

INDIAN CREEK NEWSLETTER

July 2012

On the web at <http://www.indiancreeksubdivision.org>

Contact us by email at indiancreeknews@hotmail.com

Water News

1) The Indian Creek Homeowners and Water Association has available upon request this year's (2011) Consumer Confidence Report (CCR). http://www.indiancreeksubdivision.org/icwater_files/2011%20IC%20Consumer%20Confidence%20Rep.pdf The CCR includes basic information on the source(s) of your drinking water, the levels of any contaminants that were detected in the water during 2011, and compliance with other drinking water rules, as well as some educational materials.

You can print off your own copy from the Indian Creek website (above) or for those that would prefer a paper copy, please contact Bob Hancock at 309-728-2990.



2) Included with the next water bill will be a Cross-Connection Control Survey (blue paper) which must be completed (do not destroy) and returned to Dave Schulthes along with your payment (if applicable) by 7/30/2012.

"Steve Liebenow Memorial Scholarship

The Towanda Lions Club is sponsoring a \$500.00 scholarship for a 2012 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 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 2 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 2012 class schedule of the college/university you will be attending.
6. Letter of application, recommendations, transcript, and class schedule must be received by the Scholarship Committee Chairman by September 15, 2012.

Mail to:

Steve Liebenow Memorial Scholarship
c/o Mr. 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. This scholarship is offered in memory of Steve Liebenow, a long-time Lions Club member, educator, and community leader who passed away."

Towanda American Legion



The Towanda American Legion will have a breakfast on Sunday July 1st from 7:30 – 11:00. Breakfast includes eggs, egg casserole, sausage, bacon, hash browns, pancakes, French toast, fresh fruit, biscuits and gravy, juice, milk and coffee for \$8.

The American Legion will have a fish, shrimp or combo dinner on Friday July 13th from 5:00 to 7:00. Dinner will include fish, shrimp or shrimp/fish combo, au gratin potatoes, cole slaw, roll, drink and dessert for \$8.

All dinners are open to the public. Carry outs are available. Thank you for your continued support of the Legion and our Veteran's.

Towanda 4-H

The Towanda 4-H met on Tuesday, June 5th at the Towanda Community building. Our group went for a bicycle ride on Route 66 to promote healthy habits and bicycle safety.

At our next meeting the members will bring their completed fair projects to give talks and demonstrations in preparation for the McLean County fair.

The Towanda 4-H has been learning about conservation and has learned that wind turbines are good for the environment since they do not produce any harmful solids, liquids or gas.

Also, we'd like to remind all Towanda residents that the 2nd Saturday of the month is recycling day.

Towanda Area Fall Garage Sales will be held September 6-8.

Towanda Busy Bees 4H



The Towanda Busy Bees want to thank the Towanda Community for their fabulous support for our 19th annual Red Cross Blood Drive, held on Tuesday, June 19. There were 34 successful donations given. For those unable to give at this drive, please support the Red Cross during these summer months and sign to give at another drive within our county.

The Busy Bees will next meet on Tuesday, July 17 for their achievement night at the Towanda Community Building beginning at 7:00 pm.

Members should bring their projects they've been working on for the fair. Call Tom or Janet Morris, 309.664.0360 or Martha Rients, 309.728.2178 for more information

Library News

Adult Reading Program:

The program runs from June 5th until August 24th. Stop in today to pick up your bingo card for the Adult Reading Program. Weekly winners receive a flash drive - courtesy of the Dollar General Store Literacy Grant. Grand Prize Winners receive gift certificates and gift baskets - courtesy of the Library FRIENDS.



Summer Reading Program:

No Programs the week of July 1: Adult Reading Program and Summer Reading Program for Youth continue. Keep Reading! Research shows that reading as few as 6 books per summer assures youth retain reading skill levels grade-to-grade.

Tuesday, July 10 at 5:30 and Wednesday, July 11 at 10:30 – A Local Food Grower brings ingredients for a sumptuous soup. Fresh produce for sale at a Growers Market!

Tuesday, July 17 at 5:30 Ecology Action Center teaches youth to be less wasteful. Adults learn to pack waste-free lunches and reduce garbage. Fruit-kabob snacks.

Wednesday, July 18 at 10:30 a Cooperative Extension Nutritionist teaches fruit and veggie fun facts. Youth make fruit-kabobs.

Tuesday, July 24 at 5:30 and Wednesday, July 25 at 10:30 – Movin' –N-Groovin' as youth perform Reader's Theater, prizes are awarded, plus hula hoops and watermelon feast.

Thank You to the FRIENDS for new chairs at the computer hub.

The Towanda District Library is closed on July 4th. We will see you in the park during the July 4th Celebration. There will be no used book sale this year, but rather an informational booth. Please stop by!

Used Book Donations: The library is no longer accepting donations of used books - due to space constraints at the library. Gently used books that have been published within the past 2 years are still being accepted for possible inclusion in the collection.

Nominate Towanda Library!

Support those unsung heroes of story time!

The winning library receives \$5,000. The top 200 get innovative early literacy toolkits.

Here's the link to vote, just enter the city/state and library to cast your vote!

<http://www.readbuildplay.com/>

Today's Top Voted Libraries:

- 1) **Downers Grove Public Library**, Downers Grove, IL with 739 nominations,
- 2) **Rochester Hills Public Library** in Rochester, MI with 712 nominations, and
- 3) **Longmont Public Library** in Longmont, CO with 624 nominations

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Ecology Action Center to hold Rain Barrel Workshops

The Ecology Action Center is excited to announce additional dates for the ever-popular hands-on workshop where individuals build their own water saving rainwater collection and storage container. Commercially available rainwater collection and storage systems range in price from \$80-\$200 but the Ecology Action Center is offering this workshop at a cost of \$28 for members of the Ecology Action Center and just \$38 for non-members.

Rain Barrels are an ancient technology undergoing a great resurgence as they not only help conserve water but also reduce stormwater runoff contamination of water supplies.

The Ecology Action Center will hold its fall Rain Barrel workshops on July 11 at 5:30 p.m. or July 14 at 10 a.m. Space is limited and pre-registration is required; online registration is available at www.ecologyactioncenter.org or by stopping by the Ecology Action Center at 202 W College in Normal.

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.

Towanda HCE

The Towanda HCE Spaghetti Supper will be Tuesday, July 3, 4:30-7:00 pm at the Towanda Community Building. Advance ticket prices are: Adult/\$5 and 2-7 yrs/\$3. Under 2 yrs are free. Walk in ticket prices are \$1 more. Carry Out is Available. Spaghetti, bread, and salad is provided by Avanti's. Homemade desserts and drinks are also included. Preview the July 4th Flea Market and enjoy good food. Contact Pat, 728-2118 or Cindy, 663-4796 or any Towanda HCE member for tickets.

Towanda HCE members will be attending the 94th Annual meeting of the McLean County Home and Community Education meeting on Tuesday, July 10. This "Garden of Volunteers" event will feature a Butterfly Program presented by the Master Gardeners and lunch catered by Times Past. Registration begins at 9 am and the meeting begins at 9:30 am.

Classifieds



For Hire:

Lauren Smith, age 12 and Myles Smith, age 14 will provide child care and pet care - call 728-2930

Grace Rients and Emma Rients will babysit for you! Both would be willing to babysit while you run errands, mow the lawn or have a date night. Both are certified by the Red Cross and have CPR training too! Grace and Emma Rients are also experienced pet caretakers. Please call them at 728-2178. In addition to dogs, we have experience with hermit crabs, hamsters and rabbits too!

BARN A-FAIR

Sunday, July 22, 2012 12-5 pm

Jo Morrison's Farm

18808 N. 2000E. Road, Towanda IL 61776

www.barnafair.com Cost: \$2 per car

REGGIE REDBIRD appearing 2-3

BARN A-FAIR is like a mini 4th Sunday market at my farm near Towanda, IL.

50+ BOOTHS: Including yummy food, root beer floats, cheese, produce, baked goods, chocolate, handcrafted items, flea market items, Rt. 66 items, magnets, art, baseball cards, dog goodies, metal works, tools, barn quilts, toys, woodworking, jewelry, photography, kitchen/cooking items, Barnkeepers, Smart Vet & Wishbone Canine Rescue/adoptions, alpacas, sheep, and much more!! See lots of barn art, farm machinery and primitives on display.

BARN A-FAIR is located about 2 hours south of Chicago and just a few minutes north of Bloomington-Normal, IL.

See map below, MapQuest, GPS, or contact Jo.

Visitor parking in north pasture.

For more info contact

JO MORRISON:

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309-830-5358

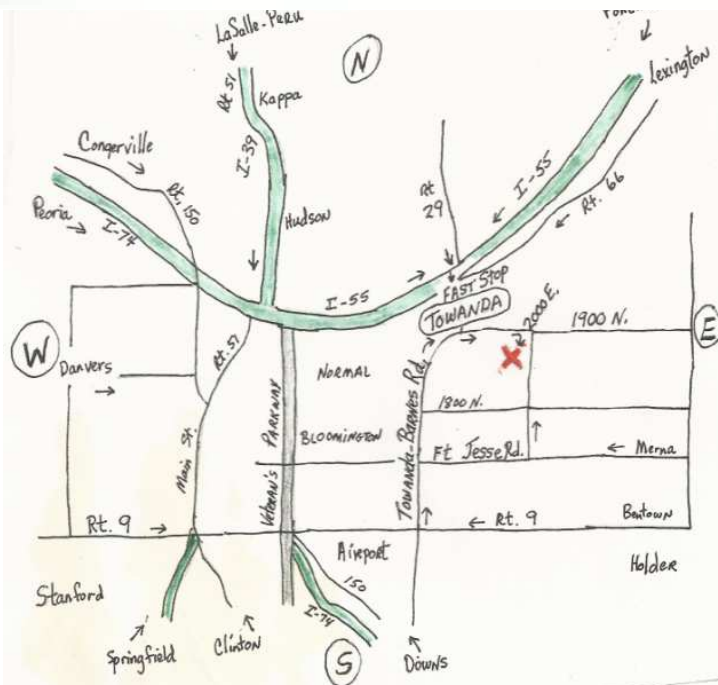
Save the date for the fall

Barn A-Fair

Sunday, October 28, 2012



Scott Hagan: www.barnartist.com





Towanda 4th of JULY CELEBRATION – 2012

Tuesday, July 3, 2012

Spaghetti Dinner

4:30 - 7:00 pm at the Community Building
- prepared by Avanti's; served with beverage & homemade dessert. \$6/adult; \$4/child 9 & younger.

Community Dance & Entertainment

8:00 – 11:00 p.m. Music by DJ *Complete Light & Sounds* at the tennis court in South Park. Bring lawn chairs. FREE



Wednesday, July 4, 2012

Flea Market ~ All Day ~ in North & South Parks. Furniture, primitives, bottles, coins, china, pressed & cut glass, jewelry, brass & copper, handcrafted items, books, clocks, antiques, collectibles. Admission is free; dealer space reserved at \$40 per space.

Wednesday, July 4, 2012

Food Concessions

Scouts ~ pork chop sandwiches, hot dogs, dessert, drinks, etc, at the Community Building.

Family Fryer ~ ribbon potatoes, tenderloins, corn dogs, fried vegetables, elephant ears, etc. in North Park Kettle Corn

"Walk-around" food is available in both Parks

Parade

Steps off at 10:00 am from the school

"Celebrating Towanda's Ladies"

Grand Marshal is Fannie Livingston.

Parade Route – change in bold

Adams & East St go West; Jefferson turn North; Washington go East; Madison turn South; Monroe go East; at East St. go North; at Washington go East; and at Taylor St. go South and disperse at the school playground.

FREE to participate.

Fireworks begin at Dusk



Find Details at: <http://towandajuly4.com>