

■ TODAY'S VERSE

Romans 8:18 For I reckon that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory which shall be revealed in us.

■ HAMILTON HAPPENINGS

Times columnist and re-tired Senior Pastor Bonnie Zickgraf, will be the guest speaker at Emmanuel United Methodist Church on June 29 at 10 a.m. Pastor Zickgraf will speak on “Fruit of the Rebel.” Any and all are invited to come and hear God’s word. Emmanuel United Methodist is located at 16000 Cumberland Rd., Just off State Road 37 in Noblesville.



Here’s a tip of the seed corn cap to Howard Samuel Wilcox, better known as Howdy. This great Hoosier race was born on June 24, 1889. And for you racing fans, you know that Howdy won the 1919 Indianapolis 500!

■ QUOTE OF THE DAY

“The only difference between a tax man and a taxidermist is that the taxidermist leaves the skin.”
-Mark Twain

■ Joke of the day

What do you call a factory that makes good products?

A satisfactory!

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Sgt. Jason Shonkwiler Receives High Honor

The Noblesville Police Department is thrilled to announce that Sergeant Jason Shonkwiler has been named the 2025 Indiana School Resource Officers Association School Resource Officer of the Year at their annual conference. This prestigious award recognizes officers who exceed the typical responsibilities of a SRO, enhancing their school and community through the roles of counselor, teacher, and law enforcement officer.

In addition to this honor, Shonkwiler also received the Exceptional Service Award, which is given to individuals who demonstrate continuous and outstanding service to the school community, surpassing the expectations of a typical SRO or school staff member.

“Jason exemplifies the ideal School Resource Officer. While he possesses exceptional skills as an officer, his most remarkable quality is his genuine care for the students,” Deputy Chief Jason Thompson said. “He has earned this award through his unwavering commitment



Photos courtesy NPD

Sgt. Jason Shonkwiler was celebrated by family and department as the School Resource Officer of the Year.

to the school and its students, whether through daily interactions, managing complex situations, or providing expert coaching. At the Noblesville Police Department, we uphold the principle of “One Mission, One Family,” and Jason has wholeheartedly embraced and implemented this philosophy at Noblesville High School.

Many become police officers to make a difference, and Jason accomplishes that every day. We are truly grateful to have him as a member of our department and community.”

Sergeant Shonkwiler has

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Groundbreaking Effort Helps Law Enforcement

A partnership among the Hamilton County Sheriff’s Office and municipalities in the county is enabling faster, more accurate and resource-efficient law enforcement responses.

The Hamilton County Real Time Information Center (RTIC), fully operational since November 2024, is a groundbreaking, multi-agency collaboration that is delivering substantial benefits to public safety and emergency response operations.

Its operations enhance data and intelligence sharing and ensure timely decision-making across jurisdictional boundaries, Chief Deputy John

Lowes said: “This program is a significant advancement in public safety and a clear win for every resident of Hamilton County—helping to maintain a safe, secure environment in which to live, work, and raise a family.”

The RTIC represents a unified effort among the Carmel Police Department, the Noblesville Police Department, and the Hamilton County Sheriff’s Office. The Fishers Police Department and Westfield Police Department are committed to this collaboration and intend to add resources in the future as appropriate. Despite being staffed by three agencies, RTIC

responds throughout Hamilton County, regardless of jurisdiction. This innovative center supports both criminal and non-criminal types of calls for service, acting as a true force multiplier. Since its inception, RTIC has significantly enhanced response times, improved information accuracy, and reduced operational costs while simultaneously improving officer safety and public service delivery.

Through the integration of advanced technology and real-time analysis, RTIC personnel also monitor incoming 911 calls, retrieve prior call

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■ THREE THINGS YOU SHOULD KNOW

1. Gov. Mike Braun issued a statement recently following the State Budget Committee Meeting: I support the Trump administration’s efforts to reduce spending and promote responsible governance, it is a change at the federal level that is long overdue. However, flexibility in managing Indiana’s HIP program will be essential for the state moving forward, especially if we are required to take on more of the financial obligation. This will require a hands-on approach to updating and maintaining Indiana’s Medicaid system that only Hoosiers can provide. My administration’s entrepreneurial approach to state government positions us to lead nationwide as a laboratory for creative solutions at the state level. I look forward to continuing to partner with the Trump administration to ensure our government serves as good stewards of taxpayer dollars, and produces better outcomes at a lower price for Hoosiers.”

2. In today’s hyper-competitive job market, prestige often trumps pay - especially for recent grads. With application numbers hitting the thousands at elite companies, some ambitious job seekers say they’d take an unpaid role for a whole year if it meant locking in a job at the end. So Bisnar Chase surveyed 3,010 job seekers with one bold question: Which employer would you be willing to work for free for an entire year, if it guaranteed you a job at the end? Three companies with strong Indiana ties were high on the list, Eli Lilly (72), Salesforce (101) and Cummins (113). Tops in the U.S. was Google. No, really. You can Google it.

3. National Tire Safety Week is June 30 - July 4, so here are some safety tips and tricks to keep cars safe on hot roads and ahead of long drives.

- Maintain proper tire pressure for better fuel economy and vehicle control; for every 10 degrees shift in temperature, tire pressure changes by 1 pound per square inch (PSI).
- As tires age, the rubber becomes harder and brittle, making it higher risk for failure.
- Check the DOT number on the sidewall of the tire – if a tire is 6 years or older, it’s time to replace it.

The Heat is On



Paula Dunn
From Time to Thyme

In case you haven’t noticed, it’s HOT!

We’re fortunate In this day and age. We can expect to

be greeted by a blast of cool – if not downright frigid – air pretty much any time we enter a building on a blazing hot summer day.

That, however, has only come about during my lifetime.

When I was a kid, some homes and businesses had air conditioning, but quite a few still didn’t. We didn’t get it in our house until Dad woke up one night and found me sleeping – or rather trying to sleep – on the dining room floor.

Just imagine what life used to be like before air conditioning existed. Better yet, let me take you back to the summer of 1881, one of the hottest summers this area has ever experienced.

The July 15, 1881 Republican-Ledger noted that a local thermometer had reached 102 degrees on July 9th and 10th. The next day it was 104 degrees . . . in the shade!

Some smart aleck at the paper wrote, “Tell every fellow you see it is hot, so he will know it; otherwise he might not ascertain that fact.” (Yeah, right.)

It was nearly impossible to eat, sleep or work, especially in cities, where the heat was amplified by buildings and pavement.

Cases of heat prostration and sunstroke were reported all over the country. While I didn’t see any deaths attributed to sunstroke here during that period in July, there were plenty elsewhere. Cincinnati officially recorded 414 deaths due to the oppressive heat between July 10th and 16th.

A wave of unspecified illnesses hit various parts of Noblesville, prompting the Ledger to predict that, if the city’s streets, alleys and yards weren’t cleaned up, many deaths would soon follow. (Imagine the germs that must have been cooking in that sweltering weather.)

Curiously, I ran across no advice about staying hydrated. On the contrary, an article in the Ledger warned against the extensive use of water and pronounced drinking ice water during the hot spell as “altogether injurious and dangerous.”

Soda fountains and ice cream parlors were kept busy, but barrooms were empty because no one felt safe drinking anything stronger than lemonade. As a result, lemons were in such

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■ Adopt a Pet CARRIE

Carrie is a calm and gentle cat who loves a predictable schedule. This charming 7-year-old female Domestic Shorthair has been available for adoption at the Humane Society for Hamilton County (HSHC) since 9/3/24. She has beautiful manners when it comes to furniture and house plants, and she loves to play with any toy attached to a stick. Bonus points if you break out the laser pointer. To meet Boots, please schedule a meet and greet by filling out an adoption application at hamiltonhumane.com/adopt.



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The Noblesville Boom are the NBA G League affiliate of the Indiana Pacers. The franchise, formerly known as the Indiana Mad Ants, recently concluded its 18th season and has been part of Pacers Sports and Entertainment since 2015. The club will play its home games in Noblesville at The Arena at Innovation Mile. Fans can visit NoblesvilleBoom.com to get more information, sign up for email updates, and place a ticket deposit for the 2025-26 season.

Boom Get 1st Round Pick

The Noblesville Boom completed a trade Monday afternoon with the Salt Lake City Stars. The Boom received the Stars' 1st round pick in the 2025 G League Draft as well as the returning rights to Jaedon LeDee. Salt Lake City acquired the returning rights to Cameron McGriff.

McGriff spent the 2024-25 season with the Boom (known then as the Indiana Mad Ants). In 45 games played, he averaged 12.5 points and 6.3 rebounds per game while shooting 40.5 percent from the field. He played eight games for the Boom during the 2023-24 season after being acquired from the Memphis Hustle.

the Wolves, he averaged 8.1 points and 6.0 rebounds per game. LeDee appeared in 10 games for the Stars and averaged 4.5 points and 5.7 rebounds per game.

The Houston, Texas native played his college ball at Ohio State (2018-19), TCU (2019-21) and San Diego State (2022-24). LeDee was named to the First-Team All-Mountain West Team in 2024 after averaging 21.4 points and 8.4 rebounds per game at San Diego State. After going undrafted, he joined the Minnesota Timberwolves for Summer League. He was waived by the Timberwolves on October 2nd and signed with Iowa a few weeks later.

Photo courtesy Noblesville Boom

Cameron McGriff played for the Boom (Indiana Mad Ants) last year and averaged 12.5 points and 6.3 rebounds per game.

Vikan North America to Relocate to Westfield With \$11.2M Investment

Vikan North America, a global leader in hygienic cleaning solutions for the food and beverage industry, has announced plans to relocate its U.S. operations to Westfield, investing \$11.2 million in a new 80,000-square-foot warehouse and office facility and bringing 56 high-wage jobs to the community by the end of 2026. The facility will be located at the south-east corner of 196th and East Streets.

"Westfield is honored to be the new home for Vikan North America," said Mayor

Scott Willis. "This investment not only strengthens our growing industrial sector but also supports my administration's vision to better balance our city's commercial and residential tax base. Their relocation not only brings high-quality jobs to our community but also plays a crucial role in attracting innovative global companies, which is key to our local economy."

Founded more than 125 years ago, Vikan's products are protected by international patents, including their award-winning Ultra

Safe Technology line of brushes, brooms, and squeegees. Their HyGo mobile sanitation station is also setting new standards for cleanliness and efficiency in food production environments.

Beyond its cutting-edge tools, Vikan also offers tailored customer support and training services, including complimentary on-site surveys, zoning plan development, and tool maintenance programs. The company's industry-leading bank of hygiene and regulatory insights makes it an

invaluable partner to food and beverage manufacturers worldwide.

"We are thrilled for the relocation of our North American headquarters to Westfield," stated Lindsay Adams, Executive Vice President of Vikan. "With a 40-year history in central Indiana, we believe this new location is perfectly aligned with our company strategy and future growth plans. The City of Westfield has been exceptional to work with, and we look forward to building our future here."

KENNY THOMPSON



With decades of experience as an award-winning sports writer and sports editor – most of it covering Purdue athletics – Kenny Thompson has a perspective and inside knowledge that few others have. Whether it's putting what's going on in the Big Ten in historical perspective or shooting straight from the hip on what's happening today, no one has a better take on Purdue and sports than Kenny!

Catch Kenny every Friday in The Times!

PUBLIC NOTICES

STATE OF INDIANA) IN THE HAMILTON CIRCUIT COURT)
) SS:
COUNTY OF HAMILTON) CAUSE NO. 29C01-2503-MF-002482
PHH Mortgage Corporation
Plaintiff,
vs.
Phillip A. Hiner, et al.
Defendants.
NOTICE OF SUIT SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION
TO: Cumberland Place Village Home Owners Association;
BE IT KNOWN, that PHH Mortgage Corporation, the above-named Plaintiff, by its attorney, J. Dustin Smith, has filed in the office of the Clerk of the Hamilton Circuit Court its Complaint against Defendant Cumberland Place Village Home Owners Association, and the said Plaintiff having also filed in said Clerk's office the affidavit of a competent person showing that the residence and whereabouts of the Defendant, Cumberland Place Village Home Owners Association, upon diligent inquiry is unknown, and that said cause of action is for default on the promissory note and to foreclose a mortgage on the following described real estate in Hamilton County, State of Indiana, to wit:
Lot Numbered 18 in Cumberland Place, Section One, in Hamilton County, Indiana, as per plat thereof, recorded as Instrument Number 99-12173, and as described in Declaration of Covenants, Conditions, and Restrictions and Grant Reservation of Easements for Cumberland Place Village, as recorded in Instrument Number 99-12172, in the Office of the Recorder of Hamilton County, Indiana.
commonly known as 9910 Worthington Boulevard, Fishers, IN 46038.
NOW, THEREFORE, said Defendant is hereby notified of the filing and pendency of said Complaint against them and that unless they appear and answer or otherwise defend thereto within thirty (30) days after the last notice of this action is published, judgment by default may be entered against said Defendant for the relief demanded in the Complaint.
Dated
Clerk, Hamilton Circuit Court
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STATE OF INDIANA) IN THE HAMILTON SUPERIOR COURT 1
COUNTY OF HAMILTON) CAUSE NO. 29D01-2412-CT-013945
STEVEN W. KINCAID, AS SPECIAL,
ADMINISTRATOR OF THE ESTATE OF)
SYLVIA YVONNE THOMAS, DECEASED)
)
) Plaintiff)
))
) v.)
))
) GREGG THOMAS,)
) Defendant)
SUMMONS
This summons is to defendant above named, and to any other person who may be concerned.
You are notified that you have been sued in the Hamilton Superior Court One, One Hamilton Square, #345, Noblesville, IN 46060, Telephone: 317-776-9566, in an action entitled Steven W. Kincaid, as Special Administrator of the Estate of Sylvia Yvonne Thomas, Deceased, v. Gregg Thomas, Cause No. 29D01-2412-CT-013945, by the person named above as plaintiff. This summons by publication is specifically directed to defendant, Gregg Thomas, whose last known address is 8299 Small Block Rd., #313, Northlake, TX 76262.
The named plaintiff is represented by Steven W. Kincaid, Attorney No. 18034-34, 54 N. 9th Street, Ste. 130, Noblesville, IN 46060, Telephone: 317-776-5995.
The nature of this suit against Defendant Gregg Thomas is for conversion of estate assets and breach of fiduciary duty. Plaintiff claims damages against defendant, Gregg Thomas, in an amount of \$46,695.00, plus reasonable attorney's fees, and interest allowed by law.
An answer or other response in writing to the complaint must be filed either by you or your attorney within 30 days after the third notice of suit, and if you fail to do so, judgment by default may be rendered against you for the relief demanded by the plaintiff.
Dated: 5/14/2025
Kathy Kreag Williams (Seal)
Clerk of the Hamilton Circuit and Superior Courts
Kathy Kreag Williams, One Hamilton Square, #106
Noblesville, IN 46060
Phone: (317) 776-9629. Fax: (317) 776-9664
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LEGAL NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
The Alcohol Beverage Board of Hamilton County, Indiana will hold a public hearing at 9:00 am on July 08, 2025 at the Hamilton Co Judicial Cntr (Commissioners Rm) 1 Hamilton Sq., in the city of Noblesville in said county, to investigate the propriety of holding an alcoholic beverage permit by the applicants listed herein to wit:
DL2988445 Beer & Wine Dealer Grocery Store RENEWAL
SPEEDWAY LLC 1999 E CONNER ST Noblesville IN
D/B/A SPEEDWAY #6065
DAVID SELTZER 3200 HACKBERRY ROAD Irving, President
JENNIFER MENDOLA 3200 HACKBERRY ROAD Irving, Secretary
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DL2921048 Beer Wine & Liquor Drug Store RENEWAL
MEIJER STORES LIMITED PARTNERSHIP 17000 MERCANTILE
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D/B/A MEIJER #230
DL2921780 Beer Wine & Liquor Drug Store RENEWAL
KROGER LIMITED PARTNERSHIP I 172 W. LOGAN STREET
Noblesville IN
D/B/A KROGER J 957
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DL2926091 Beer & Wine Dealer Grocery Store RENEWAL
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D/B/A SPEEDWAY #5179
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DL2928018 Beer Wine & Liquor Drug Store RENEWAL
WALGREEN CO. 2380 PLEASANT STREET Noblesville IN
D/B/A WALGREENS # 9129
JOSEPH B AMSBARY, JR 354 HIRST COURT Lake Bluff, Secretary
DL2932056 Beer Wine & Liquor Package Store RENEWAL
TM LIQUORS, INC. 20821 HAGUE ROAD Noblesville IN
D/B/A VINTAGE SPIRITS
DL2932818 Beer & Wine Dealer Grocery Store RENEWAL
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D/B/A Good to Go #78
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RR2938837 Beer Wine & Liquor Restaurant (210) RENEWAL
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D/B/A College Plus, LLC
DL2932879 Beer Wine & Liquor Package Store RENEWAL
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RH2930317 Beer Wine & Liquor Hotel RENEWAL
Ravi, LLC 13596 Tegler Drive Noblesville IN
D/B/A Residence Inn Noblesville
RR2941890 Beer Wine & Liquor Restaurant (210) RENEWAL
First Watch Restaurants, Inc 16725 Merchantile Boulevard Noblesville IN
D/B/A First Watch #1140
DL2932878 Beer Wine & Liquor Package Store TRANSFER
Indiana Liquor Group LLC 5950 Midland Pointe Blvd, Suite 114
Noblesville IN
D/B/A Noble Wine & Spirits
CHRISTOPHER LAMB 551 Montgomery Drive Westfield, President
NATHAN FELTMAN 12585 CHYVERTON CIR Carmel, Secretary
RR2942564 Beer Wine & Liquor Restaurant (210) TRANSFER
SPIGA NOBLESVILLE LLC 5986 MIDLAND POINTE, SUITE 116
Noblesville IN
RR2942591 Beer Wine & Liquor Restaurant (210) TRANSFER
BLE LLC 16771 Clover Road Noblesville IN
D/B/A BLE Bistro
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NOTICE OF APPROVED ORDINANCE
AN ORDINANCE ANNEXING CERTAIN REAL ESTATE TO THE CITY OF FISHERS, HAMILTON COUNTY, INDIANA
NOTICE IS HEREBY PROVIDED that on Monday, June 16, 2025, the Common Council for the City of Fishers, Hamilton, Indiana ("City"), meeting in a duly noticed public meeting, and in accordance with Ind. Code §36-4-3-5.1, passed Ordinance No. 042125A, annexing approximately 1.35 acres located outside of but contiguous to the City, generally known as the 10056 E 126th St Annexation (the "Annexed Territory"), located in Fishers, IN. This Annexation Ordinance is available for review at Fishers Municipal Center, One Municipal Drive, Fishers, Indiana 46038. If you have specific questions please contact:
City of Fishers Planning & Zoning Department
planning@fishers.in.us
(317) 595-3155
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Legal Notice
Plan Commission
The Cicero/Jackson Township Plan Commission will meet on July 9th at Cicero Town Hall, 70 North Byron Street, Cicero Indiana, 46034, in order to hear the following petition:
Docket No. PC-0625-08-AG
A Minor Subdivision application has been received concerning Article 4 Minor Subdivision of the Cicero/Jackson Township Subdivision Control Ordinance in order to subdivide one (1) 4 acre located at 1955 East 256th Street, Arcadia IN, 46030 into two (2) equal parcels of 1.88 acres each after the Right of Way dedication.
Project Address: 1955 E 256th St. Arcadia IN, 46030
Legal Description: Acreage 4.00 Section 30, Township 20, Range 4
Parcel number 03-02-30-00-00-004.004
The petition may be examined at the office of the Cicero/Jackson Township Plan Commission, 331 E. Jackson St., Cicero, IN 46034.
Interested parties may offer an oral opinion at the Hearing. Comments may be also mailed to Cicero/Jackson Plan Commission at P.O. Box 650 Cicero, IN 46034. Comments may also be dropped off in the Cicero Utilities payment drop box located at 331 E. Jackson St. Cicero, IN. Comments may also be emailed to fzawadzki@townofcicero.in.gov
The Hearing may be continued from time to time as may be found necessary.
Petitioner's Name: Patrick & Taylor Mazzocchi Date: 06/18/2025
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29D03-2506-EU-000244
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Carmel, Indiana 46032
NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION
In the Hamilton County Superior Court
In the Matter of the Estate of Thelma G. Feldman, deceased.
Estate Docket 29D03-2506-EU-000244
Notice is hereby given that Sharon F. Baldwin and Richard N. Feldman were on June 16, 2025, appointed Co-Personal Representatives of the ESTATE OF THELMA G. FELDMAN, deceased (DOD: May 12, 2025).
All persons who have claims against this estate, whether or not now due, must file the claim in the office of the clerk of this court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, or within nine (9) months after the decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred.
Dated at Noblesville, Indiana this June 16, 2025.
Kathy Kreag Williams
Clerk, Hamilton County Superior Court
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29D02-2506-EU-000255
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Carmel, Indiana 46032
NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION
In the Hamilton County Superior Court
In the Matter of the Estate of Thomas P. Sheehan, deceased.
Estate Docket 29D02-2506-EU-000255
Notice is hereby given that Tracey L. Sheehan was on June 16, 2025, appointed Personal Representative of the ESTATE OF THOMAS P. SHEEHAN, deceased (DOD: April 20, 2025).
All persons who have claims against this estate, whether or not now due, must file the claim in the office of the clerk of this court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, or within nine (9) months after the decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred.
Dated at Noblesville, Indiana this June 16, 2025.
Kathy Kreag Williams
Clerk, Hamilton County Superior Court
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29D01-2506-EU-000250
STATE OF INDIANA) IN THE HAMILTON SUPERIOR COURT 1
COUNTY OF HAMILTON) CAUSE NO. 29D01-2506-EU-000250
IN RE: THE UNSUPERVISED)
ESTATE OF: JERRY DALE HAMILTON,)
Deceased.)
NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION
Notice is hereby given that on June 12, 2025 Don M. Hamilton was appointed Personal Representative of the Estate of Jerry Dale Hamilton, deceased, who died on May 1, 2025.
All persons having claims against this estate, whether or not now due, must file the claim in the office of the Clerk of this Court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this Notice, or within nine (9) months after the decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred.
Dated at Noblesville, Indiana on June 12, 2025.
Kathy Kreag Williams
Clerk of Hamilton County Superior Court 1

This instrument prepared by:
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J ENTERPRISES INN OF FISHERS, LLC 11575 COMMERCIAL DR.
Fishers IN
D/B/A HAMPTON INN HOTEL & SUITES
RR2922555 Beer Wine & Liquor Restaurant (210) RENEWAL
RANGPUR, LLC 9641 OLIO RD McCordsville IN
D/B/A GOODFELLAS RESTAURANT
RR2934445 Beer Wine & Liquor Restaurant (210) RENEWAL
Wolfies Grill Fishers, Inc 7695 Cross Point Commons Fishers IN
D/B/A Wolfie's
Scott E Wolf 15672 E. 146th Street Noblesville, Secretary
Scott E Wolf 15672 E. 146th Street Noblesville, President
RR2936519 Beer & Wine Retailer Restaurant RENEWAL
TAPHOUSE 7 LLC 12125 CYNTHEANNE ROAD Fishers IN
D/B/A Schoolhouse 7 Cafe
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President
DL2931050 Beer Wine & Liquor Package Store RENEWAL
TM LIQUORS INC 10134 BROOK SCHOOL RD Fishers IN
D/B/A Towne Spirits and Fine Wines
RR2936766 Beer Wine & Liquor Restaurant (210) RENEWAL
Los Jefes de Sangrita LLC 11547 Yard Street Suite 810 Fishers IN
D/B/A Sangrita Grill + Cantina
DL2933691 Beer & Wine Dealer Grocery Store RENEWAL
SIMRAN INVESTMENT LLC 12571 Reynolds Drive Fishers IN
D/B/A SIMRAN INVESTMENT LLC
RR2942400 Beer Wine & Liquor River & Lake NEW
DNM Business Ventures LLC 8729 Front Street Fishers IN
D/B/A Voodoo Brewing Co.
DL2934133 Beer & Wine Dealer Grocery Store NEW
Walmart Stores East, LP Location Pending Fishers IN
D/B/A Walmart Store #5767 Fuel Station
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NTPPC, LLC 2430 E 146TH ST Westfield IN
D/B/A Crafters Pizza and Drafhhouse
RR2932298 Beer & Wine Retailer Restaurant RENEWAL
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IN
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DL2931051 Beer Wine & Liquor Package Store RENEWAL
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RR2938755 Beer Wine & Liquor Restaurant (210) RENEWAL
CRG UNIT 50, LLC Location Pending Westfield IN
DL2932880 Beer Wine & Liquor Package Store RENEWAL
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IN
D/B/A TOTAL WINE SPIRITS BEER & MORE
RR2940058 Beer & Wine Retailer Restaurant RENEWAL
Sogility Westfield LLC 16500 Southpark Dr. Westfield IN
D/B/A Sogility Westfield
RR2941547 Beer & Wine Retailer Restaurant RENEWAL
POLIZZI FAMILY L.L.P. Location Pending Westfield IN
RR2941550 Beer & Wine Retailer Restaurant RENEWAL
POLIZZI FAMILY L.L.P. Location Pending Westfield IN
RR2942503 Beer Wine & Liquor River & Lake NEW
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) SS
COUNTY OF HAMILTON) CAUSE NO. 29D01-2410-EU-000474
IN THE MATTER OF THE)
UNSUPERVISED ESTATE OF)
TONY LEE BERTSCH)
NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION
Notice is hereby given that on October 28, 2024 Michele Lauer and Wendy Maddy were appointed Co-Personal Representatives of the Estate of Tony Lee Bertsch, deceased, who died on September 11, 2024.
All persons having claims against this estate, whether or not now due, must file the claim in the office of the Clerk of this Court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, or within nine (9) months after the decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred.
Dated at Noblesville, Indiana on October 28, 2024.
Kathy Kreag Williams
Clerk of the Hamilton Superior Court #1

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STATE OF INDIANA) IN THE HAMILTON SUPERIOR COURT 1
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COUNTY OF HAMILTON) CAUSE NO. 29D01-2506-EU-000249
IN THE MATTER OF THE UNSUPERVISED ESTATE OF)
MARY ELIZABETH GORDON, DECEASED.)
NOTICE OF UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION
Notice is hereby given that Robert E. Gordon, on June 12, 2025, was appointed as personal representative of the estate of Mary Elizabeth Gordon, deceased, who died on the 15th day of May, 2025, leaving a will. The estate will be administered without Court Supervision.
All persons having claims against said estate, whether or not now due, must file the same in said Court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, or within nine (9) months after the Decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or said claims will be forever barred.
Dated this June 12, 2025.
Kathy Kreag Williams
Clerk of the Hamilton Superior Court 1

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RR2985258 Beer Wine & Liquor Restaurant (209) RENEWAL
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D/B/A TWIN LAKES GOLF CLUB
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Bear Slide Golf Club LLC 6770 E 231st Street Cicero IN
D/B/A Bear Slide Golf Club
RR2916830 Beer Wine & Liquor Restaurant (210) RENEWAL
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IN
D/B/A MULDOON'S OF CARMEL
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DL2921163 Beer & Wine Dealer Grocery Store RENEWAL
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COMMONS) Carmel IN
D/B/A THE FRESH MARKET
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D/B/A Market District #6550
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RR2933528 Beer & Wine Retailer Restaurant RENEWAL
PLUM CREEK PARTNERS LLC 5790 EAST MAIN STREET SUITE 140
Carmel IN
D/B/A RACKZ BBQ
RR2934149 Beer & Wine Retailer Restaurant RENEWAL
NOBLE ROMAN'S INC. 1438 W. MAIN STREET, SUITE 102 Carmel
IN
D/B/A NOBLE ROMAN'S CRAFT PIZZA & PUB
DL2931466 Beer Wine & Liquor Package Store RENEWAL
REEDER ENTERPRISES LTD, INC. 12995 PETTIGRU DR Carmel IN
D/B/A WEST CLAY FINE WINES & SPIRITS
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ER2929937 Beer Wine & Liquor Development Dist. RENEWAL
RE Group, LLC 110 W Main Street #135 Carmel IN
D/B/A Monterey Coastal Cuisine
DL2932452 Beer & Wine Dealer Grocery Store RENEWAL
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D/B/A WINE AND RIND
DL2932957 Beer & Wine Dealer Grocery Store RENEWAL
The Fresh Market Inc. 1392 S Rangeline Road Carmel IN
D/B/A The Fresh Market #247
RR2940637 Wine Retailer Restaurant RENEWAL
CARMEL NAILS LLC 1416 S. RANGELINE RD. Carmel IN
D/B/A CARMEL NAILS
RR2941427 Beer & Wine Retailer Restaurant RENEWAL
Lincoln On Carmel, LLC 4400 Weston Pointe Drive, Suite 180 Zionsville
IN
D/B/A Lincoln Square Pancake House
RR2941467 Beer & Wine Retailer Restaurant RENEWAL
Ash & Elm Cider Company, LLC 525 North End Drive Suite 190 Carmel
IN
D/B/A Ash & Elm Cider Co.
DL2933864 Beer & Wine Dealer Grocery Store RENEWAL
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D/B/A GetGo #3550
RR2942359 Beer Wine & Liquor River & Lake NEW
Fortune's Fool Retail, LLC 1155 S Rangeline Rd, Suite 120 Carmel IN
D/B/A Fortune's Fool Retail
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Family Express Corp Location Pending Carmel IN
D/B/A Family Express
RR2942478 Beer Wine & Liquor Restaurant (210) TRANSFER
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DL2934140 Beer & Wine Dealer Grocery Store NEW
Meijer Stores Limited Partnership 1426 West Carmel Drive Carmel IN
D/B/A Meijer Express #130
RR2942546 Beer Wine & Liquor Restaurant (210) TRANSFER
Char, LLC 350 Veterans Way Suite 150 Carmel IN
D/B/A Fork + Ale House
RR2942596 Beer Wine & Liquor Restaurant (210) TRANSFER
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D/B/A Caliente Mexican Restaurant
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PAULA
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high demand that prices shot up. Sometimes they weren't even available.

A number of young men "and even persons of mature years" resorted to bathing in White River to beat the heat. Apparently, the paper really meant bathing and not swimming, because a lot of people complained about the (ahem) show.

The Ledger quoted a section of Indiana law dealing with indecent exposure and warned those "large enough to know right from wrong" that they could be arrested and fined for cooling off in public.

Sleep was elusive. People tried to get it any way they could — in bed or on the floor inside their home, or outdoors in a hammock, on a veranda or on a rooftop.

Sleeping outdoors carried some risks, however. One young man managed to roll off his roof while he was asleep. The paper observed that the fellow "did not care for the fall, but regreted [sic] the disturbance of the cat serenade."

You could also end up providing a banquet for "that vile destroyer of sleep, the impolite mosquito," of which there were plenty.

The firefly display would have been impressive, though.

That brings me to a request from Jeanne Flanders that I appeal to people to turn off their dusk to dawn lights so they can enjoy the fireflies' nightly "light shows."

Fireflies, aka lightning bugs, have all but disappeared from our backyards thanks to pesticides, loss of habitat and yes, light pollution. (The lights interfere with their mating habits.)

Help save these fascinating insects for future generations. Visit the Firefly Conservation & Research website, www.firefly.org, for information.

Paula Dunn's From Time to Thyme column appears on Wednesdays in The Times. Contact her at younggardener-friend@gmail.com

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been instrumental in fostering strong relationships with both students and faculty at Noblesville High School, significantly contributing to a safe and secure learning environment. He actively engages in school safety drills, delivers informative presentations on a variety of topics, and consistently offers valuable support and guidance to students facing difficulties.

The Noblesville Police Department takes pride in its partnership with Noblesville Schools through the School Resource Officer (SRO) program, which places officers in every school building. This program aims to achieve several



The plaque Sgt. Shonkwiler received.

goals, including enhancing educational programs to strengthen the bond between law enforcement and students, ensuring security and threat prevention, and investigating incidents that occur on campus, among other objectives.

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Noblesville Lions Cook for Senior Citizens



Photo courtesy Noblesville Lions

The local Noblesville Lions had a mix-up on communications to cook for the Senior Citizens Luncheon on Saturday. The club secretary, Steve Shaw appeared alone on Saturday. He cooked hot dogs and hamburgers for about 35 people.

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history, examine location-specific data, research subject qualifiers, and assist responding agencies with critical, up-to-the-minute REAL-TIME intelligence. This capability enhances situational awareness and equips officers with the most accurate and relevant information before they arrive on-scene.

Additionally, a key feature of the RTIC is the implementation of Drones as First Responders. These aerial assets are deployed to various calls for service, including traffic accidents, critical incidents, and active crime scenes. Drones provide live overwatch, aid in suspect apprehension, assist in foot pursuits, and offer real-time situational assessment, further enhancing the safety and effectiveness of law enforcement personnel on the ground.

Lieutenant Brian Niec, Director of the Real Time Information Center, commented, “This is the future of law enforcement in the United States. What makes the Hamilton County RTIC truly unique is that all participating agencies operate under the same Computer-Aided Dispatch system, reporting protocols, Dispatch Center, and Records Management System. These shared resources allow for seamless coordination and establish RTIC as a true countywide task force.”

Some Notable RTIC Wins

2024 November – Assisted Noblesville PD with locating a missing person.

2024 November – Assisted HCSO with a trespassing case and subsequent theft arrest.

2025 January – Assisted Carmel PD and IMPD by aerially monitoring a pursuit using the Drone as a First Responder (DFR) technology.

2025 February – DFR assistance for Fishers PD during the apprehension of a stolen vehicle.

2025 February – Assisted Carmel PD by using DFR as overwatch during a warrant arrest.

2025 February – Assisted Westfield PD by using DFR as overwatch during a vehicle pursuit.

2025 March – Assisted HCSO through notification of a warrant hit, which came from Flock License Plate Recognition. This information led to a traffic stop and arrest.

2025 March – Assisted Noblesville PD on the report of a suspicious person case using live video from an Emergency Management camera trailer, leading to an arrest.

2025 March – Assisted Carmel PD with locating a stolen vehicle.

2025 April – Assisted NPD, monitored live video from Camera until officers arrived for a known fraud suspect at bank. A vehicle pursuit with a getaway vehicle started. RTIC monitored available resources and provided a suspect crash location. Officers were able to find and arrest the driver of the fleeing vehicle.

2025 May – Assisted HCSO regarding a stolen vehicle, an alert was received for the vehicle traveling north on SR 37, north of 146th Street. RTIC relayed information to HCSO units who then located the vehicle. A high-risk stop was conducted by HCSO and NPD, the driver was arrested.

2025 June – Assisted HSCO with a hit and run reported at 146th St. and Lowes Way that left sb. RTIC located suspect vehicle utilizing investigative resources, and got phone numbers, address, and Flock photo for the Deputy, HCSO used the information, arrived at the address it was the accurate suspect vehicle.

For Love of a Lost Language



Branna (McCarty) Shores
Columnist

I am a Latin lover. Well, let me clarify. I know what you may be thinking. In actuality, I am of native

American descent, however, I have an incurable love for the Latin language. You know, the one that is “dead,” as they used to say back in my school days. Luckily, for once, I listened to that wise woman I call my mama. When I was a freshman in high school, she strongly urged that I take Latin class. But I wanted to speak the language of love, French! Mom so aptly advised that studying Latin would open up a vast world of words that would last me a lifetime. Now you know... my mom pointed the way to my poignant passion where the pen meets paper!

As a ninth grader at Noblesville High School, I not only learned how to dissect a frog in biology class, but I learned to love dissecting words. I found it fascinating to master a moniker by relegating its roots. Remember the brain game in your monthly Reader's Digest - “It Pays to Enrich Your Word Power?” Now simply called “Word Power,” it’s still to this day one of my favorite guilty pleasures. If I miss more than one or two out of a total of twenty, I’m mad at myself for a day!

and literature, I was lucky enough to serve as the editor of the Indiana JCL’s newspaper, “Veritas et Scientia.” Go ahead - take a stab at sussing out the meaning of that title! (Translation - “Truth and Knowledge.”)

And truth be told, I still found my way into four years of French classes with our fabulously fun teacher, Mr. Watson (lovingly nicknamed “Wally” by his students.) Learning French was a breeze with a literacy of Latin. I admit, one of my regrets in life has been not to learn more languages. When I served on mission trips in Haiti and the Dominican Republic a few years back, having a proficiency in Spanish would have been boundlessly beneficial. (One of my many “should have, would have, could have moments!”)

But bottom line, studying the mother of all languages has served me well. Thankfully, it gained me a high enough score on my verbal SAT’s to mitigate my minuscule math marks. I’ll never say c’est la vie to my fondness for French, but I’ll be a Latin lover for the rest of my days!

Branna (McCarty) Shores believes that “HOME is where your story begins.” A Noblesville native and proud graduate of NHS and Purdue University, she is a professional speaker, advocate for mental health and work / family balance and retired social worker. Branna is the mother of two grown daughters, six precious grandchildren and wife of one brave husband! Her passions include singing, writing and sharing the lighter side of life through lessons learned, both personally and professionally. She can be contacted at branna18@gmail.com

But back to my days at NHS, Latin was not just a class for me. It was an entire litany of opportunities. My teacher, Ann Hoggatt, offered many activities to entice our interest in this “lost” language. I joined the Junior Classical League (JCL) where our token togs were togas and we reenacted the ways of the Romans. Now a confirmed lover of Latin

Blind Loyalty Might Be a Lost Art



Tim Timmons
Columnist

We have, or maybe had, a rich history in this country of blind loyalty.

Whether it comes to family where siblings could fight like cats and dogs . . . until an outside stepped in. Then the siblings were united as never before and the outsider was in for a long day.

The same was true with our presidents. We could grumble and gripe all the live long day (to borrow an old phrase). But when it came to outsiders our attitude was “our president, right or wrong.”

Could somebody tell that to the Democrats, please?

Usual suspects like Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez, Chuck Schumer and Hakeem Jeffries led the barrage after the airstrikes on Iran. AOC called for impeachment (again) while Schumer hypocritically said no president should be allowed to unilaterally march this nation into something as consequential as war . . . never you mind when Joe Biden OK’d airstrikes in Syria and Iraq in 2023.

By the by, that wasn’t one strike, not two, not three . . . it happened four times: March 25, Oct. 26, Nov. 8 and Nov. 12. I don’t recall AOC, Schumer or Jeffries calling for Biden’s impeachment then, do you?

I keep saying this, but the world is upside down. We don’t have the space here to go into all the actions Iran has taken against us – as in capital U, capital S. Remember the taking of 66 Americans back in 1979? Remember the 1983 bombing that killed more than 200 U.S. Marines? Remember when the CIA station chief was kidnapped and killed in 1984? Remember the bomb that blew up a bus in Jerusalem in the mid ‘90s? Remember August of ‘98 when U.S. embassies in Kenya and Tanzania were bombed and more than 200 people were killed? Remember Oct. 7, 2023 when more than 1,000 people are killed and taken hostage in southern Israel?

Oh yeah, remember 9-11?

It’s not just that. The Iranians and their minions have stuck fast to the idea that America and Israel must cease to exist, be wiped off the

map.

Let’s be clear though, President Trump, just like President Biden, didn’t go to war. They authorized strikes. A strike this time that hopefully ends any possibility of Iran having the ability to produce a nuclear weapon.

To be fair, it’s not just Democrats screaming. U.N. Secretary-General António Guterres said: I am gravely alarmed by the use of force by the United States against Iran today. This is a dangerous escalation in a region already on the edge – and a direct threat to international peace and security. At this perilous hour, it is critical to avoid a spiral of chaos. There is no military solution. The only path forward is diplomacy. The only hope is peace.”

If it wasn’t so sad, it’d be funny. How much diplomacy, how much hoping for peace would be going on if next week Tel Aviv became a big radioactive hole in the Earth?

Regardless of how unlikeable Trump can be, the guy who wrote The Art of the Deal repeatedly offered Iran a seat at the table to figure this out.

Diplomacy and negotiating only work when you have two willing parties.

I digress. The point, dear friends, was blind loyalty, wasn’t it? The Democrats could learn a thing or three about it . . . and so could the Republicans. This time the Grand Old Party is on the side of the president. They weren’t so much when a different sort of Joe sat in the Oval.

All that bickering used to be OK so long as we came together when it came to outsiders. We don’t do that now. It’s long past time for the two major political parties to figure out they are all losing. They are losing voters, they are losing our trust and more than anything they are losing this Republic. Here’s hoping they remember that a little blind loyalty isn’t a bad thing.

Two cents, which is about how much Timmons said his columns are worth, appears periodically in The Times. Timmons is the chief executive officer of Sagamore News Media, the company that owns The Noblesville Times. He is also a proud Noblesville High School graduate and can be contacted at ttimmons@thetimes24-7.



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Previously Convicted Sex Offender Sentenced to 45 Years

Darren Ringenberg, 30, of Louisville, Kentucky, a registered sex offender, was sentenced to 45 years in federal prison, followed by ten years of supervised release, after being convicted of two counts of sexual exploitation of a child while required to register as a sex offender.

According to court documents, in 2019, Ringenberg was previously convicted in Kentucky of twenty counts of Possession of Matter Portraying a Sexual Performance by a Minor and was required to register as a sex offender for life.

Then, after his release from the Kentucky offense, in June 2023,

Ringenberg, using the Snapchat username “devil_hell6969,” communicated with a nine-year old girl living in Monroe County, Indiana and coerced her to send sexually explicit images and videos, threatening to hack into her social media accounts and remove all her friends if she did not comply. Ringenberg directed her as to what images to send, how to take the photos and told her that they could meet in person in the future. He also falsely claimed to be sixteen years old and would screen-record and save many of the images and conversations without the child’s knowledge.

After receiving a tip about his illicit behavior

online, law enforcement conducted judicially authorized searches of both Ringenberg’s Snapchat account and his residence in Louisville. Investigators found text messages, many of which were sexual in nature, between Ringenberg and various other unidentified minors, including the nine-year-old girl. Also located on his cell phone camera roll were many Snapchat screen recordings of minor victims engaged in sexually explicit conduct.

“Sex offenders often use manipulation and threats to sexually exploit children with utter disregard for the lasting trauma they inflict. I urge parents and guardians to talk to the children in their

lives about what they’re doing online and make sure they have trusted adults they can turn to for help,” said John E. Childress, Acting United States Attorney for the Southern District of Indiana. “I commend the FBI and the Bloomington Police Department for their work to seek justice for this victim and protect other children from this online predator.”

“This case is a tragic reminder that with today’s technology, predators can reach across state lines with a few clicks. While the distance didn’t help protect this child from harm, it did not stop the offender from being brought to justice,” said FBI Indianapolis Special

Agent in Charge Timothy J. O’Malley. “The FBI and our law enforcement partners remain committed to protecting children and holding offenders accountable – no matter where they are.”

The FBI and Bloomington Police Department investigated this case. The sentence was imposed by Chief U.S. District Judge Tanya Walton Pratt.


Acting U.S. Attorney Childress thanked Assistant U.S. Attorney MaryAnn T. Mindrum, who prosecuted this case.

This case was brought as part of Project Safe Childhood, a nationwide initiative launched in May 2006 by the Depart-

ment of Justice to combat the growing epidemic of child sexual exploitation and abuse. Led by U.S. Attorneys’ Offices and the Child Exploitation and Obscenity Section, Project Safe Childhood marshals federal, state, and local resources to better locate, apprehend and prosecute individuals who exploit children via the internet, as well as to identify and rescue victims.

If you are a victim of child sexual exploitation, please contact your local police department. Resources for victims of child exploitation can be found on our website at <https://www.justice.gov/usao-sdin/project-safe-childhood>

God bless you all... and every single wrinkle!

 There is a current estimate of 73 million people aged 65 and older living in the United States (2025). It’s a known fact that we are living longer these days, and my generation (The Baby Boomers) is projected to grow to over 95 million people in the United States by the year 2060.

That’s a lot of wrinkles!

soaking in the sink until morning! Who would want to steal my teeth, anyway? That’s not really one of my fears, until the next morning when I forget where they are!

Gee, is that dementia or Alzheimer’s setting in, we wonder (along with 7 million other older gems like us that suffer neurological dysfunctions). Did I take my morning pills yet? Now...why did I walk back into the kitchen? Oh yeah, the car keys! Wait, was I heading to the store? I can still drive!

You see, it’s not that I’m forgetful. It’s just that I have so much wisdom in my noggin, it can be hard to absorb more information at lightning speed. I can stuff more in there, perhaps at a slower pace, but I am happy to share what I already have. I just wish somebody would take the time to ask me!

Some of us have already surrendered to the fact that we may eventually starve, not due to lack of food (we don’t eat that much anymore), but we may starve by the lack of our ability to open the blasted containers that the food comes in! “Peel Apart Here” is a cruel label instruction!

On a positive note, we can keep a supply of scissors, pliers, rubbery, non-slip, shelf-liner pieces or a hammer nearby to help us open those stubborn food containers! (I’d use my teeth to open it, but they are still back in the bathroom!)

Or maybe a neighbor or a grandkid can help us open that pickle jar whenever they might stop by (maybe next week? Or sometime soon?)

Naps can be an option as we age; some days it’s necessary. Ice packs and heating pads are our friends.

We are forced to become quite humble as we age... or become bitter when we deny that the fountain of youth is not in our neighborhood anymore.

Physical pain can set in well before the forgetfulness. It can slow us down. We no longer keep up the pace like we used to, let alone run a marathon. Bones crack and creak. We fear stairs, look for

elevators and escalators in every place we go and walk and talk more slowly.

We cling to the hope of living independently yet fear isolation... or worse; being forgotten.

Some of us grapple with very frightening medical diagnoses from doctors we’ve just met.

We take medications we can’t pronounce or forget why we are taking them in the first place. Was the pink one for blood pressure and the blue one for my heart, or vice versa?

The phrase “limited income” frightens us at the same time we feel blessed for every little crumb we have, including our breath, our bread, and our heartbeat.

We laugh and we smile at some of our memories with friends and family from long ago, while living in the shadows of all who have passed before us. We grieve our losses.

Similar to the inability to control the weather, we have no choice except to get older and must ultimately surrender to our fate one way or another. But there are those among us that cannot accept this change.

Did you know that the group with the highest suicide rate in the United States in 2022 was the 85+ age group, followed by 75–84-year-olds? White men accounted for the majority of these deaths (almost 70%).

I’ve written about mental health parity for seniors before, which unfortunately, still does not apply to Medicare. Maybe that’s part of the problem for this age group, yet I see no positive change on the horizon. Hey, I’m lucky to see the horizon at all!

We have a love-hate relationship with “large print” and hearing aides as they remind us of our status. But there is a good side, too.

As we age, feeding birds and squirrels become more enjoyable than in earlier years. The birds ALWAYS come to visit—even on days when I forget to feed them. They are faithful...and so is our

loving God. He is always faithful to us.

Amid all the changes, we must not let the fire of faith burn out. God gives us a reason to hope for better days, and they approach on His schedule, not ours.

So...how does God view “old people” like us anyway?

In ancient Biblical times, mankind lived hundreds of years. Methuselah topped the list at 969 years old!

According to oldest.org,

“All of the oldest people in the Bible are from the Book of Genesis and make up the patrilineal line that connects Adam to Noah. These ten men are known as the Antediluvian patriarchs, as they were alive before the Flood.”

(retrieved April 9, 2025 from <https://www.oldest.org/religion/people-bible/>)

One of the starkest contrasts between youth and the aged in the Bible was between the young virgin Mary (Mother of Jesus) and Mary’s cousin, Elizabeth (Mother of John the Baptizer). Some accounts reported Elizabeth giving birth to John at 88 years old! I encourage you to read Luke 1: 11-45 for a recount of this information. God forsakes no one and hears all prayers.

But please hear this if nothing else. Even if you don’t pray.

No matter how old you get...no matter your age...you have value and worth and are LOVED.

Please, please, please... if the things of your life, including getting older- if your life is focused around constant worries, fear, anxiety, melancholy, depression, heartaches or heart breaks, including thinking about suicide--- speak up!

If you are hungry or hurting in any way...talk to someone! And don’t give up. Tell someone, anyone, until someone hears you like the persistent widow we read about in Luke 18: 1-6,

“One day Jesus told his disciples a story to show

that they should always pray and never give up. 2 “There was a judge in a certain city,” he said, “who neither feared God nor cared about people. 3 A widow of that city came to him repeatedly, saying, ‘Give me justice in this dispute with my enemy.’ 4 The judge ignored her for a while, but finally he said to himself, ‘I don’t fear God or care about people, 5 but this woman is driving me crazy. I’m going to see that she gets justice, because she is wearing me out with her constant requests!’”

6 Then the Lord said, “Learn a lesson from this unjust judge...”

Do NOT be ashamed! We are all human and each of us needs help from time to time.

Call 988 for any crisis 24/7. That’s it, just 9-8-8.

Call a trusted friend or family member. Call your doctor, a nurse, the local fire or police department. Tell the cashier at the grocery store. Tell someone you need a helping hand.

Personally, as a retired pastor and widow, I love to drive my pastor crazy. In fact, his invitation to join the United Methodist journey in a walk to Emmaus (which I’ve never done in all my life) fills me both with joy and trepidation because I am older now.

But I also must remember that God will never quit loving us. Nothing, not even old age and all that comes with it, will ever change that. I am as convinced as Paul wrote to the Romans 8: 38-39-

“And I am convinced that nothing can ever separate us from God’s love. Neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither our fears for today nor our worries about tomorrow—not even the powers of hell

can separate us from God’s love. No power in the sky above or in the earth below—indeed, nothing in all creation will ever be able to separate us from the love of God that is revealed in Christ Jesus our Lord.”

I am certain too, even in my advanced age, God continues to prepare me for something new.

And I am thankful because we have a loving God that looks beyond our wrinkles, deep into our hearts, to comfort and care for us. Every single one of us. He is no other way.

God bless you all... and every single wrinkle!

Whether old age, or baby fat wrinkles, or otherwise!

Note: If you see someone that looks like they are hurting, young or old, please take a moment to ask them, “Are you okay?”, then sit with them, even if just for a minute or two.

Help them to get the help they might need, yes, even to share a prayer.

Love others--- as you also-- need to be loved.

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