

Indian Creek Newsletter

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on the web at <http://www.frontiernet.net/~indiancreek>
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Neighborhood Morning Coffee



Helen and Tim Mogill have extended an invitation to the Indian Creek neighborhood to meet on **Tuesday, July 28, 10:00am** for refreshments and good company at their home. All Indian Creekers are welcome.

Please let Helen or Tim know if you are planning to come: 728-2048, hmogill@frontiernet.net. The Mogills live at 18 Bent Tree Lane.

Legion Steak Dinner



The American Legion will have a steak dinner on **Friday, July 10 from 5:30pm to 7:30pm**. Dinner will include rib eye steak, baked potato, salad, roll, dessert and drink for \$10. Carry outs are available.

Water Report

by Bob Hancock, 728-2990



The cause of last month's water outage was a water level switch which controls the pump. At the time the June Newsletter was being prepared we still had some issues with the pump not shutting off when it was suppose too. Well, there was another value that works in conjunction with the water level switch that needed to be replaced as well.

Also, I occasionally receive complaints about the water being cloudy. Some of this has to do just with our water; where you are located; and how long it's been since the line was flushed. If you do not have a good in-house water conditioner, you may recognize the cloudy water more often than others. We are going to try flushing twice a month rather than the once a month timing we have been on during good weather. Line flushing will still occur on Thursdays. The lines were flushed last Thursday, June 18th and they will be flushed again next Thursday, July 2nd. We will see how this goes over the next few months to see if it improves overall clarity.

In case you are in need of a water conditioning service, the following have been recommended:

Kinetico Quality
McKinley Water
828-4455

AQuality Solutions
P.O. Box 430
Cissna Park, IL 60924 (There is an outlet in Gibson City)
866-492-8371

If you know of other companies where homeowners have had good results, please let me know and I will mention them in the next newsletter.

Lauran and Irena to the Rescue



As Lauran and Irena were walking down the hill at the upper end of Eastwood Court, they spotted a small snapping turtle right in the middle of the road. Concerned for its safety, they captured the creature and released it near the creek in the nature area. The little turtle quickly disappear into the underbrush.



Lauran and Irena with rescued turtle

Towanda Library News

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

Book Sale in the Park, July 4

Watch for the FRIENDS of the Library Used Book Sale in the park during the July 4th celebration. FRIENDS will also be selling bottled water and lemonade. All proceeds benefit library programs and services.

Summer Teen Night, July 9, 7:00pm – 9:00pm

Teens enjoy a place to relax and socialize with their peers. The library offers teens a monthly opportunity for casual, unstructured fun in a name-your-own activities format. The library invites teens to consider the library when they say, "What is there to do around here?" July features a **Game Night** - Guitar Hero, Wii.

Reading for the Dogs, Tuesdays, June 23 - July 28, 6–7pm

Youth can read one-on-one with a trained and certified canine friend - by appointment only - from June 23 - July 28 on Tuesdays between 6:00pm and 7:00pm. See <http://www.therapyanimals.org/read/article86.html> for the benefits of this program.



Summer Reading Program – Weds, 10:00–11:30, 6/17–7/29

The Summer Reading Program is held each Wednesday morning from 10 to 11:30. Weekly programs at the library will provide engaging, interactive performances, community speakers, craft projects, games, readers' theater, and reading challenges. Joanna Ranninger and Karen Bersche will provide a variety of age-appropriate programs for youth - ages 3 to 6 years and 7 to 12 years. Open enrollment allows children to join the fun anytime during the 7-week program – June 17 through July 29, 2009. The full schedule of summer activities is posted on the library website at <http://towandalibrary.org>.

Family Movie Nights . Movies begin at dusk (about 8:30).

July 10: Secondhand Lions

July 24: Escape to Witch Mountain



4th of July Events

See the full schedule of events at http://towandail.org/index_files/2009-4thOfJulyFlyer.pdf

Friday, July 3, 2009

4:30–7:00pm *Community Building*
7:45pm *South Park*
8:00–12:00pm *South Park*

Spaghetti Dinner
Miss / Master and Theme Winners
Community Dance Music by *Unknown Road*
Raffle Drawings will be held at the dance.

Saturday, July 4, 2009

All Day *North & South Parks* **Flea Market**
All Day *Community Bldg & Parks* **Food Concessions**
8:45-9:30am *School* **Parade Lineup**
10:00am **Parade Begins**
Evening *School* **'Olde Tyme' Games begin**
Dusk **Fireworks**



Army Blackhawk Helicopter



Towanda VFW Post 462 will be displaying a U.S. ARMY BLACKHAWK helicopter {weather permitting} at the corner of Jackson and East street.



Viewing will be from **9:00am - 2:00pm on July 4**. Sit in the cockpit and have your picture taken. There will be hot dogs, chips, and water for sale at the helicopter site.

School Registration Alert



Please be aware that all Unit 5 students who are entering kindergarten, 6th and 9th grades this fall will need to have their health physicals and immunizations completed BEFORE school starts. If not, they will not be allowed to attend classes. Prior to this year the date was October 15, but to best ensure the health and safety of all Unit 5 students, this date was changed. The first half day of classes will be Wednesday, August 19.

Towanda Area Historical Society

By Gail Ann Briggs, President ~ 728-2187 ~ rgbriggs@frontiernet.net



Winnie Nice, a long time Towanda resident, has made and donated to the Society a beautiful Wildlife afghan (52"x80"). It is being raffled off with all proceeds to benefit the Society, which is in the process of preparing a new history book. Raffle tickets are being sold for a \$1 each or 6 for \$5 and are available from TAHS members. They may also be purchased at the HCE Spaghetti Supper at the Community Building on July 3, the Library Friends book sale on July 4 in North Park, TAHS monthly meetings, the Towanda library, and at other upcoming area events. The lucky winner's name will be drawn this fall at a Society event to be announced. Posters featuring a picture of the afghan are on display.

Towanda Area Historical Society will meet **Tuesday, July 28 at 7:00 pm** in the Towanda Community Building. Discussion will continue about the format preferred for the new book and research that needs to be accomplished. Anyone interested in offering ideas and/or would like to review the history books on hand is invited to do so.

Looking ahead to **Tuesday, August 25**, the Towanda Area Historical Society will host an open meeting at 7:00 p.m. at the Community Building to hear a program presented by Fred Walk (with PowerPoint) about the history of U.S. Route 66, particularly around this area. Look for more information in next month's newsletter. We invite you to be part of history in the making.

Towanda Lions sponsored Steve Liebenow Memorial Scholarship.

The Towanda Lions Club is sponsoring a \$500.00 scholarship for a 2009 High School college bound senior and/or currently enrolled college student attending classes full time from the Towanda area. This is a one-time scholarship, not open to renewal.

Applicants for this scholarship must meet the following criteria:

1. The applicant must have a Towanda mailing/residence address.
2. Average grade of at least a C, verified by a high school transcript.
3. In 250 words or less, submit a letter of application containing a brief biographical profile which includes your college plans, school activities, community service activities, and work history. Indicate your plans for using the scholarship money and why you are deserving of the award.
4. Submit two letters of recommendation: one from a teacher, counselor, or administrator, and one from a non-relative in the Towanda area.
5. Submit a copy of your fall 2009 class schedule of the college/university you will be attending.
6. Letter of application, recommendation, transcript, and class schedule must be received by the Scholarship Committee Chairman by September 15, 2009.



Mail to: Steve Liebenow Memorial Scholarship
c/o Robert Hancock
7 Bent Tree Lane
Towanda, Illinois 61776

The Towanda Lions Club committee will review all applications and select one scholarship winner. All applicants will be notified by mail of the committee's choice.