

➔ TODAY'S VERSE

Isaiah 54:17 No weapon that is formed against thee shall prosper; and every tongue that shall rise against thee in judgment thou shalt condemn. This is the heritage of the servants of the LORD, and their righteousness is of me, saith the LORD.



➔ FACES OF HAMILTON COUNTY

People who call our community their own.

What makes Colton Kaylor smile? "He smiles most when playing outside, especially at local parks, and when interacting with animals (pets and at the zoo), and (when eating) cookies," said the then 3-year-old Noblesville boy's mom. He was found with his parents, Kenny and Ashleigh Kaylor, and sister, Makenna, then 1, and grandparents and uncle, attending the 2019 Conner Prairie Headless Horseman Halloween festival in Fishers. It was his first time at Headless Horseman. Favorite activity? Making the White River Monster craft. Favorite food? "I want to eat tacos." Favorite movie? "Toy Story." Favorite color? "Red." He likes to ride his bicycle and wear his helmet. He also likes to play outdoors and ride a John Deere Gator with Grandpa. Favorite toy? "Bulldozer." Favorite cartoon character? "Rolly from Puppy Dog Pals." Today's feature is a look back at one of The Times' previous Faces of Hamilton County. The Headless Horseman rides nightly, Thursday through Sunday, through Oct. 30 with haunted hayride, magic show, barrel train ride, 11-acre haunted corn maze, spooky shows, storytelling, Stevens Puppets marionette show, festival games, fortune telling, food, tubing hill and more.

And Another Few Things...

1. Plaza Trick or Treat

Trick or Treating in the Plaza will take place courtesy of the Westfield Chamber of Commerce next Friday from 5:30-7:30 p.m. Here are some details:

- \$50 booth fee to participate; proceeds will be donated to Family Promise of Hamilton County
- Space is limited to the first 50 businesses or organizations that apply
- Businesses and organizations must provide their own candy and 6ft table. 10x10 tents are encouraged but not required. Tent stakes are NOT allowed, only tent weights. Tent weights are required if you bring a tent.
- Electricity will NOT be provided to any business or organization
- Themed booths, decorations, giveaways, and promotional items are highly encouraged but not required. Trophies will be awarded to the best-decorated booths!

Visit westfieldwelcome.com/trick-or-treating for more information.

2. Board Opportunity

Are you interested in getting involved in the Westfield community?

Westfield Youth Assistance Program is searching for new Board Members with various experiences and skill sets. The WYAP helps youth in the community who face challenging life circumstances. They host several incredible events throughout the year, with their biggest fundraiser being the Yellow Tie Gala.

The WYAP Board Members help make all these events happen, as well as so much more. If you think you would be a fit for the board and have a few hours to give every month to help youth in Westfield, visit youthassistance.org/westfield.

3. Utilities Data

Eight Indiana utilities - including 5 of the 6 largest energy utilities - will share monthly data on disconnections and customer arrearages with the Indiana Office of Utility Consumer Counselor (OUCC) through early 2024. The following utilities will report the data under new settlement agreements with the OUCC:

- AES Indiana
- CenterPoint Energy
- Duke Energy
- Indiana Michigan Power (I&M)
- Northern Indiana Public Service Co. (NIPSCO)
- Community Natural Gas Co.
- Indiana Natural Gas Corp.
- Midwest Natural Gas Corp.

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Boomer Bits

Ask Rusty - How Do I Handle an Overpayment Notice from Social Security?

Dear Rusty: Things have gone good for me until now. I got a job and have enjoyed going back to work after being retired. But I just got some bad news - a letter from Social Security saying I owe them \$17,000 because when I went back to work, I earned more than allowed in 2021. They never mentioned that I told them I was going back to work! They now say they can't pay me benefits in 2022 because I am working. Good job SSA, since I told you when I went back to work! Anyway, I can't repay them all at once, I'm lucky to buy gas to get groceries. They list

Social Security Matters
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items for a waiver, but I am not sure what is best for me. I was planning on moving for health reasons, but if I paid them all at once I have nothing left for the move. I just started my research on how to handle this but hoped you would have some insight. Signed: Un-retired Worker.

Dear Un-retired Worker: Sorry to hear of the Overpayment Notice you have received from Social Security. Here are my thoughts: The repayment options

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7 Good Tips for Caring for Loved Ones from Afar

(Family Features) Caring for a family member or loved one with a serious health condition like Parkinson's disease (PD) can be a big undertaking and often takes a concerted effort from many family members and friends to provide the best care possible. Even if you're not available to provide hands-on assistance on a consistent basis, there are ways to provide aid from a distance.

PD is one condition that may have an impact on the entire family, necessitating a broad care network. The second-most common neurodegenerative disorder behind Alzheimer's disease, PD affects nearly 1 million nationwide, with more than 60,000 Americans newly diagnosed each year. Because it can be hard to tell if a loved one has the disease and no two people experience it quite the same

➔ See AFAR Page A5

Beware Medicare Enrollment Scams

Medicare open enrollment started Oct. 15 and continues through Dec 7. During open enrollment people can either adjust or enroll in a health insurance plan for the following year. The periods are different for different providers like Medicare.gov, Healthcare.gov and individual employers -- but the thing they all have in common is that scammers will try to confuse and mislead victims focused on selecting their plans.

How the scam works:
The Better Business Bureau is seeing a convincing phishing scam pretending to be an email from your employer. The message claims you need to review and approve your employment benefits policy during open enrollment. All you must do is download a form or click a link to read the details.

However, if you do so, you may be asked to share personal information, or you could even download malware onto your computer. Business email compromise scams like this have become increasingly common and sophisticated.

That's not the only way con artists are taking advantage of open enrollment season. BBB Scam Tracker has gotten many reports about scammers claiming to be a government representative who can help you navigate your Medicare or Affordable Care Act options. Scammers claim to be a "health care benefits advocate" or a similar title. These scammers allege they can enroll you in a better program than what you currently have. This new plan is cheaper, and you can keep all the same services. To get started, all you need to do is provide some

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Learn About, Give Input on Parks' Master Plans



BETSY REASON
The Times Editor

Earlier this week, Hamilton County Parks announced it's seeking input for two parks.

Being on the county parks' email and text list, I got the message before the news was published in the local newspapers.

Hamilton County Parks is addressing the critical deficiency of parkland here, as defined by the Indiana Department of Natural Resources, and is seeking direction of how these park properties can best be used.

An open meeting for the community will be 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Wednesday, Nov. 9, at Bray Family Homestead Park, off of Indiana 38, in Noblesville.

I encourage the community to attend. It's important that we all learn more and are able to ask questions and give input. The public forum will provide park development plans and discussion of potential recreational activities, amenities and programs that will be considered. Traditional park offerings, such as trails and shelters, will be discussed, along with other in-

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➔ HONEST HOOSIER

Looking for something to do today? Heck, look around! Indiana may be the best state in the country for fall festivals!

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➔ TODAY'S HEALTH TIP

It's a myth that older people need less sleep. Today's health tip was brought to you by Dr. John Roberts. Be sure to catch his column each week in The Times and online at www.thetimes24-7.com.

➔ OBITUARIES

- Annabel Brooks
- Joseph Paul Druckemiller
- Amber Elizabeth Miller

➔ TODAY'S QUOTE

"A person should always choose a costume which is in direct contrast to her own personality."
- Lucy Van Pelt, It's the Great Pumpkin, Charlie Brown

➔ TODAY'S JOKE

Why did the game warden arrest the ghost? He didn't have a haunting license.

The Times appreciates all our customers. Today, we'd like to personally thank **JAMES HIGGINS** for subscribing!



The Daily Almanac



Sunrise/Sunset
RISE: 8:02 a.m.
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HIGH: 76 °F
LOW: 50 °F



- Today is...
 - 'Clean up the Earth' Day
 - National Nut Day
 - Smart is Cool Day



What Happened On This Day

- 1797 André-Jacques Garnerin makes the first recorded parachute jump, from 3,300 ft. above Paris
- 1947 The Kashmir conflict between India and Pakistan begins
- 1962 President Kennedy announces that spy planes have discovered Soviet nuclear weapons in Cuba and orders a naval quarantine of the island



Births On This Day

- 1949 Arsène Wenger French footballer and manager
- 1973 Ichiro Suzuki Japanese baseball player

Deaths On This Day

- 1906 Paul Cézanne French painter
- 2002 Richard Helms American diplomat and 8th Director of Central Intelligence

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70 THUNNY AND BREEZY	50/76 LOTS OF SUN	55/78 BREEZY WITH LIGHT RAIN	58/76 CLOUDY POSSIBLE	55/70 B.R. CLOUDS	50/62 CHANGE FOR RAIN	45/60 COOLER
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➔ OBITUARIES

Annabel Brooks

June 9, 1941-October 20, 2022

Annabel Brooks, 81, of Noblesville, passed away on Thursday, Oct. 20, 2022 at her home.

She was born on June 9, 1941 to Charles and Gertie (Story) Boatwright in Tusculumbia, Alabama.

Mrs. Brooks was a homemaker who enjoyed camping, bowling, gardening, and watching game shows on the Game Show Network, especially Jeopardy. She was extremely kind-hearted and never knew a stranger. Most of all, she loved spending time with her family and enjoyed large family holiday gatherings.

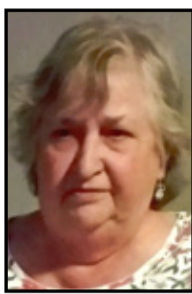
Survivors include her husband R.C. Brooks; daughter Cathy Brooks (Gary White); three sons Mark Brooks (Carol Montgomery), Michael Brooks (Jaime Day) and Shawn (Tisha) Brooks; nine grandchildren Brian Brooks, Jason (Ashley) Brooks, Kristin (Austin) Morrow, Arianna Brooks, Mark (Jule) Brooks Jr., Tia Brooks, Randy Brooks, Colin Brooks and Cameron Brooks; nine great-grandchildren Abbie Brooks, Chloe Brooks, Alexis Brooks, Teegan White, Logan Morrow, Kaiden Brooks, Kaysee Brooks, Lyla Brooks and Nakaiya Brooks; sister Julie Feltz; brother Laymon (Lou) Boatwright; many nieces and nephews; and many great-nieces and great-nephews.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her son Randy Brooks; sister Linda Fox; and her brother-in-law Ronnie Feltz.

Visitation is scheduled to be held from 12-4 p.m. on Wednesday, Oct. 26, 2022 at Randall & Roberts Funeral Home, 1150 Logan Street in Noblesville.

Memorial contributions may be made to American Cancer Society, PO Box 681405, Indianapolis, Ind. 46268-1405 (cancer.org).

Online condolences may be made at randallroberts.com.



Joseph Paul Druckemiller

June 23, 1964-October 19, 2022

Joseph Paul Druckemiller, 58, of Noblesville, passed away on Wednesday, Oct. 19, 2022 at his home.

He was born on June 23, 1964 to the late Oris and Esther (Winters) Druckemiller in Van Wert, Ohio.

Mr. Druckemiller served with Campus Crusade for Christ (Cru) for 28 years, in both the US ministry as well as Power to Change in Australia. Working in full-time ministry with Cru as well as Grace Church, he focused on global communications, conference programming and production. He was an a cappella jazz vocalist and enjoyed traveling and living overseas for 20 years. Mr. Druckemiller had a green thumb and enjoyed growing his orchids and bonsais. He cherished watching movies with his daughter, and loved spending time with family and friends.

Survivors include his wife Alison Druckemiller; daughter Anna LeMei Druckemiller; and three siblings Jim (Rose) Druckemiller, Michelle (Mark) Finnestad and John (Angie) Druckemiller.

Visitation is scheduled to be held from 5-7:30 p.m. on Monday, Oct. 24, 2022 at Grace Fishers Church, 12450 Olio Road, in Fishers. An additional visitation is scheduled to be held on Tuesday, Oct. 25 at Grace Fishers Church from 10-11:15 a.m., with funeral services scheduled to start at 11:30 a.m. Burial will be at Crownland Cemetery in Noblesville.

Memorial contributions may be made to Project Main Street, 244 5th Avenue, Suite #2417, New York, NY 10001 (projectmainst.org/how-to-help); or ALS Association of Indiana, 7202 East 87th Street, Suite 102, Indianapolis, Ind. 46256 (webin.alsa.org).

Online condolences may be made at randallroberts.com.



Amber Elizabeth Miller

May 6, 1984-October 16, 2022

Amber Elizabeth Miller, 38, of Fishers, passed away unexpectedly on Sunday, Oct. 16, 2022 at her home.

She was born on May 6, 1984 to Larry and Rebecca (Conlon) McCauley in Indianapolis, Indiana.

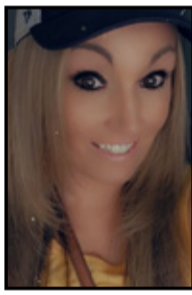
Mrs. Miller loved arts and crafts, painting, spending time together as a family, and laughing. She had numerous extraordinary attributes such as loyalty, honesty, giving, ability to forgive, willingness to help others and the courage to stand up for what she believed in. She was always extremely appreciative, and was just as beautiful on the inside as she was on the outside. However, Mrs. Miller's greatest attribute was her ability to love. She will forever be loved and missed dearly.

Survivors include her father Larry McCauley; brother Andrew McCauley; five children Lyrik, Chloe, Caleb, Noah and Savannah; and husband Kyle Miller.

She was preceded in death by her mother Rebecca McCauley.

A memorial service for Mrs. Miller is scheduled to be held at the Church of Nativity at 7300 Lantern Rd in Indianapolis on Sunday, Oct. 23, 2022 at 12:30 p.m.

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Noblesville Lions Supporting Prevail with Medical and Health Kits

On Friday the Noblesville Lions gave collected medical and health kits to Prevail. Jaleah Bond (above, left), Prevail Crisis and Intake Coordinator, accepted the donation from Lions President Gordon Resler.

Construction Crews to Begin Demo on Fishers City Hall

Construction crews will begin demolition of the former Fishers City Hall building, located at 1 Municipal Drive, on Monday. The demolition and site preparations will occur for the next several weeks.

The public is invited to view the demolition from outside the construction fence on the north side of the site from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Monday and Tuesday. A limited number of bleacher seats are available first come, first served. Viewers are reminded that this is an active construction site



and may be subject to unexpected risk by being present.

The City of Fishers announced in April 2022 the plans for a new city hall and arts center. The reconstruction of the municipal building is due to irreparable foundation issues resulting in building failures. Bricks and limestone from the current city hall building will be

preserved and incorporated into the new building and hardscape.

The new facility is slated to be completed in spring 2024. All Fishers City business is currently being handled at the City Services Building located at 3 Municipal Drive, just northeast of the current city hall building.

For more information, visit fishers.in.us/artsmunicipalcomplex.

About the City of Fishers:

The City of Fishers is a suburb of Indianapolis, Indiana, located in Hamilton

County, and is consistently nationally ranked as a top place to live. Under the leadership of Mayor Scott Fadness, Fishers is known as a smart, vibrant, and entrepreneurial city through its neighborhood development, dedication to supporting high-growth companies, and innovative city processes.

With a population of 101,171 (2021, U.S. Census Bureau), Fishers is one of the fastest growing communities in Indiana and has received national accolades for entrepreneurship, livability, and safety.



Photo courtesy of Carmel Clay Parks & Rec

The newly-renovated River Heritage Park is now open to the public. The extensive changes were made possibly by the CCPR Reimagining Parks Initiative and Clay Township Impact Program.

River Heritage Park in Carmel Now Open

River Heritage Park, at 11813 River Road, is now open for the public to enjoy. The park received a major overhaul as part of Carmel Clay Parks & Recreation's (CCPR) Reimagining Parks initiative and the Clay Township Impact Program.

In 2001, River Heritage Park's accessible playground was dedicated as "Everybody's Playground." When the park was reimagined in 2022, the focus on inclusion remained a top priority. The park's updates focus on accessible play and providing access to the community's most significant natural

resource: the White River. "We've created a nature trail to our community's most significant natural resource - the White River," said Michael Klitzing CCPR Executive Director.

"It's very easy for people to use by intention. Whether you are walking, in a wheelchair, or pushing a stroller, it is a place all members of the public can go out and enjoy."

Inclusive Playground Features:

The park's new playground has two main sections: the front pod, which is located at the entrance of the park, and the back trail, which winds through

the wooded areas extending toward the White River.

Both sections include play features that are wheelchair accessible, including a swing and merry-go-round. Play experiences along the back trail provide options for parkgoers with varying levels of mobility and body strength, including zip lines, climbing structures and more.

Wheelchair Accessible Nature Trail:

A looping nature trail invites parkgoers on an adventure through the forest and along the White River. The unique trail has a hard, rubberized surface

and boardwalks that are wheelchair friendly.

White River Overlooks:

Two new overlooks offer tranquil viewing of the White River. The structures are wheelchair friendly and feature foot railings for safety and unobstructed viewing.

Updates to River Heritage Park were made possible by the Clay Township Impact Program.

A ribbon-cutting ceremony with local officials and dignitaries will be held at a later date. Information will be posted on CCPR's social media channels (@CarmelClayParks).

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➔ Meeting Notes

Noblesville Common Council

Meeting Agenda
 Tuesday, Oct. 25, 2022
 at 7 p.m.
 City Hall - Council Chamber

1. Call Meeting to Order
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Roll Call
4. Approval of Minutes: Oct. 11, 2022 Council Retreat
5. Approval of Minutes:

Oct. 11, 2022

6. Approval of Agenda
7. Petitions or Comments by Citizens Who Are Present
8. Council Committee Reports
9. Approval of Claims
10. Previously Discussed Ordinances
 - A. #21-04-22A Council to consider **Ordinance #21-04-22A**, an ordinance amending **Ordinance #21-04-22**, changes to

the Civilian Employee Personnel Policy Handbook (Holly Ramon)

- B. #63-10-22 Council to consider **Ordinance #63-10-22**, a Salary Ordinance for appointed officials and employees of the City of Noblesville for 2023, as amended (Holly Ramon)
- C. #64-10-22 Council to consider **Ordinance #64-10-22**, a Salary Ordinance for elected

officials for the City of Noblesville for 2022 (Matt Light)

11. Proposed Development Presentation
 - A. Council to hear introductory information for a proposed Residential Planned Development on approximately 27.5 acres containing 47 paired villas (94 units attached single-family) in the 7500-7600 block of East 196th Street, north side, behind the

existing homes and west of Hague Road, to be known as the "Retreat at Morse" (Attorney Matthew Skelton)

- B. Council to consider

- A. Council to consider **Resolution RC-48-22**, a resolution approving an Economic Development Agreement with South Broad Ripple Brewing Company LLC (Chuck Haberman)

Resolution RC-50-22, a resolution approving (1) a Declaratory Resolution and Economic Development Plan of the Redevelopment Commission the 146th Street/River Road Economic Development Area, and (2) the order of the Plan Commission related thereto (Riverwest) (Amy Smith)

13. Council Comments
14. Adjournment

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Westfield Lions Celebrating 92 Years of Service

The Westfield Lions Club will be celebrating its 92nd anniversary on Thursday, October 27th at the Friends Church in Westfield. The anniversary meeting will include a meal provided by the Westfield High School Foodies. The Westfield Lions were founded in 1930 with 20 charter members and is the oldest Lions Club in Hamilton County.

Lion President Rodney Benson said, "This is a special night for all our Lions. We get a chance to celebrate the numerous accomplishments of the Club and recognize members who have made significant contributions to the Club and the community". The Club

will presenting Perfect Attendance awards, a Richard T. Miyamoto Fellowship award, a Melvin Jones Fellowship award, and the Roy O. Hadley Lion of the Year award.

During the past year the Westfield Lions have been able to resume their service work in the community and conduct fundraising events to help raise money for the numerous grants and donations they typically make. In particular, the Club has continued to fund several scholarships for Westfield High School seniors, and has made significant donations to the Westfield Education Foundation's Teacher Grant program,

the Westfield Middle School's Washington, D.C. trip, the Westfield H.S. Foodies program, the Westfield Youth Assistance program, and the Dictionary Project (free Webster Dictionaries for all Westfield 3rd graders).

The Westfield Lions have also been able to make significant donations to Hamilton County's Third Phase Homeless Shelter, Open Doors Food Pantry, Heart and Soul Free Clinic, Helping Veterans and Families (HVAF), the Lions Clubs International Foundation's Disaster Assistance Fund, the Indiana School for the Blind and Visually Impaired, the Indiana Lions Eye Bank, the

Leader Dog Program, and numerous other organizations that work to make peoples' lives better.

About the Westfield Lions:

The Westfield Lions are a service organization made up of men and women that want to make a difference in our community. If you are interested in learning more about the Westfield Lions or joining the Club, go to www.westfieldlions.org. The Club will be holding an open house on Saturday, November 12th for anyone interested in becoming a member. The open house will be held at the Club's new clubhouse located at 1031 E. 169th Street from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m.

Meeting Notes

Noblesville Board of Public Works and Safety

Meeting Agenda

Tuesday, Oct. 25, 2022 at 9 a.m.

City Hall, Council Chamber

1. Call Meeting to Order

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Petitions or Comments by Citizens Who Are Present

4. Approval of Agenda

5. Bid Opening: Lift Station No. 9 Replacement Project

6. Consent Agenda

7. For Approval

A. Approval of Minutes: Sept. 27, 2022

B. Approval of Minutes: Oct. 11, 2022

C. Board to consider temporary street closures for the Michael Treinen Turkey Trot 5k Run and 3K Walk (René Gulley)

D. Board to consider write-off of unpaid debt at the utility (Jonathan Mirgeaux)

E. Board to consider acceptance of Warranty Deed for wastewater treatment plant expansion (Jonathan Mirgeaux)

F. Board to consider acceptance of Grant of Permanent Off-Site Sewer Easement for The Timbers, Section 1 (Odise Adams)

G. Board to consider acceptance of Temporary Highway Easement Grant and Perpetual Highway Easement for Little Chicago Trail over Morse Project (Sacha Lingerfeldt)

H. Board to consider release of Performance Bond for Monumentation and Common Area Sidewalk and acceptance of Maintenance Bond for Common Area Sidewalk for Flagstone Ridge, Section 2 (Sacha Lingerfeldt)

8. Contracts/Purchases Under \$50,000

A. Agreement with Pitney Bowes Global Financial Service for the lease of postage and shipping equipment (Steve Strycker)

B. Agreement with Fitness On The Square, Inc. d/b/a Little Petal Farm for design and planting of winter downtown flower pots (Brandon Bennett)

C. Services contract with War Elephant

Ironworks and Design for creation and installation of East Alley gates (Aaron Head)

9. New Items for Discussion

A. Board to hear an update on the Village at Federal Hill Project (Shaun Barcelow)

B. Board to consider amendment to 2022-2023 Meet and Confer Agreement between the City of Noblesville and the Noblesville Fraternal Order of Police Lodge 198 (Chad Knecht)

C. Board to consider a Memorandum of Understanding between the Police Department and the Indianapolis Metropolitan Police Department (Lt. Jon Williams)

D. Board to consider an Agreement with BlueSky for a Fourth Quarter Statement of Work (Emily Gaylord)

E. Board to consider an Agreement with American Structurepoint for communication services relating to the Pleasant Street Project (Emily Gaylord)

F. Board to consider placement of a dumpster in the North Alley for renovations to the Lacy Building (René Gulley)

G. Board to consider fines for unauthorized tree work (John Easley)

H. Board to consider Special Purchase of a combination truck for the utilities (Jonathan Mirgeaux)

I. Board to consider a Service Contract with SmartBill for credit card processing for the utility (Jonathan Mirgeaux)

J. Board to consider permanent sewer easement for Silo Ridge Project (Jim Hellmann)

K. Board to consider Professional Services Agreement with Avenew Roads, Inc. (EN-360-01) (Jim Hellmann)

L. Board To Consider An Amendment To A Professional Services Agreement with Crossroad Engineers (EN-321-01) (Jim Hellmann)

M. Board to consider permission for early morning concrete pours for the Village at Federal Hill Project (Odise Adams)

N. Board to consider extending the closure of Nixon Street for the Village at Federal Hill Project (Odise Adams)

10. Adjournment



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Noblesville and Carmel Lions Support Gleaners Again

On Thursday, Oct. 20, the Noblesville and Carmel Lions were at Six Point Church helping Gleaners distribute food to the needy. Above, Carmel Lions Matt, Lane and Bob, along with Noblesville Lion Joe Connerley (2nd from left).

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Ronald McDonald House Charities of Central Indiana Hosts 'Taste, Together' Gala

Ronald McDonald House Charities of Central Indiana (RMHCCIN) is hosting their annual gala, "Taste, Together," co-presented by McDonald's and Riley Children's Health on Nov. 4 at 7 p.m. The event, returning in person this year, will celebrate 40 years of RMHCCIN and benefit their mission to keep families together and near the care they need by providing a supportive home away from home for families of children receiving medical care at Indianapolis-area hospitals.

Proceeds from the event contribute a significant portion of annual revenue and help sustain the mission.

"Taste, Together" will include drinks, dinner and an exciting live auction. Attendees can play four pay-to-play games with fun prizes, and the iconic wine and Kendra Scott Jewelry pulls will return this year. RMHCCIN is also offering young adult

standing only tickets for those ages 21 to 40.

The dinner will feature elevated versions of some favorite meals enjoyed by families staying at the House.

This event is open to the public, but participants must purchase tickets by Oct. 28. To learn more about the event and to purchase tickets, visit rmhccin.org/rmhccin-events/taste/.

About Ronald McDonald House Charities of Central Indiana:

Ronald McDonald House Charities of Central Indiana is celebrating 40 years of providing a supportive home away from home for families of children receiving medical care at Riley Hospital for Children at Indiana University Health and other area hospitals. Located at 435 Limestone St., the Ronald McDonald House is just steps away from the hospital.

Each night, as many as 51 families call the

Want TO GO?

What: Ronald McDonald House Charities of Central Indiana's annual gala, "Taste, Together"
When: Nov. 4 from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m.
Where: 502 East Event Centre, 502 E. Carmel Dr., Carmel, IN 46032
Registration: The event is open to the public with ticket sales closing Oct. 28. Visit rmhccin.org/rmhccin-events/taste/ to purchase tickets.

House "home." Thanks to community, corporate and individual support, the House is open 365 days a year keeping families together when it counts the most. As part of RMHCCIN's expansive programming, families can also visit Ronald McDonald Family Rooms located inside Riley Hospital for Children at Indiana University Health.

For more information, visit rmhccin.org.

September Jobs Report Shows Employment Market Stabilizing

Indiana's unemployment rate in September remains at 2.8%, according to the Indiana Department of Workforce Development. By comparison, the national unemployment rate in September stands at 3.5%, compared to 3.7% in August.

In addition, Indiana's labor force participation rate held at 63.4% in September, remaining above the national rate of 62.3%. Indiana's total labor force, which includes both Hoosiers employed and those seeking employment, stands at 3,401,036 — a decrease of 707 from the previous month.

Private sector employment in Indiana increased by 10,500



jobs over the last month, translating to a gain of 93,600 jobs from this time last year. Indiana once again is experiencing a peak in private employment, which now stands at 2,773,600. Industries that experienced job increases in September included:

- Leisure and Hospitality (+3,300);

- Professional and Business Services (+2,200);
- Financial Activities (+1,500);
- Construction (+1,400); and
- Private Educational and Health Services (+1,100).

As of Oct. 19, 2022, there were 143,452 open job postings throughout the state. In September, 16,537 people in Indiana received unemployment benefits.

Individuals looking for work, training or career advice are encouraged to visit NextLevelJobs.org.

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personal information, such as your Medicare ID number. Of course, the call is a scam, and sharing personal information will open you up to identity theft.

A Danville, Indiana victim reported losing \$134.45 after being contacted by a scammer who he believed was from a reputable healthcare organization promising a better deal. "Scammer lied about there being a zero-dollar copay, and that I would be able to keep all providers. [Scammer] said I wouldn't have any costs and would not receive any bills if I switch over to this plan."

Tips to avoid open enrollment scams:

Selecting a health insurance plan can be challenging and complex. Be on the lookout for common red flags.

- **Be wary of anyone who contacts you unsolicited.** Healthcare.gov and Medicare do provide legitimate help with figuring out which plan is right for you. These people — sometimes called Navigators or Assistants — are not allowed to charge for their help. If someone asks you for payment, it's a scam. You will also need to contact them. They will not call you out-of-the-blue.

- **Be wary of free gifts and "health screenings."** Keep a healthy level of skepticism any time a broker offers you free gifts or other special deals. Never sign up with a broker who offers you an expensive sign-up gift in exchange for providing your Medicare ID number or other personally

identifiable information. Other times, brokers offer free "health screenings" to weed out people who are less healthy. This is called "cherry picking" and is against the Medicare rules.

- **Guard your government-issued numbers.** Never offer your Medicare ID number, Social Security number, health plan info, or banking information to anyone you don't know.

- **Go directly to official websites.** If you want to make changes to your health care plan, go directly to Medicare.gov, Healthcare.gov or your employer's health insurance provider. Don't click on links in suspicious messages.

- **Contact your employer directly.** If you receive an unexpected email about benefits policies, ask your employer about it before you click on anything to make sure it's legitimate.

For more information:

If you are unsure whether a call or offer is from Medicare, or you gave your personal information to someone claiming to be with Medicare, call 1 (800) MEDICARE to report it. If you suspect fraud when signing up for ACA coverage, go to HealthCare.gov or call the Health Insurance Marketplace call center at (800) 318-2596.

Get more tips from BBB on avoiding health care scams. If you've been the victim of a scam, please report it to BBB.org/Scam-Tracker. By sharing your experience, you can help others avoid falling victim to similar scams.

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they offered you are probably a) remit the entire amount in full or b) have your SS benefits withheld until they recover what you owe or c) ask for special payment terms because doing either of the above is a hardship.

At this juncture, you can request a waiver of the Overpayment in either of two ways:

- File form SSA-632, which essentially says you agree you've been overpaid but think you shouldn't be required to pay it back because it wasn't your fault (it was Social Security's fault because you notified them when you returned to work).

- File form SSA-634, which essentially says you agree you've been overpaid and want to pay it back, but you can't afford to pay it back in the manner they've offered.

I suggest you start by filing SSA-632, mainly because you notified them

in August of 2021 that you had returned to work and they, nevertheless, continued to pay you thus causing the overpayment themselves (see Section 3, question.12 of SSA-632). While I can't predict the probability of you having the entire amount waived, I think there's a reasonably good chance they may provide you with some special accommodation because the overpayment was, indeed, a result of their own inaction after you notified them you had returned to work.

I suspect what happened is that they simply neglected to act after you notified them, and then when they received your 2021 earnings data from the IRS, they found you had earned more than the 2021 limit, causing them to issue the Overpayment Notice. But their lack of action shouldn't result in a financial hardship for you, which is why I suggest you seek a waiver. Be

aware too that if your waiver request is denied you have the right to appeal that denial, including requesting a hearing by an independent Administrative Law Judge, or by the SS Appeals Council, or even in Federal court if desired.

In any event, while your case is pending, they shouldn't require you to repay them — they should temporarily suspend the repayment demand until your case is adjudicated.

Assuming you are still working full time, it's probable that your benefits are now suspended because your income is too high. FYI, you will later get credit for any months your benefits are suspended, which will result in your benefit amount increasing after you reach your full retirement age (FRA). Thus, you may be able to, over time, recover some of the SS benefits you've lost because of your earnings prior to

reaching your full retirement age.

About AMAC:

The 2.4 million member Association of Mature American Citizens [AMAC] is a vibrant, vital senior advocacy organization that takes its marching orders from its members. AMAC Action is a non-profit, non-partisan organization representing the membership in our nation's capital and in local Congressional Districts throughout the country.

And the AMAC Foundation (AmacFoundation.org) is the Association's non-profit organization, dedicated to supporting and educating America's Seniors. Together, they act and speak on the Association members' behalf, protecting their interests and offering a practical insight on how to best solve the problems they face today. More information is available online at amac.us/join-amac.

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novative recreational and nature education options proposed by planners and the public.

This meeting will gather input to help guide the master planning of the recently acquired HC Farms property at 216th Street and Hinkle Road, and nearby Bray Family Homestead Park, 4528 Sheridan Ave. (Indiana 38), in Noblesville.

The parks department's plans at Bray Family Homestead Park -- a 92-acre park acquired in 2007 from the Bray Family of Noblesville (who began arriving in 1836) -- include trails, overlooks, feeding areas and new plantings. The park is also an ideal location to observe and enjoy spring wildflowers, according to the parks department.

The master plan drawings include interpretive educational signage, a playground that's more like outdoor exercise equipment, nature play area and disc golf, a family play area for all ages, plus more agritourism (besides local maple syrup production) and including seasonal native fruits and nuts, with pawpaw, persimmon, serviceberry, blackberry, gooseberry, walnut, hickory, chestnut and butternut. A pollinator habitat and support area would include native prairie plants, butterfly and bee houses and pollinator hotels. A gathering area would have art sculpture, shade and benches. The current maple syrup area would be expanded and more than 100 trees would be planted, plus a new park shelter would house syrup demonstrations. The existing Sugar Shack would be renovated and expanded. There would be a future trail connection to McGregor Park. There would be park shelters for up to 50 people and for up to 20 people, a four-season rental building with



Photo courtesy of Hamilton County Parks

A public meeting on Nov. 9 will seek input on Hamilton County Parks' master plans, including for the new HC Farms property at 216th Street and Hinkle Road in Noblesville.

restrooms and kitchen and expanded community gardens.

The HC Farms plan includes an amphitheater and outdoor classroom, wildlife viewing tower, live-feed wildlife trail cameras, park shelters, reclaimed historic bridge, pedestrian suspension bridge, education and programming opportunities with nature play, naturalist-led campfire and camping programs, and environmental art and sculpture. There would be an open field/Savanna habitat for invasive removal and bird watching, interpretive stations,

an overlook, nature play, restroom and small maintenance barn and wooden boardwalk.

The master plans, created by Mader Design of Beech Grove, will be on display at the open meeting.

It's exciting to see and hear about Hamilton County Parks' projects.

There are many more parks projects to come as the parks department begins work to develop these parks-owned properties. Undeveloped park land includes: Acorn Park, a 40-acre property that sits along Cool Creek and adjacent

to Cool Creek Park; Allisonville Road property, one-acre property off of the White River; Burr Oak Bend, made up of land parcels that are adjacent to and near Riverwood Canoe Landing; and Harger Trace, six acres in Wayne Township, acquired with the intention of it to be the capstone of the Midland Trace Bike Trail.

To learn more about our Hamilton County parks, visit hamilton-county.in.gov/338/Find-A-Park.

Contact Betsy Reason at betsy@thetimes24-7.com.

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way, some early signs to look for include tremors, slowness of movement and stiffness or rigidity, among others.

Organizations like the Parkinson's Foundation have resources that can help you and your family members provide long-distance care to a loved one. As an ally to care partners, the Foundation aims to make life better for people living with PD and their families by improving care and advancing research toward a cure.

Experts from the Foundation offer these tips for long-distance caregivers:

- **Learn about your loved one's condition.** You will be better able to provide support if you have a basic understanding of the disease. Be sure to gather information on the condition's symptoms, how it is diagnosed and what treatment options are available.

- **Be well versed in your loved one's needs.** Learn about his or her general health and keep a list of doctors and neighbors along with their contact information. Also keep any pertinent financial and legal documents readily accessible.

- **Keep an open line of communication with the primary caregiver.** As care partner responsibilities often increase over time - and can easily lead to burnout - be sure to let the primary caregiver know you are there for them. Consider sending a simple gift such as a hand-written card, flowers or a gift card for a self-care appointment, like a massage.

- **Consistently offer to help.** There are many ways you can offer support. If in doubt, directly ask how you can be of the most help. Even if you cannot be present to offer hands-on assistance, consider sending meals,

troubleshooting technology issues or providing other assistance based on your skillset. You may even offer to have your loved one come stay with you for a while, if they are able to travel, to give the primary caregiver a respite from duties.

- **Call often.** Set a designated day and time each week to chat with your loved one and make the call faithfully, even if just to catch up for a few minutes. Consider using a video calling service so you can see each other, if possible, to provide an additional level of connection.

- **Talk finances.** Many people won't ask for financial help, even if the limitations of a fixed income mean going without necessities, so it may be best to have this conversation proactively. If a regular subsidy isn't possible, offer to buy groceries online, send a weekly meal, purchase medical supplies or help with household utility bills, transportation costs or home-related services.

- **Visit when possible.** If your budget allows, plan regular trips to check on your loved one and plan ahead with the primary care partner so you can provide respite. Offer to take on key responsibilities during your visit and provide a listening ear for the main caregiver while you're there.

You can find an array of free resources, including a comprehensive Caring and Coping guidebook, a video library, podcast episodes, courses and an online community, at Parkinson.org/Caregivers. To learn more and find additional resources in English or Spanish, visit the website or call the Parkinson's Foundation toll-free Helpline at 1-(800) 4PD-INFO (1-(800) 473-4636).

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Forcing Spring Flowering Bulbs into Bloom

By Melinda Myers

Brighten your indoor décor, patio, deck, or balcony by forcing a few spring flowering bulbs into bloom. Just plant, give them a chill and enjoy a few extra daffodils, hyacinths, tulips, crocus and grape hyacinths this winter and spring.

All you need is a suitable container, some well-drained potting mix, the bulbs and a place to give the bulbs the chill necessary to force them to bloom. Select a container with drainage holes that is deep enough to accommodate the largest bulbs. Cover the bottom few inches of the container with a well-drained potting mix. Place larger and taller bulbs like tulips, daffodils and hyacinths in the center surrounded by shorter varieties. They can be planted close together, about one half the bulb width apart with the neck of larger bulbs at or just below the soil surface. Set tulips with the flat side of the bulb facing the pot for a better display.

If you are using a deep container, plant layers of bulbs for a more robust and longer-lasting display. Set the largest bulbs on the potting mix near the bottom of the container. Cover these bulbs with soil and add the smaller bulbs like grape hyacinths and crocus on the next level. Plant these bulbs close to each other, covering the surface, for greater impact. Cover this layer with at least an inch of soil. Water thoroughly so the excess water drains out



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A pot of tulips that were forced into bloom.

the bottom of the pot. Move the bulb-filled container to a cool location where temperatures remain above freezing and between 35 to 45 degrees Fahrenheit for 12 to 15 weeks. A spare refrigerator works well for this. Just avoid storing the bulbs in a refrigerator with fruit like apples and pears that emit ethylene gas that can negatively impact flowering. If refrigerator space is limited, you can store the unplanted bulbs in a paper bag, so they take up less space in the fridge for the needed chill before planting.

Those gardening in colder climates can also store the pots in an un-

heated garage. Just water the containers whenever the soil is thawed and dry. Or sink the container into a vacant garden space in your landscape. Mulch the soil once the ground starts to freeze with evergreen boughs. The winter mulch makes retrieving the container easier in winter or spring.

Once the 12- to 15-week cold period is complete, you can begin moving the pots indoors. Remove a few pots every week to extend the bloom time and your enjoyment. Place the pot in a cool bright location to encourage more compact growth. Water thoroughly when the top few inches of soil begin to

dry. Soon the leaves will begin to sprout and flowers will appear in about four weeks.

Provide ongoing care if you plan on moving the bulbs into the garden. Remove the faded flowers and place the leafy plants in a sunny window and water thoroughly whenever the top inch of soil is dry. Fertilize with a dilute solution of any flowering houseplant fertilizer.

When the danger of frost has passed, you can move these plants into the garden if they are suited to your growing conditions. These plants may not bloom the following spring but usually do the next year and for several beyond.

Or you can toss the forced bulbs into the compost pile so they can return to your garden as wonderful compost.

Investing time forcing a few spring flowering bulbs into bloom is sure to boost your spirits this winter. Consider planting a few extra pots of bulbs to do the same for friends and family.

Melinda Myers has written more than 20 gardening books, including the recently released Midwest Gardener's Handbook, 2nd Edition and Small Space Gardening. She hosts The Great Courses "How to Grow Anything" instant video and DVD series and the nationally syndicated Melinda's Garden Moment TV & radio program. Myers is a columnist and contributing editor for Birds & Blooms magazine and her website is www.MelindaMyers.com.

Useful Tips for Planting Flower Bulbs

If you like a garden with color and atmosphere, why not plant flower bulbs this fall so you can enjoy colorful flowers in the spring. Here are six tips to get you started!

Tip 1: location
Many flower bulbs thrive under shrubs and trees. They get less rain and light there in winter because of the fallen leaves, and flower bulbs like it this way during the cold season. After flowering, the trees and shrubs grow their foliage again and the bulbs go dormant. During the hot summer months, the leaves of the trees and shrubs keep the bulbs pleasantly cool.

Tip 2: 'wow' effect
If you want to create a 'wow' effect in your garden early in spring, don't hold back: plant bulbs in large clusters. The more bulbs, the more spectacular the effect! There are so many options: a large number of mixed varieties and colors, a cluster of the same type of bulbs in different colors, or bulbs of one and the same variety and color.

Tip 3: pots
You don't need a garden to be able to enjoy spring-flowering bulbs. Planting flower bulbs in pots and containers gives everyone a chance to enjoy the bright, cheerful colors of these stunning flowers. Plant the bulbs in odd numbers for a natural effect. Do provide some holes in the bottom of the

pot to allow excess water to drain away.

Tip 4: metamorphosis
Don't let the appearance of flower bulbs fool you. It may seem impossible that stunning flowers will grow from the often unusual-looking bulbs and tubers. But it's true! Once the bulbs start growing, they undergo a true metamorphosis, not unlike caterpillars turning into butterflies.

Tip 5: perennial
Some flower bulbs flower for a season, but there are also varieties that flower every year. These are called perennial bulbs or naturalizing bulbs. These bulbs can be left in the ground, as doing so makes the bulbs larger and stronger. In fact, naturalizing bulbs even create new bulbs so they will grow in number each year.

Tip 6: layers
Plant bulbs in layers on top of each other; this is called lasagna or tiered planting. Since the flower bulbs are planted in layers, the earliest to bloom, such as crocuses, will emerge first. These will then be followed by the flower bulbs that will flower later. This successive flowering means that you can enjoy the results for a long time: from January until May, depending on the kinds of bulbs you plant.

Would you like to know more about flower bulbs? Then take a look at www.flowerbulbs.com.

Bring Trendy Colors into Your Garden with Flower Bulbs

Think a makeover for your garden is expensive? Think again! Flower bulbs will help you transform your garden into a hip, colorful outdoor space. Particularly if you use trending colors.

A make-over
If you like new trending colors but aren't keen to turn your entire garden upside down, why not use flower bulbs to easily transform your outdoor room into a trendy spot? Plant them in a variety of pots and planters. In borders, you can plant

them among the existing plantings. A fun and rewarding job.

Trending color
'Very Peri' (Pantone 17-3938) is the ultimate trending color for 2022. It is a periwinkle-blue shade with violet-red undertones, which encourages inventiveness and creativity. Surely this color would look amazing in your spring garden? There are several flower bulbs available in this shade of purple:

- Anemone (Anemone coronaria)

- Grape hyacinth (Muscari varieties)
- Windflower (Anemone blanda)
- Hyacinth (Hyacinthus varieties)
- Camassia
- Crocus

Borders
Plant flower bulbs in your border by making holes in the soil about three times the height of the bulb. Put the flower bulbs upright, with the tip facing up. For maximum effect, make a larger hole and plant several bulbs at once. Cover the flower

bulbs with the excavated soil.

Pots
If you prefer to use pots, make sure that they are deep enough to give the roots enough space. Make a hole in the bottom and put potsherds at the bottom to allow excess water to drain away. Fill the pot halfway with potting soil. Plant the bulbs with the tip pointing up. Cover the bulbs with potting soil.

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Get Smart About Sustainability



Tips for teaching kids earth-friendly habits

FAMILY FEATURES

For many parents, their interest in sustainability and earth-friendly living is driven by a desire to create a better world for their children. Taking personal action and responsibility are part of the solution but teaching the next generation to be environmentally conscious is an important part of the equation, too.

Connecting lessons about sustainability to familiar aspects of your child's daily life, like school, can make it easy for him or her to understand and establish earth-friendly habits from a young age. Here are some ideas for promoting sustainable behaviors this school year:

Be smart about supplies. Before restocking your student's supplies, take inventory of what you have left over from last year. Your student probably had several items with plenty of life left, or things that were bought as backups, so you can avoid waste and save a little money while reducing your consumption of unnecessary goods.

Model good habits. Kids learn by example, so know they're watching and internalizing your behaviors. If you're not already practicing these habits, make an intentional effort to turn lights off before you leave the house each morning, turn off the water while brushing teeth, use alternate energy sources around the house and encourage your school district to adopt sustainable practices, such as propane-powered buses.

Reduce food-based waste. Convenient, single-serve packaging makes assembling school lunches a breeze, but all that extra wrapping is waste that ends up in the landfill. Other options, like buying in bulk and sending treats in reusable plastic bags, is a more earth-friendly approach. Bento-style boxes with compartments for different foods are another option to help make lunchtime more sustainable. Similarly, encourage your child to carry a water bottle at school each day, which reduces water fountain waste (and cuts back on his or her exposure to germs).

Enjoy nature together. As temperatures cool, it's a terrific opportunity to spend quality time outdoors as a family. Showing your child reasons to appreciate nature can make it easier for him or her to understand and provide motivation to make choices that protect the earth.

Reinforce with reading. Multiple studies reinforce the benefits of reading with and to young students. Selecting books with earth-positive messaging helps them explore new ideas for sustainable living and see how beloved characters embrace values similar to those your family shares.



Safer, Smarter Bus Transportation

The way kids ride to school today is very much the way children traveled to school 25 years ago: in aging diesel school buses. However, diesel school buses are not only expensive to operate, but they pose risks to children's health, the community and the climate.

Today, there are two main options for clean student transportation: propane and electric. While both can reduce emissions, propane can do it at a fraction of the cost.

Every day, 1.3 million American children ride to school in 22,000 propane-powered school buses. Propane buses are currently in 1,000 school districts in 48 states. That's only about 5% of the nation's total buses, but the number is growing. These are some of the reasons more districts are moving to propane-powered transportation:

Student Health and the Environment

The cloud of black smoke that comes from the tailpipe of a diesel bus contains harmful emissions that are classified by the World Health Organization as a carcinogen and are known triggers for issues like asthma, bronchitis and other respiratory problems, according to the Environmental Protection Agency. Propane school buses lower those emissions to near-zero levels, which improves air quality and eliminates concerns about breathing-related issues. In fact, according to a study by Georgia State University, students who ride to school on a low-emissions bus, like propane, had higher test scores than those who rode on diesel buses.

Compared to electric, propane buses provide a lower lifetime carbon option. That includes emissions that take place before the

wheels start turning on the road, like charging a bus using the electric grid versus refueling it with propane. Coal and natural gas are still America's primary sources of energy for electricity generation and drive up emissions.

Cost Savings

Three times less expensive than electric buses, the cost of a propane school bus and its refueling infrastructure is one of the most affordable options for school districts.

School districts can save money throughout the lifetime of propane buses, which cost 30-50% less per mile to operate than diesel, according to the Propane Education & Research Council. What's more, a World LP Gas Association study found replacing diesel buses with propane buses would save enough money to hire 23,000 new teachers.

Reliability

While electric vehicles make sense for several uses, propane has the fuel range and performance needed for large vehicles that drive long distances without stopping to recharge or refuel. A typical propane school bus can drive more than 2.5 times farther on a full tank than a comparable electric school bus can drive on a full charge.

Find more information about clean school bus operation at BetterOurBuses.com.



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