

INDIAN CREEK NEWSLETTER

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Towanda 4-H

The Towanda 4-H Club will have a zoom meeting Jan. 5, 2021. Foods Nutrition and Health is our area of study this 4-H year. We have had programs on Sports Nutrition, and Photography this year. Members will be giving talks and demonstrations and we will also have a skill-a-thon at our Jan 5, meeting.

We would like to thank those who donated to our canned food drive. We collected 110 items that were delivered to the Home Sweet Home Mission. For more information about our club contact Scott Clement at 309 275-5910 or Jeanie Wager at 309 728-2852. Cloverbuds will also be meeting by zoom in January.

Garden Tips

by Helen Leake



If you have been thinking about starting a new garden or making your present one larger, now is the time to start on it. After you decide how much larger and where you want it, cover that area with cardboard, black plastic or 8-10 layers of newspaper. You will need to cover that with rocks or boards to hold it in place. Since the grass and weeds can not get light or air, they will die. Next spring, remove the cover and till the dead grass in. No chemicals needed.

If you haven't already winterized your mower, weed eater, and other power equipment, now is the time to do it. You can run the motor to use up all of the gas or you can mix a gas-stabilizing additive into the tank. Also, change the oil and lubricate the moving parts.

Be sure to keep your poinsettias and Christmas cactus near a bright window and out of drafts.

You can grow rosemary indoors. Grow it in a cool, bright spot and don't let the soil get too dry. Keep your geraniums in a bright light. Keep the soil on the dry side.

Be sure the root zone of your azaleas and rhododendrons are well mulched. Leave all of the leaves that blow in under them in place.

Towanda Library – Holiday Updates

PHONE AND CURBSIDE SERVICES CONTINUE

In response to local and state recommendations, as well as community data provided by the Illinois Public Health Department, Towanda District Library will continue to provide phone and curbside service to its patrons. The building remains closed to the public and the number of staff present during hours of operations is currently reduced. The library's operational plan is regularly evaluated by the Board of Trustees in conjunction with the latest pandemic data, and the next meeting is January 19, 2021.

FACILITY UPDATES

Several upgrades to the library have recently been completed, including the installation of new, energy-efficient lighting, as well as an upgraded fire alarm system and copier/fax machine. The changeover to a new phone and Internet service provider is in process, and carpet and paint selections are being finalized. Within the coming months, every item within the facility will be moved and inventoried to accommodate these projects. We look forward to sharing "behind the scenes" photos!

BROWSING MADE EASY

Did you know you can comfortably browse Towanda District Library's shelves from your smartphone or tablet? Download the app for free by searching for "**RSacat Mobile**" on your device's app store. Next, sign into the app with your Towanda District Library card and PIN. [If you do not have this information, please call the library at (309) 728-2176 to speak with a friendly staff member.] Finally, place items on "hold" for curbside service. When prompted, choose "Towanda District Library" as your pickup location.

PHONE SERVICE . . . EXPANDED & REIMAGINED

In today's texting and social media-rich culture, the idea of picking up the phone to make a call and have a conversation may seem unusual. However, that's not the case at Towanda District Library, where over 1,590 calls have been documented since mid-June! Through our friendly phone service, library staff members have helped patrons:

- Renew items, research the availability of items, and put items on hold;
- Offer suggestions for "what to read" or "what to watch" next;
- Reset library card PINs and/or extend the library card's expiration date; and
- Assist with the use of eBook apps, such as Libby and Overdrive.

We hope you will consider contacting us by phone, and we look forward to assisting you!



INTERLIBRARY LOAN UPDATES & QUARANTINING PROCEDURES

We are pleased to report that (at the time of this printing), items are continuing to circulate between libraries across Illinois. Items from other libraries typically arrive to T.D.L. within two weeks of the request. All items are quarantined for a minimum of 4 days—but, at times, up to 7 days—prior to being checked-in. Overdue fines are not being charged. Lost and/or damaged items are subject to fees.

SCHEDULED HOLIDAY CLOSURES & ADJUSTED WINTER HOURS

Towanda District Library will be closed during these dates and upcoming holidays:

- Thursday, December 24 – Saturday, December 26, 2020
- Thursday, December 31, 2020 – Friday, January 1, 2021

During these dates, patrons are encouraged to access library accounts via the website and/or mobile app to renew and request items. Messages left by phone will be returned as soon as possible.

Please note the library's hours of operation have been slightly adjusted for the winter season. Phone and curbside services will be offered on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 1:00 – 5:00 pm (instead of 2:00 – 6:00 pm).

**Mondays,
Wednesdays,
Fridays, & Saturdays**



Tuesdays & Thursdays
1:00 – 5:00 pm
Closed Sundays

301 S. Taylor St. Towanda, IL 61776 | (309) 728-2176 |
www.towandalibrary.org

Towanda Boy Scouts Advanced Meat Order

2021 Advance Meat Order Towanda Scouting Organization

NOTE: Due to Covid-19, THERE IS NO MEAL in 2021

Pick Up Meat Orders @ Towanda Community Building on
Friday, February 12th, 3-7 p.m.
Saturday, February 13th, 9-11 a.m.

PLEASE BRING YELLOW COPY WHEN PICKING UP YOUR ORDER!

To Order, Call Kevin Dieken (309) 838-1202

Country Store will have a limited supply of meat on a first-come, first-serve basis.

Place Your Order Today ~ The Deadline is January 31, 2021

WHOLE HOG SAUSAGE	Package Size	# Packages	Package Price	Total
BULK SAUSAGE (\$3.50/lb)	2 pounds		\$ 7.00	\$
LINK SAUSAGE (\$3.50/lb)	5 pounds		\$17.50	\$
BACK RIBS (\$3.50/lb)	5 pounds		\$17.50	\$
COUNTRY STYLE BACON	1 pound		\$ 7.00	\$
ITALIAN SAUSAGE				
ITALIAN BULK (\$3.50/lb)	2 pounds		\$ 7.00	\$
ITALIAN LINK (\$3.50/lb)	5 pounds		\$17.50	\$
CHICKEN BREASTS				
BONELESS / SKINLESS (\$5.00/lb)	5 pounds		\$25.00	\$
			TOTAL	\$

ORDER TAKEN BY: _____

PHONE: _____

☐ Paid

☐ Not Paid

EMAIL: _____

NAME: _____



Towanda Troop #56

*Is Building a
Historical Brick Walkway
To Honor our Towanda Heritage*

Order A Brick Today!

*Towanda Historical Walkway will be
Dedicated in Honor of Those Who Paved the Way~*

Greetings Friends and Neighbors~

Troop #56 has implemented a new service project to honor our current and past Scouters. **In addition to this walkway, we have extended it to honor our Towanda past and current heritage.**

The memorial walkway will be an excellent opportunity to honor your family and friends who have made a difference in Towanda!

Everyone will have the opportunity to purchase a brick in honor of, or in memory of, a family member, friend, Scout, Scout Leader, teacher, leader, businessman, etc. Let's honor those who have contributed to making Towanda a wonderful place to call home!

We hope all past and present Scouts and Community Leaders and Friends will be represented on the walkway.

This is also a great opportunity to recognize anniversaries and birthdays of loved ones! The bricks will make awesome Christmas gifts, birthday gifts, etc. Show your appreciation with a memorial brick in their honor! Buying a brick makes a great gift. Friends can purchase bricks for friends! Please feel free to contact me with questions or suggestions.

Yours in Scouting,

Virginia Lowery

Troop #56 Treasurer - Vlowery1@hotmail.com (309) 825-6341

Boy Scout Troop #56 * 101 Miriam Way * Towanda, IL 61776 * (309) 825-6341



Now is the time to leave your mark on the Towanda Village Walkway!

Bricks will be showcased for generations to come.

Become part of Towanda's History!

Purchase a brick for yourself, a family member, friend or make a donation to help purchase a brick for those who have served and passed away.

Buying a brick makes a great gift.

Troop #56 Historical Brick Walkway Order Form

Name: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Phone: _____ email: _____

Information on Brick: (You can choose ONE, TWO or THREE lines of text.)

**Maximum 16 letters/spaces per line. Please print one character per space.
(Includes spaces and other marks of punctuation)**

Amount Enclosed: \$50 per each 4 X 8" Brick \$ _____

Optional: Donation For Bricks For Deceased Leaders/Volunteers \$ _____

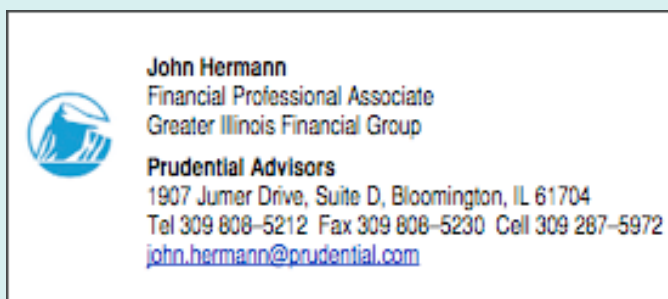
TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED: \$ _____

**Send Orders and Checks to: Virginia Lowery, Troop #56
101 Miriam Way * Towanda, IL 61776
(309) 825-6341**

~Thank you for supporting the Historical Walkway~

Classified

Businesses:



Pampered Chef features cooking shows, catalog parties, freezer meal workshops, bridal showers & fundraisers!

Contact your local Indian Creek consultant for these events.

Annette Hancock

7 Bent Tree Lane

Call Home - 728-2990

Text or call- 242-1802

Email - annettehancock1953@gmail.com

Website - www.pamperedchef.com/pws/annettehancock

Pinterest - www.pinterest.com/ahancock0935



For Hire:

Bailee Harmon is available to pet sit, babysit, and to do other household chores such as water plants/flowers and cleaning. Please contact Bailee at (309) 530-8279 or her mom, Hallie Harmon at (309)530-5360

Brenna Schwamberger will be a junior at NCHS in the fall. She is available to babysit this summer if you're looking for a night out once in a while or you need someone full-time. She has taken Child Development at NCHS and completed the Red Cross Babysitting and Child Care course. If interested, call or text Brenna at 309-824-1410. Also, available to watch pets or water plants if you're out of town.

Aubrey Thomas is available for childcare and pet care. She has taken the Safe Sitter course and is experienced with taking care of several animals. Aubrey will be a Sophomore at NCHS in the fall. Please call or text her at 309-532-7522.

Lydia Lueschen is available for babysitting. She is 14 years old and has completed a babysitting course along with being CPR certified. Please call or text her mom - Dallas Lueschen- at 309-826-1868.

Jenacys Masters, 16, a Junior at NCHS is interested in doing any odd jobs to earn money for a car. Preferably in the Towanda area. She is offering dog walking/pet sitting, babysitting, running errands, or any other "teenager" type jobs. Please contact her at 813-943-2085. Cherish Pedraza 13 Bent Tree Ln.