

# INDIAN CREEK NEWSLETTER

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January 2012

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## Legion News

The Towanda American Legion will have a breakfast on Sunday January 8th from 7:30 to 11:00. Breakfast will include scrambled eggs, egg casserole, sausage, bacon, hash brown potatoes, biscuits and gravy, pancakes, fruit and drink for \$8. Carryouts are available.

There will be a steak, shrimp or steak/shrimp combo dinner on Friday January 13th from 5:00 to 7:00. Dinner will include rib eye steak, shrimp or combo, baked potato, salad, roll, dessert and drink for \$10. Carryouts are available.

We are continuing to collect donations for our troops overseas. If you know of a service person you would like to receive a package, please let us know.

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## Reminder.....

The question of allowing recreational motorized vehicles in the Indian Creek common areas has always been voted down whenever it has come up at association meetings. This is a reminder that recreational motorized vehicles including but not limited to dirt bikes, snow-mobiles and 4-wheelers are not allowed on any Indian Creek common areas including but not limited to the "Nature Area" and the "Soccer Field".

Please refer any questions about this policy to any Indian Creek Homeowner and Water Association board member.

**The Indian Creek Homeowners Association Annual Meeting will be held Thursday, January 19, 2012, at 7 p.m., in the Towanda Community Building. Please plan to attend!**

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## Towanda Area Historical Society

The TAHS is open to anyone interested in working on the history book, planning area events related to our history, and getting acquainted with other 'history buffs'. Please become involved (many hands make light work) Contact Gail Ann Briggs [rgbriggs@frontiernet.net](mailto:rgbriggs@frontiernet.net) or Pat Pulokas [palp@mchsi.com](mailto:palp@mchsi.com) with questions and suggestions.

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## Water/Curb Shut-Off Wrench



The Indian Creek Homeowners Association has purchased a "Curb Shut-Off" wrench in case anyone needs to shut off water to their residence in an emergency or plans to do their own in-house plumbing. The wrench will be kept at Bob Hancock's residence at 7 Bent Tree Lane. If you need to borrow the wrench, please call Bob @ 728-2990. If you are unable to reach Bob and it is indeed an emergency, you will find the tool in his shed just right of the door. The wrench is black in color and about 4 feet long. The shut off depth below ground can vary by residence, but once located to turn the water off requires only about a quarter turn counterclockwise.

Important: Do not put too much force on the valve stem as you may cause more damage than good. If in doubt, please call a plumber."

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## Towanda 4-H

The Towanda 4-H will meet on Tuesday, January 3, 2012. We will have a speaker talking about robotics. We will also pass out the awards from 2011.

Those giving talks will be Joseph Andersen, Molly Borth, Sam Clements and Sam Shelton. Amber Conder and Jenny Glasscock will give a demonstration. The refreshments will be provided by the Borths and Conders. Mackenzie Kraft will be in charge of recreation.

The Towanda 4-H is open to boys and girls who are ages 8 to 18 by September 1st. Clover Buds are for ages 5 to 7. If you are interested or have questions you can contact Kathy Schultz at 728-2137 or Jeanie Wager at 728-2852.

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## Towanda HCE News – January

The Towanda Home and Community Education Unit will be meeting at 7 p.m. on Jan. 9 at the Towanda Community Building. The program will be UNDERSTANDING FOOD LABELS, given by Jeanie Wager. The fact find will be "Sodium Facts". Hostesses are Sandy Whalen and LaVonne Cunningham. Members and guests may bring snowman related items to display for all to enjoy.

There will be a Calendar book workshop on Monday, Jan. 9 at the Extension Office, 402 N. Hershey Rd., Bloomington. There is a class fee and you should register by Tuesday, Jan. 3 by calling Carmen, 309 379 3141

For more information about Towanda HCE, contact Cindy at 309 663-4796.

# Towanda Boy Scouts

The Towanda Scouts are taking advance meat orders for the 56th Annual Pancake and Sausage Breakfast to be held on Saturday February 11th. Advance meat orders and tickets are also available from any Towanda Scout, Read's Sporting Goods or call 728-2384.

## 2012 Advance Meat Order Towanda Scouting Organization

~Pick Up Meat Orders~

**Friday, February 10th, 3-6 p.m. at the Towanda Community Building or,  
Saturday, February 11th, 8:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. at Towanda Grade School.**

***PLEASE BRING YELLOW COPY WHEN PICKING UP YOUR ORDER!***  
**Questions? Call Mike & Linda Potts 728-2384**

Country Store will have a limited supply of additional meat, etc.,  
beginning at 8:00 a.m. Saturday on a first come, first serve basis.

**Place Your Order Today ~ The Deadline is JANUARY 30, 2012**

WHOLE HOG SAUSAGE	Pounds	Price	Total
BULK SAUSAGE (2# increments) Packaged ONLY in 2# packages.		\$2.95/lb.	\$
LINK SAUSAGE Packaged in 5# packages.		\$2.95/lb.	
BACK RIBS Packaged in 5# packages.		\$2.75/lb.	
COUNTRY STYLE BACON Packaged in 1# packages.		\$3.95/lb.	
<b>ITALIAN SAUSAGE</b>			
ITALIAN BULK (2# increments) Packaged ONLY in 2# packages.		\$2.95/lb.	
ITALIAN LINK Packaged in 5# packages.		\$2.95/lb.	
<b>CHICKEN BREASTS</b>			
BONELESS/SKINLESS Packaged in 5# packages.		\$4.00/lb.	
		<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$</b>

ORDER TAKEN BY: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_  Paid  Not Paid

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_



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## Reduce and Recycle Holiday Waste

### Have a Green Holiday – Reduce and Recycle Holiday Waste

Americans generate literally TONS of garbage between Thanksgiving and New Year's Day. The EAC encourages residents to try to divert some of it through waste reduction, reuse, recycling, and composting in order to prolong the life of the landfill, conserve natural resources, save energy, and reduce pollution. The Bloomington-Normal community is fortunate to have many excellent recycling programs in place that can help.

#### *Holiday Lights and Electronics*

Strings of lights as well as extension cords can be recycled. This also might be a great time to invest in the newer LED lights for next year; they will require far less energy than the old fashioned ones. Look for LED lights on sale right after the holidays.

Did someone get a new computer, phone or electronic game system? Then be sure that the electronics of the recent past don't end up in the landfill; as of January 1, 2012, consumer electronics are prohibited from Illinois landfills. On the plus side, televisions, monitors, VCRs, old DVDs, CDs, cell phones, game systems and all the accompanying cords, chargers, games, movies and remotes can all be easily recycled in our community.

The following locations will accept your unwanted holiday lights and electronics:

- Town of Normal Public Works Department (1301 Warriner Street, Normal) accepts all kinds of electronics from McLean County residents (no business wastes accepted) for recycling, Monday through Friday from 7 am until 2 pm.
- Home Sweet Home Ministries has a 24-hour drop box behind their Mission Mart at 301 E Oakland Ave, Bloomington.
- Habitat for Humanity Restore at 1406 W Washington, Bloomington; Tuesday-Sunday 10-5; Saturday 9-5.

Additional information for recycling electronics and other waste is available on the EAC website at [www.ecologyactioncenter.org](http://www.ecologyactioncenter.org).

#### *Wrapping Paper and boxes*

Be sure to bring the recycle bin into the living room during present unwrapping. Most wrapping paper is recyclable (exceptions include any plastic or metallic papers), as well as the boxes. Of course, many gift boxes and gift bags can be saved and used again next year. Better yet, don't buy wrapping paper, but rather use newspapers or old maps or reusable cloth gift bags. These make interesting packages, and save time and money. Recycling drop off locations for paper and

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cardboard exist in many locations throughout our community, including both Wal-Mart stores, the Kroger parking lot on College, the Jewel parking lot on Cottage, and the IWU Shirk Center.

### *Christmas Trees*

Both the City of Bloomington and the Town of Normal will pick up Christmas trees at curbside. All decorations (including icicle tinsel) need to be removed before the tree is put out for regular scheduled collection day. These trees will be chipped and turned into mulch, thereby going back into the environment. Residents of Bloomington may also drop off trees at the Bloomington Public Works facility at 402 S East Street during regular hours. Anyone is welcome to drop off a tree at Twin City Wood Recycling, 1606 W. Oakland in Bloomington.

*The Ecology Action Center is a central resource for environmental education, information, and outreach in McLean County. The EAC educates for environmental action at a walk-in information center and through educational programs on a variety of environmental topics.*

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## Dogs at Large

Any dog found running or being at large in any of the streets, public ways or upon the private premises of any person other than owner or keeper of such dog is a public nuisance. Please keep your dogs on your property or on a leash when out for a walk.

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## First Baptist Church

Join the First Baptist Church for the first Family Movie Night of 2012. The church will be showing "Mr. Popper's Penguins", Friday January 13th at 6:00. Popcorn and refreshments are provided. All are welcome to enjoy an evening with the family with a fun family flick.

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## Girl Scouts

Cookie sales will be January 13 – February 5, with cookie delivery in early March. This year our local Girl Scouts will be selling Carmel deLites, Peanut Butter Patties, Shortbread, Peanut Butter Sandwich, Thin Mints, Lemonades, Thanks-A-Lots and Shout Outs! Each box will sell for \$4.00. We will again be participating in Operation Cookie Share where you can purchase cookies that will be sent directly to military troops. Please contact leader Malisa Kraft at (309)825-1235 for more information.



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## Towanda Seniors

The Towanda Senior Group will not be meeting during the month of January, as many members go south and sometimes the weather is not so good! Our Community Birthday & Activity Calendar is available for purchase. Calendars are available at the library, Fast Stop or the Village Clerk's Office for \$1.00. If you have any questions call Beverly Meginnes at 728-2769.

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## Wanted:

Someone to shovel snow for Mogills at 18 Bent Tree Lane, 728-2948, [hmogill@frontiernet.net](mailto:hmogill@frontiernet.net)

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## Towanda Library



### January Story Hours

1-9 "How to Talk to your Snowman"

1-16 Penguin Play

1-23 Blue Day - Wear Something Blue

1-30 Twinkle, Twinkle, Little Star

### Quiddler Tournaments Tuesday Evenings from 5:00 to 6:00 all during January

The Quiddler prizes will be food! Try your hand at making words with this easy card game for 8-year-olds through adults. We will try our best to match age groups in the tournaments. Parents are invited to play alongside their children. Good readers have the best vocabularies and are most likely to have an "eye" for letter patterns that make words. Those very skills will make you a Quiddler winner!

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## Village Holiday Party

A big THANK YOU to all of the volunteers and attendees who made our Breakfast with Santa a success! A special thank you to Kicks, Panera and Krispy Kreme for food donations.

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