

# Indian Creek Newsletter

## August, 2009

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### Neighborhood Morning Coffee



Shirley Dudzik has extended an invitation to the Indian Creek neighborhood to meet on **Monday, August 31, 10:00am** for refreshments and good company at her home. All Indian Creekers are welcome.

Please let Shirley know if you are planning to come: 728-8001. Shirley lives at 2 Timber Creek Road.

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### Route 66 - The Evolution and Preservation of a Road: Route 66



On **Tuesday, August 25, 7:00pm** at the community building, the Towanda Area Historical Society will host a program titled ***The Evolution and Preservation of a Road: Route 66***. Indian Creek's own **Fred Walk** will talk about the history of U.S. Route 66, particularly around this area. With the aid of a power point presentation, Fred will describe how Route 66 evolved over time to become one of the most recognized roads in the world. The lure and lore of this historic roadway will be examined from a historic, geographic, and cultural perspective. A 2 1/2 mile stretch of Route 66 in Towanda has been converted into a linear parkway to preserve a local piece of the Mother Road. Come on out and "Get Your Kicks" on Route 66. Bring your questions and learn from the developer of the Route 66 linear park.

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### Legion Pork Chop Dinner



The Towanda American Legion will have a pork chop dinner on **Friday, August 14, 5:30pm - 7:30pm**. Dinner will include pork a chop sandwich, baked beans, coleslaw, drink and dessert for \$7. Carry outs are available.

## Fall Area Garage Sales



Sales will be held **Thursday-Saturday, September 10-12**. Please provide, by Wednesday, **September 2**,

- 1) the days and times your sale will be open,
- 2) a list of items to advertise (as space is available) on the flyer that is distributed with the map of locations, and
- 3) \$7.00 to Gail Ann Briggs.

Emailed lists are preferred and will receive a response: [rgbriggs@frontiernet.net](mailto:rgbriggs@frontiernet.net) or mail to 112 Hunt St, Towanda. Questions, call 728-2187.

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## Towanda Library News

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

### **Family Movie Night, August 14, 8:30pm**

Free Family Movie Night is Friday, August 14 at 8:30pm on the library lawn. In case of rain, the movie will be shown inside the library. This month's movie is Secondhand Lions.

### **Teen Movie Night, August 13, 7:00pm – 9:00pm**

Teen Movie Night is Thursday, August 13th from 7 to 9pm. Refreshments will be served.

### **Circulation**

Circulation of magazines and adult fiction is rising at the library. More and more people are ordering online - for pickup at our library. The library website leads directly to the RSACat Online Catalog, allowing you to borrow from libraries across Central Illinois. All free. All as convenient as borrowing from your hometown library.

### **Children's Programs**

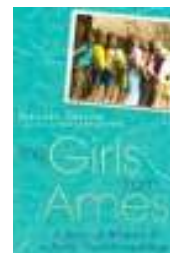
Seventy children ages 3 through 6th grade participated in the Summer Reading Program - Read on the WILD Side. Readers attended weekly programs for 7 weeks and won prizes for reaching their reading goals. Tuesday evening programs allowed children to read to canine friends. Reader's Theater participants hosted their friends and parents for an evening performance of GO GREEN and COME, SIT, STAY on July 30<sup>th</sup>.

### **Friends of the Library, Wed, Sept 16, 6:00pm**

Thanks to everyone who supported the FRIENDS of the Library Used Book Sale at the July 4th celebration. All proceeds go to benefit programs and services at the library. The next meeting of the Friends of Towanda District Library is **Wednesday, Sept 16 at 6:00pm**. The meeting will be held at the home of a member.

### **Towanda Reads, Wed, Sept 16, 7:00pm**

The next book for TOWANDA READS club book to discuss is: ***The Girls of Ames - A Story of Women & a Forty-Year Friendship***, by Jeffrey Zaslow. TOWANDA READS welcomes new participants at any of its sessions. The meeting will be held at the home of a member. Contact the library for location and directions.



**FOR SALE:** The library always has an assortment of gently used books for sale at the ongoing FRIENDS of the Library Book Sale.

## Classifieds

### For Sale:

**Ron Fontaine**, [fontaine@frontiernet.net](mailto:fontaine@frontiernet.net), 728-2717  
Hammond Organ (2 row keyboard) and bench in hard rock maple wood for \$100.



**Dave & Judy Schulthes**, [jdshults@frontiernet.net](mailto:jdshults@frontiernet.net), 728-2927

- Desk - \$30
- Bird's Eye maple dresser with mirror – needs to be restored - \$100
- GE 900 watt white microwave oven, excellent condition; retailed for \$134; asking \$50
- Painted chest of drawers - \$15
- Free – black plastic edging strips used for brick patio/walkway. Good condition

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## Wild Turkey



Wild turkeys have been wandering Bent Tree Lane. This huge Tom was photographed by Fred Walk in his back yard.

Notice the long wattle hanging from this turkey's chest. The male turkey is much larger than the female. The adult male normally weighs from 11 - 24 lbs and measures 39 - 49 inches.

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## A Request from a Boy Scout

Jacob Schroeder, a Boy Scout from Troop 56, is currently working on his Eagle Scout Leadership Project to create bat conservation houses at Ewing Park II in Bloomington. There is landscaping at the base of the bat houses. To complete the project, Jacob is seeking donations of the following plants:

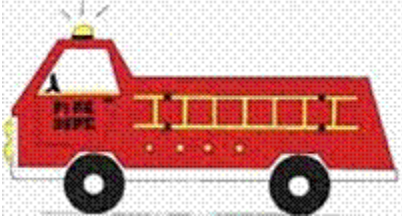
- Purple Coneflower
- Black-eyed Susan
- Brown-eyed Susan
- Little bluestem grass



If you have any extras you are willing to donate, please contact Jacob at: 309-825-1502 or [jacobschroeder@frontiernet.net](mailto:jacobschroeder@frontiernet.net).

If you need help separating them from your current landscaping, Jacob can help. Jacob says, 'Thanks so much for your consideration!!'

## Towanda Fire Department Junior Firefighters



The Towanda fire department will be hosting an open house for our junior firefighting program on **Saturday, August 29 from 2:00pm - 4:00pm**. We will have sign up and answer any questions you might have. This program is open to boys and girls ages 14 - 17.

The program starts **Monday, September 14th**. There will be a lot of hands on training with the Towanda firefighters. You can contact James Crow at (309) 838-6826 or Tom Wagner at (309) 319-0130 for sign-up or questions about the program.

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## Unit 5 Schools



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. Registration information can be found at <http://www.unit5.org/departments/curriculum/registration.shtml#start>

**Wednesday, August 19** - First half day of school

**Monday, August 10** - Redistricting Forum, NCHS at 7:00 p.m.

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## Towanda Area Directory

Put the current information about your organization for 2009-10 on the new Directory of Area Organizations. Contact Gail Ann Briggs (728-2187 ~ or ~ [rgbriggs@frontiernet.net](mailto:rgbriggs@frontiernet.net)) with the name and title of individual to be listed, location of meetings/events and with the regular meeting time (weekly, monthly, periodically). THANKS!!

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## TAHS Raffle

By Gail Ann Briggs, President ~ 728-2187 ~ [rgbriggs@frontiernet.net](mailto:rgbriggs@frontiernet.net)



Have you seen the beautiful Wildlife afghan (52"x80) made by and donated to the Towanda Area Historical Society by Winnie Nice, a long time Towanda resident? All of the proceeds are going toward the production of our new history book. Raffle tickets are being sold for a \$1 each or 6 for \$5 and are available from TAHS members and at the Library, the Community Building, at TAHS monthly meetings, and at other upcoming area events. The lucky winner's name will be drawn this fall at a Society event to be announced.