

Staying Connected

E-Mail from those serving our country



Peters
United States Marine Corps. Lance Cpl. Matthew D. Peters is a four-year enlistee and has been stationed in Iraq for about seven months. He lives on Camp Al Taqaaddum (TQ), located between Falluja and Ramadi near Lake Habaniyah. Peters is a 2002 graduate of Delphi Community High School and is taking classes at Motorcycle Mechanics Institute for a technicians' degree.

Peters writes...

I will say that we certainly do have it made over here. The military has gone to great lengths to make these deployments a lot more stress-free for us. So far, they provided us with a huge chow hall with great food, laundry room, internet and phone access, a building to live in with actual beds and a mattress which is pretty awesome, showers, toilets with running water, a nice PX where we can buy anything and most everything that we would ever need and if we can't get it there, then we just order it

online, a barber shop and a lot more.

It's starting to cool down over here to around 100 degrees or just over. Night-time has been around the 70s, which has been very nice.

The only complaints people could possibly have over here are the obvious - not being able to see family and the heat.

My family and friends are deeply rooted in the town of Delphi and the Carroll County area. Without them, I don't know where I'd be. They are very supportive of me and everyone here with me. I love them and miss them a lot. My wife, Regina Peters, is in Phoenix, Arizona, where we live currently due to schooling.

I miss my family and friends very much, but they have all been extremely supportive of the military and myself. They send mail to me all the time to let me know the current events of my hometown there in Delphi, and that's been a real help on top of being able to call and e-mail. All in all I have to say that I'm very happy to be over here and doing what we're doing. This deployment will change my life forever whether it be in a good way or a bad way, it doesn't matter. We're doing what we signed

up to do and I couldn't be prouder to be serving with the best of the best, the U.S. Marines.

The guys and few women that I'm with right here are doing an amazing job no matter what they do. No matter what task or assignment they're given, they do it and they do it very well. I have always heard of famous quotes and such made by prior service Marines, and I now know why they said what they said.

I'll leave with this, thank you for all your support back home. Special thanks to my family and my wife, Gina. You all are what I think about coming home to everyday. I miss you and can't wait to see you in the near future. I love you guys.

Semper Fi,
Lcpl Peters, Matthew
9th ESB Co. "B"

The Comet thanks Lance Cpl. Peters for his e-mail to the community.

If you or someone you know from Carroll County is serving our country and who would like to say a few words to those of us here at home, ask them to send an e-mail to dlowe@carrollcountycomet.com

Staying Connected is a new feature in the Carroll County Comet.

APC issues 35 permits in September

Thirty-five permits were issued by Carroll County Area Plan Commission during September, for improvements amounting to \$1,245,600.

Residential permits with \$706,000 value were issued to persons in the following townships:

Carrollton - Ronald Perry, residence;

Jefferson - Jason and Tobi Summers, residence;

Tippecanoe - Dennis and Joyce Bolinger, residence; Grant and Teresa Cull, residence; David

Kallenberger, residence; and Charles and Clara Molter, residence.

Permits for remodeling and accessories were issued to persons in:

Adams - Rebecca Clements, storage;

Burlington - Roger and Kim Bailey, addition; Ronald Heaton, storage; Ensil Roberts, deck;

Carrollton - William Barnard, storage; Adam Yeakley, garage;

Deer Creek - Wanda Duff, garage; Wesley Graybill, chicken house;

Delphi - David Huston, storage;

Democrat - William and Mary McCarty, storage;

Jackson - Isaac Beery, addition;

Jefferson - Randall Armstrong, pool; Alan and Katrina Coghill, boat storage; Steven Cork, deck; Victor Martino, addition; Eldon and Donna Reid;

Madison - Lloyd and Ruth

Anderson, storage;

Monroe - Robert and Paula Pell, storage;

Rock Creek - Joyce Edmonds, storage;

Tippecanoe - Kent Durbin, addition; David L. Hood, garage; Virginia McCormick, deck; Joel Romein, garage; and James and Manuela Wharam, garage.

Commercial permits:

Grain bins - Scott Spraker, Democrat Twp.; Ted and Rebecca Crowel, Jefferson; M&H Forgey Farms Inc., Washington; Thomas Mylet, Washington.

Hopper grain bins - Mark Justice, Liberty.

The total collected from permits issued was \$1,187, plus:

- Vreba-Hoff Dairy Dev. LLC, \$500 for application for permit;
- John and Linda Brown, \$30 for application for variance;
- William and Patricia Bell, \$50 for rezoning application; and
- Dean Yien, \$30 for application for variance.

Total collected from permits in September was \$1,797. Total collected for 2006 was \$12,812.

Channel 2

'Celebrating 25 years on the air'

Programming for Oct. 4 to 11 is listed below:

Wed., Oct. 4 - 7 p.m., Carroll vs. Clinton Central football game, taped 9/29.

Sat., Oct. 7 - 6 to 8 p.m., Live on the air, Channel 2 Open House. Public is invited to tour the studio. Refreshments will be served.

Sun., Oct. 8 - 9 a.m., Live worship service from Flora First Baptist Church.

Mon., Oct. 9 - 7 p.m., Worship service from Camden United Methodist Church (taped 10/8); followed by Moonlight Madness highlights.

Wed., Oct. 11 - 7 p.m., Taped coverage of the Channel 2 Open House from 10/7.

Business Briefs

The Longaberger Company recently recognized **JEAN RINEHART** of Burlington for Career Achievement in Sales at the annual convention, The Bee, held in Columbus, Ohio.

Rinehart has been an Independent Longaberger Home Consultant since 1981 and was inducted into the \$1 Million Club for having reached personal sales of over \$1,515,769 in her career history with Longaberger. She was awarded a gold pin featuring three emeralds that signify her elite membership status.

Rinehart was also recognized for her appointment to the company's Leadership Growth Council. She was one of 12 members chosen to sit on this council which represented nearly 60,000 other Independent Longaberger Home Consultants across the country. To recognize her appointment, she was awarded a gold pin featuring the company's icon, the Medium Market Basket.

CARROLL TITLE SERVICES has moved from 120 West Main Street to 921 South Washington Street, Delphi. Office hours are 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Correction

The next meeting of the Delphi Community School Corporation Board of Trustees is Oct. 23 at 7 p.m. The date was incorrect as it appeared in the Sept. 20 issue of the Comet.



APC approves amended zoning ordinance

By **Debbie Lowe**
Staff writer

With just over 50 percent of the Carroll County Area Plan Commission's members present at the Sept. 26 meeting, all members voted to send the proposed amended zoning ordinance to the county commissioners for final adoption.

"This is a modest improvement over the one we've been using for the past 35 years," Camden appointee Pete Wagoner said.

Wagoner explained with the current version of the amended ordinance, zoning administrator Dale Huffer would be issuing building permits for any large confined or concentrated animal feeding operation. Local residents would not have the opportunity to learn of plans prior to the permit being issued.

Wagoner suggested a provision be added to the proposed ordinance to allow review of all large operations' plans.

"Without the provision, I just don't think the ordinance serves the county residents adequately," he said. "More and more states are imposing moratoriums on CAFOs. We'd like to know more about the (Ardens dairy) project."

"That's my concern. I won't be voting to approve the ordinance," he concluded.

Huffer informed the group that to send the amended ordinance to commissioners, five out of the eight APC members had to vote in favor of the measure, not a simple majority of those present.

"In an effort to make progress with the ordinance," Wagoner voted for the action. He urged other members to "have an open mind when a problem arises."

"It doesn't go far enough,"

said Elaine McCain of Camden. "We needed that special exception."

Cutler area resident Terris Ayres disagreed. "I think the special exception would be a very poor idea."

Flora attorney Miriam Robeson referred to a special exception as an "undo burden" for large operators. She said that designation would give "anyone with an agenda to come and talk about it."

"Those opposing the dairy are not opposed to local pork producers," McCain said. "It would be good to have the good neighbor policy we have with pork producers."

Other business

APC attorney Patrick Manahan said he reviewed the contract offered by Ground Rules, Inc. to develop a comprehensive land use plan. Manahan stated there were "a number of issues that needed to be resolved" before signing the document.

Manahan detailed provisions set forth in the contract and called the undertaking, "a very intensive project on our part."

He recommended a steering committee be formed prior to finalizing the agreement.

The re-zoning request from agricultural to urban residential on US421, owned by William and Patricia Bell, was approved. Commissioners will provide the final decision.

The next meeting will be Oct. 24 at 7 p.m.

Board of Zoning Appeals

Variance requests from the elevation requirement in a floodway fringe area from Dean Yien and Linda K. Brown, both of Hambrick Dr., were granted.

Looking Back



Wm. "Bill" Roark, Washington St., Delphi, 1919

From the files of Hoosier Democrat, Delphi Journal, Journal-Citizen and Carroll County Comet. Photo provided by Carroll County Historical Museum.

10 YEARS AGO

Not only was it a beautiful day in Flora Sunday, it was a glorious one for those who had undertaken renovation and enlargement of the Flora Public Library.

Many town and township residents along with those from surrounding townships and from throughout the state heard Lon Bohnstedt, board president, tell about the undertaking and how it had been achieved.

Flora has joined Delphi and now has a library which is a credit to any town, or city, in Indiana. Along with the other libraries in the county, the people of Carroll County can be assured that they are well served and that they have opportunities of which they should be proud.

25 YEARS AGO

With the decision of the Carroll Consolidated School board at Tuesday night's meeting to close the Community Building, the final chapter was written in the conclusion to the 77-year history of the building built in 1923.

At the present time the Community Building housed the cafeteria and gymnasium used by Carroll Elementary and Jr. High students. Several other classrooms were used within the building, until classes were moved out the end of last week.

50 YEARS AGO

Last Saturday, morning only the bare concrete foundation and floors of the proposed Boy Scout Cabin in beautiful Riley Park existed. By 9 a.m., contractors, their assistants and volunteers had a framework erected that began to give form to the dream. Next Saturday the shingle roof will be put on. Rough cypress siding will be placed vertically over the insulate and stained a natural brown. Wiring, plumbing, windows, doors, fireplace are to be completed and gas-fired unit installed.

Because of the tremendous loss of shade trees in recent months in Carroll County, the two Delphi news papers are sponsoring a tree information meeting in the REMC auditorium Oct. 18 at 7:30 p.m. Everyone in the area, who has the slightest interest in preserving or developing the shade and beauty provided by trees, is invited to attend.

75 YEARS AGO

Get out the winter wraps and see that the furnace is in good working order, for according to the weather forecast, the month is not going to be a pleasant one. The forecast is for many disagreeable days when fires will be needed in homes. About the middle of the month a cold spell is scheduled with heavy frosts and the weatherman says considerable snowfall may visit this section.

The Carroll County Commissioners met Monday and Tuesday for their regular session. An extension of time was granted on the John E. Swartz gravel road. Specifications for the books, printing and binding for the county offices were approved. William Mahoney filed sworn statement that all bills on the construction of the Gerthe Voorhees road had been paid.

100 YEARS AGO

Delphi was visited by a sure enough fire Thursday afternoon - the first one in over a year. Willard Reed's barn caught fire and was wholly consumed as were also the barns of Dr. Redding and Adam Sines. Several other buildings caught but were extinguished. The property loss will be over \$1500.

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