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## Lake County 4-H members, families, and adult volunteers celebrate Achievement Night with recognition awards and ambassadorships

The highlight of the Lake County 4-H Achievement Night was the crowning of the 2017 4-H Royal Ambassadors. The 2017 Citizenship Ambassador Award was presented to Josephine Gianni, graduate of Crown Point High School, in recognition of her 4-H achievement, community service, and citizenship skills.

Tristan Hann is the son of Jeff and Tracy Hann of Donovan, Illinois. Kathy Kennelly is the daughter of Tom and Margaret Kennelly of Lowell. Jamie Reed is the daughter of James and Janet Reed of Lowell. The Royal Ambassadors were selected based on candidates' achievement records, a résumé of life skills developed through 4-H, and an interview with a panel of judges.

The 2017 Leadership Ambassador Award, recog-

nizing the development of leadership skills through the 4-H program, was presented to Michael Clark, graduate of Lake Central High School.

Other members of the Ambassador Board included Madison Berger, Crown Point High School; Beverly Bewick, Valparaiso High School; Nathan Davids, Crown Point High School; Breanne Gatlin, Lowell High School; Faith Hann, Donovan High School; Christina Javorka, Marian Catholic High School; Daniel Jones, Crown Point High School; Steven Kvachkoff, Crown Point High School; Earlyne Long, Hanover Central High School; Katelynn Neal, Crown Point High School; Clara Reed, Hebron High School; Elizabeth Sever, Crown Point High School; and Montgomery Stockton-Fresso, Lake Central High School.

The Ambassador awards were sponsored by Lake County Farm Bureau, Farm Credit Services of Mid-America, Allstate Foundation, Jean Hulsey, Mary Hulsey, Saddle and Spurs 4-H Club, Sapper's Market and Greenhouses, Cumberland Farm, and Sheehy Well Pump Company.

Indiana 4-H Foundation Scholarships were awarded to Josephine Gianni, Saddle and Spurs 4-H Club, and Emily Sepko, Fantastic 4-Hers 4-H Club.

Beverly Bewick, Valparaiso High School, and Josephine Gianni, Crown Point High School, were recognized with Indiana Farm Bureau 4-H Tenure Awards.

Awards were also given for achievement in specific 4-H project areas. Josephine Gianni, Crown Point High School, was the recipient.

(See 4-H Pg. 6)



The 2017 Lake County 4-H Ambassador Board. Pictured standing, left to right, are Elizabeth Sever, Josephine Gianni, Tristan Hann, Kathy Kennelly, Daniel Jones, Steven Kvachkoff, Nathan Davids, Montgomery Stockton-Fresso, Michael Clark, Clara Reed, and Jamie Reed. Seated are Faith Hann, Katelynn Neal, Christina Javorka, Earlyne Long, Madison Berger, Beverly Bewick, and Breanne Gatlin.



Second-graders graduated from the Mini 4-H program. Pictured left to right are Claire Donaldson, Josephine Laub, Michael Hein, Alicia Clark, Kamryn McLean, and Fawwaz Shareef; and standing: Anna Santos, 4-H volunteer and Mini 4-H program superintendent.



The 2017 Lake County 4-H Royal Ambassadors, Jamie Reed, Tristan Hann, and Kathy Kennelly.

## Organization offers tips to reduce the danger of potential wildfires

Nearly every state has experienced fires that rage out of control in the landscape. While the largest and most devastating burn in the West, fires can spread anywhere suburb meets country or housing development meets conservation land.

Homeowners can protect

their properties in two ways:

- design and maintain a landscape that discourages fires
- build with flame-resistant materials

"Fires need fuel, such as dead trees, shrubs and grasses," says Tchukki Andersen, BCMA, CTSP\* and staff arborist with the Tree Care

Industry Association (TCIA). "While no landscape is fire-proof, there are steps you can take to reduce the danger."

TCIA offers these tips for your landscape to combat wildfires:

- If you are in a wildfire-prone area, reduce the amount of potential fuel

around your home. Provide enough tree- and shrub-free space between your home and the undeveloped land to help ensure that your home can survive without firefighters.

- All dead branches that hang over your roof should be removed. Leaves, needles and

other dead vegetation should not be allowed to build up on the roof or in gutters.

- In parts of the country where wildfires are rare but still possible, an area of well-irrigated vegetation should extend at least 30 feet from your home on all sides. In high-hazard areas, a clear-

ance of between 50 and 100 feet or more may be necessary – especially on downhill sides of the lot.

- Further from the house, install low-growing shrubs. When planting trees, space them no closer than 10 feet apart. Beyond 100 feet from

(See Danger Pg. 3)

## IDHS encourages Hoosiers to think of neighbors during 'Preparedness Month'

September is National Preparedness Month, and the Indiana Department of Homeland Security is continuing to encourage Hoosiers to take steps to make sure their communities are prepared in the event of a disaster.

The theme for the second week of National Preparedness Month is "Plan to Help Your Neighbor and Community". Getting to know a neighbor and working within the local community can help to make everyone involved more prepared ahead of a disaster.

During emergency situations, neighbors are some-



times the true first responders on scene. Knowing the needs of neighbors can help to keep communities safe.

Listed below are tips to consider when working within the community:

- Make sure that any contact information for neighbors is up-to-date.
- Consider joining a local Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) as

(See IDHS Pg. 3)

## Annual walk-a-thon allows students to show appreciation to teachers

On Friday, September 22, students at St. Mary Catholic Community School will show their appreciation for their teachers by participating in the school's annual walk-a-thon. The walk-a-thon was organized by the St. Mary's Parish Council and Finance Council. The trek by St. Mary's students will begin at 10 a.m.

St. Mary's has provided a high-quality education to students since 1872 and a strong faculty has always been, and continues to be, paramount to the school's success. Support from the parish, the school community, and the Crown Point community at large for



this event is excellent.

This year's co-chairs for the event are Lowell Killion and Penny Pappas. Those who would like to learn more or support the teachers by

way of a donation may visit: <http://shortlink.stmarycp.org/walk-a-thon>.

Pictured are students who took to the sidewalks at last year's walk-a-thon.



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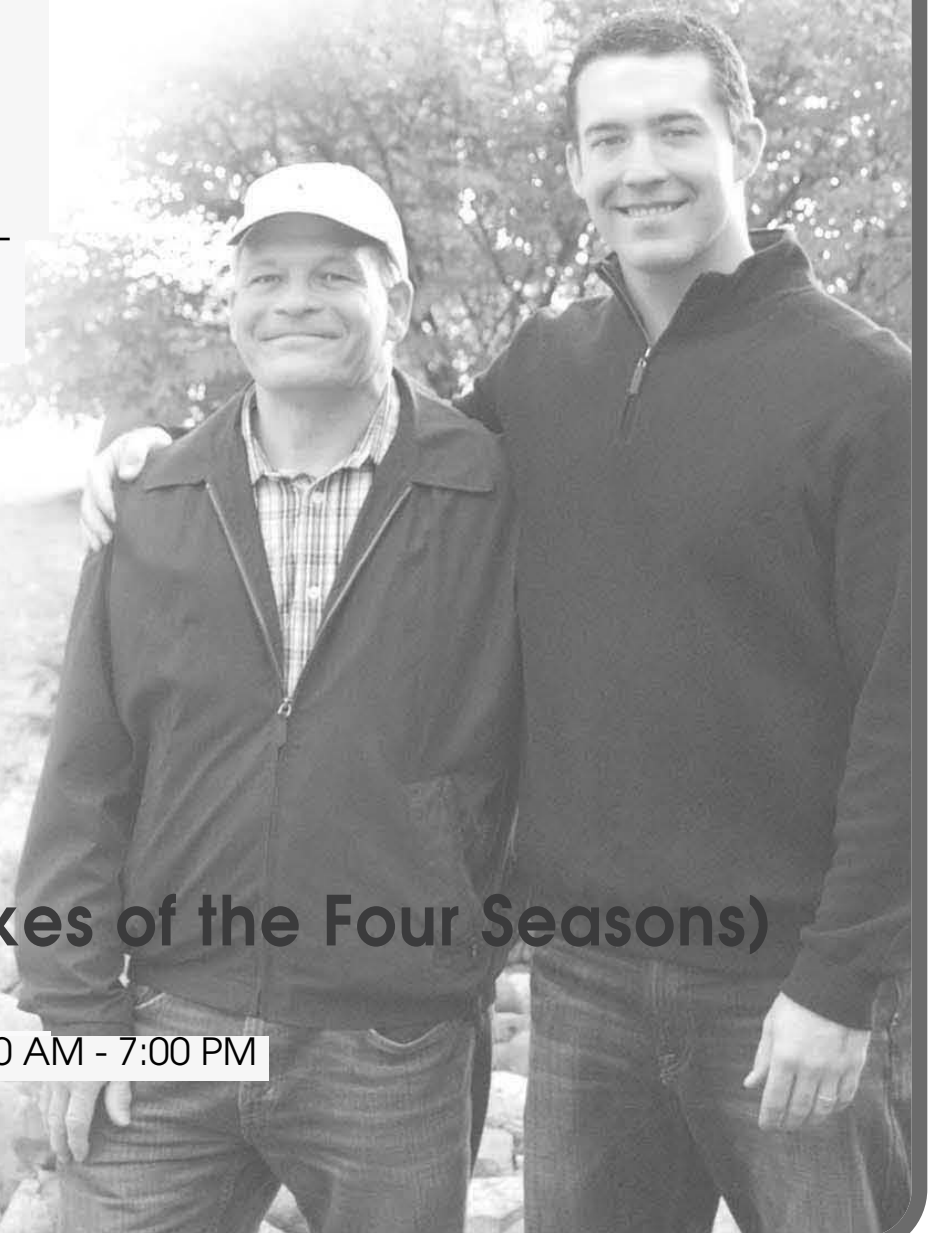
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## Clinic supporting the social, emotional needs of youth to be held on Tuesday, September 19

Traumatic events in children's lives impact their neurological functioning, influences their behavior and sometimes leads to mental health diagnosis. Children in families with high levels of stress are twice as likely as their peers to be disengaged in school and four times as likely to have behavioral or emotional problems.

The Indiana Youth Institute, Geminus Corporation and Boys and Girls Club of Northwest Indiana are hosting a free training event to give adults who work with youth a better understanding of the effect that stress and trauma can have on the children they serve.

The event will run from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. CDT on Tuesday, September 19 in the basement meeting room of Geminus Corporation, 8400 Louisiana Street in Merrillville.

Tracy Butler, IYI's director of college and career counseling, will speak to attendees about how stress and trauma can impact a young person's social-emotional health and development. Attendees will learn how to provide trauma-informed support and environments to youth in schools and community programs.

As part of IYI's Youth Worker Café program, the forum and lunch are free,

but reservations are required. RSVP at [www.iyi.org/calendar](http://www.iyi.org/calendar). If there is trouble with the link, contact IYI Statewide Outreach Manager Debbie Jones via e-mail at [djones@iyi.org](mailto:djones@iyi.org). For more information about the café, contact IYI's Northwest Outreach Manager Melanie Walker at [mwalker@iyi.org](mailto:mwalker@iyi.org).

Youth Worker Cafés are designed to bring together local youth workers to build relationships and inspire collaborations that will benefit children. Attendees may bring business cards and program information to share, and may arrive 15 minutes early or stay 15 minutes for networking.

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a volunteer, as this will help to strengthen community response capability.

- Learn how to turn off utilities, such as gas and electricity, in the event of a disaster.

Gas leaks can be harmful to an entire neighborhood if not properly addressed.

- Identify multiple evacuation routes prior to an emergency, and share this information with neighbors.

For more information on National Preparedness Month, visit [www.ready.gov/september](http://www.ready.gov/september).

For additional preparedness and safety information, visit [www.getprepared.in.gov](http://www.getprepared.in.gov).

*(Danger from Pg. 1)*

the house, dead wood and older trees should be removed or thinned by qualified professionals.

- The lower limbs of tall shade trees should be pruned 6 feet above the ground. A professional arborist should always be contacted to remove any large broken or dead limbs high in the tree. Careful pruning preserves a tree's appearance, enhances structural integrity and assists in the plant's ability to resist fire.

"As a general rule, the healthier the tree, the more likely it is to survive a fire," explains Andersen. "In addition to pruning, a professional arborist can recommend fertilization, soil management, disease treatment or pest control measures to promote healthy trees. Landscape design and maintenance are also important factors in a home's survival."

A professional arborist can assess your landscape

and work with you to determine the best care for your trees. Contact the Tree Care Industry Association, a public and professional resource on trees and arboriculture since 1938. TCIA has more than 2,300-member tree care firms and affiliated companies who recognize stringent safety and performance standards and who are required to carry liability insurance. For more, visit [www.tcia.org](http://www.tcia.org) or [www.treecaretips.org](http://www.treecaretips.org).



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## 'Regional Impressions & Reflections' exhibit will run through September 24

The Area Artists Association of Lubeznik Center for the Arts will be displaying 100 pieces at the Indiana Welcome Center's exhibit hall through September 24. The W.F. Wellman Exhibit Hall is free and open to the public and open seven days a week.

The show, Regional Impressions and Reflections, displays the diverse media, styles, approaches and insights used by the Area Artists Association of Lubeznik Center for the Arts

to convey aspects of environments, both physical and psychological.

One-hundred paintings, photographs and sculptures are included in the exhibit and feature more than 20 local artists.

The Area Artists Association was founded in 1978 and includes juried artists who live and work in the Northwest Indiana Region. The mission of the group is to increase the appreciation and recognition of local and regional member artists

through exhibitions and promotion of art.

Interested artists can learn more about the AAA at [www.lubeznikcenter.org](http://www.lubeznikcenter.org). To learn more about the Indiana Welcome Center and on-going exhibits, visit [www.alongthesouthshore.com](http://www.alongthesouthshore.com). The IWC is located at 7770 Corinne Drive in Hammond.

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**Roller derby Roller Girls end season on Saturday with doubleheader**

Northwest Indiana's roller derby team, the South Shore Roller Girls, will host a doubleheader bout on Saturday, September 16. SSRG will end the season with a doubleheader at the Jean Shepherd Community Center, located at 3031 J.F. Mahoney Drive in Hammond.

The whistle blows at 6 p.m. as SSRG's Derailers take on Chicago Outfit Mixer. Then at 8 p.m. SSRG's Runaways go against Demolition City.

Doors open at 5:30 p.m. and tickets may be purchased at the door at \$10 per adult or \$5 for children age 6-10. Children 5 and under are ad-

mitted free of charge. Food and drink are available; for fans 21 years old and over, adult beverages will also be served.

SSRG strives to improve individual athleticism, character, and community. They are dedicated to community outreach through philanthropy and local events. A portion of the proceeds from the Roller Derby Rumble bout will go to the charity of Mommy's Haven.

To learn more about the South Shore Roller Girls, find them on Facebook or visit their website at [www.southshorerollergirls.com](http://www.southshorerollergirls.com).

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## Winfield Community Foundations seeks residents to participate in 'On The Table' discussions

The Winfield Community Foundation is seeking residents of Winfield Township to participate in a region-wide event on behalf of the Legacy Foundation of Lake County.

'On The Table' discussions are local, community-focused, small group round tables opening up dialogue about the challenges in the area that affect it the most.

These discussions will be occurring at numerous locations across Lake County.

To support this effort, the Winfield Community Foundation has announced it will host various 'On The Table' discussions around the Winfield area on Tuesday, September 26. The Foundation is inviting all residents of Winfield Township who would like to voice their

ideas and concerns about their community to participate.

If you are interested and would like more information, contact [wcfsecretary@gmail.com](mailto:wcfsecretary@gmail.com). There are a limited number of spots available.



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ent of the 4-H Dairy Cattle Memorial Award. Madison Berger, Crown Point High School, received the 4-H Dairy Goat Memorial Award. Both dairy awards were sponsored by the Jack and Holgar Thunboe Family.

Michael Clark, Lake Central High School, received the 4-H Entomology Achievement Award, sponsored by the Northwest Indiana Beekeepers Association.

The 4-H Horse & Pony Memorial Award, sponsored by the Lake County 4-H Horse & Pony Committee, was presented to Mackenzie Hein, Hebron Middle School.

Nathan Davids, Crown Point High School, was the recipient of the 4-H Junior Leaders Award, sponsored by the Lake County 4-H Junior Leaders.

Jamie Reed, Lowell High School, was the recipient of the 4-H Livestock Achievement Awards sponsored by the Lake County 4-H Auction Committee.

The 4-H Science Achievement Award, sponsored by Jim's Repair Service, was presented to Montgomery Stockton-Fresso, Lake Central High School.

Maitlynd Plants, Lowell Middle School, received the 4-H Middle School Achievement Award, sponsored by Jim's Repair Service.

The winner of the annual Handbook Cover Contest was Riley Mowry, Hebron Elementary School. Her artwork will appear on the cover of 2018 Lake County 4-H Handbook. Recent high school graduates completing ten years in 4-H were honored: Analea Albright, Morton Senior High; Donald Arnold, Kankakee Valley High School; Heather Bayne, Indiana Connections Academy; Beverly Bewick,

Valparaiso High School; Cheyenne Childers, homeschool; Michael Clark, Lake Central High School; Patrick Claus, Crown Point High School; Nathan Cook, Lowell High School; Josephine Gianni, Crown Point High School; Tristan Hann, Donovan High School; Daniel Jones, Crown Point High School; Kathy Kennelly, Lowell High School; Katrina Lozanoski, Lake Central High School; Emma Millard, Lake Central High School; Caleb Pruitt, homeschool; Jamie Reed, Lowell High School; Maxwell Schmidt, Hanover Central High School; and Halie Turich, Crown Point High School.

The program recognized other members completing their final year in 4-H: Cassandra Araujo, Calumet High School; Morgan Barnes, Beecher High School; Jessica Batterman, Illiana Christian High School; Hunter Boyer, Lowell High School; Arnoldo Carillo,

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## Outdoor Indiana Magazine features whooping cranes

Outdoor Indiana magazine's September-October issue features a cover article on whooping cranes. The article explains how Indiana has become the preferred winter home for the rare bird's Eastern population, which last year number 109. The issue also contains articles on efforts to preserve the state's historic religious buildings, its

culture of gourd enthusiasts, and much more.

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people in grades K-12. Enrollment for 2017-18 will begin October 1.

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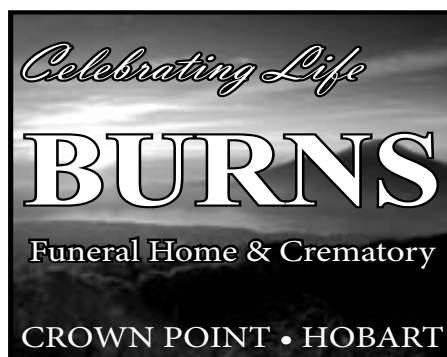
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### Franciscan Health Dyer, Hammond offer free prostate screenings in September

Franciscan Health's Hammond and Dyer campuses will offer free prostate screenings from 5 to 7 p.m. on Sept. 21 and 28, respectively.

The programs will take place at the Hammond campus Oncology Center, 5454 Hohman Avenue; and at the Dyer campus Oncology Center, 24 Joliet Street (corner of U.S. 30 and Hart Street).

Patients must be between 50 and 69 years of age and must have had their last prostate screening prior to January 2016. Those younger than 50 must be African American, or at high risk, due to family history.

Patients will receive PSA, testosterone and cholesterol results within a few weeks.

Registration is required. Call (800) 931-3322.

### Tickets available for the St. Anthony Village annual gala

Tickets are now available for the St. Anthony Village and Hospice Franciscan Communities' Dinner Dance. This year's event will be themed "Diamonds & Denim - A Night of Glitz & Giving" and is scheduled for Friday, September 29, at 6:30 p.m. at the Hellenic Cultural Center, 8000 Madison Street in Merrillville. Entertainment will be provided by the band Together. In addition to the live entertainment, there will be raffles, baskets and more featuring dozens

of prizes. "We rely on the generous support of donors, both individuals and organizations to assist us in providing the quality care we have delivered for nearly 80 years. Our ministry continues to provide exceptional care to many who call our long-term healthcare home and a place of recovery and rehabilitation for our short-term guests and for more than 20 years, our Hospice program has provided end-of-life care to those with life-limiting illnesses both

in their homes and in our in-patient residences," says Blossom Mabon, Director of Development.

Proceeds from the event allows to provide advanced dementia care, services for under and uninsured hospice patients and other program enhancements to provide the best care for residents at Franciscan Communities.

Tickets are \$90 per person and various sponsorship opportunities are available. To purchase tickets or to inquire about sponsor-

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## Franciscan Health Fitness Centers offers free neurodevelopmental screening

A free neurodevelopmental screening program will take place from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. September 23, at Franciscan Health Fitness Centers located at 220 U.S. 41.

The program is for parents

concerned about the physical and neurological development of children aged newborn to eight years.

Franciscan Health Pediatric Therapy physical and occupational therapists will be on hand to ad-

dress parents' concerns and help determine if a child would benefit from further evaluation and treatment. Screenings take 15 to 30 minutes.

Reservations are required. Call 219-322-1600.

## 'Found & Shared' workshop to be held on September 20 at Indiana Welcome Center

The Inaugural 'Found and Shared, A Workshop for Entrepreneurs', will be held September 20 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Indiana Welcome Center in Hammond. This workshop is the first in a series of Found and Shared Workshops hosted by Pam

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The Workshop is open to anyone interested in cultivating goodness in a current business or those that are motivated to start a new business. Tickets can be purchased at [www.fetchingmarket.com](http://www.fetchingmarket.com).

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By the early evening, the Marines had overcome moderate resistance and secured Inchon. The landing cut the North Korean forces in two, and the U.S.-led U.N. force pushed inland to recapture Seoul, the South Korean capital that had fallen to the communists in June. Allied forces then converged from the north and the south, devastating the North Korean army and taking 125,000 enemy troops prisoner.

The Korean War began on June 25, 1950. In the opening months, the U.S.-led U.N. forces rapidly advanced against the North Koreans, but Chinese communist troops entered the fray in October, throwing the Allies into a hasty retreat. In April 1951, Truman relieved MacArthur of his command after he publicly threatened to bomb China in defiance of Truman's stated war policy. Truman feared that an escalation of fighting with China would draw the Soviet Union into the Korean War.

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