

**TODAY'S VERSE**

Romans 8:28 And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to his purpose.

**Hamilton Happenings**

Waste Management will take over trash billing for the City of Westfield. The City of Westfield and Waste Management have reached an agreement that Waste Management will take over the trash billing on behalf of the City of Westfield, effective April 1. Residents will receive information from Waste Management in mid-March containing their account number and their first bill.

**Three Things You Should Know**

**1** Attorney General Todd Rokita invites Hoosiers to visit [IndianaUnclaimed.gov](http://IndianaUnclaimed.gov) to see if they have any money waiting for them this spring. After decimating the prior record set in 2014, Attorney General Rokita's office returned over \$81 million in unclaimed property to its rightful owners in 2023. Over \$1.5 MILLION is returned to Hoosiers every week, and hundreds of millions are just waiting to be claimed. And it seems appropriate at this time in March that some property owners in the Unclaimed Property Division's database include such holiday-appropriate first or last names of Ireland, Gold, Clover, Shamrock, and Green.

**2** Speaking of Rokita had some strong words regarding Hoosier lawmakers: "As I have stated throughout the debate on this antisemitism bill, the law was originally written to protect Jewish students in Indiana K-12 schools and university campuses from ruthless, anti-Semitic attacks that have increased since the horrific slaughter of Israelis on Oct. 7. Indiana Senators turned it into a toothless mess that allows anti-Semites to continue to cloak their discriminatory hatred of Jews as simple political disagreements directed at Israel, not Jews. Then, Indiana Representatives would not correct the Senate's actions, which equates hateful, anti-Semitic rhetoric, like "From the River to the Sea" to mere political speech. The Governor should veto this compromised bill to show he understands that regular Hoosiers won't compromise with Jew-hating bigots."

**3** As the winter heating season draws to a close, CenterPoint Energy is reminding customers that the State of Indiana's winter moratorium recently ended. The utility is taking proactive steps to support customers during this time and encourages them to contact us to discuss options. The Indiana winter moratorium protects customers who have applied for support through income-qualified programs, such as the Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP), from having their heating services interrupted. CenterPoint Energy has implemented a number of programs to provide continued support beyond the moratorium's end. The company reminds customers that some assistance programs are still available.

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**BTN**

By The Numbers, a look at what's in the news ... by the numbers. These are just numbers, not suggestions that they mean more or less than what they are. We do not suggest that one number is connected to another. These are simply facts with no extraneous details, bias or slanted reporting. To borrow (and perhaps mangle a bit) a quote from legendary fictional detective Joe Friday, it's just the numbers, ma'am!

**MARCH IS RED CROSS MONTH!**

**1943**

Red Cross Month celebration has been an annual tradition since 1943, when President Franklin D. Roosevelt issued the first Red Cross Month proclamation.

**265,000**

That's approximately how many volunteers give their time to support the Red Cross.



**American Red Cross**

**90%**

Those 265,000 volunteers make up 90 percent of the Red Cross workforce. These are the people who step up to help someone on what is often the worst day of their lives.

**40%**

The amount of the nation's blood supply that comes from the Red Cross. This is in addition to the shelters, food and comfort given to victims of disasters.

**65,000**

The number of disasters the Red Cross responds to across the country.



**6,300,000**

How many blood products the Red Cross delivers to about 2,500 hospitals in the U.S.

**5,000,000+**

The Red Cross trains more than 5,000,000 people in first aid, water safety and other skills that help save lives!

*The Red Cross is a nonprofit organization that depends on volunteers and the generosity of the American public to deliver its mission. For more information, please visit [redcross.org](http://redcross.org)*

**Find 13 Ways to Have Easter Fun**



**BETSY REASON**  
Columnist

It's time to get out your Easter baskets and get ready, set, go! The local Easter Egg hunts and Easter

happenings abound as Easter arrives earlier this year, on March 31. Here are 13 Easter happenings to put on your calendar:



*The Times photo by Betsy Reason*

**Hamilton County Junior Leaders' annual free Community Easter Egg Hunt, for ages 8 and younger, brings out hundreds of families to the 4-H Fairgrounds in Noblesville, with this year's egg hunt at 6 p.m. today.**

➔ See **BETSY** Page A3

**TODAY'S HEALTH TIP**

Getting up at the same time every day is very important to getting good sleep.

*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](http://www.thetimes24-7.com)*



**TODAY'S QUOTE**

"Love grows more tremendously full, swift, poignant, as the years multiply."  
**Zane Grey**

**TODAY'S JOKE**

Why did the chicken cross the road?  
**Beak-cause it could!**

**OBITUARIES**

*Louis "Lou" Mundy III*

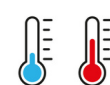
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**The Daily Almanac**

**Sunrise/Sunset**

RISE: 7:50 am  
SET: 7:55 pm



**High/Low Temperatures**

HIGH: 37°F  
LOW: 27°F



**Today is...**

- National Sloppy Joe Day
- Act Happy Day



**What Happened On This Day**

- **1965** Russian cosmonaut Aleksei Leonov becomes the first person to walk in space. During the tethered spacewalk, which lasted 12 minutes, Leonov ventured up to 10 meters from his spacecraft, Voskhod 2.
- **1892** Lord Stanley of Preston pledges to donate a challenge cup for the best ice hockey team in Canada. Today, the Stanley Cup is the world's most prestigious ice hockey trophy.



**Births On This Day**

- **1844** Nikolai Rimsky-Korsakov - Russian composer
- **1837** Grover Cleveland - American lawyer, politician, 22nd President of the United States

**Deaths On This Day**

- **1913** George I of Greece
- **978** Edward the Martyr - English king

## Drake Sterling sworn in as Carmel Chief of Police

## ➔ OBITUARY

### Louis "Lou" Mundy III November 26, 1948 - March 10, 2024

Lou was born in Noblesville, IN on November 26, 1948 to L.C. Mundy and Norma (Richardson) Mundy, both of whom preceded him in death.



He graduated from Noblesville High School in 1967, immediately enrolling in Indiana University where he completed his BS in Business in 1971.

Lou's career took him through various positions with the federal government; and early on, he was tapped to join the U.S. Department of State serving under Secretaries of State James Baker and Madeleine Albright. He was posted in various countries during his tenure with the Senior Foreign Service, retiring as Inspector General in Cairo, Egypt.

Retirement years led him back to Bloomington, IN where he enjoyed following his beloved Indiana Hoosiers. In 2004, he met and married Elise Lawrence, formerly of Greenwood, IN and they enjoyed twelve years of all that Bloomington had to offer. In 2017, they moved to Franklin and found new and wonderful friendships in the Heather Glen at the Legends neighborhood. Golf became central to their lives as they wintered in Florida and spent the rest of the year in Franklin, IN.

Lou is survived by his wife and soulmate, Elise Lawrence-Mundy of Franklin, IN. He is also survived by his son Louis (LJ) and grandchildren Emily and Eliot all of Chicago; IL, his sister Rosalind "Roz" and brother-in-law Paul Cortellini of Bloomington, IN.

In keeping with Lou's wishes, there will be no formal service; however, a Celebration of a Life Well Lived is planned for late spring.

Those who may be interested may donate in Lou's honor to Tunnels to Towers Foundation 2361 Hylan Boulevard Stanton Island, NY 10306 or at [www.t2t.org](http://www.t2t.org) or a local animal shelter.

Swartz Family Community Mortuary and Memorial Center 300 South U.S. 31 (Morton Street) in Franklin, IN is handling the arrangements. Online condolences may be sent to the family at [www.swartzmortuary.com](http://www.swartzmortuary.com). Information 317-738-0202.

Drake Sterling was officially sworn in as Carmel Chief of Police yesterday evening. The public ceremony, held at The Tarkington Theater, was led by Carmel Mayor Sue Finkam and open to all members of the Carmel community. In addition to the formal swearing-in ceremony, Mayor Finkam also recognized retiring police chief Jim Barlow for his dedication to the city by awarding him the Range Line Pioneer Award.

"As our city welcomes Chief Sterling, I want to express my deepest gratitude to Chief Barlow for his years of dedicated service and unwavering commitment to ensuring the safety and well-being of our community," said Mayor Finkam. "The transition represents a new chapter for our police department, and I am confident that Chief Sterling will build upon the foundation laid by his predecessor, bringing fresh perspectives and innovative approaches to further strengthen the bond between law enforcement and the community we serve." Chief of Police Drake Sterling joined the Carmel Police Department in February 2024 after serving in various roles with the Zionsville Police Department. During his career, Chief Sterling served in a SWAT capacity for more than ten years as well as in Support Services, Investigations and Uniformed Services. "As I step into the role

of chief of police, I am humbled and honored to serve this community. My commitment is to lead with transparency, accountability and a deep dedication to fostering positive relationships between our police force and the residents we protect," said Chief Sterling. "Together, we will work tirelessly to create a safer, more inclusive environment, where collaboration and communication are paramount."

Retiring Chief Jim Barlow served the Carmel Police Department for more than 40 years. Barlow started with late-night shifts in the patrol division then moved from criminal investigations to special investigations with Carmel Police's drug task force. During his career, Barlow saw promotions from sergeant to lieutenant to major. He served in leadership roles in the patrol division and the support division, ultimately appointed to chief of police in 2017. "It has been an honor to work alongside dedicated officers and witness the strength of our community partnerships. Together, we have faced challenges, celebrated successes and continually strived to make our city a safer place," said Chief Barlow. "The journey has been rewarding, and I am confident that the department will continue to thrive in its mission to protect and serve."



Chief Drake Sterling with his wife Sarah and children.



Mayor Sue Finkam presented retiring Chief Jim Barlow with the Range Line Pioneer Award.

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Hamilton County 4-H Fairgrounds in Noblesville. We used to attend the Egg Hunt every year until our daughter aged out of the event. Ages 8 and younger are invited to hunt for eggs filled with candy and prizes each year at this Egg Hunt put on by Hamilton County 4-H Junior Leaders of which our daughter is now a member. Participants are asked to bring their own baskets for the egg hunts: ages 0-2 at 6:05 p.m., ages 3-5 at 6:10 p.m. and ages 6-8 at 6:15 p.m. Farm animals will be available for petting and photos.

2. Put on your running shoes and head for Forest Park for Noblesville Parks and Recreation Department's free Easter Egg Hunt activities that begin at 10 a.m. March 23, with the hunt at 11 a.m.. Activities at Shelter 5 include bounce houses, a DJ, and vehicle tours from the Noblesville Fire Department and Noblesville Police Department. The Easter Bunny also will make a special appearance. The egg hunt includes three age groups for ages 3-10 (3-4, 5-6 and 7-10). Children ages 2 and younger are invited to stop by the Parks and Recreation tent, where toddler-related activity bags will be handed out to the first 50 kids. Noblesville Kiwanis Sunrisers will host a pancake breakfast in conjunction with the egg hunt at Forest Park Inn from 8 a.m. to 10:30 a.m., featuring pancakes, sausage, juice, coffee and milk, for \$7 per person (ages 6 and younger are free) with proceeds to go to a local charity.

3. Attend a fun, free indoor Easter Egg Hunt and Bunny Visit for ages 10 and younger 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. March 23 at Sheridan Public Library, with egg hunts every 15 minutes.

4. Enjoy donuts and an Easter Egg Hunt with the Easter Bunny beginning at 10 a.m. March 23 at St. Mark's United Methodist Church in Carmel. Donuts are at 10 a.m., with egg hunt at 11 a.m. After eggs are collected, children receive a treat bag and listen to the reading of an Easter story.

5. All kids are welcome to a Community Easter Egg Hunt with candy, bounce houses and the Easter Bunny at 1 p.m. March 23 at Six Points Church in Sheridan, with age groups separated for safety.

6. You get to ride a train for this Easter happening. A farmer has misplaced some eggs and is pretty sure the eggs are somewhere on the Nickel Plate Express. Board the train March 23, 24 and 30 for a little rail adventure as you roll through Hamilton County's northern countryside to see the trees in bloom while enjoying a snack and a springtime story Rides with Easter Bunny and the farmer last 65 minutes and also include drink and cookie, leaving Hobbs Station at Forest Park Depot in Noblesville, with tickets at nickelplateexpress.com.

7. Kids ages 11 and younger and their families are invited to an Easter Egg Hunt at 11 a.m. March 24 at River of Life Church in Fishers, with Easter

Bunny photos available.

8. Families are invited to an Easter Egg Festival with food and drink and pictures with the Easter bunny and games and prizes from noon to 2 p.m. March 24 at Carpenter Realtors office at 11475 Fishers Pointe Blvd. in Fishers.

9. Noblesville Jim Dandy's annual Easter Kids' Night is 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. March 25 with Fabulous Face Painting, coloring contest, activity table, a chance to meet the Easter bunny and kids eat free with paying adult.

10. Get your tickets for the 35th annual Hamilton County Passion Play "Behold the Lamb" on stage 7 p.m. March 27-29 and at 11 a.m. and 5 p.m. March 30 at Noblesville High School Auditorium. Tickets are free with \$1 per ticket online fee and are on sale now at <https://www.beholdthelamb.com/>

11. Enjoy an Easter breakfast buffet and meet the Easter Bunny for a photo opportunity from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. March 30 at Conner Prairie in Fishers. Remember to bring your own camera to capture the memory, with event tickets at [connerprairie.org](http://connerprairie.org). By purchasing Breakfast with the Bunny tickets, you will also receive Springtime on the Prairie grounds tickets.

12. Bring the kids out to the annual free Easter Egg Hunt at 1 p.m. March 30 at the Noblesville Moose Lodge No. 540, with a White Elephant Sale and auction to follow. Some eggs will contain special prizes. Moose Lodge has



The Times photo by Betsy Reason

## Noblesville's annual Community Easter Egg Hunt is March 23 at Forest Park in Noblesville, with a Noblesville Kiwanis Sunrisers breakfast at the Forest Park Inn.

a huge, beautiful lawn to run and find Easter eggs.

a.m. to noon March 31 at Prairie View Christian Church in Fishers.

until the end of April or early May.

-Betsy Reason writes about people, places and things in Hamilton County. Contact Betsy Reason at [betsy@thetimes24-7.com](mailto:betsy@thetimes24-7.com).

13. Kids ages up to fifth grade and their families are invited to an Easter Egg Hunt from 11:30

The Wayne-Fall Lions Club's annual Palm Sunday Breakfast is postponed this year



*Providing an affordable and positive baseball experience for all young men ages 13-18*

The 2024 Noblesville Babe Ruth Baseball Season begins April 8, 2024 and ends on June 18, 2024.

There will be two Leagues: 13-15 year old Competitive League and 16-18 year old Competitive League.

Both 13-15 League and 16-18 League will begin play on April 8, 2024. A double-elimination tournament will be played June 10-18, 2024.  
\* Note: Dates subject to change due to weather or unforeseen circumstances.

**Registration Fee:** 2024 Noblesville Babe Ruth Baseball registration fee is \$199 and includes team jersey, hat, and 2 tickets to the Noblesville Babe Ruth Baseball League Pancake Breakfast/Picture Day scheduled for April 20, 2024 from 8am-11am at the Forest Park Inn.

Team/Player photos will be taken at the Pancake Breakfast - more information will be sent closer to the event date. Additional tickets for the League Pancake Breakfast will be available at the door for \$5 each.

**Player Evaluations:** 13-15 year old players new to Noblesville Babe Ruth Baseball - or 13-15 year old players wishing to re-enter the team draft - need to attend the player evaluation session scheduled for March 9, 2024 from 2pm-4pm at Noblesville High School.

**Register today at:**  
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## 5 Heights Robotics Teams Qualify for State Championship

Five robotics teams from Hamilton Heights Middle School will be headed to the 2024 Indiana VEX Robotics State Championship at Lucas Oil Stadium after successfully qualifying at various competitions held earlier this season. This is the seventh year in a row that HHMS has sent multiple teams to the state level competition. In fact, Hamilton Heights Middle School will have one of most teams represented in the state competition of all the school corporations that qualified.

The Indiana VEX Robotics State Championship is the largest state robotics competition in the nation, with 350 robotics teams from elementary, middle, and high schools across the state to compete. Teams are eligible to compete at the event by winning a state-qualifying award at a local competition. HHMS teams qualified at the regular season tournaments earlier in the school year. They did so by winning

Teamwork Challenges and Excellence Awards at area events.

"Our team members are some of the most dynamic students you'll ever meet," said Lacy Bowyer, Hamilton Heights Middle School Robotics Teacher and Robotics Coach. "They put in the work every day and are highly skilled at what they do. They research what works and are always making modifications to stay competitive. I couldn't be more proud to be leading this group of engineers."

The best of the state's robotics competitors will be on display and Heights returns to showcase its teams' talents at the event on the largest stage Indiana has to offer. The Indiana VEX Robotics State Championship takes place on Saturday, March 23 at Lucas Oil Stadium in Indianapolis and is free and open to the public. We invite you to show your support by helping cheer on the Hamilton Heights Middle School teams at the Indiana VEX Robotics State Championship!



Photos courtesy Hamilton Heights Schools

**Hamilton Heights Middle School Robotics Team is 35 members strong with five teams advancing to the Indiana VEX Robotics State Championship on Saturday, March 23 at Lucas Oil Stadium.**



From left, Kaelynn Fidler, Illiana Bowyer, Camden Millikan and Wyndham Jung Husky are pictured at the Kalahari Signature Event in Sandusky, Ohio earlier this year.

## Noblesville's Aaron Starr honored by F.C. Tucker

F.C. Tucker Company has awarded real estate agent and F.C. Tucker Noblesville Office co-manager Aaron Starr with its highest honor. Starr has received the Tucker Senior Award, recognizing those who exemplify the high standards and time-honored traditions initiated by the F.C. Tucker Company's founder, Fred C. Tucker Sr.



**Aaron Starr**

Starr is well-known within both the F.C. Tucker family and Noblesville community as someone who's always offering a helping hand during tough times. Whether he's assisting impoverished families, helping a single mom find a home for her family, or participating in groups that support and encourage members to become better men, Starr does it all with impeccable character and a servant's heart. His colleagues emphasize that Starr is always looking for opportunities to help

others and that he positively impacts everyone he interacts with both in his personal life and in business.

"Aaron Starr lives his life with passion and has a big heart that is evident to everyone. He truly understands his purpose in life is helping others succeed both professionally and personally," said Jim Litten, CEO of F.C. Tucker Company. "Aaron's unique hands-on approach to mentoring, training and helping those in need truly represents what it means to be both a business and servant leader in our community."

## A Borrowed Plate



**CARRIE CLASSON**  
The Postscript

My husband, Peter, and I were surprised that two plates were missing.

We stay in our little apartment in Mexico and, while we're gone, all our dishes and glasses remain in the cupboards. We pack away most of our spices, but we leave the vegetable steamer and the pressure cooker and all the art on the walls. We leave it all in the apartment which, we assume, is rented out to other people while we are gone, although it is hard to know for sure because everything is always right where we left it. But this time, two plates were missing. And I knew where they were.

Shortly before we left last year, a few weeks before Christmas, our wonderful landlord Jorge was chatting well into the evening with a woman about his age at a table in the courtyard. The woman looked a lot like him, and the way they were talking and laughing together led me to believe this was probably one of Jorge's 12 siblings.

"Would you like a piece of cake?" I asked them on the way to my apartment. I had just bought a cake, a chocolate one. (If it sounds as if I do nothing but eat cake and donuts and apple empanadas in Mexico, that would not be far from the truth.)

"Oh, no!" Jorge said, smiling. "I don't need any cake." But I could tell he wanted some.

"Oh, yes!" the woman, who was probably his sister, said. "I would love a piece of cake!"

So I brought two pieces of cake down on two small hand-painted plates I had bought at the market. A few days later, we returned to the U.S. for Christmas, and when we came back this winter, the two little plates were still missing.

I should note that this

did not bother me at all. We still had two small plates, and Peter thought those plates were too small for cake anyway. He bought four more that were just as pretty and a little bigger, and that was the last I thought about our plates. Until last night.

Last night, Jorge knocked on our apartment door.

We are on the third story and Jorge is usually behind the front desk, or supervising the small kitchen downstairs, or spending a night in the little apartment on the ground floor, waiting for late arriving guests. But there he was at our door, holding our two plates.

"We have a tradition in Mexico," he told us, in English. "When you are given a plate with food, you must return it with a gift. This is what we do with our family and our friends."

On the plates were what appeared to be two enormous biscuits.

"These are... I'm not sure what the word is in English," he confessed. "But they are the best."

Jorge handed us the two plates. We thanked him, and he left. Then we immediately put honey on the large, tasty whole wheat biscuits and ate them up. Jorge was right. They were the best ever.

As I washed up our two missing plates, I thought what a wonderful idea it was to return a borrowed plate with a gift. And I thought of what an honor it was to be considered Jorge's friend.

And I decided I needed to loan out more plates in the future—plates filled with whatever I have to offer, whatever I can give—knowing that, one way or another, the borrowed plate will be returned in some fashion, filled with something better than I could ever imagine.

*Till next time,  
Carrie*

## Help Not Wanted



**DICK WOLFISIE**  
Funny Bone

Do you need help? I'd like to give you some. Help is unwanted in my house. I try to give help, but Mary Ellen doesn't want it.

She is totally helpless.

This is of her own choosing. If you are confused by this, let me give you a few examples that might be helpful.

First, Mary Ellen is usually in the kitchen around six preparing dinner. I always ask, "Anything I can help with?" It's been more than 40 years since she could think of something that I would really be of any help doing. I sometimes say: "Is there anything you can help me, help you with." Nope. Nothing.

I'm also not allowed to do the taxes anymore. One year we were audited because I had taken a deduction for pizza delivery because I ate in my home office.

I am not allowed to load dishes in the dishwasher because Mary Ellen has this crazy idea that the cups, utensils and plates have their own special place in the machine.

But I am good at getting stubborn lids off cans and bottles. I like doing this because it makes me feel needed. Plus, I enjoy the beer.

On rare occasions, she requests that I go to the supermarket on my own, but she takes no chances with my ability to find exactly what she needs. Let's take one example.

"Dick, I need almond milk. I am sending you a text to remind you exactly what to get. It has to say UNSWEETENED; it has to say ALMOND BREEZE and it has to say ORIGINAL on the container. It can't say VANILLA. Now I am also going to send you a picture of the package so you can't possibly make a mistake."

I ask people shopping in

the dairy department if they know where almond milk is and they just shrug. Apparently, these people drink something that comes from a cow's udder. YUCK!

Finally, I did see a bottle of cashew milk, so I bought it.

"What did you buy, Dick? This is cashew milk. I don't like cashew milk?"

"I figured any nutty idea was as good as the next."

Once when Mary Ellen called me, she requested canned tomatoes and said she would text me a photo and description of exactly what she wanted. But when I got to the supermarket, my phone was dead. I wasn't taking any chances. I did not want to go back to the store. So, I got tomatoes every which way: Diced, as a sauce and a soup, stewed, crushed, whole peeled, quartered, sun dried and condensed. They were all wrong. I was back at the store an hour later. What the heck is tomato paste? At least, it doesn't sound as bad as Gorilla Glue.

Recently, Mary Ellen requested I stop and pick up, get ready for this, a container of egg whites.

"Mary Ellen, I'll never find something weird like that. I'll buy two dozen eggs and separate them myself."

"No, the package must say cage-free. It has to be 100% liquid, and it must be zero cholesterol."

I asked one of the clerks. "Do you sell egg whites?"

"Of course."

"Where should I look?"

"Inside our eggs."

Finally, later that day, Mary Ellen agreed she would extract the egg whites herself. This incident did cause some conflict between us. But we made up. Now only our eggs are going to be legally separated.

## FOR THE RECORD

### HAMILTON COUNTY PLAN COMMISSION

Hamilton County Government and Judicial Center  
One Hamilton County Square

DATE: Wednesday, March 20, 2024

TIME: 7:00 p.m.

PLACE: Hamilton County Historic Courthouse, second floor courtroom, 33 North 9th Street, Noblesville, Indiana Enter using west side entry doors.

#### AGENDA

1. Roll Call
2. Declaration of Quorum
3. Communication/Reports: None
4. Approval of Minutes – February 21, 2024
5. Public Comment:
6. Correspondence: None
7. President's Report:
8. Election of Officers:  
President  
Vice President  
Secretary
9. Re-appointments:  
Director
10. Legal Council: Contract Renewal
11. Old Business - None
12. New Business:  
PC-0002-03-2024 Primary Plat– Public Hearing  
A subdivision application concerning the Hamilton County Unified Development Ordinance Article 27 in order to subdivide one approximately 46.5-acre parcel into two parcels. One parcel to be approximately 36.5 acres and the second parcel to be approximately 10.0 acres.  
Project Address: 24622 State Road 37, Noblesville, IN 46060  
Parcel.: 07-04-32-00-00-004.000  
Zone District: A-2  
Owners: Danny D. and Tamara J. Reinle  
P.C.-0003-03-2024 Primary Plat– Public Hearing  
A subdivision application concerning the Hamilton County Unified Development Ordinance Article 27 in order to subdivide one approximately 9.28-acre parcel into two parcels. One parcel to be approximately 6.26 acres and the second parcel to be approximately 3.02 acres.  
Project Address: 0 East 186th Street, Noblesville, IN 46060  
Parcel: 12-07-36-00-00-001.005  
Zone District: A-2(S)  
Owners: Kuharik, Michael A & Pamela J Jones
13. Directors Report:
14. Legal Counsel Report:
15. Next Plan Commission Meeting: Wednesday, April 17, 2024 (Historic Courtroom)
16. Adjournment:  
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### CARMEL TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Meeting scheduled for Wednesday, March 20 has been canceled.

### CARMEL/CLAY BOARD OF PARKS AND RECREATION

The executive session scheduled for March 12 was canceled.

### NOBLESVILLE REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

Meeting scheduled for March 14 was canceled.

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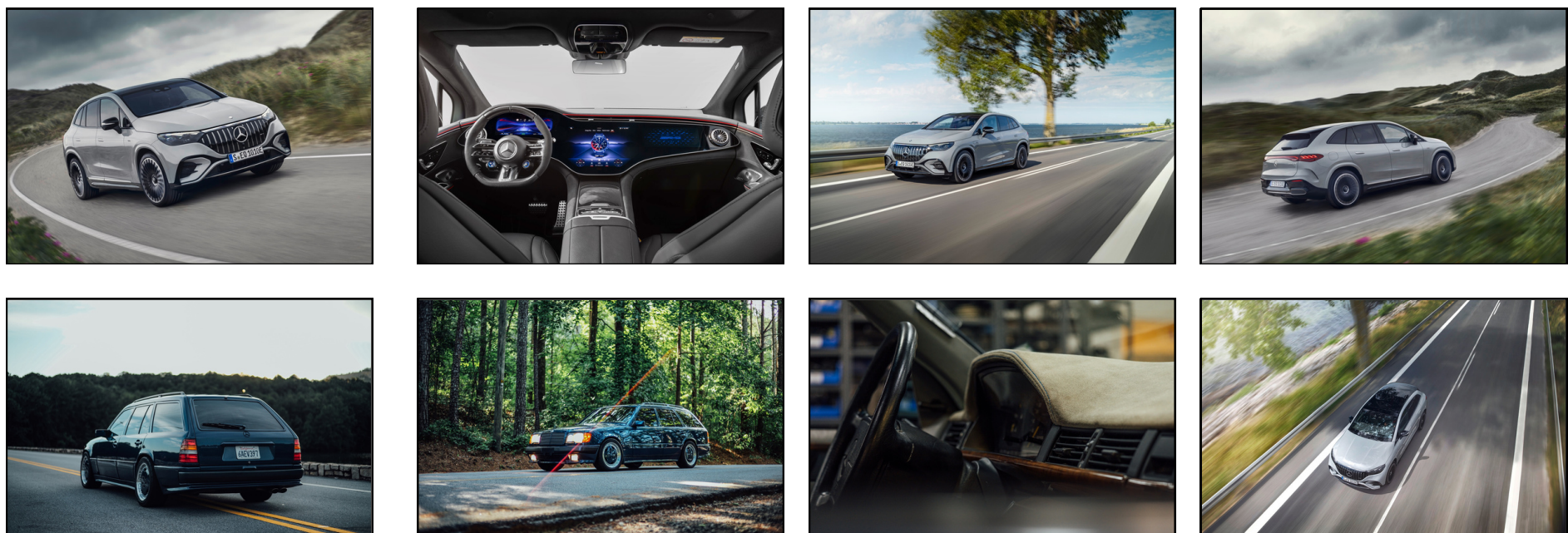
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# 2024 Mercedes-AMG EQE is an Electric Hammer That's as Gentle as a Suede Glove



**CASEY WILLIAMS**  
Auto Reviews

Deep in the Lilburn, Georgia garage of Jonathan Hodgman sits a one-off Mercedes AMG E-Class wagon built in the 1980s with a 6-liter 32-valve V8 engine. Known as "Hammers", AMG modified about 50 E-Class sedans, coupes, and wagon for a price of \$160,000 – or \$445,000 today, Rolls-Royce money then and now. I guess that's one way to get the kids to school!

All of this is in my mind as the modern Mercedes-AMG "wagon", an electric Hammer if you will, arrived in my driveway. Let's go for a very quick ride in the 2024 Mercedes-AMG EQE SUV.

### Sporty Body Bling

In deference to those classic Hammers, known for their painted chrome and slammed style, our EQE sports black chrome badging, black trim, and dark 21" wheels. LED lighting

all-around signifies this AMG is of our age. The EQE body is elegant and sleek, but maybe a bit too blobbish to be distinct. I miss the strong lines and tall stars on the classics.

Where the old AMGs seemed to say "get your hands on the wheel and drive", this one flaunts Mercedes' pillar to pillar Hyperscreen that provides flatscreen gauges, wide infotainment screen in the middle, and a third for the co-pilot. Devices connect wirelessly through Apple CarPlay and Android Auto - and can be charged wirelessly, but passengers can conjure directions or summon music, then swipe them to the main screen. "Zero layer menus" grant swift access to functions.

Beyond all that wizardry, the EQE is awash in all of the sporty spiffiness expected in an AMG model. Red-stitched leather and suede cover the seats, steering wheel, and doors while carbon fiber and aluminum

bring the bling. Four-zone automatic climate control and Bermester 3D audio add divine comforts. Tap the power hatch to open up a roomy cargo hold that holds its own with the old wagons.

Hodgman's wagon rockets from 0-60 mph in 5 seconds and on to a top speed of 176 mph. A Corvette from the era took an additional second to hit 60 and fell 20 mph short on top speed. If you wanted to flash your family from Stuttgart to Munich toot sweet, this was your whip.

The EQE would embarrass that classic AMG in all but top speed. Its electric powertrain with all-wheel-drive delivers 617 horsepower and 0-60 mph in just 3.4 seconds. Top speed for AMG models is limited to a gentlemanly 149 mph so as not to run the battery dry running to McDonald's and back. It can charge 10-80% on a DC fast charger in 32 minutes, but will take closer to 11 hours on a home charger. Range is rated

235 miles, provided you're not towing the maximum 4,000 lbs.

### Driving The Sublime.

Nothing drives like a powerful Mercedes from the '80s, suspended on stiff iron sponges, but the EQE is a starship by comparison. Its air suspension can be adjusted from wafting comfort to brutal cornering. Performance is further enhanced a raft of crash avoidance systems that include adaptive cruise, automatic lane changing, automatic emergency braking, and exit warning. Driver's view vitals through a picture-size head-up display that appears to hover feet in front of the car. Maneuvering in tight downtown spaces is a dream with rear steering.

I make a big deal about the EQE's performance, but it's also a very pleasant vehicle to drive everyday. It can crush you kids' backpacks when driven hard, but it can also carry them

**2024 Mercedes-AMG EQE SUV**  
Five-passenger, AWD Crossover  
Output: 617hp/701 lb.-ft.  
Suspension f/r: Air Ind/Ind  
Wheels f/r: 21"/21" alloy  
Brakes f/r: regen disc/disc  
0-60 mph: 3.4s  
Towing: 4,000 lbs.  
Range: 235 mi  
Fuel economy: 77/71 MPGe city/hwy  
Assembly: Vance, AL  
Base/As-tested price: \$109,300/\$130,850

Likes	Dislikes
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Wide Hyperscreen</li> <li>Indulgent interior</li> <li>Rapid acceleration</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Limited range</li> <li>Amorphous shape</li> <li>Heart-stopping price</li> </ul>

in cossetting comfort as gently as a mother's kitten. And, it does it all with style and tech unimaginable when Hammers ruled highways.

The Mercedes-AMG EQE SUV starts at \$109,300, rising to our car's \$130,850 – a "bargain" compared to what

Hodgman's car cost new. Others to consider include the Tesla Model X, Cadillac Lyriq, Audi Q8 e-tron, and BMW iX M60.

Storm Forward!

Send comments to Casey at [AutoCasey@aol.com](mailto:AutoCasey@aol.com); follow him on YouTube @AutoCasey.

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We appreciate our readers!

# Hamilton County InterFaith Summit 2024 March 26

Good Samaritan Network is pleased to announce an InterFaith Summit to be held at the Renaissance Indianapolis North Hotel on March 26 from 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

The InterFaith Summit is FREE and includes entry, complimentary continental breakfast, and plated lunch. Space is limited, and online registrations are required. The registration deadline is March 22, 2024.

The Good Samaritan Network Executive Director Nancy Chance said, "Our objective for the day is to address significant challenges facing Hamilton County and its residents. We want to recognize our similarities and embrace our differences, identify and consider solutions, and work together to be prepared."

Someone has said that conversations to develop a plan can be more important than the plan itself. The InterFaith Summit will engage in dialogue and possible plans to provide care methods for Hamilton County families in different areas, such as disaster and safety, seniors, homelessness, transportation, food, and work. All Hamilton

County churches and faith-based organizations are encouraged to be represented and engage in this extended discussion with guest speakers and expert panel members on challenging topics impacting our community.

The ability "to bring together Hamilton County residents and especially the inter-faith community to increase awareness and engagement with an eventual outcome of being prepared during a devastating disaster or emergency," Chance said, is really "a return to the grassroots of being a caring community."

Chance also said, "the Event Sponsors, Gaylor Electric – Chuck Goodrich, Good Samaritan Network of Hamilton County, Inc., and Victoria Spartz, are crucial in making this FREE event possible for Hamilton County, and they deserve our support for taking on this unique event!"

The Keynote Guest Speaker is Judge Steven Nation. Judge Nation, a native of Beech Grove, graduated from Cathedral High School and earned a Bachelor's degree in

## Hamilton County Challenges | Breakout Sessions and Panel Discussions:

The summit will include Q&A, breakout sessions, presentation handouts, and panel discussion topics to build a prepared Hamilton County community. Panelists are assembled from a cross-section of varied Hamilton County organizations to lead the discussions, including:

### Disaster and Safety Preparation

*Shane Booker, Hamilton County Emergency Management; Nancy Chance, Hamilton County C.O.A.D.*

### Homelessness, Housing Instability, and Uncertainties

*Andrea Davis, H.A.N.D.; Nancy Ramsey, Family Promise*

### Mental Health Strategies and Mindful Resilience

*Monica Greer, Hamilton County Council on Alcohol and Other Drugs; Holly Homan, Unlimited Potential JRNY Counseling; Mark Heirbrandt, Hamilton County Commissioner; Ben Lugar, Mental Health Officer*

### Transportation Barriers and Challenges

*Yolanda Kincaid, Janus Developmental Services; Gary Wagner, Prime Life Enrichment*

### Redefining Solutions for Food Insecurities

*Nancy Chance, Good Samaritan Network; Anita Hagen, Hamilton County Harvest Food Bank; Mark Hall, Feeding Team*

### Aging Hamilton County and Senior Care

*Lauren Guynn, Shepherd's Center; Gary Wagner, Prime Life Enrichment*

### Hamilton County Labor Force Demands

*Mike Thibideau, Invest Hamilton County*



**Judge Steven Nation**

Political Science from Indiana University. Subsequently, he obtained a degree from the I.U. School of Law-Indianapolis and served as a Hamilton County Judge for 24 years and as a prosecutor for 16

years. Throughout his career, he has believed that serving the public is a great honor and privilege and has inspired many others. His unwavering commitment to positively changing the community has led him to collaborate with like-minded individuals to establish several impactful organizations. Judge

Nation's extensive experience and dedication to public service make him a true asset to the legal profession and our

community! This year's event location is the Renaissance Indianapolis North Hotel, 11925 N Meridian St, Carmel, IN 46032. Advanced ONLINE registrations are required by March 22. Visit: RSVP today! to register online. Chance said, "Understanding our differences while recognizing our similarities and working together to be better prepared and more resilient as a community is critical – especially in a disaster or emergency."

## Indiana's Severe Weather Requires Plan of Action

In the months of February, March, April and May, Hoosiers know to expect all kinds of weather. From snow and ice to thunderstorms and tornadoes, Indiana experiences a wide range of weather.

That is why Indiana Gov. Eric J. Holcomb proclaimed March 10-16 as Severe Weather Preparedness Week.

The Indiana Department of Homeland Security collaborates with the National Weather Service during Severe Weather Preparedness Week to educate Hoosiers about the possibility of severe weather and remind them that they are their own first line of defense when protecting their families and communities.

We experience severe weather frequently, but we cannot overlook how we prepare for these storms. Check in with your family members, make sure they know what to do and when to do it if a storm approaches," said IDHS Emergency Management and Preparedness Director Mary Moran. IDHS encourages all families, schools and workplaces to make tornado safety plans. Hopefully, Hoosiers practiced these plans during the statewide tornado drill Tuesday. The drill was broadcasted as an Emergency Alert System on television and radio.

Throughout this week, IDHS will share severe weather safety tips on Facebook, X (formerly known as Twitter) and Instagram. Follow IDHS and use the hashtags #SevereWx and #SWPW.

## Centier Bank Donates \$1,000 to Carmel Parks



**Representatives from Centier Bank and Carmel Clay Parks gather for a check presentation.**

Centier Bank recently made a \$1,000 donation to Carmel Clay Parks & Recreation to support upcoming community events the organization is putting on to enrich lives in the community. The donation will help fund two lunch and learn educational sessions focused on health and wellness, and a portion of the donation will also help fund the Adaptive 5k event in May, a sensory-friendly race experience. The mission of Carmel Clay Parks & Recreation is to strengthen the community and serve residents through high-quality, innovative parks and facilities for recreation. Kari Berger, Resource Development Coordinator for Carmel Clay Parks & Recreation said the community donation from Centier Bank allows the organization to provide high-quality programs to residents of Carmel and central Indiana. "Centier Bank is a

wonderful partner organization whose support enables us to focus on our core mission," Berger explained. "Our Adaptive 5k was so popular last year, that we are opening the number of race registrations to 40; Centier Bank's support allows us to have this many registrants while also keeping the experience sensory-friendly and welcoming." Linda Risch, Community Relations Officer at Centier Bank, was able to present the check to Carmel Clay Parks & Recreation. "Centier's foundation is built on service to others and service to the communities where we provide banking services," Risch said. "Investing in our community organizations to provide enriching programs, services, and events aligns with our core belief in fostering a thriving community where everyone can enjoy a better quality of life."

## Heights Accepting Nominations for Athletic Hall of Fame Class of 2024

The Hamilton Heights Athletic Hall of Fame Committee is seeking nominations from the public for the Class of 2024. Nominations are being accepted through March 31. Hamilton Heights Athletic Hall of Fame was created to recognize and honor Hamilton Heights High School athletes, coaches, teams, and athletic program contributors for their achievements and/or contributions to the Hamilton Heights High School athletic program. The Hamilton Heights Athletic Hall of Fame, created in 2019, is an opportunity for the corporation to recognize graduates and other individuals for their contributions to the district and achievements inside and outside the community. The

committee selects inductees not only for their athletic achievements at Heights but because they demonstrate the values of good character and citizenship. Categories and nomination criteria are included on the application and can be found online on the high school athletics page of the corporation website ([www.hhschuskie.org](http://www.hhschuskie.org)). Applications can be submitted electronically to Mitch Street, Hall of Fame Committee Chairman, ([mstreet@hhschuskie.org](mailto:mstreet@hhschuskie.org)), or mailed to Hamilton Heights High School, P.O. Box 379, Arcadia, IN 46030. For questions or additional information, contact Mitch Street at (317) 984-3551, ext.1092 or email [mstreet@hhschuskie.org](mailto:mstreet@hhschuskie.org).

## Spring into Conservation with Native Plants and Rain Barrels

Spring rains, sunshine, and blooms are on the horizon. Plan ahead for your property by ordering your native plants and rain barrels from the soil and water conservation district. The SWCD has all the tools you need to conserve water and support pollinators like bees and butterflies with beautiful native plants.

Native plant kits allow you to take the guesswork out of plant selection by providing a set of plants that will be perfect for your yard. Each native plant kit contains 50 native plant plugs for \$135. There is a kit for all areas of your yard including pollinator, rain (for wetter areas), shade and prairie grass.

Rain barrels are also available for pre-order for \$85. These re-purposed barrels capture rainwater from your downspout and roof and hold it for use at a later time. Rain barrel water is great for watering plants and gardens or even washing the car. In peak summer months, a rain barrel can save around 1,300 gallons of free, naturally soft water for your use. Pre-pay for your barrel and choose

between grey, black, and terra cotta fifty-five-gallon rain barrels. Accessories like diverters systems for easy installation, wooden stands, and linking hoses are also available.

Plant kit and rain barrel pre-orders can be placed online at [www.hamiltonswcd.org](http://www.hamiltonswcd.org). Orders for plants are due March 28th and rain barrel pre-orders are due May 16th. Rain barrels can be picked up May 22 in Noblesville and plants the week of June 4th. All proceeds support conservation projects and education in Hamilton County. Carmel residents are eligible for a \$50-\$75 rebate from the City Stormwater Program after installing a rain barrel. Information on this program is available here: <https://www.rainonmain.com/carmel-rain-barrel-subsidy.html>

More information on native plants and rain barrels can be found on the Hamilton County SWCD website (<http://www.hamiltonswcd.org>).

Questions regarding the sales or SWCD resources can be directed to at [soil.water@hamiltoncounty.in.gov](mailto:soil.water@hamiltoncounty.in.gov) or 317-773-2181.

