

Indian Creek Newsletter

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Neighborhood Morning Coffee



Kathy Nelson has extended an invitation to the Indian Creek neighborhood to meet on **Monday, April 6, 10:00am** for refreshments and good company. All Indian Creekers are welcome.

Please let Kathy know if you are planning to come: 728-2628, kpnelson@frontiernet.net. The Nelsons live at 14 Bent Tree Lane.



Legion Fish/Shrimp Dinner



There will be a Fish or Shrimp Dinner on **Friday, April 3, 5:30pm - 7:30pm**. Cost is \$8. Carry outs are available.

We had a record turn out for our St Patrick's Day dinner. Thank you for your continued support of the American Legion and our troops.



Legion Breakfast



The Towanda American Legion will have a breakfast on **Sunday April 5, 7:30am to 10:30am**. Breakfast will include scrambled eggs, sausage, bacon, hash brown potatoes, biscuits and gravy, pancakes, fruit and drink for \$7. Carry outs are available.



Towanda Lions Easter egg Hunt



The annual Towanda Lions Easter egg Hunt will be held on **Saturday, April 11, 10:00am** at the Towanda Community Building for ages 0 – 3 yrs, 4yrs – kindergarten, 1st grade - 2nd grade, and 3rd – 4th grade. The Towanda Ladies Night Out group will have donuts, juice and coffee for sale and the Senior Women will have baked goods for sale.

Towanda Library News

(on the web at <http://towandalibrary.org>)

Twentieth Anniversary of Towanda Library Building

During National Library Week, a week-long series of programs will celebrate the 20th Anniversary of the Building Dedication. We intend to honor the community leaders whose vision and planning provided the library you use today. Towanda citizens have a tradition of strong support for their local library. Refreshments will be served throughout the week.

Abraham Lincoln in Song



Monday, April 13 at 6:00pm we host musician and storyteller Chris Vallillo performing "Abraham Lincoln in Song" at the library. This is the same program that Chris performed at the Governor's Mansion on Lincoln's 200th Birthday. The program is free and open to the public. Visit Chris Vallillo's website at <http://www.qinridge.com>. His CD's "Abraham Lincoln in Song" will be available to purchase at the program. Prior to the performance, the Towanda Boy Scouts will perform a Flag Retirement Ceremony at 5:30.

Celebrate the Past; Imagine the Future

Thursday, April 16, Celebrate the Past: Imagine the Future, a multi-media program narrated by storyteller, **Linda Garbe**, honors Towanda library leaders and provides a glimpse at the history of the library which began in 1939, thanks to WPA funds. Dozens of historic photos appear in the presentation. The stars of the show are Towanda citizens. Programs begin at **2:00 pm and 6:00 pm**.



Kindergarten Pre-Registration



Pre-registration for all 2009-10 kindergarten students will be held at Towanda School on **Thursday, May 7, 2009 at 1:00pm**. Students must be 5 years of age on or before September 1, 2009, to attend kindergarten this fall.

Pre-registration numbers are important, as they help to determine how many sections of kindergarten we will plan to have next year. Please share this information with neighborhood families who do not currently have a student attending Towanda Elementary. If unable to attend on May 7, please call the school office at 728-2278.



Towanda Elementary Presents Lincoln Play

The Towanda Elementary Drama Club presents: The Life of Abraham Lincoln on **Friday, April 17 at 4:00 pm** in the gym. Admission is free. All are invited.



Election and New Money Creek Township Polling Place

There will be a general election on Tuesday, April 7. The polls will be open from 6:00am until 7:00pm. Included in the election will be candidates for the library board of trustees and the position of Money Creek Township Road Commissioner.

The Money Creek Township polling place has been moved to

MONEY CREEK TOWNSHIP BUILDING
25397 N 1925 EAST ROAD
LEXINGTON IL 61753



Take Country Road 29 north from the subdivision to the T at Hudson Road. Follow the continuation of CR 29 by turning right (east) for about ½ mile and then turn left (north) on to the Gridley blacktop. The building is at the southeast corner of PJ Keller Highway and McLean Country Highway 29 (1925 E) (Gridley Blacktop). Look for the Money Creek Polling Place sign.

Be careful – the first notification sent by the McLean County Clerk had the wrong location from Google Maps. Mapquest has the correct location:



Meet and Greet the Candidate



Kay Liebenow and Mark and Barb Ulbrich are sponsoring a meet and greet this Thursday, April 2 from 6-8:00pm at Kay's home at 33 Candler Ridge Road.

We would like to introduce you to a young man who is excited about running for Money Creek Township Road Commissioner. Come for a cup of coffee and meet Scott Grunloh.

Red Carpet Corridor

Let the MOTHER ROAD help you find your way



TOWANDA, IL

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FESTIVAL
 May 2nd and 3rd
 8:00am to 5:00pm

.Flea Market .Crafts .Antiques
 .50/50 Drawing .Garage Sales
 .Kids Games .Car Show on Sunday
 .Talent Show on Sunday .Food
 .Schenk's Route 66 Memorabilia Garage
 .American Legion Breakfast on Sunday
 ."Velvet Groove" band
 on Saturday 2:00 - 5:00 pm
 & much more

Towanda Talent Show To Be Held During Red Carpet Festival



From the Towanda Fire Department L to R: Gary Anderson, Don Wager, Perry Hensley, Don Fox, Bill Nice, Maurice Jones, Cecil Terrill, Jim Hoag, Jim Arteman, Eldon Menken.

In 1972, Towanda PTA held a spectacular show. The "dancers" in the photo at the left, known as Don's Dollies really showed their talent. It's time for Towanda to DO IT AGAIN!

During the Red Carpet Corridor Festival, on **Sunday, May 3, 1:00 p.m.** at North Park bandstand, you'll have your chance to perform and view the area's greatest talent once again. But we need to learn of your talents: instrumentalists, dance groups, stand up comedians, magicians and other equally "talented" Towanda area families

and friends should step forward. All ages are welcome and encouraged to participate.

Individuals and groups may inquire and sign up to give their short performances by calling the community building, weekdays, 8-12 noon, 728-2811 or by calling Pat Pulokas, 728-2118. You may also respond to: Towanda_route66@yahoo.com. Join in the community spirit. "Get your kicks on Route 66" when you bring your lawn chairs and come to the Towanda bandstand, sit back and enjoy some fun and fellowship.

Towanda Area Garage Sales



Garage sales will be held **Thursday, April 30 – Sunday, May.3** in conjunction with the Red Carpet Corridor Event. Please contact Gail Ann Briggs with the days, times and location of your sale in addition to your contact information, \$7 fee, and the items you have to sell by **Wednesday, April 22** to be included on the map and list (depending on available space). (Sales do not need to be held on all 4 days!) Mail to 112 Hunt St. Emailed information will receive a reply: rgbriggs@frontiernet.net (call 728.2187 with questions)



July 4th Planning Committee

PLEASE COME AND SHOW YOUR SUPPORT FOR THE 4TH OF JULY CELEBRATION ON APRIL 27 AT THE TOWANDA COMMUNITY BUILDING!!!

This event requires the work of many people to be a success, and support for this event has dwindled considerably over the last few years. Volunteers are needed for planning of the event, fundraising activities, and most importantly, input on decisions which affect the overall success of this historic celebration that Towanda has celebrated **FOR OVER 40 YEARS**. Volunteers are needed to keep this event a success.



4th Of July Theme And Grand Marshall

A list of former themes and grand marshals of the annual 4th of July Parade is posted at the Community Building, Post Office and Library. Submit your proposals for the 2009 parade.



Theme: Please include:

- theme suggestion
- your name
- phone number
- address

Grand Marshall: Please include:

- name of person being nominated
- information about the nominee

Suggestions are requested by **Wednesday, April 8** to: Towanda 4th of July Parade Committee; 112 Hunt St; Towanda IL 61776

Water Report

provided by Bob Hancock

The Indian Creek Homeowners and Water Association received a letter dated February 5, 2009 from the Illinois Department of Public Health officially recognizing our community water system for its high degree of compliance with the state of Illinois Fluoridation Law in 2008. We received this Honorable Mention for maintaining compliance for 11 months of the year.

Now having given you the good news I hope I haven't jinxed us by passing along this next bit of information. If we should be unfortunate to be without water service or if the water pressure should get below 20 PSI, I have had 3 signs made which will be posted at each of the entrances to Indian Creek. We will do our best to get the communication out to everyone ASAP through a phone tree and email whenever there is a problem with water interruption. I think the messages are self explanatory, but here is what the messages will look like:



THCE Program

by Pat Pulokas, 728-2118; palp@mchsi.com, <http://www.mcleanhce.org>



The Towanda Home and Community Education Unit will meet on **Monday, April 13, 7:00 p.m.** at the Towanda Community Building. The program will be: "Landscaping on the Wild Side."

The Towanda HCE members will be providing cookies to the Towanda Library this month for their anniversary celebration during National Library Week, April 13-18. HCE members accumulate care items to be sent to soldiers overseas as an ongoing project of the McLean County HCE.

Other county HCE activities in April are held at the McLean County Extension Auditorium and are open to the public.

- A SILK FLOWER ARRANGING Workshop on **Thursday, April 16, 1-4:00 pm.** Register by calling Carmen, 379-3141.
- Read & Share on **Monday, April 20, 6:30-8:00 p.m.** with the book *A Thread of Grace* by Mary Doria Russell to be discussed. Call Lavonne, 723-6558 for more details.
- Spring Tour to Fair Oaks Farm and the Albanese Candy Factory and Outlet Store in Indiana on **Wednesday, April 22.** Reservations and payment are due by April 8 to Mary Ellen Gottselig, 663-1689.
- "Sampling Fruits and Vegetables" is on **Monday, April 27, 1-3:00 p.m.**

All activities and calendar of events can be found on our website at <http://www.mcleanhce.org>.

Questions about the Towanda HCE may be directed to Cindy Kelley, 663-4796. All of our activities are open to the public and we invite all to attend our lessons.