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May 2022



## House and Garden Club

By Mary Cavallini

If March meetings seem to be the start/heart of club activities, and spring is the happiest time of the year for gardeners, May is when our winter wishes start to come true. We will dress appropriately for what's becoming our annual run for the roses luncheon May 31.

After focusing on our gardens the last two months, Tuesday, April 26, was a complete change of pace when we held the highly anticipated auction luncheon. Creative teams worked hard to be sure the temptations offered were impossible to resist. Did we have fun? If the

only thing better than buying something you absolutely love is competing with and snatching it from right under the nose of your best friend, we had a ball.

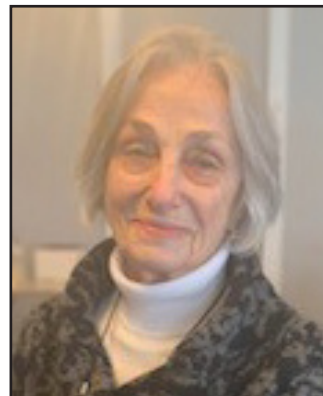
In March, POA Master Gardener and club past President Timburley Ecklund captured everyone's attention demonstrating how to start a topiary followed up with container gardening tips.

Joanne Baitay, Leona Bonich and Peggy Kozlowski signed up, and we were happy to welcome these new members. We were so happy to see a

(See *Garden* Pg. 11)



Char Bolka, Glenda Romer, and Mary Grveles



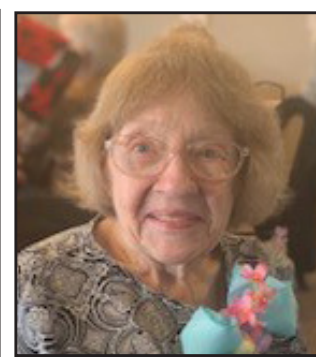
Leona Bonich



Mary Shick



Timburley Ecklund



Rita Sterns



## LOFS Pool

### Summer 2022 at LOFS pool

The Lakes of the Four Seasons pool will open the 2022 season on Memorial Day Weekend with the following hours:

- Memorial Day Weekend Hours (5/28, 5/29 & 5/30)
- 8 a.m. – 11 a.m. Adult Lap Swim
- 11 a.m. – 7 p.m. Open Swim

The pool will begin its regular hours on Friday, June 3. The regular pool hours are as follows:

- Monday--Tuesday--Wednesday--Thursday--Friday--Saturday--Sunday
- 8 a.m. – 11 a.m. Adult Lap Swim
- 11 a.m. – 7 p.m. Open Swim

Don't forget to purchase your family pool pass for \$85 at the POA office. Only full-time residents of each household may be placed on a family's season pass. The daily fee for non-season-pass holders and guests will be \$7 per day.

Property owners may also purchase a special guest coupon for \$40. These passes are good for 10 swims. Last year's unused guest coupons will not be accepted this summer.

The LOFS pool will offer private swim lessons (residents only) again this year. Please stop by the pool during regular business hours to inquire.

LOFS residents can also book the pool for private parties. Again, please stop by the pool during regular business hours to inquire about pricing and availability.

## Election Committee

### 2022 POA Board Election Schedule

Three of the five seats on the LOFS POA Board of Directors are up for election this year. Here are the key dates for this year's election:

- Wednesday, June 1 – Friday, June 17 - Candidacy petitions will be available at the POA office for residents wishing to be listed on the ballot.
- Monday, June 20 – Friday, July 8 by 4 p.m. – Completed petitions to be turned in at the POA office. The order the ballots are printed, listing the candidates' names, will be determined by a blind draw only if there are more than one person turning in their petitions on the same day to the POA office, and

documentation verified as complete and valid.

- Monday, August 1 – Candidates Night issues forum at 7:30 p.m. in the LOFS Seasons Lakehouse ballroom.
- Friday, August 5 – Ballots will be mailed to all property owners of record and electronic voting site will open.
- Tuesday, September 6, polls closed; paper and electronic ballots must be received by Survey and Ballot Systems by 5 p.m. Survey and Ballot Systems will tabulate paper and web ballots and provide results to the LOFS election chairperson on September 7.
- Property Owners may also drop their election ballots inside a locked ballot box that will be located inside the

LOFS Seasons Lakehouse. Ballots may be dropped inside the ballot box anytime the Seasons Lakehouse is open. The last day to drop them inside the box will be Wednesday, September 7 by noon. The election chairperson will be the only person that can unlock the box to retrieve ballots the day of verification and counting on September 7.

- Onsite ballots from the ballot box will be counted beginning at 7 p.m. in the LOFS West Lounge and results will be announced after all paper and web ballots are tabulated the evening of Wednesday, September 7, 2022.
- Saturday, October 8 – LOFS POA Annual Meeting at 10 a.m. in the Seasons Lakehouse Ballroom. Newly elected directors will be sworn in.



- June 9 – NAWTY – Party Rock / Pop
- June 16 – Crawpuppies – Pop Rock
- June 23 – Mr. Funnyman – Classic Rock
- June 30 – Mallrats – 90s Rock



- July 7 – The Unstoppables - Classic American Rock
- July 14 – The Highway Band - Classic Rock/Southern Rock
- July 21 – Island 49 – Trop Rock
- July 28 – Johnny Demotte – Rock / Country / Pop
- August 4 – Barefoot Charlie - Alternative/ Pop / Rock
- August 11 – Carlos Ramos Band – Motown / R&B / Funk
- August 18 – The Aftermath - Rock
- Friday August 26 – SunFallen – Rock



Community Manager

By Rick Cleveland,  
LOFS Community Manager  
POA Dues

Property Owners were able to begin paying POA dues for 2022 on Tuesday, March 1 with a due date of Monday, May 2. If you have not paid this year's dues, please make arrangements as soon as possible. Dues

not paid by May 2 are considered delinquent and there will be a \$50 late fee charged. The Board of Directors approved a motion to deactivate Vehicle Barcodes if the annual assessment was not paid by the due date.

Maintenance Crews

It's that time of the year again for mowing, trim-

ming and other maintenance throughout the community for the Maintenance departments. Please be careful and slow down when encountering the maintenance staff on a mower or work cart.

Leaf & Branch Collections

Spring leaf collections for the entire community have been completed for the season. Spring branch collections for the Lake County portion of the community began on April 25 and will be completed on May 2. Spring

branch collections will begin on May 9 and continue until the final date of May 16 for the Porter County portion of the community.

Illegal Dumping

I am requesting that all residents refrain from dumping leaves, branches and grass clippings in the POA greenspace areas, on vacant lots or in any of the lakes or ponds. We provide branch and leaf collections in the spring and fall. You may also take your leaves or branches to the

maintenance facility at 3861 Kingsway Drive.

Speed Bumps

The POA will be installing the speed bumps throughout the community again very soon. Please keep a lookout for the signs that say 'SPEED BUMP AHEAD'. Please use caution when driving over them.

New POA Board Member Election Process This Year

Voting electronically will be an option this year. The company, Survey and Ballot Systems, will be providing the

service for this year's election.

Ballots will be mailed to all property owners of record with an explanation of how to vote electronically.

For those of you that are not able to vote electronically you will still be able to mail in your paper ballot to the company providing the service, Survey and Ballot Systems or you may drop your election ballot inside a locked ballot box that will be located inside the LOFS Seasons Lakehouse.

Inside the Gates from the Security Department

Now that Spring is here, there is a lot more outdoor activity. There is also an increase in the amount of people coming into the community. Please be sure your guests have your correct address to provide to the dispatchers and encourage them to have it ready when they pull up to the window.

When a guest is unprepared, it backs up the traffic, and the people in line behind

them become agitated. Some of them take it out on the dispatchers. We ask that residents and guests be respectful to the dispatchers. They are monitoring both gates at the front entrance and trying to keep the traffic flowing.

All residents and guests need to make sure the gate comes down completely from the vehicle in front of you before you attempt to go through the gate. If you

follow the vehicle in front of you without letting the gate re-set it will come down on your vehicle!

Security is here to assist residents and guests when needed. We are also here to enforce the rules and covenants. We encourage all residents and guests to follow the rules. Security is enforcing traffic violators in a different manner than in the past. All security vehicles are

equipped with cameras. If you receive a violation in the mail, the infraction was captured on video. If one of your guests is speeding through the community then goes to your residence, you will be responsible for paying the fine. Be sure your guests know the speed limits.

With the warmer weather here, it is time to start keeping your lawns and gardens maintained. Let's be kind to

our neighbors and keep your lawn mowed.

Continuing with the theme of being kind to our neighbors, remember all pets are to be leashed or on voice command at all times. Please do not let your dogs roam free. It is a \$50 fine if they are caught off of your property. Also, please do not let your dogs bark excessively. If you are not home, your dog should be indoors. You can also contact Security to reg-

ister your pets. We can put the information in our system (name, breed, address, and phone number) so if they get lost we may be able to help them to get home safely.

One last item, effective May 1: All expired decals and holograms must be removed from vehicles, golf carts and boats. There is a \$50 fine for outdated decals and holograms not removed.

Operations Department

By Roy Green,  
Director of Operations  
Branch & Limb Collections

Spring branch and limb collections began on April 25 and will continue until the final date of May 2 for the Lake County portion of the community.

Spring branch collections

will begin on May 9 and continue until the final date of May 16 for the Porter County portion of the community, including all of Brandywine, Beachview Ct., Sandy Beach Dr. and all of Forest Ln.

Piles must be placed out on or before May 15. There will be no more collections once the crew has serviced

your property.

Nothing larger than twelve (12) inches in diameter will be collected. Do not mix rubbish, roots, dirt, and yard waste with branches.

We will collect branches that have fallen due to storm damage. Please contact the Operations Department so they can schedule a collection.

Whitegoods & Electronics Dumpsters

These dumpsters are used for the recycling of all elec-

tronics, and household appliances such as refrigerators and stoves. Tires may also be dropped off at the operations facility.

Residents need to call the Operations Department at 219-988-4461 to schedule a drop off. NO CHEMICALS! Please call the Operations Department if you have any questions about the item you would like to discard in these dumpsters. PLEASE RECYCLE!

Our hours of operation

are 6:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Monday through Friday and 8 a.m. until noon on Saturdays.

The Maintenance Facility is located at 3861 Kingsway Drive.



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**The Lions have purchased 100 cases of 12oz. New York Strip Steaks. There are 16 steaks in a case for \$110.00.**

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**Deadline to order steaks will be May 6, 2022.**

**If you would like to order, contact any Lions Club member or you can also contact Lion Linda Kroner at 219-765-3990 or email [lkroner1159@comcast.net](mailto:lkroner1159@comcast.net) . You can mail your form and check to: Linda Kroner at 1159 Sunnyslope, Crown Point, IN. 46307.**

**Please make checks payable to LOFS Lions Club.**

**The pickup will be at the Seasons Lakehouse on May 14, 2022 from 9am til 11am!**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**12 oz Case (16 Steaks) \$110    Number of Cases \_\_\_\_\_**

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## Keenagers

The Keen-Agers will be having their May meeting on the 19th at the Seasons Lakehouse. The bar opens at noon with a delicious lunch being served at 1 p.m. Entertainment scheduled for 2 p.m. is the singing sensation J.J. Brooks. After a short meeting, adjournment will be around 3 p.m.

The club is open to anyone 50 and older, regardless of residency. The yearly membership fee is \$30 due every October. The monthly luncheon cost is \$15, which includes the entertainment and a tip.

Besides the third Thursday of the month meetings (except for January), the Keenagers gamble at the Four Winds casino in Michigan and go on a September Diamond Tour bus trip; this year Niagara Falls is booked! The annual August Auction will be new and exciting, and more trips and fund raisers are being planned for the future.

Read the Seasonal for all their latest info and updates, follow them on Facebook to view their fabulous photos and videos of all their fun.

Call Renate at 219-689-3408 or email her at will-

renate@yahoo.com to make a reservation to preview or join the club.

Thanks to the amazing staff for the awesome food and for serving us so well all the time. Keep 'Keeping up with the Keen-Agers'!

- President, Renate Sahulcik
- Vice-President, Travel & Entertainment Director, Jeanette Stolarz
- Assistant, Jennifer Golembieski
- Treasurer & Food Director, Pete Maloy
- Secretary, Vileda Maloy
- Email Director, Alice Barcomb
- Caller Director, Trudy Perry
- Casino Director, Sue Kalinowski
- Facebook Director, Lynda Gustafson

## Lakes Department

By Ryan Grady,  
Lakes Director

**Property Owners Who Live on The Lakes**

Make sure that your docks and shorelines are in good condition. Please contact the Lakes Department to give us the status of any repairs that need to be made.

If you have any damage to your shoreline or seawalls and don't know what route to take for repairs, also contact us so that we may point you in the right direction (we will be checking unmaintained shorelines as well).

Remember to make sure that your lot numbers are visible from the lake, either on your dock or within ten (10) feet from your shoreline. We sent out numerous letters last summer informing residents about visible lot numbers from the lake. Lakes Patrol will be out checking resident's docks and shorelines for damage and informing anyone of necessary repairs throughout the month of April and May.

**Notice to POA Dock Renters**

POA dock spaces may only be used by the property owner who has rented a specific dock

space and may not be used for temporary parking. Only the current dock decal is to be displayed and it must be located on the stern of the boat next to current boat decal.

All speed and fishing boats must always have a working automatic bilge pump. This will keep boats from sinking during storm events and causing damage to docks and other watercraft. All watercrafts must be properly tied to the dock. Please tie up boats to the cleats (not around the poles).

If your dock does not have two cleats to tie up to, please call the Lakes office at 219-988-4722 and we will take care of it. Lakes Patrol will be checking all of this throughout the year.

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Golf Maintenance

Doug Weiss,  
Golf Maintenance  
Superintendent

The heart of the golf season has finally arrived. It is time to put the long, cold, and unpredictable weather behind us and look forward to warm temperatures and sunshine.

May is when leagues start, outings get going, and rounds of golf start to increase. May is also when we start to get into the rhythm of the season. The greens are cut daily. Tees, collars, and fairways are cut three days a week, and the rough mowers are out five days a week keeping up with the rapid growth we see every May.

Luckily, most of my staff is returning from last season, which makes keeping up much easier. This season I

have three college kids starting in early May, this will allow us to get a few more projects done this summer.

Soon the driving range tee will have mats once again. This time the base will be made of cement and not crush and run allowing water to run off. The mats will be in sections instead of one long mat that cannot be replaced or taken in during the long winter months.

White Hawk Country Club has the same mats and they have held up well and their members are very happy with them.

This will also save the grass on the tee from getting destroyed during outings, Junior golf, or just wet days. Also, two ladies' tees will be built after member guest day. One will be on hole six and

the other on hole eleven. The temporary tees will be in play the rest of the season while the tees grow in. I still have plans for some drain tile to be installed in a few locations around the course. While we are installing the drain tile some roots will be pruned close to some greens and bunkers.

Lastly, more bunkers will be renovated with new sand and bunker liners. If you want to keep up with what we are doing on the course, please follow us on Facebook: Lakes of the Four Seasons Golf Course Insider.

Another golf season is ready to get started. This Spring seems to last forever with the cold and wet conditions. Soon the rain will stop and the warm weather will arrive and there will be non-stop golf for a few months to enjoy. I can't wait.

Golf Services

By Matthew Meneghetti,  
Director of Golf

With the nice weather upon us and everything with our course starting up like events and leagues, I want to remind the community about *use of the golf cart paths for non-golfing purposes*.

I want to remind all residents that using the golf course cart paths for anything, but a registered and paid for

round of golf is prohibited. Specifically, the paved cart path at the front gate that passes around the back of hole #17 is a public path, however carts must exit onto the road once reaching the front gate; continuing travel onto the golf course's 18th hole is not allowed and tickets will be issued for trespassing on the golf course property. Fishing on golf course

property is prohibited! These rules are in place for both safety to residents and for preventing interruptions to golfers. Golf course marshals and security will be cracking down on those that choose to ignore signs and continue to use the cart paths for running, jogging, biking, dog walking, or non-golf traffic with the issuance of fines at any time of day. All in all, I want everyone to be safe.

Golf Events -May 2022

- May 7 – MGA Get Acquainted Scramble
- May 7 – WGA Get Acquainted Scramble
- May 21 – WGA Devil’s Open
- May 22 – MGA 1-2-3 Best Ball
- May 31 – Happy Faces Golf Outing (Private)

LEAGUES



- Monday Night Ladies – starts May 9
- Men’s Tuesday Night League – starts May 10
- Senior Men’s – starts May 11
- Couples – starts May 11
- WGA Ladies League – starts May 12
- BOOST GOLF ACADEMY
- Ladies – starts week of May 16
- Juniors – starts week of May 16
- Bootcamp is Sunday May 15

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**Paulette Skinner**  
Winfield Township Trustee

**Election Day May 3, 2022**  
**VOTE REPUBLICAN**

Paulette has served as Township Trustee since January 1, 2015. This position is her full-time job. Paulette is a public servant not a politician.

Paulette works well with community organizations, local civic groups, area businesses, and the schools. Her relationships have helped improve Township services and programs.

Paulette was instrumental in bringing the Post Office back to Winfield. She and Barb Graham, the Winfield Township Office Assistant, worked tirelessly to bring the residents together and convince the post office of the need for a local postal branch.

Paulette owns her home and has lived in Winfield continuously since 1974. She worked for 17 years in a Family Law practice. She is an active member of Holy Spirit Catholic Church and has a dog-in-training to become a service dog.

**SERVICE TO THE TOWN OF WINFIELD:** Paulette has been elected to the Town Council and the President of the Town Council (2011), Board of Zoning, Plan Commission (1997-2010), served on the Northwest Indiana Planning Commission (NIRPC), and the Lake County Solid Waste Board.

**SERVICE TO THE TOWNSHIP:** The Trustee’s Office has a Township Pantry that has been able to safely serve clients throughout the pandemic. The Trustee’s Office also offers assistance, including but not limited to, utilities, burial assistance, and more to those who qualify.

Paulette believes in SAFETY. During her tenure, she has upgraded two tornado sirens and added two additional sirens to the community. She also installed generators at the Government Center and the Community Center to safeguard against power outages.

**SERVICE TO THE LOFS FIRE DEPARTMENT:** In 2020, Paulette provided the LOFS Fire Department \$90,000 for a down payment for a new fire truck. The Trustee’s Office is currently making an annual \$18,000 payment for an ambulance and a \$34,000 payment for the fire truck. Total annual contractual payments to the fire department are \$335,000. This is more than 60% of the Township’s annual budget.

Paulette believes in FUN. The Township, along with the Town of Winfield, have worked on many projects together including the Spring and Fall CleanUp, the Easter Egg Hunt, Movies in the Park, the Fall Fest, and more.

We, the following, endorse Paulette as trustee for Winfield Township

<b>Alice Dahl</b> Cedar Creek Trustee	<b>Gerald Stiener</b> Winfield Town Council President
<b>Paul Bremer</b> Center Township Trustee	<b>David Anderson</b> Winfield Town Council
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<b>George &amp; Diane Smith</b> U. S. Post Office SubStation	<b>Kim Puskar</b> McColly Real Estate
<b>John &amp; Pam Evorik</b> Evorik Electric	<b>Tony &amp; Terry Clark</b> Children’s Therapy Plus
<b>Steven Nicholls, Attorney</b> Nicholls & Nicholls	<b>Eugene Rosario</b> Manager, Wiseway Market

PAID FOR BY THE COMMITTEE TO RE-ELECT PAULETTE SKINNER



<b>Public Notice for Hearing on:</b>  Request of variance for installation of a Shed to exceed the building line  Jason Pahl 2314 Drop Anchor Drive; lot P-881 Crown Point, IN 46307  Wednesday, May 11, 2022 7:30 P.M. LOFS Seasons Lakehouse	<b>Public Notice for Hearing on:</b>  Request of variance for installation of a Deck to exceed the rear setback Michael Guistolisi 3461 Highland Court; lot L-1044 Crown Point, IN 46307  Wednesday, May 11, 2022 7:30 P.M. LOFS Seasons Lakehouse	<b>Public Notice for Hearing on:</b>  Request of variance for installation of a Pool to exceed the rear setback  Allen Taylor 3549 Oakcrest Place; lot L-1015 Crown Point, IN 46307  Wednesday, May 11, 2022 7:30 P.M. LOFS Seasons Lakehouse
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**Public Notice for Hearing on:**  
  
Request of variance for installation of a Shed to exceed the rear setback  
  
Roger & Betty Pritchard  
1204 Winterhaven Lane; lot P-381  
Crown Point, IN 46307  
  
Wednesday, May 11, 2022 • 7:30 P.M. LOFS Seasons Lakehouse

**Public Notice for Hearing on:**  
  
Request of variance for installation of a Shed to exceed the side setback  
  
Richard & Kathleen Rosinski  
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# Since 1888, this Leroy church continues to serve the local community

By Walt Pluchinsky,  
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Faithful  
readers of this

column may recall previous articles about the history of two old churches in our area, Boone Grove Christian and the Salem United Methodist. We focus our attention to another old church, the one on Elkhart Street in Leroy (see photo).

The Living Testimony Church in Leroy traces its beginnings to 1888, when a United Methodist Church was built in town. Prior to that, in 1875, three religious factions, the United Presbyterians, the Reformed Presbyterians, and the United Methodists together formed the Leroy Union School, which soon became strong and prosperous. The Stewart, Gibbs, Love, and Nethery

families were active in the school as officers and teachers. Apparently, religious services were held in the school.

Ultimately, there was a need for churches in Leroy, and two were built. The Methodists occupied their building in 1888, and the United Presbyterian church opened in April 1889. Both churches also served as schools for their respective religions, with one school being called the Methodist-Episcopal.

The first pastor of the United Methodist church in 1888 was John B. Smith, and the lot for the church was donated by Samuel Love Sr. Over the years, the church has been served by 66 ministers, with the current one being Karl Sickles. In 1953 alone, three different ministers served the congregation.

Sometime in the early 1920s, the United Presbyterian church in Leroy

disbanded. As a result, in 1924, the Presbyterian church building was moved eastward and ultimately attached to the back end of the existing United Methodist church on Elkhart Street.

Over the years, considerable renovations were made to the United Methodist church. The building was raised and a basement was added, where the first vacation bible school was held there in June 1956, with an average attendance of 70 students. The basement also included a kitchen, a new heating plant, a fellowship hall, and school facilities. Numerous other church improvements from donations of memorial gifts for departed members were made over the years. Parishioners also donated their time, treasures and talents to make numerous other improvements.

Church attendance, however, dwindled over the

years, and affiliation with the United Methodists was discontinued. In 2011 the congregation became the Living Testimony Church. As previously mentioned, the present pastor is Karl Sickles, voluntarily serving since September, 2002. At that time, he became a United Methodist pastor to assure that the church would remain viable. Currently, one service is held on Sunday mornings at 10 a.m. Attendance is sparse, with only a few families and perhaps only eight or nine people and no children. Seating capacity in the air-conditioned church is about 110 people. New members are always welcome.

Pastor Karl has an interesting background. He was raised in the Leroy area and attended the church since his youth. Now retired, he worked in automotive maintenance, then in teaching that profession at several lo-



cal schools. As a youth, he served as a pastor, preaching his first sermon at age 16 on youth Sunday in the same church on Elkhart St. He and his wife Wanda have spent much time around their church doing various mainte-

nance projects.

Pastor Karl gave this writer an informal tour of the church and complex. Needless to say, it was very impressive. He agreed to host a tour for a historical group, should the need arise. Stay tuned!



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The overtime patrols are part of the state's Stop Arm Violation Enforcement (SAVE) program and funded with National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) grants administered by the Indiana Criminal Justice Institute (ICJI).

More than 200 police agencies will be participating in the spring enforcement campaign, as part of an ongoing effort to prevent reckless driving in school zones and around buses. Last year alone, more than 2,700 drivers were cited for stop-arm violations by Indiana law enforcement, according to ICJI.

To address this, officers across the state will be utilizing a range of enforcement strategies, from high-visibil-

ity patrols to having police spotters on buses. In most jurisdictions, tactics and routes will be decided in coordination with local bus drivers and school transportation officials, with efforts concentrating in the morning and afternoon hours.

"School buses have several highly visible indicators to let drivers know when to stop," said Devon McDonald, ICJI executive director. "The only way you're going to miss those—the activated stop arm and flashing lights—is if you're on your phone or not paying attention to the road. That choice can be deadly."

As part of the campaign, state and local officials will be calling on motorists to slow down, pay attention to the road and to never pass a bus that has its red lights flashing and stop arm extended. This applies to all roads with one exception. On highways divided by a physical barrier, such as a concrete wall or grassy median, only vehicles traveling in the same direction as the school bus are required to stop.

It's also important when approaching a school bus

to be prepared to stop. Plan ahead and factor in extra time during each commute for school bus stops.

"You'll never regret playing it safe, but you will regret driving past a stopped bus and injuring someone's child," said Robert Duckworth, ICJI traffic safety director. "These are people who have their whole lives ahead of them. No hurry is worth the possibility of robbing someone of their future or a family of their child."

Disregarding a school bus stop arm is a Class A Infraction and a serious offense. Violators could pay a fine of up to \$10,000, have their license suspended for up to 90 days (for the first offense) or up to one year for the second.

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The 73-room inn is structurally sound but needs significant work that requires extended closure of the entire facility, including the Millstone Dining Room, conference facilities, and overnight lodging.

Funding for this project is provided through an infusion of dollars to address deferred maintenance needs in Indiana State Parks and other DNR properties by Governor Eric J. Holcomb and the Indiana General Assembly. The base budget for the project is \$10 million.

The primary goal of the project is modernization of all mechanical systems while retaining the historic, natural look and feel of the public spaces and guest rooms. The work includes replacement of water lines, fire alarms, sprinklers, and HVAC. The project also includes installing new windows and doors,

making accessibility upgrades, as well as making additional guest room furnishing and bathroom upgrades, and replacing the existing swimming pool with a splash pad.

"Complete closure of one of our most iconic Indiana State Park inns for more than a year is a difficult decision," said DNR Director Dan Bortner. "However, the modernization of the inn's 'behind the scenes' safety and comfort systems is best accomplished with this approach."

"When guests can return, they will appreciate the improvements from the moment they check-in at the new centrally located welcome desk to their renovated rooms."

All inn associates will re-

main employed during the renovation, working in other areas of the park or at other inn locations. The inn will maintain an office with telephone and electronic communications inside the park to answer questions, make day-to-day contacts, and conduct future sales meetings. Its location will be announced once established.

The Spring Mill Inn opened in 1939. Indiana State Parks' other six inns will be open and available for overnight lodging, conferences, weddings and receptions, and other events. Information is at [www.IndianaInns.com](http://www.IndianaInns.com).

Additional information is at [www.on.IN.gov/spring-millsp](http://www.on.IN.gov/spring-millsp) or at [www.on.IN.gov/spring-mill-inn](http://www.on.IN.gov/spring-mill-inn).

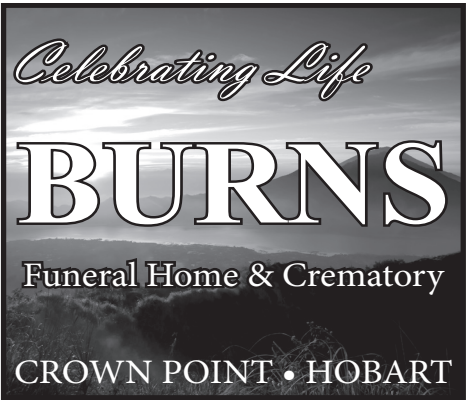


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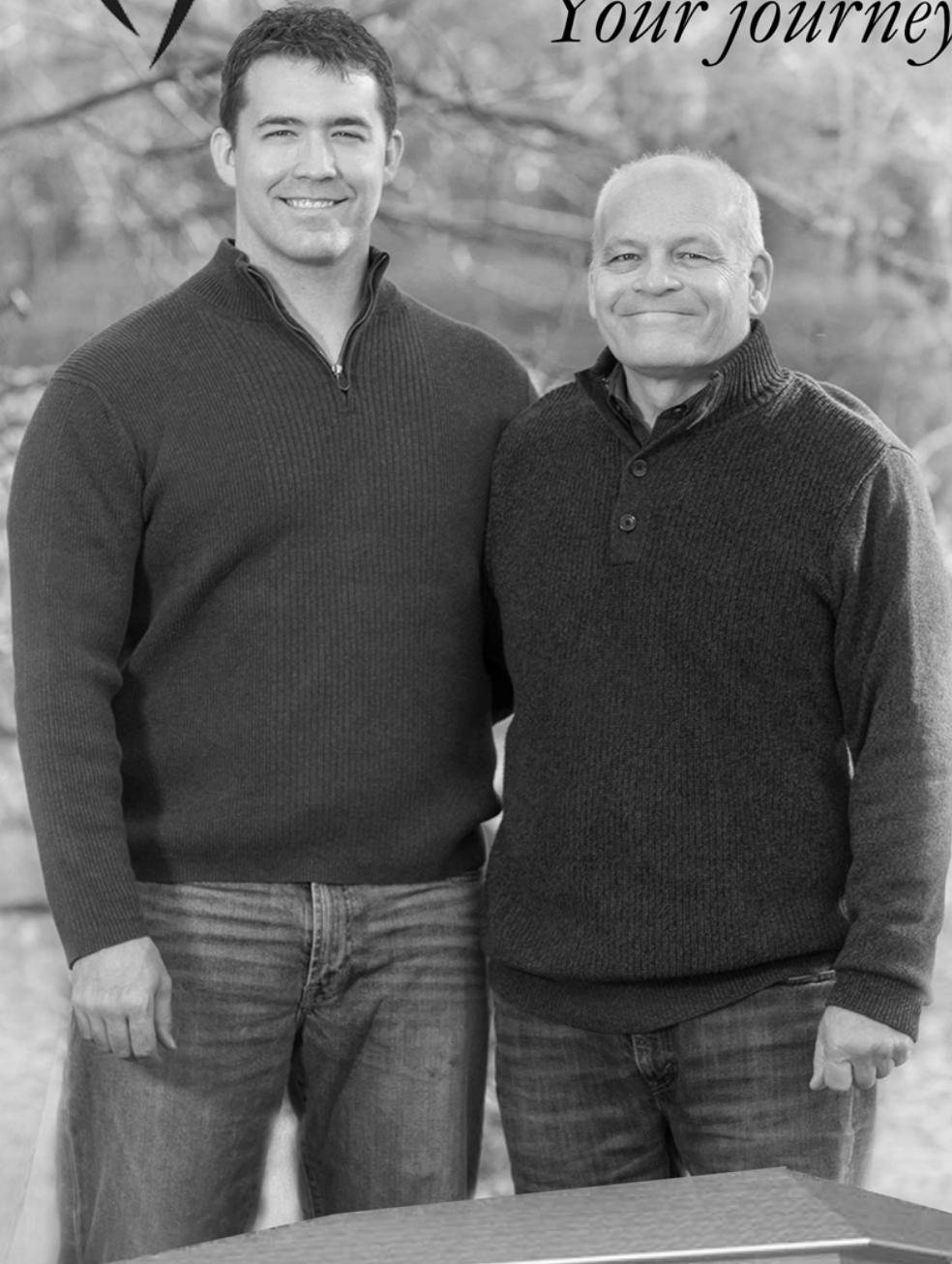
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If you are going to be recreating around water, follow these basic safety tips:

- Discuss the dangers of water with your family and loved ones before going out.
- Wear a lifejacket.
- Tell someone where you are going and when you will return.
- Go with a buddy.
- Do not venture around flooded or fast-moving waterways.
- Avoid alcohol.

In addition to basic water safety, Indiana Conservation Officers also stress the importance of boating safety and remind boaters to know the rules of the water.

Reducing a boat’s speed in unfamiliar areas and being aware of unusual water conditions respective to the size and type of boat are not only safety tips, but also important environmental considerations. Regardless of your boat type, doing an initial assessment of water levels and current speed are essential.

Designate a sober boat operator. Alcohol causes impaired balance, blurred vision, poor coordination, impaired judgement, and slower reaction time. These impairments can be magnified by wave action, sun exposure, and wind. It is illegal to operate a motorboat or personal watercraft in Indiana while intoxicated due to alcohol or drugs. Indiana law defines intoxication as having a blood alcohol level of 0.08% or greater.

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Township Trustee Skinner thanks those who’ve helped the food pantry

“Thank you to many who have helped with Winfield’s Food Pantry. A special thanks to Joan, Janet, Carla, Diane, Mike and more,” said Winfield Township Trustee Paulette Skinner.

Skinner went on to note that “the food pantry is low on the following: crackers, cookies, Hamburger Helper, pancake mix and syrup, sugar, flour, salt, canned fruit, jelly, and Knorr side dishes.”

“At this time,” she said, “we have plenty soup and canned vegetables. If you have any questions, contact me at the Trustee’s Office at 219-663-7027. Again, thank you for being so kind and helping take care of Winfield.”

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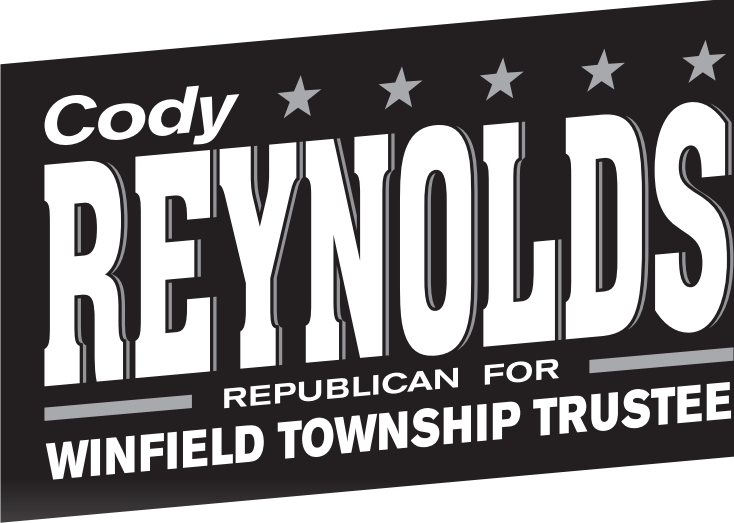
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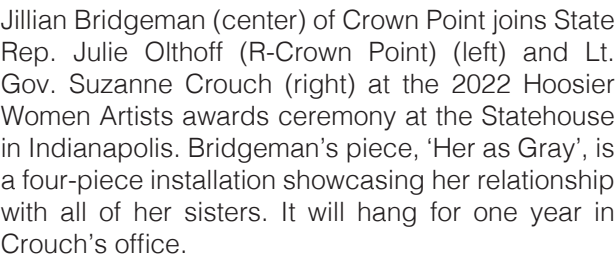
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8  Seasons Lakehouse Closed for Private Event	9  Branch Collections Begin on Porter County Portion of Community	10	11  POA Public Meeting 7:30 pm @ Seasons Lakehouse	12	13  Entertainment @ 19th Hole 8-11 pm Gloria Rivera & Jeremy Smolen	14  Free N Fun Bar Bingo @ 19th Hole 7-9 pm
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22  Seasons Lakehouse Closed for Private Event	23  POA Public Meeting 7:30 pm @ Seasons Lakehouse	24	25  Lions Meeting 6 pm @ Seasons Lakehouse	26	27  Entertainment @ 19th Hole 8-11 pm Chad Clifford	28  Free N Fun Bar Bingo @ 19th Hole 7-9 pm
29 Seasons Lakehouse Closed for Private Event POA Office Hours Monday—Friday 9 am to 4 pm.	30  Memorial Day  POA Office Closed	31  House & Garden Club Luncheon Noon @ Seasons Lakehouse				



# Tootsie Roll Drive for the intellectually handicapped on May 7

“I always get excited to see the yearly display of diverse, artistic talent that



comes from around our state, especially when someone from our community is selected,” Olthoff said. “Jillian’s creation represents something personal and beautiful, and I congratulate her for being selected to display her piece.”

in the Statehouse. She truly deserves the recognition.” Bridgeman and other artists were honored at a Statehouse ceremony recently as a part of Women’s History Month.

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- Purchased from the proper-

For more about the rule see  
[www.firewood.dnr.IN.gov](http://www.firewood.dnr.IN.gov).

Roxy the Paint Lady had a sold out crowd April 28 and everyone went home with their own personalized Welcome sign. How creative we can become with just a little help. Thank you, Roxy.

Finally, check out the

Order deadline is May 3  
Delivery date is Saturday  
June 18, 3-4 p.m. in the lower  
parking lot at the Seasonal  
Lakehouse.

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# LOFS home to be one of featured houses on Garden Walk

Nothing compares to the tranquility and beauty of taking a stroll through a splendid garden on a summer day. Join the Lake County Master Gardeners on Sunday, June 26 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. for ‘A Day in the Gardens’ Garden Walk to celebrate the beauty of gardens in Winfield, Crown Point, and Wheatfield, Indiana.

The 2022 Garden Walk will be unique as the LCMGA presents the rare chance to see the Gardens of the Masters. The walk will feature the gardens of horticulturists, landscapers, and builders. This year’s garden walk will showcase a variety of plantings, hardscape, and garden structures that will delight and inspire the home gardener.

The only request for visitors coming to the LOFS community is the visitors keep quiet and not move around as golfers are teeing off.

Gather landscaping ideas for your own home as you view shade gardens, perennial beds, native plants, and incredible structures. This is an opportunity to visit gardens that were inspired from landscapes and architecture located all over the world. Master Gardeners and the homeowners will be on-site to answer any questions you may have.

The Garden Walk is one of three fundraisers the Lake County Master Gardeners hold each year. The organization is committed to ‘Helping Others Grow’, and the proceeds help fund the Lake County Master Gardener Scholarship and Grant programs.

Follow LCMGA on Facebook to keep up to date on all of our events.

Tickets go on sale starting May 1, using Eventbrite. When purchasing your ticket on Eventbrite, check-in at the LCMGA table at Wayne Gruber’s garden, 12314 Kingfisher Road in Crown Point, Indiana, the day of the event to receive your program listing the garden locations. Credit/debit, but please note that online purchases include a \$1.49 Eventbrite surcharge.

The vendors for this year’s walk are Leo’s in Cedar Lake, Niemeyer’s and The Artful Garden in Crown Point, Elzinga’s and Walt’s in Dyer, Remus Farms in Hobart, and Mighty Mike’s in St. John. Cash or check only.

On the day of the walk, June 26, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., at the LCMGA table at Wayne Gruber’s garden, 12314 Kingfisher Road in Crown Point, or at our vendors. Cash or check only. A ticket will be required for anyone over 12 years old.

# LOFS LIONS CLUB

# END OF SUMMER BASH



## SEPT. 10TH

## 4P-10P

LAKEHOUSE CONCERT AREA

\$5 GENERAL ADMISSION

\$10 DAY OF THE EVENT



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WORKING CLASS ZERO

7P-10P

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### Join the Journey

### 2022 HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION SCHEDULE

The LCSWMD HHW program is for residential, household hazardous waste for Lake County, IN residents and is NOT for businesses, schools, organizations or those who live outside Lake County.

Businesses, schools, and organizations of Lake County can call (219) 853-2420 for resource information. Loads are limited to 100 lbs. Latex paint is not accepted. Visit [www.lcswmd.com](http://www.lcswmd.com) for more information.

Proof of Lake County, IN residency is required.

All Collections are from 9:00 am–2:00 pm

	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUGUST	SEPTEMBER	OCTOBER
	Saturday, May 21 Hobart Public Works 340 S. Shelby St., Hobart	Saturday, June 4 Hudson Campbell Center 455 Massachusetts St., Gary	Saturday, July 23 Highland Public Works 8001 Kennedy Ave., Highland	Saturday, August 20 Whiting Public Works 1915 Front St., Whiting	Saturday, September 10** Lowell Middle School-North Parking Lot** 19250 Cline Ave., Lowell	Saturday, October 1 Griffith Public Works 134 S. Colfax St., Griffith
					Saturday, October 22** Hammond Public Works** 601 Conkey St., Hammond	

(\*\*Shredding will be available at this collection with a limit of 4 paper grocery bags per car.)

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Beautiful updated open concept home on secluded country setting of .88 Acres. This home features cathedral ceilings, Plank flooring, Big open kitchen with Stainless steel appliances and walkout to deck. White trim and six panel doors with brushed nickel levers and frieze carpet. Updated main floor bath with ceramic tile shower and floor, new vanity, and fixtures with access from Main bedroom. Lower level features a Big Rec Room with vinyl plank flooring and a large 3rd & 4th Bedroom/Office as well as another bathroom and a nice-size laundry room. Spacious back yard with Giant patio overlooking beautiful neighboring pond. **\$314,898**



Find your paradise! Beautifully updated custom built 1 1/2 story home on nearly 5 wooded acres with two lakes in Winfield of Crown Point. Finished walkout basement w/fantastic inground pool and outdoor entertaining areas. High end features throughout and unbelievable view all around. Don't miss this gem!



Fabulous peaceful, park like setting w/ mature trees, bridge, creek and lake views is just paradise! This Beautiful Home is on cul de sac lot w/ walkouts off three levels to enjoy the natural splendor. Enter through leaded glass front door to the Large living room, open to dining room both w/ high beamed cathedral ceilings. Bright beautiful kitchen w/ granite countertops, under mount sink, pantry and ceramic floors & slider to big deck overlooking the awesome backyard. **\$379,900**



Nice recently updated finished large 4 bedroom and 2 bath ranch home with 3 car garage on over an acre lot. Bright and airy with an open floor plan. Features a large living room with big windows, dining which opens to the rec room and the kitchen with newer white slow close cabinets, quartz countertops, stainless steel appliances and vinyl plank flooring running throughout. The main bedroom has a separate bath and tile shower plus there are 3 other generous bedrooms and laundry room!! **\$390,000**



This 4 bedroom, 2 bath home sits on over 2 acres!!! Looking for a Diamond in the Rough that can be renovated back to its previous Beauty. This home has a new furnace, vinyl windows and siding. Main floor bedroom with walk in closet, Full bath with granite vanity top and ceramic plank flooring, a big foyer, big light & bright open living room, and a nice size kitchen. There is even more room in the unfinished basement! It has some updates and is ready to finish with your own personal touch to make your dream home or remodel for someone else! Located right outside of LOFS. **\$199,895**

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