



Marilyn McCombs resumes Clerk Treasurer's duties

Submitted by Dr. Kincaid

Sherry Wickham resigned as Wynnedale Clerk Treasurer in November 2006. She held this position since January 2004. During the 2006 year responsibilities at her day time job increased greatly, with her being promoted from Indianapolis office manger to district manager. The additional responsibilities significantly limited the time she could devote to Wynnedale duties and prompted her decision to resign the elected town position.

The Wynnedale Town Council followed the process outlined by Indiana Law for filling the council position, and Marilyn McCombs was asked to fill the remaining year of the Clerk Treasurer term. Marilyn had served as Wynnedale Clerk Treasurer for two 4 year terms prior Sherry Wickham assuming the duty in 2004. Marilyn accepted the council's request and began duties in late December 2006.

Parking on the Knollton Road Esplanade

Submitted by Dr. Kincaid

The Town Council has been monitoring accumulating damage to the grass and soil on the Knollton Road esplanade between 42nd street and Wilshire Road. The problem is mostly a result of recurrent parking by lawn care companies or other contractors, but occasionally from town residents also. The council is continuing to monitor the situation. Parking on the esplanade during one time events like weddings or parties is not prohibited, but the council would like to be informed of these events. The council has adopted the policy that any major damage such as large ruts etc. which result from event parking should be the responsibility of the event host to repair.

Update on 42nd St. Property

Submitted by Connie Roudebush

Several people have asked why a 'for sale' sign is once again on the wooded property on 42nd Street. The real estate agent says that the property was sold, and a couple have moved into the house on Cooper Road. They have kept 10 acres of the property and now are selling the remaining 8 acres. The price is \$520,000. Yes, houses could be built on the property. . . how many??? The agent said some of the 8 acres are in a flood plain, but under certain circumstances, that would not be a deterrent.

Awesome!

Celestine – thank you so much for jumping in to rescue the Ladies Tea this year. It was wonderful and everyone had a great time!

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Biking in Indianapolis

By Celestine DeTrana

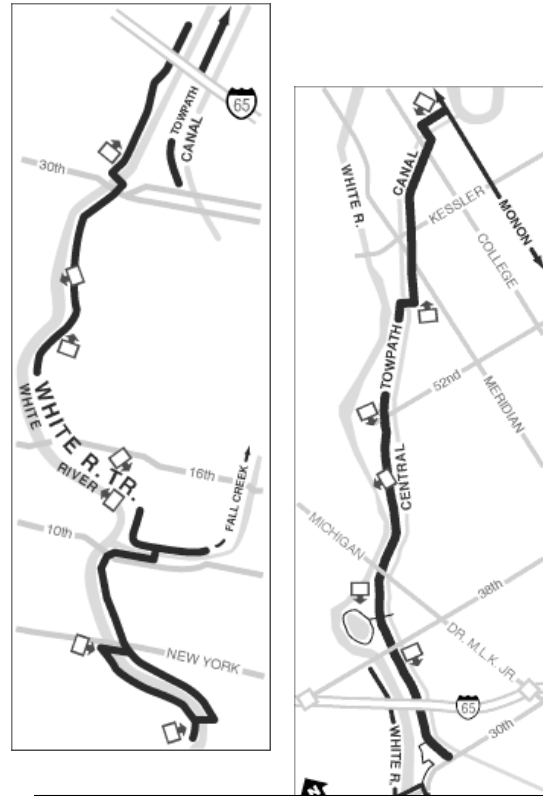
The longer I live in Wynnedale, the more I find out about it and the more I like it. I've owned my Wynnedale home for 12 + years now. Ten years ago I discovered a boat rental shop at about 3100 North White River Parkway. Six years ago I discovered the extent of the fantastic bike/walk/jog trails so close to our house. You can pick up the White River Trail about 3 blocks south of Wynnedale next to White River Parkway. This trail courses along the White River, all the way downtown to White River Park, and around the museums and canal walk and a cool back side of the zoo. Several bridges are crossed. Numerous flowers brighten the view.

Another biking option is to take the White River Trail south to 30th Street, where you can pick up the Central Canal Towpath. This follows the canal by Woodstock Country Club, to the Indianapolis Art Museum. Going further, you gain access to the grounds of Butler University. Further still, you reach the shops and restaurants of 56th and Illinois, and then Broad Ripple, where you can catch the Monon Trail all the way up into Carmel.

So much is made of the Monon Trail. And it is beautiful. But personally, when getting out to enjoy the beauty of nature, I prefer to not have to fight the crowds that you run into on the Monon Trail. We're

so lucky to have these better paths, so close to our homes.

Detailed maps of these trails, and photos of what you encounter along the trails, can be found at http://www.indygreenways.org/masterplan_02/masterplan_02.htm. Just click on the trail you're interested in, to get lots of further information.



Is it you?

At the Ladies Tea, someone conversed about the old Kelms vs the New Market. If it was you – could you please contact Celestine.

Sleepy Hollow

Submitted by Dr. Kincaid

In October 2006 a relative of Thomas Swift, who was one of the original settlers of what is now Wynnedale, contacted Craig Rice and the town council about the possibility of erecting a historical marker in Sleepy Hollow to commemorate the burial of Thomas Swift there. Sleepy Hollow is the burial site of some of the original settlers. The relative, John A Swift of Tucson Arizona, is continuing historical research on this matter. The Town Council expressed interest in the potential for erecting the marker. John Swift's email is jswift@access4less.net. Contacting him is encouraged.

George Swift Civil War Soldier

By Connie Roudebush

George Swift, along with other Swift members were buried in Sleepy Hollow. George served in the Civil War from August 1861 until his death from wounds, in April 1864. The battalion in which he served (the third cavalry) participated in more than seventy battles. In the late 1930's a WPA project was undertaken to find the burial sites of all fallen American Soldiers. As a result, John Swift, with a precise surveyor's map, was able to locate the burial site. It is just feet from 42nd Street and Wynnedale Road. Two neighbors have noticed a small American flag in Sleepy hollow each Memorial Day. By whom? - we don't know.

Thank you John, for sharing a bit of interesting history with the residents of Wynnedale.



Wanted: Unused entry for this year's mini-marathon. Mike McBride 410 1896

For Sale : Vintage basketball cards from 1971, 1972, & 1973 including Wilt Chamberlain, Dr. J (rookie) & Lew Alcindor (aka Kareem Abdul Jabber). Please call Mike McBride at 410-1896.

For Sale: Rocktron Taboo Twin Guitar Amp 100 Watts & Effects \$ 275 (NEW \$1,300.00) Plse call Roy Christian if interested.

For Sale: a Bernhardt Black Leather and Solid Cherry Loveseat. In pristine shape & looks like new, we just don't have any room for it any longer. It is a very tailored piece with black Spinneybeck leather. We are asking \$350. Please call Russ at 753-5200 if you are interested.

Condolences

Our sympathies are extended to Tom Maxim whose mother Evelyn died this past fall.

More Options for Patachou

By Cheri Moore

Many of us for years have enjoyed the savory gourmet omelets and thick sliced, homemade sourdough bread at the popular breakfast nook at 49th and Pennsylvania. For those of you who haven't; you should. And now there are two more locations not far from Wynnedale: the corner of Washington and Capital (street level of the Simon Property Group Headquarters) and Counter Culture by Patachou on Westfield Boulevard between Midtown Grill and French Pharmacy

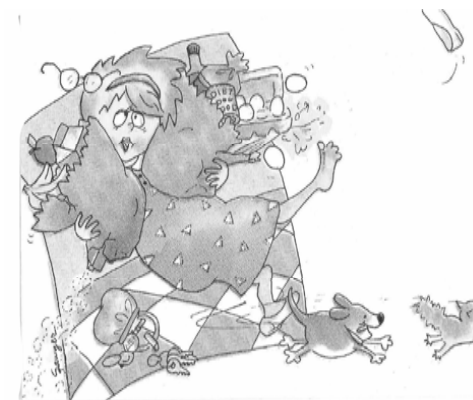
Diners prepare their own coffee just as they like it and are greeted by waitresses who quickly become friends. The omelets are perfectly prepared with ingredients such as brie, spinach, and mushrooms, served with thick-sliced homemade bread. Scones, bagels, and cinnamon toast are also available, as is an impressive lunch menu. We often get homemade soup to go to enjoy later in the day.

The downtown location is more trendy and upscale and although the wait staff is friendly, the restaurant lacks the neighborhood feel of the 49th and Penn location. The menu is the same. The benefit when dining with two small children is that on the weekend there is never a wait. We haven't been to the new Broad Ripple location but hope to soon.

All locations are open 7 a.m. until 3 p.m. Monday - Friday, and 8 a.m. - 2 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday.

Mother's Helper

by Maria DeTrana Matney



A Mother in need of help?

I am a Mother's Helper. A Mother's Helper is someone who watches, entertains and plays with your kids, so that you get a chance to do something else. Until I can take the safe sitter course, it would be best if you're in the house or yard while I'm helping out. I have had experience in the past and really enjoy it. Please call for references. Another person that can be a Mother's Helper is Shelby Brown. We abide by the philosophy of equal opportunity, thus we are happy to work as Father's Helper's too.

Maria DeTrana Matney: 299-6442
Shelby Brown: 299-8331

In Our Neighborhood

The Indianapolis Monthly's quarterly 'Home' magazine featured 2 homes 'located in a quaint township in Indianapolis by the name of Wynnedale. The home of Russ & Sara Richey was featured. . . and the home of Jim McQuiston located on the corner of 42nd & Knollton Road.

In the winter when the ground softened, traffic also disturbed the ground causing the columns to shift. Moreover, the future vision of 3 teenage boys learning to drive through the stretch of columns was enough to give Julie and Terry shivers! Over the years, bushes and trees planted along 42nd street had become overgrown making the yard and house darker than desirable. The new landscaping will result in a gentle line of bushes softening the street edge over the next few years and a bit more privacy than present, but with more elegance than the honeysuckle that was clogging the borders. The trees lining the re-positioned driveway mirror the refurbished colonnade while providing a less perilous path to the garage. All in all, a well designed transformation of their landscape complementing their gracious home.

Landscaping Extraordinaire

By Robin Reagan

Have you driven by the Magid's home on 42nd and Knollton and admired their new landscaping? Terry and Julie Magid undertook a significant re-working of their yard this summer with beautiful results. The Magid's home is the original farmhouse on the property that was developed into the Wynnedale town in the early 1920s. They purchased the home in 1995 and expanded the house in 2001 when they built on to the rear of the house creating more family and office space on the ground floor and bedroom space on the second. With the interior brought up to date, Julie and Terry turned their attention to the yard. Working with the Gardens of Growth landscaping company recommended by their architect, Terry and Julie's goal was to address some functional issues with the yard's layout in addition to making the yard more open. The striking entry colonnade was beautiful, but increasingly difficult to navigate by guests in today's larger cars and SUVs.

Wynnedale Speedway

"What on earth are walkers, children, pets and STOP SIGNS doing on the Wynnedale Speedway!?" said the drivers, "and, who put up the speed signs limited us to 25 m.p.h.?"

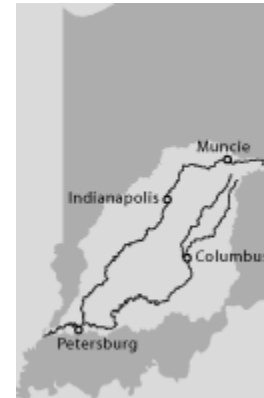
Yes, that's right. . . in Wynnedale we value our residents, children and pets enough to ensure **everyone** in our family obeys the traffic signs & speed limits.

Friends of the White River

By Celestine DeTrana

I started this article by writing about all that I've discovered over the years I lived here, but got sidetracked as I went on about the bike paths. Though I've lived just off of the White River for 12 years, and have been driving over it for 19 years, and have picnicked, biked and walked along it numerous times, I'd never been on the river was until last summer.

Last June, we were making weekend plans and decided to go canoeing on Sugar Creek. Thinking further, we thought it would be a good time to find out about the canoeing scene right here in Indy, as we really didn't have time for the drive to Sugar Creek.



The first sight recommended on my internet search for "canoe white river" led me to the "Friends of the White River" website. Amazingly, I found that the White River clean up was the following day! This was something I'd wanted to do for several years. Previously though, the event was scheduled for when I'd be out of town. Or I'd find out about it after it occurred. This time, the timing was perfect, for not only was I free to go, but, fiscal conservative that I am, was happy to save the money I'd planned to spend on

the canoe. In addition to providing the canoes, they provided expert canoeists that shared a wealth of information about the River. Like where the damns were! Lord knows if I'd have gotten into trouble without that guidance on my virgin White River voyage.

That day, I experienced the incredible beauty of the river that creates the border of our community. We put our boats in at a very nice launch site at mile 101. To get there, you travel north on Keystone Avenue, taking a right on 96th Street. About ten canoes headed out. It was remarkable how wild things get, once on the river. It's hard to believe that you're in the middle of our busy city. Over the course of a few hours, we went under a few bridges, approximately one an hour. Without those bridges, it would be hard to tell where you were, for it's so quiet and pastoral. The geologic formations are beautiful. There are little nooks and creeks to explore. In addition to interesting arrays of plants, the herons, hawks and multitude of various other animals were a delight to watch.

In between relaxing to the sounds of the river and taking in the wild life, we picked up some of the things that had been dumped into the river. There were many balls, bottles, and even barrels and playground equipment. It was an eye-opening assortment of objects. The Friends of the White River had plenty of equipment to use: gloves, pick up "arms",

etcetera, so we didn't need to touch the trash.

I met some really nice people that day. After pulling out around 71st Street, they had a party organized for the group that had helped out. Not only had I never I been to the Riverside Yacht Club, I hadn't heard of it. I loved it. Unfortunately, I hear the waiting list for membership is extensive, and you pretty much have to have a relative that's a member die to get in. One of the "Friends" took the group out on a pontoon boat, and we traveled south of Broad Ripple and back on that. It was a great experience all around. So much so, that I joined the organization that day, went shopping for a canoe that evening, and though I didn't buy a canoe, I bought a very detailed book called Indiana White River Guide Book. It was a good investment, and I got out on the river three more times last summer.

I'd like to encourage all of you to join "Friends of the White River." They're well organized, and do significant positive things for the river we live next to. Everyone I've met through the group has been very nice, helpful, and interesting. Membership starts at \$15 per year, and of course donations of any amount are accepted. But I recommend you join and get involved. Enjoy our river, and feel good about maintaining its beauty. You don't have to work on clean-ups if you don't want to. There are several recreational events each year too.

The group is one of the sponsors of a downtown bank cleanup set for Saturday, April 21st. They'll be helping another group with a downtown Fall Creek cleanup on last Saturday in March. Our Adopt-A-River cleanup will probably be June 10. The full calendar is expected to be finalized and posted on our web site by end of first week in February.

Much more information can be found on the website, www.friendsofwhiteriver.org/ Their info line is: (317) 767-4140.

Some info about the organization, taken from their website, is as follows.

Established in 1985, the Friends of the White River is a not-for-profit corporation formed to preserve and protect the White River. The Friends represent those who use the river for recreational purposes, those who live near its banks, and all citizens interested in the preservation of the river as a natural resource.

From its source near Winchester to its confluence with the Wabash, Indiana's White River is truly "a river for all seasons, and a river for all reasons."

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The primary purposes of Friends of the White River are to promote the continued improvement of the quality of the river's water, and to maintain and restore habitat and wildlife in the river and along its adjacent greenway.

Two forks, two paths

*White River flows in two forks across most of Central and Southern Indiana, creating the largest watershed contained entirely within the state, draining all or part of nearly half the counties. View a larger [river and county map](#) in a popup window. The **West Fork of White River** begins in a farmer's field in Randolph County, south of Winchester. For its first few miles, it travels north, then turns west through Muncie and Anderson before flowing south through Noblesville to Indianapolis. When it reaches Indianapolis, the river is already 100 miles long*

*The **Blue and Flatrock Rivers** rise within a few miles of each other in Henry County in eastern Indiana. As it flows south, the Blue joins with **Sugar Creek** to become the **Driftwood River**, which meets the Flatrock in the city of Columbus. At this point, both waters have traveled about 100 miles. Their confluence (shown in the photo) forms the **East Fork of White River**.*

*Both forks of White River travel roughly south and west to meet in Daviess County, just above Petersburg. By then, the West Fork has traveled 273 miles; the East Fork, 162 (plus the 100 miles of the source rivers). At their confluence, the two forks are nearly equal in size. The White then journeys 45 miles to its confluence with the **Wabash River**. Both rivers are about equal in size as they join.*



Tidbit
Janet Gibson once water-skiied
the White River!

Thank you!

Good ole fashioned hospitality! Robin Reagan and Frank Messina opened their home for the carolers and other residents to gather. Great conversation, a warm & glowing fire, great goodies and lots of smiles were the benefits you missed if you didn't join the group. Thank you Robin and Frank for welcoming us into your home with such good ole fashioned hospitality!

Yes! I again want to support efforts to improve and enhance the waterway. Here's my tax-deductible membership contribution for 2006-2007 to Friends of the White River, a not-for-profit organization formed in 1985.

\$150 River Steward \$100 Kingfisher \$50 Family \$25 Individual \$15 Retiree/Student

I'd also like additional information about how to get involved with the following projects:

Adopt-A-River cleanups Education events Restoration projects River School program

Name _____ Phone (optional) _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

I want to help save at least \$10 a year on postage costs, here's my e-mail address: _____
(Your address will be used only for info about Friends projects and programs.)

Please visit friendsofwhiteriver.org and river-school.org to learn more about this year's achievements and to find resources that will help keep you informed about the White River watershed!

MAIL TO: P.O. Box 90171 Indianapolis 46290

You Got 10 minutes to get out of town!

by David Bacon

Within 10 Minutes of Wynnedale (at the most maybe 15) there are countless things to do for family fun. You need to get out of town more ! Begin with the Indianapolis Art Museum that houses a world class art collection and often hosts musical and drama events on their property. Come summer they provide concerts and movies on the terrace overlooking the woods.

Downtown there is the Indianapolis Arts Garden which provides everything from art to concerts. The concerts are many and free during the week & weekends. Faye and I spend lots of time combing the Indianapolis Star's Arts & Entertainment section (or on the web) and find many items on the Arts Garden 'Menu'. Convenient parking in the Circle Center garage is a bargain - \$1.50 for under three hours.

Next there are local sports events beginning with Butler University's basketball Hinkle Fieldhouse that provides bargain seating and top notch college team sports.

On the near south side there is Fountain Square. The original FW Woolworth diner is in tact with original theme and open for the best hamburgers (& pizza etc.) in town. Fountain Square also has two floors of duckpin bowling, with billiards on the same floor, pizza to eat while you play, and both alley's keep alive the 50' s theme. . Duck Pin can be done by the young and old as the balls are only three to five pounds, slightly larger than a softball and very easy to throw. It's also a great place to host a birthday party, a company meeting to provide a different twist of atmosphere & entertainment, or even a family reunion! I had a surprise birthday party there with about 25 of my closest friends and we shared burgers, fries, pizza and sundaes in the old Woolworth diner and then a couple of hours upstairs on our 'own' four lanes (rentable by the hour). You get three balls per frame if my memory serves correctly, making it at least a third more fun than regular bowling. It's also a little tougher as the pins seem to be about the same size & distance as regular bowling. Fountain Square It also provides a "Rock House" where lots of different bands perform at differing times. It's truly quite a unique place.

www.fountainsquareindy.com

Stretching the distance a little further is Turners Athenaeum just east of downtown providing dining and music.

The 1st person to phone me with the 'correct count of the word Wynnedale' in this newsletter will have won \$10.00

How many of you knew of The Indiana Medical History Museum? It is located at 3045 West Vermont Street #635 7329 and is the oldest pathology lab in the nation! They provided guided tours. www.imhm.org/general.htm

Indiana Central University, a bit further south at Madison & Hannah Ave., has lots of Monday night concert performance venues where the students and their instructors perform many great classical works, This all takes place in the Crystal DeHaan Performing Arts Center, is free. . and comparable to Clowes with brighter lighting and a smaller auditorium.

Indianapolis Garfield Park with The Burello Family Center host many functions throughout the year. The family center is quite large and modern, with meeting rooms that hold workshops for crafts and community meetings, The Indianapolis Symphony Orchestra and Indianapolis Symphonic Band along with other pops & classical venues, perform at the McCallister Amphitheater (in the park) Most fun is a July 4th concert with top notch music and fireworks – again all free!. Featured many times in the past have been the Indiana favorite, Tom and Tim Wright of the Wright Brothers, and Carl Story has also been seen there. Outside on the terrace of the Garfield Park Botanical Gardens Cathy Morris and Collage perform many a clear summer evening – again free.. Of course the Gardens and Greenhouse are open for many public events year round. Check the paper for schedule of events.

Back to the North Side, and even closer and family oriented is the Holliday Park Nature Center. This place is like a miniature museum with all sorts of nature sights, trails and events. Some include chamber and Jazz Bands outdoors in the summer, plant sales, and animal workshops enlightening young and old about the wildlife found abundant in the area. Check the paper for events there also.

So there you have it, 'get out of town' and check out the community.

Summer Camp Fair

Submitted by Robin Reagan

Saturday, February 17 at the Indiana State Museum, 650 W. Washington Street, representatives from camps and summer programs for kids 3-18+ will be on hand to answer questions, provide dates and information.

The event is free to the public from 9am-5pm plus the museum is reducing their admission to \$1 per person. Summer Camp Fair attendees who buy a ticket to the museum can then use the ticket stub to get free parking in the adjacent White River Park garage.

Wynnedale Website

By Jon Kindred

Thanks to the good work of one of our citizens, John Swartzendruber, our little town finally has a website! It is still "under construction," and you can find it in one of two ways: (1) You can Google the word "Wynnedale" then click on the "Welcome to Wynnedale" listing; or (2) you can go to www.wynnedale.org/ (This takes you directly to the website.) WE NEED YOUR IDEAS AND COMMENTS! In the future, the site will include Minutes of each Council meeting; also, the *Wynnedale News*. Contact any member of the Council (John Kincaid, Steve Coates, Judy Hall, Jon Kindred, & Russ Richey) with your ideas and suggestions.

Next Newsletter Meeting

Wednesday, April 18th

Janet Gibson will host the next Newsletter Meeting, and she let it slip she will be



serving **champagne!**

Next Town Council Meeting

LAW ENFORCEMENT COVERAGE

The March 8th meeting of the Town Council will feature a speaker from the newly organized Indianapolis Metropolitan Police Department. Ms. Shirley Purvitis will give us a briefing on Wynnedale police coverage under the new organization. Interested residents are encouraged to attend. Please notify Jon Kindred at jonkindred@sbcglobal.net or 387-0408 if you plan to attend. We need a count so we can make arrangements for seating for larger than normal attendance.

Looking for a new neighbor...

4380 Knollton is a beautiful 4 bedroom, 2/2 bathroom tri-level home featuring a basement, fireplace, sun room, balcony, and more. If you know someone who would like to live in Wynnedale contact Mable Johnson of Carpenter Realtors at mjohnson@callcarpenter.com or phone her at 844-4400 .