

**TODAY'S VERSE**  
John 14:27 Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you: not as the world giveth, give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid.



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What makes Sydney Strange smile? "Watching everyone get along and meeting people at club meetings and or just here in general," said the 14-year-old, a freshman at Fishers High School, a seven-year 4-H'er who has been in Junior Leaders four years. She is secretary of Junior Leaders. Why 4-H? "It's always just been such a close, tight-knit community that's always had so many fun people that I know and that I can meet. It's always been so fun to get to know everyone." She is the daughter of Shawn and Susie Strange and was found dressed as Little Red Riding Hood and leading the Cake Walk, one of the many activities at the Hamilton County Junior Leaders' annual Halloween Carnival, Haunted House and Hayride on Oct. 3 at the 4-H Fairgrounds. Favorite activity at the Halloween event? "Fishing or the haunted house." Her duties at the party? She led the Cake Walk, Fishing game and sometimes I roamed around trying to help." She loves doing activities with Junior Leaders, who feel like "we're a family," she said. Her favorite 4-H project? "Arts and Crafts, and Horse and Pony," a proud 4-H Fair achievement? "When I was little, I won the (pedal) tractor pull, and I still have the trophy." Enrollment is now open to join Hamilton County 4-H for the 2024 year, now through Jan. 15, with the theme, "Let's Have S'More Fun." Enroll in 4-H and earn a s'more kit. Stop by the 4-H Office in the Exhibition Center at the 4-H Fairgrounds in Noblesville 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. weekdays. Enroll online at <https://in.4Honline.com>. For more about upcoming Halloween events, read the Betsy Reason column in Tuesday's or Friday's editions of The Times.

**And Another Thing...**  
**1. Lions Ham & Bean Dinner Saturday at Wayne-Fall**

Wayne-Fall Lions Club invites the community to attend a Ham & Bean Dinner 4:30-7:30 p.m. Oct. 28 at the Club, at Deshane Ave., and Victory Chapel, featuring ham and beans, cornbread, cole slaw, desserts and drinks and hot dogs, all for a donation for Lions Club Christmas for families in this area who need assistance.

**2. Trick-or-Treat Hours in Hamilton County**

Official Trick-or-Treat hours on Oct. 31: 5:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. Noblesville; 5-8 p.m. Arcadia, Carmel and Westfield; 6-8 p.m. Cicero, Fishers and Sheridan.

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The Times photo by Betsy Reason

**Vintage vehicles were among the things to see during the Arcadia Farm Market on Saturday in downtown Arcadia.**



The Times photo by Betsy Reason

**Nickel Plate Express awaits riders going to and from Arcadia Farm Market on Saturday.**

## Arcadia Farm Market Just 1 Reason To Visit



**BETSY REASON**  
From The Editor's Desk...

It was a beautiful day on Saturday, so we ventured to northern Hamilton County to Arcadia Farm Market in the little town of just more than 1,600.

Handmade goods, live music, kids bounce houses and a vintage scooter, car and tractor show attracted folks from far and near.

My favorite part of the walk — from one end of downtown Arcadia to the other end of town — was seeing up close all of the vintage cars. There were about 80 entries in the show.

Plus, I enjoyed seeing what's new or changed in town.

Walking around downtown Arcadia made me think about some of the things I like about the town.

1. I love the small-town feel.
2. I love The Remnant Coffee Shop, which opened in 2019 thanks to White River Christian Church outreach, in the former Hedgehog Music Showcase, which still has occasional shows at The Remnant thanks to Hedgehog's Bob Foster. The space easily turned into a wonderful all-ages gathering

place. Even if you don't like coffee, there is lemonade, tea and juices to sip while enjoying blueberry cake donuts or spinach feta croissants.

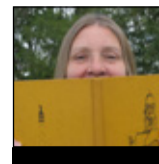
3. I love what owners have done with the Northbrook Brewing Co., which opened more than a year ago on Main Street. It's an interesting gathering place, with brewery and tap room, an outdoor beer garden, garage doors that open and a room in the back with picnic tables, pool table and TVs, and yes, kids can dine and play there, too.

4. I love to see the Nickel Plate Express train ride drop off passengers in Arcadia for the afternoon and pick up passengers to return to Noblesville. Seeing the train on the tracks on Saturday was reminiscent of days gone by.

5. I love to see Lyneen Burrow's old truck used as the Arcadia festival's mascot. Visitors to the festival just love to get their photos taken in front of the 1965 Ford F100. Burrow is the owner of Always in Stitches in Noblesville and is a 1976 graduate of Westfield High School.

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## Halloween In The 1960s



**PAULA DUNN**  
From Time to Thyme

I may be old, but I'm glad I was born when I was. Growing up in the 1960s meant I was a kid when Halloween was still primarily geared toward kids. Back then, the holiday

was mostly about going trick-or-treating — accent on the "treat."

Oh, there were a few tricks, but they seem rather tame compared to the shenanigans of earlier years.

Sometimes someone's car horn would get stuck, and when I walked to school the day after Halloween I often saw windows that had been soaped, and sidewalks that were smeared with pumpkin guts and/or littered with dried corn. That was it.

I'd rather clean off a window or sidewalk than to have to set an outhouse upright again!

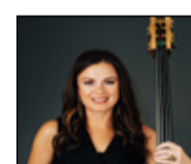
(I never was completely sure what the dried corn was for. I'm just assuming it was thrown at people's windows to startle them.)

No, in the '60s, we weren't that interested in mischief. Mostly, we were all about seeing how much candy we could score — jawbreakers; all kinds of junior candy bars like Milky

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## NHS's Robinson Named National GRAMMY Semifinalist

Noblesville Schools is pleased to announce that Noblesville High School's (NHS) jazz director and assistant band director Bethany Robinson has been named a national semifinalist for the 2024 GRAMMY Music Educator Awards.



**BETHANY ROBINSON**

Robinson was previously a GRAMMY finalist for the 2022 award and a semifinalist for the 2023 award.

She is one of only 25 semifinalists selected from over 2,000 nominees across the country and will now compete for the top spot, which includes a \$10K honorarium and matching grant for NHS.

"I am so grateful to be included as a semifinalist for the 2024 GRAMMY Music Educator Award" shared Robinson. "I could not be more thankful to be surrounded by supportive students, families, community and administration who have

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## The Daily Almanac

**Sunrise/Sunset**  
RISE: 8:07 a.m.  
SET: 6:55 p.m.



**High/Low Temperatures**  
High: 76 °F  
Low: 61 °F



**Today is...**  
• Lung Health Day  
• Punk for a Day, Day  
• World Pasta Day



### What Happened On This Day

- 1983 Invasion of Grenada. A U.S. led invasion called Operation Urgent Fury was triggered by a coup that ended with the murder of Prime Minister Maurice Bishop. The invasion ended with U.S. victory.
- 1940 First African-American made general in US military. Benjamin Oliver Davis became the first African-American general in the United States Army.
- 1760 George III starts his reign. George III started his reign as the King of Great Britain and Ireland.



### Births On This Day

- 1940 Bob Knight American basketball player, coach
- 1881 Pablo Picasso Spanish painter, sculptor

### Deaths On This Day

- 1955 Sadako Sasaki Japanese victim of the Atomic bombings of Hiroshima, Nagasaki
- 1400 Geoffrey Chaucer English poet

### HONEST HOOSIER

I think for Halloween I'm going to trick or treat as Joe Biden. That means I'll send my son to the door and rake in a great candy haul!



### INSIDE TODAY

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### TODAY'S QUOTE

"Whatever you do, don't fall asleep."  
-From Nightmare on Elm Street

### TODAY'S JOKE

How does a girl vampire flirt? She bats her eyes.

### TODAY'S HEALTH TIP

Be consistent when disciplining your children - they need know their boundaries. 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](http://www.thetimes24-7.com).



### OBITUARIES

None

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



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53/78 WINDY WARMER	61/76 40% CHANCE OF SHOWERS	61/76 BALMY, SLIGHT RAIN CHANCE	64/77 SHOWERS LIKELY	62/75 SHOWERS LIKELY	60/65 SHOWERS LIKELY	47/55 RAIN & THUNDER, TURNING COOLER
TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN	MON

## American Red Cross Offers Halloween Safety Tips

Before we get into important safety tips when trick or treating, let's take a look at all of the local times for our kiddos to dress up and venture out to get some candy and other treats.

### Trick Or Treat Times for Hamilton County:

1. Arcadia: 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.
2. Carmel: 5 p.m. to 8 p.m.
3. Fishers: 5:30 p.m. to 8 p.m.
4. Cicero: 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.
5. Noblesville: 5:30 p.m. to 8 p.m.
6. Sheridan: 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.
7. Westfield: 5 p.m. to 8 p.m.

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Halloween is a

popular holiday in this country and many children will be out dressed up as their favorite superheroes, cartoon and television characters. The American Red Cross of the Indiana Region has tips that parents can follow to keep their kids safe during the festivities.

Trick-or-treaters need to see and be seen. Use face makeup instead of masks which could make seeing difficult. Give trick-or-treaters a flashlight and glow sticks to light their way and help make the route easier for them to follow and more visible to any vehicles on the roads. Add reflective tape to costumes and trick-or-treat bags. If possible, have everyone

wear light-colored clothing. Below are more tips to consider to keep you and your family safe this Halloween:

- Use flame-resistant costumes.
  - Make sure adults know where the kids are going. A parent or responsible adult should accompany young children door-to-door.
  - Be cautious around animals, especially dogs.
  - Walk, don't run.
  - Only visit homes that have a porch light on. Accept treats at the door and never go inside.
  - Walk only on sidewalks, not on the street.
- Look both ways before crossing the street, and cross only at the corner. Don't cross between parked cars, and don't

cut across yards or use alleys.

- Drivers – use extra caution as youngsters may forget to look both ways before crossing.
  - A grown-up should check all goodies before eating. Make sure to remove loose candy, open packages and remove any choking hazards. Discard any items with brand names that you are not familiar with.
- If you are planning to welcome trick-or-treaters to your home, follow these safety steps:
- Light the area well so young visitors can see.
  - Sweep leaves from your sidewalks and steps. Clear your porch or front yard of obstacles someone could trip over.

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## PUBLIC NOTICES

**Notice of Proposed Precinct Boundary Changes**

To the voters of Hamilton County:  
You are notified that the Election Division of the Office of the Secretary of State of Indiana has determined that a proposed order by the Hamilton County Commissioners to change certain precinct boundaries within this county would comply with state law, and that the Election Division has notified the Commissioners that precinct boundaries may be established in accordance with the county's proposed order.

The boundaries of the following existing precincts would be changed by the adoption of the county's proposed order:

Precinct Changes Proposed for November, 2023

- Delaware Township
- Delaware 08
- Delaware 12
- Delaware 19
- Delaware 22
- Delaware 25
- Fall Creek Township
- Fall Creek 15
- Fall Creek 29
- Fall Creek 30
- Fall Creek 32
- Fall Creek 33
- Fall Creek 34
- Fall Creek 35
- Fall Creek 38
- Fall Creek 40
- Fall Creek 44
- Noblesville Township
- Noblesville 02
- Noblesville 03
- Noblesville 11
- Noblesville 30
- Noblesville 36
- Washington Township
- Westfield 02
- Westfield 04
- Westfield 05
- Westfield 17
- Westfield 20
- Westfield 26
- Westfield 31

Any registered voter of this County may object to the county's proposed order by filing a sworn statement with the Election Division. This statement must set forth the voter's specific objections to the proposed order, and request that a hearing be conducted by the Indiana Election Commission under the Administrative Orders and Procedures Act (Indiana Code 4-21-5).

The mailing address of the Election Division is:  
Election Division of the Office of the Secretary of State of Indiana  
302 West Washington Street, Room E-204  
Indianapolis, IN 46204-2743

Any objection to the proposed order must be filed with the Election Division no later than noon, Indianapolis time, 10 days after the publication of this notice. A complete copy of the county's proposed order is available for public inspection and copying at the Hamilton County Election's Office and the Election Division.

Hamilton County Board of Commissioners

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Indianapolis • \$239,900

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PUBLIC NOTICES

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP) Page 1  
Equipment Purchase  
For Creekside Campus  
470 # 240001944

Carmel Clay Schools (CCS) seeks proposals to supply and install network switches for the Creekside Campus (Creekside Middle School (BEN 16026241), West Clay Elementary (BEN 16040162), College Wood Elementary (BEN 51110), and the Westside Transportation Building (BEN 17002911)). Carmel Clay Schools will require the installation of the requested equipment. Bidders are advised that this project will be contingent upon the successful obtaining of Category 2 E-Rate funding. The contract agreement between the district and the successful bidder must recognize that contingency.

- CCS seeks an agreement with a vendor that allows the following:
o Adjustment of quantities
o Option to scale back or cancel project based on funding available
o Consideration of the best interest of the District
Project Scope
CCS seeks eligible equipment as outlined in Appendix A. Equipment shall be new, factory-sealed equipment currently available from the manufacturer; the District will not accept proposals of used, remanufactured, refurbished, "B stock," returns, open-box, discontinued, "gray market," or equipment in any other condition other than new and factory-sealed with all original manufacturer warranties.

CCS will consider products from other manufacturers provided they equal or exceed the material requirements and functional qualities of the specific products listed in the Technical Documents. Material supporting and showing the equality of the alternative products must be submitted with the bidding documents. Any product being proposed from another manufacturer must be clearly identified within the proposal. Failing to include this information may result in the bidder's proposal being disqualified.

Installation will be in place of existing equipment and the requested equipment will be integrated into the existing environment. Each bid should include all labor necessary for staging, installation, testing, and documentation of equipment. Equipment staging will consist of (but not be limited to) ensuring firmware version consistency, configuration loading, and hardware preparation for mounting. Software and firmware version for components will be agreed upon at time of deployment, and configurations will be coordinated with CCS staff. Installation by the selected vendor shall include the removal of the existing equipment and placement of the new equipment. Equipment testing should verify access to internal resources and the Internet. Documentation should include configuration and summary reports of installations.

Questions
Any questions related to the technical aspects of this document should be directed in writing to the Carmel Clay Schools Technology Department at cceserate@ccs.k12.in.us no later than 1 pm EST on November 8th, 2023. Answers to any written questions or any additional information, revisions, or clarifications to the RFP will be provided in the form of an addendum to be posted to https://www.ccs.k12.in.us/services/technology-data-solutions/e-rate-470. It is the sole responsibility of the Service Provider to check for any addenda that may be issued.

Response Format
Responses should include the following, if applicable:
• Applicable items should include all related software and hardware components that enable the functionality of the equipment (including any necessary mounting brackets, software licenses, multi-year licenses, and basic maintenance).
• If applicable, the vendor is to specify all fees, shipping charges, taxes, surcharges, and contingency fees for eligible equipment.
• If applicable, the vendor is to specify the manufacturer's warranty provided as an integral part of an eligible component without separately identifiable cost.
• Any ongoing subscription pricing must be listed separately.
Your response must include the following information:

- Line-item pricing for each item listed in Appendix A. Any discounting applied to your proposal must be reflected at the line-item level. This information must be provided in electronic spreadsheet form.
2. In the case of proposed equivalent products, a thorough technical description of how each product from the manufacturer being bid meets each of the required functionalities of the product is listed below.
3. Information outlining your company's certifications and connections regarding the manufacturer's equipment being bid, and the length of time your company has provided equipment from the manufacturer being bid.
4. Two (2) reference sites where your company has performed a similar installation of the equipment being bid, including business name, contact name and contact information. It is preferable that at least one reference should be for a school corporation or library system within 90 miles of the District.
5. Your E-Rate SPIN Number. (You must have a current SPAC form on file with USAC.)
6. A ready-to-execute contract which includes the proposal requirements and the E-Rate contingencies outlined herein.

CCS's review of information will be primarily focused on the substance of the details provided in response to the requirements herein including but not limited to technical details, pricing, and terms, experience, references, and adherence to the response format provided. Line-item pricing must be provided for each item listed in the bid (any discounting in pricing on the bid must be reflected at the line-item level).

Proposal Delivery
The CCS reserves the right to reject each and every bid and to waive informalities, irregularities, and errors in the bidding to the extent permitted by law. This includes the right to extend the date and time for receipt of bids. In the event that a responsible bid is not received or if it is determined that the low bid received is too high, the bid received will be rejected and the project will be canceled or re-bid. Bids should be e-mailed to the office of the Carmel Clay Schools Technology Department at cceserate@ccs.k12.in.us by 1 pm EST on December 22, 2023.

APPENDIX A

Below is a reference of the type of equipment and capacities (or their equivalent) to be supplied. Bidders should price separately and clearly indicate any ineligible costs for all services and equipment associated with this RFP. For any part numbers that have been updated or replaced by the manufacturer, bidders should offer the most similar current part.

Creekside Middle School (BEN 16026241), West Clay Elementary (BEN 16040162), College Wood Elementary (BEN 51110)

Table with 4 columns: Line#, Part Number, Description, Quantity. It lists various equipment items such as switches, power supplies, and cables for Creekside Middle School, West Clay Elementary, and College Wood Elementary.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED SEWER RATES AND CHARGES

BY THE CITY OF NOBLESVILLE, INDIANA

Property owners, ratepayers, and other interested parties served or to be served by the sewage works of the City of Noblesville, Indiana ("City"), are hereby notified that the City Council has introduced proposed Ordinance No. 43-10-23 ("Ordinance"), which amends the City's rates and charges for sewer service. The City Council will hold a public hearing on November 14th, at 7:00 p.m., local time, in the Council Chambers located at 16 S. 10th St., Noblesville, IN 46060, in order to receive public input on the Ordinance and may consider adoption thereof at such time. For further information regarding the proposed Ordinance, please contact the City at (317) 776-6353.

NOTE: The Ordinance does not impact existing residential and commercial sewer rates and charges. The Ordinance establishes sewer rates and charges for customers who are water treatment companies and amends certain provisions of the City Code on allowances and meter requirements. The schedule of the amended rates and charges, which are more fully set forth in the Ordinance, is as follows:

ORDINANCE NO. 43-10-23
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING RATES AND CHARGES FOR WATER TREATMENT COMPANIES FOR THE USE OF AND SERVICES RENDERED BY THE CITY OF NOBLESVILLE, INDIANA SEWAGE WORKS

(a) The schedule of rates for the discharge received from the City's Water Utility Customers is based on the quantity of water discharged to the sewer, plus a base charge for each Customer operating one or more water treatment plants. Each Customer as defined above will be billed a base charge of \$2,002.20 each month and a usage fee at the rate of \$3.37 per 1,000 gallons.

(b) For the purpose of billing and collecting the charges for the sewage service, the sewer meters shall be read monthly. The City may average monthly usage for the preceding twelve months based on actual readings. These readings shall be averaged and the users shall be billed monthly (or a period equaling a month).

(c) The schedule of rates shall be adjusted biannually on the first day of January of each year based on changes in the City's operational costs.

(d) The City shall provide written notice of any changes to the schedule of rates to the Water Utility Customers at least sixty (60) days prior to the effective date of the change.

At the November 14, 2023 meeting of the City Council and prior to final adoption of Ordinance No. 43-10-23, any property owners, ratepayers, or anyone else interested in the proceedings may appear and be heard concerning the proposed rates and charges. The hearing may be adjourned, if necessary. A complete copy of the Ordinance may be reviewed in the Clerk's Office at 16 S. 10th St.,

Noblesville, IN 46060. I.C. § 36-9-23-26(a) and I.C. § 8-1.5-3-8.1(c) require that this notice include a statement that following adoption of the Ordinance, users of the works for service to property located outside the City's corporate boundaries may be entitled to petition the Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission to review and adjust the rates and charges imposed on the users if a petition under I.C. § 36-9-23 or I.C. § 8-1.5-3-8.2 with respect to the same rate ordinance has not been filed.

CITY OF NOBLESVILLE, INDIANA
/s/ Evelyn Lees, City Clerk
October 20, 2023
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CITY OF NOBLESVILLE
NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Notice is hereby given that sealed bids will be received:

By/At: City of Noblesville, Indiana
Office of the Clerk
16 S. 10th Street
Noblesville, Indiana 46060

Project: 2023 Pavement Preservation
Until: 9:00 A.M., local time, Tuesday, November 14, 2023

Receipt of Bids: bids received after the stated time will be returned unopened. Bids are to be submitted on the Bid form as provided in the Project Manual and on Indiana State Board of Accounts Form No. 96 (revised 2013 as required by statutes of the State of Indiana). Bidders shall submit financial data, statement of experience, proposed plan for performing the work and the equipment the Bidder has available for the performance of the Work, along with a properly signed Affidavit of Non-Collusion as required by form No. 96. Bids shall be submitted in a sealed envelope, marked with the name and address of the Bidder, and clearly identified:

SEALED BID: 2023 Pavement Preservation

Bid Opening: Bids will be publicly opened and read aloud by the Board of Public Works and Safety at the Council Chambers, City Hall, 16 South 10th Street, Noblesville, Indiana 46060, at 9:00 AM local time, Tuesday, November 14, 2023

Pre-Bid Meeting: Not applicable

The Work: The Work shall be completed by qualified Contractor(s) and Subcontractor(s) for the Project all as required by the Bidding Documents which have been assembled into a bound Project Manual and consists of:

Base bid for which proposals are to be received is for the pavement preservation, specifically crack seal maintenance of City roadways.

Contract Award: Any Bid may be withdrawn prior to the deadline for receipt of Bids, but no Bidder shall withdraw its bid within sixty (60) days after the opening of the Bids. If the contract is awarded, it will be to the "lowest responsible and responsive bidder" in accordance with Indiana Code 36-1-12-1 et seq. the Board, however, reserves the right to reject and/or cancel any and all Bids, solicitations and/or offers in whole or in part as specified in the solicitation when it is not in the best interests of The City, and waive any informalities, discrepancies, omissions, variances, or irregularities in bids received in its sole discretion. The Bid Bonds and certified checks of unsuccessful bidders will be returned upon selection of the successful Bidder, execution of the Agreement, and provision of the required Performance and Payment Bonds and Certificate of Insurance.

Bid Documents: copies of the Specifications and Contract Documents may be obtained on or after October 18, 2023. Interested Bidders may obtain electronic Bidding Documents by sending an email to pjohanson@noblesville.in.us requesting instructions to download project documents.

Submit all bid questions in writing to City of Noblesville - Street Department prior to 12:00 PM local time on November 10, 2023. Questions will only be accepted from firms on the official Plan Holders list. A written response will be emailed to the address on the official Plan Holder's list that is required to be completed at the time the plans are purchased. No questions will be answered by telephone. The contact person for questions is:

Patty Johnson, Street Commissioner
City of Noblesville - Street Department
Email: pjohanson@noblesville.in.us
Bid Documents - Review:

Work will be in accordance with the Bidding Documents, which may be viewed at the following location:
City of Noblesville Street Department
1575 Pleasant Street
Noblesville, IN 46060

Bidders shall ensure that they have obtained complete sets of Bidding Documents and the project Manual and shall assume the risk of any errors or omissions in Bids prepared in reliance on incomplete sets of Bidding Documents or Project Manual. Bids must be submitted on forms contained in the Project Manual and must contain the names of every person or company interested therein.

Bid Security:

Each Bid shall be accompanied by bid security in the form of a Bid Bond as provided in the Project Manual in the amount of ten percent (10%) of the total Bid amount, including alternates with a satisfactory corporate surety qualified to do business in the State of Indiana or by a certified check made payable to the City of Noblesville, on a solvent bank in the amount of ten percent (10%) of the amount of the total Bid including alternates. The Bid Bond or certified check shall be security that the successful Bidder will, within ten (10) calendar days or such other time specified by the Owner from the acceptance of the Bid, execute the Agreement and provide the required Payment and Performance Bonds, included in the Project Manual and Certificate of Insurance.

Performance Bond and Labor and Material Payment Bond:

A Performance Bond with good and sufficient surety as required by the Owner on the Form provided in the Project Manual, shall be required of the successful Bidder in an amount equal to at least one hundred percent (100%) of the Contract Sum, conditioned upon the faithful performance of the Agreement. The surety of the Performance bond may not be released until one (1) year after the Owner's final settlement with the Contractor.

The Contractor shall provide a Payment Bond with a good and sufficient surety as required by the Owner on the Form provided in the Project Manual, in an amount equal to one hundred percent (100%) of the Contract Sum. The Payment Bond is binding on the Contractor, its subcontractors, and their successors and assigns for the payment of all indebtedness to a person for labor and services performed, material furnished, or services rendered. The Payment Bond must state that it is for the benefit of the subcontractors, laborers, material suppliers, and those performing services. The surety of the Payment Bond may not be released until one (1) year after the Owner's final settlement with the Contractor.

All out-of-state bidder corporations must have a Certificate of Authority to do business in the State. Application forms may be obtained by contacting the Secretary of State, State of Indiana, Statehouse, Indianapolis, Indiana 46204.

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Street Department
BY: Patty Johnson, Street Commissioner
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PUBLIC NOTICES

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP) Page 2
Equipment Purchase
For Creekside Campus
470 # 240001944

Table with columns: Line#, Part Number, Description, Quantity. Includes items like Aruba Central 63xx/38xx Switch Foundation 5y Sub E-STU, Aruba 6300M 24SR5 CL6 PoE 4SFP56 Switch, etc.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
Noblesville Common Council Noblesville, Indiana
The Noblesville Common Council will hold a public hearing on the 14th day of November, 2023. This hearing is to consider annexation into the City Limits of Noblesville as per property described in "Exhibit A".

EXHIBIT "B"
SUMMARY OF FISCAL PLAN FOR THE ANNEXATION OF +/- 27 ACRES FOR RETREAT AT MORSE PLANNED DEVELOPMENT
Subject: Annexation of property to the Corporate Limits of the City of Noblesville

NOTICE TO BIDDERS
Notice is hereby given that the Board of School Trustees of Noblesville Schools will receive sealed bids for the East Middle School - AHU Replacement 2023 project at 2:00PM (local time) on Thursday, November 9, 2023.

CONTRACT TYPE:
Project will be constructed under a Single Prime Contract with bids received on a lump sum basis. Each proposal shall include all labor, material, and services necessary to complete the project in full accordance with the Construction Drawings and Project Manual.

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NOTICE OF DETERMINATION
Pursuant to Indiana Code § 6-1.1-20-5, notice is hereby given that the Board of School Trustees of the Westfield Washington Schools has preliminarily determined to issue bonds in the aggregate amount not to exceed \$10,000,000 to fund the proposed site and athletics improvements at school facilities, including construction of new tennis courts.

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18702 CHAD HITTLE DR WESTFIELD
On 11/10/2023 @ 02:00 PM
2009 FORD ITRX14899FA02493 \$2,350.00

STATE OF INDIANA ) IN THE HAMILTON CIRCUIT COURT
) SS:
COUNTY OF HAMILTON ) CAUSE NO. 29C01-2309-MI-9342
IN RE THE NAME CHANGE OF )
MARIA CARROLL HASSAN )
Petitioner. )

NOTICE OF PETITION TO CHANGE NAME
Notice is hereby given that on the 29th day of September, 2023, the Petitioner, Maria Carroll Hassan, filed in Hamilton County Circuit Court her Petition requesting that her name be changed to Maria Carroll. Notice is further given that a hearing will be held on said Petition in Hamilton County Circuit Court on the 12th day of January, 2024, at 10:00 o'clock A.M. Any person has the right to appear at the hearing and to file objections.

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# City Of Fishers Opens Applications For 2024 Arts & Culture grant

\$142k+ in funds distributed to 37 projects over last four years

The City of Fishers is now accepting applications for the 2024 Fishers Arts & Culture Commission Grant. This program aims to foster creative partnerships within the Fishers arts community by providing funds for a wide variety of arts and cultural related activities within the City.

In its fourth year, the Arts & Culture Commission Grant invests in artists, art organizations, and cultural events that promote creativity, vibrancy, and a sense of place within the community. Since 2021, the Commission has distributed over \$142,000 in funds to 37 projects or organizations. The grant is administered by the Fishers Arts & Culture Commission (FACC) and funds are allocated from the City of Fishers' annual budget.

"The Commission is excited to announce the fourth annual Fishers Arts and Culture Grant," shared Katie Haigh, Chair of the Fishers Arts & Culture

Commission. "Since its inception in 2021, the grant has supported numerous transformative projects throughout Fishers - from captivating public performances to immersive gallery displays and innovative public art pieces. We look forward to another year of inspiring submissions from our vibrant Fishers art community."

Artists, creative companies, nonprofits and for-profit businesses that are in or do work within City of Fishers boundaries are invited to apply. Grant funds range from \$1,000 to \$7,500 and projects must take place within Fishers. No match is required. Applications for the 2024 grant cycle are due December 15, 2023.

The City also launched a new Fishers Arts & Culture Commission Business Matching Grant for businesses and organizations to partner with the Commission for the installation of public art on their property. Matching funds can be requested up to \$25,000

and must be at least 50% of the total project cost.

Targeted areas for this new investment include along the Nickel Plate Trail and Nickel Plate District, I-69 and State Road 37 corridors, Allisonville Road corridor, 96th Street, 116th Street, 126th Street, Lantern Road, USA Parkway, Crosspoint Boulevard, Olio Road and areas surrounding both Fishers and Hamilton South-eastern High Schools. Applications are accepted and reviewed bi-monthly throughout 2023 during Commission meetings.

Two business matching grants have been awarded thus far, including the Mudsock Horsepower mural at Alderman Automotive by Hue Murals by Koda Witsken and The Stations at Fishers District sculpture at Whistle Drive Development by Rachel Kavathe Studio.

To learn more about the Fishers Arts & Culture Commission Grant and apply, visit fishers.in.us/grants.

# Indiana's Favorite Ghoul Sets Sights On Unclaimed Property

With Halloween just around the corner, Indiana icon Sammy Terry is partnering with the Attorney General's Office to remind Hoosiers to search for unclaimed treats at IndianaUnclaimed.gov.

Sammy Terry, the longest running TV horror host in the world, is featured in radio and TV ads this fall to reunite Hoosiers with their unclaimed property.

"We're honored to work with Sammy on this ghoulish holiday," Attorney General Todd Rokita said. "Losing money is a real nightmare, but reclaiming your hard-earned money is safe, secure and free if you visit IndianaUnclaimed.gov."

In 2022, Rokita's office returned more than \$62 million in unclaimed property to its rightful owners. This year, the office has already returned more than \$61 million, and over \$700



Photo courtesy of the office of Todd Rokita

million is still waiting to be claimed.

"Indiana Unclaimed returns a wicked \$1 million every week to Hoosiers across the state," Terry said. "Text SAMMY to 46220 and search your name for any unclaimed, pleasant nightmares waiting to be claimed by you!"

Unclaimed property is any financial asset with no activity by its owner for an extended period of time. This can include unclaimed wages or commissions, money orders, safety de-

posit box contents, savings and checking accounts, refunds and overpayments.

Rokita's office conducts outreach efforts to locate the rightful owners or heirs. Individuals and/or businesses have 25 years to claim money once it is reported to the state.

Visit IndianaUnclaimed.gov or text SAMMY to 46220 to search your name, family or business.

You can also contact the Unclaimed Property Division at 1-866-462-5246 or updmal@atg.in.gov.

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Ways, Snickers, and 3 Musketeers; candy cigarettes (yes, believe it or not;) Bazooka bubble gum; Tootsie Rolls; Life-savers . . . the list goes on and on.

Sometimes we'd also come home with apples or homemade goodies such as popcorn balls or cookies. I remember my mother passing out pumpkin cookies in little, individual waxed paper bags one Halloween.

My cousin, the Dancing Librarian, noted that some people tended to hand out the same thing every year, so you knew which home to visit if you had a yen for that specific treat.

We didn't have set times for trick-or-treating. You might have seen kids in costume going door-to-door any evening around Halloween and trick-or-treating lasted longer — usually until 9 p.m.

Trick-or-treating was safer in my day. Nobody thought twice about sending older kids out to walk the neighborhood without adult supervision.

We never worried about candy that had been tampered with or finding razor blades in apples, and the idea that you might ring a doorbell and have someone greet you by waving a gun in your face never occurred to us.

There were no commercial "Haunted Houses" except the one at the Children's Museum in Indianapolis and it was nothing like the bloody, gory places you can visit now. It was just a spooky good time.

People also didn't decorate their homes as if they were competing in a Christmas lighting contest. You might have

seen some Indian corn or bittersweet, but jack-o-lanterns were the main decoration. (Pumpkins cost less than a dollar then!)

Although store-bought costumes and plastic masks were around, homemade costumes were the rule, not the exception, and some of those were really creative.

The Dancing Librarian likes to tell about the time she took her youngest brother trick-or-treating. Their other siblings had taken off, leaving "B" (oh yeah, like I'm going to give you his real name — he'd probably kill me) home alone except for his big sister.

The DL was a teenager at the time and the notion of escorting a seven or eight year-old around the neighborhood to beg for candy wasn't very appealing to her, but she took pity on him . . . after a fashion.

B needed a costume and somehow the DL managed to talk him into dressing like comedian Red Skelton's "Junior, the Mean Widdle Kid" character, complete with short pants, knee socks, straw hat and a big bow around his neck. She went as his nanny.

It was really cold that night and B, with his bare knees, nearly froze. His discomfort was soon forgotten, however, after they returned home and he not only got to enjoy the candy he'd collected, the DL gave him most of hers.

Happy Halloween!

- Paula Dunn's *From Time to Thyme* column appears on Wednesdays in *The Times*. Contact her at [younggardenerfriend@gmail.com](mailto:younggardenerfriend@gmail.com)

## Welcome Home Vietnam Era Veterans Open House

In gratitude of the service of Vietnam War Era veterans (1955-1975) an Open House Gift Event is being held on Wednesday, November 1 at the Noblesville Township Community Center (Corner of 8th and Division Streets) from 1:00-4:00 P.M. All branches of service, Reservists, & National Guard, whether stateside or deployed, are invited to attend. Everyone welcome!

A free gift of the Time to Honor book, DVD documentary, photos, refreshments, and various veterans' organizations will be present, including Veterans Resource personnel, Pets for Vets, and the Honor Flight.

This event is sponsored by the Welcome Home Vietnam Veterans organization (WHVV.org) which has held more than 160 gift events throughout the state. The Horseshoe Prairie, Noblesville, and Jonathan Jennings, Car-

mel, DAR Chapters are co-hosting the open house.

The National Society Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) is a women's service organization whose members can trace their lineage to an individual who contributed to securing American independence during the Revolutionary War. Today's DAR is dynamic and diverse, with members in over 4,000 chapters in the United States and abroad. DAR members annually provide millions of hours of volunteer service to their communities across the country and world, and participate in projects to promote historic preservation, education, and patriotism. Over one million members have joined the organization since its founding in 1890. Learn more about DAR membership by visiting [www.dar.org](http://www.dar.org) or contact Shirley Hunter Smith at [Shirley1776@yahoo.com](mailto:Shirley1776@yahoo.com).

## GRAMMY From Page A1

encouraged me and shared in the joy as I've learned how to empower students through music education. I'm looking forward to this continued journey and appreciate all the support along the way."

Robinson began teaching music in 2005 at Noblesville Schools and currently serves as the jazz band director and assistant band director at Noblesville High School. She is also chair of the National Association for Music Education Jazz Council and past president of the Indiana Jazz Educators Association.

Robinson was named the 2023 Outstanding High School Music Educator of the Year by the Indiana Music Educators Association and holds several other distinctions including 2014 Indiana Jazz Educator of the Year, 2015 Noblesville Schools Teacher of the Year, Yamaha Performing Artist, and 2016 Indiana Teacher of the Year semifinalist. She is a two-time Lilly Teacher Creativity Fellow and received international acclaim as the 2021 keynote

speaker for the Australia National Band and Orchestra Conference.

"Bethany has grown the NHS jazz program exponentially in her time at NHS and has led her students to national recognition for their accomplishments," said Dr. Craig McCaffrey, principal at Noblesville High School. "She is an outstanding educator, performer, leader, and advocate for music education. We're proud of her ongoing accomplishments and are excited to celebrate her success."

The GRAMMY Music Educator Award recognizes current educators who have made a significant and lasting contribution to the music education field and demonstrate a commitment to the broader cause of maintaining music education in the schools.

The top 10 finalists will be announced in December and the overall 2024 winner will be named early next year.

For more information on these prestigious national awards, please visit [grammymusicteacher.com](http://grammymusicteacher.com).

## New Performance Report Cards Go Live On Each Indiana School's Website, Replacing A-F Grades

By Casey Smith  
Indiana Capital Chronicle

To increase transparency around Indiana students' education performance, new report cards issued by the state education department are now required to be posted on nearly every Hoosier school's website.

Beginning Oct. 15, each public and state-accredited non-public school must post online a performance report from the Indiana Department of Education (IDOE) that shows how its students are doing on academic and other measures.

The report cards replace the state's previous accountability system in which the state assigned A through F grades to measure a school's quality.

School grades have been effectively suspended since 2018, when Indiana shifted from ISTEP to a new state standardized test and later grappled with the COVID-19 pandemic.

State officials maintain that the new school performance reports will provide additional transparency around key data points, like test results, attendance rates and career readiness.

Indiana Secretary of Education Katie Jenner said she also hopes the move will help parents, families and communities to better understand what's happening in their schools.

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**What's in the reports**  
Information included in the performance reports covers the 2022-23 and

2023-24 academic years and varies by the grade levels served by a school.

For example, reports for elementary schools — which are defined as those serving grades K-8 — will include pass rates for the 3rd grade literacy test, known as IREAD-3, along with pass rates for the statewide ILEARN exam, chronic absenteeism rates, and per-student funding.

High school report cards will also highlight per-student funding, along with average composite SAT scores, as well as graduation and non-waiver graduation rates. Additionally, secondary school performance reports will provide the percentage of students who enrolled in and passed any of the following: an Advanced Placement exam, International Baccalaureate exam, dual credit course, or Cambridge International exam.

All schools are also required to compare their data to those serving similar grade bands. Schools with high rates of students who receive free or reduced lunch additionally provide a comparison of their metrics to schools with a similar population.

Much of the data for the new report cards is already available to the public, though, and was drawn from the Indiana Graduates Prepared to Succeed (GPS) dashboard, which the state released earlier this year.

State lawmakers required the performance reports earlier this year in House Enrolled Act

(HEA) 1591.

Even so, the A-F school grades are still required in the state code. Under the new law, however, the state education department will issue "null" grades for each school for the 2022-23 and 2023-24 school years, as it has since 2018.

Under the new law, IDOE is also charged with providing the Indiana General Assembly with future accountability recommendations that can be used in subsequent years. Those are due to state lawmakers by Dec. 1, 2024.

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**What the data shows — and what the state is doing**

Hundreds of schools across the state already have performance reports embedded on their websites, according to the IDOE. It's not yet clear whether any schools are not complying with the new requirement.

The performance reports come amid a statewide push to help Hoosier students recover from the academic impacts of the pandemic and ensure new high school graduates are more adequately prepared to enter the workforce.

That includes vigorous efforts to improve literacy among the state's youngest students, largely through the mandatory adoption of science of reading instruction.

Earlier this year, the state board of education additionally reduced the number of Indiana academic standards and

approved a revision of the ILEARN assessment. The goal is to make it easier for teachers to craft individualized lesson plans and allow schools more flexibility in administering the standardized exams.

State leaders are also rethinking efforts to get kids into the classroom every day. New state data released earlier this month showed about 40% of Hoosier students missed 10 or more school days last year, and nearly one in five were "chronically absent," meaning they missed at least 18 days.

More broadly, Jenner has maintained that Indiana's prior school accountability measures are outdated and need to be updated.

Many state lawmakers agree, though some GOP leaders, like Rep. Bob Behning, R-Indianapolis, say the A to F system shouldn't go away completely, but instead should use different metrics to assess school performance.

Behning and other legislators have recommended, for example, multiple letter grades for different accountability measures.

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## Fall Treats for Fall Break



The Times photo by Betsy Reason

Avery Koons (from left), 9, Evelyn Koons, 6, and Annalee Koons, 8, sell "Fall Treats" at their homemade food stand in their Noblesville neighborhood during fall break. They offered caramel corn, caramel apples and pumpkin chocolate chip cookies, all homemade by the sisters, who are the daughters of Jason and Jill Koons. Secret ingredients in their caramel corn? Brown sugar, salt, baking soda and vanilla. Their menu board was handwritten, and their treats were packaged beautifully on the fall-decorated table.

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