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Staying connected

"So far away, doesn't anybody stay in one place anymore," goes the Carol King song from the 1970s and she was right. People do not stay in one place anymore.



Sometimes that happens not because of a desire to live in another locale, but because of an obligation to serve our country to preserve the freedoms we cherish and have all come to expect and accept.

The *Comet* wants to help our service men and women stay connected to our community. And we want our community to stay connected to them. We believe it is important to remember there are community members who are away from home on behalf of all of us.

The power of our paper is the ability to use print to communicate with our readers. We would like to use that medium to keep those who are away connected to those who are not.

The *Comet* invites all members of the community serving our nation, be it overseas or at a facility within the borders of the United States, to send us e-mail about what is going on in their lives, what they miss about Carroll County, what they wish to happen in their home community or anything that is pertinent to them at the time of the writing.

We encourage families and friends of those in the service to contact their loved ones and invite them to contact the *Comet* with their thoughts.

The address for questions and comments concerning Community Connections is dlowe@carrollcountycomet.com.

Please keep text to 250 words or less. The *Comet* reserves the right to determine appropriate editorial content.

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Questions concerning Indiana's Open Door and Public Access Laws may be directed to the state's public access office, at 1-800-228-6013.

Web poll

Tell us starting Wednesday at our web site, carrollcountycomet.com

Do you believe county officials should sell the county-owned property surrounding Carroll Manor?

Yes?
No?
Have no opinion

Web poll results

Each week the *Comet* polls its readers on a different topic. Vote online at carrollcountycomet.com starting each Thursday, and then click the *Comments* link to send us an email voicing your opinion. The best responses will be printed the following week.

Last Week's Results:

Should the property tax be eliminated? If so, with what should it be replaced? E-mail suggestions to: editor@carrollcountycomet.com.
46% Yes
54% No

Total responses: 13

Reader comments:

Property tax is not a fair tax. Taxes should be on everyone's shoulders who live in the county. Why not add the extra money to the license plates, then ask the council members if this was a business they owned, would they raise the price of the product just because they can't run it?

It seemed like a good idea, just a couple snips here and there to straighten out the disappearing border. I got out the hedge shears and took a couple swipes.

Our house was remodeled a good decade ago. During that project, a planting area was created in the front of the house adjacent to the entry door. At that time we bought about five pots of a green vine which I call "myrtle" but which the Master Gardner in our house calls woody euonymus.

A decade is a long time for a creeper plant to have its own way. Way too long it turns out.

"I'd really like to just get rid of it all," my wife said to me as I innocently snipped away. I was trying to square off the growth with the side of the sidewalk.

"I'd really like to just pull it all out."
"All of it, just out?"

I eyed the project set out before me. The area measures about 8 wide by 20 feet long.

The day was young, the air was that wonderful combination of summer/autumn that smells and feels fresh and energetic.

Why not?

First we pulled, then we dug, then things got ugly.

I got in the planting bed with the push mower to at least mulch up the vines. The vines fought back. It was kind of a science fiction type struggle of orderly good versus an evil entanglement.

Eventually we were reduced to sitting in the moist earth and digging, pulling, and snipping little bits of any of the vine that would yield. It was a pathetic kind of gardener's surrender.

We left the garden bed in defeat, packed up our shovels and rakes and every form of cutting tool imaginable. Unspoken between us were visions of commercial tillers, earth moving equipment, toxic chemicals.

Time will tell.

Our reward was a lunch of bacon, lettuce and tomato sandwiches. Oh my. I ask you, does any

Midwest Memo

by Alan Shultz



form of cuisine get better than that? Whole wheat bread slightly toasted. Lettuce, as crisp as it was green. Bacon, four strips arranged in perfect parallel. And the tomatoes, red, ripe, juicy, home grown.

A perfect lunch in the late afternoon of a holiday has a disorienting effect on me. You think there's more holiday left, more energy remain-

ing, more accomplishment to be, well, accomplished.

"Sure, we can wash some windows."

Was that actually me answering that question in the affirmative?

When one washes windows in the big city there is one prominent issue to be dealt with: grime. Grime is an oily, greasy film that settles evenly on window panes and which must be removed with paper towels and a spray bottle of glass cleaner. It takes a little muscle and a little perseverance, but it is a fairly accomplishable task.

In the country, glass cleaning involves an advanced degree in entomology. How else is one to deal with the upset you reek on the mud wasp nests, the spider lures, the breeding grounds, not to mention the extensive bug cemeteries one encounters when washing windows in the country?

We started with a vacuum, hot ammonia water and a razor blade scraper. The paper towels and squirt bottle, those are merely finishing up supplies in the country.

In the city when you open a window there may be an occasional bug stuck in the sash. In the country there is the guarantee of assorted colonies of flying and crawling things, some alive, some dead. And then there are the "dots" all over - stuff of which I don't even want to know the origin. Latin translation: Crepeis Leftoverus.

In the end the windows were shining, our arms aching, and our view improved. We both agreed to skip cleaning the windows which overlook the myrtle/euonymous patch. For the moment, ignorance of how that evil vine plans on regrouping seemed the more pleasant plan.

Letters to the Editor

The Comet welcomes letters to the editor responding to articles and events in the news. They must include the author's name, address and telephone number. The letter writer's name and city/town will appear in the paper - no exceptions. Letters must be 400 words or less in length. Please send your letters to: editor@carrollcountycomet.com; Letters to the Editor, Comet, P.O. Box 26, Flora, IN 46929 or P.O. Box 179, Delphi, IN 46923; or fax 574-967-3384 or 765-564-2010. By submitting a letter or opinion article, the author grants the Comet the right to publish, distribute, archive or use the work in print, electronic, on-line or other format.

Proposed purpose deemed an atrocity

Carroll County Economic Development Director Daryl Smith (whom I believe is paid by your tax dollars) has suggested to county commissioners that they sell county land (your land) to Indiana Packers.

This sale would encompass the land on the north and west sides of Carroll Manor. This would affect the elderly residents of Carroll Manor and their caretakers!

These elderly people helped form this county and certainly deserve more respect and consideration than what this proposal, if enacted, would entail!

Certainly our elderly should not be forced by county leaders to spend their brief remaining years with the noise, stench and disagreeable factors of Indiana Packers at their door and window sills and in their home, or in the case of staff, their workplace.

If our elected officials choose to pursue this insensitive suggestion for the sake and greed of dollars, I challenge you to go to Carroll Manor and tell the residents and staff of what little importance they are to you!

Furthermore, if you permit this transaction, I freely offer (without a tax-paid salary) this advice. Rather than subject residents and staff of Carroll Manor to the ramifications of confinement by Indiana Packers, throw the residents and staff out of this long-standing, worthwhile facility.

This may well be kinder than what they will endure under Mr. Smith's proposal.

It gets better for you.

With the manor empty, convert the many rooms people called home into tourist and cultural shops, and surely the vision of Delphi becoming the Midwest touring mecca will follow in short order!

I would emphatically suggest and personally implore all reasonable, caring and compassionate citizens of Carroll County to immediately call your officials and voice your opinion on this outrageous proposal to encompass Carroll Manor and its residents with this atrocity!

Galen L. Perry
Delphi

Circuit Court Judge Donald Currie

New filings are from public records available in the Carroll County Clerk's office on the second floor of the courthouse, Delphi. Other information regarding judgments and marriage dissolutions is gathered from public records found in the clerk's office.

A complaint on note and to foreclose on real estate was filed in Household Finance Corporation vs. Russell E. Anderson and Martha J. Anderson.

A complaint for damages with jury demand was filed in Michael Sharp vs. Soon Neff.

A complaint was filed in Capital One Bank vs. Brandon T. Vibbert.

Carolyn A. Dillman was named administrator of the Robert L. Dillman estate.

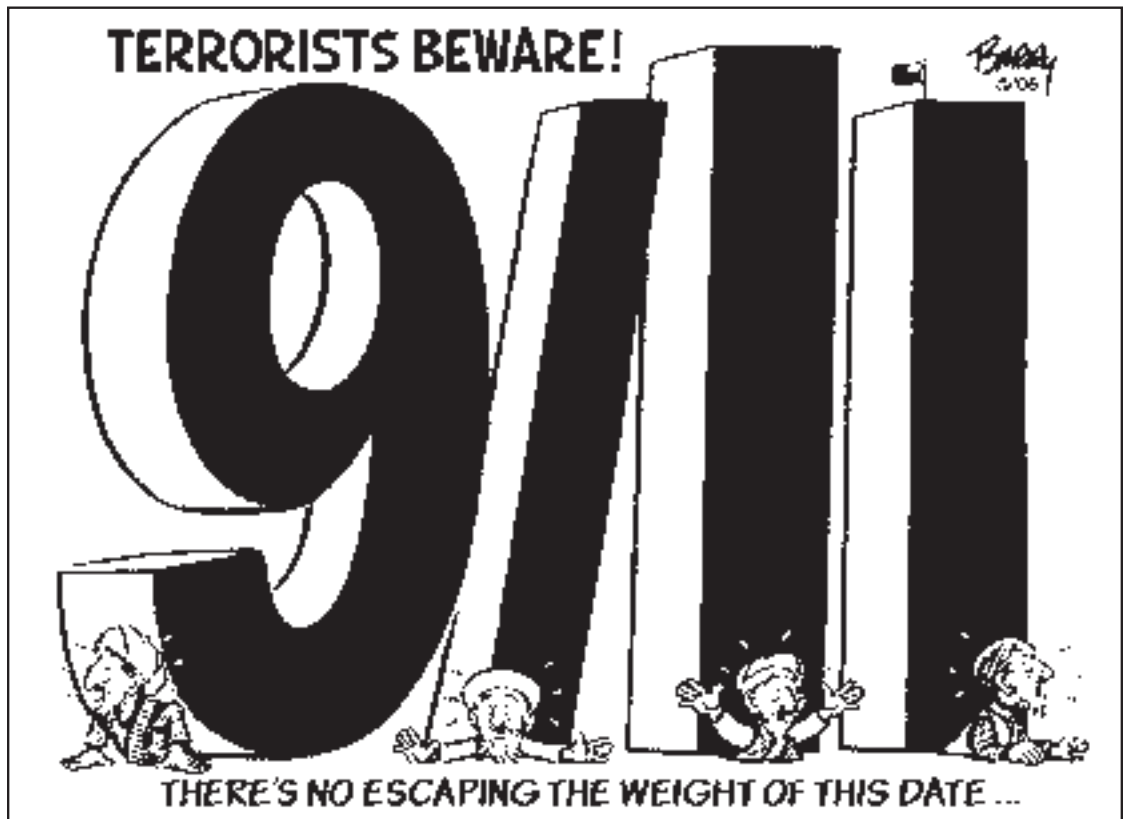
A default judgment was ordered in Centurion Capital Corporation vs. Pamela Wallace. The plaintiff shall recover \$1,728.64 plus costs.

An entry of summary judgment and decree of foreclosure were ordered in JP Morgan Chase Bank vs. Joseph E. Anderson and Diane L. Anderson et al.

A judgment was entered in Daimler Chrysler Financial Services Americas CCS vs. Doug Abdon Chrysler, Plymouth, Dodge, Inc., Douglas R. Abdon and Felicia K. Abdon. The plaintiff shall recover \$3,734,419.82.

The following cases were dismissed: Deutsche Bank National Trust Company vs. Stephen M. Smith; State of Indiana vs. Bryan W. Pancake, in four cases; State of Indiana vs. Matthew J. Clive; Janet Best vs. Gayle Parkevich and Gayle Parkevich counterclaim vs. Janet Best; Carroll County Comet by Joe Moss vs. First Financial Bank NA, Sheriff of Carroll County, et al; Matthew L. Callan vs. Globe Valve Corporation et al; Midland Credit Management Inc. vs. Carolyn Morrison.

In State of Indiana vs. Bryan W. Pancake, 40, Delphi, the defendant pleaded guilty to Count I, Dealing in methamphetamine. He was sentenced to 10 years, with



Superior Court Judge Jeffrey Smith

Superior Court judgments are gathered from public records on file in the Carroll County Clerk's office on the second floor of the courthouse, Delphi.

New Filings

Garrett Chaffin was charged with Count I, possession of marijuana; Count II, battery resulting in bodily injury.

Aaron D. Herendeen was charged with possession of paraphernalia.

Tiffany P. James was charged with operating while intoxicated, endangering a person.

Careon M. Bradshaw was charged with operating while intoxicated, endangering.

Jesse W. Veach was charged with Count I, possession of marijuana; Count II, possession of paraphernalia.

Eddie Grey was charged with operating a vehicle without ever receiving a license.

Corey N. Fletcher was charged with driving while suspended.

Joshua B. Bagwell was charged with public intoxication. ****

The following cases were dismissed: Andrew T. Seibert, Randal J. Wireman, Robert Rusden.

In State of Indiana vs. Cheryl E. Jenkins, 61, West Lafayette, the defendant pleaded guilty to Count I, operating while intoxicated, endangering a person. She was sentenced to six months, suspended, and a year of probation.

A default judgment was ordered in Delphi Community School Corporation vs. Bret Smith. The plaintiff shall recover \$125.58 plus costs.

A default judgment was ordered in DCSC vs. Steve Wilson. The plaintiff shall recover \$69.73 plus costs.

A default judgment was ordered in Baldwin Automotive vs. Sarah Stone. The plaintiff shall recover \$459 plus costs.

A default judgment was ordered in Horizon Veterinary Service vs. Paul Applegate and Debbie Applegate. The plaintiff shall recover \$293 plus costs.

An agreed judgment was ordered in Gaila Chapel vs. Patty Lindsey. The plaintiff shall recover \$900 plus costs and shall

be put in possession of the property.

The following cases were dismissed: Pearson's Gas vs. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Cory; DCSC vs. Mary Hughes; Excel Co-op, Inc. vs. Sean and Misty Mulkey; Rothberg Logan & Warsco LLP vs. Robert L. Hahn; Lafayette Accounts Service, Inc. vs. Gregory B. Bush and Sandra Bush.

A summary judgment and decree of foreclosure were ordered in Wachovia Bank NA vs. Kenneth D. Davidson and Janice A. Davidson et al.

An order granting plaintiff's motion for summary judgment was ordered in Citibank vs. Peggy Hernstine. The plaintiff shall recover \$24,346.20 plus costs.

A default judgment was ordered in Centennial Wireless vs. Chad Wagoner. The plaintiff shall recover \$2,234.57 plus costs.

A default judgment was ordered in Mann Chevrolet-Buick, Inc. vs. Peggy Goris. The plaintiff shall recover \$131.37 plus costs.

Garnishments were ordered in: Town of Camden vs. Bret Smith; Argent Healthcare Financial Service vs. Karen I. Masters.

An entry of in rem judgment and decree of foreclosure were ordered in Citicorp Trust Bank vs. Estate of Jack Smith and Estate of Wilma Smith.

A default judgment of foreclosure was ordered in Irwin Mortgage Corporation vs. Tab L. Barnett and Denise L. Barnett et al.

George J. Novosee was charged with Count I, possession of marijuana; Count II, possession of paraphernalia.

David A. Henderson was charged with Count I, operating while intoxicated, endangering; Count II, operating while intoxicated; Count III, habitual substance offender.

Rachel M. Hettmansperger was charged with maintaining a common nuisance.

Danny A. Freeman was charged with Count I, maintaining a common nuisance; Count

II, possession of marijuana; Count III, possession of paraphernalia.

Sabrina K. Durace was charged with possession of marijuana.

Eddy Cruz was charged with operating while never receiving a license.

Mary E. Jones was charged with Count I, maintaining a common nuisance; Count II, possession of marijuana.

Elizabeth Bellah was charged with possession of marijuana.

Robert H. Yerkes was charged with Count I, maintaining a common nuisance; Count II, possession of marijuana.

Kent A. Durbin was charged with Count I, theft; Count II, false informing.

Bryce A. Ayres was charged with Count I, resisting law enforcement; Count II, reckless driving; Count III, speeding 75/55.

William C. Hart was charged with public intoxication.

Joel S. Sheets was charged with criminal trespass.

In State of Indiana vs. Steven Cole, 53, Rock Island, Tenn., the defendant pleaded guilty to Count I, public intoxication. He was sentenced to three months, with all but two days suspended and a year of probation.

In State of Indiana vs. Charles R. Gibbs, 20, Yeoman, the defendant pleaded guilty to Count I, illegal consumption of alcohol. He was sentenced to two months, suspended and a year of probation.

In State of Indiana vs. Jim Hodge, 48, Camden, the defendant pleaded guilty to Count I, domestic battery. He was sentenced to one year, suspended and a year of probation.

The cases were dismissed in State of Indiana vs. the following: William S. Belle, Will A. Bumps, Jerry Lynch in two cases, Patrick Evans, Brian Evans, Richard L. McCullough, David L. Avery, Dana L. Faucett, Blaine M. McLeland.

In State of Indiana vs. Tony Barden, 33, Monticello, the defendant pleaded guilty to Count II, operating while intoxicated with a prior conviction.