654.97 in proceeds to benefit K9s For Warriors. Warrior Ambassadors Selena Hosier, a U.S. Navy veteran, and her service dog Zeebee accepted the check on behalf of the organization. Selected as the 2023 charity by Beck's family of employees, K9s For

Warriors provides highly-trained service dogs to military veterans suffering from PTSD, traumatic brain injury and/

or military sexual trauma. With the majority of dogs coming from high-kill rescue shelters, this innovative program allows the K9/Warrior team to build an unwavering bond that facilitates their collective healing and recovery.

"We are grateful to the team at Beck's for hosting its 2023 5K bringing employees and the community together in support of K9s For Warriors' mission to end veteran suicide," said K9s For Warriors community relations manager, Steph Vogt. "Without the support of companies and fundraising events like Beck's 2023 5K, we could not save veteran and dog lives. Beck's has been an incredible host and through the race has raised funds to sponsor two Service Dogs in training which is amazing! Four lives will be saved. Every Warrior/K9 pairing is a win/win."

The event was open to all ages. In addition to the 5K run/walk, children ages 3 to 11 had the chance to participate in a Kids Fun Run. Zach Engle, age 35, from Noblesville, Ind., was the overall winner with a time of 16:37. Behind him was Ryan Murdoch, age 35, from Westfield, Ind., with a time of 17:22, and Taylor Marshall, age 32, from Indianapolis, Ind., with a final time of 17:27. For a full list of finishers, visit

https://runsignup.com/Race/IN/Atlanta/Becks5K.

Over the last four years, Beck's 5K Run/Walk has generated over \$140,000 in proceeds that have directly benefited four different charities.

Beck's would like to thank the generous sponsors who made this year's event a success:

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**SPARK!**

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**FESTIVAL SCHEDULE:**

- Tuesday, June 20 at 7 p.m. / Free Tuesdays Concert at the NPD AMP featuring Jukebox Luke
- Wednesday, June 21 at 6:30 & 7 p.m. / 5K Run/Walk & Kids' Dash (registration required; onsite registration available until 6:30 p.m.)
- Thursday, June 22 from 6-9 p.m. / Car & Art Show
- Friday, June 23 at 8 p.m. / Concert at the NPD AMP featuring Burning Red: A Taylor Swift Tribute
- Saturday, June 24 from 3-10 p.m. / Street Fair (parade at 6 p.m. and aerial light show at 10 p.m.)

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COUNTY OF HAMILTON )
IN RE THE UNSUPERVISED ESTATE OF )
VILMA E. MURPHY, Deceased. )
NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION
Notice is hereby given that on June 15, 2023, Timothy L. Murphy and Patricia E. Howard were appointed Co-Personal Representatives of the Estate of Vilma E. Murphy, deceased, who died on May 26, 2023.

CITY OF FISHERS
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
CASE ANN-23-9
MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC MAY SUBMIT COMMENTS BY GOING TO: https://townoffishers.formstack.com/forms/public\_meeting\_comment\_form
MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC MAY STREAM THE LIVE MEETING BY GOING TO: http://tinyurl.com/CityOfFishers
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a public hearing will be held by the City of Fishers City Council at 7:00 PM on Monday, July 17, 2023, at Launch Fishers Theater, 12175 Visionary Way, Fishers, IN 46038.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
Noblesville Common Council Noblesville, Indiana
The Noblesville Common Council will hold a public hearing on the 11th day of July, 2023. This hearing is to consider annexation into the City Limits of Noblesville as per property described in "Exhibit A". The property is located west of Cicero Road (State Road No. 19) and north of Forest Park containing approximately 31 acres in Noblesville Township. The public hearing will be conducted at 7:00 PM at the Noblesville City Building, 16 S. 10th Street, Second Floor Council Chambers, Noblesville, Indiana.

29D01-2306-EU-000273
STATE OF INDIANA ) IN THE HAMILTON SUPERIOR COURT NO. 1
COUNTY OF HAMILTON ) CAUSE NO. 29D01-2306-EU-000273
IN THE MATTER OF THE UNSUPERVISED ESTATE OF )
SUSAN B. NEWELL, DECEASED. )
NOTICE OF UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION
Notice is hereby given that Sandra LaClave, on the date of June 7, 2023, was appointed as personal representative of the estate of Susan B. Newell, deceased, who died on the 25th day of May, 2023, leaving a will. The estate will be administered without Court Supervision.

NOTICE TO BIDDERS
Notice is hereby given that Noblesville Schools ("School"), by and through its Board is requesting bids to purchase land owned by School. The land being offered for sale is parcel 29-11-17-000-010-001-013 ("Parcel") located on Howe Rd., Noblesville, IN. Note an easement and/or right of way will be retained by School in the parcel's northern portion and in the BMP and easement area marked in Hamilton County Recorder Inst. No. 2012007959 Property information for the Parcel can be viewed using https://secure2.hamiltoncounty.in.gov/PropertyReports/index.aspx

SUMMONS - SERVICE BY PUBLICATION
STATE OF INDIANA ) IN THE HAMILTON CIRCUIT COURT
COUNTY OF HAMILTON ) CAUSE NO. 29C01-2304-MF-003429
FREEDOM MORTGAGE CORPORATION, )
Plaintiff, )
vs. )
MATTHEW J. KAYSER, JENNA P. KAYSER and )
CREEKSIDE AT CEDAR PATH HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION, INC., )
Defendants. )
NOTICE OF SUIT
The State of Indiana to the Defendant(s) above named, and any other person who may be concerned.

29C01-2305-MI-004917
STATE OF INDIANA COUNTY OF HAMILTON
CIRCUIT COURT
CASE# 29C01-2305-MI-004917
IN RE THE NAME CHANGE OF:
Julieta Monroy Espinosa de los Monteros (Minor) b/n/f Dante Monroy Alcantara (Parent) Petitioners
NOTICE OF PETITION FOR CHANGE OF NAME OF A MINOR
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STATE OF INDIANA ) IN THE HAMILTON COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT
COUNTY OF HAMILTON ) CAUSE NO. 29D01-2306-EU-000282
IN THE MATTER OF THE UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION )
OF THE ESTATE OF SHIRLEY A. ROHRER, DECEASED )
NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION
Notice is hereby given that Holly K. Cotton and Thomas C. Cotton were, on June 12, 2023, appointed Co-Personal Representatives of the Estate of Shirley A. Rohrer, Deceased, who died on October 15, 2022.

Notice of Request for Proposals
for
Guaranteed Savings Contract Projects
Notice is hereby given that Hamilton Southeastern Schools, Hamilton County, Indiana (the "School Corporation"), shall receive proposals until 3:00 p.m. (EDT) on July 21, 2023, to the Attention of Matt Rapp at the Hamilton Southeastern Schools Administration Office located at 13485 Cumberland Road, Fishers, IN 46038 for one or more facility improvement projects related to any of the facilities operated by the School Corporation which would qualify as a conservation measure, as defined in IC 36-1-12., as amended, and all projects related to any of the foregoing (individually, a "Project" and, collectively, the "Projects"), as set forth in more detail in the Request for Proposals by Hamilton Southeastern Schools, Hamilton County, Indiana, from Qualified Providers for Design and Installation of One or More Photovoltaic Solar Arrays and Completion of Other Conservation Measures Projects under a Guaranteed Savings Contract, dated June 19, 2023 (the "RFP").

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SUSAN B. NEWELL, DECEASED. )
NOTICE OF UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION
Notice is hereby given that Sandra LaClave, on the date of June 7, 2023, was appointed as personal representative of the estate of Susan B. Newell, deceased, who died on the 25th day of May, 2023, leaving a will. The estate will be administered without Court Supervision.

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sale for more than 18 months. There were interested buyers who wanted to buy the business but lease the building, and buyers who wanted the Boldens to stay on and operate the business. The purpose of selling was so that the Boldens could retire and move on. But there weren't any experienced dry cleaners interested.

"Mom has decided she doesn't want anybody to have our name, and we really can't find any people that we think would be good to carry on," Miller said.

The dry-cleaning equipment, which was purchased in January 2016, after a March 2015 fire that closed the business for 10 months, will be sold back to the company that sold them the equipment, Haiges Machinery dry-cleaning equipment supplier in Huntley, Ill.

The property is still for sale. They think the location would be great for an eatery with seating on the trail, which their building overlooks.

Being open the month of July, only for pickup, will allow customers to pick up their items.

Miller said it's going to take a while to contact customers to make sure all of their items are picked up. "I want the clothes to go back to the people. I don't want the clothes to be hanging here and people ask us if we're going to have a garage sale with what's hanging left. I don't want to. I want the people to get their clothes back."

The Boldens announced their closing at the beginning of June. A banner with the closing announcement is displayed on the front of their two-story building at 151 N. Eighth St., just east of Logan Street near the entrance to the footbridge over the White River.

"We've got a lot of people cleaning out their closets bringing us stuff," Miller said. "We got a huge surge of wedding dresses yesterday."

Miller also said, "We've gotten 'shock' from the community. They're not upset with us, but they're sad to see us go. We've got great customers. Some of the people have come here, now their kids come here, and their grandkids come here," Miller said. "They're not disappointed or upset. They're happy for us that we're retiring. But I don't know where to tell them to go (for their future dry cleaning.) That's the hard part." The closest dry cleaners are on the "outskirts of Noblesville."

Joan Bolden said a lot of the people have been customers for 30 and 40 years. Some just bring in a pair of pants now and again, or to stop here to find out "what's going on in town."

Miller said they get new customers every day. "We had 147 new customers last month," she said. "We're on pace to beat that this month, with all of the new apartments ... We have people walk down from the apartments with their clothes. Used to be that I knew everybody; I don't know everybody anymore."

Miller, who said they dry clean thousands of items each week, estimates that Bolden's has dry cleaned millions of items in the 63 years.

The Boldens say "it's been great working with family." Miller said, "We still like each other after all of these years, that's something. Some families can't get along, but we get along great."

Bolden's Dry Cleaners does all of its dry cleaning onsite. Miller said, "We're the only ones that I can think of that actually wait on the people and do the work all in the same location."

Joan Bolden added, "That means a lot to people. They like to know

when they drop it off, that it stays here."

Craig Bolden said in recent years it's become more difficult to get dry-cleaning supplies, and the supplies are two and three times more expensive. When machinery breaks down, there is one service tech they can call.

But still, the dry cleaning business isn't necessarily slowing down. In fact, the Boldens say customers are dry cleaning more items. "I think people just don't have time to do their stuff," Miller said. "A lot of the items are not 'dry clean only.' We do jeans and shorts ... choir dresses," she said pointing to the hundreds of NHS choir costumes, covered in plastic, hanging on racks, ready for pickup. She said they do T-shirts and "things that people could wash at home. They just don't have time, and they like to have them pressed."

Miller said, "I feel we go above and beyond with our service, trying to give everybody what they need." Bolden's does dry cleaning for Hamilton County Sheriff's Department, Noblesville Police, Westfield Police, Cicero Police and Carmel Police departments, for which Bolden's picked up and delivered all of their uniforms. They also do the Carmel Mayor's dry cleaning.

And every now and then, Bolden's has done dry cleaning for Ruoff Music Center performers, including Michael Bolton, Mötley Crüe, Nickelback and Shania Twain. "They usually call us in the morning ... And they'll come back and get it," Miller said. A couple of the Indiana Pacers brought in their dry cleaning years ago, too.

Miller said they've had loyal employees, including Renee Roy, 68, Cicero, who has worked for Bolden's for 30 years; and Nancy Crump, who has worked there five years and her grandson, Colin Mulvany, who is best friends with Miller's son, worked at Bolden's during high school; and Karina Hernandez, Noblesville, a presser of 17 years; and Melissa Chastain, Noblesville, who works in the front and back and was hired in 2004; and niece, Ava Wood, a Noblesville senior.

Through the years, they've employed a couple dozen high school-age kids who enjoyed the hours. Bolden's closes at 6 p.m. weekdays and 1 p.m. Saturdays and are closed Sundays. The youth would alternate working on Saturdays. Bolden's currently opens at 8 a.m. Monday-Saturday.

Bolden's Dry Cleaning has a rich history in Noblesville.

In 1960, Edward Bolden and his wife, Bing, purchased the Noblesville Cleaners and Shirt Laundry, at the northwest corner of Eighth and Conner streets, from Orville Bays.

"There has always been a Bolden working since 1960," Miller said.

In the early 1970s, Ed Bolden suffered a heart attack, so his son, Jere Bolden, and Jere's wife, Joan Bolden, came on board at the business, then took over after Ed Bolden's death. At the time, Jan Deering Cleaners, also family owned, which was next to the license branch on Logan Street, was their biggest, but friendliest, competitor. "If we had a problem or couldn't get to a pair of pants a customer needed, we'd call over there and see if they'd take it. They'd do the same thing with us. If we ran out of hangers, we could call them."

In 1973, when Jere and Joan Bolden moved to Noblesville, to a house on 10th Street, "right down from Grandpa's Candy Store," with their four children, all who later graduated from Noblesville High School, Kurt Bolden,

Beth (Bolden) Miller, Craig Bolden and Susan (Bolden) Wood, the dry cleaners became a family affair, with all of the children working there when each one was old enough. Their location "was small," and "hot," and "had one front door" and "used to be an old gas station," Miller said. Before being a dry cleaner, the building was home to H.R. Swaynie Phillips 66 and the Swaynie Buick Dealership, according to a 2005 Noblesville Times article by Jeff Zeckel. That fall, the business name changed to Bolden's Dry Cleaners. The building was renovated a couple of times and included a drive-thru, and "everybody liked that." On two sides of Bolden's Dry Cleaners was a laundromat with space that went behind the dry cleaners in an L-shape.

In 1980, Bolden's opened a second store in Harbourtown Center in Noblesville.

Craig Bolden said the dry cleaning business is all he knows. A 1984 NHS grad, he attended Ball State University for a year, and didn't like college, so he dropped out and his dad sent him to International Fabricare Institute in Maryland, where he learned to be a master drycleaner in 1986. Miller, a 1980 NHS grad, was a flight attendant for about two-and-a-half years and also worked at American National Bank before coming to work at her mom and dad's business. "I thought I'd come help her for a little bit, now 35 years later, she's still there." Both plan to seek new employment.

Joan Bolden, now the sole owner, built the current dry cleaners building in 1990 after the former property, at Eighth and Conner streets, was taken over by the County by eminent domain and razed during the Courthouse Expansion Project. The Hamilton County Government & Judicial Center now stands in Bolden's Dry Cleaners' former location.

"It was probably a blessing that we moved here, because of the space," Miller said of the current building which sits on Bolden-owned land that was formerly owned by American National Bank and used to be a lumber yard "years and years ago," Joan Bolden said. "American National Bank owned it and offered it to us, sold it to us ... This was a great piece of property."

The closing of Bolden's Dry Cleaners does not include Bolden's Cleaning and Restoration, which was started in the early 1980s by the late Kurt Bolden but is now owned by Tony Jackson.

A fire -- that started in a clothing carousel near the drive-thru sliding door -- on Thursday afternoon, March 26, 2015, closed Bolden's Dry Cleaners for 10 months, reopening for business on Jan. 16, 2016. Miller said that was a very stressful time because customers were very upset about the fire and their losses. But she said all of their customers eventually came back. Their Harbourtown location closed after the fire and did not reopen.

Bolden's Dry Cleaners survived the pandemic which started in 2020. They stayed open, drive-thru only, and condensed their hours and haven't had their front lobby open since.

The Boldens have loved serving our Noblesville community.

"We've loved being involved in things, looking out and seeing what's happening downtown," Miller said. "It's just been a good run."

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and five townships east of the Principal Meridian.

There's more to that, but I want to get to the mysteries Gary promised to solve, such as why roads like Hazel Dell and Little Chicago originally had a slight jog where they met.

Gary told me townships are always surveyed from the bottom up. When early surveyors got to the top of a township, sometimes their lines didn't quite match up with the bottom boundary already established in the next township. That created a jog in some roads.

There were three reasons for the mismatch: First, the instruments used — a compass and a chain made of wire links — weren't that precise; second, conditions on the ground weren't ideal (this county was very

swampy and thickly wooded); and third, the earth's natural curve could throw lines off.

Ever heard the term, "back 40?"

Under the Homestead Act of 1862, you could acquire 160 acres (four forty-acre parcels, or one quarter of a section) for just a small filing fee. If you agreed to farm the land for at least five years. The "back 40" was the most remote parcel of that land.

If you've ever wondered why Section 16 on original land patent maps shows no owners, that's because it was reserved for the maintenance of public schools.

Finally, why do surveyors dig holes in the middle of a road? (No, that's not the start of a joke.)

Originally, section and quarter section corners

were marked with wooden posts. In the mid-1800s most posts were replaced by stone markers.

When roads began to be established, they were usually constructed on a section line so property owners on each side contributed equal land to the road. To preserve the section corner markers — now in the center of the road — the stones were lowered beneath the roads' surfaces.

Surveyors digging in the center of a road are looking for that marker so they can survey the area properly.

Thanks to Gary Kent for his time!

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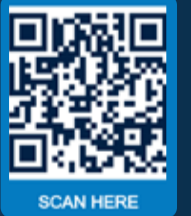


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