

Ouabache Rendezvous re-enactors needed

Comet staff report

Rendezvous on the Ouabache will take place June 14 and 15 at Ouabache State Park near Bluffton. The "Rendezvous" is a pre-1840s living history weekend aimed at educating visitors about an important period in the history and expansion of the United States of America.

Interested pre-1840s re-enactors can pick up a registration packet at the Ouabache State Park Office. Registration is open now through May 9.

Due to limited encampment

Area IV receives weatherization award

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The Indiana Housing and Community Development Authority (IHCA) has announced the appropriation of its 2008 Weatherization Awards.

IHCDA will distribute the annual U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) Weatherization funds, totaling \$6,414,468 to Community Action Agencies including Area IV Agency on Aging and Community Action Programs, Inc., which will receive \$244,734.

Help available for flooded farms and ranches

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A flood and heavy rains in January caused severe damage in the northern and western areas of Carroll County. Farms and ranches which suffered severe damage may be eligible for assistance under the Emergency Conservation Program (ECP) administered by the Carroll Farm Service Agency (FSA) county office if the damage:

- Will be so costly to rehabilitate that Federal assistance is or will be needed to return the land to productive agricultural use;
- Is unusual and is not the type that would recur frequently in the same area;
- Affect the productive capacity of the farmland; and
- Will impair or endanger the land.

A producer qualifying for ECP assistance may receive cost-share levels not to exceed 75 percent of the cost of restoration measures. No producer is eligible for more than \$200,000 cost sharing per natural disaster occurrence. The following types of measures may be eligible:

APC issues 12 permits

Twelve permits were issued by Carroll County Area Plan Commission during March, for improvements amounting to \$781,999.

Residential permits with \$524,000 value were issued to persons in the following townships:

- Adams - Jess Geier, residence;
- Clay - Trent and Dawn Lorton, residence;
- Jefferson - Robert Martin, residence.
- Madison - Michael and Shelly Alderman, compact home.

Permits for remodeling and accessories were issued to persons in the following townships:

Burlington - Paul and Betty

space, the number of re-enactors is limited. Applications for both camping and single day reenactors will be accepted. Re-enactors must be willing to give either talks or demonstrations during the Rendezvous.

Individuals who do not live in the area can call (260) 824-0926 or e-mail ouabacheInterp@dnr.in.gov to request a registration packet. Registrations are due back to the park by 4 p.m. May 9. Only re-enactors who complete the registration form will be considered for participation.

Service area for Area IV includes Carroll, Clinton, Tippecanoe and White counties.

The Weatherization Assistance Program provides comprehensive weatherization services to low-income households.

"Weatherization activities can significantly reduce the amount of energy a household uses," said Sherry Seiwert, Executive Director of IHCA. "Lower usage means a lower utility bill, which can make a big difference in a low-income family's budget."

- Removing debris from farmland;
- Grading, shaping, or releveling severely damaged farmland;
- Restoring permanent fences; and
- Restoring conservation structures and other similar installations.

Producers who have suffered a loss from a natural disaster may contact the Carroll FSA county office between March 27 and April 16 at (765) 564-2849 for assistance.

To be eligible for assistance, practices must not be started until all of the following are met:

- An application for cost-share assistance has been filed;
- The local FSA County Committee (COC) or its representative has conducted an on-site inspection of the damaged area; and
- The agency responsible for technical assistance, such as the Natural Resource Conservation Service (NRCS), has made a needs determination, which may include cubic yards of earthmoving or other information required for rehabilitation.

Burns, garage; Brian and Lourdes Henderson, storage; Clay - Thomas and Melinda Hicks, playhouse; Thomas and Melinda Hicks, storage; Deer Creek - Esther K. Brummett, garage; Jefferson - Kyle and Tonya O'Farrell, tool shed/lean-to; Oakdale Farms, Inc., garage.

Jackson - Hog Slat Midwest, Inc., truck wash. The total collected from permits issued was \$753, plus: Joshua Diggs, variance, \$30; Charles Pestow, variance, \$30; Bock Clark Corp., ordinance book, \$10. Total collected from permits in March was \$823.

Horseshoe Bend resident charged with robbery

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Westlake-Trent

Livia M. Westlake-Trent, 34, of Horseshoe Bend, was arrested Friday after allegedly robbing the Lafayette Bank & Trust in Brookston late Friday afternoon.

According to police, the robber wore sunglasses, a blue hooded sweatshirt, white gloves and a ball cap, displayed a handgun and demanded the Brookston Branch employee put money into a bag. After receiving the money the robber left the bank and reportedly drove away in a gold colored Ford Taurus.

Bank employees identified the robber as Westlake-Trent, who was arrested in Horseshoe Bend

on suspicion of armed robbery, a Class B felony; battery on a police officer, a Class D felony, and resisting law enforcement, a Class D felony.

Westlake-Trent was being held in White County Jail, Monticello, on a \$500,000 cash bond.

The robbery occurred at 5:27 p.m. and only employees were in the bank.

Assisting the Indiana State Police in the investigation are the following police departments, Brookston, White County, Carroll County, Monticello, and Delphi, White County Prosecutor's Office, and the Lafayette Office of the FBI.

Camden

Mary Whitfield
Camden 686-2553

Camden American Legion Auxiliary Unit 413 will meet at 7 p.m. Monday in the Legion Home. Hostesses will be Janet Barnaby and Cindi Chapman.

Volunteer firemen will meet at 7 p.m. Monday in the Fireman's Lounge.

Camden-Jackson Township Public Library Board will meet at 7 p.m. April 9 in the library's Reading Room.

United Methodist Women will meet at 7 p.m. April 10 in the home of Mary Trapp. Devotions will be given by Mary Trapp and the lesson by Marge Sieber. Bible verse will be from II Corinthians.

Approximately 43 people attended Community Good Friday Service and 45 attended Community Easter Sunrise Service. The services are sponsored by Camden Council of Churches.

Sunday was the kickoff for the 175th anniversary celebration of Camden First Baptist Church with 102 attending. Guest speakers were Dr. Larry Mason and Dr. Jim Walter. An afternoon program followed the noon meal.

The library's "Winter into Spring" Reading Program has reached its midway point. The group recently had an afternoon get-together. Judie Peters presented a book review. The program runs through April 25 and there is still time to sign up.

Burlington

Cheryl Milburn
Burlington 566-3453

Park Board will meet at 7 p.m. today, Wednesday.

Community Club will meet at 7 p.m. Monday.

Town Council will meet in the town hall at 7 p.m. Tuesday.

Kiwanis Club will meet Saturday at 7:30 a.m. for breakfast and meeting at the fire station.

Doyal and Evelyn McIlrath will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary with an open house on Sunday from 2 to 4 p.m. at the Community Building. They request no gifts, but cards are welcome.

The congregation of Crossroads Community Christian Church are being offered pews and any not taken will be set outside and offered to the public free.

Faith Church of Christ Bible Study on April 2 at 6:30 p.m. features "Twelve Words that Jesus Knew," and on April 8 at 9 a.m., "Teach Me to Study the Bible in 28 Days."

Game Night will be held at Faith Church of Christ from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. April 10. Those at-

tending should bring their favorite game.

Faith Youth Group will meet from 6 to 8 p.m. Sunday.

WMS will meet at 6 p.m. April 10 at the First Brethren Church.

Men's Group Breakfast and Bible Study will be held at 6 a.m. Friday at The Dinner Bell.

Midweek Bible Study will be held April 3 at Oakland Christian Church.

Cheryl Milburn joined 57 other United Methodist Women from Indiana who traveled to Bloomington, Minn., March 27-30 to attend the United Methodist Jurisdictional Conference.



Donnelly to hold Delphi hours

A member of Congressman Joe Donnelly's staff will be at the Delphi Public Library today, April 2 from 4 to 5 p.m. The library is located at 222 E. Main St. Constituents are encouraged to visit the library with questions or comments about local and national issues.

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Delphi Police Dept.

March 23, 7:23 p.m. - Criminal mischief, 410 N. Union St. Vehicle owned by Toni James was vandalized with a key. Officer Shane Bernhardt responded.

March 24, 8:37 p.m. - Theft, Delphi Public Library. Bicycle belonging to a juvenile male was stolen. Officer Chuck Kent responded.

March 27 - Attempted burglary, 402 E. Monroe St. Rear door to residence of Kristy Glenn was damaged in a

failed attempt to enter. Officer David Yeager responded.

Sheriffs Dept.

Criminal/non-criminal reports

March 20, 11:58 p.m. - Driving while suspended/prior, 400 block of W. SR25. Kurt Hubbard, Fort Wayne, was arrested. K-9 Deputy Mike Thomas responded.

March 20, 8:55 p.m. - Possession of marijuana, 400 block of N. US421. Je-

remy Boles, 33, and Matthew McClain, 44, both of Delphi, were arrested on suspicion of possession of marijuana, maintaining a common nuisance and visiting a common nuisance. Thomas and K-9 unit Dorsey responded.

March 21, 3:07 p.m. - Theft, 10300 block of W. Bicycle Bridge Rd. Reported theft of items from the residence of Grace Dubes, 76, rural Delphi. Deputy John Chapman responded.

March 22, 2:37 p.m. - Theft, 300 block of S. CR600N. Items missing

from the Carl Robeson farm in Washington Township. Chapman responded.

March 25, 12:09 a.m. - Assisting another agency, 300 block of W. Main St. Chemical test run for ISP troopers. Deputy Jay Schimmel did the work.

March 25, 9:25 a.m. - Theft, 2700 block of N. CR900W. Medication taken from a vehicle owned by Ryan Johnson, Pittsburg, Maj. Tobe Leazenby responded.

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