

County to hold 2nd annual Fallen Officers Blood Drive

Comet staff report

The second annual fallen officer's blood drive will be held not only in the Lafayette District, but throughout the state this month.

On July 10, 2001, Sergeant Dan R. Starnes of the Morgan County Sheriff's Department lost his life as a result of gunshot wounds sustained during a line of duty gun battle with a burglary suspect four weeks earlier. To keep

his legacy alive his surviving spouse Janice organized the Sergeant Dan R. Starnes Memorial Blood Drive in Morgan County later that year and has organized a blood drive each year since then in Dan's memory. Last year she decided to take the blood

drive statewide and renamed it the Indiana Fallen Officers Blood Drive. She set a goal of collecting 1,500 units of blood and that goal was shattered when over 5,000 units were collected.

The second annual Indiana Fallen Officers Blood Drive

will be from June 8 through June 21. All 92 Indiana counties have agreed to participate this year.

Carroll County's Fall Officers Blood Drive will be Monday from 4 to 7 p.m. at the Wabash & Erie Canal Conference Center in Delphi.

Last year 15,105 people benefited directly from the Indiana Fallen Officers Blood Drive

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Anniversary open house



Mr. and Mrs. Gene A. McCarty of 7507 W. 700 S., Rossville, will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary on June 22. Family and friends are invited to an open house that day from 1 to 4 p.m. at the couple's home.

McCarty and the former Donna Neuenschwander were married June 22, 1958, at the Pymont E.U.B. Church by the Rev. Keith Smitley.

He is retired from Fairfield

Manufacturing Co., Lafayette. A homemaker, Mrs. McCarty is retired from in home childcare.

The couple has three children, Steven McCarty (wife: Sandy) of Wabash, Gary McCarty (wife: Vicki) of Carmel, and Millie McCarty of Lafayette; five grandchildren; and two great-granddaughters.

The couple requests that gifts be omitted.

Blues celebrate 50th



Mr. and Mrs. Fredrick D. Blue, 2289W SR 18, Kokomo, will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary at an open house June 15 at the Galveston Community Building on W. SR 18.

The event is being hosted by their family from 2 to 4 p.m.

Blue and the former Janis Exmeyer were married June 22, 1958, at the Galveston First Baptist Church.

He is retired from Thermodyn Inc. and Goudy Bros., and she is retired from Thermodyn, in the office.

They have four sons, Brett Blue (wife: Trudy), rural Kokomo; Brian Blue (wife:

Joan), rural Peru; Mark Blue, rural Kokomo; and Randall Blue (wife: Julia), rural Kokomo. The couple has 12 grandchildren (one deceased) and one great-grandchild.

The Blues also celebrated in February with a Caribbean cruise.

For the open house, they request that gifts be omitted.

Correction

In the 60th wedding anniversary announcement for Mr. and Mrs. Bill Burns that appeared in last week's issue, their sons-in-law were listed incorrectly. They are Bill Hufford, Sonny Huddleston and the late Roger Trent.

Announcements

CARROLL COUNTY GARDEN CLUB will meet June 14 from 10 a.m. to noon and the home of Alex and Elizabeth Martin, 900S. CR900W., in Odell southwest of Lafayette. Those who wish to carpool should meet at Flora Park at 9 a.m. or Delphi Dairy Queen at 9:20. Call (765) 586-5226 or (765) 413-8624 for more information. The club will also travel to the **WHITE RIVER GARDENS AND ART MUSEUM** June 17, leaving from Flora Park. For information, call Julia Terrell at (765) 564-3711.

DELPHI AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY will meet June 18 at 2 p.m. in the Legion Hall on S. Washington St.

CARROLL COUNTY REPUBLICAN WOMEN will meet Monday at 7 p.m. at the Flora Senior Center. Aimee Kindred from the Indiana Department of Transportation will be the speaker. She will be giving an update on the SR 25 "Hoosier Heartland" project and will address any questions and concerns. Lindsey Kilty and Penny Titus are hostesses.

The 4th annual **MILITARY PATRIOTIC BOAT PARADE & CELEBRATION** will be held July 5 on Lake Freeman. The community is invited to the Sportsman Inn deck at 11:45 a.m. to watch the parade pass in review. Afterwards there will be free carnival games, bike wars, music, and food at Monticello City Park from 1 to 4 p.m. A family movie with free popcorn begins at 4 p.m. Military families, of both veterans and young people currently serving are invited to ride the Madam Carroll (free). For more information, contact Joe Crivello 574 583-9751.

Teams are needed for a **CANOE RACE** Sunday afternoon, running from the Carrollton Bridge to Pittsburg. Teams can sign up through the Carroll County Highway Dept., 574-967-4244 or email, highway.dept@ffni.com. The canoe race will follow a series of dedications at the

bridge. The ceremonies begin at 2 p.m. on the bridge. Around 3 p.m. there will be a demonstration of an antique auto hill climb on the Carrollton Hill, followed by the canoe race.

Flora Community Club KICK Team will host the third annual Flora area **HOME TOUR** on June 21 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. The following five homes will be on the tour: Cullan and Becky Eikenberry, John and Autumn Filbrun, Richard and Nancy Hicks, all of Flora; Kirk and Chrystal Ayres, Bringham; and Mark and Jill Scharer, Cutler. Proceeds will be used for scholarships and other needs in the community. For ticket information, call The Flower Shoppe, 574-967-3022.

CARROLL COUNTY RELAY FOR LIFE will host a **RELAY IDOL CONTEST** at 9 a.m. Saturday, June 28. Anyone interested in performing should contact Ramona Ogle, 574-967-4612 or 765-432-3362. There will be judges, and a prize for the winner. Performers will need to provide their own music, preferably on CD or mp3 format.

Delphi Presbyterian Church will host its **SENIOR CITIZENS MONTHLY LUNCHEON** June 18 at noon in the church Fellowship Hall. An elevator is available for those in need. Call Susan at the church between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. at (765) 564-2371 for information or to request a ride.

All those interested in volunteering with the preservation and development of the **WILDCAT VALLEY** and **OXBOW PARK** at Cutler are invited to a meeting June 12 at 7 p.m. at the Wildcat Creek Bed and Breakfast.

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