



WARREN COUNTY
COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

FOUNDATION NEWSLETTER

DECEMBER 2024 - PART 1

Visit our
website!



Hello Foundation Friends,

The weather is certainly feeling more like winter now. We were spoiled by a fairly mild fall. If you haven't had a chance to check out Lights in the Park in Williamsport yet, it is definitely worth a visit. Living adjacent to the park allows me to look at all the cars going around the park enjoying the lights. This is the 5th year, and it is safe to say it is the best year yet! Make this a family outing. Load up the car with family or friends, make a thermos of hot chocolate, take some mugs along, and enjoy your hot chocolate and a radio station playing Christmas music while you make a few loops around the park.

The Foundation has been busy awarding grants in this final month of the year. For many of our funds, we watch throughout the whole year for the perfect opportunity to make a grant from a particular fund. At the end of the year if we haven't awarded a grant from that fund we make a decision about the best use of money from that fund and what is best for the community. We have over 110 active funds at the Foundation and love helping meet our donors intent.

This has been an unexpectedly stressful week. For those of you who use social media, you know it is a very effective way for us to regularly communicate what is going on at the Foundation and in the Community. For those of you who don't use social media, there are various reasons you have made that decision. On Monday, we received a message that our account was suspended for breaking community standards. There was an option to appeal. Of course, feeling like we had done nothing wrong, I appealed right away, which involved a video selfie asking me to look various directions in the camera. They said I would hear back within 48 hours. The next day, I heard back that my appeal was denied and that our account was disabled for violation of community standards for fraud and deception. I am asking for your help. First, if anyone has gotten to this point with Facebook, do you have advice of how to get a help ticket so that a real person can review our case. Second, it seems that we might not be able to get our Facebook Page back. If we can't, our only option will be to create a new account. If we do this, we will need our Foundation Friends to help spread the word that we are really creating a new account and we need you to become followers of that new page.

In the meantime, this means we are unable to post for the Foundation or for Warren County Common Grounds Coffee. We apologize for this inconvenience and hope that we can figure out a solution by the end of the calendar year.

Please realize the coffee shop has Christmas Gift Certificates (great for a stocking stuffer or small gift to a friend). We are also going to have take-and-bake cookies and well as a cold brew take-home kit. Stop by the coffee shop to find out more.

Sincerely,

Michele Stucky

RECENT GRANTS



\$800 GRANTED FROM THE BEAU'S GIFT FUND

The Warren County Community Foundation awarded an \$800 grant from the Beau's Gift Fund to A Better Way Food Co-Op. This grant will allow the Food Co-Op to purchase pet food for those in need who have pets. Beau was a beloved German Shepherd of Dayleann and Russell Waymire. The Beau's Gift fund was established to help with Warren County animal needs. Watch for a couple of Beau's Gift Events in 2025!



\$1500 COMMUNITY GRANT AWARDED TO HICKMAN HEIGHTS CHRISTIAN CHURCH

The Foundation awarded a grant to Hickman Heights for the BLAST program at Williamsport Elementary School. BLAST stands for Bible. Learning. After. School. Today. On the first Thursday of each month, students can participate in after school biblically themed stations. Volunteers from Hickman Heights teach these stations including cooking, crafts, games, story time, snacks, and lessons. This group also hosts five events per year. This grant will help offset the expenses of running this program.



HUNGER FUND AWARDS GRANT TO A BETTER WAY FOOD CO-OP

The Hunger Fund is a field of interest fund at the Warren County Community Foundation. This means that a grant can be awarded to anything that fits into the area of hunger/ food insecurity, etc. A Better Way Food Co-Op is doing a great job of making food available to Warren County residents who need it. The Hunger Fund also provided \$900 of fresh vegetables late this summer and early fall. We are pleased to award this grant of \$3,750 to help the Co-Op make it through the busy holiday season.



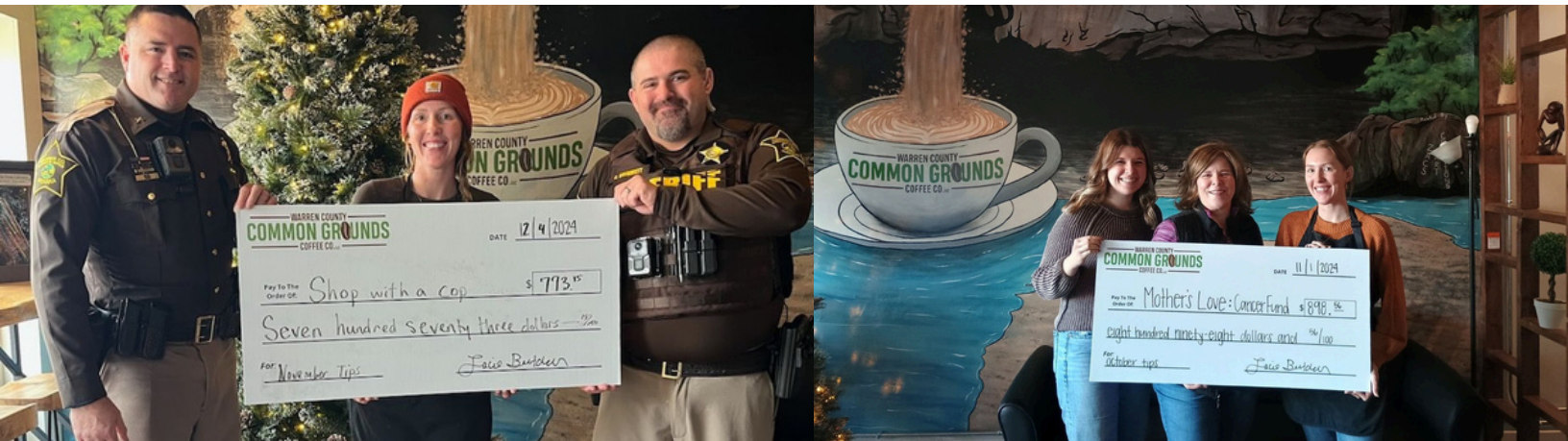
THE DON AND MARY ANN AKERS MEMORIAL FUND AWARDS GRANT TO THE TOWN OF WILLIAMSPORT

The Warren County Community Foundation awarded a \$694 grant from this fund to go towards the new Warren County Pool. The project should begin in Spring 2025!



GOOD SAMARITAN FUND AWARDS GRANT TO HOPE SPRINGS

The Warren County Community Foundation awarded a grant from the Good Samaritan Fund for Hope Springs. Hope Springs has an exciting building project that they are currently fundraising for. We are excited to be part of this project!



COMMON GROUNDS COFFEE TIPS AWARDED LOCALLY

Every month tips made at Common Grounds Coffee Co. are donated to a local organization. October tips were donated to A Mother's Love Cancer Support Fund. This fund provides "Hope Totes" to Warren County and Attica residents who are undergoing cancer treatment. November tips were donated to Shop with a Cop allowing local children to go Christmas shopping with a local law enforcement officer.



A Better Way Food Co-Op has many current needs! We asked the Co-Op, "What are some of your most needed items?" They came up with a list of the six items they could really use right now. If you pick some of these items up for the Co-Op and can't drop them off at the Co-Op during their open hours, you can drop them off at the Foundation. You can call 765-764-1501 to make sure someone will be at the office for your drop-off. Thank you!

SAVE THE DATE

WARREN COUNTY COUNTDOWN TO

Christmas

*St. Francis Xavier
Holiday Bazaar*
Saturday, Nov 23 9-11
407 Perry St. Attica
*Homemade noodles, pumpkin rolls,
pies, breads, desserts, crafts, and more!*

ATTICA MAIN STREET
*Christmas in
Attica Lighted
Kickoff Parade
2024*
DECEMBER 5TH 6 PM

ILLIANA ANTIQUE POWER ASSOCIATION
PRESENTS:
CHRISTMAS IN THE VILLAGE
December 6 and 7, 2024
5:00 - 8:00 PM
Located at the Illiana Antique Power Association grounds:
986 West Brisco Road
Williamsport, IN 47993
Admission is free, but we are accepting donations for the local
food pantry!
Join us for an old fashioned Christmas celebration!
The village will be decorated for Christmas and will be filled with fun activities
for the young and old!
Call Cathy for more details
(765) 491-1213

Christmas in the City
STARRING JOHN THOMAS
& TOMMY OAKS!
A FUNDRAISER BANQUET
FOR THE DRINKING WATER DEPARTMENT
Dec 7 6-8 pm
Dec 8 1-3 pm
Dress up for a
NIGHT on the TOWN
An Italian-styled dinner
\$30 per person OR
\$200 for a Table of 8
Register at www.hangingrock.org

*Friends Wreath Decorating
at Williamsport Public Library*
Saturday, Dec 7th at 10am-1pm
\$50.00 per Wreath
*Come and make your own large holiday wreath.
We supply the wreath and all the accessories ribbons, decorations, etc.
Stay for us or all the family.
Wreaths limited. Call for reservation.
785-782-6555*

**SANTA IS RIDING THE FIRE
TRUCK TO THE WILLIAMSPORT
FIRE STATION**
DECEMBER 7th, 2024
10:00 AM-12:00 PM
FREE Picture with Santa
SILLY SAFARI
GOODIE BAGS AND HOT CHOCOLATE
Sponsored by
WILLIAMSPORT FIREFIGHTERS AND AUXILIARY
PHOTOS BY TAM

**Christmas
Parade**
December 7th
6:00
From Downtown
Williamsport to the Park

HOHO HOLIDAY
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8
NOON-3:00 PM
SANTA & MRS. CLAUS
16450 stalph
EAT COOKIN, DRINK, DANCE & BEE HEEEN!

**HEART &
SOUL
FARM**
SATURDAY NOVEMBER 09th, 10th, & 23rd -STRETCH & STRENGTHEN
SATURDAY DEC. 14th-STRETCH & STRENGTHEN
THERE ARE ONLY 16 SPOTS AVAILABLE FOR OUR SATURDAY STRETCH AND
STRENGTHEN TRADITIONAL ASANA BASED YOGA PRACTICE, TO RESERVE YOUR SPOT
PLEASE MESSAGE BELOW, MESSAGE PRIVATELY, OR TEXT IF YOU HAVE MY
PERSONAL CELL.
FOR MORE INFORMATION ON THESE YOGA PRACTICE OFFERINGS PLEASE CHECK OUT OUR
WEBSITE [HTTPS://WWW.HEARTANDSOULFARM.ORG/KISYOGA-OFFERINGS](https://www.heartandsoulfarm.org/kisyoga-offerings)

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STORY TIME - CRAFTS
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AND MORE!

MSD of Warren County
**CHRISTMAS
PERFORMANCE
SCHEDULE**
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 15th
TOMMY'S CHRISTMAS TO ME
PINE VILLAGE CHRISTMAS PROGRAM
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 17th @ 1PM
WARRIOR CENTRAL CHRISTMAS PROGRAM
FRIDAY, DECEMBER 17th @ 7PM
WILLIAMSPORT CHRISTMAS PROGRAM
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 17th @ 9PM
BEEHIVE BAND CHRISTMAS CONCERT
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 20th @ 7PM

**Lights in the Park
2024
Williamsport**
We are again seeking businesses,
organizations, churches, etc. to show their
holiday cheer by putting up displays all
around the Williamsport Park. The intent is
to create a drive around the park loop of
light displays for all to enjoy! Displays will
be put up right after Thanksgiving through
New Year's Day. Displays can be simple as a
tree or as far as your imagination will take
you! Installation starts
Thanksgiving week.
FOR MORE INFO
BRIAN JORDAN
765-376-6047
92269PUBGMAIL.COM

CHRISTMAS IN OUR TOWN
Dec 8 & 9, 10 am - 11 - Decorating Sweetest
Dec 9, 10 am - 11 - Pine Village Fire Station
Dec 7, 4 pm - Election Day, PV Bible Church
Dec 8-7 - Christmas in the Village
Hanging Rock State Park, Christmas Bazaar
Dec 12, 7 pm - PV Elementary Christmas Program
Hanging Rock State Park, 10:00 AM
Dec 14, 5 pm - Christmas in Our Town
Hanging Rock State Park, 10:00 AM
Candlelight Services in Pine Village
Dec 22, 8pm - PV Christian Church
Dec 24, 7 pm - PV Bible Church

Save this calendar to your phone for your Countdown to Christmas guide!

SAVE THE DATE

Inner LIGHT

Please Join us for an anxiety and depression focused support group.

Who:

- Anyone 55+ that is struggling with Anxiety and/or Depression

When:

- The Third Wednesday of each month at 12:00 PM

Where:

- We will meet at the Warren County Learning Center. 26 E 2nd St. Williamsport, IN.



AREA IV AGENCY
ON AGING & COMMUNITY ACTION

Mental Health Support Case Managers
765-447-7683
Nancy Burton - Ext. 272
Olivia Waugh - Ext. 225

HEART & SOUL FARM



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Stalph is hosting a big HoHo Holiday Bash with activities planned, serving cookies & hot cocoa PLUS Santa & Mrs. Claus will be making an appearance! This is a free public event, Stalph wants to curate something extra magical and cheerful as a way to say thank you to our community for being here this last year. Come eat, drink, tell Santa your wishlist, have your photo taken with Santa and be merry! Any tips received during the event will be donated to the town as a contribution towards the tradition of purchasing Christmas gifts for the elementary students.



2025 Marketplace Open Enrollment

Enroll in health insurance for 2025 on HealthCare.gov
Contact us to schedule an appointment or stop by our event!

Location: Attica Public Library - 305 Perry St, Attica, IN 47918

Date/Time: Monday, December 9th from 10:00 am - 12:00 pm

ASPIN's Navigator services are **FREE** to **ALL** Hoosiers! Virtual and in-person appointments available. Find a health plan that best fits **YOUR** budget and **YOUR** needs.

Call us at **877-313-7215**, text **ASPINNAV** to **844-675-0617**, or request an appointment online at www.aspinhealthnavigator.org

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2025 Marketplace Open Enrollment

Enroll in health insurance for 2025 on HealthCare.gov
Contact us to schedule an appointment or stop by our event!

Location: West Lebanon Public Library - 200 N High St, West Lebanon, IN 47991

Date/Time: Monday, December 30th from 12:00 pm - 2:00 pm

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Open Enrollment Period for the Marketplace has begun! It will be open from November 1st through January 15th. Anyone interested in enrolling will need to do so during this period. Anyone currently with a Marketplace plan will also need to re-enroll for the 2025 plan year!

MSD of Warren County

CHRISTMAS PERFORMANCE SCHEDULE

SEEGER CHOIR CHRISTMAS SHOW
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 11TH @ 7PM
THAT'S CHRISTMAS TO ME

PINE VILLAGE CHRISTMAS PROGRAM
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 12TH @ 7PM

WARREN CENTRAL CHRISTMAS PROGRAM
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 17TH @ 1PM & 7PM

WILLIAMSPORT CHRISTMAS PROGRAM
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 17TH @ 7PM

SEEGER BAND CHRISTMAS CONCERT
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 18TH @ 7PM

CHRISTMAS IN OUR TOWN

Dec 6 & 7, 10 am - ?? - Decorating Downtown
Old Town Hall, Pergola, Caboose, Pine Village

Dec 7, 4 pm - Studio Go, PV Bible Church

Dec 6&7 - Christmas in the Village
Illiana Steam and Power Assoc Grounds, Rainsville

Dec 12, 7 pm - PV Elementary Christmas Program
Pine Village Elementary, CR 26 E

Dec 14, 5 pm - Christmas in Our Town
Pergola & Old Town Hall, Pine Village

Candlelight Services in Pine Village
Dec 22, 6pm, - PV Christian Church
Dec 24, 7 pm - PV Bible Church

Pine Village Committee for Community Enhancement

Friends Annual Christmas Open House.

December 12th 5pm-7pm
Williamsport Library

Live Entertainment, Refreshments, Crafts,
Cookie Decorating, Magic Reindeer Food,
Christmas Bingo. Come see all the beautifully
decorated Christmas trees

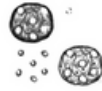


CHRISTMAS DECORATING CONTEST

Decorate your space in the most creative and festive way possible to show us your festive spirit!

JUDGING DEC 12

Winners announced Dec 14 at Christmas in Our Town
sponsored by the PVCCE



Christmas Cookie Walk

Saturday, December 14th 9 AM to Noon

Williamsport – Attica Area
Senior Center
Warren County Fairgrounds

- Cookies \$5.00 per dozen
- Hospitality Area with Free Hot Drinks
- Free Crafts for Children

Cookies make great gifts for teachers, preachers, mail carriers, etc.!



Merry Christmas

**SANTA IS COMING
TO PINE VILLAGE
CHRISTMAS IN OUR TOWN!**

DECEMBER 14, 5:00 PM
TREE LIGHTING - CAROLING
STORY TIME - CRAFTS
COCOA & COOKIES
AND MORE!

2025 Fountain/Warren Counties Social Service Meetings

January 14 - Maggie's Grill, Attica
March 11 - The Beef House, Covington
May 13 - The Learning Center, Williamsport
July 8 - Maggie's Grill
September 9 - The Beef House
November 18 - The Learning Center

MEETINGS ARE FROM 11AM-12:30PM/LUNCH IS ON YOUR OWN
CONTACT NOHEMI LUGO FOR MORE INFORMATION
NLUGO@YWCALAFAYETTE.ORG

UPCOMING EVENTS

NOVEMBER 2024

11 - Office Closed, Veteran's Day
19, 21, 26 - Cake Mixers SPARK Club for grades 3-6, 4-6pm
21 - 4-H Fair Board & 4-H Council Meeting, 6:30pm
28-29 - Office Closed, Thanksgiving

DECEMBER 2024

10 - Bi-State Crops Conference @ Beef House
24-25 - Office Closed, Christmas
31 - Office Closed, New Year's Eve

JANUARY 2025

1 - Office Closed, New Year's Day
13 - Master Gardener Virtual Basic Training Application Due
25 - 4-H Foundation Scholarships Due


MARCH 2025

28-30 - 4-H Teen Leadership Weekend @ Camp Tecumseh

JUNE 2025

4-6 - 4-H Camp for current grades 3-6


ICE BREAKERS



January 4th
10am-4pm
1st-2nd Grade
Event Coordinator:
Sabrina Gossett

Registration begins
Nov 1 at \$20
Registration after
Dec 28 is \$30

*NEW
Adventures*



www.hangingrock.org

WINTER FEST



JANUARY 17-18
3RD-5TH GRADE
EVENT COORDINATOR:
LUCI BAKER

REGISTRATION BEGINS
NOVEMBER 1 AT \$45
REGISTRATION AFTER
JANUARY 10 AT \$55




WWW.HANGINGROCK.ORG



HIGH SCHOOL WINTER RETREAT

FEBRUARY 28-MARCH 1
EVENT COORDINATOR: DAVE SIMS
CHECK IN AT 6:00, CHECK OUT AT 4:00

REGISTRATION BEGINS
NOVEMBER 1 AT \$45

REGISTRATION AFTER
FEBRUARY 21 IS \$55

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JR HIGH WINTER RETREAT

FEBRUARY 7-8
EVENT COORDINATOR:
KYLE PURDY

- REGISTRATION BEGINS **NOV 1 AT \$45**
- REGISTRATION AFTER **JAN 31 IS \$55**



CHECK IN AT 6:00, CHECK OUT AT 4:00

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**Scholarship Application
now open!
November 1st-January 18th**



Christmas City
in the City
HANGING ROCK

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Register at www.hangingrock.org



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

