

Obituaries

Lee Gene Ozbun



Lee Gene Ozbun, 90, of Hagerstown, died at his home on Friday, May 12, 2017

He was born in Wayne County on October 31, 1926 to Emery and Sarah Elizabeth (Snyder) Ozbun. He was a life long resident of Wayne County and lived most of his life in the Hagerstown area. Lee was a member of Hagerstown First United Methodist Church.

He served with the US Army during WW II. He was a former employee of Hartley Hills Country Club and a retired employee of Hagerstown Street Department. He was a member of Hagerstown Volunteer Fire Dept, where had had served as Assistant Chief. He was a member of American Legion Post 333 and Indiana Volunteer Firemen's Association. He enjoyed hunting, fishing and outdoor activities. He was an avid reader whose favorite pastime was sitting on his back porch.

Survivors include his wife of 67 years, Virginia "Ginny" (Rhoades) Ozbun, to whom he was married on September 3, 1949; two sons, Greg Ozbun (Pam) of Greens Fork and David Ozbun (Pam) of Greenwood; five grandchildren, Jennifer Lake (Matt), Abbie Marshal (Jeff), Heather Limeberry (Scott), Tiffany Ozbun and Leslie Stone (Joey); three step-granddaughters, eight great-grandchildren; nine step-great-grandchildren; two sisters, Lois Jane Wadsworth and Margaret Johnson; numerous nieces, nephews and extended family.

He was preceded in death by one brother and two sisters.

Services were Tuesday, May 15 at Culberson Funeral Home, Hagerstown. Pastor John Huff officiated with burial in West Lawn Cemetery, where military graveside services will be conducted.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Hagerstown First United Methodist Church, Hagerstown Volunteer Fire Dept. or Ascera Hospice.

The Nettle Creek Gazette passes along our sincere sorrow to those families that have lost a loved one recently.

Keith R. Wickes



Keith R. Wickes, 89, of Cambridge City, peacefully went to be with the Lord on May 11, 2017 at Reid Health in Richmond, surrounded by his daughters.

He was born on February 15, 1928 in Pershing, Indiana to Ramon and Mildred Stonecipher Wickes. He was a 1947 graduate of Lincoln High School and attended 2 years of machine school. He served in the U.S. Army during the Korean War. After a career at Perfect Circle in Hagerstown, he owned and operated Wickes Shoe Store. He also served as Director of Building, Grounds and Transportation for 14 years in the Western Wayne Schools.

Keith was a member of Cambridge Lodge #5 F&AM since 1963 and a former member of the Cambridge City Evening Kiwanis for 29 years.

He greatly enjoyed spending time with his family and always loved family dinners at Willie and Red's in Hagerstown. He also enjoyed wintering with his wife in Naples, Florida for over 20 years.

Survivors include his three daughters, Cheryl (Steve) Ramey of Hagerstown, Indiana; Lynn (Steve) Mahoney of Columbus, Indiana, and Melissa (Al) Williams of Winchester, Indiana; five grandchildren, Shawn (Tonya) Ramey of Crawfordsville, Indiana; Shannon Ramey of Hagerstown, Indiana; Brianna (Andy) Miller of Noblesville, Indiana; Michael (Mollee) Mahoney of Virginia Beach, Virginia; and Patrick Williams of Los Angeles, California; seven (soon to be eight) great-grandchildren; special nephew, Mike (Penny) Wickes and niece, Vickie (Joe) Russell, along with several other nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his wife of 65 years, Melba L. Meadows Wickes, who passed in 2016; his parents; his brother, William; and an infant sister.

At his request a private burial will take place on May 20th at Zion's Lutheran Cemetery, Pershing, Indiana.

Memorial contributions may be made to New day Kiwanis for the Christmas Love Basket Project, 1010 E. Main St., Cambridge City, IN 47327.

Greens Fork Town Council

The Greens Fork Town Council met for the regular monthly meeting last Thursday with all members present. Minutes of the April meeting were read and approved.

The debt reserve was met so council made a motion to stop transfers. Council said there will be trash letters going out to three residences and the town currently has 70 sewer liens unpaid but should be receiving payment for these in June.

Tony Taylor, Wastewater Superintendent, reported the total flow for March was 0.9805 million gallons and for April is was only 0.936 Million gallons. Council was surprised that it wasn't up more with all the rain. The disinfection system is on line and working properly. Also, the new pumps at the Carlos Road lift station are operating correctly. Preparations are being made to repair the Clarifier Launder troughs in town and will take several days to drain and then it takes a few days to install.

The Greens Fork Police report included it is a possibility there will be another reserve officer. He will attend the next meeting to meet the Council members. The department is still waiting on the sign to arrive that shows what speed you are driving as you come into town from the east and the west. There are two training courses coming which include ISP bomb threat training on June 8th at Reid Hospital and homemade explosives awareness training on June 29th.

Council decided to change meeting dates in September and October due to vacations. Meetings will be changed to the third Thursday for these two months only. The September meeting will be the 21st and October's will be the 19th.

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NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION
Cause No. 89D01-1705-ES-00028
In the Superior Court 1 of
Wayne County, Indiana

Notice is hereby given that Richard E. Federico, was on the 8th day of May, 2017 appointed Personal Representative of the estate of BETTY K. WERKING, who died on the 26th day of March, 2017.

All persons who have claims against this estate, whether or not now due, must file the claim in the office of the Clerk of this Court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this notice or within nine (9) months after the decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred.

Dated at Richmond, Indiana this 8th day of May, 2017.
Debra Berry, Clerk
Wayne Circuit Court
Kory T. Bell, Atty
#18-17 05/17-24/2017

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NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION
Cause No. 89D02-1705-EU-00022
In the Superior Court 2 of
Wayne County, Indiana

Notice is hereby given that on the 3rd day of May, 2017, Philip I. Beachler and Robert P. Beachler are appointed Co-Personal Representatives of the estate of BETTY J. BEACHLER, deceased, who died on the 6th day of April, 2017.

All persons who have claims against this estate, whether or not now due, must file the claim in the office of the Clerk of this Court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this notice or within nine (9) months after the decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred.

Dated at Richmond, Indiana this 3rd day of May, 2017.
Debra Berry, Clerk
Wayne Superior Court 2
Kory T. Bell, Atty
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Tornado Preparedness at the Nettle Creek Schools

by Joe Klemann

Today's modern meteorology equipment is a far cry from when I was a kid. Television showed a blurry black and white image which was described as a thunderstorm and radio just informed you to take cover. Today, if you want to know what is approaching us from out west, you just have to look at your weather app on your Smart Phone. Advancements in weather forecasting have saved countless lives by early warning alerts.

When it has been determined a massive storm is bearing down on you, it's time to head for the basement or the room towards the center of the house with the strongest walls. But what do you do when you are in charge of several hundred people and a weather alert sounds that a tornado has touched the ground a mile or so from the building?

"The first part of our tornado plan for the Hagerstown Jr. Sr. High School is that each grade level of students have a specific assignment of the tornado safe area they were assigned and told in the seventh grade," reported Brian Cadle, Vice Principal at the high school. "So whether it is the basketball locker rooms, the first floor bathrooms by Mr. Drake's classrooms, all students know from the seventh grade up where they are to go to their entire school career. Along with that, the teachers have those assignments as



well. If we have a new student, we inform them of their assignment and give the teachers an updated roster. The Class of 2022 already know where they are supposed to go."

Cadle realizes the vital importance of a solid tornado plan from previous experience. Years ago, while he was teaching in a school near Nashville, Indiana, he was driving to work and there was no announcement of a tornado warning in the area. "When I got there, everyone basically spent the whole day in the hallways because there were so many reported tornadoes in the area, we were afraid to get the buses out. Then, the tornadoes really hit Nashville about 4:00 and after."

Both the high school and the elementary practice tornado drills once a semester and they participated in the state tornado drill last March. Each has a similar tornado emergency plan. A weather radio system is set up in both schools offices to announce watches and warnings and they are also watchful to the Indianapolis TV stations for the potential for a tornado.

"As far as the tornado safe areas, when there is a tornado drill or a tornado warning, all students are going down to the first floor or in the gym. We have kids going into restroom facilities and we also use the locker rooms down in the gym."

"The thing about our plan, and I have never seen it at a school like ours, is that we have the same assignment seventh through 12th grade. I think that is really important."

"To get the full value of joy you must have someone to divide it with." - Mark Twain

The office hours for Hagerstown Town Hall are

Monday - Thursday
8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. and
1:00 - 4:00 p.m.
Friday
7:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

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Notice is hereby given that the proper representatives of the Nettle Creek School Corporation, Wayne/Henry County, Indiana will receive sealed bids at the Administration Office, 297 East Northmarket Street, Hagerstown, IN 47346 until 12:00 noon EST on May 31, 2017. Bids shall be for the entire school year and be publicly opened and read at said office for:

Meat and Dairy Products

Bids received after the designated time will be returned unopened to the sender. Further information, lists of materials and specifications may be obtained from the Administration Office.

Bids must be accompanied by a non-collusion affidavit as required by law. Bids must be accompanied by a bid bond or certified check in the amount of five percent (5%) of the bid as further set forth in the bid conditions. Upon the award of a bid, a performance bond may be required by the Board of Trustees.

The Board of School Trustees reserves the right to reject any, all, or part of any or all bids.

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Food Service Management

This solicitation is for the purpose of entering into a contract for the operation of a food service program for the Nettle Creek School Corporation. This contract will be a Fixed Price Contract to be bid as a total per-meal cost reimbursement consisting of three components: Direct Cost of Operation, Administrative Fee and Management Fee.

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