# MONDAY

April 15, 2024

#### **TODAY'S VERSE**

John 14:6 Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.

# Hamilton Happenings

Cone Zone Report: Beginning or or after 7 p.m. today, there will be a new lane restriction for bridge work in the righthand eastbound lane of 146th Street. In addition, the contractor will utilize short duration full closures of the eastbound lanes of 146th Street to set a bridge beam after 8 p.m. The westbound lanes of 146th Street will not be impacted by the bridge

# Three Things

#### You Should Know

- The solar eclipse may be old news, but the aftermath is not. Online searches for "my eyes hurt after looking at the eclipse" have skyrocketed 5,740 percent in the U.S. Payless Power analyzed additional searches such as "my eyes hurt" in every state to reveal when searches peaked amid the solar eclipse. Data revealed that Google searches for "My eyes hurt" increased by 502 percent, and Google searches for "Eyes hurt after looking at eclipse" increased by 5,740 percent. Since the solar eclipse, Americans nationwide have been worried about the potential effects of looking at the sun since not heeding the warnings to wear protective sunglasses during the phenomenon.
- Indiana Gov. Eric Holcomb will lead an international economic development trip to Brazil and Mexico this week to cultivate innovation and growth of the agbioscience and agricultural economy. This narks Holcomb's second international economic development trip of 2024. They are scheduled to return April 19 and are joined by representatives of the Indiana Economic **Development Corporation** (IEDC) as well as officials of the state's agbiosciences and agriculture sector representing industry, innovation, workforce and economic development.
- The Indianapolis International Airport is riding high on its Wi-Fi superiority, taking three top titles and a global honor in a recent international assessment of airports' connectivity. The Indy airport's Wi-Fi service was recently named the best among airports in the United States, the best among airports in North America and the 10th best Wi-Fi service among airports around the globe. The rankings were determined by the Electronics Hub group, which is a free online resource that helps students, makers, hobbyists, and engineers build electronics projects. Electronics Hub analyzed reviews for all international airports around the world on Skytrax, specifically focusing on the Wi-Fi connectivity ratings.

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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!

\$31,200,000,000

Economic contribution Indiana farms make to the economy

14,600,000 farmland cultivated by

The number of acres of Hoosier farmers in 2022

Number of Indiana farms

94,350

The number of Hoosier farmers



\$4,600,000,000

The amount of revenue brought in by agricultural exports from Indiana

Indiana's national ranking for agriculture

Source: Indiana State Department of Agriculture

#### **Motorists: Share Road With Farm Equipment This Season**

Planting season is quickly approaching for Indiana's 94,000 farmers. With the warm weather and sunshine, Hoosier motorists will also see more large slow-moving farm equipment traveling Indiana's rural roads and highways.

The Indiana State Department of Agriculture, Indiana Department of Homeland Security, Indiana Department of

Transportation, Indiana State Police and Hoosier Ag Today want to encourage motorists to slow down, be alert and be patient on roadways this spring.

"Indiana farmers will be working hard this spring to ensure their crops are planted safely, timely and efficiently," said Lt. Gov. Suzanne Crouch, Secretary of Agriculture and Rural



Photo courtesy IDA

An Indiana farmer pulls a planter off a state road onto a county

Development. "Whether you live in rural, urban or suburban Indiana, remain alert on the road this spring as you may encounter large farm equipment moving between fields."

In 2021, four occupants were



### Free Summer Camps Return in '24, Thanks To Noblesville Township Truste



The Times photo by Betsy Reason

Noblesville students participate in the cross country camp behind White River Elementary during a previous Summer Recreation Camp program. The program, annually open to students in Noblesville Township, is made possible thanks to Noblesville Township Trustee Office, with many of Noblesville Schools' facilities used for the programs.



**BETSY REASON** Columnist

when my now high school senior daughter was in middle school, I sat at my laptop computer

Every year,

Noblesville Schools' annual free summer camps

**OBITUARIES** 

Wilda "Babe" Durbin

to go on sale.

It kind of reminded me of when I used to try to get tickets for popular concerts at the former Deer Creek Music Center, or this school year when I was trying to get front-row seats for Noblesville High School's "Cinderella" musical or

district show choir concert.

Needless to say, the summer camps are very popular. We all should thank the Noblesville Township Trustee Office for partnering with Noblesville Schools to offer the programs again this year.

See BETSY Page A4

#### **TODAY'S HEALTH TIP**

waiting for

One or two sugary drinks a day can increase your risk of developing diabetes by 25 percent.

Today's health tip was brought to you by Dr. John Roberts. Be sure to catch his column each week in The Times and online at www.thetimes24-7. com



#### **TODAY'S QUOTE**

"It's income tax time again, Americans. Time to gather up those receipts, get out those tax forms, sharpen up that pencil and stab yourself in the aorta." Dave Barry



#### **TODAY'S JOKE**

You can never appreciate your children more than you do at tax time!



# **The Daily** Almanac

#### Sunrise/Sunset

RISE: 7:05 am SET: 8:23 pm



# High/Low

#### **Temperatures** HIGH: 78°F

LOW: 54°F



#### Today is...

- Jackie Robinson Day
- World Art Day



#### **What Happened** On This Day

- 1945 The German concentration camp Bergen-Belsen is liberated. British and Canadian troops found about 53,000 prisoners inside the camp. Tens of thousands died before and after the liberation.
- 1935 The Eastman **Kodak Company** launches Kodachrome. The photographic film was one of the most popular media used by professional and hobby photographers around the world. The product was discontinued in 2009 because of the advent of digital photography.





#### **Births On** This Day

- 1843 Henry James -American/English author
- 1452 Leonardo da Vinci - Italian painter, sculptor, architect

#### **Deaths On** This Day

- 1990 Greta Garbo -Swedish actress
- 1865 Abraham Lincoln - American lawyer, politician, 16th President of the **United States**

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# OBITUARY

#### Wilda "Babe" Durbin July 5, 1931 - April 8, 2024

Wilda Ruth "Babe" Durbin, age 92, passed away peacefully at her granddaughter's home in Sheridan, Indiana, on Monday morning, April 8, 2024. Born July 5, 1931, in Hamilton County, Indiana, she was the daughter of the late



Bernard Paul "Ducky" Beam, and Juanita Marguerite (Bess) Beam.

A 1949 graduate of Sheridan High School, Babe was raised in the Boxley community and attended Boxley United Methodist Church. She also worked for a number of years at Elliott Pharmacy, manning the cash register, as well as the soda fountain.

Babe enjoyed watching old westerns and cheering for the Sheridan Blackhawks, but her favorite pastime was being with her family. Her life revolved around her grandchildren; whatever the activity, Babe was going to have a front row seat. There wasn't much that Babe wouldn't do for her family or friends, but when it came to Euchre... she wasn't going to take it easy on anyone. It didn't matter who you were, experienced player or novice, young or old, Babe played to win.

She loved beautiful flowers and had great appreciation for a well-maintained yard. Babe was a bit picky about her own lawn maintenance. It needed to be a) done to her specifications, and b) by somebody that knew what they were doing. You don't let just anybody mow the lawn.

Babe loved to have a good time. Her big smile and fun-loving personality are going to be missed by everybody who had the pleasure of knowing

Babe is survived by her 2 sons, Rick E. Durbin of Westfield, and Terry L. Durbin of Sheridan; 3 grandchildren, Greg E. Durbin of Sheridan, Julie A. Durbin (Barb) of Sheridan, and Ashley N. Durbin of Zionsville; 2 great grandchildren, Kendra L. Durbin, and Luke F. Cook; and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Bernard Paul "Ducky" Beam, and Juanita Marguerite (Bess) Beam; grandson, Michael Bradley Durbin; brother, Dennis Wayne "Sonny" Beam; 2 sisters, Judy Morris, and Phyllis J. Baird (and husband, Jack Baird); her Boston Terrier, Spike; and by her loving husband, Forest E. Durbin on May 28, 2010. She and Forest were married on November 12, 1949.

Services will be held at 1:00 pm on Friday, April 12, 2024, at Kercheval Funeral Home, 306 E. 10th Street, Sheridan, Indiana, with visitation from noon until the time of service. Burial will follow at Spencer Cemetery in Sheridan, Indiana. Pastor Travis Pryor will be officiating.

#### St. Vincent's in Fishers **Has Robot Event**

A special Robotic Open House: Be a Robotic Surgeon For a Day event is scheduled at Ascension St. Vincent Fishers on Thursday, April 25 from 5 to 7:30 p.m. and the public is invited.

Surgeons and staff have invited STEM and Robotics Club members from area high schools (Carmel, Fishers, Pendleton, HSE, and Noblesville) to experience roboticassisted surgery technology. The public is welcome to attend as well. High schoolers and visitors will have the opportunity to experience a hands-

on surgery simulation with two surgical robots, guided by surgeons. Surgeons will also share a presentation and be available to answer questions.

Robotic-assisted surgeries result in shorter hospital stays, fewer complications, and improved overall outcomes for patients. Al and robotic technology enable our surgeons to make more precise and less invasive surgeries in almost all disciplines, including orthopedics, gynecology, and general surgery.

#### **Hamilton Heights Superintendent Update**

Welcome back! I hope

everyone

take

was able to

advantage

of spring



ARROWOOD **Guest Columnist** 

break to rest. reenergize, and view the incredible celestial phenomenon last Monday.

March marked the 100th edition of our monthly video that features five awesome things about Hamilton Heights. Produced by the exceptionally talented, Rodney Freeman, this is just one way we share happenings, successes, people, projects, and other exciting happenings taking place around our campus with the community. These videos can be accessed through our website and YouTube channel. If you have an item you would like me to include in a future monthly update just let me know. Stay tuned. The April update will be posted soon!

National Assistant Principals Week was recently celebrated - a week dedicated to highlighting the vital role our assistant principals play in the success of our schools. We want to celebrate the contributions of our incredible assistant principals, Whitney Gray and Mitch Street (HHHS), Jill Landers (HHMS), and Ken Watson (HHES) all year long. They make powerful contributions to improving our schools, maintaining a safe and welcoming learning environment for our students, and in supporting our teachers in their professional development, to name a few. Your leadership and commitment to our community is truly inspiring. Thank you for enhancing student achievement and outcomes at Heights!

Speaking of achievement, Hamilton Heights Indoor Percussion placed 17th at the Indiana Percussion Association (IPA) State Finals competition in the Percussion Scholastic A class. Five HHMS Robotics teams have qualified to compete at the VEX Worlds Robotic Competition in Dallas, Texas at the end of the month. Senior Tatym

Green has been named as a State Star finalist in the Agriculture Placement category by the Indiana FFA Association. State Star category winners will be announced at the 95th Indiana FFA State Convention in June. Congratulations!

As a reminder, Hamilton Heights High School Honor Society is sponsoring its third and final Blood Drive of the school year next Wednesday, April 17 from 3:30 to 6:40 p.m. at the high school. Anyone age 16 and older can donate. Register here today. Thank you for being a lifesaver through your selfless donation. April is Child Abuse Awareness and Prevention Month, a time for communities to come together to build caring connections, supportive environments, and positive experiences for all children. While this is an important topic year-round, April gives us the opportunity to shine a light on child abuse and inspire conversations about how to prevent it.

Safeguarding our children is a collective responsibility, one that requires each of us to stay alert to the signs of child abuse and step into action when necessary. Children need all of us to deliver when it comes to their safety and best interests.

Please take time this month to think about what you can do to help a child that may exhibit signs of mistreatment or neglect. If you suspect a child is being abused or neglected, call the Indiana Child Abuse Hotline at 1-800-800-5556. It's not just the law, it's the right thing to do. Thank you for joining us in the care, advocacy, and safety of our children every day. #WeAreHuskies

Dr. Derek Arrowood is the Superintendent of the Hamilton Heights School Corporation. His columns appear periodically in The Times.



# **IMCU Donates** \$2,609 to NHS



Photo courtesy Indiana Members Credit

#### IMCU's Jim Shelton presented the check to assistant A.D. Rich Champion.

Indiana Members Credit Union recently presented a check for \$2,609 to Noblesville High School as part of an ongoing school spirit debit card program.

The partnership allows Noblesville fans the opportunity to show their school spirit and support the athletic program by signing up for a Noblesville Millers themed debit card. Every time the card is used as a signature based transaction, Noblesville athletics benefits. The more cards that are in use, the larger the contribution. Since beginning the program in 2013, Noblesville High School has earned \$30,155 through this IMCU giveback program. In 2023. IMCU has contributed a total of \$100.000 through its Giveback Debit Card Program.

Jim Shelton, Universal Member Service Representative, IMCU Noblesville Branch, presented the check to Rich Champion, Assistant Athletic Director, Noblesville High School, at a boys varsity basketball game.

The card is available for issue to members at the IMCU Noblesville Branch, 9710 Butterfly Dr., as well as IMCU's other 30 Indiana locations. The IMCU Noblesville Millers debit card is free to members with IMCU's free checking account and can be issued immediately through IMCU's Instant Issue program, which allows members to receive their debit card on the spot. Help support Noblesville Athletics and visit the IMCU Noblesville branch or imcu.com for details!

#### **Man Shoots Himself Outside Riverview**

A man ended his life just outside Riverview Hospital in Noblesville late last week, according to the **Hamilton County** Sheriff's Department.

Just after midnight Thursday, Hamilton County Sheriff's Deputies responded to a call of a male subject with a gun outside Riverview Health. Hospital security located the individual and asked him to put the firearm down. Soon, additional law enforcement

personnel arrived on scene. That was when the

man turned the firearm on himself. He died on the scene.

Police did not release any other details, including the man's identity.

The Hamilton County Sheriff's Office asks that anyone with information to contact Detective Sgt. Randy Dings at (317) 773-1872, reference Case Number 2024-10057.



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# Living with a Cat



**CLASSON** The Postscript

We have had "No idea!" our adopted Mexican street cat, Felix, for a month now. "Has he asked my

husband, Peter, as we watched Felix, standing on his back legs and walloping the tattered mouse hanging from his sisal scratching post. Felix looked like a boxer, beating the remaining stuffing out of his helpless little toy mouse. Bits of fur and mouse innards were strewn around the kitchen. But the carnage was not limited to the kitchen.

Living with a cat, you start to eye gravity with suspicion. Small items that appeared to be securely in place must be scrutinized, as if living under the imminent threat of a major earthquake. Living with a cat is like living in a spaceship. Items cannot be expected to remain where they are put. Everything needs to be put inside something else to prevent it from floating away or, more accurately, being batted around the house at 3 a.m.

The sink stopper is missing. The spare tip to Peter's hiking pole has mysteriously disappeared. Socks appear in surprising

"What happened to my cough drops?" I asked

I keep a little bowl of cough drops on my bedside table. While all of Peter's possessions were knocked to the ground in a perfunctory manner in the first few days of Felix taking residence, I was feeling somewhat smug because my personal items remained untouched. Until yesterday. There were cough drops beside the bed, under the bed, under the nightstand and under my desk in the next room.

But all of this is small potatoes compared to the screen door. Peter and I returned from a birthday party to discover our little El Chapo had made an escape through the screen door. We examined the cat-sized hole in horror.

"Where is he?" Peter asked.

I scanned the tiny balcony outside the screen door. No Felix. We searched the apartment. We grabbed bulked out?" Iflashlights and headed outside. Our balcony is on the third floor, facing a courtyard. We could not imagine Felix could have leapt to the stairwell from the balcony-but what did we know? We never thought he could make it through the screen door.

> We searched the courtyard in the dark, filled with potted plants and tables and chairs and a million places for a small cat to hide. No Felix.

I went back into the apartment, just in time to see Felix walking through what remained of the screen door.

"Where were you?!"

Felix waltzed in, appeared pleased to see us, and we closed the glass door behind him. The next morning, we confessed our cat's evil deed to Jorge, our landlord, who found it very amusing, and sent a man out to replace the screen the next day.

"Can you make it strong?" I asked the repairman.

"I will make it stronger than the door!" he replied, which did not make sense to me, but I'm used to things not making perfect sense in Spanish.

The door arrived, and it was made of a fine steel mesh. It would have worked wonders at Alcatraz. Felix tried it, found it solid, and lost interest. Then he began begging for tuna.

"You are not negotiating from a position of strength!" Peter informed him.

I laughed because Felix is going to keep getting his tuna snacks, and Peter and I are going to continue tucking all our belongings into drawers, and Felix is going to remain convinced that we are the luckiest two people on Earth because we get to live with him.

And he's right, of course.

Till next time, Carrie



#### **Needing Another Coat!**



DICK **WOLFSIE Funny Bone** 

My wife and I often engage in meaningful conversations. She will ask me things like:

Are we better off with stocks or bonds?

Should we have waited longer to take Social Security?

Should we stick with cable or try a streaming service?

She's asking these questions to make me feel smart. She already knows the answers. But here are the most common questions I ask Mary Ellen:

"Do you know where my coat is?"

"Did you hang up my coat last night when we got home?"

"Was I wearing a coat last night?"

Nippy temps will soon be over. This past cold season, I faced the winter chill without any substantial outerwear whenever possible. It's not that I'm particularly hardy; I'm simply looking at things realistically. I'm tired of losing my coat. I lost three during Covid and we never left the house.

I'm going to explain my problem, but you have to read this carefully, or you'll be lost—like my coat usually is. I never liked wearing winter coats, especially in the car. I don't want to be all bundled up and feel like the Pillsbury Dough Boy at the wheel. I get too warm when the car heats up, but I can't undo my buttons or unzip because of the seat belts. Then when I exit the car, I'm soon in a warm place like a movie theater or Lucas Oil Stadium and have to immediately take off my heavy jacket and stuff it under my seat, which is a great way to add mustard stains and sticky pieces of popcorn to my apparel.

Since I seldom wear a coat. I am accustomed to leaving places without one. And so, when I occasionally do take along a jacket, I often leave it behind because I'm not used to wearing it in the first place. Are you following me? If you are following me, please tap me on the shoulder and remind me that I just left my coat at Beef and Boards.

It's crazy for my wife to get bundled up In the winter because she asks me to warm up the car before we leave the house. Then she asks me to drop her off in front of the restaurant. Then I pick her up at the door when we leave. We drive home in a heated car and get out in our heated garage. Why does she even need a coat? For many years, this was a typical phone conversation I'd have on any given morning after we went out and I made the mistake of bringing a

"Hello, this is Dick Wolfsie. I was at your theater last night and left my brown winter coat there. Could you check your lost-and-

"We have a pair of glasses, an iPhone, and a credit card."

"Yes, all that is mine. Not only did I forget that stuff, I forgot that I forgot it. But about the

"Here's a brown one. Didn't the bitter cold remind you of your coat?"

"I can't explain this. Read my column. I'll get the coat tomorrow. It looks like rain."

"Don't you have an umbrella? "

"I left it at Starbucks."

– 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.

E-mail Dick at Wolfsie@ aol.com.

#### FOR THE RECORD

#### **COMMON COUNCIL**

MEETING AGENDA MONDAY, APRIL 15, 2024 - 6:00 P.M. COUNCIL CHAMBERS/CITY HALL/ONE CIVIC **SQUARE** 

- 1. CALL TO ORDER
- 2. AGENDA APPROVAL
- 3. INVOCATION
- 4. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- 5. RECOGNITION OF CITY EMPLOYEES AND **OUTSTANDING CITIZENS**
- a. Swearing-in of New Carmel Police Officer -
- **Andrew Poucher** 6. RECOGNITION OF PERSONS WHO WISH TO
- ADDRESS THE COUNCIL
- 7. COUNCIL AND MAYORAL
- COMMENTS/OBSERVATIONS
- 8. CONSENT AGENDA
- a. Approval of Minutes
- 1. March 18, 2024 Regular Meeting
- 2. March 28, 2024 Claims Meeting
- 1. General Claims \$2,397,729.97
- 2. Wire Transfers \$2,581,730.44
- 9. ACTION ON MAYORAL VETOES
- 10. COMMITTEE REPORTS
- a. Finance, Utilities and Rules Committee
- b. Land Use and Special Studies Committee
- c. All reports designated by the Chair to qualify for placement under this category.
- 11. OTHER REPORTS (at the first meeting of the month specified below):
- a. Carmel Redevelopment Commission (Monthly)
- b. Carmel Historic Preservation Commission (Quarterly - January, April, July, October)
- c. Audit Committee (Bi-annual May, October) d. Redevelopment Authority (Bi-annual - April,
- e. Carmel Cable and Telecommunications Commission (Bi-annual – April, October)
- f. Economic Development Commission (Bi-annual -February, August)
- g. Library Board (Annual February)
- h. Ethics Board (Annual February) i. Parks Department (Quarterly - February, May, August, November)
- j. Climate Action Advisory Committee (Quarterly -March, June, September, December)
- k. All reports designated by the Chair to qualify for placement under this category.
- 12. OLD BUSINESS

a. Ninth Reading of Ordinance D-2696-23; An Ordinance of the Common Council of the City of Carmel, Indiana, Adding Chapter 8, Article 4, Section 8-44 to the Carmel City Code; Sponsor(s): Councilor(s) Worrell and Aasen. Remains in the Finance, Utilities and Rules Committee. (Next Meeting 5/14/24)

Synopsis:

Establishes a speed limit of 20 miles per hour within

b. Second Reading of Ordinance D-2710-24; An Ordinance of the Common Council of the City of Carmel, Indiana, Authorizing the Issuance of Economic Development Tax Increment Revenue Bonds to Support the Gramercy Project, and Authorizing and Approving Other Actions in Respect Thereto; Sponsor: Councilor Aasen. Remains in the Land Use and Special Studies Committee. (Next Meeting 4/17/24)

Synopsis:

Ordinance authorizes the issuance of developer TIF bonds by the City of Carmel, Indiana, to finance improvements to support the development of the Gramercy Project.

c. Second Reading of Ordinance D-2709-24; An Ordinance of the Common Council of the City of Carmel, Indiana, Authorizing the Refunding of Prior Waterworks Revenue Bonds of the City of Carmel, Indiana, Authorizing the Issuance of the City of Carmel, Indiana Taxable Waterworks Refunding Revenue Bonds, Series 2024A, and the City of Carmel, Indiana Tax-Exempt Waterworks Revenue and Refunding Revenue Bonds, Series 2024 B, to provide funds for the payment of costs thereof, and addressing other matters connected therewith; Sponsor: Councilor Green. Returns from the Finance, Utilities and Rules Committee. Synopsis:

Bond Ordinance permitting the issuance of Waterworks Refunding Revenue Bonds of the City to refund outstanding Waterworks Bonds of the City and adding new money for additional projects.

13. PUBLIC HEARINGS 14. NEW BUSINESS

a. Resolution CC-04-15-24-01; A Resolution of the

Common Council of the City of Carmel, Indiana in Support of the Union and Monon Square South Project; Sponsor: Councilor Aasen. Synopsis:

This resolution encourages requesting Outside Funding Sources for the Union project and commits to fully evaluate and consider issuance of City Funding Sources if the Outside Funding Sources are successfully secured.

15. AGENDA ADD-ON ITEMS

16. OTHER BUSINESS

18. ADJOURNMENT

government.

a. Legal Services Agreement - Kroger Gardis & Regas, LLP 17. ANNOUNCEMENTS

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#### **MEETING NOTICE**

Pursuant to IC 5-14-1.5-5 (a) The Hamilton County Council Finance Committee will meet at 11:30 a.m. on Monday, April 15, 2024 at Big Woods Hazel Dell, 14741 Hazel Dell Xing, Noblesville, Indiana. The purpose of this meeting is for discussion of county finances.

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involved in crashes with farm equipment in Indiana which resulted in two deaths, according to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration\*.

"With the onset of warmer weather, we will begin to see more and more farm machinery on our rural roads and highways," said Doug Carter, Indiana State Police Superintendent. "Patience, courtesy, undivided attention, and understanding will help everyone get to where they need to be safely. Let's all do our part to ensure our farmers enjoy a safe planting season."

While the term "farm equipment" encompasses a wide range of vehicles, the most common types motorists will encounter during planting season include sprayers, tractors pulling planters or tillage equipment, and large trucks hauling agricultural products. These vehicles are wide, sometimes taking up most of the road, and often travel at speeds no greater than 25 mph.

The following list includes several safety tips for motorists approaching large farm equipment:

- Farmers will pull over when they are able to let motorists pass, but it may take time for them to get to a safe place to do so.
- Be patient. Farm equipment is wide, sometimes taking up most of the road.
- Be careful when passing. Do not pass in a designated "No Passing Zone" or

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within 100 feet of any intersection, railroad grade crossing, bridge, elevation structure or tunnel.

- Do not try to pass slow-moving farm equipment on the left without ensuring that the farmer driving is not planning a left turn. It may appear that the driver is pulling over to allow a pass when the farmer is actually preparing to turn. You will drive right into its path, endangering yourself and the farmer.
- Avoid tailgating, as some farm equipment might have to make sudden stops along the road.
- Allow plenty of time to get to a destination, be aware of alternate routes and avoid distractions.

Indiana State Department of Agriculture Director Don Lamb wants to remind motorists that farmers work hard to ensure they are being as safe as possible.

"As a farmer myself I have heard of way too many accidents involving farm equipment and motorists on rural Indiana roads," said Lamb. "Unfortunately, crashes and deaths occur each year during this busy time. We want to encourage motorists to slow down, be alert and be patient when sharing the roads with farmers this busy spring season."

For a list of safety tips, visit isda.in.gov.

#### **▶** BETSY

"They allow us to use school property and many of the camp directors are teachers or coaches at the highschool level," said Noblesville Township Trustee Theresa Caldwell.

The Township also partners with Noblesville Creates (formerly known as Nickel Plate Arts) to offer art programs, as well as Forest Park Aquatic Center to offer a swimming camp, she said.

My daughter took

advantage of the camps

for the first time seven summers ago, and we loved the camps. She likes to stay busy, so she signed up for several camps. Our first year, we signed up for track and field, tennis, cross country, swimming and softball. Our second year, we signed up for synchronized swimming (thanks to a partnership with Indy Synchro), color guard, hiking and

again, track and field.

Our third year, 20-plus different free summer camps were offered, and we signed up for hiking and adventure camp. The camp was led by Promise Road Elementary art teacher, Darlene Patterson, an adventurer who just a few years ago enjoyed a month-long canoe trip along Northern Forest Canoe Trail traveling 740 miles with nearly 100 miles of carrying and portaging boats and gear. While Patterson will retire at the end of this school year, she is leading the hiking and adventure camps again this year.

Caldwell said of the 30 camps offered, the new camps this year are Esports and lacrosse.

"We also added a couple of camps for children with disabilities," Caldwell said.

Plus, new this year, Noblesville Cultural Arts Commission -- which presents the annual Noblesville Shakespeare in the Park -- has partnered with Noblesville Township to lead a Shakespeare theater camp teaching up to 18 students, ages

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11-14, the fundamentals of theater and Shakespeare, using selected scenes from favorite Shakespeare plays, NCAC president Joni Corbett said. The two-week Shakespeare camp, which will be taught by Audrey Larkin, artistic director for The Cat in Carmel, will be one of three theater camps offered by Noblesville Township Trustee Office, the other two theater camps are at NHS and led by NHS theater teachers Susan Nieten and Connor Buhl. Noblesville Schools last Tuesday released the list of this year's summer camps, with most of

those being free camps,

thanks to Noblesville

Camps are offered for kindergarten through

Township Trustee.

Grade 8.

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As of Thursday, just two days since the camps were announced, 1,144 Noblesville kids have signed up for camps. "We are amazed every year at how quickly the camps fill up," Caldwell said. "We all know that Noblesville is growing in population so the demand for summer camps will increase. We are happy that our office can offer the camps and that parents can take advantage of them. There is not another township trustee office in the county that offers something like this, so we are pretty proud that we are still able to do this."

The cost to offer the camps will be about \$50,000, Caldwell said of Noblesville Township Trustee Office's donation. "We do pay directors and their helpers for their time. Many helpers are high school kids, who might play football or dance. "This is also a great benefit to us and the community that Noblesville High School kids can participate in these camps and share their knowledge with younger kids," Caldwell said. (This journalist's daughter was a paid camp helper during the 2023 summer theater camp led by NHS Theatre.) Noblesville Township Trustee Office coordinates with directors on when camps can take place and what camps should be offered. "They are the ones who work with the kids and have the knowledge of what kids are interested in," Caldwell said.

The Summer Recreation Program started many, many years ago. "Previously it was a partnership between Noblesville Schools and the Township Office, and both parties contributed money. When the schools were making budget cuts and had to start doing referendums, they stopped contributing money to the program. The Township was thankfully in a position where we could fully fund the program," she said. "This program would not exist if we were not able to do that. We do still partner

with the schools, and we

are grateful that we can

use school property and



Photo courtesy of Darlene Patterson

Noblesville students participate in Adventure Camp during a previous year. The camp takes place at Koteewi Sport & Target Archery Center and again will be led by Darlene Patterson and Kittie Brown.



The Times photo by Betsy Reason

Noblesville students participate in the track and field summer camp during a previous Summer Recreation Camp program, made possible thanks to Noblesville Township Trustee Office.

that teachers are willing to run these camps for us."

She said, "All of us working together are happy to provide these opportunities for the kids of our community."

This summer's free recreational camps include boys basketball and girls and boys wrestling at Noblesville High School, girls basketball at Noblesville West Middle School, girls and boys soccer camp at White River Elementary soccer fields, girls track and field and boys track and field at Beaver Materials Stadium, girls volleyball at Noblesville East Middle School, girls and boys football camp at Beaver Materials Stadium, girls and boys hiking camp at Cool Creek Park and Strawtown Koteewi Park and Forest Park/Potter's Bridge, girls and boys adventure camp at the Koteewi Sport & Target Archery Center, beginner girls and boys dance at North Elementary, girls and boys cross country at the Cross Country course behind White River Elementary, girls softball camp at the NHS softball complex, girls and boys drama theater camp and girls and boys drama and theater fall musical audition prep at NHS Auditorium, girls and boys lacrosse camp at Beaver Material Field next to Ivy Tech, boys baseball camp at the NHS baseball complex, girls and boys color guard and cheerleading and Noblesville Cultural Arts theater camp at Noblesville Schools Community Center, girls and boys E-Sports/Super Smash

Brothers at the NHS

Media Center, girls and

for percussion and band at NEMS LGI room, and boys tennis and girls tennis at the NHS Tennis Complex. Paid camp opportunities offered by Noblesville Schools' coaches include: advanced boys basketball camps at NEMS, girls basketball camp at NHS, advanced football camp at Beaver Stadium, girls and boys soccer camps at White River soccer fields, elementary and middle school tennis camps at NHS Tennis Complex, NHS dance camps preparation for high school and middle school dance teams and NHS dance camp at North Elementary. There are also Little Millers preschool camp and Miller Explorers camp

boys rhythm and music

Being that students can sign up or cancel with a couple of clicks on the cell phone or laptop, I advise them to sign up for desired camps as soon as possible. Caldwell said, "We hear great things about our camps from parents. This camp has only grown over the years. Many years ago, it was mainly sports camps for boys that were offered. Last year, we offered more girl camps than we have in previous years. Over time, we have added dance, cheer, art, band, theater and Ecamp."

with fees.

Caldwell said, "We are excited that we can continue the program and that we have community support."

-Betsy Reason writes

about people, places and things in Hamilton County. Contact The Times editor Betsy Reason at betsy@thetimes24-7.com.

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#### FOR THE RECORD

HAMILTON COUNTY PLAN COMMISSION ONE HAMILTON COUNTY SQUARE, SUITE 13 NOBLESVILLE, INDIANA 46060 DATE: Wednesday, April 17, 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:
- 4. Approval of Minutes March 20, 2024
- 5. Public Comment:
- 6. Correspondence:
- 7. President's Report:
- 8. Old Business -9. New Business:

PC-0002-03-2024 Secondary Plat - NO PUBLIC **HEARING** 

Primary Plat was approved 03/20/2024 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,

Parcel.: 07-04-32-00-00-004.000 Zone District: A-2

Owners: Danny D. and Tamara J. Reinle

P.C.-0003-03-2024 Secondary Plat - NO PUBLIC

Primary Plat was approved 03/20/2024

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: O East 186th Street, Noblesville,

Parcel: 12-07-36-00-00-001.005 Zone District: A-2(S)

Owners: Kuharik, Michael A & Pamela J Jones

10. Directors Report:

11. Legal Counsel Report:

12. Next Plan Commission Meeting: Wednesday, May 15, 2024

13. Adjournment:

# 2024 Ford Maverick Lariat Hybrid Makes Casey's Short List







I drive a lot

of new cars,

automotive

but like

most



WILLIAMS journalists, I Auto Reviews always keep

a short list of vehicles I would buy for myself if circumstances changed and I needed a vehicle for everyday use. I want vehicles that are easy to drive, get great gas mileage, carry the family, and don't cost a lot to buy or maintain. For the last couple of years, the Ford Maverick has been near the top. I especially like it in Lariat trim as a hybrid.

#### **Urban Utility Design**

Designers did a good job of connecting the Maverick's urban utility design to the bestselling full-size F-150 pickup. Compact dimensions bely the Bronco Sport's crossover architecture beneath, but its crew cab body is more streamlined and especially fetching wearing the Black Appearance Package that includes a black grille, 18" wheels,

mirror caps, and Ford

Oval. A low lift-over, spray in protection, tie-downs, LED light, and household power outlet add convenience to the bed whether hauling mulch, carrying camping gear, or tossing in a couple of bicycles.

The Maverick's interior

is a master class in using low-cost materials that don't seem cheap. Don't misunderstand, there's a heap of hard plastic, but designers added blueish-gray tint to the textured dash materials and molded faceted edges into door panels. Door pulls, bottle holders, and speaker enclosures are sculpture. Premium models add orange or bronze accents for interest, but even the rubber-ringed gear selector glides through

A large touchscreen, with actual volume/tuning knobs below, intuitively connects to devices through Apple CarPlay and Android Auto. Navigation, console charging pad, and full

its choices.



- as do heated front seats, heated steering wheel and dual-zone automatic climate control. Sure, seats and steering wheel are vinyl, but that just makes them more durable and easier to clean. Stay safe with adaptive cruise, automatic emergency braking, lane keep assist, blind spot warning, and rear cross path detection systems.

#### **Tight Hybrid Handling**

If I was going to buy a Maverick, I'd choose this one's powertrain. It's a front-drive hybrid with a 2.5-liter fourcylinder engine and continuously-variable transmission delivering a peppy 191 horsepower and 42/33-MPG city/highway. You can get a turbocharged four-cylinder engine and all-wheel-drive, but the hybrid provides incredible fuel economy and you don't really need AWD with front-drive and traction control. This is the best choice for most, though payload and towing capacities

are limited to 1,500

lbs. and 2,000 lbs. respectively.I only wish Ford would make a plug-in version with 30 miles range.

Unlike most pickups that jump and jiggle over rough pavement, the Maverick's twist beam rear suspension took it all in stride.An independent suspension is available on all-wheel-drive models for even better ride quality, but most drivers will never miss it. Without a separate bed, the body seems much more solid with no squeaks and creaks.And, since it sits low to the ground, it is actually fun to drive on curvy narrow backroads. Carry home mulch and plants, clean up, and hit the town or country

I like vehicles that are expertly styled, fuelefficient, comfortable, practical and... affordable. The Maverick does all of that plus starts at just \$23,815, rising to \$37,510 very well equipped. Its only true competitor is the Hyundai Santa Cruz, but also compares to the Chevy Colorado,



Nissan Frontier, Toyota Tacoma, GMC Canyon, and Ford's own Ranger pickups.

Send comments to Casev at AutoCasey@aol.com; follow him on YouTube @AutoCasey.

Storm Forward!

#### 2024 Ford Maverick Lariat Hybrid

Five-passenger, FWD Pickup Powertrain: 2.5-liter 14 Hybrid Output: 162hp/155 lb.-ft. Suspension f/r: Ind/Twist beam Wheels f/r: 18"/18" alloy Brakes f/r: regen disc/disc *Towing: 2,000 lbs.* 

Payload: 1,500 lbs.

Fuel economy city/hwy: 42/33-MPG Assembly: Hermosillo, Mexico Base/as-tested price: \$23,815/37,510

#### Likes

#### · Urban utility

- · Comfortable interior
- · Fuel economy

#### **Dislikes**

- · Limited towing
- · Limited payload
- · No plug-in version

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#### **Hamilton County Property Taxes Mailed**

The Hamilton County Treasurer's Office reports property taxes are going in the mail.

The Spring installments are due Friday, May 10. Payments are payable in the Treasurer's Office by cash or check, on the County's website by e-check or credit card, and at the following Hamilton County bank branches:

- · BMO Harris Bank · Community First Bank
- of Indiana · Farmers Bank
- · First Farmers Bank
- · First Merchants Bank
- · Horizon Bank · Merchants Bank of
- Indiana · Star Financial Bank

If you mail in your payment, please enclose the tax coupon and check and mail it to 33 N 9th Street, Suite 112, Noblesville, IN 46060. Envelopes must be postmarked on or before the due date or late penalties will be applied. Please include a selfaddressed, stamped envelope if you would like a receipt.

If you make the payment in person, you can do so in the **Hamilton County** Treasurer's Office on the first floor of the Old County

Courthouse Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. A drop box is also located on the south side of the courthouse building for those paying by check.

Please include your tax coupon.

If you pay online, go to hamiltoncounty.in.gov, click on the Treasurer's Office, and use a credit or debit card or echeck. Please note there will be a 2.5% charge for credit and debit card transactions and a \$1.00 fee for e-

If you pay at a bank, you must have your tax coupon with you and pay the exact amount on the coupon.

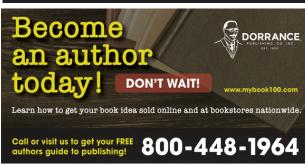
Payments can be made during normal business hours.

If the Spring payment is not made on or before May 10, a five percent penalty will be added if there is no delinquent amount. A ten-percent penalty will be added for a previous delinquency or if payment is made after June 10, 2024. Making partial payments does not relieve the taxpayer of late penalties, extra fees, or the property being subject to a tax sale. Fall property

taxes will be due

Tuesday, November 12.













Saturday, April 20, 2024 **Forest Park Inn** 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. \$5 per ticket

Tickets can be purchased at the door



#### FOR THE RECORD

AGENDA / REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING **EDUCATIONAL SERVICES CENTER BOARD ROOM** 

18025 River Road Noblesville, Indiana Tuesday, April 16, 2024 6:00 P.M.

The items on this agenda are being addressed with the best interests of Noblesville Schools' students as the prime consideration.

I. CALL TO ORDER - PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE -MOMENT OF SILENCE

II. RECOGNITIONS

- 2024 Indiana High School Journalist of the Year Finalist / NHS
- Hare Teacher Spotlight / White River **Elementary School**

III. REPORTS

§ Building Spotlight / White River Elementary

Calie VanDermark, Principal

§ Science Curriculum Adoption Report Lauren Smith, Assistant Director of Elementary

Jen Walton, Assistant Director of Secondary

IV. PUBLIC COMMENT - AGENDA TOPICS The purpose of this comment period is to allow the public an opportunity to share input with

Board about current agenda topics, pursuant to Policy H225, Public Comments and Concerns. V. CONSENT

By single motion, the board approves/adopts the following items or actions which reflect

of Board Policy and Indiana Code. Any items marked "Consent" may be moved from the list at the option of a board member or the

superintendent and acted on separately.

§ Donations

§ Minutes / March 2024

§ Overnight Trips § Personnel

VI. ACTION

By individual motions, the board approves/adopts the following items or actions

application of Board Policy and Indiana Code. § Personnel - Background Checks

§ Science Curriculum Materials and Selection

§ Curriculum Materials Selection and Purchase for Various High School Courses 2024-2025 § Property and Casualty Insurances § July Board Meeting

VII. PUBLIC COMMENT - NON-AGENDA TOPICS The purpose of this comment period is to allow the public an opportunity to share input with

Board about non-agenda topics, pursuant to Policy H225, Public Comments and Concerns. VIII. COMMITTEE REPORTS

IX. ADJOURNMENT

The school board president asks for a motion to adjourn.

#### **CITY OF NOBLESVILLE**

The Project Selection Committee for the City of Noblesville, Indiana Sludge Process Improvements Project will be meeting at 10:00 AM on Monday, April 15, 2024, at Noblesville Utilities, 197 Washington Street, Noblesville, Indiana 46060. The Project Selection Committee will be opening Proposals and Statements of Qualifications received for consideration for the Sludge Process Improvement Project.

Tuesday, April 16

Carmel Plan Commission in-person meeting at 6:00 p.m. This meeting will also be livestreamed and recorded (see details below).

- This meeting is open to the public and comments will only be allowed during the public hearing portion of the meeting.
- Please submit your written comments and concerns to bbutler@carmel.in.gov.Your comments will be forwarded to each Plan Commission member and made part of the
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 More details listed at Carmel TV Communications, Bills, Expenditures, & Legal

Counsel Report 1. Plan Commission Resolution PC-4-16-24-a: CRC Resolution No. 2024-01: approves certain

amendments to the declaratory resolution and economic development plan for the Old Town Economic Development Area. 2. Plan Commission Resolution PC-4-16-24-b: CRC Resolution No. 2024-02: designates an area known as the 106th & Illinois Economic Development Area as an economic development

area pursuant to Section 41 of IC 36-7-14 and approves an economic development plan for

the Economic Development Area.

Plan Commission Resolution PC-4-16-24-c: CRC Resolution No. 2024-03: approves certain amendments to the declaratory resolution and economic plan for the Legacy Project Economic Development Area.

Plan Commission Rules of Procedure **Amendment Requests** 

**Public Hearings** 

1. Docket No. PZ-2024-00034 OA: PRIF Credit Process UDO Amendment.

The applicant seeks to amend the UDO pursuant to Carmel City Council Resolution CC-01-08-24-01, which directs the Plan Commission to consider amendments to UDO Sections 1.30(F), (K) and (L) regarding the procedures for granting park and recreation impact fee credits. Filed by the Department of Community Services on behalf of the Carmel City Council.

1. Docket No. PZ-2024-00038 CPA: 2025-2029 Zone Improvement Plan (ZIP).

The applicant seeks to update the Zone Improvement Plan, upon which the parks and recreation impact fee is based, and to incorporate the ZIP into the Carmel Comprehensive Plan. Filed by the Carmel Department of Community Services on behalf of the Carmel Plan Commission.

Docket No. PZ-2024-00039 OA: Parks and Recreation Impact Fee Ordinance Amendment.

- 1. The applicant seeks to amend the Unified Development Ordinance in order to update existing impact fee provisions, as well as their definitions. The proposal would renew the impact fee that is currently imposed on new residential development to defray the cost of new parks and recreation infrastructure, for an additional five years (from 2025 to 2029). Filed by the Carmel Department of Community Services on behalf of the Carmel Plan
- 2. Docket No. PZ-2024-00041 OA: Non-Dwelling Short-Term Rental Standards UDO Amendment.

The applicant seeks to amend the Unified Development Ordinance to establish standards and definitions for Non-Dwelling Short-Term Rentals. Filed by the Department of Community Services on behalf of the Carmel Plan Commission. Old Business.

Docket No. PZ-2023-00227 PUD Amend: Jackson's Grant Village - Daycare.

The applicant seeks PUD Amendment approval to add the (previously known as) Cunningham parcel into the Jackson's Grant Village PUD. A new Daycare use, and land swap is proposed, which will allow for 3 additional townhome units to be constructed. The site is located at 510 West 116th Street and is zoned S-2/Residence and is within the West 116th Street Overlay. Filed by Ashley Ulbricht of Taft Law on behalf of Del DeMao of DeMao Retail Consultants, LLC.

April 15 Regular Session of the Carmel Clay Board of School Trustees and the agenda for the April 16, 2024, Executive Session of the Carmel Clay Board of School Trustees.

Please note the following:

- Doors for the Regular Session open at 5:15 p.m. - all attendees will need to sign in
- Public comment is on the agenda and those wishing to speak during public comment must register by 5:45 p.m. The Public Comment Policy is available for review
- Attendees are expected to follow and respect the decorum of the meeting (Civility and Decorum Policy)

All participants are subject to metal detection and may be subject to pat down based upon metal detector activation. To help expedite entry to the meeting, please do not carry bags/backpacks/purses as this will cause delays.

No firearms or weapons are permitted on school grounds, regardless of an individual's permit. Name: Regular Session

Date: April 15, 2024 Time: 6:00 p.m.

Location: Clay Middle School - 5150 126th St., Carmel, IN 46033

https://go.boarddocs.com/in/ccsin/Board.nsf/goto ?open&id=CZBSLX6E187F

Name: Executive Session Date: April 16, 2024

Time: 5:15 p.m.

Location: Carmel Clay Schools Educational Services Center https://go.boarddocs.com/in/ccsin/Board.nsf/goto

?open&id=D3RHT548E409

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#### **Community First Honored**



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Displaying Community First Bank's Five Star Member award from the Indiana Bankers Association are from left Amber Van Til/IBA President and Community First CEO and President Robb Blume. Community First Bank has been honored as a Five Star Member of the Indiana Bankers Association.

# **CPD Announces New Appointments**

Carmel Police Department Chief **Drake Sterling** announced two new appointments to his command staff. D.J. Schoeff, a 20-year veteran of the department, will be appointed as Deputy Chief of Administration and Anna Flaming, a 15-year veteran of the department will be appointed as Major of Performance and

Deputy Chief Schoeff's duties will include the oversight of training, community outreach, support services, the crisis intervention unit and many other administrative functions. Schoeff's promotion comes after most recently serving as Lt. of Community Relations and his background also

Planning.

includes overseeing CPD's robust school resource officer program as well as patrol supervision.

In her new role, Major Flaming will oversee field training, internal affairs, accreditation, strategic planning and recruitment and most recently served as a lieutenant over professional standards. Flaming is also the first female to be appointed to this title with CPD.

"I am extremely excited to bring D.J. and Anna into the command staff. D.J. is a fantastic leader and someone I think will help improve both internal operations and our external image. His background and the relationships he has built in Carmel over



D.J. Schoeff

the past 20 years make
him an excellent
candidate to lead CPD
from the front," said
Chief Sterling. "Major
Flaming brings
experience from the
administrative side,
policy preparation and
patrol. She is a
visionary and an
innovative leader.
With the creation of
the Performance and

Planning Division, Anna

opportunity to steer

will have the



**Anna Flaming** 

CPD in the direction we want to see."

To facilitate these changes, Brady Myers will assume the role of Deputy Chief of Police Services. Myers previously served as Deputy Chief of Administration and Sgt. Katy Malloy has been slated to backfill Schoeff's position as Lt. of the Support Services Division.

#### **Reader Replies to Recent Letter**

Dear Editor,

I read David Marsh's reply to the article written by Kansas Republican Senator Roger Marshall's concern about Joe Biden allowing our southern open border invasion of illegals coming into our country. Marshall stated that we have ten million un-invited migrants within our country and points out the secret flights of illegals spread across our inner country to avoid the numbers coming across the border. Marshall pointed out that Biden could have closed the border 3 years ago and has done not one thing to close it until now when the Senate boasts it has a bipartisan bill available but the House Republicans won't vote

on it.

H.R.2 - Secure the Border Act of 2023 118th Congress (2023-2024) was submitted by Rep. Diaz-Balart, Mario [R-FL-26] and Introduced 05/02/2023. It passed the House and was sent to the Senate where it is being ignored. S.2824 - Secure the Border Act of 2023 118th Congress (2023-2024) was introduced by Sen. Cruz, Ted [R-TX] on 09/14/2023. It also is just sitting there. Both of these bills discuss Border Security and a similar list of Titles of concern affecting protections, penalties, paroles,uncontrolled migration flow in the Western Hemisphere, and immigration enforcement and foreign affairs. Why have these two bills

passed?

It's too little and too late for Joe Biden. He is mute and blind to the seriousness of the overflow of ten million invaders. Senator Marshall stated "the only thing we can do about it is to elect a new president." He did not mention Trump but Marsh added in his discourse that if Trump were elected this will most likely be our last election and he touted that Trump acts like he is king. He speaks about the insurrection in D.C. and how Trump encouraged it. Let me remind you that Hillary Clinton wanted to be queen, the insurrection was a chaos supported and planned by the CIA, DOJ, and the Washington DC police who moved the barricades, opened the Capitol doors for many to go in and allowed Ashli Babbitt to be murdered while many socalled insurrectionists are rotting away in the

This election on Nov. 5, 2024 may very well be our last election if it is not secured and the cheaters are held at bay. No more harvested illegal mail in ballets, only voting legal citizens in person are allowed except as in Indiana where the military and disabled and aged can vote by absentee ballot be allowed and the polls must close at midnight election night in all states.

DC jails.

Otherwise, open your bibles and pray.

Mari Briggs Sheridan



# Stepping Up



Photo courtesy Noblesville Lions Club

As usual, the Noblesville Lions Club is out doing good work. Members of the club recently visited Saxony pre-school for a kid sight screening. This screening provides a valuable service to the parents free of charge, alerting them to the possibility of eye problems with their child at an early age. The club checked 63 children. In the photo, Lion Steven Shaw (bottom left corner) is shown photographing Lions Dale Unger and Ron Williamson with the student being screened.

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