

Obituaries

Leila H. Laber

Leila H. "Lee" Bolinger Laber, 60, of 2618W 900N, Delphi, died at 12:45 p.m. on June 14, 2006, at her residence. She had battled cancer for the past few months.

Born May 10, 1946, in Raleigh, N.C., she was a 1964 graduate of Pioneer High School and a 1967 graduate of the former St. Vincent School of Nursing in Indianapolis.

Her marriage was to Fred H. Laber on July 27, 1968, in Lafayette, and he survives.

Mrs. Laber was a nurse for over 25 years, working at White County Memorial Hospital in Monticello for 13 years in the OB/Delivery Department, where she was the director of obstetrics. She had worked in Delphi at the former Birchwood Manor Nursing Home for several years.

She enjoyed tennis, bowling and flower gardening.

Surviving with her husband are two daughters, Jennifer A. Laber of Burnettsville and Tracy L. Laber of Delphi; a sister, Helen Nace (husband: Jack) of Delphi; her mother-in-law, Selma Lin Reeder of Monticello; and two grandchildren, David and Emma.

She was preceded in death by a sister.

Private family services are planned. Abbott Funeral Home is assisting the family.

Lula K. McFall

Lula K. McFall, 90, of Brookston, died at 9:50 p.m. on June 17, 2006, in her daughter's home in Cutler. She had been in poor health for several months.

Born in Lincoln City on July 9, 1915, she was the daughter of Lewis and Effie Gentry Stockhove.

She moved to the Brookston area in the mid-1950s and lived there since then.

Her marriage was to Isaac C. McFall on Oct. 23, 1931, in Cannelton, and he died March 31, 1991.

Mrs. McFall was a nurse at the Indiana Veterans Home for many years.

She enjoyed gardening, tending her flowers and fishing.

Surviving are a son, Larry D. McFall (wife: Ellin) of Brookston; three daughters, Phyllis Giarratana (husband: Charles) of Manchester, N.J., Marcella Gregory of Brookston and Brenda K. Bower (companion: Paul Denny) of Cutler; 14 grandchildren; 40 great-grandchildren; and 26 great-great-grandchildren.

Services are today at 1 p.m. at Hartzler-Clapper Funeral Home in Brookston. The Rev. Dr. R. Clayton Kendall will officiate. Burial will be at Brookston IOOF Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to St. Elizabeth Hospice Program.

Helen M. Smith

Helen M. Thomson Smith, 89, of Monticello, formerly of Prince William Road, Delphi, died at 7:40 p.m. on June 19, 2006, at Twin Lakes Village in Monticello.

The daughter of James and Alma Kearns Thomson, she was born at the family farm near Flora on Nov. 20, 1916. She was a 1934 graduate of Flora High School and attended the Ray-Vogue School of Design in Chicago. She lived and worked in Chicago and Lafayette before returning to Carroll County in 1938.

On May 23, 1941, she married John D. Smith in Delphi, and he preceded her in death on Oct. 6, 1988.

Mrs. Smith was a member of the First Families of Carroll County, Indiana, her ancestors having arrived in 1835. She was also a member of the First Presbyterian Church of Delphi.

Surviving are a daughter, Mary Anne Hoffman of Tallahassee, Fla.; two sisters, Jane Thomson Bishop of Flora and Catherine Thomson Smith of Monticello, formerly of Delphi; five nieces and nephews, Eleanor Sprowl, Carol Grubb, James Vianco, Dick T. Bishop and Peter Bishop.

She was preceded in death by a sister, Betty Thomson Vianco.

A private burial service will be held at Masonic Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to Carroll County Cancer Association, 6940 Crestwood Dr., Delphi 46923; Carroll County Historical Society Museum, P.O. Box 277, Delphi 46923; or to First Presbyterian Church, 213 S. Indiana St., Delphi 46923.

Davidson Funeral Home assisted the family.

Mildred E. Rottler

Mildred E. Evans Rottler, 82, of Lafayette, died at 12:15 p.m. on June 17, 2006, in Lafayette.

She was born in Radnor on March 22, 1924. She married Maynard Evans in Frankfort on Dec. 24, 1942, and he died March 6, 1945. Her second marriage was to Robert J. Rottler in Lafayette on Nov. 16, 1947, and he died Dec. 29, 1992.

Mrs. Rottler had been employed at the former S.S. Kresge Department Store, where she worked in bookkeeping.

She was a member of Trinity United Methodist Church in Lafayette.

Surviving are a son Jack Evans (wife: Judi) of La Palma, Calif.; a daughter, Merry Lawhead (husband: David) of Annandale, Va.; four grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by a sister.

A family burial service was conducted at Springvale Cemetery in Lafayette.

Memorials may be made to the Leukemia/Lymphoma Society, care of Abbott Funeral Home, 421 E. Main St., Delphi, 46923.

Burlington's red barn is coming down

By Shawna Dreadfulwater
Contributing writer

Burlington Town Council opened the June 14 meeting with a decision to tear down the red barn, located on the south side of Burlington Community Park. A new barn to house just the town truck and generator will be built in its place.

"When I was township trustee and the new barn was built, the agreement was the park would remove the old barn," said Councilman Wayne Swaim. "That didn't happen."

Since the barn is not insurable, Swaim made the motion to tear it down. He also suggested the council gave people 30 days to remove items from the barn. Currently, Burlington Kiwanis and Community clubs store items in the building. The motion passed unanimously.

Township Trustee Al Jackson told the council that it was his understanding that the park was jointly owned and decisions regarding the park should be made accordingly. He said he would not waste township taxpayers' money to fight the decision, but "strongly objected to the new building

Commissioners

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of this and get the facts."

Mega-dairy proponent and employee Terris Ayres of Democrat Township agreed that facts need to be known, but was not in favor of a moratorium.

"I'm not concerned about coffee shop talk and the rumors going around," he said.

Ayres reported the developing company, Vreba Hoff, does not currently operate a dairy factory as big as the one proposed for Carroll County.

He said the company plans to employ management personnel from Germany and hire immigrants for production. Ayres said job applications will be open to all individuals, however.

Citing no ground has been purchased and no design plans exist for the actual facility, Ayres asked, "Why are we even discussing it? It's none of anybody's business at this point."

Ayres stated that this is not a situation in which Carroll County leaders should be doing any policing.

"I think Carroll County does have an interest in this," replied county attorney Barry Emerson. "They do need to police it."

"The question is," said commissioners' president Bill Brown, "is this Carroll County agriculture?"

"You're messing with our homes," Rockfield resident Tim Dyer said. "These people out here...we don't want it."

Brown asked commissioners Loren Hylton and George Mears for a motion about a moratorium, but none was offered.

Dave Lambert, president of the Carroll County Pork Producers,

suggested those who are planning to purchase land and build the dairy should be available to county residents to provide the answers to their questions.

"The people who own this and are going to run this need to come into this room," he said. "Nobody knows what this dairy looks like."

"Why are we even discussing it? It's none of anybody's business at this point."

Terris Ayres of Cutler talking about the proposed mega-dairy for Democrat Township

Ayres said Vreba Hoff representatives plan to be in Carroll County the week of the county fair. The fair runs from July 7-14.

T.L. Regional Sewer District
With no input from Jefferson Township Trustee Harold Erdmann, commissioners appointed township resident Wayne Garrison to the Twin Lakes Regional Sewer District Board of Directors as Carroll County's official representative and spokesperson.

Garrison said he considered himself a qualified candidate because he knows the service area.

"I've walked the lake for 12 years," Garrison said.

He asked county leaders what support he would receive from them as representative. Brown clarified that he would be representing "every one in Carroll County."

Hylton made the motion to appoint Garrison. Mears provided the second "in support of Loren." The motion passed unan-

imously.

Hylton reported that he spoke with White County Commissioners' President John Heimlich about the possibility of having more than one Carroll County representative on the sewer board. He said he heard nothing since the initial conversation however.

Other business

Adoption of the Carroll County Uniform Traffic Ordinance, developed by county highway supervisor Ramzi Awwad and Emerson to unify and document all road limits and speeds, was delayed until the next meeting to give the public an opportunity to review the document.

The proposed ordinance will be available at the county highway department and/or provided upon request. Awwad encouraged interested residents to contact him at (574) 967-4244 for information.

Jon Zink was appointed by flip-of-the-coin to the county extension board and will serve on the Area Plan Commission.

Tina Henderson of Mendenhall and Associates, LLC, announced the Carroll Manor renovation grant proposal received funding.

As grant administrator and project manager, Henderson said her group would spearhead the

project and she would be the primary contact person.

Henderson presented a contract for services. She said an agreement was reached with Lester "Spike" Shepler of PMSInc. in which he would be a sub-contractor on the project and serve as a liaison between his group and her group.

The Fire Investigation Task Force was made a division of the county Emergency Management Agency. EMA director Justin Darling, who recommended the action, said there would be no additional cost. All task force members will continue in volunteer status.

County resident Brian Stirm and Delphi Historic Trails Chair Dan McCain explained the concept of a regional trail system. The system would connect Carroll County bike and walking trails with those in surrounding counties.

"We've got a beautiful county," McCain said. "And it is something to be proud of."

Stirm announced the updated version of the tourism guide is expected to be distributed in July.

Commissioners will reply in writing to Tippecanoe County Commissioners expressing county interest in the proposed juvenile detention center in that county. Brown said there is a line item in the current county budget of \$225,000 for juvenile detention services.

Payroll claims for \$178,410.79 were approved.

The next meeting will be July 5 at 9 a.m. in the commissioners' meeting room on the second floor of the courthouse.

Camden to correct meter problem

Comet staff report

The clerk-treasurer's request to approve expenditures of funds to start moving "problem" meters from the basements of certain residences was approved at the June 13 meeting of the Camden Town Council.

Three meters were addressed: 140 E. Main, 150 E. Main and 410 E. Cumberland. Access to reading the meters has been a problem and the goal is to move all inside meters out so that town workers can easily read them. The work will be done at the water superintendent's convenience.

Council president Ralph Rohrabough gave a brief update on housing rehab from Star Development. Necessary paperwork has been signed by the borrowers and preliminary work write-ups are being put together on each home. That paperwork will be sent to the homeowners for their signature of approval. The lead risk assessments have been completed and they are awaiting results. There will be a pre-construction conference on June 29, bids will be opened on July 17 and bids will be awarded on July 25.

If funding allows, the town plans to purchase a new truck. Request for bids have been mailed and are to be received in the town office no later than 1 p.m. on July 19. A date will be set to review the bids and determine how to proceed.

Pavement Solutions recently worked on the streets. Rohrabough stated that regular street maintenance has saved Camden money and kept the streets in good order.

The town's contract with Waste Management will expire on July 14. The town is reportedly paying more for service than is being taken in from customers. The fees schedule will be visited and a revision is expected. Even though the customer count was adjusted by Waste Management, the new fuel surcharge is resulting in a loss. It has remained at \$6.50 per customer for at least nine years. Rohrabough expects to have a new contract ready for the July meeting.

Plans are moving ahead with the Web site for Camden. Jana Rouhier was contacted to take digital pictures and she submitted an estimate of \$50 to cover her cost.

Councilmember Andy Robison said the signs at the entrances to town are in disrepair and need replaced if they cannot be repaired. The signs were originally purchased with funds from the Fall Festival and then given to the town. The Council thanked Jill Moudy and her committee for the wonderful job on this year's Youth Day Parade.

An auction will be held June 24 in the Community Building.

The next regular meeting will be July 11.

Public hearing
A public hearing followed the regular meeting regarding the proposed federally funded CDGB project.

Amy Miller of Cornerstone Grants Management explained the project and gave an update on the project's progress. Ms. Miller said the town is seeking \$500,000 in CDBG funding from the Office of Community and Rural Affairs and \$250,000 from the State Revolving Loan Fund.

The funds are being sought to make numerous improvements and upgrades to the town's wastewater treatment system and sewer lines. Items needed include upgrade to the headworks, including a new magnetic flow meter; a new grinder; rehabilitate concrete and other works; construction of a new catwalk at the ponds; a concrete tank to treat ammonia and aeration system; media growth material for augmentation; and UV disinfection. In the collection center, the lift station will be replaced, 25 manholes will be repaired and sealed, and the sewer pipe will be slip-lined.

The time frame and deadlines were discussed. The application will be submitted by July 13 instead of July 7. There will be a site visit planned in August. The

final application is due by Sept. 22 and awards will be made in November. Once the grant money is awarded, funds must be expended in 18 months. The new requirement is that bids must be opened within five months instead of the eight months used in the past. This gives one month to get the bids in so the engineering firms have to get work done ahead of time.

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Births

Thomas and Sarah Bell Reneau of Camden are parents of a 2-pound, 6-ounce daughter, Kaelynn Grace, born May 30 at St. Vincent Women's Hospital, Indianapolis. Maternal grandparents are Laurie Bell and Rick Evans of Galveston and Ed and Jan Bell of Bringhurst. Paternal grandparents are Sharon Short of Frankfort and Roger and Vicki Reneau of Burlington. Great-grandmothers are Myra Attebery of Kokomo and Willadene Short of Lebanon.

Brian and Julie (Grunden) Mummert of Bloomington are parents of a 7-pound, 12-ounce son, James Oliver, born June 3 at Bloomington Hospital. Grandparents are Mike and Chris Grunden of Columbus and Tom and Pat Mummert of Bringhurst. Great-grandmother is Phyllis Mummert of Cutler.

being just a town building."

"If the park is jointly owned then what is stopping the township trustee from putting up a township building to house a fire truck?" asked Jackson.

Swaim responded, "The park isn't jointly owned, it's jointly funded."

Town attorney Anne Briggs clarified "that some parcels of the park are jointly deeded."

Jackson concluded by saying that he was disappointed that the council did not contact him regarding tearing down the old barn and replacing it with a barn for town usage only. "I hope things can be discussed before construction happens on the new building."

Jackson was assured by council president Dick Davis that he would be in touch.

The council voted to pay the bill for refurbishing the cannon at the park. The remaining \$1,740 balance will temporarily come out of the park board budget.

Town Marshal Jill Hammond reported the police car has

been repaired after damage from the May 25 storm, when she assisted with traffic around storm damage on SR 29 near Heindold Hog Market. In her monthly report, she reported issuing 25 tickets and three warnings and investigated a stolen 4-wheeler. She also assisted the county units with an arrest following a traffic stop.

The town will be updating the town map with assistance from surveyor Lawrence Lambert.

Street / Sewage Superintendent Les Johnson reported paving projects are completed and the broken pump on Zook Lane is fixed.

The next regular meeting will be July 12 in the town hall.

Special meeting

During a special meeting on May 22 the council passed Resolution 2006-4, approving submittal of an Indiana Department of Environmental Management (IDEM) grant application for a leaf vacuum. The town's match will be

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