

A photograph of a stone wall with green foliage in the foreground, serving as a background for the newsletter title.

# INDIAN CREEK NEWSLETTER

August 2021

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## Indian Creek Water and Homeowners Association 2021 Annual Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, June 29, 2021 7:00 p.m. Towanda Community Center

President: Barb Leathers

VP/Secretary: Barbara Ulbrich, outgoing; Brittany Huber, incoming

Treasurer: Dave Schulthes

Water Chair: Jim Larson

Grounds Chair: Fred Walk

Newsletter: Kathy Dumler and Ron Metz

I. Call to Order - Welcome and introduction by Barb Leathers.

II. Minutes of 2020 Annual Meeting were recapped by Jim Larson (substituted for Brittany Huber). The last Board meeting was held telephonically on December 31, 2020 with the sole purpose of approving a resolution allowing Jim Larson to sign loan documents under the Illinois EPA loan program for the purpose of obtaining financing for refurbishing the water tower. Jim requested a motion not to read the minutes from the March 4, 2020 Annual Meeting since they have been published on the Indian Creek subdivision website. The motion was made, seconded and unanimously approved by voice vote.

III. Standing Reports

**A. Insurance Report: Barbara Leathers, President**

ICHWA carries liability insurance and the Board recently reviewed the coverage. Coverage has not been increased previously and as part of a risk assessment, the Board determined it was prudent to increase the coverage, which we were able to do for a relatively small cost. Related to risk mitigation, we plan to begin requiring signed waivers for use of the tractor and volunteering at workdays.

**B. Covenants and Bylaws: Jim Larson substituted for Brittany Huber, Vice President/Secretary**

Jim discussed changes to the ICHWA bylaws recommended by the Board. Red-lined copies of the bylaw changes were shared with attendees of the Annual Meeting. The recommended changes include improving consistency of terminology between the bylaws and covenants, clarifying and documenting responsibilities of Board members, and other minor editorial updates. There are no substantive changes being recommended.

**C. Finance Report: Dave Schulthes, Treasurer**

Dave provided a recap of financial results for 2020 and year to date through June 2021:

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## 2020 Financial Review

### Water Fund:

- Water Fund Revenue - \$58,202
- Water Fund Expense - \$61,247
- Recap of largest expenses
  - \$31,491 - Farnsworth Group water tower
  - \$11,200 - Water Tower Operator
  - \$5,680 Water tower maintenance
- Water Fund Net Income - (\$3,045)
- Water Fund ending Net Worth - \$160,936
  
- Invested in CD's at average rate of 0.8%

### Annual Fund:

- Homeowners Association Revenue - \$6,135
- Homeowners Association Expense - \$5,744
  - Largest expense, Mowing - \$2,340
- Homeowners Association Net Income and ending Net Worth - \$391

## 2021 Financial Review through June

### WaterFund:

- Water Fund Revenue - \$37,726
- Water Fund Expense - \$32,944
- Recap of largest expenses
  - Farnsworth Group water tower - \$18,990
  - Water operator - \$4,800
  - Water tower maintenance - \$2,411
- Water fund Net Income - \$4,782
- Water Fund Net Worth at June, 2021 - \$165,718
  
- Invested in CD's at average rate of 0.65%

### Annual Fund:

- Homeowners Association Revenue - \$4,675
- Homeowners Association Expense - \$6,323
- Recap of largest expenses
  - Mowing - \$2,925 (we pay for the entire year in the spring to gain a discount)
  - Utility Locates - \$1,281
- Homeowners Association ytd Net Income (loss) – (\$1,647)
- Homeowners Association ending Net Worth – (\$1,257)

Dave also discussed the reason the Board of Directors is presenting a resolution to increase the annual fund (grounds fund) quarterly assessment from \$25 to \$35 effective October 1, 2021. The primary reason is a significant increase in fees charged by USIC utility locating services. ICHWA is required to pay utility locates resulting from JULIE locating requests. USIC is the company we have contracted with to perform the utility locates. The fund lacks revenues to meet the increased utility locating service expenses and other ongoing common ground expenses.

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#### **D. Water Report: Jim Larson, Water Chairperson**

Jim provided a recap of the water tower refurbishing project. The Farnsworth Group (ICHWA's engineering firm) completed an engineering review of our water tower in the fall of 2019. Their analysis concluded that the exterior of the water tower needs to have the previously applied four layers of paint removed and then be repainted. The interior of the water tower also needs to be refurbished along with miscellaneous other maintenance items completed. The estimated cost of this work was \$300,000. Refer to the minutes of the March 2020 Annual Homeowners meeting published on the Indian Creek subdivision website for additional details.

Since ICHWA does not have sufficient funds to complete the rehabilitation work, the Board investigated several potential financing options. A number of financial institutions were contacted, however, each institution declined to consider providing financing because ICHWA does not have acceptable collateral. Two governmental programs were investigated with the assistance of the Farnsworth Group; a federal program under the USDA and a state sponsored program under the Illinois EPA. Applying for a loan through the Illinois EPA was determined to be the most advantageous way to seek financing.

In March 2021, the Farnsworth Group filed a water tower refurbishing project plan on behalf of ICHWA with the Illinois EPA seeking financing. This was a very involved process requiring a considerable amount of engineering, financial and other regulatorily required information. The Illinois EPA has approved our project plan subject to further legal and financial reviews. Due to the Illinois EPA loan program funding cycle, it will likely be late 2021 before we find out if we are approved for financing for our planned 2022 water tower refurbishing. Loan rates are anticipated to be below 2% and the loan term can be up to 20 years. The Illinois EPA project manager assigned to assist in the application process has indicated optimism that funds will be available to ICHWA.

There were questions and a discussion about engineering expenses incurred to develop the project plan for the Illinois EPA. The majority of these expenses would have been required as part of the bid development process even if a loan was not required. There were also questions and a discussion about alternatives for funding if a loan is not available from the Illinois EPA. We may consider filing under the USDA program; however, this program is considerably more complicated and may not be feasible. A special assessment is another alternative.

Jim discussed continued efforts to determine if building a separate structure to handle chemical processing currently done in the water tower base is feasible. A building plan has been developed by the Farnsworth Group; however, county building code requirements have pushed the estimated price to over \$100,000, which the Board does not feel is economically feasible. We are attempting to determine if a less complex building plan would be accepted or how we can continue keeping the chemical processing within the tower, but reduce the resulting corrosion problems.

#### Illinois EPA backup water source regulation changes:

Jim discussed a notification received from the Illinois EPA in June 2020 regarding backup water sources for entities regulated by the EPA. The regulation places entities such as ICHWA without a secondary well to act as a backup water supply on their "Critical Review" list. The only restriction this regulation places on our water system is we cannot expand our system without first developing a backup water source. Since we have no plans to expand our water system, this does not result any current impact to our water system.

Jim recapped past discussions going back decades about drilling a second well. The Farnsworth Group has recommended drilling a second well for many years. Though there are no identified problems currently with our well and the water source is strong, having a backup is desirable. This

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was discussed at our March 2020 Annual Homeowners meeting and is documented in those minutes. In 2019 the Farnsworth Group estimated the cost of drilling a second well would be \$185,000.

Responding to questions and further discussion, Jim said as was discussed at the last homeowners meeting, once we are able to determine the cost and financing for the water tower refurbishing project the Board will develop a plan to address the need for a secondary well.

Importance of calling JULIE before digging and immediately reporting to a Board member, JULIE and the locating service (USIC) if any utilities are damaged:

Jim reminded residents about the importance of calling JULIE before any digging takes place and that contact and other information is contained in the Indian Creek subdivision website in the Information/ Water section. Jim also stressed the importance of notifying a Board member, JULIE and the locating service (USIC) if any utilities are damaged following the marking of utilities. The contract between ICHWA and USIC does not provide for any liability on the behalf of USIC if utilities are damaged. If we notify USIC within 24 hours of damage being done to utilities which have been marked, USIC will investigate the damage to determine if the diggers were liable.

#### **E. Grounds Report: Fred Walk, Grounds Chairperson**

Fred recapped Indian Creek has 54.3 acres that are maintained by volunteers expending much time and effort throughout the year. Fred announced our Spring Workday was April 22nd - 20 residents worked many hours to remove the invasive honeysuckle species. The chemical Tordon was applied after cutting the bush to prevent the plant from growing back. A tremendous amount of honeysuckle was removed through the efforts of all the volunteers.

Trail Restoration - The January ice storm and the June flood caused much damage to the trails. Many large trees and branches had fallen across the trails and were removed and washed-out areas were filled in with dirt. Wood chips that were donated by local tree services were spread over large sections of the trails.

Brush Pile - The brush pile is for tree branches and not large logs. Do not bring grass clippings, leaves and other lawn waste to the pile. When bringing brush throw it up on the pile. Leaves and grass clipping can be spread out into wooded areas. Do not dump leaves and grasses on the trails.

Recycling Update - Our recycled items are picked up by Henson Disposal are taken to Midwest Fiber Recycling Center located in west Normal. Acceptable and unacceptable items were shown and discussed. Residents were encouraged to be responsible in their recycling practices and were informed that if they are unsure if an item is to be recycled it is best to not place it in the recycle bin. Additional information about acceptable and unacceptable recycled items will be placed in upcoming newsletters.

Tractor Update - Our tractor is a 1983 Ford 2910 loader that is in good working condition. The power steering fluid is leaking and will need to be repaired. Resident volunteers spend much time and effort to maintain the tractor and keep it running well. The tractor is designed for light duty use only. If using the tractor, please pay Fred Walk \$5 for diesel fuel for every half hour of usage.

Neighborhood Lighting - Several homeowners have contacted the Board expressing concern about neighbors having outside garage and other lights that shine onto their property and into their homes. Please be considerate of your neighbors when using outside lights. Neighbors with security concerns could consider using motion sensors to trigger lights to come on during the night.

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Roaming Cats - There are numerous cats roaming around the subdivision. Unfortunately, these cats catch and kill birds, turkey chicks, and other wildlife. Please don't feed the cats and let them run loose around the neighborhood. McLean County Animal Control will take stray cats (and dogs) and place them for adoption. They will not be euthanized unless they suffer from serious injuries or have a serious illness. Animal Control can be contacted at 309-888-5060.

**F. Newsletter Report: Kathy Dumler, Ron Metz, Co-Editors**

The newsletters prior to 2004 are paper copies only and will be scanned and placed on the website in an electronic format along with the other newsletters. The annual meeting minutes prior to 2004 will also be scanned and cataloged on the website.

**IV. Action Items (exhibits for a, c and d are attached)**

- a. Revision of Bylaws – passed by unanimous vote of the Board members after opening for discussion with meeting attendees.
- b. Voice Vote Election of Vice President/Secretary – passed by unanimous voice vote by the Board and meeting attendees.
- c. Resolution to Increase the Annual Fund Assessment from \$25 to \$35 per quarter effective October 1, 2021 – passed by unanimous vote of the Board after opening for discussion with meeting attendees.
- d. Resolution to Authorize Incurring Debt to Maintain and Refurbish the Water Tower passed by unanimous vote of the Board after opening for discussion with meeting attendees.

V. Adjournment – a motion to adjourn was presented, seconded and unanimously approved.

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## 2021 Steve Liebenow Memorial Scholarship Winner



The Towanda Lions Club has awarded the 2021 Steve Liebenow Memorial Scholarship to **Maddie Kraft**. Maddie plans on working with animals in the future. To fulfill this vision she is transferring to Iowa State University after 2 years at Black Hawk Community College. At Iowa State she plans to get a bachelor's degree in Animal Science with a minor in Animal Ecology as well as completing the service dog training program.

Maddie has been a great addition to the Towanda community through her involvement with FFA, 4-H, American Boer Goat Association, Illinois Horse Show Association, Caroling at Mercy Creek, Cemetery clean-up, and Towels for Howls.

Congratulations Maddie!

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# Garden Tips

by Helen Leake



July and August are usually our hottest and driest months and most of us have cool-season grass in our lawns. When the grassroots get hot and dry, it goes dormant and turns brown. One way to try to prevent that is to raise the mower blade to 3-3/12 inches or higher. The taller grass will help to shade the soil and keep the roots cooler. It will also slow the loss of moisture and make it harder for the weed seeds to reach the soil and germinate.

Zosia grass likes warm weather. It just turns brown when it gets cold and greens up in the warmer weather.

If your red and black raspberries have finished producing fruit, you can cut the canes off to the ground. If you like to leave the raspberry patch for winter shelter for the wildlife, that is OK. By next spring the old canes will have turned brown and you can easily know which one to cut off. By now the new canes have grown tall. I like to cut it back to about 3 feet. It will send out 2 new canes for more berries next year.

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It is best for your vegetable and flower garden to remove the dead and diseased plants. It could help the looks and also give you space for a fall crop. Now is the time to plant lettuce, spinach Kohlrabi and radishes for a fall harvest. You can also sow beets and turnips. You will need to keep the soil moist all the time so the seeds can germinate.

You can dig the potatoes when the top leaves have dried. Insert the potato fork away from the plant so that you don't damage the potatoes.

Keeping the soil around the tomatoes evenly moist can help reduce blossom end rot.

If the branches in the apple, peach, and pear trees are bending because of the weight of the fruit, you can brace them by placing a board or prop under the branch to keep it from breaking.

Check your pears for ripening. Pick them when they reach full size, but still green. Place them in a cool place to ripen.

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With all the rain we had, the mosquitoes are everywhere, and they love to bite you. For years DEET was about the only thing on the market as an insect repellent. It also had some disadvantages. In the last few years, some safer insect repellents are available. Some are organic and some are not, but safer than DEET. As always follow the direction on the container.

If you have had signs of grubs in the past, now is the time to treat them. Only spray if you have signs now. Excess spraying can damage the good stuff in the soil.

Don't spray chemicals if the temperature is above 85 degrees. When it is hot or windy they form a drift and it can kill plants that you want to keep.

Harvest the onions after the tops have fallen over naturally. Let them dry a few days before storing them; for future use.

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Towanda American Legion

# **PORK CHOP SANDWICH DRIVE-THROUGH DINNER**

**Dinner Includes pork chop sandwich, fries and apple sauce**

**Friday August 20th**

**5:00 – 7:00      \$9.00**

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## **Water Hydrant Flushing Schedule – 2021**

The six water hydrants located in Indian Creek subdivision will be flushed on the dates listed below. Water hydrants are flushed in order to reduce the build-up of sediments in our water system. This is an important process for improving water quality. Our water operator will flush one hydrant at a time and allow it to run for 10-15 minutes (the next in line hydrant is opened concurrently for a brief period to keep water flowing through the system). Water pressure in our system's lines is maintained by the 35,000 gallons of water in our tower, however, pressure in home lines will be reduced during flushing much like when multiple faucets are opened in your homes. Flushing the hydrants will also stir up sediments so please follow the procedures listed below:

- Do not run water during the flushing time period.
- Following flushing, run water through faucets until clear. We recommend this be done by-passing any treatment/filtering system in your home because of the increased sediment stirred up during the flushing process.

Please mark your calendars with the dates listed below. Flushing will be done between 5:00 a.m. and 6:30 a.m. weather permitting. **Hydrants will not be flushed in freezing conditions or other inclement weather.**

Monday, August 23 — Wednesday, September 22 — Saturday, October 23  
No flushing in November — Wednesday, December 22

### **Summer Lawn Watering**

Please follow our recommended summer watering schedule by only watering on even or odd days corresponding to your street address number and limit watering to 3-4 hours. This will help ensure our well pump can replace water being used in our tower. Summer water usage typically is much higher than the rest of the year and can strain our water system capabilities.

Jim Larson – ICHWA Water Chairperson



## Water, water, everywhere: Ecology Action Center schedules Rain Barrel Workshops and Storm Drain Stenciling Workdays

The Ecology Action Center (EAC) invites all landscapers, gardeners, and residents to participate in upcoming rain barrel workshops in which individuals learn to install and maintain a water-saving, rainwater collection system. In addition to reducing tap water use, rain barrels help reduce stormwater runoff pollution, a major source of water pollution here in McLean County. Workshops are held via Zoom and in person, on a biweekly basis throughout the summer.

EAC staff will provide step-by-step instruction on assembly and initial installation, and show participants how to maintain their rain barrel's condition throughout the season. Discussion includes the unique design features of the EAC rain barrel and participants learn how to prepare a rain barrel for winter storage and quick set-up next spring. Each workshop will include a Q&A session where community members may ask experts about the ecological impacts and everyday use of rain barrels; upon completion of the workshop participants receive a coupon for a discounted ready-to-use EAC rain barrel. Workshops are July 28 and 29, and August 5, 11, and 18. In addition, the EAC is recruiting individuals or small groups to volunteer for storm drain stenciling workdays. Storm drains provide an essential function by quickly draining storm water from streets, yet this water takes with it any substances or debris such as oil, leaves, or pet waste that may be found in the roadway. Those contaminants filter into the very lakes, rivers, and streams that provide the Bloomington-Normal community with clean drinking water. Volunteers help with outreach efforts to reduce storm water runoff pollution.

Sign-up for rain barrel workshops or storm drain stenciling workdays is available on the EAC website, [ecologyactioncenter.org](http://ecologyactioncenter.org) via the BN Green Events Calendar found on the right side of the home page.

The Ecology Action Center is a not-for-profit environmental agency with a mission to inspire and assist our community in creating, strengthening and preserving a healthy environment. The EAC acts as a central resource for environmental education, information, outreach, and technical assistance in McLean County.

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## TOWANDA AREA FALL GARAGE SALES

Information for the Annual Fall Garage Sales for anyone interested in participating in group advertising (flyer with map and newspaper ads) is being collected. The dates for the sales are Thursday through Saturday, September 9-11, 2021. If you'd like to be included on a list of area sales and share in the cost of advertising, please be prompt in providing – by Thursday, September 2 – the following information to [rgbriggs@frontiernet.net](mailto:rgbriggs@frontiernet.net) You'll get a reply by email when your information and payment has been received:

- a. Sale location (cross streets are helpful)
- b. Contact information (phone & email - for my information only)
- c. Days and times of your sale (it is not necessary to have your sale each day)
- d. List of items (include as much as you like, in priority order, and depending on space available, they will be listed on the flyer and by category in the Pantagraph ad)
- e. \$5 fee (for Pantagraph ad), checks payable to Gail Ann Briggs 112 Hunt St, Towanda IL 61776.

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## Maintaining your Septic System

Beautiful Money Creek winds its way through our subdivision and is the primary feeder for Lake Bloomington (which is the city of Bloomington's water source). While we all do many things to maintain our homes, most of us don't think much about our septic systems. However, just a couple of simple and quick steps can help prevent expensive repair problems with our septic systems and ensure the water flowing into the waterway from our homes is safe.

Most of the homes in Indian Creek have sand filtered septic systems, and after the wastewater is filtered by our septic system, it drains into Money Creek via underground piping. One of the final stages of a sand filtered septic system is the chlorination box. For your septic system to produce clean, disinfected water to dump into Money Creek, you must regularly add septic system chlorine tabs via the chlorinator tube.

### Two Steps for Keeping your Septic System in Good Order

1. The McLean County Health Department recommends adding one or two tablets monthly, depending on the number of individuals in the household. They recommend adding tablets on a monthly basis rather than loading the tube full of tablets. Why? Too many chlorine tablets can create a situation where tablets could become soft and clog the drain holes in the chlorinator tube.
2. They also recommend, at least once a year, you pull the chlorination tube insert out and make sure the drain holes are not clogged. Clogged drain holes will prevent the system from working properly and can result in the need for repairs.

Septic System chlorine tablets can be hard to find locally but are readily available on Amazon or other online businesses. They can also be purchased locally at Zeschke Septic Cleaners (now located at 2408 Greyhound Rd on the south side of Bloomington). Common brands are Septicfit, ClorMor Septic Tabs, Pro Chlor Tabs, and NorWeco. Just remember to buy septic system chlorine rather than swimming pool chlorine.

**WARNING:** Chlorine gas is very corrosive to metal so be careful when storing tablets. They must be in an airtight container.

This article gives a diagram showing you where to insert the chlorine tablets, and provides more details on how your septic system works. <https://www.indiancreeksubdivision.org/septic.htm>

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### Scam Call in IC

"If you get a phone call from someone saying they are from Frontier and trying to update your modem...hang up! They want your modem info. I guess they can hack into your account." The caller was a female and had a foreign accent. She hung up as soon as I said I wasn't comfortable giving out that info. The call came from 309-728-2720 and sounded like it was from a call center..

An Indian Creek Resident

### Local Photo

The Ketelsens found an Alligator snapping turtle in their front yard on Timber Creek and relocated it to Money Creek by the bridge.



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# Recycle Information

Dear Indian Creek Residents,

I recently spoke with Henson Disposal and Midwest Fiber representatives about our recycling efforts. They have indicated that we generally are doing a decent job of not placing unacceptable items in our recycling containers. Below is a flyer from Midwest Fiber (this is where Henson's take our recycled items) showing acceptable and unacceptable recyclable materials. If you are unsure if an item is recyclable it's best to NOT put it in your container. Please visit Midwest Fiber's website at [www.midwest-fiber.com](http://www.midwest-fiber.com) for additional recycling information.

Residents frequently ask me about placing Styrofoam in their single stream recycle bins. It is unacceptable to place this material in the containers. However, there is a place in Urbana (see below) that does accept Styrofoam materials. I also get asked about recycling plastic and wire coat hangers. These are not recyclable. I contacted Starcrest Cleaners and was told they do not accept these hangers. However, other cleaners might accept them.

I hope you find this information helpful as you continue your recycling efforts.

Sincerely,

Fred Walk  
Grounds Chair

Yes, there is a place to recycle (clean) Styrofoam!

(PLEASE NOTE: there are separate tabs for "Bubble Wrap" & "Packing Peanuts".)

[Dart Corporation](#)

1505 E. Main St., Urbana

(Go east to Lierman Ave. – drop off site is at 'Shipping Dept.' entrance. **The drop-off is open 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.**)

- Make sure foam has the #6 recycling chasing arrow on it
- Accepts a wide variety of recyclable foam, including foam cups, foam egg cartons, foam meat trays, foam ice chests, and foam packaging that is frequently used to protect fragile materials such as TVs during shipping
- Only CLEAN (rinsed and wiped) food/beverage or block foam accepted (**no packing peanuts**)
- Remove straws, lids, tape, or any other non-foam material
- Deposit foam into clear translucent bags provided onsite, tie securely, and place bag in wheel cart
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For more information, call Doug Sharp at 217-721-2196 from 7 a.m. to 3 p.m., Monday through Friday.

## single stream recycling

### ACCEPTABLE MATERIALS



#### Paper

Newspapers & Inserts  
Magazines  
Catalogs  
Phone Books  
Junk Mail & Envelopes  
Office Paper  
Copy Paper  
School Paper  
Hard Back Book  
Soft Back Book  
Brown Paper Sacks  
Shredded Paper  
(place in clear plastic bag)



#### Plastic

Water Bottles  
Soda Bottles  
Milk Jugs  
Juice Beverage Jugs  
Detergent Bottles  
Fabric Softener  
Household Cleaners  
Clear & Colored Plastics  
(Including #1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7)  
Yogurt Containers  
Margarine Tubs  
Ketchup



#### Metal

Aluminum Cans  
Aluminum Foil  
Aluminum Trays  
Steel Cans  
Tin Containers  
Aerosol Cans  
Metal Lids



#### Glass

Beverage Containers  
Food Containers  
Jars



#### Cardboard

Cardboard  
Cereal Boxes  
Paperboard Boxes  
Soda Cases  
Beer Cases  
Shoe Boxes  
Frozen Food Boxes

If not on Acceptable List, do not place in recycle collection bin

### EASY RECYCLING TIPS

- Place items in recycling bin loose
- Flatten boxes
- If plastic held a food-grade product, it is generally acceptable

### COMMONLY CONFUSED RECYCLABLES

The items below can not be recycled:

- Plastic Bags (return to your local grocery store)
- Food and Liquids
- Plastic Toys
- Hypodermic Needles
- Other Plastic Wraps and Films (garbage bags, beverage case stretch wrap)
- Motor Oil and Antifreeze Containers

FIND US AT:  [midwest-fiber.com](http://midwest-fiber.com)



# YOUNG AT HEART DAY

At the McLean County Fair & 4-H Show

Interstate Center - West of Bloomington off Rt. 9

**Thursday August 5, 2021**

**8:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.**

**Senior day at the fair features....**

- **Free gate admission ALL DAY (includes parking) for those age 60 and over!**
- **Educational Booths of organizations serving seniors**
  - **Musical Entertainment ~ 9-11 a.m.**  
**The Central Illinois Banjo Band**
- **Refreshments & Door Prizes throughout the morning**
- **Golf cart tours around fair every ½ hour ~ 9:15-11:15 a.m.**

**Covid 19 Guidelines and restrictions will be adhered to.  
This event and related activities are subject to change due to Coronavirus Pandemic.**

**Young at Heart Day Committee: Cindy Kelley, Donna LaMar, Kathleen Emery, Candace Thedens,  
Linda Lange, Kathryn McNeely, Nancy O'Neall, Joyce Schneider, Pat Pulokas, Joann Hart**

**Young at Heart Day is presented by**



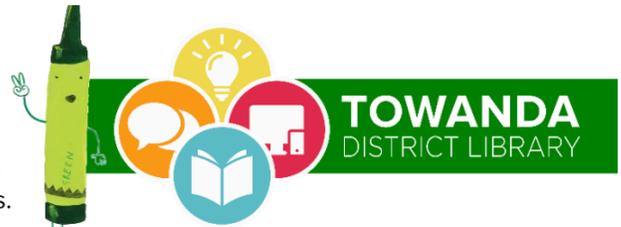
**McLean County Association for  
Home and Community Education  
1615 Commerce Parkway, Bloomington, IL 61704**

**Co-chairmen:  
Donna LaMar  
309-829-2537  
Cindy Kelley  
309-824-4797**

# Towanda District Library

## Summer 2021 News

Towanda District Library's Summer Reading Program continues through **Friday, August 6 at 2:00 pm!** Please stop by the library on or before that date to redeem your prizes and/or raffle tickets.



- ⇒ Youth participants who complete all 8 reading logs by Friday, August 6 qualify for "Rainbow Recognition," which includes earning a second bag of prizes, picking a paperback book to keep, and having a picture taken for the "2021 Hall of Fame."
- ⇒ Raffle drawings for the teen and adult programs—including winners of the two Kindle eReaders—will be posted Monday, August 9. Participants drawn as winners of gift cards will be contacted by phone and can make their selections on a first-come, first-served basis.

Please join us at Towanda District Library on **Thursday, August 12** for an Open House in honor of **Mr. Jason Shirley**. Jason has been Towanda District Library's director for the past 3 years, and we invite you to join us in celebrating his accomplishments and contributions to Towanda's community. The Open House will take place between **4:00 - 6:00 pm** and refreshments will be provided.



### REMINDERS:



- All visitors entering the building will be **required to wear masks** when children are present. This is to protect children ages 2 years to 11 years of age who, at the time of this printing, do not have access to a COVID-19 vaccine.
- The library's summer hours of operation (through Saturday, September 4) are:  
**Mon. & Thurs.: 10:00 am – 3:00 pm | Tues. & Wed.: 2:00 – 6:00 pm | Fri. & Sat.: 10:00 am – 2:00 pm**

## Towanda HCE

The Towanda HCE thanks you for your support of our July 3<sup>rd</sup> Drive Thru Pick Up Supper. Maybe next year there will be a Spaghetti Supper again.

The Towanda HCE had a wonderful time shopping in Clinton and eating lunch at La Tea Da Tea Room for our June Outing on June 24.

We look forward to our first meeting of the 2021-2022 HCE year when we meet on Monday, September 13, 6:30 p.m. at the Towanda Community Building. Join us for a great program, "Biscuits, Then and Now." More details in the September newsletter. Contact Cindy Kelley, 309-824-4797 with questions or more details.



Pictured: Ruth Stewart, Tammy Stewart, Candace Thedens, Cindy Kelley, Jeanie Wager, Kathleen Emery, Linda Conder, Joann Steinberg and Pat Pulokas at La Tea Da Tea Room in Clinton, IL on June 24.

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# Classified

## For Hire:

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.

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.

## 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  
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