

# INDIAN CREEK NEWSLETTER

## June 2015

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## Indian Creek Workday

Much was accomplished during our workday on May 2. Thanks to the following for their involvement:

Jim Russell, Howard & Martha Rients, Jim Larson, Bob Hancock, Greg Benezee, Ron & Ruth Parsons, Ben Daily, Jim Kellenberger, Rodney Britain, Larry Meyer, Jonathan Rosenthal, Mike Orrick, Dan Duback--Val brought breakfast items, Andy Kauffman and Fred Walk.



The workday was a rousing success. A great deal of the invasive honeysuckle species was cut down, 16 discarded car tires were taken from the common area and taken in for recycling, and several smaller trees that had fallen over Money Creek were removed. You may have noticed some changes near the bridge from our workday. The broken post for the nature area sign has been replaced, a picnic table was built for all IC residents to use which is near the creek, and several

sections of split rail fence were installed. Along with enhancing the area around the bridge, the split rail fence serves a very important function.

In the past we have had problems with IC homeowners who have driven around the nature sign, down the well road (the road leading to the well from the sign gate) dumping construction materials (shingles, fencing, etc.) and landscape waste in the common areas. The fence is designed to deter homeowners, and others, from discarding these items in our common area. Aside from using the tractor during the mowing season and workdays, and trucks needing access to the well, the well road is considered to be off limits for motorized vehicles and other equipment.

The common ground areas are for the benefit of all our residents and should not be used to discard landscape waste. Please contact Fred Walk, Grounds Chairman, at [fwalk@frontiernet.net](mailto:fwalk@frontiernet.net) if you have brush and leaves that need to be removed from your property.

The topic of burning in the subdivision is a constant issue that was discussed at our recent annual meeting. Please see the information below taken from our website.

The Board of Directors appreciates your understanding regarding these matters.

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# Leaf and Landscape Waste Burning at Indian Creek

The controversial topic of leaf and landscape waste burning comes up at almost every Homeowners Association meeting. Some residents strongly oppose burning and others just as strongly want to be able to burn. There is no ruling to ban leaf and landscape waste burning. However, it is hoped that residents will follow these guidelines if they choose to burn. These guidelines are intended to help Indian Creek neighbors maintain our healthy, friendly, neighborly atmosphere for everyone.

- Be aware that many people find the smoke and smell of leaf burning to be noxious and intolerable. They can not enjoy being in their own yard or having their windows open when burning is going on.
- Be aware that smoke is a serious health hazard for those with asthma, emphysema, heart and other cardio/vascular conditions. We don't always know the health conditions of our neighbors.
- If you do decide to burn:
  - Never leave a fire untended. What may seem like a safe fire can quickly get out of control in dry or windy conditions.
  - Only burn when wind conditions will not carry smoke, embers or ash onto a neighbor's property.
  - Only burn dry material. Please refrain from burning any grass, especially wet grass, as this can smolder for a long period of time with the smoke entering homes of residents.
  - Keep the fire small and hot and when you're done put it out completely. Letting a fire smolder for hours is not acceptable.
- Consider mulching and/or composting. Burning releases carbon monoxide, nitrogen oxide and sulfur dioxide directly into the atmosphere. Mulching and/or composting will sequester those greenhouse gases in the soil and in other plants.
- From the Illinois EPA website:
  - Smoke from burning leaves, grass, brush, and most plants contains high concentrations of pollutants such as carbon monoxide, particulate matter, and photochemically reactive chemicals, some of which are known carcinogens and some that contribute to smog formation.
  - Carbon monoxide can bind with hemoglobin in the blood to reduce oxygen flow. Particulate matter can become embedded in lung tissue. The burning of leaves releases the photochemically reactive chemical, benzo(a)pyrene, known to cause cancer in animals and which has been linked as the major factor in lung cancer caused by smoking.
  - Contact any board member if you have questions or concerns about these guidelines.



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## Indian Creek Water and Homeowners Association

# Minutes for the Annual Meeting

April 22, 2015

The annual meeting of the Indian Creek Water and Homeowners Association was held Wednesday, April 22 at 7 p.m. at the Towanda Library. Board members and homeowners introduced themselves. Barb Leathers was nominated and elected president by the Indian Creek homeowners attending the meeting. Minutes of the 2014 annual meeting were read by Mark Ulbrich on behalf of Secretary Barbara Ulbrich and adopted.

Treasurer Dave Schulthes provided the Treasurer's Report. We had \$82,192 at end of 2014. As of April 22, we have \$92,001. The interest rate environment is still almost zero; we receive only 0.6% interest but at least that is slightly up from past years. Our expenses are 1) water tower maintenance including Frank Cottrell; 2) chemicals for water treatment; 3) mowing; 4) electricity; and 5) insurance. We also have to pay for locates; we had 20 locates in 2014. We need to ensure we have enough funds (at least \$120,000) to paint the water tower (in 2021 or 2022).

Water Chair Bob Hancock provided the Water Report. Last year, we had one outage. We have feeds at both the pump and tower; the fuse at the pump blew. The Board has considered whether to purchase generators at the pump and tower; cost would be approximately \$15,000; the Board may consider this when we repaint the Tower. The Tower was last painted in 2007; it will likely need to be repainted, possibly not until 2022. Bob shared that since the weather is turning warm, he will again begin flushing on Thursdays from 9 a.m. – 10 a.m.

Groundskeeper Fred Walk gave the Grounds Report. We have 156 acres total in our subdivision; 54.3 are common ground. Pat Murphy, a horticulturist with Illinois State University will recommend a management plan for free for us. Our work day will be scheduled for Saturday April 25, 2015 at 9 a.m. (Note: due to rain, we had to cancel and reschedule for May 2). The subdivision sign at the trailhead has a broken post and needs repair. We've added a split rail fence to help us limit access to intended users. If a homeowner would like to leave brush in the common area, please contact Fred. The pile toward the back of the common area is not a general rubbish pile.

The subdivision has burning guidelines on our website. The roads in the subdivision have been chipped by the township road commissioner Scott Grunloh. Keith Franz is our township trustee. Trustee meetings occur the second Monday of each month, if anyone is interested in attending. We may need a new sign at the entry of the subdivision; cost would be approximately \$1,000 for a cedar sign; it may be helpful to add solar lights and make it visible for drivers at night.

The tractor is available for homeowners use. If you use the tractor, you must replace the fuel.

Thanks to Kathy Dumler for the website upkeep and for preparing and sending the newsletter each month. There was a Picnic Committee planning a subdivision event for May; however weather did not permit it to occur, so it will be rescheduled for the Fall.

Meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

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## Fourth of July

The 4<sup>th</sup> of July Planning Meeting will be held on Mon.Jun.22 – 6:30 p.m. at the Community Building.

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# Towanda Lions, Steve Liebenow Memorial Scholarship



The Towanda Lions Club is again pleased to announce that we will be offering a **\$1000.00** scholarship for 2015. See guidelines below for specifics.

## "Steve Liebenow Memorial Scholarship"

The Towanda Lions Club is sponsoring a **\$1000.00** scholarship for a 2015 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 2015 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, 2015.

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."

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## Towanda 4H

The Towanda 4H will have its next meeting June 2, 2015, at the Towanda Community building at 6:30p.m.

The topics for the year are Natural Resource & Environment and Technology & Engineering.

4H is open

to everyone ages 5-19. Please feel free to call Kathy Schultz at 309-728-2137 or Jeanne Wager at 309-728-2852, if you have any questions.

## Towanda Busy Bees

The Towanda Busy Bees and the Towanda HCE will be hosting their annual American Red Cross Blood Drive on Tuesday, June 23rd from 4-7 pm. Please consider signing up to donate as the need for donors is especially great during the summer months.

For more information about the 4H club or the Blood Drive please contact Martha Rients 309-728-2178





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# Garden Tips

by Helen Leake



We are all a year older than we were last garden season but that doesn't mean we can't still garden. We just need to garden a "little smarter".

Connecting with nature through yard work can give a senior, or anyone, a lift and help them stay strong. Research has shown that people who gardened at least once a week can show a higher bone density than people who do other types of exercise. Also you have more enjoyment working in the garden, than if you were just exercising.

After the winter of not bending and pulling weeds, we should start gardening a little slow and work into shape. Once you start gardening, try to change your position and activity every 20-30 minutes, then rest and enjoy your progress for 10 minutes. Also there are more ergonomic tools every year. They are tools made especially to ease garden work.

Raised beds are being used a lot now. You don't have to bend over so far to reach the plants. Also available, is a handy bench you can sit on, or flip it over and kneel on. I find it a little hard on my knees, kneeling on it, so I fold a bath towel on it before I kneel down. Using a trellis for vines can help in reaching the plants and it also saves space.

There are a lot of garden plants specifically meant to be grown in containers, so they are handy. Gardening not only improves your strength and mobility, it helps your self-esteem and reduces stress. Plus you get a lot of fresh air and have fresh food to enjoy.



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Usually when we tell people it is time to do some yard work, we use calendar dates. Like the average last frost day is Mother's Day, but sometimes we can predict the stages of development of insects by watching some trees or shrubs.

An example, when the Bridal Wreath Spirea is in the different stages of blooming, it has been reported that the Pine Sawfly larvae, Bronze Birch borer, the apple and peach tree borers, viburnum borer, oyster shell, and scale crawlers are all emerging. Also the Emerald Ash borer is emerging and it is illegal to move any Ash tree wood or brush across the county line. The little green insect is out moving about and laying eggs in the bark of the ash trees. If you do need to move any part of the tree, it must be securely covered.

The birds have been building their new nests for their breeding season. National Wildlife suggests that we put out scraps of pet hair and other nesting material to help them. Also they suggest we leave some unmowed areas as habitat for some insects. The adult birds can eat from the bird feeders, but they need insects and larvae to give protein to their young. The more birds you feed, the more birds you will have in your yard to eat the insects. Be careful what you spray, so as not to hurt the baby birds.



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Sometimes we call the opossums, also called "possums" rat tailed beady eyed, trash eating pests, but there are advantages of them being around. They are cute and fuzzy when little but they grow up to be pretty ugly. Their tail reminds us of a rat, but their tail helps them when climbing a tree and they can also wrap their tail around grass and other vegetation they use to line their den.

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Like kangaroos, female opossums rear their young in fur lined pouches. The adult male and females are called jacks and jills, and the babies are called joeys. They have the briefest gestation period of mammals - 12 days. The blind, hairless newborns crawl thru their mothers fur into the pouch and nurse for about 100 days. There are usually 7 or 8 in a litter, after 6-8 months they can start having their own young.

Opossums are immune to honeybee stings and scorpions and the venom of rattlesnakes and other poisonous serpents. They also eat rattle snakes. They will eat just about anything, birds, eggs, mice, rats, insects, snails, nuts and garbage. They may also eat tomatoes in your garden along with the insects, slugs and other pests. Opossum eat road kill, therefore they are often hit by cars. That could be why they are among the shortest lived mammals of their size. Large owls, coyotes and bobcats also kill them. They seldom live more than a year.

Opossums can't bulk up on fat, so they are in danger of freezing when the temperatures drop down to 19 degrees, unless they can find a home in sheds, basements and attics. They do have a plus, they are like a vacuum cleaner when it comes to ticks. In late summer when ticks are most abundant, they might carry 200 ticks on their body. They eat them when they clean their body. They also might kill 4,000 ticks in a week.

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## Towanda HCE



The Towanda HCE will be changing the day of the June meeting to Tuesday, June 9. We will be traveling to Fairbury, IL to see the sights and eat lunch. Guests are welcome but seating is limited. For more details and RSVP, contact Kathleen, 309-728-2784.

There is going to be a table topper quilt workshop at the Extension Auditorium on Monday, June 8, 1-4 pm. Needed supplies: scissors, seam ripper, needle, thread, pins and sewing machine if you have one. Fees: HCE member/\$2; Not HCE member/\$4. Fee includes material to use. Questions and RSVP by June 3 to Edna, 309-662-5520.

Towanda HCE is preparing for the Friday, July 3 Spaghetti Supper at the Towanda Community Building. Serving times are 4:30-7 p.m. Advance tickets are available from HCE members or Pat Pulokas, 309-728-2118 or Cindy Kelley, 309-663-4796. Walk ins are welcome and carry out dinners are available. Join us Friday, July 3<sup>rd</sup> for good food and fellowship. We appreciate your support.

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## Indian Creek Recruiting

Are you interested in planning social events for our subdivision? Or maybe you'd like to participate more, possibly even serve on a board or other role. If so, please let Kathy Dumler (newsletter) or any of the board members know!

Barbara Ulbrich – [btulbrich@yahoo.com](mailto:btulbrich@yahoo.com) – 728 2932  
Dave Schulthes – [dstoon@frontier.com](mailto:dstoon@frontier.com) – 728-2927  
Fred Walk – [fwalk@frontiernet.net](mailto:fwalk@frontiernet.net) – 728 2188  
Bob Hancock – [oldcars@frontiernet.net](mailto:oldcars@frontiernet.net) – 728 2990

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# WELCOME

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## ParkLands Foundation Family Day



on **Sunday, June 7, 2015**

We need your assistance to make this a great trip. **Please complete the enclosed Participant Release Agreement and Emergency Information Form and bring them with you on Sunday morning.** If you have a cell phone, **please be sure to include your cell phone number on the form in case we need to communicate with you during the trip.**

**CHECK IN LOCATION:** We will leave from the east entrance of Heartland's Workforce Development Center (WDC) in Parking Lot H promptly at 12:30 PM. The WDC is at the back of the campus and parking lot H is on the north side of Vermillion Way (see the map included).

**You must check-in inside the Workforce Development Center between 12-12:30PM before boarding the buses.** We will provide bottled water and a light afternoon snack. We have a fun trip planned and the **buses will leave promptly at 12:30 PM.** Seating on the buses is first come first served, **but please wait to board the buses until hosts have called for you!** The first rows will be reserved for the hosts and tour guides. There is a restroom on the bus.

Your itinerary:

12-12:30 PM	Arrive at the Workforce Development Center, Parking Lot H. Check-in inside WDC. <i>Please wait to board the buses until hosts have called for you! First 2 rows are reserved for hosts.</i>
12:30 PM	Bus leaves promptly at 12:30 PM for ParkLands Merwin Nature Preserve. There is a bathroom on the bus.
12:30-1:30 PM	Narrated driving tour through McLean County led by Don Meyer.
1:30-2:00 PM	Arrive at Merwin Preserve. Walking tour of the prairie led by Don Schmidt.
2:00 PM	Board bus for short drive to parking area.
2:15-3:00 PM	Walking tour of the savannah and forest areas led by Don Schmidt.
3:00-3:45 PM	Water and snacks at picnic area overlooking Mackinaw River. Rest and enjoy the outdoors. Learn how to find art in nature. Or explore the beauty and biological diversity of plants and animals native to Central Illinois.
3:45-4:00 PM	Return to parking area and board bus.
4:00 PM	Bus leaves promptly at 4:00 PM for Heartland Community College.
4:00-5:00 PM	Narrated driving tour during return trip led by Don Meyer.
5:00 PM	Estimated arrival time at Heartland Community College.

***Please keep in mind you will spend lots of time walking outside in the prairie and the woods. Please wear comfortable shoes and dress appropriately for the weather!***

### Contact Information

If you have questions **prior** to the day of the trip, please contact Community Education at (309) 268-8160. If you need to contact someone on the **day of the trip**, you may call Julie Elzanati at (309) 846-3394 or Jessica Chambers at (309) 287-8768.

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Normal, Illinois 61761-2552



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Phone: 309-454-3169 • Fax: 309-454-7508

## Freecycle Free-For-All

Freecycle Free-For-All The Ecology Action Center announces the semi-annual Freecycle Free-For-All on Saturday, June 6 from 9 am – noon at White Oak Park in Bloomington. This is a Freecycle event open to the public where unwanted household items may be given away or obtained for free. Ultimately, the goal is to prevent usable items from ending up in the landfill.

The rules are simple – individuals may bring used, unwanted items in good condition and take what others have brought. One does not have to bring items to take items, nor take items to bring items. All items must be small enough to be easily carried; large furniture or appliances are not accepted. Additionally, no firearms, animals, foods, medicines or other consumables are permitted. Items will be accepted for donation from 8:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. only. Items can be taken from 9:00 until noon.

More details are available at [www.ecologyactioncenter.org](http://www.ecologyactioncenter.org) or by calling (309) 454-3169 x.12.

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## McLean County CFL Program Closing Due to Increased Recycling Options

The Ecology Action Center is shutting down a compact fluorescent lamp (CFL) recycling program that has successfully reclaimed an estimated 110,266 milligrams of mercury and prevented its release into our environment. This program was launched in 2008 due to the absence of convenient recycling options for the CFLs which were rapidly increasing in use at that time. Small grants from the McLean County Solid Waste Fund funded the costs of proper recycling of the CFLs. The McLean County CFL Recycling program with drop-offs at the Town of Normal Facilities Management Building, City of Bloomington Waste Yard, and Springfield Electric, will cease collecting CFLs as of June 1, 2015. This public funded program is no longer necessary due to establishment of other local drop off locations for CFL recycling in Bloomington-Normal including Home Depot, Menards, Lowe's and Batteries Plus Bulbs.

CFLs contain mercury which is a potent neurotoxin. Individually, the bulbs contain 4 mg or less of mercury and are safe for general usage in homes and businesses. However, when CFLs are improperly thrown in the trash, the cumulative impact can be significant, with thousands of grams of mercury being released into our environment and bio-accumulating up the food chain into our food supplies.

More information on proper disposal of other types of household hazardous waste is available by contacting the EAC or by going to [HHWmclean.org](http://HHWmclean.org).

The Ecology Action Center is a not-for-profit environmental agency with a mission to inspire and assist residents of McLean County in creating, strengthening and preserving a healthy environment. The EAC acts as a central resource for environmental education, information, outreach, and technical assistance in Bloomington, Normal, and McLean County. [www.ecologyactioncenter.org](http://www.ecologyactioncenter.org) • Phone: 309-454-3169 • Fax: 309-454-7508



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## Towanda Library



**Summer Reading Sign-Up:** Parents who pre-register their children for Summer Reading during the weeks of May 25 and June 1 will be entered into a special prize drawing. The prize is for the parent – because it is your commitment to reading and bringing your children to library programs that sets the positive role-model for your child.

**Youth Summer Reading Program June 8 through July 22:** Both Monday evenings @ 4:30 and Wednesday mornings @ 10:30 programming is offered for Towanda's youth. Each session features a uniquely different musical program. Swing dancing one day and line dancing another....bagpipes one week and dulcimers another...Kidder Music brings instruments for the children to try, plus learn about music therapy. Each program features lots of opportunity to participate. Stop at the library for a printed summer schedule or find a calendar of events on the library website and library FaceBook page ([www.towandalibrary.org](http://www.towandalibrary.org)).

**Friday Afternoon Movies and Craft:** Every Friday afternoon @ 1:30 there is a craft to make – followed by a movie and popcorn. Join us each Friday from June 12 through July 17.

**Final Summer Reading Parties July 20 & 22:** Cake walks, parade of instruments, carnival, and pizza party – courtesy of FS Fast Stop.

**Adult Summer Reading Program:** Weekly prizes, plus a grand prize drawing. Play *Reading BINGO* this summer. Dates for the program are June 1 through August 14. Stop at the library to learn details.

**ROVER Art Programs:** McLean County Art Center sends professional artists to our library on June 10 & 11, as well as July 15 & 16. Workshops for youth ages 10 to 18 run from 2:00 to 4:00 each day. June artists will try *Plein Air Art* and July artists will craft fiber arts. The Art Center will feature the youths' work in a special August exhibit. Call the library the first week in June to register your child. (728-2176)

**Towanda Reads Book Discussion:** The June 9<sup>th</sup> selection is "A Spool of Blue Thread" by Anne Tyler. Discussions are open to the public. Join the group at 5:00 at the library.

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## Towanda American Legion

The Towanda American Legion will have a breakfast on Sunday June 7<sup>th</sup> from 7:30 – 11:00. Breakfast includes eggs, sausage, bacon, hash browns, pancakes, French toast, fresh fruit, biscuits and gravy, juice, milk and coffee for \$9.

There will be a pork chop dinner on Friday June 12<sup>th</sup> from 5:00 to 7:00. Dinner will include pork chop sandwich, French fries, green beans, dessert and drink for \$9.

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

Legion, Sons of the Legion and the Legion Auxiliary will have their regular meeting on Thursday June 18<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 at the Post. The Legion is available for rent for reunions, parties and meetings. For more information contact Mike Potts at 728-2384 or Tom Wagner at 287-7861.



## 47<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL

# Towanda 4<sup>th</sup> of JULY CELEBRATION – 2015

Towanda, Illinois 61776

Website: <http://towandajuly4.com>

(Exit 171 - on I-55; 7 miles North-East of Bloomington)

### Friday, July 3, 2015

4:30 – 7:00 pm Spaghetti Dinner *Community Building*  
8:00 – 11:00 pm Community Dance *South Park*  
Music by "Sweetwater"  
Food Concession

### Saturday, July 4, 2015

All Day Flea Market *North & South Parks*  
All Day Food Concessions *Community Bldg  
And Parks*  
8:45-9:30 am Parade Lineup *School*  
10:00 am Parade 'Steps Off'  
Dusk Fireworks

### Friday, July 3

#### SPAGHETTI SUPPER

Serving spaghetti, salad, and bread prepared by Avanti's with homemade dessert and beverage at the Community Building ~ 4:30 – 7:00 pm. Carry Outs are available. Tickets are \$6/adult; \$4/child 9 & younger (both advance & at the door); available from members - or call Pat Pulokas ~ 728-2118, Cindy Kelley ~ 663-4796

#### COMMUNITY DANCE

The dance is from 8:00 – 11:00 pm with music provided by "Sweetwater" and is FREE ~ donations accepted. Concessions ~ Bring lawn chairs.

### Saturday, July 4

#### FLEA MARKET

The Flea Market will be held all day in North and South Parks. Furniture, primitives, bottles, coins, art glass, china, pressed and cut glass, jewelry, brass and copper, handcrafted items, books, clocks, antiques, collectibles; many booths will have LOTS of items for sale. Free admission; dealer space reserved @ \$40/space. Linda Potts ~ 728-2384

### Saturday, July 4

#### PARADE ~ 2015

#### "Then and Now ~ Past and Present"

8:45 am Registration and line up at Towanda School  
9:45 am Grand Marshals Award for the float that best represents the parade theme.  
10:00 am Parade 'steps off' from the school

**Parade Route:** Adams & East St go West; Jefferson turn North; Washington go East; Madison turn South; Monroe go East; at Taylor go South; exit at Hely & school grounds.

**Participants:** Grand Marshals Lois and Russell McKinney & Randi Barnard/David Howell (former and current residents of Duncan Manor); Tin Lizzies; Community Band; Calliope; elected dignitaries and candidates; floats; Towanda's volunteer firemen; antique cars, tractors, other vehicles, bicyclers & walkers.

**Local flag bearers will be able to carry the U.S. flags in the parade!** Plan to be a part of this spectacular and breathtaking unit!

Older youth and adults are urged to **call to sign up** (the route is hilly and about 1 mile long) ~ only 50 flags are available for carrying in the parade.

**Speed Check-in and FLAGS** for units that are pre-registered. No fee to participate; but **donations** are appreciated. Gail Ann Briggs ~ 728-2187

#### FOOD CONCESSIONS

**Towanda Scouts** ~ pork chop and BBQ sandwiches, hot dogs, chips, desserts, and drinks, at the Community Bldg. **Other items** ~ will be available from vendors in both parks: fried vegetables, ribbon potatoes, tenderloins, corn dogs, elephant ears, shake-ups, Kettle Corn, & more!

#### FIREWORKS ~ at Dusk !!

The fireworks will be set off from the Towanda Township Building about .8 miles East of Towanda on 1900 North Road. The display will be clearly visible from town.

**Plan NOW to join us in Towanda for the Annual 4<sup>th</sup> of July Celebration ~ July 3 and 4, 2015**

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## Classified

### For Sale:

Free! A well built, wooden swing set. Includes an elevated "fort" area, two swings, a slide, monkey bars, and a space for a sand box underneath. In good condition. Contact Mark or Kelly Schwamberger (13 Fox Creek Rd., 728-2857 or 830-0861)

2012 Acura TSX. \$18,500. Well maintained, looks and drives great. Always garaged. Mostly highway miles, no accidents. Non-smoker, one owner. Satellite radio, USB port, bluetooth. Very comfortable, leather, heated seats. Dual zone AC. Clean interior. Sporty, but fuel efficient (currently averaging 28 MPG). Pictures available. Faith Russell 830-2165 [fasruss@gmail.com](mailto:fasruss@gmail.com)

### Businesses:

The June Host Special is DOUBLE Free Product Value with \$650 in guest sales for \$230 in free products and 3 half price items plus 60% off the four most popular cutting tools. Call today to reserve a show with me.

Check out my Pinterest page with my favorite Pampered Chef recipes!  
This links back to my webpage for you to view & print the recipe.  
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### For Hire:

Jairon and Justin Schwamberger (Senior/Sophomore at NCHS) are available for mowing/lawn care or other outside labor. Will be willing to take on summer long jobs, help with special projects, or mow while you're on vacation. Contact information: 728-2857, 830-9544.

Lauren and Myles Smith, 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!

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## Larry Sands to Retire



Towanda Fire Protection District Trustee Larry Sands has announced his retirement as president of the Board of Trustees. Larry has served the community as Trustee for 30+ years. Before becoming a trustee, Larry served as a firefighter for the community of Towanda and Downs.

“We are grateful to have had the knowledge, fiscal responsibility, experience, and leadership that President Sands has given for our community” said Fire Chief Brett Lueschen. “The commitment and dedication that Larry has had for the department and the community has been tremendous”. The Towanda Fire Department wants to thank Larry for his 30+ years of service. The Department will be hosting a retirement reception in the near future.

The McLean County Board has approved Trustee Gregg Egbers to fulfill Larry’s position as Trustee President. Gregg brings years of firefighting experience to the board. The Department welcomes Firefighter/Trustee Egbers to the board and looks forward to the guidance and experience Gregg will be able to provide.