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■ TODAY'S VERSE

Isaiah 53:5 But he was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace was upon him; and with his stripes we are healed.

HONEST HOOSIER



Here's a tip of the seed corn cap to William Conner who passed away on this date tomorrow in 1955. Thanks for developing the land around the White River that we enjoy so much now.

■ HAMILTON HAPPENINGS

The Hamilton Heights Alumni Association invites all graduates of Hamilton Heights and its consolidated schools — Atlanta, Arcadia, Cicero, Jackson Central and Walnut Grove — to attend this year's All-Class Reunion Luncheon. The luncheon is set for noon on Saturday, Sept. 13 at the Hamilton Heights Activity Center, 420 W. North St. in Arcadia. This year's Honor Class is 1975, with additional classes recognized. It's a wonderful opportunity to reconnect, reminisce, and celebrate the legacy of Hamilton Heights. The cost for the luncheon is \$20 for reservations made in advance or \$25 at the door. Mail reservations to: HSHA c/o Colleen Starrett, 329 W. Buckeye St., Cicero, IN 46034

■ QUOTE OF THE DAY

"If you want something you've never had, you must be willing to do something you've never done."

- Thomas Jefferson

■ JOKE OF THE DAY

What does a house wear?

An ad-dress!

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Remembering Sheridan Summers in the '60s



Paula Dunn
From Time to Thyme

Recently, my cousin, the Dancing Librarian, and I were discussing how different summer was when we were growing up in the 1960s.

Unlike today's kids, we had three whole months of freedom from school to do whatever we wanted. We could get a summer job, work on 4-H projects, hang out at the pool all day . . . you name it.

That conversation led to us comparing our summer fun and I realized that the DL's experiences growing up in Sheridan were different enough from mine that they deserved a column of their own.

She brought up how she used to go camping with her Girl Scout troop in what is today Biddle Park. At that time the park was owned by the K. V. Elliott Post 67 of the American Legion and was known as Legion Park.

(The name was changed to Sheridan Memorial Park in 1970 after local industrialist Kenneth Biddle bought it and donated it to the town. Following Biddle's death in 1978, the name was changed again to Kenneth Biddle Memorial Park in his honor.)

Back in the DL's camping days, the park had a track where motorcycles and go-karts raced, a "Youth Cabin" where the scouts of

both genders held meetings, and two baseball diamonds.

The DL and her sister, Susan, got to play softball on both of those diamonds when a Girl's Softball League was organized in Sheridan in 1968. (I'm impressed that Sheridan had enough girls interested in organized sports to create their own league.)

Although the 1960 Centennial was unquestionably the biggest celebration held in Sheridan during the '60s (it went on for eight days over the July 4th holiday,) some popular annual summer events also took place there.

Each June, hundreds of people packed the Sheridan Community Center to feast on perch (or ham) at the Firemen's Fish Fry, a fundraiser put on by the Firemen's Auxiliary for the benefit of the Fire Department. The firemen fried the fish and the ladies of the Auxiliary donated homemade pies and cakes for dessert.

Another favorite celebration was the annual July 4th parade. Initiated in 1962 by Sheridan's Jaycees, it's a tradition that continues to this day.

The DL also has fond memories of summer visits to Dewey's Drive-in, where carhops brought your order to your car and the drinks all came with a pretzel hooked on the straw.

Of course, what would summer be without ice cream?

The DL spoke of trips to nearby Boxley and the orange pineapple ice cream she used to get at Boxley's little mom and pop grocery.

(After the store closed in the early 1960s, she was sure she'd never enjoy that ice cream again, but she was wrong. Not too long ago, she discovered that same flavor at Wilson's Farm Market.)

The DL's favorite spot for ice cream, however, was — and still is — Sheridan's Twin Kiss Drive-In. Getting one of the Twin Kiss' swirled chocolate and vanilla cones has been a rite of summer for her ever since she was a kid.

Today, sandwiches are also on the menu, but in the beginning it was just ice cream and root beer. The DL recalled the drive-in selling their ice cold root beer in kid-sized glass mugs when she was growing up.

The Twin Kiss is such a Sheridan institution that the DL's school bus driver used to treat the students on his bus to a small cone or drink at the drive-in at the end of each school year.

Those memories alone would be enough to

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Celebrate End of Summer at Symphony on Prairie

There's still time to celebrate summer! The Indianapolis Symphony Orchestra's *Kroger Symphony on the Prairie* season winds down with one last weekend of world-class performances, all against the scenic backdrop of Conner Prairie Amphitheatre in Fishers.

- Friday, August 29 - **Invincible: The Ultimate Michael Jackson Tribute Show** Celebrate the King of Pop on his birthday with this glorious tribute. Creator Darrin Ross brings talented artists from all over the world together to perfect his vision of a one-of-a-kind, transformative experience. With stunning choreography and unforgettable vocals, this is a can't-miss performance for Michael Jackson fans.
- Saturday, August 30 - **Voyage: Celebrating the Music of Journey** Fronted by vocalist Pedro Espada, whose range and tone rival the iconic

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DOZZZZING OFF?

County Most Sleep-Deprived in Indiana

Hamilton County is used to being first in a lot of things. Who knew that sleep was one of those though?

Apparently the folks at SleepJunkie, a resource for sleep advice. They surveyed 3,019 adults with a single hypothetical question:

How much would you pay for one guaranteed night of perfect sleep?

The answer, in Indiana found Hamilton County at the very top. From new moms to overworked professionals and those facing financial strain, millions of Americans are running on empty. They crave more sleep - but for one reason or another, just can't seem to get enough of it. But in a culture where productivity often overshadows rest, many find it difficult to prioritize sleep. The question isn't just who is tired - it's how much they'd be willing

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■ THREE THINGS YOU SHOULD KNOW

1. Gen. Steve Nordhaus and Brig. Gen. Larry Muennich signed a partnership with the Indiana National Guard and the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia under the Department of Defense's State Partnership Program. The partnership includes the Indiana National Guard, the Oklahoma National Guard and the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia. The Defense Department's enduring program pairs American states and foreign nations to enhance mutual relationships and promote defense and security cooperation objectives established by the United States and its partners. The Indiana National Guard's experience in disaster relief, domestic operations and overseas missions will support the U.S. government's ongoing diplomatic, development and security efforts to achieve shared goals. The program is designed to develop military interoperability and foster greater trust and cooperation with partner nations.

2. The historic Paramount Theatre, alongside Presenting Sponsor Community Hospital Anderson, is proud to announce Vicki Lawrence & Mama: "A Two-Woman Show" on Friday, January 16, 2026. Tickets are on sale at AndersonParamount.org. Lawrence is one of the most beloved television personalities of her generation. Lawrence was part of the legendary cast of the *Carol Burnett Show*, where she created her most endearing character to date, Thelma Harper, better known as "Mama." With some mature content material, expect the unexpected from Vicki and Mama.

3. A new study conducted by personal injury attorneys Injured In Florida reveals which states are most likely to experience fatal crashes involving multiple vehicles. Indiana ranks third, with almost half (46.85%) of fatal crashes involving multiple vehicles, while Montana ranks lowest, with only 28.09% of fatal crashes involving multiple vehicles. Nationwide, 43.17% of fatal crashes involved multiple vehicles between 2018 and 2022. After Nebraska, the top five are Delaware, Indiana, Michigan and Oklahoma.

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KNOW BEFORE YOU GO:

- **Gates open at 6 p.m. | Concerts begin at 8 p.m.**
- **Change of plans?** Tickets may be exchanged before the start of the concert by emailing iso@indianapolissymphony.org. More information regarding the exchange policy is available online.
- **Tickets may be purchased at IndianapolisSymphony.org**, at most central Indiana Kroger stores, or at the Hilbert Circle Theatre Box Office.
- **Patrons may bring their own food and beverages** or enjoy on-site refreshments, including beer, wine, and spirits.
- **Reserved seating, table rentals, and Huntington National Bank Sunset Lounge tickets** are available in limited quantities.
- Purchase tickets for three or more concerts and automatically receive a **10% discount** (only available online or through the Box Office).
- **Groups of 30 or more** receive a **10% discount** on tickets. Email groups@indianapolissymphony.org for more information.

Steve Perry, and backed by a lineup of world-class musicians, VOY-AGE transports audiences back to the height of arena rock glory. From the soaring ballads of “Faithfully” and “Open Arms” to the anthemic energy of “Don’t Stop Believin’,” every Voyage performance is a journey through the soundtrack of a generation

IndianapolisSymphony.org, the Hilbert Circle Theatre Box Office, or at most central Indiana Kroger stores. For phone purchases, call (317) 639-4300. Buy tickets to three or more concerts and receive an automatic 10 percent discount!

Also, patrons can bring their own food, drink, and lawn chairs into the Conner Prairie amphitheatre. Plus, non-reserved parking is free. Pack your picnic and bring your friends!

Purchase tickets at In-

As Usual, Media Not Reporting Whole Story



Tim Timmons
Columnist

I’ve written a time or three about the national deficit, the absolute evilness that it has become. Pardon me for dragging my soapbox out again, but our politicians (and yes, whether we want to claim them or not, they are ours!) have shamelessly and recklessly spent more than they bring in year after year after year after year . . .

Why? Greed. Corruption. Laziness. Inability. Indifference. The reasons are almost endless and not one – not nairy a single one – is a good look for any current or past U.S. Representative or Senator. Not. One.

Shame on them all.

OK, soapbox scooted back under the desk. . .

Let’s talk about a recent report that says these new tariffs the national media likes to tout as the greatest thing since sliced bread or a sign of the coming apocalypse (depending

on which station you tune in) may actually be making a positive difference with our \$37 trillion national deficit.

Brief aside – let’s leave Donald J. and any other hired hands out of it for the time being. It seems we can’t have a substantive discussion once this side or that is tossed in the mix?

This is not about them. It’s about dollars and our grandchildren.

According to a report from the Committee for a Responsible Federal Budget, the revenue from the controversial tariffs is more than \$100 billion in the last five months. Sure, that’s a long way from \$37 trillion, but remember what the late great Sen. Everett McKinley Dirksen said: “A billion here and a billion there and pretty soon you’re talking real money.”

The Committee, by the way, is about as non-partisan as it gets. It was created in 1981 by former U.S. Rep. Robert Giaimo, a Democrat

from Connecticut and former U.S. Sen. Henry Bellmon, a Republican from Oklahoma. The board of directors consists of business people and House and Senate budget committee members and some folks tossed in from the Congressional Budget Office, the Office of Management and Budget and the Government Accountability Office for good measure. It’s a 501(c) (3). Initially, it fought against an excise tax on the tobacco industry, but a little more than a decade ago started paying attention to our “red ink rising” crisis.

Before you buy whole hog into the notion that these tariffs are going to be the ruin of us all – raising prices and unfairly penalizing the rest of the world – consider:

- There were countries paying a lower tariff fee to the U.S. than we were charging them, creating a trade imbalance.
- If prices on imports go up, that opens the door in

a free economy for someone (in the U.S. hopefully) to build a better mousetrap.

- And most importantly, as the report says, the tariffs might actually slow and eventually reduce the federal deficit.

Is it the end all, be all answer for solving the national debt crisis. Nope. But maybe it’s a start. All I know for sure is that the insanity of piling up million, billions and trillions in debt must stop. If it does not, to paraphrase Dirksen, pretty soon we’ll be talking real money. Ours.

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@the-times24-7.com.

Beckwith, OCRA Announce Community Development Block Grants

The Office of Lieutenant Governor Micah Beckwith and the Indiana Office of Community and Rural Affairs recently announced 15 rural communities will receive more than \$10.8 million in federal grant funding to expand community facilities, improve water infrastructure and eliminate blight.

“These grants improve daily life in rural Indiana and create more opportunities for Hoosiers,” Lieutenant Governor Beckwith said. “Congratulations to the local leaders of these communities. Your work supports small businesses, creates jobs, and strengthens our state’s economy.”

OCRA distributes Community Development Block Grant funds to rural communities, which assist units of local government with various community projects such as infrastructure improvement, downtown revitalization, public facilities and economic development.

“It is great to see so many towns, cities and counties using the resources at their disposal to better their residents’ quality of life,” OCRA Executive Director Fred Glynn said. “Congratulations to the leaders in each of these communities. Your hard work does not go unnoticed and will have a lasting positive impact in your community.”

The Blight Clearance Program strives to encourage Indiana com-

munities with blighted properties to focus on long-term community development and revitalization through improving quality of place, generating jobs and spurring economic revitalization. Eligible projects to receive grant funding through the Blight Clearance Program are deteriorated or abandoned downtown buildings or vacant and unusable industrial sites.

One project is receiving Blight Clearance Program grant funding:

- Vermillion County is awarded \$500,000 to demolish three buildings in the Town of Dana that have had long-term structural stability issues, broken glass windows, non-securable windows and entryways, and exposed mold and asbestos. The project will eliminate environmental hazards, improve community safety and promote downtown revitalization.

The Public Facilities Program creates and expands community facilities that enhance the lives of residents. Eligible projects include fire stations, community facilities, libraries, museums, community centers and performance spaces that open doors to knowledge and ideas, culture, and enjoyment.

Projects receiving Public Facilities Pro-

gram grant funding include:

- The City of Auburn is awarded \$750,000 to assist with the rehabilitation of damaged masonry, deteriorating lintels, and windows and doors of the Auburn Cord Duesenberg Automobile Museum showroom facade preservation project. This restoration is an essential component in maintaining the safety, stability and functionality of the building.
- The Town of Silver Lake is awarded \$750,000 to construct a new community center, which will serve as a social and recreational hub through planned activities and programs. The community center will improve the quality of life for the residents and help ensure the town’s long-term viability.
- The City of Logansport is awarded \$750,000 to renovate the historic Logansport-Cass County Memorial Center, including improvements to building insulation, water damage and wood rot areas. The building will maintain its historical appearance and functionality as a community center.

The goals of the



Lieutenant Governor Micah Beckwith

Wastewater/Drinking Water Program are to protect resident and environmental health, reduce utility rates for low-to-moderate income communities and improve rural infrastructure to enable long-term economic growth.

Projects receiving Wastewater/Drinking Water Program grant funding include:

- The City of Elwood is awarded \$750,000 to make necessary improvements to its drinking water infrastructure in the Dulleville neighborhood. Improvements include rehabilitating water mains, hydrants and valves to better public safety and water system reliability.
- The City of Montpelier is awarded \$750,000 to make necessary improvements to its water utility system. This project will replace a leaking filter at the water treatment plant, replace failing residential water meters and install a Gateway system

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Want to know more at no risk? Join Dick and the Collette folks on a Zoom call. It’s scheduled for Aug. 13 from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Meeting URL: <https://collette.zoom.us/j/89717890584>



For more information contact Collette 800-581-8942 Refer to booking #1344002



PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE OF AUCTION OF SURPLUS VEHICLE TOWN OF SHERIDAN INDIANA

Notice is hereby given pursuant to Ind. Code §5-22-22-11 that the Town of Sheridan, Indiana (the "Town") will be selling a 2015 Ford Explorer declared as surplus by the Sheridan Town Council at the following Internet auction site that has been approved by the Indiana Office of Technology ("IOT") and linked to the electronic Indiana Gateway Information site operated by the IOT: GovDeals.com. The terms of sale are cash sale on an as-is, where-is basis with no warranty whatsoever and requiring a release of liability in favor of the Town. The price of the sale will be determined by the highest bid received.

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NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS REGARDING DETERMINATION TO ISSUE BONDS OF THE TOWN OF CICERO, INDIANA

The taxpayers of the Town of Cicero, Indiana (the "Town"), are hereby given notice that the Town Council of the Town, at its meeting held August 5, 2025, determined to issue general obligation bonds in an original aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$2,700,000 (the "Bonds"). The proceeds of the Bonds will be used to finance the acquisition and construction of various capital projects in the Town, and related and incidental expenses to be incurred in connection therewith and on account of the issuance of the Bonds.

The proposed Bonds will have a maximum term ending no later than twenty (20) years after the date of issuance thereof, and will bear interest at a rate or rates not exceeding 6.50% per annum. The Bonds will be payable from ad valorem property taxes levied on the taxable property located in the Town. Dated this 11th day of August, 2025.

TOWN OF CICERO, INDIANA TL22721 8/20 8/27 2t hspaxlp

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING ON SUPERINTENDENT'S CONTRACT Pursuant to Indiana Code § 20-26-5-4.3

The Board of School Trustees of Hamilton Southeastern School Corporation, Hamilton County, Indiana (the "Board"), being the governing body of Hamilton Southeastern School Corporation, Hamilton County, Indiana (the "Corporation") will hold a public meeting for the purpose of receiving public comment on a proposed amendment to its superintendent contract as provided by Ind. Code §20-26-5-4.3. The public meeting will be held on September 10, 2025, at 6:00 p.m. at the Hamilton Southeastern Central Office, 13485 Cumberland Road, Fishers, IN 46038.

This notice will be posted on the Corporation's website, along with a complete copy of the proposed contract. After the public meeting, the Board will consider the public's input, and then the Board anticipates it will vote on the proposed contract.

Summary of Proposed Amendments to Superintendent Contract The Board seeks to amend the current Superintendent contract by (i) extending the initial Term through June 30, 2028, and proposing a rolling 3-year contract thereafter, and (ii) providing the Superintendent with the opportunity to be paid for any unused vacation days, all as further specified in the Addendum to the Superintendent Contract. All remaining terms of the current Superintendent contract will remain the same.

Summary of Proposed Contract Terms All items reflect the current Superintendent Contract with the exception of the Term.

1. Term: The Contract will run through June 30, 2028. Thereafter, the term will be extended one school year on July 1, 2026, and then each successive July 1 thereafter, unless a party gives notice on or before the proceeding December 30th that the party does not agree to the automatic extension.

2. Actual monetary value for each year of the contract consists of a base salary in the amount of \$215,270 annualized. The Board, in its sole discretion, may increase the salary of the Superintendent on an annualized basis depending on the results of the Board's evaluation of the Superintendent. This increase may not exceed \$20,000.

3. Retirement benefits: a. 403(b) and 457(b) Plan Contribution: The Corporation will contribute the maximum contribution the Superintendent can make to each plan. For 2025, the Corporation's annualized contribution to the retirement plans will be approximately \$2,895.83 per pay period, as directed by the Superintendent.

4. Superintendent may participate in the Corporation's insurance plans under the same terms and conditions applicable to all other full-time administrators employed by the Corporation.

5. The Superintendent shall be entitled to 10 sick days, 4 personal days, and 20 days of vacation each year.

6. Life insurance: Superintendent shall have the right to elect term life insurance (in the amount of 2 times base salary) and the Corporation shall pay the premiums for said policy.

7. Automobile allowance: Superintendent will receive \$1,000 monthly as additional basic salary in lieu of an auto allowance or mileage reimbursement.

8. Technology allowance: The Corporation agrees to provide Superintendent with a monthly technology allowance of \$100.

9. Administrative Benefits: Any other benefit Corporation makes available to other certified administrative employees.

10. In light of the unique nature of the professional duties of Superintendent, the Corporation shall, at its expense, provide to the Superintendent a complete medical examination of Superintendent once each year.

11. Any appropriate, reasonable business and professional expenses incurred on behalf of the Corporation. Appropriate expenses shall include the cost of membership and participation in professional associations of school leaders, community organizations, and travel, meal, and accommodation expenses related to the Superintendent's attendance at preapproved conferences and activities.

Board of School Trustees of Hamilton Southeastern School Corporation TL22723 8/27 1t hspaxlp

LEGAL NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Alcohol Beverage Board of Hamilton County, will hold a public hearing at 9:00 am on September 09, 2025 at the Hamilton Co. Judicial Center v(Commissioners Rm), 1 Hamilton Square in the city of Noblesville, to investigate the propriety of holding an alcoholic beverage permit by the applicants listed herein. To watch the hearing, visit https://www.in.gov/atc/public-meetings/local-board-hearings

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DL2919343 Beer Wine & Liquor Drug Store RENEWAL KROGER LIMITED PARTNERSHIP I 9799 E. 116TH ST. Fishers IN D/B/A KROGER J 895

DL2921322 Beer Wine & Liquor Drug Store RENEWAL KROGER LIMITED PARTNERSHIP I 11700 OLIO RD Fishers IN D/B/A KROGER J 869

RR2995422 Beer Wine & Liquor Restaurant (210 1) RENEWAL APPLE INDIANA II LLC 8310 E 96TH ST Fishers IN D/B/A APPLEBEE'S NEIGHBORHOOD GRILL & BA

GREGORY G FLYNN 1726 N. POINT ST San Francisco, President RR2919971 Beer Wine & Liquor Restaurant (210) RENEWAL THE ALLEY LLC 13825 BRITTON PARK ROAD Fishers IN D/B/A PINHEADS

RR2930865 Beer & Wine Retailer Restaurant RENEWAL Bento Cafe LLC 9778 E 116th St Suite D Fishers IN D/B/A Bento Cafe

RR2930981 Beer Wine & Liquor Restaurant (210) RENEWAL Four Day Ray Brewing LLC 11671 LANTERN RD Fishers IN D/B/A FOUR DAY RAY BREWING

RR2933132 Beer Wine & Liquor Restaurant (210) RENEWAL I'LL DO I LLC 10410 OLIO ROAD Fishers IN D/B/A FOXGARDIN FAMILY

RR2935013 Beer Wine & Liquor Restaurant (210) RENEWAL CASEY'S PLACE, LLC 11693 FALL CREEK RD, SUITE D Indianapolis IN

D/B/A EDDY'S NEIGHBORHOOD BAR RR2935404 Beer Wine & Liquor Restaurant (210) RENEWAL 101 BK FISHERS, LLC 9708 DISTRICT NORTH DRIVE, SUITE 910 Fishers IN

D/B/A 101 CRAFT KITCHEN DL2931890 Beer Wine & Liquor Package Store RENEWAL TWG BRL LLC 12734 PARKSIDE DRIVE Fishers IN D/B/A BIG RED LIQUORS #224

KAREN WORKMAN 11537 CHARLESTON PKWY Fishers, Secretary DONALD M RIX 14356 JEREMY DR. Carmel, President

RR2938943 Beer Wine & Liquor Restaurant (210) RENEWAL HZ Investments, LLC 8235 E 116th Street Suites 240 245 Fishers IN DL2933739 Beer & Wine Dealer Grocery Store RENEWAL Family Express Corporation Location Pending Fishers IN D/B/A Family Express

GUS OLYMPIDIS 478 SCARBOROUGH Valparaiso, President RR2941673 Beer Wine & Liquor Restaurant (210) RENEWAL Sahn's Hospitality Group, INC. 7371 E 116th St Fishers IN D/B/A The Roost

RR2941737 Beer Wine & Liquor Restaurant (210) RENEWAL Sahn's Hospitality Group, INC. 11505 Allisonville Road Fishers IN D/B/A Sahn's Restaurant & Catering

RR2942271 Beer Wine & Liquor Restaurant (210) RENEWAL Texas Roadhouse Holdings LLC 12950 PUBLISHERS DRIVE Fishers IN D/B/A TEXAS ROADHOUSE

RR2942736 Beer Wine & Liquor Restaurant (210) TRANSFER Air Salon & Spa LLC 11691 Fall Creek Road Suite #150 Indianapolis IN D/B/A The Beauty Bar at Geist

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NOTICE TO BIDDERS AND CONTRACTORS

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Commissioners of Hamilton County, Indiana, hereinafter referred to as the Owner, will receive sealed bids for the following project:

SURFACE MILLING, PATCHING AND ASPHALT RESURFACING VARIOUS ROADS IN JACKSON AND WHITE RIVER TOWNSHIPS, HAMILTON COUNTY, INDIANA, TOTALING APPROXIMATELY 6.03 MILES CONTRACT RS-25-0003

Proposals may be forwarded individually by registered mail or delivered in person, addressed to the Hamilton County Auditor, 33 North 9., Street, Suite L21, Noblesville, Indiana, 46060, until 12:30 p.m., September 8, 2025. After 12:30 p.m. they can be delivered to the Auditor in the Hamilton County Commissioners Courtroom up to the time of the noticed bid opening. Only proposals from those CONTRACTORS who are registered on the Indiana Department of Transportation's current listing of Prequalified Contractors for item D(A) "Bridges: Highway Over Water" will be considered. Any bids submitted by CONTRACTORS not approved for this item on the list will be returned to the bidder unopened.

All proposals will be considered by the OWNER at a public meeting held in the Hamilton County Government & Judicial Center in Noblesville, Indiana, Commissioners' Courtroom, and opened and read aloud at 2:00 p.m., September 8, 2025.

The work to be performed and the proposals to be submitted shall include a bid for all general construction, labor, material, tools, equipment, taxes, permits, licenses, insurance, service costs, etc. incidental to and required for this project.

All materials furnished and labor performed incidental to and required by the proper and satisfactory execution of the contracts to be made, shall be furnished and performed in accordance with requirements from the drawings and specifications included in these documents. Copies of the Proposal, Specifications, Contract Documents and Plans will be available at the Hamilton County Highway Department, 1700 S. 10th Street, Noblesville, Indiana, beginning at 9:00 a.m. on August 22, 2025, and may be obtained for the non refundable cost of \$25. Payment shall be by money order or check and shall be made payable to the Hamilton County Treasurer.

Each proposal must be enclosed in a sealed envelope with the county supplied sealed bid notice, bearing the title of the project, bid opening date and the name and address of the bidder firmly affixed. The bidder shall affix identifying tabs to the following sheets of each proposal:

Table with 2 columns: Form/Item and Description. Items include Form96, Highway Construction Contract, Non-Collusion Affidavit, Bid Bond, Financial Statement, Employment Eligibility Verification Certification, Receipt of Addendum (If Applicable), Itemized Proposal.

Each individual proposal shall be accompanied by a certified check or acceptable Bidder's Bond, made payable to the Hamilton County Auditor, in a sum of not less than ten percent of the total amount of the proposal, which check or bond will be held by the said Hamilton County Auditor as evidence that the bidder will, if awarded a contract, enter into the same with the OWNER upon notification from him to do so within ten days of said notification. Failure to execute the contract and to furnish performance bond to Hamilton County, Indiana, will be cause for forfeiture of the amount of money represented by the certified check, or bidder's bond, as and for liquidated damages. Form 96, as prescribed by the Indiana State Board of Accounts, shall be properly completed, and submitted with bid proposals. The Commissioners at their discretion reserve the right to waive any and all informalities in the bidding. All bids submitted shall be valid for 90 days from the opening of the bids.

Todd E. Cleveenger Hamilton County Auditor Dated: August 11, 2025 TL22713 8/20 8/27 2t hspaxlp

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DL2920505 Beer & Wine Dealer Grocery Store RENEWAL ALDI (INDIANA) LP 16971 CLOVER RD Noblesville IN D/B/A ALDI 09

DAVID BEHM 209 S. FAIRFIELD AVE Elmhurst, President BRENT LAUBAUGH 701 FORREST AVE Geneva, President

DAVID J RINALDO 680 Lenox Rd Glen Ellyn, President RR2997426 Beer Wine & Liquor Restaurant (210) RENEWAL APPLE INDIANA I LLC 17801 FOUNDATION DR Noblesville IN D/B/A APPLEBEE'S NEIGHBORHOOD GRILL & BA

RONALD S IGARASHI 920 EASTLAKE Eastlake, Secretary RR2927298 Beer & Wine Retailer Restaurant RENEWAL EL PALENQUE #1 LLC 2313 CONNER ST. Noblesville IN D/B/A EL PALANQUE #1

RR2930305 Beer Wine & Liquor Restaurant (210) RENEWAL MONCLOVA AND SONS INC. 20805 HAGUE RD. Noblesville IN D/B/A RIO GRANDE FRESH MEXICAN GRILL

JAVIER A MONCLOVA 5445 DOLLAR FORGE CT. Indianapolis, Secretary JAVIER A MONCLOVA 5445 DOLLAR FORGE CT. Indianapolis, President

RR2934131 Beer Wine & Liquor Restaurant (210) RENEWAL KOTO ENTERPRISE INC. 13398 TEGLER DRIVE Noblesville IN D/B/A KOTO JAPANESE STEAKHOUSE

DANIEL LIU 4308 Andover Parkway Westfield, President TIAN KAI DONG 136 CARRIAGE LANE Georgetown, Secretary

DL2931993 Beer & Wine Dealer Grocery Store RENEWAL Ajay Petroleum Inc 2299 Greenfield Avenue Noblesville IN D/B/A AJ Quick Mart

KIRANDEEP KAUR 9742 Summerlakes Dr. Carmel, President RR2937627 Beer & Wine Retailer Restaurant RENEWAL ZEN RAMEN SUSHI INC 14741 HAZEL DELL CROSSING, SUITE 500 Noblesville IN

D/B/A ZEN RAMEN AND SUSHI Hendry T Tan 1116 Cortland Ln Westfield, President

TITUS DJAP 976 STANDING DEER DR. Silt, President STEVEN TJOENG 10630 lantern rd apt 14204 fishers, President

DL2932924 Beer & Wine Dealer Grocery Store RENEWAL Singh Bros Oil, Inc Location Pending Noblesville IN RR2941336 Beer Wine & Liquor River & Lake RENEWAL Chapter, LLC 996 Conner Street Noblesville IN

DL2934235 Beer & Wine Dealer Grocery Store TRANSFER Wawa Midwest, LLC 14563 Howe Rd Noblesville IN D/B/A WaWa Store #7417

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LEGAL NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Alcohol Beverage Board of Hamilton County, will hold a public hearing at 9:00 am on September 09, 2025 at the Hamilton Co. Judicial Center v(Commissioners Rm), 1 Hamilton Square in the city of Noblesville, to investigate the propriety of holding an alcoholic beverage permit by the applicants listed herein. To watch the hearing, visit https://www.in.gov/atc/public-meetings/local-board-hearings

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RR2993286 Beer Wine & Liquor Restaurant (210 1) RENEWAL APPLE INDIANA II, LLC 14711 US 31 NORTH (WESTFIELD) Carmel IN

D/B/A APPLEBEE'S RONALD S IGARASHI 920 EASTLAKE DR. Eastlake, Secretary

DL2922627 Beer Wine & Liquor Drug Store RENEWAL KROGER LIMITED PARTNERSHIP I 150 W 161ST STREET Westfield IN

D/B/A KROGER J 970 DL2930189 Beer & Wine Dealer Grocery Store RENEWAL ALDI (INDIANA) LP 14620 Greyhound Plaza Carmel IN D/B/A ALDI #70DAVID BEHM 209 S. FAIRFIELD AVE Elmhurst, President

BRENT LAUBAUGH 701 FORREST AVE Geneva, President DAVID J RINALDO 680 Lenox Rd Glen Ellyn, President

DL2924027 Beer & Wine Dealer Grocery Store RENEWAL MAC'S CONVENIENCE STORES LLC 1821 W 151ST ST Carmel IN D/B/A CIRCLE #4702281

Tara Leipart 1251 E Sunburst Ln. Tempe, Secretary Melissa A Duncan 8416 Duncan Ln Nashville, Secretary

RR2933589 Beer & Wine Retailer Restaurant RENEWAL KEDGE LLC 108 SOUTH UNION STREET Westfield IN D/B/A JAN'S VILLAGE PIZZA

RR2936840 Beer & Wine Retailer Restaurant RENEWAL THAI DELIGHT RESTAURANT, LLC 17409 WHEELER RD, SUITE 106 Westfield IN

D/B/A THAI DELIGHT RESTAURANT CH2930152 Beer Wine & Liquor Catering Hall RENEWAL Washington Park Cemetery Association, INC. 4180 Westfield Road Westfield IN

THEODORE E MAU, IV 5854 E FALL CREEK PKWY N DR. Indianapolis, President

DL2932859 Beer & Wine Dealer Grocery Store RENEWAL Aldi (Indiana) L.P. 54 E. Spring Mill Pointe Dr. Westfield IN D/B/A Aldi

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DAVID J RINALDO 680 Lenox Rd Glen Ellyn, President RR2942141 Beer Wine & Liquor Restaurant (210) TRANSFER Polizzi Family L.L.P. Location Pending Westfield IN

RR2942752 Beer & Wine Retailer Restaurant NEW Ben's BBQ Shack LLC 1000 East 181st Street Westfield IN D/B/A Ben's BBQ Shack

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STATE OF INDIANA) IN THE HAMILTON SUPERIOR COURT #3) SS:

COUNTY OF HAMILTON) CAUSE NO. 29D03-2507-MF-008338 Fifth Third Bank N.A.

Plaintiff, vs. Amritpal S. Sarai, et al. Defendants.

NOTICE OF SUIT SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION

TO: The Unknown heirs devisees, legatees, beneficiaries of Roderick D. Shaw, and their unknown creditors; and, the unknown executor, administrator, or personal representative of the estate of Roderick D. Shaw: BE IT KNOWN, that Fifth Third Bank N.A., the above-named Plaintiff, by its attorney, J. Dustin Smith, has filed in the office of the Clerk of the Hamilton Superior Court #3 its Complaint against Defendant The Unknown heirs devisees, legatees, beneficiaries of Roderick D. Shaw, and their unknown creditors; and, the unknown executor, administrator, or personal representative of the estate of Roderick D. Shaw, and their unknown creditors; and, the unknown executor, administrator, or personal representative of the estate of Roderick D. Shaw, 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 73 in Avalon of Fishers Section Four C Secondary Plat, an Addition to the Town of Fishers, Hamilton County, Indiana, as per plat thereof recorded August 31, 2011 as Instrument No. 2011042048 in Plat Cabinet 4, Slide 716, in the Office of the Recorder of Hamilton County, Indiana.

commonly known as 12802 Thames Drive, Fishers, IN 46037. 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 Superior Court #3 J. Dustin Smith (29493-06) Stephanie A. Reinhart (25071-06) Nicholas M. Smith (31800-15) Chris Wiley (26936-10) Attorneys for Plaintiff MDK LEGAL P.O. Box 165028 Columbus OH 43216-5028 Telephone: 614-220-5611 Facsimile: 614-220-5613 Email: sef-JDSmith@mdklegal.com

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APC Public Notice

This notice is to inform you of a meeting to be held by the Town of Sheridan Advisory Plan Commission on August 28, 2025, 6:30 PM, at the Sheridan Community Center, 300 E. 6th Street, Sheridan. Non-hearing items:

a. Order Approving RDC Declaratory Resolution and Economic Development Plan Amending Webster Economic Development Area Written suggestions or objections may be submitted to the Sheridan Planning and Development Department at or before such a meeting held by the Town of Sheridan Advisory Plan Commission. People interested in presenting their views in person written or verbally shall have the opportunity to do so at the above-mentioned time and place. Agenda items may be continued from time to time as found necessary by the APC. The agenda may also be viewed online at www.Sheridan.IN.gov.

Sheridan Advisory Plan Commission Jennifer Miller, Secretary TL22724 8/27 1t hspaxlp

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DL2997231 Beer & Wine Dealer Grocery Store RENEWAL World Market, LLC 2200 E 116TH ST Carmel IN D/B/A COST PLUS WORLD MARKET

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RR2921997 Beer & Wine Retailer Restaurant RENEWAL BAZ 3, INC. 111 W. MAIN ST., SUITE 155 Carmel IN D/B/A BAZBEAUX

JEFF BERMAN 1021 W 52ND ST Indianapolis, President JEFF BERMAN 1021 W 52ND ST Indianapolis, Secretary

RR2926216 Beer & Wine Retailer Restaurant RENEWAL LASER FLASH, INC 617 THIRD AVENUE SW Carmel IN D/B/A LASER FLASH

PETER MICHAEL MURPHY 235 HALDALE DRIVE Carmel, President MARGARET ANN MURPHY 235 HALDALE DR. Carmel, Secretary

DL2925094 Beer & Wine Dealer Grocery Store RENEWAL SPEEDWAY LLC 1005 S. PERU ST. Cicero IN D/B/A SPEEDWAY # 8034

DAVID SELTZER 3200 HACKBERRY ROAD Irving, President JENNIFER MENDOLA 3200 HACKBERRY ROAD Irving, Secretary

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RR2933527 Beer & Wine Retailer Restaurant RENEWAL CAPITAL CITY KITCHEN LLC Location Pending Carmel IN D/B/A CAPITAL CITY KITCHEN

RR2934421 Beer & Wine Retailer Restaurant RENEWAL JUNIPER ON MAIN, INC. 110 E MAIN STREET Carmel IN D/B/A JUNIPER ON MAIN

KENNETH M KELTNER 3530 TIMBER SPRINGS COURT Carmel, President

DL2931460 Beer & Wine Dealer Grocery Store RENEWAL ALDI (INDIANA) L.P. 10584 WORKOUT WAY Carmel IN D/B/A ALDI

DAVID BEHM 209 S. FAIRFIELD AVE Elmhurst, President BRENT LAUBAUGH 701 FORREST AVE Geneva, President

DAVID J RINALDO 680 Lenox Rd Glen Ellyn, President RR2929936 Beer Wine & Liquor Development Dist. RENEWAL DANNY BOY BEER WORKS, LLC 220 2ND STREET S.W. Carmel IN D/B/A THE GOAT

RR2936042 Beer Wine & Liquor Restaurant (210) RENEWAL SAVOR MONON & MAIN LLC 211 WEST MAIN STREET, SUITE 102 Carmel IN

D/B/A SAVOR DL2932171 Beer & Wine Dealer Grocery Store RENEWAL FEO USA LLC 834 WEST MAIN STREET Carmel IN D/B/A STACCO HOUSE BY MAMMAMIA

LUCIO ROMANI 168 aspen way carmel, President RR2938839 Beer Wine & Liquor Restaurant (210) RENEWAL College Plus, LLC Location Pending Carmel IN D/B/A College Plus, LLC

RR2939036 Beer Wine & Liquor River & Lake RENEWAL Don Rigo 2 Inc 7299 E 146th St Carmel IN D/B/A Don Rigo Mexican Restaurant

ALFREDO MELENDEZ 4292 W 186TH ST Sheridan, President DL2932925 Beer & Wine Dealer Grocery Store RENEWAL Singh Bros Oil Inc Location Pending Carmel IN

RR2938967 Beer Wine & Liquor Restaurant (210 1) RENEWAL Sheridan Greeks LLC 417 S Main St Sheridan IN D/B/A Greek's Pizzeria of Sheridan

RR2941227 Beer & Wine Retailer Restaurant RENEWAL Thai Eatery LLC 10895 N Michigan Rd Ste 150 Zionsville IN RR2941620 Beer Wine & Liquor Restaurant (210 1) RENEWAL Stellhorn Cicero LLC 109 W Jackson St. Cicero IN

RR2941722 Beer Wine & Liquor Restaurant (210) RENEWAL Estrella De Oro Mexican Grill, Inc 511 S Range Line Road Carmel IN D/B/A Estrella De Oro Mexican Grill

DL2934175 Beer & Wine Dealer Grocery Store NEW ATLANTA PETROLEUM LLC 29459 STATE ROAD 19 ATLANTA IN RR2942723 Beer Wine & Liquor Restaurant (210) TRANSFER Ninety Nine Tables LLC 13080 Grand Boulevard Suite 150 Carmel IN

D/B/A The Monks' Fusion Cuisine RR2942724 Beer Wine & Liquor Restaurant (210) TRANSFER Salt Dining LLC 11 W City Center Drive Suite 101 Carmel IN D/B/A Salt

RR2942820 Beer & Wine Retailer Restaurant TRANSFER Cacaw Nation LLC Location Pending Carmel IN

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NOTICE OF EXECUTION OF FOURTH AMENDMENT TO LEASE

Pursuant to action previously taken by the Board of School Trustees (the "Board") of Hamilton Heights School Corporation (the "School Corporation"), a Fourth Amendment to Lease (the "Fourth Amendment") between

SLEEP

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Top 5 Indiana Counties Willing to Pay for Sleep:

1. Hamilton - \$151.6288
2. Hendricks - \$144.6912
3. Boone - \$140.0064
4. Johnson - \$133.4272
5. Porter - \$131.7888

Bottom 5 Indiana Counties Willing to Pay for Sleep:

1. Blackford - \$100.4032
2. Crawford - \$102.2976
3. Martin - \$103.0656
4. Perry - \$103.9616
5. Pike - \$104.8832

to invest for one night of perfect rest.

But beyond the dollar figures, the survey revealed just how deep the sleep crisis runs - and who's suffering most. Overall, Indiana residents say they are willing to pay \$122.09 on average for a perfect night's sleep.

Wake-Up Call: The State of Hoosier Sleep Most respondents admitted they rarely wake up feeling fully rested - averaging just three nights a week where they feel truly refreshed.

So what's keeping everyone up?

- Mental health issues like anxiety and depression top the list, affecting 22 percent of respondents.
- Physical discomfort keeps 19 percent tossing and turning.
- Late-night screen time ties with financial anxiety at 15 percent each.
- Work stress affects 12 percent, while noise/light and kids trail behind at 10 percent and 7 percent, respectively.

And while sleep is free, it turns out people are willing to sacrifice quite a bit for better rest...

Would you take a 5 percent pay cut for perfect sleep every night for a year? Fifty-three percent said yes.

• LETTER TO EDITOR

A Chance to Change a Young Life

Dear Editor,

We know we've asked before, but we're now in the homestretch for our remaining World Heritage Exchange Students—wonderful young people from around the world who are still waiting for the news that an American family will welcome them into their home this coming school year.

Opening your home, whether for the school year, a semester, or even just 2–3 months, can mean the world to a student who is anxiously waiting to begin this life-changing adventure.

Hosting is about more than providing a bed and meals. It's about sharing everyday life, laughter, traditions, and creating bonds that last long after the program ends. Our exchange students bring fresh perspectives and a spirit of curiosity that not only enrich their schools, but also leave a lasting

mark on the families and communities who open their doors to them.

Your kindness could be the gift that changes a student's life — and brings unexpected joy to your own.

Take a moment to discover the students' profiles — you'll find their fun, personal letters and can request more details if you'd like.

If you are not able to host but believe the opportunity to be valuable to others in your community, sharing this email would be greatly appreciated.

- New moms - 25 percent
- People with mental health struggles - 22
- Older adults with insomnia - 13
- Burnt-out executives - 10
- Financially stressed people - 11
- Shift workers - 11
- Teachers and caregivers - 7

“Sleep has become a luxury item - and for millions, it's one they can't afford to lose,” says Kristina Hinds at Sleep-Junkie. “Whether it's due to mental health struggles, money stress, or modern distractions, this data highlights a clear need to prioritize rest as a pillar of health. Because when we sleep better, we live better.”

We would love to hear from you at +1 800 888 9040 or by email at info@world-heritage.

Debbie Garbon

*Program Director,
World Heritage International Student Exchange Program*

GRANTS

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to receive data from the water meters. The water treatment plant will return to full capacity and increase water use efficiency for its customers.

- The Town of St. Joe is awarded \$750,000 to make necessary improvements to its water distribution system. The project will replace remaining asbestos cement water mains throughout portions of the town, install water main looping on the north side of the system and install new fire hydrants. This project will increase efficiency of water utility service, improve water quality and enhance resident safety.
- The Town of Syracuse is awarded \$700,000 to improve its water utility infrastructure system along Huntington Street and adjacent side streets. The water improvement project will replace the undersized and deteriorating water supply lines and gooseneck connections. This will increase treatment capacity, improve the system's efficiency and fire protection capabilities, and eliminate health risks.
- The Town of Michigantown is awarded \$750,000 to make necessary improvements to its wastewater collection system, which consists of upgrades to its lift station, pump, submerged attached growth reactor system, disinfection system and electrical system. These improvements will increase the reliability of the town's wastewater treatment plant and project the health of the residents.
- The Town of Otterbein is awarded \$750,000 to complete a wastewater utility improvement project that includes the installation of slip-lining in over 6,000 feet of sanitary sewer lines, the rehabilitation of 28 manholes and upgrades to the wastewater treatment plant. This project will increase the overall efficiency of the wastewater system and improve residents' health and safety.
- The Town of Birdseye is awarded \$750,000 to complete improvements to its wastewater system by rehabilitating man-

holes and mains, installing an emergency bypass connection at a lift station and dredging lagoons. This project will address critical compliance and health and safety concerns.

- The Town of Cynthiana is awarded \$673,500 to make necessary improvements to its water utility system. The project includes improvements to the water tower, meters, lids and valves to improve the system's ability to provide reliable clean drinking water for the community.
- The Town of Bloomington is awarded \$700,000 to make necessary improvements to its water utility system. The project includes improvements to the water tower, distribution system and booster station that will increase water quality and enhance fire protection capabilities.
- The Town of Cloverdale is awarded \$750,000 to make improvements to its water utility system, including upgrading the water treatment plant, booster station and water main in order to better serve the Stardust Hills neighborhood.
- The Town of Thorntown is awarded \$750,000 to make necessary improvements to its water utility system. The project will rehabilitate the community's aging water treatment plant and add an additional water well to efficiently provide quality drinking water to residents.

Funding for OCRA's CDBG programs originates from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's Community Development Block Grant program and is administered for the State of Indiana by OCRA. For more information, visit in.gov/ocra/cdbg.

Under the leadership of Lieutenant Governor Micah Beckwith, who serves as Indiana's Secretary of Agriculture and Rural Development, the Indiana Office of Community and Rural Affairs' (OCRA) mission is to work with local, state and national partners to provide resources and technical assistance to assist communities in shaping and achieving their vision for community and economic development. For more information, visit ocra.in.gov.

Dick Wolfsie: The Moose is Loose



Dick Wolfsie
Columnist

Warning: There was another case of food impropriety in the news. A popular frozen dinner option is being removed from ovens over in Scandinavia in another half-baked scandal. Families were waiting to feast on moose lasagna, but as the cheese was becoming bubbly and browned, food officials exposed that there was pork in some of these prepared selections. Everyone in Sweden is asking: What is pork doing in my lasagna? People in the U.S. are asking: What is moose doing in your lasagna?

Jews in Sweden, all 14 of them, were upset because the company revealed that the 17,000 portions sold contained one percent pork—which the company admitted meant the product was not 100 percent Kosher. Or as my rabbi would say, “Not Kosher.” The bottom line is that even though the manufacturer is pulling the pork-tainted casserole off the shelves, the entrée is still a favorite of many consumers. After all, who doesn't like pulled pork?

For the second time in two months, it's the conglomerate IKEA that is responsible for this food fiasco. Wanting to be proactive in this debacle, the company set up an 800 number so customers could, in their words, “lodge a moose lasagna complaint.” Everyone thought this seemed like a good idea except the local Moose Lodge, where they got a lot of prank phone calls.

IKEA is basically a furniture company that also sells frozen food, a technique to expand sales like the U.S. Postal Service's decision several years ago to sell safari hats and dorky shorts so you can look like your letter carrier. IKEA has a history of mislabeling products, once advertising futons as beds, a ruse that almost worked until people got them home and tried to sleep on them.

The details of the porcine-laced lasagna were first revealed by the Swedish newspaper Dagbladet. Coincidentally, dagbladet is exactly what a Ken-

tucky farmer says if he finds not moose, but a mouse, in his lasagna. One French newspaper scared the bejeebies out of their readers when they inadvertently mistranslated the story and Parisian diners thought there was meat in their mousse. Even hairstylists got the facts wrong and thought there was pork in their styling products.

Frozen dessert manufacturers were touched by the recall when Rocky Road and Moose Tracks Ice Cream began to generate a lot of Rocky and Bullwinkle jokes on the web. Even Sarah Palin, famous for her Alaskan commentary, tweeted that she could see Natasha from her house.

IKEA always thought there were sales opportunities for moose-related products and they hope this scandal won't depress the market. They are now looking at how to make a moose jerky. Which is like asking: How do you drive a baby buggy? I think in both cases you have to tickle something.

IKEA is not sure how to win back their customers after so many have suffered this unjust ingestion. PR experts found a snappy slogan they will use to promote the product to ensure people know the issue has been addressed. “You've got game!”

Of course, here in America, lasagna manufacturers are basically honest about what is in the product. For example, on the Stouffer's box in my freezer there are 54 ingredients listed—yummy stuff like sodium nitrate, BHA, BHT, disodium inosinate and disodium guanylate. As long as their entrée tastes good, I'll consume all of those chemicals, but I do have my limits. ANY WHICH WAY BUT MOOSE.

Dick Wolfsie is a retired TV personality, author, speaker, teacher and all-around good guy. His award-winning column appears here weekly. If you'd like to learn more about joining Dick on an upcoming trip to Costa Rica, go to this paper's website and click on the Collette Travel ads.

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PAULA

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draw the DL back to the Twin Kiss each spring, but she also has a personal attachment to the drive-in. When the Twin Kiss opened in 1956, her father,

Donald Pickett, the owner of Pickett's Refrigeration, helped install the drive-in's electrical wiring.

Paula Dunn's From Time to Thyme

column appears on Wednesdays in The Times. Contact her at younggardener-friend@gmail.com



Photos courtesy of Bloomberg Philanthropies

Carmel Police Chief Drake Sterling.

Carmel Fire Chief Joel Thacker

Carmel Brass Tabbed for Exec Training Program

Carmel Police Department Chief Drake Sterling and Carmel Fire Department Chief Joel Thacker have been selected for the ninth class of the Bloomberg Harvard City Leadership Initiative. These City leaders join Mayor Sue Finkam, who is one of 47 mayors from 17 countries and the only Indiana mayor, in the multipartisan professional management training program.

Established by Bloomberg Philanthropies, Harvard Kennedy School and Harvard Business School as a first-of-its-kind program to help close the gap in executive development for the public sector, the multipartisan Bloomberg Harvard City Leadership Initiative equips mayors and senior municipal officials with the tools and expertise to solve pressing local challenges, strengthen their city halls and improve outcomes for residents. All expenses

for participants are being covered in full by Bloomberg Philanthropies.

Since its launch in 2017, the Bloomberg Harvard City Leadership Initiative has provided training to 359 mayors and over 635 senior municipal officials across 41 countries.

"It's an honor to represent the Carmel Police Department and the City of Carmel in this prestigious program," Sterling said. "This leadership initiative provides a unique opportunity to collaborate with peers from across the world to help tackle complex issues. I'm eager to bring back new insights to better serve our residents."

Housed at the Bloomberg Center for Cities at Harvard University, the Bloomberg Harvard City Leadership Initiative brings together Harvard faculty, staff and students,

alongside experts from Bloomberg Philanthropies' global network, to work with the mayors and their senior officials over the course of nine months.

"I'm grateful for the opportunity to participate in the Bloomberg Harvard program," Thacker said. "It's a great platform for sharing best practices and learning new strategies. I look forward to applying what I will learn to enhance how CFD can increase our service to the community."

"Chiefs Sterling and Thacker's participation in the program will ensure that we continue to improve the way we serve our incredible community," Finkam said.

Sterling and Thacker recently joined 90 other municipal leaders in New York for the City Leaders program.



Photo Courtesy Hamilton Heights Schools

Twenty-seven Hamilton Heights High School students were nationally recognized by the College Board's 2025 National Recognition Program, marking our highest number of honorees to date. Their hard work and academic achievement shine a light on the power of perseverance and community pride. Addison Mann, Adalynn Gould, Abigail Martin, Lauren Happel, Chloe Westerfield, Emma Trees and Anna Monnin were among the students who earned this honor.

Heights Students Earn National Recognition

Hamilton Heights High School is proud to celebrate the 27 students who have earned academic honors through the College Board's 2025 National Recognition Program—the highest number to date! All students recognized are from the Class of 2026 and 2027.

Congratulations to the 2026 School Recognition Award recipients, Julia Bearman, Ethan Bravo, Jackson Cantlon, Callie Connolly, Austin Day, Stephen Duncan, Rachel England, Adalynn Gould, Lauren Happel, Isaiah Heuer, Simon Kuhn, Addison Mann, Abigail Martin, Anna Monnin, Connelly Schuster, Mariyah Sexton, Emma Trees, Chloe Westerfield. The 2027 School Recognition Award recipients included Logan Dickison, Ryan Hilton, Alayna Kauffman, Johanna Lecher,

Ayla Madara, Taylor Morrison, Aiden Poole and Lily Schuler.

Ethan Bravo and Mariyah Sexton received the First Generation Awards for 2026 with Logan Dickison and Makxliam Torres earning this recognition for 2027.

This prestigious program, available on BigFuture, recognizes over 280,000 high-performing students nationwide, helping them stand out in college and scholarship applications. Awards are based on achievement in College Board assessments, including the PSAT/NMSQT, PSAT 10 and AP Exams.

In 2025, the program offered three distinct honors: First-Generation Recognition Award, Rural and Small-Town Recognition Award and

School Recognition Award. The School Recognition Award is new this year, spotlighting top-performing students in every high school, including those in lesser-known communities.

"We are deeply committed to clearing a path for each and every student to take ownership of their future. We are excited that this program recognizes achievements of students across the country," said Amy Reitz, senior vice president of BigFuture at College Board. "With the highest participation in the program's history this year, we are proud to support these students on their future paths."

These students' dedication, resilience, and academic reflect the strength of our school community and the bright futures ahead.

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It's scheduled for Aug. 13 from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

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