

OPINION

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Sherry Brown

Jude 1:2 Mercy unto you, and peace, and love, be multiplied. KJV

Friends, some of my most favorite birds are the sweet little hummingbirds. I just love how they visit our territory and feeders in the Spring and stay around for a few months.

God is so amazing and I love how He created his precious little birds and how priceless it is just knowing how they migrate Northbound and Southbound. The mysteries of God are truly unspeakable. What a miraculous experience to see such amazing miracles in the earth! Amen. I woke up early one morning last

ENCOURAGEMENT THAT TAKES YOU HIGHER

Hummingbird Feud

week while looking outside my upstairs French door were a group of seven hummingbirds feuding over my one feeder and as I continued watching them they were zooming by all around for their dominant self-claimed territory. It was quite interesting to watch. I begin speaking to the Lord about this type of observation as I have seen this behavior in the past but what stuck out to me the most was how the hummingbird feud reminded me of how some people act as some fight for territory or for other reasons when all that needs to be accomplished is share some compassion and space with other people. The birds were so busy fighting when all they needed to do was just settle down and rest in

the opening spots on the birdfeeder and feed with other hummers. I noticed a couple of the birds were perched on the branches on my near -by pear tree just in waiting to feed. Finally, at one point 4 hummers eventually fed for brief moments. What people can learn from such small little birds. I love having a teachable spirit and I love how God uses daily life to educate an open heart that is eager to learn the multifaceted ways of God's depths of education even in the simplest forms! What a beautiful realization. The children of God are held to a much higher accountability of living and we all need to learn how get along and be filled with love for the brethren instead of being in strife over doctrinal differences and

petty carnality of foolishness that profits nothing concerning the gospel of Jesus Christ. Our world could become such a better place if the children of God would exercise daily examples of unity and love for each other and for lost souls. To be a practicing Christian one needs to daily live in love and authenticity showing the world the true Christian lifestyle without hypocrisy and the spirit of religion that places a heart in bondage to legalistic and carnal captivity. God created mankind to live peaceably if possible in the world but after the fall in the garden much chaos in the world has invaded lives on planet earth and spiritual warfare is a daily happening globally. In Jesus Christ alone we have the victory over all the forces of the

evil one. Romans 12:18 If it be possible, as much as lieth in you, live peaceably with all men.KJV.

When Do Hummingbirds Migrate?

Spring Migration (Northbound)

- Begins in late February or early March for the earliest species.
- Males generally migrate before females, arriving first to claim breeding territories.
- Most birds reach the southern U.S. (Texas, Louisiana, Florida) by mid to late March, continuing northward to final breeding grounds through April and May.

- Some species can take up to 6-8 weeks to complete the journey.

Fall Migration (Southbound)

- Begins as early as late July for some species, but most leave in August or September.
- Activity peaks in early September, especially for Ruby-throated hummingbirds at feeders in the eastern U.S.
- Migration continues through October, with the final birds crossing into southern wintering areas. This was taken from birdsnews.com.



Verse of the Week

Isaiah 43:7 *Even every one that is called by my name: for I have created him for my glory, I have formed him; yea, I have made him. KJV*

COMMUNITY

Harrison Memorial Hospital recognized with American Heart Association Gold Rural Stroke Care Award

The American Heart Association's Get With The Guidelines® – Stroke Rural Gold Recognition award honors hospitals advancing high-quality stroke care in rural communities.

People who live in rural communities live an average of three years fewer than their urban counterparts, have a 40% higher likelihood of developing heart disease and face a 30% increased risk of stroke mortality, according to an American Heart Association presidential advisory on rural health.

Harrison Memorial Hospital (HMH) is committed to changing that.

For its efforts to optimize stroke care and reduce gaps in rural health outcomes, Harrison Memorial Hospital has received the American Heart Association's Get With The Guidelines® – Stroke Rural Gold Recognition award.

Stroke is the No. 4 cause of death and a leading cause of disability in the United States, according to the American Heart Association's 2026 Heart Disease and Stroke Statistics Report. A stroke occurs when a blood vessel supplying the brain is blocked by a clot or ruptures, preventing blood and oxygen from reaching brain tissue. When this happens, brain cells begin to die. Early detection and

rapid treatment are critical to improving survival, minimizing disability and supporting faster recovery.

The American Heart Association recognizes the importance of health care services provided by rural hospitals, which play a vital role in ensuring patients receive timely, evidence-based stroke care. Rural hospitals participating in Get With The Guidelines® – Stroke are eligible for recognition based on performance in key early stroke care measures.

“We are honored to receive the American Heart Association's Get With The Guidelines® – Stroke Rural Gold Recognition award,” said Kathy Tussey, HMH Chief Executive Officer. “Providing exceptional stroke care is a responsibility we take very seriously. While rural hospitals face challenges such as longer transport times and limited resources, our physicians, nurses, EMS partners and clinical teams remain committed to delivering rapid, evidence-based care that gives every patient the best possible opportunity for recovery. This recognition reflects the dedication and teamwork of our entire organization.”

“Every minute matters when someone is experiencing a stroke,” said Dr. Wesley Barnett,

Medical Director of Harrison Memorial Hospital Emergency Services. "Our emergency department works closely with EMS and regional stroke specialists to rapidly evaluate patients, begin evidence-based treatment and, when necessary, coordinate timely transfer to a higher level of care. Receiving the American Heart Association's Get With The Guidelines® – Stroke Rural Gold Recognition reflects our team's commitment to providing high-quality stroke care close to home and ensuring our patients receive the best possible outcomes.”

The award recognizes hospitals that demonstrate excellence in acute stroke care through performance on guideline-directed measures, including timely administration of intravenous thrombolytic therapy, efficient interfacility transfer, dysphagia screening, documentation of symptom onset and neurological deficits, emergency medical services communication, brain imaging and stroke expert consultation.

"Patients and health care professionals in rural communities face unique health care challenges and opportunities," said Karen E. Joynt Maddox, M.D., MPH, chair of the American Heart Association Quality Oversight Committee and co-author of the Association's advisory on rural health. "Harrison Memorial Hospital has advanced the important work of improving care for all Americans, regardless of where they live."

About Harrison Memorial Hospital

Harrison Memorial Hospital is a 61-bed, independent, not-for-profit community hospital located in Cynthiana, Kentucky. For more than 120 years, Harrison Memorial Hospital has provided high-quality, compassionate health care to the residents of Harrison County and the surrounding region. The hospital offers a comprehensive range of inpatient and outpatient services, including emergency care, surgical services, cancer care, cardiovascular care, orthopedics, primary care and numerous specialty services. Harrison Memorial Hospital is committed to improving the health of the communities it serves through exceptional patient care, education and community outreach.

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BREAD OF LIFE

Romans 10:8 But what saith it? The word is nigh thee, even in thy mouth and in thy heart: that is the word of faith which we preach. What if we taught faith? What if we taught that God's word is the truth? What if we believe the Bible, the full gospel of Jesus Christ? What if we believe I Peter 2:24 Who His own self bare our sins in His own body on the tree, that we being dead to sins, should live unto righteousness; by whose stripes ye were healed. What if we believed Jesus' little brother in James, Chapter 5:14-15 Is any sick among you? Let him call for the elders of the church; and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord. And the prayer of faith shall save the sick, and the Lord shall raise him up: and if he have committed sins, the shall be forgiven. What if we taught and preached that Believers shall lay hands on the sick and they shall recover? Just

like Jesus commanded us in Mark 16:18. What if we believed Ephesians 6:16 Above all taking the shield of faith, wherewith ye shall be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked. What if we taught that believers have power to tread on serpents and scorpions and over all the power of the enemy, and nothing shall by any means hurt you. (Luke 10:19) James 4:7 Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil and he will flee from you. II Corinthians 5:7 For we walk by faith, not by sight. II Corinthians 4:18 While we look not at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen, for the things which are seen are temporal but the things which are not seen are eternal. If we preach and teach and believe the Bible as it is written, we will have exactly what is written in the Bible.

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NOTICE

The Nicholas County Convenience Center will be closed on Monday, September 7th in observance3 of Labor Day and will reopen on Tuesday, September 8th.

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The Nicholas County Courthouse will be closed on Monday, September 7th in observance of Labor Day and will reopen on Tuesday, September 8th.

CITY OF CARLISLE
ORDINANCE 2026 – 3

AN ORDINANCE LEVYING CITY OF CARLISLE AD VALOREM TAXES FOR GENERAL MUNICIPAL PURPOSES FOR THE CALENAR YEAR OF 2027 ON MOTOR VEHICLES AND WATERCRAFT WITHIN THE TAXING JURISDICTION OF THE CITY OF CARLISLE SHALL BE THE RATE OF \$0.42 PER ONE HUNDRED (\$100.00) DOLLARS OF ASSESSED VALUATION.

Be it ordained by the City of Carlisle:

Section 1. That for the purpose of general support of the government of the City of Carlisle, and the payment of its debts and expenses for the calendar year of 2027, there be and hereby are levied ad valorem taxes on each one hundred (\$100.00) dollars of the January 1, 2027 assessed valuation by the Nicholas County Property Valuation Administrator of all motor vehicles and watercraft within the taxing jurisdiction of the City of Carlisle which shall be at the rate of \$0.42.

Section 2. This Ordinance shall take effect upon its passage and publication in full as required by law, with an effective date of January 1, 2027.

Introduced and First Reading:	Regular Meeting – August 10, 2026.
Second Reading and Enacted:	Special Meeting – August 14, 2026.
Signed by the Mayor:	August 14, 2026
Recorded by Clerk:	August 14, 2026
Published in full:	August 19, 2026

CITY OF CARLISLE, KENTUCKY
By: Ronnie Clark, Mayor

ATTEST:
Angie Lyons, City Clerk

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CITY OF CARLISLE
ORDINANCE 2026 – 5

AN ORDINANCE LEVYING CITY OF CARLISLE AD VALOREM TAXES FOR GENERAL MUNICIPAL PURPOSES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR OF 2026/2027 ON REAL ESTATE WITHIN THE TAXING JURISDICTION OF THE CITY OF CARLISLE AT THE RATE OF \$0.245 PER ONE HUNDRED (\$100.00) DOLLARS OF ASSESSED VALUATION.

Be it ordained by the City of Carlisle:

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CITY OF CARLISLE
ORDINANCE 2026 – 4

AN ORDINANCE LEVYING CITY OF CARLISLE TAXES FOR GENERAL MUNICIPAL PURPOSES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR OF 2026/2027 ON PERSONAL PROPERTY, OTHER THAN MOTOR VEHICLES AND WATERCRAFT, WITHIN THE TAXING JURISDICTION OF THE CITY OF CARLISLE AT THE RATE OF \$0.42 PER ONE HUNDRED (\$100.00) DOLLARS OF ASSESSED VALUATION.

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