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August, September and October Dates to remember!

Schools Open August 11th	**TOWN Meeting September 8th**	**Labor Day September 8th**

PATRIOT'S DAY 9/11	**September 12th**	**September 21st**

September 23rd	**October 1st BCA Month**	**October 10th**

October 11th	**TOWN Meeting OCT.13**	**October 16th**

OCTOBER 31ST

LOOKING AHEAD to EARLY NOVEMBER…

Election day
November 2nd

Standard Time
November 7th

Veterans Day
November 11th

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OUR YOUNG WYNNEDALIANS

School Bus Safety

By Cheri Moore

School is back in session. Please watch out for our young ones waiting for the school bus. Here are a few bus safety tips to review with your child:

1. Teach children to arrive at school bus stop early, stay out of the street, wait for the bus to come to a complete stop before approaching the street, watch for cars and avoid driver's blind spots.
2. Remind children to stay seated at all times. Keep heads and arms inside the bus while riding. When exiting the bus, wait until the bus is completely stopped, exit from the front using the handrail to avoid falls. Cross the street at least 10 feet (or 10 giant steps) in front of the bus.
3. Tell your children not to bend down in front of the bus to tie their shoes, or pick up books or any other objects, as the driver may not see him before starting to move.

FALL TRASH BAG SALE

!!PARENTS DON'TFORGET!!

Contact Crooked Creek elementary students to place your order for Fall trash bags.

CELEBRATION'S!

Congratulation's to **Amber Seach** who graduated as ***class valedictorian*** on April 17 from the Chef's Academy! She is working as a chef at Champions at the Marriott hotel downtown.

Way to go Amber!

On May 8, 2010, after a 5-year courtship, **Stephen M. Torain** and **Ebonne R. Bykes** were married in Cincinnati, OH. Stephen is a biomedical and mechanical engineering graduate from Washington University in St. Louis while Ebonne is a business and education graduate from Miami University of Ohio. The couple will remain Cincinnati residents and continue working careers at Ethicon Endosurgery and Cincinnati Public Schools respectively.

Congrats from mom & dad...

Stephen R. & Harolyn Torain

Congratulation's

From the Town of Wynnedale!

and Fall Fundraisers

By Robin Reagan

Washington Township schools kicked off the 2010-11 school year on Wednesday, August 11th while private schools started slightly later. If you've been in an office supplies store you've probably noticed slightly harried parents and excited kids buying school supplies. Wynnedale is a special place for many reasons and close access to so many good public and private schools is one of them. We all need to remember to slow down again for school zones on Michigan Road and Kessler Boulevard.

Along with back to school also come fall fund-raisers that allow schools and groups to maintain programs for our youth. You'll have Cub and Boy Scouts at your door soon selling popcorn (ranked #1 by Indianapolis Monthly magazine two years ago against other national brands!) and Crooked Creek students selling trash bags. If you're a school parent like me you mentally groan at the effort to go door to door with your child selling products. And as a neighbor I invariably heave a sigh at the sight of a bright, eager face holding an order form when I open the front door in response to a ringing door bell.

As someone on both sides of the equation I thought it might be helpful to share some information on what comes from your purchases. With Scouts, the money raised goes to support several Scout troops at Crooked Creek, St. Monica and elsewhere. The scouts use their funds to underwrite camps, field trips to area attractions like Eagle Creek and the Marion University Ecolab, and all of their activities that teach scout values most of us cherish such as honor, doing their best, and upholding their duty to God and country. At Crooked Creek, the trash bags you purchase contribute to more than a third of the parent-teacher organization's annual budget.

Crooked Creek's PTO underwrites math, reading and history enrichment programs, provides extra funding for classroom supplies, field trips, drug awareness, and many other programs that would otherwise be cut.

On the student side of these fund-raisers, there are also many good life skills to be learned. Regardless of age, kids practice math and learn money skills as part of selling. My Girl Scout troop went through several exercises to plan a budget for the year and how many boxes of cookies they each needed to sell to fund activities. Failing to meet wildly unrealistic goals was a good reality check for how much hard work it takes to earn money. Planning and organization, sales skills, and handling rejection gracefully are also on the list of what is gained by kids involved in fund-raisers. Lastly, working as a team, whether it's a troop, class or sports team, is an important experience. Taking responsibility for their work while making a contribution and working hard to do their best are excellent lessons to prepare for the "real" world.

Lastly, there's also something in it for you beyond the purchase you've made. Research consistently shows that strong schools have a significant, positive impact on home values. Schools with engaged parents and involved kids create a virtuous cycle attracting even more engaged parents to the neighborhood. Kids who are active in school, after-school programs and extra-curricular groups are much less likely to be experimenting with much less desirable behaviors. In short, your purchase of that zoo book, magazine, holiday wreath, or box of cookies has a positive effect on that cheerful child, their school, your home values and our entire neighborhood.

So when your doorbell rings this coming school year, thank you for your support. It's one more way you're helping to make Wynnedale a special place.

Many Hands Make Little Work

By Faye Bacon

The liquor store opened its doors at Noon each day. Across the alley, people would traverse across the church parking lot – eager for the store to open.

City View Community Church decided to open their own doors so the wonderful aroma of free food would entice and sidetrack these same people. Some volunteers are committed to developing relationships; other volunteers commit to preparing and serving a meal; other volunteers commit to donating the required food for the meal. What started with a small glimmer of kindness has blossomed into a wonderful program touching the hearts of the poor of the neighborhood and of the homeless who live under the bridges.

Several times a week, the homeless are picked up by bus and transported to/fro the fellowship hall for a good meal and fellowship. Local residents, who struggle to afford food, find their way to this same gathering. These residents live about 10 minutes from your home.

This community church has demonstrated love which meets the basic needs and touches the heart of many. They now provide a S.W.A.T. house for male residents on a road-to-recovery. A similar women's shelter is being renovated as we correspond – and will offer a similar program. Relationships are developed

Many hands make little work. This community outreach program depends solely on the generosity of community and other churches. Their own membership is the homeless and very poor – who have nothing material to offer.

Here's how it works! David and I help to organize a group of people who commit to one meal for 75 people for a specific day each month. Another group commits to a different day. A specific meal is planned (different each month) and broken down into items that can be donated easily. We try to keep the cost of each line request to about $5. The most difficult might be browning and freezing some ground beef. David and I would gather it the day before/day of the event to take it to the fellowship hall where it is made into the pre-determined meal. Leftovers help provide the S.W.A.T. home with meals for the week.

Are you interested? Please email us!

davidandfaye@sbcglobal.net

FOOD SIGN UP

August 18th

Ham, potato salad, broccoli salad

Ham: boneless precooked

keep frozen

	Name	Phone #
1	4 lbs	
2	4 lbs	
3	4 lbs	
4	4 lbs	

Potato Salad

ensure 'use by' date is good to at least the 19th

	Name	Phone #
1	48 oz	
2	48 oz	
3	48 oz	
4	48 oz	

Apples

	Name	Phone #
1	3 lb bag	

Broccoli - fresh

	Name	Phone #
1	3 lbs	

Raisins

	Name	Phone #
1	30 oz approx	

Mayonnaise

	Name	Phone #
1	32 oz jar	

Cookies

for 75 people

	Name	Phone #
1	2 dozen	
2	2 dozen	
3	2 dozen	

If you are interested in learning more about City View on the internet, this is their website. www.indycityview.com

"Carron"

A letter from Nancy Spohn

Dear Friends and Family,

I am writing to ask for your help in saving a young girl's life. She lives in Zimbabwe and is the granddaughter of my friend, Winnie Sibotshiwe. She has been accepted at the University of Indianapolis and if I can raise the money, she will start school in January.

As most of you know, Zimbabwe was a prosperous country with many natural resources until Robert Mugabe was elected president and single-handedly destroyed his country. His greed has put the country into an economic freefall. There are no jobs, no food and little clean water. We have been sending bulk food through a safe source for two years. She and her mother would have starved otherwise. The only chance for this young girl to get out of the country is through a school visa. If she stays in her country, there is little chance for survival.

I met her grandmother in the fall of 1999. She was from Bulawayo, Zimbabwe. Her husband had been killed in 1995 in a hit and run accident. In Zimbabwe, when a man dies, all of his debts become due. He had just borrowed money to start a new business. In order to comply with the law, Winnie and her four children lost their house, their car, and all of their possessions. They were literally walking the streets.

Winnie had hurt her back carrying vegetables to feed her family. After lying in the hospital for many months, she had back surgery and was in more pain than before the surgery. Her sister, who was in the Zimbabwe military for nursing training brought Winnie to the United States for physical therapy.

I met Winnie through the Nunery Family who had just lost their house due to a house fire. Winnie was working for them in order to salvage some of the burned items. She was living in the basement of the Nunery rental house and the moment I saw her, I realized her despair.

I worked very hard to get Winnie a driver's license, a social security number, and started on the long route to get her a green card so she would be legal. I knew very little about immigration requirements, but I realized she was in a row boat rowing by herself, and she and her four children were going to sink if someone didn't help them. God put her and her family securely in my heart.

I was able to get a scholarship to a technical school for her second son, Challenge, and he came to the United States on an academic visa. He lived with us for five years and graduated from ITT Tech.

Winnie lived with us for six months until she moved into an apartment.

The other two sons, I was able to get to Canada on a refugee status the day before September 11th. One has received his Canadian citizenship and has moved to the United States and the other is still waiting for his citizenship.

Winnie and her son, Challenge, joined St. Luke's United Methodist Church ten years ago. She has worked cleaning houses and working for St. Luke's since 2000.

It was always my goal to bring all of the family here but stiff rulings in immigration here and in Zimbabwe have made it quite challenging. The granddaughter did not have a passport, or I would have brought both mother and daughter to Canada before September 11th when the immigration rules tightened considerably.

Because the United States disapproves of everything Robert Mugabe has done to his country, no aid has been given to the people even though they are innocent and the victims of Mugabe's cruelty.

If Carron comes to the United States, we will apply for asylum immediately. It is my prayer that you will find it in your heart to save this young woman, and give her hope for a future through education in a country that will give her life. I see us as a team doing God's work. Matthew 25:40; "I tell you the truth, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did for Me.

Please send your checks to St. Luke's United Methodist Church with Zimbabwe Scholarship on the memo line if you would like a tax deduction. Money sent to the church will go directly to the University of Indianapolis for tuition.

Kent Millard, head Pastor of St. Luke's United Methodist Church has written a letter to Dr. Beverly Pitts, the President of University of Indianapolis stating how desperate Carron's situation is, and she has kindly consented to reduce Carron's tuition by one third. The address at St. Luke's UMC is 100 W. 86th Street, Indianapolis, Indiana, 46260.

I have also opened an account at the Bank of Indianapolis in my name and Carron's to cover airfare, books, clothing related to school. If you would care to donate to this account, please send checks to Nancy Spohn, 2400 W. 42nd Street,
Indianapolis, Indiana, 46228.

I must raise $20,000.00 in order for Carron to go to school in January.

Love and Blessings,
Nancy

Wynnestock 2

by Roy Christian

Wynnestock 2 was a great success this year! Despite the heat over 125 people attended. There were 5 acts including much local talent. **Andrew Washauer** performed on a custom Telecaster that he made last year. **Celestine DeTRANA** joined him on a Neil young piece. **John Fell** and **Mike Need** stepped things up on the outside stage. John ended the set with a great version of the Star Spangled Banner**. Mike McBride** was the 2nd act on the outside stage. He performed a wide range of music as a solo act. **Roy Christian's band King Harlot** rocked out and finished with a 4 piece Hendrix medley. The evening ended with a band called **"What The"** from Lafayette and ended with many people dancing. Many kids enjoyed the bouncy house, volleyball and corn hole. **Mary Koers** distributed hundreds of Wynnedale shirts, hats and other items.

All in all it was great fun, great food and great friends!

COLLEGE

Safe & Sound

"Keeping our homes physically safe and financially sound."

By Denise Owens
Insurance and Financial Specialist

Wow – it's hard to believe its August already! If you're like me – there is still a lot left on your summer "to do" list. Normally I try to focus this article on safety & financial tips, but I have taken a slightly different approach this time. Since part of having a strong financial plan is properly maintaining the value of your biggest investment – your home - and a big part of its value is how it looks, inside and out, cleaning and de-cluttering are essential. Plus – we just feel better when our homes are at their best.

When we get to this point in the warm weather season – we can begin to feel like we have frittered away the home project days (and the fun days!) and start to almost panic at the idea that we will not get it all done; and soon it will be time to get the house ready for the holidays - yikes!

As we all know - the key to "having it all" is organization and good time management – that is true in almost every aspect of life. So before you decide to throw yourself into lengthy projects that exhaust and stress you; eat up the few fun outdoor days we have left, or simply give up altogether – try these tips to better use your "free" time.

Remember – life IS short and times flies whether you are having fun or not – so you may as well have fun! Don't turn down a chance to walk the canal; sit and watch the birds; attend an outdoor concert or simply have a few friends over for a drink on the patio because you have "work" to do around the house.

Use the time you have better so you can do the things you enjoy without guilt! Try these "mini projects" to help you feel productive – without forcing you to forego the fun!

- Keep a grocery bag, your garden gloves and a pair of gardening clogs/shoes in the garage near your where you park your car and each day when you drive in – before you go into the house – take 5 to 10 minutes to pull a few weeds in your flower beds. If you do this every day – most of you will have your garden weeded in about a week.
- Keep a stack of old newspapers and some window cleaner in a spray bottle next to your back/patio door. Every day or two – before you come in for the evening – spray a window or patio door and wipe it down. (For the ecologically savvy - vinegar & water works just fine)
- Take a laundry basket or cardboard box and dump a "junky drawer" into it. Add several smaller bags or containers, labeled "Trash" – "Keep" – "Donate" – "Sell". Set the basket by your TV chair. When you settle down to watch the evening news or your favorite show – instead of just "vegging" (or snacking) – sort through those items while you watch and put them in the appropriate containers.
- Keep garage sell labels – pre-printed ones (or ones you price while watching TV) in handy spots like your closet; the kitchen; the garage and storage shed. Whenever you pick up an item you know you want to sell – stick a label on it and take it to the garage. If you have room – set up a hanging rack and a folding table in the garage and place those items on them as you touch them. I.e.; as you are looking for something to wear and try on that item that has never really fit or looked good on you – put a tag on it and take it to the rack or table in the garage!
- Keep an old sheet over the hanging rack & table so the items stay cleaner and when it is time for the fall garage sale – you only need to arrange the items – move the table and rack to more prominent locations and hang out your sign!

Note: We will have our fall town-wide garage sale in late September or early October – so you have plenty of time to make a dent in your projects while prepping for the next sale.

I hope these tips help you enjoy the balance of the summer – "guilt free"!

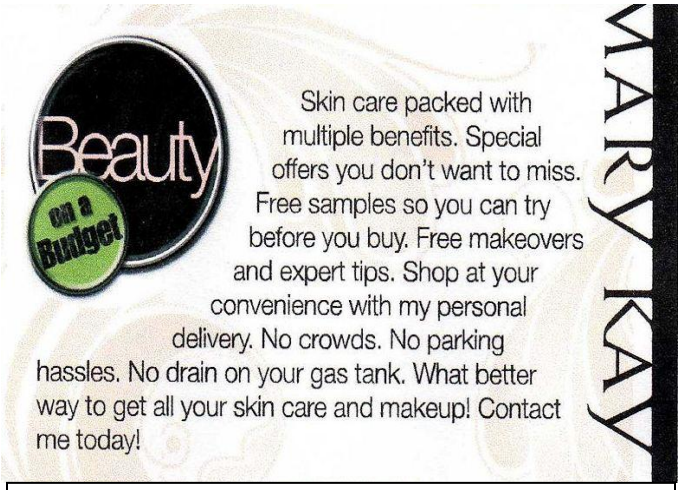
YOU CAN ALSO VIEW THE NEWLETTER ON THE WEBSITE-THANKS TO JOHN SWARTZENDRUBER, WHO HAS VOLUNTEERED TO UPLOAD IT WITHIN 5 DAYS OF ISSUE!
THANKS JOHN!

ANYONE NEEDING A WYNNEDALE PHONE DIRECTORY MAY PURCHASE ONE FROM JANET GIBSON FOR $5.

ALL RESIDENTS ARE INVITED TO ATTEND THE TOWN MEETINGS! THE MEETINGS ARE HELD THE SECOND WEDNESDAY OF THE MONTH AT THE HOME OF MARY KOERS, OUR CLERK/TREASURER AT 7PM.

REMEMBER TO PLEASE CONTACT THE PRESIDENT IN ADVANCE IF YOU WISH TO BE ON THE AGENDA!

What would you like to see in YOUR Wynnedale Newsletter?



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Place YOUR add here in the next quarterly issue of the Wynnedale News!

A LETTER FROM THE EDITOR

Hello Wynnedale!

I hope all of you are having a GREAT Summer so far! I wanted to take a moment to personally thank Roy and Anne- Marie for Wynnestock 2! WOW! It was so much fun! GREAT Music, Food, and Company! Being somewhat of a "Hippie" at heart, I LOVED IT!

I wanted to extend my heartfelt sorrow to Fritz, Janet and "Jack" Hohlz in the loss of their beloved 13 yr. old Lab, "Pepper." She was such a sweetheart, I will miss her.

I would also like to thank all of you for your many compliments on my first newsletter. I appreciate all of your ongoing help and support as well. As for the newsletter itself, I personally would like to see more community news…

I would like to have articles about our residents, their families, pets, birthdays, anniversaries; vacation's, school events, Scouts, Sports, Wynnedale businesses/services, items for sale/wanted Wynnedale memories etc.

THIS IS YOUR COMMUNITY PAPER;

PLEASE TAKE ADVANTAGE OF IT!!

The deadline to submit articles for each newsletter will be the 2nd Sunday in the months of February, May, August, and November. However, if something comes up that needs to get to the residents in print, and we are in between issues, just let me know, and I will be more than happy to get the news out!

Be Safe,
and make the rest of your Summer GREAT!
Cheryl Bulcher

Support Those Who Serve Our Country

SOUND OFF!!!!

Do you have an opinion or a view about something that you would like to share with the rest of the town? If so, send your information to www.wynnedalenews-editor@yahoo.com

This will be a "new" page in our quarterly newsletter!

You may or may not have seen our very own small Town of Wynnedale on the evening news recently…?

I would like to "SOUND OFF" about the interview that the Channel 6 News "Watch Dog" recently aired regarding our very own Town Council concerning the audit of the Wynnedale Financial Report. (View the report at www.in.gov/sboa/WebReports/B37288)

Apparently the Town Council used Wynnedale funds to pay for 4 annual Christmas Parties, a couple of Gift Certificates, and $58 for "booze." I believe this is the term Kara used in her story. A PARTY? WITH BOOZE? HMMMM.....

The council used town money unknowing that it was wrong. They have since apologized, repaid all the money to the town, and they will comply with the "rules" from now on.

As you know, with the exception of the Clerk-treasurer, our elected Town Council Members do not get paid for their services. It is my opinion that they deserve a party at the end of the year, "booze" included if they so desire. This would be a small token of our appreciation for all that they do for our town.

Please "SOUND OFF" with any ideas as to how we can do this for them, still be in compliance, and not become a hot story for the "Watch Dog!"

Respectfully,
Cheryl Bulcher

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