

## Business Briefs

Flora Police Officer **JOSH DISINGER** has been commended by the Governor's Council on Impaired and Dangerous Driving for his work during Blitz 58, an effort to enforce strict seat belt enforcement. Disinger issued 25 seat belt arrests in a single day during a recent blitz.



**Disinger**

"Without a doubt, Officer Disinger was aware that by living in a very small community his effort would be criticized by many," said Phil Oliver, Governor's Council North Central liaison. "I feel he should know that he did 'the right thing.' He may never realize the life he has saved through his action and dedication."

"It is the law and it saves lives," said Council member David Albaugh at Monday night's meeting. "We commend Officer Disinger for writing those tickets."

Town Marshal Paul Redmon said the next seat belt

blitz will run from April 24 to May 8, especially targeting pickup trucks. He said his department, along with the county sheriff's department and Delphi City Police, jointly applied for a grant to fund the extra patrols.

Seat belt arrests result in a \$25 fine, said Redmon. Everyone must wear their seat belt properly unless they have a medical slip stating they cannot wear the belt for medical reasons.

**DELPHI MUNICIPAL AIRPORT** recently had the winning project in the overlays category of the Indiana Chapter - American Concrete Pavement Association's (IC-ACPA) 2009 Excellence in Concrete Pavement Awards.

Eight awards were presented for projects completed in 2008. Delphi Municipal Airport's project was Runway "18-36" Rehabilitation AIP 3-18-0117-09. The original runway was built in the early 1970s and had been periodically patched as needed during the past several years. As an up-grade to the runway was necessary, the airport's consultant, NGC Corporation, devised a plan to utilize Full Depth Reclamation (FDR); a process that creates a renewed base and specified a 5" asphalt overlay for the surface.

The alternate bid selected resulted in a 22% reduction in cost from the base bid.

Sixty-three consecutive calendar days were allotted the project that was completed in 40 days.

The Indiana Chapter - ACPA hosted a Project Open House on July 23.

## Recycling cell phones protects the environment

Each year, 100 million cell phones and other electronic communication devices are no longer used, and only 10 percent of them are recycled. If each one of those unwanted devices were recycled, enough energy would be generated to power 18,500 households for a year.

Now through April 12 Hoosiers can participate in National Cell Phone Recycling Week by recycling or donating their unwanted cell phones, Personal Digital Assistants (PDAs) and accessories.

There are two main reasons cell phones should be recycled or reused. Heavy metals in the cell phone's battery and circuitry, if released to the environment, can have a negative impact. In addition, reusing the precious metals, copper, and plastic components from these old phones conserves energy in the manufacturing process, reduces air emissions, and conserves natural resources.

The low recycling rate is primarily due to uncertainty of where to recycle the devices, so this week, cell phones and other communication devices can be dropped off at select phone distributors, including AT&T, Best Buy, LG Electronics, Motorola, Nokia, Office Depot, Samsung, Sony

Ericsson, Sprint, Staples, T-Mobile, and Verizon Wireless. Throughout the year, the public should check with their local solid waste management districts for information about local drop-offs or special collections.

Before dropping off or donating used electronic devices, there are certain responsibilities that should be considered: make sure the service contract

is terminated, and be sure data in the phone has been erased by either manually deleting the information and removing the SIM card or by contacting the service provider or phone manufacturer for instructions. Another option is to use a data erasing tool.

For more information, visit the Recycle Indiana Web site at [www.recycle.IN.gov](http://www.recycle.IN.gov).



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