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## Golf Services

By Matthew Meneghetti,  
Director of Golf  
**Use of the Golf Carts 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 Green is a public path. However, carts must exit onto the road once reaching the front gate; continuing travel onto the golf courses 18th Hole is not allowed and tickets will be issued for trespassing on the golf course property.

Fishing on golf course property is not permitted.

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-golfing traffic with the issuance of fines at any time of the day.

### Junior Golf Academy

We held our annual Junior-Adult Invitational for our Junior Golfers and had a little over 25 juniors play. We also had our final day of our Junior Golf Academy in which we played some golf, ate some pizza, handed out prizes, and had a water balloon fight at the end. We wish our junior golfers the best as they return to school, and we cannot wait until next year.

### MGA/WGA and Club Events

The Michiana Senior Tour held a tournament with 100 players that played in it and it went on without any issues. We also had the Lion's Club Fundraiser with 100 players that played on Friday August 13. Thank you to all who helped make it a fun event.

The WGA Clash of the Titans was held on July 25 with 10 of the best wom-

en paired up with 10 of the best men at the club and it made for an exciting afternoon with our winners being Tonia Skees and Chris Streit. Congratulations!

The Men's Golf Association held the Summer Classic on August 8 with 48 players participating making it 16 teams of three each. First place was the team of Paul Boris, Doug Franz, and EJ Shelby, and we had a tie for second place, which were the teams of Finn Kiger, Bernie Lewandowski, and David Driver, and Chris Streit, Garrett Stemmons, and Gary Tapley. Congratulations to our winners and thank you to all who played.

Our WGA held their Memorial Cup, which was made up of two teams of 12 (the Red Team and the Black Team) playing three different 9-hole matches. The Black Team won, which was made up of Tonia Skees, Sandi Nicol, Donna Perez, Joni Bucci, Phyllis Wayco, Carmen Dulhanty, Diane Greaney, Mitzi Levander, June Wilkinson, Coral Penzato, Lori Joyce, and



Participants in the WGA Memorial Cup Tournament.



Junior golfers enjoyed hitting the links and the party that followed.

Carol Rogers.

Thank you to all the ladies who participated and congratulations to the Black Team.

The MGA Clash of the Titans on August 15 was a huge success and after starting with 10 teams of two in an alternate shot format, and our winning team was Adam Lichtenfeld and Bret Barclay.

Thank you to all who participated in all these events.



Prizes were handed out to those who participated in the Junior Golf Academy.

## House and Garden Club

By Mary Cavallini

Can't say the House and Garden club didn't take advantage of summertime: meetings at the outdoor 19th Hole pavilion, a tour of the golf course, and, in July, boat rides on Lake Holiday.

On a hot and windy Tuesday, harbor-master-for-a-day JoEllen Simoni helped members board pontoon boats captained by Pat Jelonek, Rich Simoni, and Kevin Dado. The amount of new construction and beautiful landscaping all around the lake was wonderful to see.

Just as it was time to disembark, the wind picked up and, instead of taking pictures of lovely ladies out for a relaxing afternoon, our photographer (also JoEllen) had to direct traffic to help get the boats safely tied up to the dock and hold things steady in order to disembark. For this reason we only have one picture of this lovely afternoon to share, but we assure you a grand time was had by all, and we thank boat owners Jelonek, Simoni and Dado as well as Eric

Mlodecki and Frank Fiedor for shuttling passengers to and from the Lakehouse on their golf carts. Delicious sub sandwiches for lunch from Cousins preceded a brief business meeting.

Many thanks to local businessman and Four Seasons resident Bill Delgado for a most generous and unexpected donation to support the club's efforts. This is not the first time Bill's generosity has benefited this club, and we are most grateful.

Hyacinth bulbs have been added to our annual mum sale, and order forms are in the Seasonal and at the Lakehouse. To continue our dream to make LOFS Tulip capital of Northwest Indiana, tulip bulbs are also offered.

A big happy to have you to Patty Hartman's husband Don who has joined Joe Skibbie as a member in good standing of the garden club.

Rose Dado, Toni Salczynski, and Deanna Verduzco were guests of honor at a new member tea held at Roxanne Myers beautiful home. The tea was hosted by JoEllen Simoni,



Char Bolka, Mary Grveles and Sherry Gasparovic.

Garden Club goblins are already cooking up plans for their Saturday, October 23, Trunk or Treat (rain date October 24). Mark your calendars!

One last but very important note. The purpose of the garden club is to provide financial support for the beautification of LOFS, but the days when members could be found planting and weeding and tending the flowers are long past.

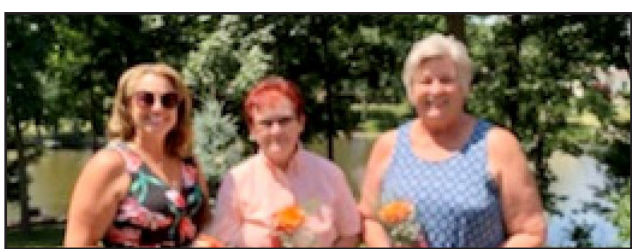
The beautiful landscaping we all enjoy here in the Seasons is all thanks to you and your POA dues which pay the salaries of Kim White and her crew, Timburley Ecklund and Helen Espinosa. Kim's knowledge, artistry, and green thumb, combined with good old Mother Nature and lots of hard work, result

in this beautiful, lush, and colorful landscape of which we are all so proud. Thank you Kim, Timburley, and Helen.

The purpose of the Garden Club is to provide financial support for the beautification of LOFS.

## Please Stop and Wait for Automated Gates to Reset Before Entering the Community

Each gate has a sign posted informing everyone entering that they need to wait for the gate to reset prior to proceeding. These signs are posted in the same location as each posted stop sign, but unfortunately these stop signs are often ignored, and there are times when the gates have come down on vehicles. Most of the time when this happens its due to either a piggyback attempted entry or a barcode not reading as the resident drives through unaware that the gate is coming



down, or when they are under the belief that they have time to make it through.

We all need to keep it in our minds that there is no guarantee that the barcode attached to our vehicles will read each and every time we enter; especially when some are entering at a higher rate of speed than they should be instead of stopping as the sign directs them to.

By stopping and waiting for the gate to reset not only are we ensuring that our barcodes actually read allowing

the gate to open but we are also saving the system on wear-and-tear.

When people don't allow the gate to fully reset, the gate is forced to jolt itself back to an upright position adding stress on the gears, pins, and drives inside the units. People are also breaking the gates just to enter. These are the reasons why they appear to always be inoperable or not functioning the correct way. Please slow down, wait for the gate to reset, and slowly enter through to the community.

## Community Manager

Children are back in school so please use caution when driving through the community especially around school busses. It is illegal to pass stopped school buses.

### Updated LOFS Policies

The POA Board has approved two amended policies.

#### The first is the Address and Lot Number Policy.

"All property addresses within Lakes of the Four Seasons, Property Owners Association need to be plainly visible for emergency vehicles and personnel in such manner as may from time to time be designated by the Board of Directors. All lake-front lots shall either have the lot number affixed to the docks or be otherwise clearly on display within ten (10) feet of the shoreline. Numbers and letters should be at least four inches in height, made of such material and on such background as to make them clearly visible to emergency personnel."

The second amended policy is the Outbuilding Resolution.

"1. The below terms shall be defined as follows:

- a. Structure: Any building or other object that is constructed or erected that requires location on or under the ground or is attached to something on the ground.
- b. Outbuilding: A building or structure which:
  - i. Is subordinate to and serves as an accessory use to a single-family dwelling;
  - ii. Contributes to the comfort, convenience or necessity of occupants of a single-family dwelling;
  - iii. Is obviously subordinate in area, extent or purpose to a single-family dwelling;
  - iv. Is located on the same lot as a single-family dwelling;
2. Each numbered lot within the Lakes of the Four Seasons Development shall be allowed no more than one (1) outbuilding.
3. Outbuildings shall not be located forward of the front of the existing dwelling.
4. Outbuildings shall meet all setback requirements, Building Control Committee (BCC) approval as to size, shape, location, design, construction, and code requirements.
5. No outbuildings in excess of One Hundred Fifty (150)



**Rick Cleveland**

square feet will be approved without a variance from the Board of Directors. Unlike residential dwellings, the square footage of outbuildings shall be calculated by measuring the perimeter of the outbuilding, inclusive of all porches and roof overhangs. Areas of the outbuilding not provided with surrounding walls shall be included in the building area if such areas are included within the horizontal projection of the roof.

6. No outbuilding in excess of Eleven (11) feet in height will be approved without a variance from the Board of Directors.
7. Contiguous lots shall be considered as one (1) lot.
8. No outbuilding shall be designed for human occupancy as a dwelling or for commercial use."

Both of these policies can

be seen in their entirety on the LOFS website at [www.lofs.org](http://www.lofs.org)

### Culverts & Driveways

You must apply for a permit if you plan on replacing your driveway and/ or drainage culvert.

In order to make sure property owners are installing the proper size culvert and installing them at the proper elevation property owners must apply for a permit at the POA office. Even if you're just replacing your driveway this is the perfect time to replace the drainage culvert if the POA deems it is necessary.

### Be "Pet Smart" and Considerate of Our Public Spaces

Pet owners should be aware that their animals are not permitted to do their

business, either #1 or #2, within any of the public spaces we share as a community. This includes the beaches, the grassy areas around the beaches, the sports fields, and parks. Please pick up after your pets when walking them along road berms as well. We have a Dog Park that all residents are welcome to join. Please be mindful of this as it is a nuisance and needs to be addressed.

### Fall Branch Collections

Fall branch collections for the Lake County portion of the community will begin on September 7 and continue until the final date of September 16. Piles must be placed out on or before September 15 but no sooner than 7 days prior to September 7.

There will be no collections after the September 16

date.

Fall branch collections for the Porter County portion of the community including Beachview Court, Sandy Beach Drive, and all of Forest Lane will begin on September 20 and continue until the final date of September 29. Piles must be placed out on or before September 28 but no sooner than 7 days prior to September 20. There will be no collections after the September 29 date.

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.

## Upcoming Golf Events

- August 28 – WGA Steeplechase (3 p.m.)
- August 29 – LOFS Couples Club Championship (9:30 a.m. – 12 p.m.)
- September 4 – MGA/WGA Big Cup Scramble (9 a.m. Shotgun)
- September 6 – Labor Day is treated as Weekend (Shop opens at 6)
- September 11-12 – LOFS Club Championship (7 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.)
- September 12 – MGA Steeplechase (3 p.m.)
- September 24 – NWI No Child Hungry Golf Outing (12 p.m. Shotgun)
- September 25 – MGA Gorilla Scramble (9 a.m. Shotgun)

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# Lakes Department

By Mike Talley,  
MS4 Coordinator

## Phosphorus And Nitrogen

- What are they?
- Where do they come from?
- How do they affect our lakes?
- How do we control them?

### What is Phosphorus and Nitrogen?

Phosphorus is an essential element for both plants and animals. Phosphorus is naturally present in many foods and available as a dietary supplement. Phosphorus is a component of bones, teeth, DNA, and RNA. It plays an important role on energy transfer. Phosphates are not toxic to people or animals unless they are present in exceedingly high levels.

Nitrogen is around 80% of the Earth's atmosphere comprises nitrogen gas. It has no color, mostly diatomic non-metal gas along with odorless

and colorless in nature. It is the most abundant element in the air we breathe.

### Where does Phosphorus and Nitrogen in our lakes come from?

Nitrogen and phosphorus are nutrients that are natural parts of aquatic ecosystems. Both support the growth of algae and aquatic plants, which provide food and habitat for fish, shellfish and smaller organisms that live in water. But when too much nitrogen and phosphorus enter the environment – usually from a wide range of human activities – the air and water can become polluted.

Our homes - through appliances, yards, driveways and even pets - contribute to the problem of nutrient pollution. In the Seasons most of our roadside ditches/swales lead directly to our local lakes, so anything that flows

into them often makes it to local waterways without any treatment. Residential areas can be a significant source of nitrogen and phosphorus pollution from fertilizers.

Over-fertilizing and over-watering a yard is a common practice among homeowners. When lawns and gardens are over-watered, fertilizer can be more easily washed away. Pet waste contributes nitrogen, phosphorus, parasites and bacteria to water bodies when it is not disposed of properly. Pet waste that is not properly disposed of can lead to conditions in local water bodies that are unsafe for human recreation.

There are also sources of nutrient pollution inside our homes. Many laundry, dish and car washing soaps contain a form of phosphorus called phosphates, which are carried from our homes into the water system through our drains. We also add excess nitrogen to the atmosphere through the use of electricity in our homes. Most of our

electricity comes from the burning of fossil fuels, which release pollutants into the environment.

### How does Phosphorus and Nitrogen affect our lakes?

Too much nitrogen and phosphorus in the water causes algae to grow faster than the ecosystems can handle. Significant increases in algae harm water quality, food resources and habitats, and decrease the oxygen that fish and other aquatic life need to survive. Large growths of algae are called algal blooms and they can severely reduce or eliminate oxygen in the water, leading to illnesses in and the death of large numbers of fish. Some algal blooms such as Blue-Green algal are harmful to humans because they produce elevated toxins and bacterial growth that can make people sick if they come into contact with polluted water, consume tainted fish or shellfish, or drink contaminated water.

### What else can we do to help control Phosphorus

#### and Nitrogen?

##### Cleaning Supplies-Detergents and Soaps

- Choose phosphate-free detergents, soaps, and household cleaners.
- Select the proper load size for your washing machine.
- Only run your clothes or dish washer when you have a full load.
- Use the appropriate amount of detergent; more is not better.

##### Pet Waste

- Always pick up after your pet.
- Avoid walking your pet near streams and other waterways.
- Make use of the LOFS Dog Park.

##### Washing Your Car

- Use a commercial car wash; commercial car washes are required to properly dispose of wastewater and many filter and recycle their water.
- If washing your car at home, consider the following actions:
  - Wash your car on a per-

vious surface such as grass or gravel (not concrete or asphalt) so water is filtered before reaching a water body.

- Use nontoxic, phosphate-free soaps.
- Use soap sparingly.
- Minimize runoff by reducing water use, using a spray nozzle to restrict water flow.
- Wring out sponges and rags over the bucket or in a sink, not the ground.
- Empty wash water into the sink or toilet, or the grass if you wish to dispose of it outside.
- Use waterless car wash products for spot-cleaning or a car wash kit, which redirects water from storm drains.

For more information on LOFS lakes and water pollution control, including more on phosphorus and nitrogen see the LOFS Lakes / MS4 Department website at [www.lofslakes.com](http://www.lofslakes.com)

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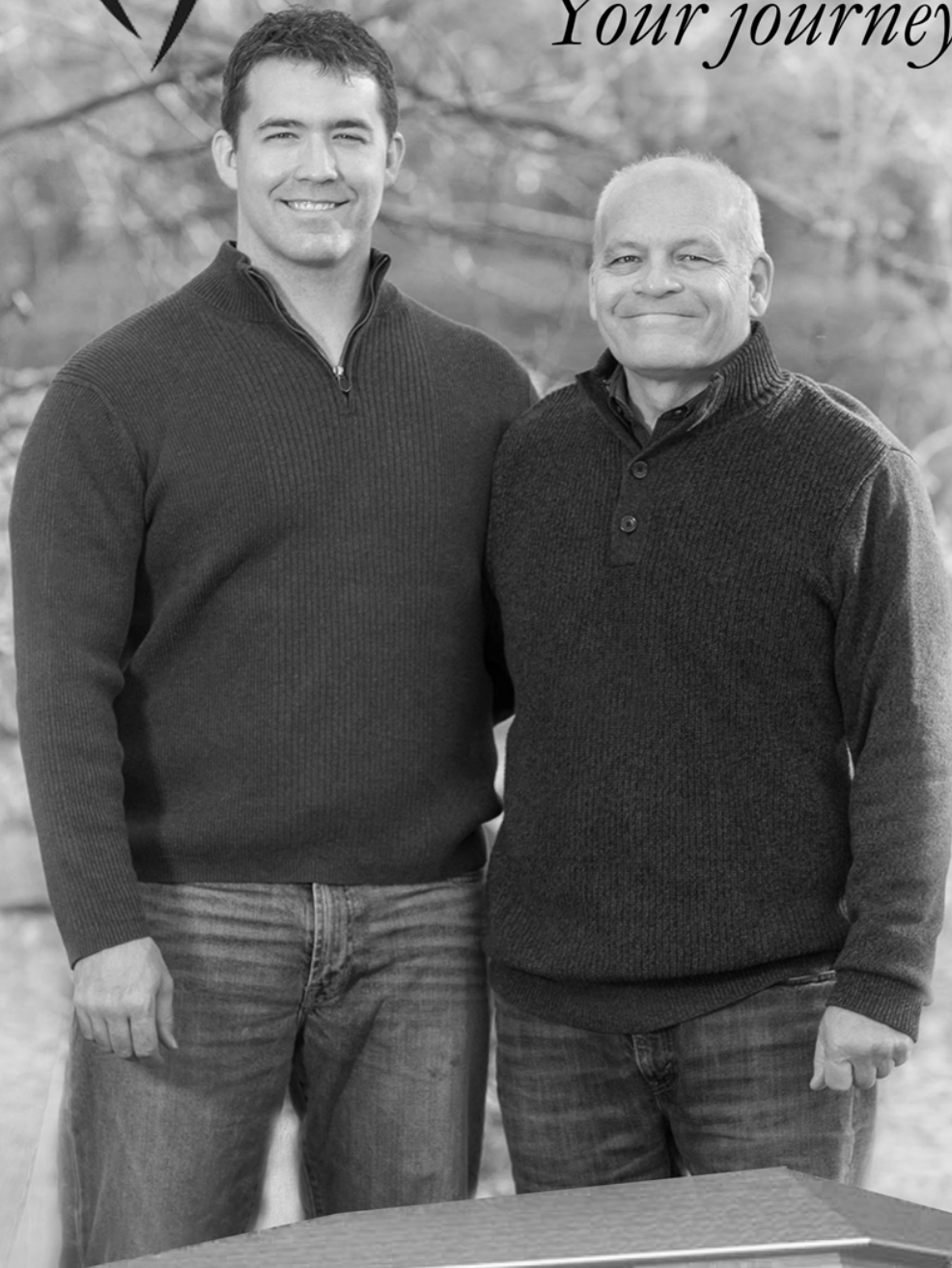
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# Valparaiso and Crown Point once had railroad commuter service to Chicago

By Walt Pluchinsky,  
LOFS  
Historical  
Society



Did you know that it wasn't too many years ago that rail commuter service was available from Valparaiso to Chicago? Or that one could catch a train from Crown Point to visit the Windy City? Even earlier, there was passenger train service from Winfield and Boone Grove. It's hard to believe this nowadays, isn't it?

The Pennsylvania Railroad provided an interesting commuter service between Valparaiso and Chicago, a distance of 44 miles, in addition to the numerous through trains that came to Chicago from such places as New York, Detroit, and Pittsburgh.

For years, the commuter services included two morning trains to Chicago and two returning evening trains. After discharging passengers in Valparaiso, the trains were parked overnight (or weekend) on adjacent nearby sidetracks. The commuter runs included stops at Hobart, Gary, Whiting, Englewood, and a few other places. The station in Valparaiso was located on Indiana Avenue, near South Campbell Street, and in the general vicinity of The Franklin House, no doubt a railroad hotel in its early days.

In the 1950's and 1960's, the first train in the morning consisted of two coaches, while the second train handled four cars. The reverse was true for the evening commute. The equipment was the standard heavyweight P-70 cars owned by the railroad.

The Valparaiso commuter train services continued after the Penn Central merger in the late 1960's and into the ConRail era, which began in 1976. After 1974, longer trains became the norm, as the longer train had up to eight cars, while the former two-car train was expanded to four cars.

In 1980, ConRail was exempted from operating commuter trains anywhere in its system. As a result, Amtrak took over the commuter train services to Valparaiso, operating two trains in each direction. Most of the passengers rode to and from Union Station in Chicago. The winter weekday ridership in the early 1980's was about 1,900 passengers.

Included with this article is a portion of the 1970 eastbound

schedule for the Chicago-Valparaiso commuter trains, then under Penn Central control, showing two trains, as well as the other through passenger trains. Interestingly, this schedule also shows the one Chicago to Crown Point train, which is unrelated to the commuter train.

Two trains (one each way) were discontinued in early 1986, and the remaining two were subject to be discontinued after December 31, 1990. The two trains, however, continued on until May 3, 1991, when the Chicago-Valparaiso commuter train service ended.

It can be said that four railroad companies (PRR, PC, ConRail, and Amtrak) at one time or another, handled the services from one era to the next. As a footnote to history, in 2006, preliminary plans were developed for a new service from Valparaiso to Chicago, using the Grand Trunk Western system (now Canadian National), under the management of the Northern Indiana Commuter Transportation District, but nothing has ever been finalized.

So, The South Shore Railroad (NICTD) is now our only way to commute by train to Chicago, if we choose to board at Gary or other stations.

## Fishing Club

By Jack Grveles,  
Club President

The Fishing Club will have a meeting on Tuesday, September 14 at 7 p.m. in the

lower level of the 19th Hole.

The Fishing Club will hold a Lake Holiday fishing tournament on Saturday, September 11. Sign in is at 6

a.m. at the boat launch with a start time of 6:30 a.m.

Anyone needing any information may contact me at lofsfishingclub@gmail.com.

Have a great time on the water and practice safe boating.

## Hostetter's Celebrate 60 Years Together

The children of Jerry and Sandy Hostetter are happy to announce the 60th wedding anniversary of their loving parents. Jerry and Sandy were married on August 19, 1961, in Walkerton, Indiana.

Jerry is an avid golfer and got his second "hole in one" at the South Shore Country Club in 2015, twenty-one years after his first "hole in one" on the same hole at the same golf course in Cedar Lake, Indiana.

Sandy is a long-standing member of the Lakes of Four Seasons Garden Club. She enjoys baking and is an accomplished artist.

Jerry and Sandy love spending time with their children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren.



The two have been seen supporting all of their grandchildren's sporting events and competitions, and are often spotted at Notre Dame football games, cheering on the Irish.

Jerry also likes to go fishing, while Sandy enjoys tending to her flower, vegetable, and fairy

gardens. Jerry and Sandy have four children, eleven grandchildren, and four great-grandchildren (with one more on the way).

They love getting together with family for holidays, birthdays, and other special occasions. The couple will be celebrating their 60 years by going on an exhilarating trip to Hawaii.

## Election Committee

By Kim Brownlee,  
Election Committee Chair  
2021 POA Board Election  
Schedule Update

Two of the five seats on the LOFS POA Board of Directors are up for election this year.

Four Property Owners have turned in properly completed election packets for the 2021 POA Board of Directors Election: Jacqueline Katz,

Brad Zupan, Jeremy Chavez, and David Cirak.

On Friday, August 6, ballots were mailed to all property owners of record. If you did not receive the entire election packet, please contact the POA office at 219-988-2581 and the office staff will send you one. You may also come to the office to pick one up.

By Wednesday, September

8, ballots must be received by 9 a.m. at the Crown Point Post Office box or by noon if dropped in the ballot box located at the Seasons Lakehouse.

Ballots will be counted beginning at 7 p.m. in the West Lounge of the Seasons Lakehouse.

On Saturday, October 9, the LOFS POA Annual Meeting will be held at 10 a.m. in the Seasons Lakehouse Ballroom. Newly elected directors will be sworn in.

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Public Safety

By Craig Philp,  
Public Safety Director  
Kids Back to School

Social media is again being littered with pictures of kids once again going off to school. I think in some of the pictures I have noticed the parents looked happier than the kids after this past year. Happy or not, we need

to make sure that everyone's kids being sent off will remain safe. Parents need to take the time to remind their new teen drivers that stop arms on school buses mean they and in some cases you the parents need to stop.

I know just like every year we will be getting justifiable complaints about drivers

both adult and teen who are not stopping when busses are picking up or dropping off kids. The officers from this department will be out issuing tickets to those we find violating this stop sign rule. We will also be notifying the local Sheriffs' Departments of the violations so actions if needed will be taken by them as well.

We all know that kids will be kids, which means they are not always paying attention to the things going on

around them so, all of us as driver need to!

According to the National Safety Council, car crashes are the number one cause of death for teens. They attribute this to the teens inexperience when it comes to driving. It's recommended that parents or guardians take time to practice every week before and after their new drivers get a license. Most of all be a good role model when it comes to driving and show them the proper ways to drive when they are riding with you.

The National Safety Council also reports that most children who lose their lives in bus related incidents are between the ages of four (4) to seven (7) and the cause is reported to be them either hit by the bus, or by a motorist who illegally passed a stopped school bus. We all

need to remember that it is illegal in all 50 states to pass a school bus that is stopped to load or unload children.

- If the yellow or red lights are flashing and the stop arm is extended, traffic must stop in both directions – be patient you won't be stopped for long!

- The area 10 feet around a school bus is the most dangerous for children as they cannot be seen; stop far enough back to allow them space to safely enter and exit the bus.

- Be alert; children often are unpredictable, and they tend to ignore hazards and take risks – don't be the cause of an accident or injury!

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This year we have had several incidents of gas lines, water lines, and cable lines being hit. This in most cases automatically shuts down any work that is being done on that site for the safety of those there. In some of these instances the proper locates were never called in, which means the repairs fall on the resident or contracted companies to cover the cost.

Don't be the reason why services get interrupted - Call 811!

LOFS resident Leilani Lyles wins State Championship

LOFS resident Leilani Lyles is Crown Point Swim Club's first 10-and-under Individual Age Group State Champion since 2007!

Leilani placed first in the 50-meter breaststroke with a time of 43:07 L which is a Zone time. She placed 17th overall in the state in the girls 10 and under scoring at Age Group State which was held July 22 to 25 in Noblesville Indiana. She qualified to swim with Team Indiana for Central Zone Championships which was held August 6 to 10 in Elkhart, Indiana.

She then competed against the Central surrounding states and made several new friends. She placed 10th in the 50 meter breaststroke, 12th in the 100 meter breaststroke, and was the breast



stroker on the relay team that placed 5th.

Leilani has been swimming since she was five. She is starting 5th grade at Boone Grove Elementary and lives in LOFS with her parents Tiffany and Leroy Lyles, her sister Ariel, and her grandparents Ron and Cindy Paulsin.

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# House and Garden Club

## ‘Yard of the Month’ recognizes POA team of horticulturists

By Mary Cavallini

We, my friends, are enjoying an embarrassment of riches. What is that exactly? It’s an overabundance, a plethora, overkill, a profusion, a super abundance, just way too much.

In our case, this is a good thing. Our private community has more flowers and garden spots than many public,

pay-to-get-in gardens. From the front entrance to the side gate to the back gate, there are unique and abundant flowers and shrubs.

Add to these Walt’s Pond, the memorial garden, and other focal points throughout the seasons. Take a look around the pool. How about the landscaping in front of the Lakehouse? And for just

unsurpassed overabundance, the path to the 19th Hole is flanked by so much color one could choose to have it as the backdrop for their wedding pictures.

Most of us don’t get out onto the golf course, but there are several tees right off the main roads, and each one has its own unique style.

All of these public spots are the handiwork of POA chief horticulturist Kim White and her team of Timburley Ecklund and Helen Espinoza. How do three women envision, design, plant and maintain such a diverse and extensive panoply? With each season flow-

ers change – spring, summer, fall -- one can almost tell which month it is by the display of plants and color driving in the front gate.

Not to be left in the shadow of their beautiful surroundings, LOFS residents have designed and planted stunning yards full of flowers. One can’t help but rubberneck driving down any of our streets because one house after another outshines the one before and the one after. Driveways lined with rose of Sharon bushes, the biggest, most luscious hydrangeas one has ever seen, hearty hibiscus in deep and rich jewel tones, neat rows of marigolds just ex-




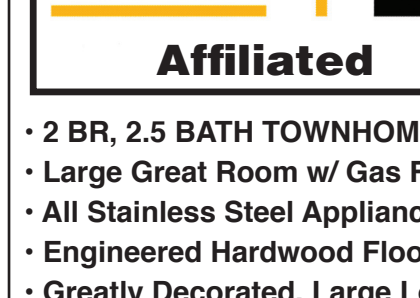
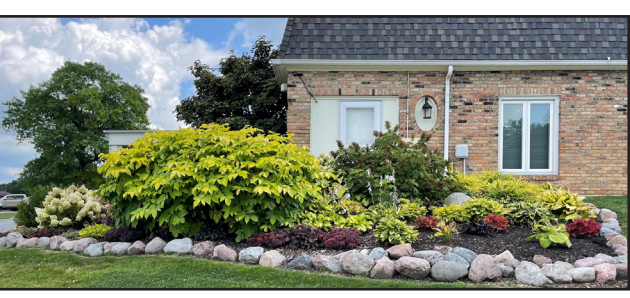








ploding with color, and these are just a few of the flowers.


If you’re lucky enough to get a peek into backyards, you might find vegetable gardens producing an amazing bounty.


It seems that Mother Nature has decided this year to reward us this fall with even bigger and lusher and more colorful flowers; maybe it’s payback for enduring such a long, long winter of isolation and quarantine.

Maybe those of us, who have had to stay home, have a new appreciation for the space we live in and have tended it more carefully. Whatever the reason, it is the opinion of the House and Garden Club’s ‘Yard of the Month’ committee that our community has never looked more glorious.

So instead of choosing one home to single out as yard of the month, we offer the honor first of all to the POA team of horticulturists and then to each of you who care so much about the appearance of your home and so generously share your hard work and vision with all of your neighbors. There can’t just be one winner this month. This is a giant community effort which has resulted in the magnificent place we call home. Thank you all.









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Deadline to order steaks will be October 29, 2021.

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 at 1159 Sunnyslope Crown Point, IN. 46307.

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## Lions Club

The Lakes of the Four Seasons Lion Club thanks the players, sponsors, and donors that helped make the recent golf outing fundraiser on August 13, 2021 another huge success.

The sponsors and donors include the LOFS POA; LOFS Seasons Lakehouse; LOFS Pro Shop; LOFS 19th Hole Grille; LOFS Golf and Maintenance; LOFS Maintenance; Matthew Meneghetti -- Golf Professional; Tim DonLevy; The Pangere Corporation; Leader Dogs for the Blind; Hall Insurance Services -- Ken Hall Jr; Four Seasons Animal Hospital; Tech Credit Union; L and M Management; Centier Bank; C.D.E. Collison Centers; Walgreens -- Winfield; Boz'z Place; Two Bills Tap; Simko Signs; Nicol & Associates; Expert Remodeling; Dave's Automotive, Inc.; Smoke Shop -- Winfield; The Man

## Golf Maintenance

By Doug Weiss, Golf Course Superintendent

The summer of 2021 is behind us. The golf course has made it through the summer stress very well. The greens, tees, and fairways have handled the excessive number of rounds without showing excessive wear.

The weather has really cooperated with some timely rains and the upgraded electronics for the irrigation system has proved its worth during prolonged periods of little or no rain. I could not be

prouder of my limited staff and the job they did this summer.

The month of September is still very busy on the golf course. Club Championship, along with some big outings, will keep us hopping all month long.

The plan is to seed the fairways and tees right after Labor Day. This process does take about three days, and there will be some lines in the fairways from the seeder that go away after a couple of mowings. The overseeding

## Rehab program now available that targets Covid-19 'long haulers'

Franciscan Health Dyer has developed a new outpatient rehabilitation program, using a multidisciplinary team approach to help people suffering long-term effects from Covid-19.

For most people infected with Covid-19, symptoms last up to two to three weeks and resolve either spontaneously or with treatment. However, those who fall into the "long hauler" category can suffer long-term symptoms that severely impact their ability to function.

Long haulers report a variety of symptoms, including physical issues such as fatigue, muscle aches, joint pain, blurry vision, headaches and tremors. Neurological issues include anxiety, confusion, memory problems, difficulty sleeping, irritability and sadness.

"The long-standing effects of Covid have become more apparent as the pandemic continued, and physicians are seeing a variety of complications that have been devastating to some patients," said Medical Director Kami Strong, MD. "Our goal is to return the quality of life that has been

diminished by Covid."

The Long Hauler Outpatient Rehabilitation Program is led by a physiatrist, who guides the recovery with physical therapy, occupational therapy, and speech therapy. Other specialists that may be involved include psychologists, pulmonologists, ear, nose and throat specialists and cardiologists. "These patients have a long journey to recovery. We believe our team approach provides the support they need to recover," Dr. Strong added.

Along with the rehabilitation program, a Covid-19 Long Hauler Support Group led by palliative medicine physician Cathleen McGovern, DO, meets twice a month at Franciscan Health Dyer, where participants can share their stories and provide support to each other.

"People have PTSD from this. There's debilitating exhaustion, depression and anxiety, and that's where Dr. McGovern's group comes in," said Nancy Cutler, MS, RN NEA-BC, director of rehabilitation services and program development.

Cutler says that the patient

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along with the divot parties have made a huge positive impact on the overall turf quality of the fairways and tees.

This season Ray Nelson has done an amazing job of filling divots all over the golf course, it's the small things that make a huge difference.

Like most businesses we need help finishing out the season. We do offer a competitive wage and flexible hours, if you know a person that wants to work please let me know. My staff will continue to do there amazing job maintaining the golf course and flower beds the rest of the season.

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We hope you will continue to support our Lions Club in future projects and come back again next year.

## WGA

**July Results for the WGA**

- July 1, 2021 -- 18 Hole -- Even Holes with 1/2 HDCP
- 1st Place -- Carmen Dulhanty & Sharon Strbjak
- 2nd Place -- Ann Ross
- 3rd Place -- Jodi Hall, Mitzi Levander, Sherrie Matthews
- 9 Hole -- Even Holes with 1/4 HDCP
- 1st Place -- Lori Joyce
- 2nd Place -- Carol Rogers & Barb Wood
- Birdies -- Jodi Hall & Nicole May
- Chip-ins -- Peggy Greenya & Eva Simic
- July 8, 2021 - Guess Your Score 18 Hole
- 1st Place -- Mitzi Levander
- 2nd Place -- Phyllis Wayco &

Maureen Zalewski

3rd Place -- Joni Bucci

9 Hole

1st Place- Linda Pasternak

2nd Place -- Carol Rogers

Birdies -Nicole May

- July 15, 2021 -- Half Truths -- 2 best par 5, Best par 3, Best par 4, minus 1/2 HDCP -- 18 Hole
- 1st Place -- Maureen Zalewski
- 2nd Place -- Nicole May
- 3rd Place -- Sharon Strbjak & Phyllis Wayco
- 9 Hole
- 1st Place -- Marilu Rivich
- 2nd Place -- Lori Joyce
- Birdies -- Nicole May
- Chip-Ins -- Phyllis Wayco
- July 22, 2021 -- Point Game

-- Fairways, Putts, Birdies, Chip-Ins-- 18 Hole

1st Place - Nancy Klavas

2nd Place -- Joni Bucci & Nicole May

3rd Place -- Diane Greaney

9 Hole

1st Place -- Barb Wood

2nd Place Lori Joyce

3rd Place -- Marilu Rivich

Birdies -- Nicole May & Nancy Klavas

Chip-ins - Diane Greaney, Deanne Holmes, Lori Joyce, Nancy Klavas

- July 29, 2021 Gross-Putts 1/2 HDC 18 Hole
- 1st Place -- Nicole May
- 2nd Place -- Sherrie Matthews
- 9 Hole
- 1st Place -- Diane Plachto
- 2nd Place -- Lori Joyce
- 3rd Place -- Carol Rogers
- Birdies -- Sherrie Matthews & Nicole May

## Keenagers

The Keen-Agers will have their September meeting on the 16th at the Seasons Lakehouse. The bar opens at noon with a delicious luncheon being served at 1 p.m. Entertainment is scheduled at 2 p.m. is the talented singer J.J. Brooks who will provide music for all to dance to.

The club is open to anyone 50 and older, regardless of residency. The yearly membership fee will be \$30 due in October and the monthly luncheon cost will be \$15, which includes entertainment and a tip. Please contact Renate at willrenate@yahoo.com or

call her at 219-689-3408 for any information regarding the club.

The club will have their Annual August Auction with 20 plus baskets of new merchandise and gift cards galore. They went to the Four Winds Casino in July and had a great time with three big winners. They have received donations from a June, July, and now an August concert.

In September they will be going on a vacation with Diamond Tours bus taking them to Mackinac Island; next year Niagara Falls is booked. Canada, here we

come!

Read the Seasonal for all their info and updates and follow them on Facebook to enjoy all their fantastic photos of all their fun activities.

Thanks to all the Keen-Agers including Rick Cleveland and Jay Detloff with the help of his luscious ladies who serve us well!

- President, Renate Sahulcik
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# Crown Point native serves in Surface Warfare Innovation

Master Chief Petty Officer Jeremy Douglas, a native of Crown Point, joined the Navy to get something more out of life.

“Growing up, my parents and community taught me the importance of a strong work ethic and character,” said Douglas. “The Navy provided a means to fulfill both.”

Now, 23 years later, Douglas is part of the most innovative tactics at Surface Warfare Officers School (SWOS), located in Newport, Rhode Island.

“This schoolhouse does an unbelievable job readying surface warfare officers and surface-rated enlisted sailors for the fleet,” said Douglas.

According to Douglas, the values required to succeed in the military are similar to those found in Crown Point.

“My parents worked multiple jobs, and my sister and I had a paper routes, so we learned the importance of hard work early in life,” said Douglas.

Douglas, a 1997 graduate of Crown Point High School, is at the school where naval officers learn to serve as surface warfare officers.

“Surface warfare officers are professional war-fighters, specializing in navigation and seamanship,” said Douglas. “They serve aboard our Navy ships and lead our sailors in all aspects of maintaining and operating our ships.”

The mission of SWOS is to ready sea-bound warriors to serve on surface combatants to fulfill the Navy’s mission maintaining global maritime superiority.

Once service members finish training they are deployed around the world putting

their skill set to work aboard Navy ships, such as aircraft carriers, cruisers, destroyers, amphibious warfare ships, mine warfare ships and littoral combat ships.

Naval Education and Training Command (NETC), led by Rear Adm. Peter Garvin, is the U.S. Navy’s Force Development pillar and largest shore command. Through its “Street to Fleet” focus, NETC recruits civilians and transforms them into skilled warfighters ready to meet the current and future needs of the U.S. Navy.

Serving as a surface warrior requires a combination of dedication and sacrifice, but Douglas believes the accomplishments achieved along the way make the hard work worth it.

Surface warriors are the backbone of America’s Navy and the most capable surface force in the world, explains the U.S. Naval History and Heritage Command: “The United States Navy is known for a colorful and illustrious history with opportunities in numerous warfare communities. But since its inception, the Navy has been known for fighting on the high-seas, and surface warfare remains our heart and soul.”

The future of surface warfare is rapidly changing, according to Navy officials, so the course and materials at Surface Warfare Officer School are constantly evolving to create the most dynamic, lethal, safe and professional warfighting team for the Navy the nation needs.

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Master Chief Petty Officer Jeremy Douglas (Photo by Mass Communication Specialist 1st Class Amanda Rae Moreno)

ocean floor, Navy officials continue to emphasize that the prosperity and security of the United States is directly linked to a strong and ready Navy.

According to Chief of Naval Operations Adm. Mike Gilday, four priorities will focus efforts on sailors, readiness, capabilities and capacity.

“For 245 years, in both calm and rough waters, our Navy has stood the watch to protect the homeland, preserve freedom of the seas, and defend our way of life,” said Gilday. “The decisions and investments we make this decade will set the maritime balance of power for the rest of this century. We can accept nothing less than success.”

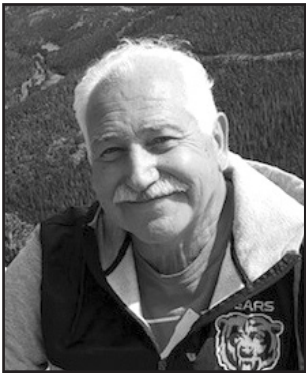
As Douglas and other surface warriors continue to train, they take pride serving their country in the United States Navy.

“Honorable service is a lifestyle, not just a job,” added Douglas.

## Obituary ~ Robert (Bob) Lietz

Robert (Bob) Lietz AKA Papa, age 72 of Crown Point, IN earned his heavenly wings on July 10, 2021. He was born on the Southeast side of Chicago, IL and a long-time resident of Lakes of the Four Seasons, IN. A tried-and-true Bears fan, Bob was a retired boilermaker from Local 374 and loved going to the yearly boilermaker picnics and was proud to bring his grand-kids. Bob enjoyed fishing and teaching his grandchildren how to fish and going to Florida with his wife for the Winter. Bob loved country dancing, so much so that he often went alone until he met Carol there, the love of his life and proposed right there on the dance floor. He loved his dogs, walking the dogs and spending time with family and friends. One of

his favorite things to do was to sit on his patio and watch the lake, the birds, and the boats and all of the people. He was truly content with his life; we learned a lot from Papa and we could’ve learned a lot more. He will be missed beyond words, our hearts are broken, our lives are shattered, we will always love you and we will never forget you. He was preceded in death by his father, Lester Lietz, his mother Antoinette (Maugeri) Lietz; brothers, Bart (Marilyn) Lietz, William Lietz, and sister Annette Lietz. Survived by loving wife, Carol (Herman) Lietz, beloved sister, Roseanne (Mike) Porter, brother Lester Lietz, son, James (Carrie) Lietz, daughters Adrienne (Chuck) Loy, Dana Horan, stepchil-



dren Deanna Whiteside and Bobby Kentrick Jr. and grandchildren, Harley, Noah, Kyle, Hannah, Grace, Lane, Dylan, Olivia, Landen, Jackson and Aydin. And a great many cousins, nieces and nephews and countless friends. A memorial visitation was held Saturday, July 24, 2021 at Burns Funeral Home, 10101 Broadway, Crown Point, IN. [www.burnsfuneral.com](http://www.burnsfuneral.com).

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Crown Point, IN 46307

Monday, September 27, 2021  
7:30 P.M. LOFS  
Seasons Lakehouse

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Monday, September 27, 2021  
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5  Seasons Lakehouse Restaurant Closed for Private Event	6 Labor Day POA Office Closed  19th Hole open 8 AM until 4 PM	7  Fishing Club Meeting 7 PM Downstairs @ 19th Hole	8 Ballots Must be Received by Post Office by 9 AM Lions Meeting 6 pm @ Seasons Lakehouse	9	10	11 H& G Mum Pick Up 9 am Lake Holiday Fishing Tournament 6 am Seasons Lakehouse Restaurant Closed for Private Event
12 Seasons Lakehouse Restaurant Closed for Private Event  Lions Steak Fry 4-7 PM @ Seasons Lakehouse	13	14	15	16  Keenagers Noon @ Seasons Lakehouse	17	18
19  Brunch 10 AM—1 PM @ Seasons Lakehouse	20	21	22  Lions Meeting 6 pm @ Seasons Lakehouse	23	24	25  Seasons Lakehouse Restaurant Closed for Private Event
26 Lions Club Community Picnic At Lions Park 12-3 PM  Brunch 10 AM—1 PM @ Seasons Lakehouse	27  POA Public Meeting 7:30 pm @ Seasons Lakehouse	28  House & Garden Club Luncheon Noon @ Seasons Lakehouse	29	30		Free N Fun Bar Bingo @ 19th Hole 7-9 pm Every Saturday

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Meet Our Team



Gretchen Mercer  
President

Although I didn't realize it, I was food-insecure as a child. My parents had four mouths to feed on a low-income. My husband, Mark, & I teamed up to start this non-profit organization to help local children who are food-insecure.



Mark Mercer  
Treasurer

I believe that no one should be hungry, especially children. I am a third generation Allstate Agent and part of my personal & professional goals include giving back to the community. I am passionate about helping families and fighting hunger.



Hannah Cliver  
Vice President

My father was the sole provider for our family of six. He worked 14 hour days to put food on the table. My family would have benefited greatly from a program like Buddy Bags. I am excited to be a part of this in our community!

Cheryl Mercer  
Secretary

I was born in Texas but grew up in Indiana. I have lived locally in the Lakes of Four Seasons for over 40 years. I have two adult sons, Mark & Brad, who attended local schools. I am very passionate about the local community and serving on the board of NWI No Child Hungry.

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# Applications now available for the Lilly Endowment Scholarship in Lake County

The 2022 Lilly Endowment Community Scholarship application is now available in Lake County, Indiana, through Legacy Foundation. The Lilly Endowment Community Scholarship Program (LECSP) will provide six scholarships in Lake County and 143 scholarships statewide. LECSP scholarships cover full tuition, required fees, and a special allocation of up to \$900 per year for required books and required equipment for four years. Recipients must pursue undergraduate study on a full-time basis leading to a baccalaureate degree at any eligible Indiana public or private nonprofit college or university.

The program, administered statewide by Independent Colleges of Indiana (ICI) and locally in Lake County through Legacy Foundation, is open to all Lake County, Indiana, residents who:

- Graduate from an accredited Indiana high school in Lake County by 2022 and receive their diploma no later than June 30, 2022;
- Intend to pursue a full-time baccalaureate course of study at an eligible college or university in Indiana; and
- Meet the criteria specific to their local community foundation.

Visit [www.legacyfdn.org/scholarships/lilly-endowment-scholarship](http://www.legacyfdn.org/scholarships/lilly-endowment-scholarship) for complete information regarding Lake County's application criteria.

Students can learn more about the Lilly Endowment Community Scholarship in Lake County and apply for this scholarship by visiting [www.legacyfdn.org/scholarships/apply-for-scholarships](http://www.legacyfdn.org/scholarships/apply-for-scholarships). Applications must be completed and submitted by September 15, 2021, at 5 p.m. Central Time to be considered.

Applications will be evaluated on, but not limited to, the following criteria: demonstrated leadership skills, service to others, an essay and interview. Six finalists will be nominated by Legacy Foundation, and their names will be submitted to ICI for final selection of the recipients. Scholarship recipients will be notified in December.

The primary purposes of LECSP are: 1) to help raise the level of educational attainment in Indiana; 2) to increase awareness of the beneficial roles Indiana community foundations can play in their communities; and 3) to encourage and support the efforts of current and past Lilly Endowment Community Scholars to engage with each other and with Indiana business, governmental, educational, nonprofit and civic leaders to improve the quality of life in Indiana generally and in local communities throughout the state.

Legacy Foundation is the community foundation for Lake County, Indiana. Their goal is to offer a personalized approach to giving that enables individuals, families, organizations, and businesses to create a charitable legacy with over 300 funds and \$80 million in assets.



From left to right, the 2021 Lilly Endowment Scholarship recipients from Lake County are Cammay Brown, Lauren Cicillian, Christian Duh, Alessandra Gonzalez, Cykara Lewis, and Nitya Shah.

# Indiana's Department of Natural Resources K-9 program graduates nine teams

A ceremony held on the south lawn of the Indiana Statehouse recognized the graduation of nine K-9 teams that completed the DNR Division of Law Enforcement's K-9 Resource Protection program.

In addition to the one team that will serve in the Hoosier state, the graduating class included units from Kansas, Missouri, Utah and Virginia that traveled to Indiana to train and hone their skills in Orange County to qualify for today's ceremony.

"Without a doubt, these well-trained officers and their K-9 partners will help their respective agencies find more evidence, locate more lost people, and catch more poachers in the act," said Major Tim Beaver of DNR Law Enforcement, who leads the training. "They are a valuable asset to their agencies, the public they serve, and the protection of our natural resources."

Indiana's K-9 program started in 1997 with a pilot program of two teams. Because of its effectiveness, the program grew to a team of 13 K-9 units throughout the state. At least one K-9 unit serves in each of the 10 Indiana DNR Law Enforcement districts.

The Indiana K-9 program is not only well respected in the Hoosier state, but also recognized as one of the top programs in the nation. In addition to the states represented in today's graduation, Indiana has also helped start and train teams from natural resource agencies in Idaho, Kentucky, Maryland, and Oregon.

The Indiana K-9 program trains teams that serve in Indiana in man-tracking, wildlife detection and article searches. All canines are trained to locate white-tailed deer, wild turkey, waterfowl, and ginseng.

They may also be trained to locate other species, depending on where in Indiana the handler is stationed. Indiana teams excel in man-tracking and locating firearms.

K-9 teams provide the officers in their districts another tool to help stop poaching. In the past 24 years, Indiana K-9 teams have been involved in more than 7,500 such cases. K-9 teams have been used to find hidden game and guns, as well as to find shell casings in road hunting and spotlighting cases.

K-9 teams are used to find lost hunters as well as poachers who have tried to hide from officers. Because of their unique abilities, K-9 units are often requested by other state and local law enforcement agencies for help in locating evidence and in locating missing persons or fleeing felons.



Indiana Conservation Officer Jeff Milner and newly graduated resource protection K-9 Coda (assigned to Milner) pose in front of a multi-agency honor guard during a K-9 graduation ceremony at the Indiana Statehouse.

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