



WARREN COUNTY
COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

FOUNDATION NEWSLETTER

AUGUST PART 2

*Visit our
website!*



Hello Foundation Friends,

We have a series of exciting news to share with you. First, we want to announce that the Community Foundation will be moving locations. This building has been an amazing home for the Foundation for more than 25 years. It has allowed us to serve the community and has allowed us to grow. We have grown in assets because of amazing donors like you. We have grown in staff to be able to do all of the great things in the community that donors make possible. Our new home will be located at 116 E 2nd Street in Williamsport, better known as Dr. Inman's Dental Office. This move won't happen overnight, but watch for updates over the next few months. We are excited for this opportunity and look forward to this next chapter for the Warren County Community Foundation.

Next, a Warren County Project has made it to the final round of the selection process for the Robert H. McKinney Family Legacy Prize. There were over 100 applications submitted and we believe there are seven or fewer groups remaining. We are very pleased that our idea has made it this far, and our group will be presenting next Monday in the finals!

Last, the Warren County Community Foundation learned this week that our Lilly Endowment GIFT IX Matching Proposal was approved as submitted. Watch for the full press release and an exciting matching opportunity to be unveiled in the middle of September!

Please consider joining me TONIGHT (Friday, August 28th) as Crick's Up will be performing at the Wabash River Boat Launch in Williamsport from 6:00-8:00pm as part of the Down by the River Music Series.

Sincerely,
Michele Stucky



APPLY FOR A GRANT

DOES YOUR ORGANIZATION NEED A GRANT FOR A PROJECT?

The Warren County Community Foundation awards Community Grants to groups and organizations in Warren County or who serve Warren County residents. The new grant cycle has just started. If you think your group might be eligible, take a look at our website. There is one online application for projects of \$2,500 or less and one application for projects larger than \$2,500. Click [here](#) to go to the grants page on the Foundation website.



NEWS & UPDATES



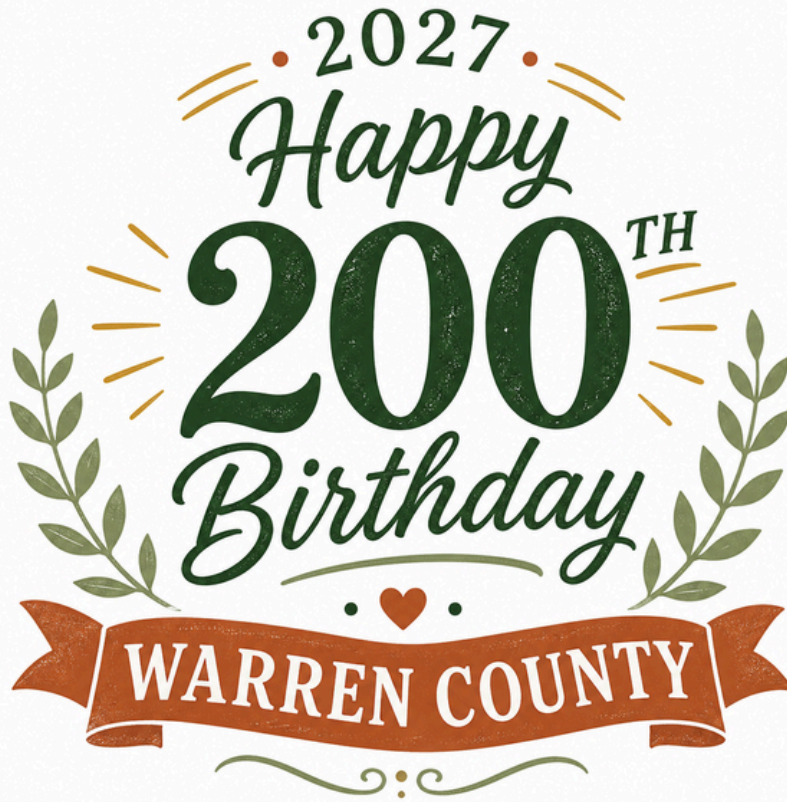
**WARREN COUNTY
REMC**
A Touchstone Energy® Cooperative

**Operation
Round Up**

Operation Round Up is a voluntary program where members choose to round up their monthly electric bills to the nearest dollar.

Local organizations can then apply for a grant through the REMC website!

Warren County REMC is rolling out a new program to award grants to local organizations that benefit Warren County REMC members. If you are a local organization looking for grant opportunities, click [here](#) to learn more & apply.



Warren County will be celebrating its 200th Birthday in 2027. On August 27th the first brainstorming meeting was held at 2:00pm. We realize many people who might be interested in sharing their ideas have to work during the day. The next meeting has been scheduled with that in mind. September 10th at 5:30 at the Learning Center will be the next date. We had discussion about if we should have one large event or a series of several events throughout the year. We talked about the best ways to get the word out about upcoming events, and we brainstormed different groups who are already doing something that could probably have a Warren County 200 theme next year. We also gave the homework of everyone trying to come up with a catchy phrase or slogan about Warren County's Birthday. Below, I will share what you missed.

Please consider attending on the 10th or you can email ideas to michele@warrencountyfoundation.com or text/call 765-918-1824.

Ideas about how to communicate about what will be happening related to the Birthday Celebration:

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- a. Social Media
 - b. newspaper
 - c. Radio
 - d. TV
 - e. The Warren County App- WarCo INfo
 - f. Printed Posters
 - g. Printed Brochure with all dates listed
 - h. This newsletter and any other local organizations newsletters

We brainstormed ideas of different projects, events, and ideas. Some of which already happen and we just wonder if it can have a Warren County Birthday theme, and other ideas are now.

- a. Celebrate one of the 12 townships each month so that all townships are celebrated by the end of the year
- b. Parade
- c. Play, Pageant, Amphitheater event, Auditorium event
- d. Mural
- e. Flea Market
- f. Bus Tours
- g. Prairie Walk/ Medicinal plant talk
- h. Dark Sky with the Purdue Astronomy Club
- i. How we got where we are now- advancements in transportation, technology, and more
- j. Time Capsule
- k. Historical Reenactments
- l. Visits to our county parks and the falls
- m. Tractor Pull
- n. Car show
- o. Heritage Recipe Competition
- p. Signage around the county referencing historic things from Warren County past

Please start thinking of more ideas, or how you could be a part of one of the ideas from above. If everyone in Warren County just does a little bit towards helping celebrate our 200th Birthday it is going to be an amazing turn out!

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WABASH RIVER BLUEWAY HIGHLIGHT

www.wabashriverblueway.org



Lindsey Franz, owner of LAF Design and Art Studio completed another Blueway Mural. This one is on a fence at the Osanamon kayak launch, five miles upstream from the new launch that will have a ribbon-cutting on Sunday at 4:00. The vibrant colors really add to the space. We hope people will pose with the fence!



Zac Cody of Nature Matters LLC and @zacs_art_creations partnered with a private landowner and the Warren County Community Foundation on this newest Warren County mural along Big Pine Creek. This endangered Indiana bat uses Big Pine Creek as a flyway. It catches insects and mosquitos right out of the air. The accompanying plants are the woodland phlox and the white turtlehead. We were happy to partner on this project. Note: This project is on private property but can be viewed from Big Pine Creek or from Rocky Ford Road. Please don't walk or drive onto the private property. This bridge is between Rainsville and the 450 Bridge.



This overlook is in Attica. The Wabash River Blueway has enjoyed partnering with the Attica Park Board. Over the years this overlook had fallen into disrepair. We are pleased to be able to help breathe new life into the overlook. Watch for stone to the overlook and signage to also get added over the next month or so.



The Blueway hosted Jon St. Bourbon at the July 31st Down by the River Music Series event. We are looking forward to hosting Crick's up TONIGHT from 6:00-8:00.



**JOIN US FOR THE
GRAND OPENING**

**HERMAN WHITE
PUBLIC ACCESS SITE**

August 30th | 4 PM

133 E County Road 600 N, Cayuga, IN

Enter the drawing for a free kayak!



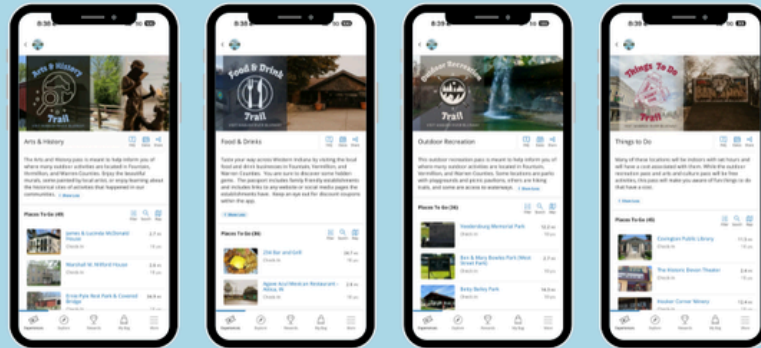


This is the rescheduled date for this event, as flooding was still too high for the original grand opening date. This grand opening is down in Vermillion County, but is a project that the Warren County Community Foundation is proud of as part of our 3-county Blueway project. This launch is about 5.3 miles downstream from the Osanamon Launch that opened last fall on the Big Vermillion River. It is also about 5 miles from the Waterman Boat launch on the Wabash. The land for this project was donated by Buddy White and is the perfect location for two different five-mile options, or a nice break location for a ten-mile paddle.



Digital Passports

Embark on a free, new way to discover more about Fountain, Vermillion, and Warren County with our digital passports. Check in at locations to earn points. You can track your progress and plan free family fun adventures!



Have you checked out the free Digital Passports from Wabash River Blueway? This is a fun way to discover the awesome activities, restaurants, and history that Warren, Fountain, and Vermillion Counties have to offer!

You can check-in at each location to earn points for a chance to win a gift certificate. Visit and check-in at 10 locations totaling 100 points. This enters you for a chance to win a \$25 gift certificate, or let points accumulate for a chance for a bigger prize drawing! Drawing takes place in July.

Here's how it works:

On your mobile device

Go to: www.wabashriverblueway.org

Go to: Digital Passports

Click 'Sign Up' on 1 of the 4 options (you can add multiple to cart!)

Click 'Checkout' - it's free!

Add your information

Complete order

Click 'Access My Items'

Optional:

After clicking 'Access My Items'

Click the 'Share' button

Find and click the 'Add to Home Screen' option

A 'WCCF Experiences' app will download for easy access to your digital passports



SAVE THE DATE!

Does your organization have an upcoming event?

If your organization has an upcoming public event, we want to know about it! We would love to help advertise for you. We send out the newsletter twice per month and can put your upcoming event in the Save the Date section.

PINE VILLAGE

 *Masonic Lodge*

SIDE BY SIDE RIDE

SATURDAY, AUGUST 29, 2026

Proceeds to benefit
RAY COTTINGHAM FLY HIGH
★ SCHOLARSHIP FUND ★

 **REGISTRATION BEGINS AT NOON**
LEAVING AROUND 1 PM FOR A
50 MILE RIDE

 **THROUGH ADAMS, PINE, LIBERTY,
AND WARREN TOWNSHIPS**
WITH STOPS AT CARBONDALE
AND INDEPENDENCE
All Blacktop Roads

 **SIDE BY SIDES AND OTHER
APPROPRIATE RECREATIONAL
VEHICLES ARE WELCOME**

 **COSTS WILL BE \$35/ PERSON**
AND INCLUDES A MEAL CATERED BY
CARBONDALE TAVERN ON RETURN
TO LODGE HALL

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:
 **STEVE MCINTOSH 765-363-2769**
BRAD COFFING 765-585-2124

★★★★★
**ALL STATE LAWS PERTAINING
TO THE OPERATION OF THESE VEHICLES
ON PUBLIC ROADS
SHALL BE OBSERVED**

Ride for a Great Cause!
HAVE FUN • SUPPORT EDUCATION • BUILD OUR COMMUNITY



Down by the River

Music Series



August 28th - Crick's Up
Williamsport Boat Launch
6:00 - 8:00 PM

Sit in your golf cart,
gator, or RZR! Or
bring a lawn chair!

2026

FOUNTAIN/WARREN COUNTIES SOCIAL SERVICE MEETINGS SCHEDULE

ALL MEETINGS TAKE PLACE 11AM-12:30PM

13 JAN	AGAVE AZUL MEXICAN RESTAURANT ATTICA
10 MAR	THE BEEF HOUSE COVINGTON
12 MAY	THE LEARNING CENTER WILLIAMSPORT
14 JUL	AGAVE AZUL MEXICAN RESTAURANT ATTICA
08 SEPT	THE BEEF HOUSE COVINGTON
10 NOV	THE LEARNING CENTER WILLIAMSPORT

LUNCH IS ON YOUR OWN

FOR QUESTIONS, CONTACT NOHEMI LUGO AT NLUGO@YWCALAFAYETTE.ORG

WEST LEBANON
SUMMER JAM
 at the Ballpark
SATURDAY NIGHT, SEPT 5TH
6-10PM

— LISTEN TO —
"LIVE"
 MUSIC FROM
OLD 41

GREAT FOOD & COLD BEER
 from

BEST EATS & TREATS

the foxhole

DUNK TANK ALSO,
 WITH YOUR CHANCE TO DUNK
COACHES, PLAYERS,
POLITICIANS & POLICE OFFICERS

★ BRING A LAWN CHAIR AND ENJOY ★
an awesome night under the stars!

PROCEEDS TO HELP BUILD A NEW
14U BALL FIELD
 SOUTH OF THE CURRENT FIELD.

★ **NO COOLERS ALLOWED** ★

WARREN COUNTY, INDIANA
 WE NOW NEED TO BE PLANNING FOR OUR
200TH Birthday
 TO BE CELEBRATED IN
2027!

★ AN ORGANIZATIONAL ★
MEETING

THURSDAY, **SEPTEMBER 10TH**
 AT 5:30 P.M.

WARREN COUNTY
 LEARNING CENTER
 28 E 2nd St, Williamsport, IN

Be there in person or send a proxy but
PLAN TO OFFER SUGGESTIONS
AND BE AN ACTIVE PARTICIPANT
 so we can have the best, most representative,
 fun, interesting celebration ever!

If you would like to be added to the email list
 for this committee please comment your contact information.

Warren County's 200th Birthday
 ★ ONE TO REMEMBER! ★

WARREN COUNTY
 200
 EST. 1827
 INDIANA

WILLIAMSPORT FIRE
 ★ 9TH ANNUAL ★
CAR SHOW
 ★★ *Hoosier Gearheads* ★★

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 12TH, 2026
 AT THE FAIR GROUNDS
 408 SR 28 E, WILLIAMSPORT, IN 47993
 ★ **10 AM – 4 PM** ★

JONAH'S FISH FRY!
 11 AM – 3 PM

WILLIAMSPORT FIRE
 TERRITORY

TOWN-WIDE RUMMAGE SALE

REGISTRATION: 10 AM – 1 PM • AWARDS AT 3 PM • \$15 REGISTRATION FEE

★ **PARTICIPATION VOTING** ★

Ford • GM • Mopar • Jeep • Motorcycle • SxS • Import • Antique
 Rat Rod • Best of Show • Firefighter's Choice • Top 30

RAFFLE ITEMS & 50/50!
 MONEY BEING DONATED TO THE
 WILLIAMSPORT VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

Music on Monroe
 FREE CONCERT

SEPTEMBER 19TH – ROLLIN' RIVER
 FROM 6 P.M. – 8 P.M.

PLAYING 70S, 80S, 90S ROCK COUNTRY & BLUES
 ★ PLEASE BE SURE TO BRING YOUR OWN SEATING ★

MUSIC ★ FOOD ★ DRINKS ★ FAMILY FUN

ROLLIN' RIVER

WEST LEBANON VFD
PRESENTS
1ST ANNUAL
FIRE DEPARTMENT

Chili COOK OFF

Get ready to
taste, vote,
and crown
the ultimate
chili champion!



- Taste the best chili in town
- Vote for your favorite
- Fun for everyone

FRIDAY
OCTOBER **16**



SEEGER SENIOR
NIGHT FOOTBALL
GAME STARTING @
06:30



Don't miss this
sizzling event!

The winner will be based off the
department with the most
donations!

Winner will be announced after
the 3rd quarter

Ura Seeger Auditorium
October 24th - 7:00pm



SMALL TOWN

A John Mellencamp Experience

Mark your Calendar
Illiana Antique Power
Christmas in the Village
Dec. 4th & 5th- 5:00-8:00pm



Dr. Seuss's THE CAT IN THE HAT



LIVE ON STAGE!

TUESDAY, MARCH 16, 2027
DOORS @ 6pm - SHOW @ 7pm

PRE-SALE RESERVED SEATS FROM \$20-35
AT THE DOOR + \$5 FEE PER ORDER





Warren County's New App!

Scan QR Code or Search for 'WarCo INfo' in your app store!

- Access Information
- View Latest Updates
- Receive Notifications
- And more...

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WOMEN'S WELLNESS PROGRAM

Free screenings for uninsured and under insured women in Warren County

We work every day to eliminate inequities in healthcare when it comes to access to vital early detection screenings. To do this, we promote early screening for breast and cervical cancers among uninsured, under-insured and minority women. Through our funding partners, we facilitate no-cost services to qualified women across Indiana.

Learn more at www.ywcalafayette.org or call (765) 742 4375



**eliminating racism
empowering women**
ywca
Greater Lafayette

Download our new app! We update this app with news, events and local information daily! Scan the QRcode by hovering your camera over the square or search 'WarCo INfo' in your app store today!