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Welcome to the 2024 Wells County Fact Book, compiled by the staff of News-Banner Publications.

This easy-to-use reference book is filled with a lot of information about the community. You can find out how to contact your local elected officials, find out what there is to do in Wells County, look up which agencies and businesses serve the community, and peruse through agricultural and population data.

We've also included a collection of snapshots around the county from 2023 to showcase local events, venues and activities for residents and visitors of all ages.

This is an annual edition, so we welcome suggestions on how to make this resource even more valuable.

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- Adult Abuse Hotline 1-800-992-6978
- American Red Cross 800-733-2767
- Bluffton Fire Department 824-6050
- Bluffton Police Department 824-3320
- Bluffton Regional Medical Center . . . 824-3210
- Bluffton Utilities 824-2500
- For other city numbers, see Bluffton listings
- Child Abuse Hotline 800-800-5556
- Crimestoppers 800-237-7867
- F.B.I 317-595-4000
- Hospitals (area):
 - Adams Memorial 724-2145
 - Bluffton Regional 824-3210
 - Dupont Hospital 416-3000
 - Family Medicine Ctr. 423-2675
 - Huntington Parkview 355-3000
 - Lutheran Fort Wayne 435-7001
 - Jay County 726-7131
 - Parkview Memorial 484-6636
 - Veterans Affairs, Med. Ctr. 426-5431
 - Immigration/Naturalization. 800-375-5283

- Indiana Poison Center 1-800-222-1222
- Indiana State Police 317-232-8248
- Markle Marshall 758-2225
- Ossian Marshall 622-7519
- Ossian Town Hall 622-4251
- For other town numbers, see Ossian listings
- Road Information. 800-261-7623
- Social Security Admin. 800-772-1213
- Suicide Prevention Emergency line 988
- Suicide Prevention After Hours . 800-552-0985
- Travelers Aid 240-505-4255
- U.S. Customs 317-248-4060
- U.S. Post Office
 - Craigville 565-3606
 - Bluffton 824-0310
 - Liberty Center 694-6500
 - Markle 758-2218
 - Ossian. 622-4101
 - Petroleum. 346-2140
 - Poneto. 694-6446
 - Uniondale. 543-2255
 - Yoder 622-7264
 - Zanesville. 638-4876
- U.S. Secret Service 1-317-635-6420
- United Way of Wells County 824-5589
- Veterans Service Office 824-6403
- Wells Community Foundation 824-8620
- Wells County EMS 824-0166
- Wells County Sheriff’s Dept 824-3426
- Zanesville Marshall 638-4080



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February
 10 - Live Music from Bob Thompson

March
 2 - Taste of Warren at Dogwood Glen Golf Course
 9 - 8th Annual Bluffton NOW! BrrrrFest at The Wells County 4H Park

April
 20 - Payne’s Fish and Chips
 26 - Texas Tenderloin
 27 - Texas Tenderloin w/ live music from Mudhound

May
 11 - Live music from Bel and The Bad Wolves
 25 - D&D Fish & Tenderloin w/ live music from The Rock Bottom Boys of Madison County
 27 - D&D Fish & Tenderloin

June
 7 - Huntington Trails Beer & Wine Festival @ The Huntington County 4H Fairgrounds
 22 - Uncle Matt’s BBQ Shack w/ live music from The Rylie Lynn Band
 29 - JB’s Cuisine Machine

July
 4 - Texas Tenderloin w/ live music from The BT Boogie Band
 5 - Texas Tenderloin
 6 - Texas Tenderloin w/ live music from The Mountain Dewe Boys
 20 - Live music from Bob Thompson
 27 - JB’s Cuisine Machine

August
 17 - JB’s Cuisine Machine w/ live music from Bob Thompson
 31 - Live music from the Trevor Hunt Band

September
 28 - Uncle Matt’s BBQ Shack

October
 18 - Texas Tenderloin
 19 - Texas Tenderloin

Accommodations

MOTELS/LODGINGS MOTELS

America's Best Value Inn & Suites, 100 Charles Deam Ct., Bluffton, 824-5553.

Budget Inn, 1090 N. Main St., Bluffton, 820-8095.

Comfort Inn, 1782 N. Main St., Bluffton, 824-4455.

Hotel Z, 730 W Logan St., Markle, 758-0701.

BED & BREAKFAST

Washington Street Inn, 220 E. Washington St., Bluffton, 824-9070.

CAMPGROUNDS

Bluffton KOA Campground, 1625 W. Lancaster St., Bluffton, 824-0127

Ouabache State Park, 4930 E. Ind. 201, Bluffton, 824-0926.

RECEPTION HALLS

The Corner Depot Kitchen, 2736 S.W. Center St., Vera Cruz, 824-4775.

Lighted Gardens, 10794 N. Ind. 1, Ossian, 622-4023.

Timber Ridge Golf Course, 2330E 250N, Bluffton, 824-2728.

Wells County Commerce & Visitors Centre, 211 Water St., Bluffton, 824-0510.

Wells County Community Center at the 4-H Park, 1240 4-H Park Road, 824-1689.

BLUFFTON RESTAURANTS

Arby's, 995 N. Main St., 824-5580.

Billy Ann's, 113 N. Main St., 824-8060.

Bummie's B&K, 1263 S. Main St., 824-3626.

Coco China Buffet, 2020 N. Main St., 827-0838.

Dairy Queen, 960 N. Main St., 824- 4404.

El Camino Real III Mexican Restaurant, 2185 Commerce Dr., 565-3300.

Hardee's Restaurant, 211 N. Main St., 824-2668.

Hoosier House, 1529 S. Harrison Plaza, 353-1415.

Hugh's Bakery & Coffeehouse, 229 W. Market St., 353-1477

Indiana Pancake House, 919 N. Main St., 353-1414.

KFC, 640 N. Main St., 824-9367.

Little Caesars Pizza, 941 N. Main St., 824-1000.

Mariachi Loco Mexican Grill, 1595 Harrison Plaza, 827-0616.

Milli's, 1070 N. Main St., 827-0755.

McDonald's, 984 N. Main St., 824- 0433.

Mt. Fuji, 121 N. Main St., 296-1182

The Nutrition Loft, 109 E. Market St., 353-1554.

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Parlor City Brewing Company, 212 W.



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Pizza Hut, 632 N. Main St., 824-5701.

Pizza King, 114 W. Water St., 824-4956.

Richards Restaurant, 508 Charles Deam Court, 824-5884.

Subway, 933 N. Main St., 824-7821.

Taco Bell, 628 N. Main St., 824-1176.

Toppings Ice Cream Parlor, 135 W. Market St., 353-3355.

Tyeger's Pizza, 931 N. Main St., 827- 0700.

Unique Blue Bar & Grill, 205 W. Market St., 827-0756.

Wendy's, 860 N. Main St., 824-2143.

Wings Etc., 657 N. Main St., 296-1297.

Yergy's State Road BBQ, 1415 S. Main St., 824-4950.

OSSIAN RESTAURANTS

Crimson House Cafe, 304 N. Jefferson St., 622-0167.

Agriculture

Purdue Extension Service, Wells County Community Center, 1240 4-H Park Road, Bluffton, s 46714. Phone 824-6412; Fax 824-4891. Home Page: extension.purdue.edu/wells/

Director William Horan, extension educator - agriculture and natural resources and community development, and Molly Hoag, extension educator - health and human sciences. Morgan Estrada and Jenni Hoover, secretaries. Anya Aulbach - extension educator - 4-H youth development. Amy Burch - community wellness coordinator. Veronica Briles and Jane Hemmick - nutrition education program advisors.

Farm Service Agency (FSA) 115 W. Harvest Road, Bluffton, 824-1930.

County Executive Director Elonda Shirmeyer.

Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) and Soil and Water Conservation District (SWCD) share office at 117 W. Harvest Road, Bluffton, 824-1930 ext. 3. Sara Day, NRCS District Conservationist. Dave Leforge, ISDA Resource Specialist. Lynne Huffman, SWCD District Coordinator.

STATISTICS and INFORMATION

Wells County has a population of 28,180 by the official census in 2020, ranking it as the 57th most populous county in the state. The county has 581 farms by the 2017 Census of Agriculture (the most recent year for which statistics are available) which was 46th in the state. The average farm size was listed as 387 acres (18th in the state). Land in farms in Wells totaled 225,047 acres, 14th in Indiana. Cropland was 215,386 acres, 13th in Indiana. Harvested cropland was 212,268 acres, 12th in Indiana. Pastureland of all types was 1,810 acres, which ranks 87th out of 92 counties. Woodland was 4,532 acres, which is 75th in the state.

East of Chicago Pizza, 1100 Dehner Dr., 622-6699.

China Wok, 1130 Dehner Drive., 622-6613.

Mi Casa Mexican Restaurant, 1140 Dehner Drive., 622-6555.

Nel's Cafe, 101 S. Jefferson St., 622- 7345.

The Tippy Ditch, 710 S. Jefferson St., 622-0283.

Subway, 502 S. Jefferson St., 622-6433.

MARKLE RESTAURANTS

Dairy Queen, Markle, 615 Annette Drive, 758-2196.

Koozie's Pub & Grub, 148 E. Morse St., 758-2300.

Markle's Pancake House, 165 N. Clark St., 758-8106.

The Pickle, 102 E. Morse St., 758-2400

Vinatelli's Italian Cafe, 617 Annette Dr., 758-9011

In 2017 (the most recent year for which statistics are available) farm cash receipts were \$187,415,000 (18th in state), with crop receipts \$111,212,000 (18th in state) and livestock receipts \$76,203,000 (17th in state).

Government payments came to \$3,290,000, 55th among 92 counties. Imputed income/rent received was listed at \$9,064,000 which was 29th highest in Indiana.

2017 Total Income for Wells farms was \$199,769,000 (19th in state); Less expenses of \$180,578,000 (19th in state), leaving a Realized Net Income of \$19,191,000 (23rd in Indiana)

2022 Crop Statistics were:

CORN: 78,300 acres planted, 76,500 acres harvested; yield 190.4 bushels per acre, total production 14,566,000 bushels for 23rd place in Indiana.

SOYBEANS: 103,000 acres planted, 102,700 acres harvested; yield 57.4 bushels per acre, total production 5,895,000 bushels for 11th place in Indiana.

WHEAT: 3,300 acres planted, 2,690 acres harvested; yield 79.9 bushels per acre, total production 215,000 bushels for 23rd highest ranking in Indiana.

Livestock Statistics

CATTLE: January 2023 data: All cattle, 7,500 head (35th in Indiana); Beef cows, 400 head count (68th in Indiana); Milk cows, 2,900 head count (14th in Indiana).

HOGS: 2017 data: 180,138 head; 8th in Indiana

SHEEP: 2017 data: 84 head; 87th in Indiana

CHICKENS: 2017 data: No statistics available.

TURKEYS: 2017 data: 170 head; 23rd in Indiana

Agriculture (cont'd)

Historical Wells County Crop Yields:

Year:	Corn	Soybeans	Wheat
2022	190	57	80
2021	219	65	
2020	189	58	71
2019	177	54	64
2018	204	62	76
2017	185	51	73
2016	177	62	85
2015	113	42	53
2014	190	57	86

2013	180	57	71
2012	122	53	70
2011	148	46	63
2010	157	51	60
2009	179	52	78
2008	158	43	75
2007	135	48	57

Note:

Wheat in 2012, Corn in 2013, 2016 and 2019 and Soybeans in 2019 are estimates. Wheat in 2021 was not recorded.

City of Bluffton

Bluffton elects a mayor, seven-member Common Council, a clerk-treasurer and a City Court judge. The mayor heads the executive branch, and the city council is the legislative branch and makes all appropriations.

The Bluffton Common Council is in its first year as a seven-member council.

The mayor appoints two persons to serve with him on the Bluffton Board of Public Works and Safety, which manages the city utilities, authorizes and contracts for purchases, and approves payment of bills.

The clerk-treasurer is the city’s financial officer, issuing checks and serving as secretary for the Common Council and Board of Works.

The City Court judge operates the court, which has jurisdiction on city ordinances and on traffic cases.

The mayor and clerk-treasurer are full-time positions.

John Whicker (R), Mayor, City Hall, 128 E. Market St., 824-1520 . Home address: 510 Channing Way; phone 820-2399; Email: john.whicker@blufftonindiana.gov

Michelle Simon (R), Clerk-Treasurer, City Hall, 128 E. Market St.; 824-0612. Home address: 206 Briarcrest Pl.; Email: michelle@blufftonindiana.gov

Robert Bate (R), City Court Judge, Police-Fire Building, 200 E. Market St., 824-3392;



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Chandler Gerber (R), 1st District Common Council. Home address: 411 Stillwater Dr., 273-8792; Email: chandler.gerber@blufftonindiana.gov

Josh Hunt (R), 2nd District Common Council. Home address: 734 N. Main St., 417-1024; Email: josh.hunt@blufftonindiana.gov

Janella Stronczek (R), 3rd District Common Council. Home address: 802 S. Main St., 273-1539; Email: janella.stronczek@blufftonindiana.gov

Scott Mentzer (R), 4th District Common Council and Common Council President. Home address: 628 E. South St., 615-1566; Email: scott.mentzer@blufftonindiana.gov

Susan Reed (R), 5th District Common Council. Home address: 1703 Western Ave., 830-1609; Email: sarah.reed@blufftonindiana.gov

Blake Fiechter (R), Common Council at-Large, 333 Crestwood Ct., 827-8755; Email: blake.fiechter@blufftonindiana.gov

Rick Elwell (R), Common Council at-large. Home address: 704 W. Dustman Rd., 827-8216; Email: rick.elwell@blufftonindiana.gov

All 10 Bluffton elected officials are elected for four-year terms at the same time. The last election was in 2023 for terms which expire at the end of 2027. The next municipal election will be in 2027.

Each district council member must reside in that district and is elected by only the voters in that district. The At-Large council members and the mayor, clerk- treasurer and City Court judge are elected citywide.

The Bluffton Common Council meets at 5 p.m. on the first and third Tuesdays of the month in the Council Chambers on the second floor of City Hall, 128 E. Market St.

The Bluffton Board of Public Works and Safety, composed of Mayor John Whicker and Common Council members Scott Mentzer and Josh Hunt, meets at 4:30 p.m. every Tuesday in the City Council Chambers at City Hall, 128 E. Market Street. The mayor's assistant and secretary is Brenda Jackson, brenda.jackson@blufftonindiana.gov.

The city attorney is Tony Crowell, tony.crowell@blufftonindiana.gov.

BLUFFTON UTILITIES

The city of Bluffton operates three utilities

— electric, water and sewage. Working hours are 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. The city also bills for trash and recycling pickup.

Regular office hours at the Utility Office are 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Phone: 824-2500. Emergencies during after-hours and weekends should be reported to the Bluffton Police Department calling 824-3320.

Jon Oman is operations manager of Bluffton Utilities in City Hall, 128 E. Market St. Phone: 824-2500; Email: jon.oman@blufftonindiana.gov

For new residential service, a deposit of \$50 is required. If you have a reference from previous utility service or a good credit report, the deposit is only \$25. The deposit is refundable when leaving Bluffton Utilities.

A temporary connection to the electric utility is \$50.

For sewer and water tap inquiries and fees, contact the Bluffton Utilities office.

CITY ENGINEER

The city is searching for a new city engineer at the time of publication. All related emails should be sent to jon.oman@blufftonindiana.gov until a new engineer is found.

BUILDING COMMISSIONER

Richard Triplett is the city's building commissioner. He has an office at Wells Carnegie Government Annex, 223 W. Washington St. Phone: 824-6068; Email: richard.triplett@blufftonindiana.gov

OTHER CITY SERVICES

The Street Department is at 1205 S. Wayne St., Phone: 824-0714. Tim Simpson is the street commissioner. Email: tim.simpson@blufftonindiana.gov. Working hours are 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

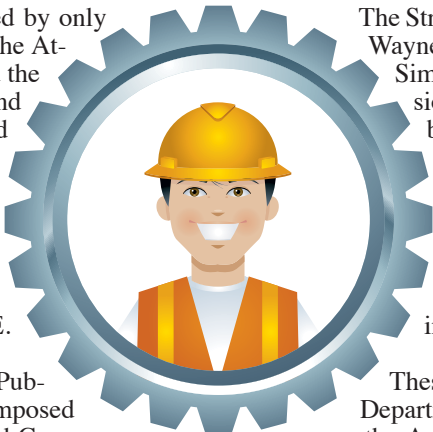
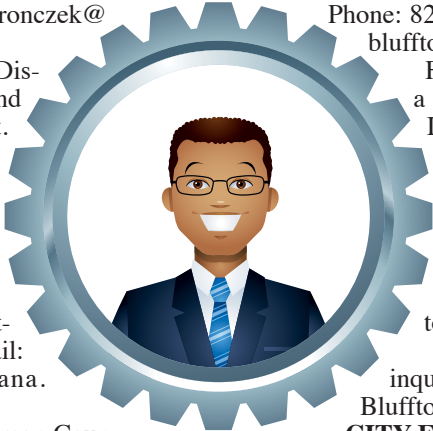
Emergencies after hours and weekends should be reported to the Bluffton Police Department by calling 824-3320.

Brush and Limbs Pickup:

These are collected by the Street Department the first 10 days of the month, April through November, as conditions allow. Brush and limbs should be placed out on the first day of each month. Items are collected as weather and volume permits.

Leaves will be collected in 2024 according to your trash pickup days, with one exception. Part of Wednesday's trash route; homes east of Wayne street will be picked up on the Monday leaf collection schedule.

If your trash/recycling day is Monday and all streets east of Wayne Street, your leaves



City of Bluffton (cont'd)

will be picked up the weeks of Oct. 14 and Nov. 11. If your trash/recycling day is Tuesday, your leaves will be picked up the weeks of Oct. 21 and Nov. 18. If your trash/recycling day is Wednesday, your leaves will be picked up the weeks of Oct. 28 and Nov. 25.

Leaves should be raked to the curb (not into the street) by Monday morning of your pickup week. Crews will make one pass through during that week. If conditions allow and there is a need for additional leaf pickup, crews will continue to pick up leaves the rest of November and into December.

Trash and recycling services are provided by Republic Services. The company's toll-free phone number is 800-876-9001. The garbage and recycling fee is \$18.75 per month per residence, with that amount covering both garbage and recycling.

Trash is picked up on the following schedule:

- Monday — Homes north of the river.
- Tuesday — Homes south of the river, west

of Wayne Street and north of Wiley Avenue.

Wednesday — Homes south of Wiley Avenue and west of Wayne Street. Also, homes east of Wayne Street.

Recyclables are picked up every other week. The 2024 schedule and map can be download on the city's website or picked up at City Hall.

If a pickup day falls on or follows a holiday, trash and recyclables will be collected on the following day.

Unlimited bagged trash pickup is scheduled for May 6, 7 and 8; Oct. 7, 8 and 9; and Dec. 26, 30 and 31.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Police-Fire Building, 204 E. Market St., phone (non-emergency) 824-3320.

Kyle Randall is the police chief; his email is kyle.randall@blufftonindiana.gov. Andrew Ellis is the deputy police chief. Other members of the Bluffton Police Department are sergeants Brent Archbold, Jason Baker and Josh Smith; detectives Cliff Thomas and Marijean Heckel; school resource officer Philip Kurut; and offi-



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City of Bluffton (cont'd); Care Centers

cers Greg Steele, Geoff Gilbert, Travis Ford, Jeffrey Belda, Benjamin Griner, Justin Pitman, Amanda Johnson, Ethan Daggett, Trae Jojola, Tyler Lambert, Evan Holliday, Logan House and Trevor Werst.

Dispatchers are Mike Miller (911 director), Christine Bennett, Andrea Garrett, Kim Noble, Devin Smith, Courtney Harvey, Tiffany Leas, Ian Cook, Zach Zeis, Dallas Creager and Nicholas Fields. Jennifer Krinn is the secretary and city court clerk.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Police-Fire Building, 204 E. Market St., phone (non-emergency) 824-6050. Don Craig is the fire chief; his email is don.craig@blufftonindiana.gov. Chris Wolf is the deputy fire chief; his email is chris.wolf@blufftonindiana.gov.

Lt. Dane Zoda is the Lieutenant of Training Operations. A-Shift full-time engineers and firefighters are Lt. Jim Platt, Tim Franklin,

Landon Eads and Cameron Rittmeyer. A-Shift paid-on-call firefighters are Capt. Justin King, Lt. Kyle Morphew, Josh Moriarity, Denny Fiscus, Brad Nelson, Seth Bennett and Colin

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and Kadin Garza. C-Shift full-time engineers and fire-

fighters are Lt. Taylon Elzey, Brian Ehrman, Joshua Hall and

Kadin Gerber. C-Shift paid-on-call firefighters are Capt. Justin Ger-

dom, Lt. Jordan Ehrman, Kelly Thompson, Jeremy Wolf, Matt Burkholder, Kirk Bear

and George Springer. Mike Moriarity is the Kelly Engineer. Part time firefighters include

Trent Markley, Alex Burkhart, Abraham Pratt, Eric Musselman and Chelsea Dick.



Care Centers and Retirement Communities

CARE CENTERS

Markle Health and Rehabilitation, 170 N. Tracy St., Markle, IN 46770, phone 758-2131; fax 758-2138. Office hours are 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Long-term care center providing both skilled and intermediate levels of care, including short-term rehabilitation. Dually certified for both Medicare and Medicaid. Accepts long-term care insurance policies, private pay, Medicaid and Medicaid pending, and most Medicare replacement policies. Hospice services and respite care is available. Inpatient and outpatient therapy services available onsite. There is a limited number of private pay suites. Augustes Cottage is a secured memory care community located within the center which serves those with Alzheimers, dementia, and other diseases affecting memory. Admissions accepted 24/7. The executive director is Nicole Moore.

Ossian Health and Rehabilitation Center, 215 Davis Rd., Ossian, IN 46777, phone 622-7821; fax 622-4370. Office hours 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday-Friday. Admissions/In-patient Care Services 24/7.

Senior living community offering a full continuum of care, featuring a new assisted living center with studio and 1-bedroom apartments, private rehabilitation suites, skilled and long-term nursing care, inpatient/outpatient rehabilitation therapy services (PT, OT, ST, RT), advanced wound care, EKG monitoring program, in house palliative care, memory care unit, respite care, transportation services. Medicare (traditional and replacement plans) and Med-

icaid certified facility, accepts private pay and long-term care insurance policies. Now accepting Medicaid Waiver for assisted living.

The health facility administrator is Tomi Cobb, HFA, for more information please call 622-7821 or email admit.ossian@tlcmgmt.com

RETIREMENT COMMUNITIES

Christian Care Retirement Community, 720 E. Dustman Rd., phone 565-3000; fax 565-3009.

Office hours 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday or by appointment; Staff available 24 hours a day.

Independent living including two- and three-bedroom villas and one-bedroom apartments; assisted living in one- and two-bedroom or efficiency apartments; intermediate and skilled (Medicare) nursing care for complete service. Also special care unit for Alzheimer's and dementia residents. The executive director is Austin Smith.

River Terrace Retirement Community, 400 Caylor Blvd., Bluffton, phone 824-8940; fax 824-8951.

Senior living community offering the full continuum of care – two-bedroom, two-bath cottages with attached garage, one- and two-bedroom independent living apartments; licensed Assisted Living and Memory Support Assisted Living apartments; skilled and intermediate nursing care; rehabilitation services; transportation services; “River’s Edge Bistro” open for lunch; “Corner Shoppe” gift shop; walking trail and exercise room. The administrator is Rod Craft.

Chamber of Commerce; Industrial Employers

The Wells County Chamber of Commerce serves all of Wells County and houses the countywide Economic Development and Revitalization.

The joint office is at 211 W. Water St., Bluffton; phone 824-0510; fax 824-5871. Website: wellsco.com and wellsdc.com

Erin Prible is the chamber executive director and secretary for the board. Chad Kline is the economic development executive director.

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Dedrick Tool & Die, 2929E-Ind. 124, Bluffton, 824-3334

DPL Energy, (generating plant in southern Wells County), 1065 Woodman Drive, Dayton, Ohio, 937-259-7880

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Same Day Inc., 3140E-Ind. 124, Bluffton, 824-9999

Snider Fleet Solutions, 1400 W. Wiley Ave., Bluffton, 824-4520

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Standard Plastics, 850 Decker Dr., Bluffton, 824-0214

Star Engineering & Machine Co., 1717 W. Lancaster St., Bluffton, 824-4825

Super-Pufft Snacks, 705 W. Dustman Road, Bluffton, 824-2800

TI Automotive, 1200 Baker Dr., Ossian, 622-7900

Trusted Supply Chain Partners, 1625 Baker Dr., Ossian, 622-6000

20/20 Custom Molded Plastics, 785 Decker Dr., Bluffton, 565-2020

Valero Renewables, 1441 S. Adams St., Bluffton, 846-0011

Wayne Metals, 400 E. Logan St., Markle, 758-3121

WEG Commercial Motors, 410 E. Spring St., Bluffton, 827-2200

Westland LLC, 1955 Lancaster St., Bluffton, 273-6680

Churches

WELLS COUNTY CHURCHES:

(Name, address, phone, pastor, website)

Apostolic Christian Church, 1970S-800E, Bluffton. 565-3583. Lynn Fiechter.

Apostolic Christian Church, (Bluffton North), 630 E. Dustman Road (P.O. Box 322), Bluffton. 824-5651. Dan Pfister.

Asbury Chapel United Methodist Church, 8013W-1100S, Montpelier. Mailing address: 7994W-900S-90, Warren, IN 46792.

Bethel Reformed Baptist Church, 4500E-300S, Bluffton. Ron Garner, pastor.

Bethlehem Lutheran Church and School, 6514E-750N, Ossian. 597-7121. Rev. Samuel Wirgau.

Bluffton Church of God, 327 W. Cherry St., Bluffton. 824-8202.

Bluffton Wesleyan Chapel (Independent), 1309 W. Washington St., Bluffton. 824-4431. Chris King, pastor.

Boehmer United Methodist Church, 3467S-600W, Liberty Center. 694-6250. Steve Nevius, 260-356-9341.

Calvary Lutheran Church, 1532 N Main St., Bluffton. 824-0177

Chester Center Christian Church, 9009S-300W, (P.O. Box 29) Poneto. 360-608-4139. Rev. Wayne Moore.

Christian New Light Church, 1011 W. Washington St., Bluffton. 273-0522. Rev. Timothy McKnight, senior pastor; Rev. Nate Morrow, pastor. Mailing address: 1225 W. Washington St., Bluffton.

Church of Christ, 735 S. Marion St., Bluffton.

The Church at McNatt, 9183W-800S-90, (P.O. Box 568), Montpelier. 375-2957. Dan Tucker, pastor.

City on a Hill Church, 705W 900N, Uniondale. Gary Aupperle, senior pastor; Jerroll Lehman, worship pastor.

Covenant Chapel, 3550 S. Ind. 1, Bluffton. 824-8310. Don Rentschler.

Domestic Church of Christ, 7063E-900S, Bluffton. Mark Dauterman, pastor. Mailing address: 4571E-900S, Keystone.

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Dillman United Brethren Church, 8888S1100W-90, Warren. 375-2779. Matt Kennedy, lead pastor. dillmanchurch.org

Epworth United Methodist Church, 1204 W. Cherry St., Bluffton. 824-5510. Marlene Ellis, pastor.

Fellowship Baptist Church, 210 W. Townley, Bluffton. 565-4141. Lenny Stringer, pastor.

First Baptist Church, 202 W. Cherry St., Bluffton. 824-1558. Les Cantrell, pastor.

First Church of Christ, 909 W. Spring St., Bluffton. 824-0332. fccfamily.com.

First Church of the Nazarene, 1515 Clark Ave., Bluffton. 824-0460. Tim Miller, lead pastor.

First Presbyterian Church, 215 E. Dustman Road, Bluffton. 824-0767. firstpcbbluffton.org. Rev. Terry Epling.

First Reformed Church, 301 W. Cherry St., Bluffton. 824-3161. Adam Carroll, interim pastor.

First United Methodist Church, 325 W. Washington St., Bluffton. 824-2654. Sherrie Drake, pastor.

Forgiven Church, 1409 S. Main St., Bluffton. 824-2000. Scott Ochsner, pastor; Michelle Ochsner, associate pastor.

Grace Baptist Church, 1621S-350E (Stogdill Road Extended), Bluffton. 824-4660. Douglas McClure.

Harvest Time Bible Church, 11015S-600E-90, Keystone. (Mailing address: P.O. Box 589, Bluffton). 273-0877. Tony Robles, pastor.

Hope Missionary Church, 429 E. Dustman Road, Bluffton. 824-1844. Mark Wilson, lead pastor.

Keystone Church, 10556S-200W, Keystone. 694-6912. Dan Sommer. hope4thefamily.com.

Keystone Christian Fellowship, 10556S-200W (P.O. Box 3) Keystone. 260-251-9313. Pastor Dan Neuenschwander.

Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witnesses, 2803 N. Main St., Bluffton. 824-0051. G. Rick Reynolds, elder.

Lancaster Chapel United Methodist Church, 4510E-400N, Craigville. 565-3536. Rev. Dewey Miller.

Liberty Center Baptist Church, 3071 W.

Cherry St., (P.O. Box 206) Liberty Center. 694-6622. Aaron J. Westfall, licensed minister.

Liberty Center Community Church, 2905 S Main St., (P.O. Box 226) Liberty Center. 694-6405. Diane Samuels, pastor.

Life Community Church, 428 S. Oak St., Bluffton. 824-2252. Steve Surbaugh.

Living Water United Church, 6486 S 700E, Bluffton. 334-5318. Rev. Clark Stoller, 334-5318.

Markle Church of Christ, 455 E. Morse St., (P.O. Box 609) Markle. 758-2171. Timothy Peace, lead minister; Nathan Palmer, administrative minister; Nick Ridenour, student minister; Samantha Oakleaf, children's minister.

Markle Riverside 316, 145 W. Morse St., (P.O. Box 378) Markle. Dan First, pastor.

Murray Missionary Church, 1117 N. Washington St. (Ind. 116 in Murray), Bluffton. 824-0113. Mike Gilbert.

New Beginning Church, 2187 W. Ind. 218, Bluffton. 694-6577.

New Hope Lutheran Church LCMS, 8824 N. Ind. 1, Ossian. 622-7954.

Nottingham Church, 11020 Ind. 1, Montpelier.

Ossian Church of the Nazarene, 302 N. Metts, Ossian. 622-7449. Travis Tackett, lead pastor.

Ossian First Baptist Church, 1001 Dehner Dr., Ossian. 622-6900. Matthew Gullion, pastor.

Ossian First Presbyterian Church, 123 S. Jefferson St., (P.O. Box 363) Ossian. 622-4288. Andrew Morton, pastor. ossianchurch.com.

Ossian United Methodist Church, 201 W. Mill St. (P.O. Box 385), Ossian. 622-4326. Rev. David Herr.

Park Community Church, 617 S. Bennett St., Bluffton. 824-0887. Dennis Wood, lead pastor.

Petroleum Community Church, 3625 E. 2nd St., Petroleum. 223-9075. Pastor Steve Bard.

Poneto Baptist Church, 5819 S. Grape St. (P.O. Box 52), Poneto. 726-9887.

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Box 568) Bluffton. 824-1986. Paul Weaver, pastor. rohbluffton.org.

Seventh Day Adventist Church, 470 E Morse St., (PO Box 314) Markle. 863-257-2349. Pastor Michel Bayson.

Six Mile Church, 4790 SE Ind. 116, Bluffton. 824-8521. Steve Studebaker, pastor.

Sonlight Wesleyan Church, 2350 S. Ind. 1, Bluffton. 824-0068. Lyle A. Breeding, senior pastor; Lane Sander, assistant pastor.

Southern Wells Community Church, 9450S-300W, Poneto. 765-728-2154. Zach Ruble, pastor.

St. Joseph Catholic Church, 1300 N. Main St., Bluffton. 824-1380. Father David Violi.

St. Mark's Lutheran Church, 5912 N. Sugar St., (P.O. Box 175) Uniondale. 543-2245. Rev. Jarrod Ball.

Tower Life Center, 11811 N. Wayne St., (P.O. Box 4) Zanesville. 638-4108. Kyle Reinhard, lead pastor.

TurnPointe Community Church of the Brethren, 500 W. Logan St., Markle. 758-9473.

Uniondale Community Church, 5867 N. Main St., (P.O. Box 115) Uniondale. 543-2256. Rev. Karen Otjes,

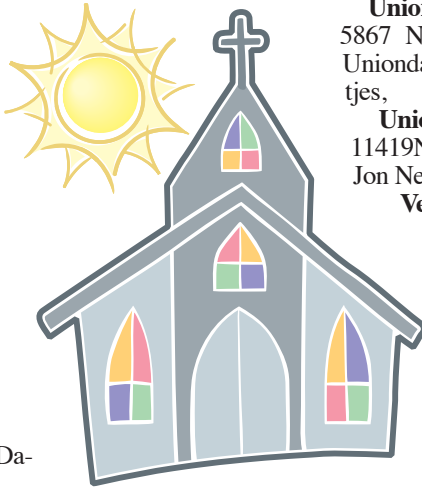
Uniontown Church of Christ, 11419N-200W, Ossian. 705-7703. Jon Newlon, minister.

Vera Cruz Family Worship Center, 2771 SE Mulberry (Vera Cruz), Bluffton. 565-3678. H.F. Cox, pastor.

Zanesville Community Church of God, 11984 N. Marzane Rd. (P.O. Box 26), Zanesville. 638-4239. Steve Whetstone, pastor.

Zanesville United Brethren in Christ Church, 3092 W. Broad-

way, (P.O. Box 386) Zanesville. 638-4000. Pastor: Colin Raab.



Clubs and Organizations

Agriculture & Natural Resources & Economic Community Development, Bill Horan, County Extension director, Purdue University Cooperative Extension Service, Wells County, 1240 4-H Park Rd., Bluffton, 824-6412, Fax 824-4891. Home Page: extension.purdue.edu/wells

Alcoholics Anonymous, First Reform Church, 301 West Cherr St.y, Bluffton, 9 a.m. Mondays. More information at 824-3161. (Free WOW bus service to meetings available.)

Alcoholics Anonymous, Epworth United Methodist Church, 1204 West Cherry St., Bluffton. **Narcotics Anonymous** 7 p.m. Tuesdays; Alcoholics Anonymous 7 p.m. Wednesdays and 9 a.m. Saturdays. More information at 824-5510

American Cancer Society, cancer.org.

American Heart Association, 6500 Technology Center Dr., Suite 100, Indianapolis, IN 46278, 317-732-4700, Fax: 317-732-4710

American Legion, Post 111, 111 West Washington St., 824-3815. Bob Buehl, commander

American Red Cross of Northeast Indiana, 1212 East California Rd., Fort Wayne, 46825; 1-800-733-2767 or 260-484-9336; Class information at 1-800-RED-CROSS; www.redcross.org

Bi-County Services Inc., 425 East Harrison Rd., Bluffton, 260-824-1253, Tim Ramsey, president

Big Brothers Big Sisters, Northeast Indiana, 1005 West Rudisill, Fort Wayne 46807,

888-456-1600, Josette Rider, executive director.

Bird Count, information from Kathy Fuller about the annual bird count, 824-4525

Bluffton Lions Club, Don Smith, president, 748-4548, d.smith@hotmail.com

Bluffton Lodge #145, F. & A. M. Masons, 211 West Cherry St., 824-2524

Bluffton Rotary Club, Jordan Arnold, president, 260-236-4472

Bluffton Street Fair Association Inc., PO Box 2, Bluffton, IN 46714, 260-824-4351 (Sept. 19-23, 2023), office@blufftonstreetfair.com

Boy Scouts of America, Anthony Wayne Area Council, 8315 West Jefferson Blvd., Fort Wayne, 46804, 800-272-2922, District Director Steve Higgins, 432-9593, awac.org

Boys & Girls Club, Wells Community Boys & Girls Club Inc., 1410 South Wayne St., Bluffton, 824-5070, Vicki Bell, executive director

Cancer Services of Northeast Indiana, Inc., 6316 Mutual Dr., Fort Wayne, 46825, 260-484-9560 or 866-484-9560 (toll free), or cancer-services.org

CADA (Citizens Advocatig for Drug Awareness), 102 West Market St., Suite 205, Bluffton, Christine Walker, president; Molly Hoag, vice president; Angie Dial coordinator; 824-8574, Email: CADAofwellscounty@yahoo.com

Community Care of Northeast Indiana Inc., 107 West Wabash, Bluffton, ccnei.org;

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Grace & Mercy Women's Transitional Housing 353-1006; Thrift Store, 119 S. Main, Bluffton, 353-1004; Resource Center, 117 S. Main, Bluffton, 353-1005.

Community & Family Services, 1169 North Main St., Suite 12, Bluffton, 824-4836 (Press 6 for Wells Co.)

Elks Lodge, B.P.O.E.#796, 213 South Main St., Bluffton, 824-2824

Extension Homemakers: Purdue University Cooperative Extension Service-Wells County, 1240 4-H Park Rd., Bluffton, 824-6412, Molly Hoag, adviser

FCS (Family Centered Services), 1515 North Sutton Circle Dr., Bluffton, 824-8574; Fax 824-2790, fcs-inc.net

Food Bank, 1254 South Main St., P. O. Box 186, Bluffton, 827-0053, Connie Kaehr and Amy Moser, directors.

Friends of the Library, more information at 824-1612, Melanie Spalding, president

Friends of Ouabache State Park (FOO-SP); Al Arnold, president; Quinn Curry, treasurer; information at park office 824-0926

4-H, Purdue University Cooperative Extension Service-Wells County, 1240 4-H Park Rd., Bluffton; 824-6412, Fax 824-4891. Home Page: extension.purdue.edu/wells (4-H Fair July 13-18, 2024)

Girl Scouts of Northern Indiana-Michiana, 1008 DuPont Circle Dr. East, Fort Wayne, 422-3417, Fax 855-422-0084

Habitat for Humanity, 2020 East Washington Blvd., Suite 500, Fort Wayne, IN 46803, 422-4828

Head Start Center, Bluffton-Harrison Elementary School, 824-0333.

Health & Human Services, Molly Hoag, educator, Purdue University Cooperative Extension Services, Wells County, 1240 4-H Park Rd., Bluffton, IN 46714, 824-6412, Fax 824-4891, extension.purdue.edu/wells

Kiwanis Club of Greater Bluffton, Contact person: Julie Quinn, 824-1562.

LIGHT, (Ladies Initiating Giving—an Honored Tradition), Wells County Foundation, 222 West Market St., Bluffton, 824-8620, grant deadline Sept. 13, teacher-creativity grant deadline April 1

Loving Shepherd Ministries, 1935 North Main St., Bluffton, 824-9000

Mental Health Association of Wells County, Behavior & Recovery Resource Center of Wells County, 223 West Washington St., Bluffton, 824-1514, Sharon McMillan, president

Moose Lodge, 120 North Main St., Bluff-

ton, The Garage (youth center), 824-0660

Optimist Club of Bluffton, Steve Higgins, contact person, 273-2711

Ossian Lions Club, 5027 North St. Rd. 1, Ossian, 46777. Roger Cash, president, 432-638-8032

Parlor City Fraternal Order of Police Lodge 134, 1615 West Western Ave., Bluffton, 260-824-3426, Andrew Campbell, president

Psi Iota Xi, Bluffton, Melissa Gilgen, 824-2695

Psi Iota Xi, Ossian, Debbie Plasterer, president, 437-6154

Salvation Army of Wells Co., extension service of the Connecting Center in Bluffton, 116 South Johnson; emergency assistance, Pastor Neil Ainsle, 622-8441; Facebook: Salvation Army of Wells County

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Vietnam Veterans of America, chapter 698, 1031 Sycamore Ln., Bluffton, Ben Jones, president, 820-0047; Bob Frantz, vice president; Jerry Blevens, chaplain/vice president; Rick Smith, secretary/treasurer, 597-7177

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Wells County Foundation, 222 West Market St., Bluffton, 824-8620, Tammy Slater, director, wellscountyfound.org

Wells County Genealogy Society, P.O.

Box 54, Bluffton; Connie Brubaker, president, 227-0465

Wheels of Yesteryear, Aug. 11-13, Dorrance Stinson, president, 466-1157; Chad Captain, vice president.

WorkOne Northeast Indiana, Dutch Mill Plaza, 360 North Main St., Suite B, Bluffton; 824-0855 (Fridays only) and 313 West Jefferson, Suite 303, Decatur, 301-5610 (Wednesdays only)

Yehoshua Inc., 116 South Johnson St., Bluffton. 307-2205, emergency assistance

YMCA, Wells County, 550 West Dustman Rd., Bluffton, Thom Miller, executive director, 565-YMCA (9622) or fwymca.org

Youth For Christ Adams, Blackford, Grant, Jay, Wells Counties, mailing address P.O. Box 431, Bluffton, 824-1330

Counseling Services

Bowen Center, Phone 356-2875. Website: bowencenter.org.

Crosswinds Counseling Center, 1169N. Main St., Suite 9, Bluffton. Phone, 594-9204. Faith-based counseling that includes online or in-office therapy, as well as therapy for individuals, couples, families or juveniles. Corporate office 4150 Illinois Rd., Fort Wayne.

Website: crosswindscounseling.org

Renovate Counseling Services, Phone 307-5030. 105 W. Cherry St., Bluffton. Services the following areas of counseling: depression, anxiety, addictions, marriage/couples, premarital, family, grief, and trauma counseling. Website: renovatecounseling.org



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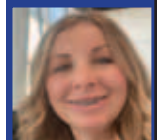
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Behavior And Recovery Resource Center Of Wells County, office in the Wells Carnegie Government Annex, 223 W. Washington St. in Bluffton. Volunteers staff the office from 10:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Monday and Thursday. The phone number is 824-1514, and the phone has an answering machine.

Assistance can be provided to community organizations on domestic abuse and school programs on bullying, discipline, and student

responsibility.

The organization, previously known as the Mental Health Association of Wells County, provides written resources to individuals and is also able to direct individuals to locations where they can obtain treatment. It can provide information on mental health issues and has a literature display at the Wells County-Public Library's main branch in Bluffton.

County Government

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS & COUNTY COUNCIL

Wells County has two elected boards with governmental responsibilities and authority. The three-member Board of County Commissioners is an executive and legislative board. The seven-member Wells County Council is the fiscal arm of county government.

The three Wells County Commissioners are:

Vice President Michael Vanover (R), District 1, which is the southern third of the county, from Ind. 218 to the south county line. Home address: 4620E-900S, Keystone, 273-4950.

Blake Gerber (R), District 2, which is the central third of the county from Ind. 218 to County Road 300N and includes Rockcreek

Township. Home address: 707S-Ind. 201, Bluffton, 824-1964.

President Jeff Stringer (R), District 3, which is the northern third of the county, from County Road 300N to the north county line. Home address: 4906N-100W, Uniondale, 577-1338.

All three of the commissioners are elected countywide but they must reside in the district they represent. They are elected for four-year terms. The District 1 commissioner is elected in even-numbered nonpresidential election years. The District 2 and District 3 commissioners are elected in presidential election years. The commissioners redistricted in December 2017 and the decision moved Rockcreek Township out of District 3 and into District 2.



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The seven Wells County Council members include four who are elected from and by council districts and three who are elected county-wide and serve at-large.

District 1 (includes Rock Creek, Liberty, Jackson, Chester and Nottingham townships, as well as Harrison Township excluding the city of Bluffton): Brian Lambert (R), 3831N-100W, Bluffton, 223-3817.

District 2 (includes Lancaster Township and Jefferson Township east of the Ossian town limits): Steve Huggins (R), 1723E-350N, 437-8872.

District 3 (Union Township and Jefferson Township, including Ossian): Todd Mahnensmith (R), P.O. Box 342, Ossian, 433-3838.

District 4 (the city of Bluffton south of the Lancaster Township line): Brandon Harnish (R), 225 Harrison St., Bluffton, 273-1384.

At-Large: Vicki Andrews (R), vice president, 8708S-600W, Warren-90; 375-3131.

At-Large: Scott Elzey (R), 1824 NW Ind. 116-90, Markle, 750-1800.

At-Large: Seth Whicker (R), president, 1191 W. Hancock St., Uniondale, 403-6928.

All council members are elected for four-year terms. The four district council members are elected in even-numbered non-presidential election years.

Only voters in their respective districts vote on the district council members. The three at-large members are elected in presidential election years, and they are elected countywide.

The county commissioners meet in regular session in the lower level meeting room of the Wells Carnegie Government Annex, 223 W. Washington St., Bluffton at 5 p.m. on the first Monday and third Monday of each month, except for county holidays.

They also meet as the Wells County Drainage Board at 4:30 p.m. (unless otherwise noted) on those same days in the same location, and as members of the Wells County Solid Waste District at 4 p.m. on the third Monday of the month, along with other county representatives.

Wells County Council meets in regular session on the first Tuesday after the first Monday of each month at 7 p.m. in the lower level meeting room of the Wells Carnegie Government Annex, 223 W. Washington St., Bluffton. (The schedule changes on holidays and for election week situations.)

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OTHER ELECTED COUNTY OFFICIALS

Lisa McCormick (R) County Auditor, Courthouse, Suite 205, Bluffton, 824-6470.

Beth Davis (R) County Clerk, Courthouse, Suite 201, Bluffton, 824-6479. Also County Election Board chairman.

Kathy Peeper (R) County Treasurer, Courthouse, Suite 204, Bluffton, 824-6512.

Carolyn Bertsch (R) County Recorder, Courthouse, Suite 203, Bluffton, 824-6507.

Laura Roberts (R) County Assessor, Courthouse, Suite 202, Bluffton, 824-6476.

Jarrod Hahn (R) County Surveyor, Courthouse, Suite 102, Bluffton, 824-6414.

Kenton Kiracofe (R) Wells Circuit Court judge, Courthouse, Suite 302, Bluffton, 824-6485.

Andrew Antrim (R) Wells Superior Court judge, Courthouse, Suite 303, 824-6508.

Colin Andrews (R) prosecuting attorney, Courthouse, Suite 405, 824-4102.

Scott Holliday (R) County Sheriff, 1615 W. Western Ave. (Wells County Jail), 824-3426.

Hilarie Gaskill (R) County Coroner, Carnegie Government Annex, 223 W. Washington St., Suite 100, Bluffton, 273-4013.

These county elected officials are chosen countywide for four-year terms, except the Cir-

cuit Court judge and the Superior Court judge are chosen for six-year terms.

The auditor, clerk, assessor, prosecutor and sheriff are elected in even-numbered non-presidential election years. The treasurer, recorder, surveyor and coroner are elected in presidential election years.

OTHER COUNTY OFFICIALS

Ted Storer, county attorney and Drainage Board Attorney, Beers Mallers, Fort Wayne, 426-9706.

LeAnne Gibbs-Wyss, public information officer, 202-494-0693, pio@wellscounty.org.

Shawn Bonar, Highway Department supervisor. 1600 W. Washington St., Bluffton, 824-6430.

Deane Lee Holderman, Department of Child Services director, 221 W. Market St., Bluffton, 824-3530.

Karen Thompson, Wells County Jail commander, Wells County Jail, 1615 W. Western Ave., Bluffton, 824-3426.

Jeffrey Stineburg, chief deputy prosecutor, Child Support IV-D, Courthouse, Suite 405, Bluffton, 824-4102.

Blake Poindexter, Wells County Community Corrections director, Courthouse, Suite 107, Bluffton, 824-6405.

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Courthouse, Suite 404, Bluffton, 824-6496.

Rick Velasquez, Emergency Management director, 223 W. Washington St., Carnegie Annex Suite 101, Bluffton, 824-6433.

Bobbie Studebaker, Courthouse and Carnegie Annex custodian, Courthouse, Suite 101, Bluffton, 824-6401.

Michael Lautzenheiser Jr., Area Plan Commission director/GIS coordinator; Suzie Gentis, administrative assistant, Carnegie Annex, 223 W. Washington St., Room 211, Bluffton, 824-6407.

Dewey Randall, Veterans Service Officer, Carnegie Annex, 223 W. Washington St., Suite 102, Bluffton; 824-6403.

Wells County Election Board: Beth Davis, Wells County Clerk, secretary/member, 824-6479; Roy Johnson, member, Republican representative, 824-0500; Larry Sell, member, Democratic representative, 824-2995.

Wells County Cemetery Board: Thomas Liby, Connie Brubaker, Bill Dowty, Chris Pease, and Jerri Lehman.

COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT

The Wells County Health Department is located at 223 W. Washington St. in the Wells Carnegie Government Annex, phone 824-6489; fax 824-8803. The Health Department has a page on the county website, wellscounty.org

The office hours are 8 a.m. to noon and 1 to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Services include childhood immunizations, TB testing, birth certificates, death certificates, septic permits, septic installer registration, wa-

ter testing available, housing and environmental complaint attention, food permits, and adult vaccines.

The department also houses public preparedness division.

Dr. Kay Johnson is the county health officer. Sahara Wall is the administrator. Lynn Blevins is the public health nurse. Ryan Bennett is the environmental health specialist. Kathy Feher is clerical assistant.

The health board is made up of members appointed by the Wells County Commissioners: Chris Esterling, (309)-657-3005; Steven Bales, 694-6938; Dr. Mary Donley, 824-3500; Molly Hoag, 824-6412; Ann McNabb, 565-4293; Dr. Bartholomew Hott, 824-2442; and Tamarra Troutt, 402-8627. The board meets at 6:30 a.m. on the second Thursday every other month in the annex meeting room on the lower level. To view the full board meeting schedule and additional department information, visit wellscounty.org/health-department.



County Sheriff's Department

The Wells County Sheriff's Office provides police and law enforcement services throughout the county in cooperation with municipal departments, Indiana State Police and others. The sheriff also is responsible for operation of the Wells County Jail and for serving of papers for the courts.

The sheriff's office and jail are located at 1615 W. Western Ave. on the west side of Bluffton. Phone: 824-3426; Fax: 260-824-6424.

The sheriff is Scott Holliday (90-1). The chief deputy is Randy Steele (90-2). The jail commander is Karen Thompson. The detectives are Det. Chip Swindell (90-3) and Det. Quinton Greer (90-4).

Other deputy sheriff's are Jeff McClish (90-5), Ryan Mounsey (90-6), School Resource Officer Chad Bradley (90-7), Sgt. Andrew Campbell (90-8), Kurtis Brooksher (90-9), School Re-



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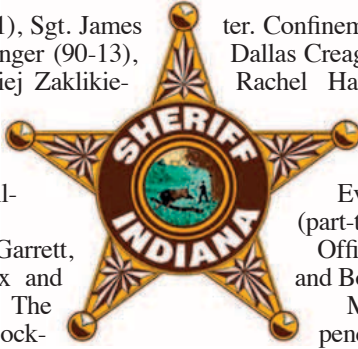


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County Sheriff's Department

source Officer Curt Hunt (90-11), Sgt. James Agler (90-12), Sgt. Austin Springer (90-13), Desmond Carter (90-14), Maciej Zaklikiewicz (90-15), Jeremy Heckel (90-16), Nicholas Conrad (90-17), Andrew Gerz (90-18) and Alex Monce (90-19). Ralph Miller is the civil processor.

Central Control is Deb Garrett, Kirsten Brackin, Misty Haddix and Melissa Zirkle (part-time). The transport officer is: Andrew Dock-



ter. Confinement officers are Angie McClish, Dallas Creager, Jairus Daggett, Ryan Gerber, Rachel Hartman, Chandler McCutcheon, Candice Myers, Jared Myers, Caleb Pugh, Karissa Smith, Samuel Smith, Stephanie Wix, Evan Zimmer and Michael Terrell (part-time).

Office staff: Krista Markley, matron, and Bonnie Heckel, clerk/receptionist.

Maintenance staff: Bob Monce, pending his retirement in the spring.

Creative Arts Council of Wells County

The Creative Arts Council of Wells County is located at 428 S. Oak St., Bluffton; 824-5222; creativeartscouncil@gmail.com and wellscreativearts.com

Offering programs and events in dance, music, theater and visual art.

Typical office hours are 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Thursday and 9 a.m. to noon Friday.

Staff includes Janiece Lipsey, executive director, and Tammy Ray, director of creative services.

Board of Directors: Ted Smith, president; Mike Downey, vice president; John Emshwiller, treasurer; Meagan VandeLaar, secretary; and members Eric Blessing, Ted Chemey, Natasha Gilgen, Julie Harvey, Jeanette Lundeen and Nancy Wagner.

Dance program instructors include Kelly McCormick Bangs, Megan Kelly, Janiece Lipsey, Jeni Meeks and Davina Schnaars.

Music program instructors include Mike Needler, Alyssa Plisco and Tammy Ray.

Upcoming 2024 Events

“Noir Suspitions” — Feb. 16-17

Dance Program Lecture/Demonstrations — March 2-3

Spring Dance Concert — April 26-27

Shrek the Musical Jr.: — June 14-15

The Jungle Book Kids — June 28-29

Summer Dance Intensive Performance — June 21

Excerpts from “The Nutcracker” — Dec. 7

Holiday Theater Production (Show TBA) — Dec. 13-14.



Bowling

EZ Bowl (Bowling Center Inc.), 1231 S. Scott St., Bluffton, phone: 824-9966, is a 22-lane facility offering league



bowling for youth and adults. It also offers open bowling and special party arrangements and a snack shop.

Dentists

Bluffton Dental Clinic, Pamela J. Johnson, D.D.S., 1417 Baker Place, Bluffton, 824-5940.

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Laura Kukelhan, D.D.S., 1133 N. Main St., Bluffton, 824-3100.

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Riverstone Dental, Molly Sigler, D.D.S., Blake Taylor RPH DMD, 1429 Baker Place, Bluffton, 824-4614.

Still Waters Family Dentistry, Clark Downey, D.D.S., 10045 N. Ind. 1, Ossian, 622-4138.

Historical Society and Museum

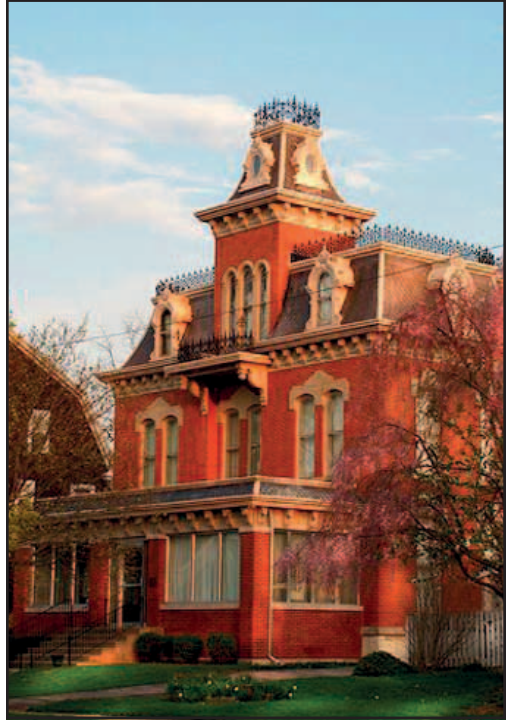
The Wells County Historical Museum is located at 420 W. Market St., Bluffton, phone 824-9956. The home was built in 1882 by Alvin Stewart, who sold it to John Studabaker in 1892. It was Studabaker's home until his death in 1912. It became the Jahn Funeral Home and Goodwin Funeral Home from the 1920s until 1974. The Historical Society purchased the home from Ralph Jahn in 1974 for use as a museum.

The structure is listed on the National and State Registers of Historical Places and contains thousands of mementos of Wells County History.

The officers of the Wells County Historical Society are Jim Sturgeon, president; Connie Brubaker, vice president; Marcia Hotopp, secretary; Lynn Elliott, treasurer. Elected board members are Sam Aeschliman, Samantha Acosta, Rebecca Behning, Susan Price, Roger Schere, Paul Griner, Larry McAfee and Pat Wall.

The museum is open from 1 to 4 p.m. on Sundays, and Wednesdays from 1 to 4 p.m. April through October. Contact Connie Brubaker for questions or special tours at 227-0465.

Also find WCHS on Facebook at facebook.com/WellsCoHistory for event updates and to request a tour through Messenger.



Legislators, State and Federal

STATE LEGISLATORS

Representative Matt Lehman, a Republican, is in his eighth two-year term through 2024. He represents the majority of Wells County as part of the 79th House District: Nottingham, Harrison, Lancaster townships and the portion of Jefferson Township east of Ind. 1, including all of incorporated Ossian. Home Address: 663 Lehman St., Berne, IN 46711. Statehouse Address: House of Representatives, 200 W. Washington St., Statehouse, Indianapolis, IN 46204-2786. Office phone is (800) 382-9841, direct line: (317) 232-9677. Lehman is the Majority Floor Leader and serves on the Financial Institutions and Insurance, Public Policy, and Public Health committees. Contact via email at h79@in.gov or online at in.gov/h79

Representative Lorissa Sweet, a Republican, is in her first two-year term through 2024. She represents all of Liberty, Union and Rockcreek townships and the portion of Jefferson Township west of Ind. 1, excluding incorporated portions of Ossian, as part of House District 50. Home address: 10120S- 300W, Wabash, IN 46992. Statehouse Address: House of Representatives, 200 W. Washington St., Statehouse, Indianapolis, IN 46204-2786. Office phone is (800) 382-9841 (toll free), direct line: (317) 232-9651. She serves on the Agriculture and Rural Development, Courts and Criminal Code, and Local Government committees. Contact via email at h50@in.gov or online at in.gov/h50

State Senator Travis Holdman, a Republican, is in his second six-year term through 2024.

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He serves all of Wells County as part of the 19th Senate District. Home Address: 2467 W 1000N, Markle, IN 46770. Statehouse Address: Senate, State of Indiana, 200 West Washington St., Indianapolis, IN 46204. Office phone (317) 232-9400. Toll-free phone number is (800) 382-9467. Holdman is Majority Caucus Chair and serves on these committees: Tax and Fiscal Policy (Chair); Rules & Legislative Procedures; Appropriations. Contact via email at holdman@in.gov or online at indianasenaterepublicans.com/holdman

LEGISLATURE ONLINE INFORMATION:

The Indiana General Assembly home page is available at iga.in.gov

CONGRESSIONAL REPRESENTATIVES

U.S. Senator Todd Young, a Republican, is in his second six-year term. His position will be on the ballot again in 2028. Washington office: 185 Dirksen Senate Office Building, Washington DC, 20510, Phone: 202-224-5623. Fort Wayne

office: 1300 S Harrison St., Suite 3161, Fort Wayne, IN 46802; phone (317) 226-6700. Email accessible through Young's website, young.senate.gov

U.S. Senator Mike Braun, a Republican, is in his first six-year term through 2024 and is not seeking another term. Washington office: 404 Russell Senate Office Building, Washington, D.C. 20510. Phone (202) 224-4814. Fort Wayne office: 203 E. Berry St., Suite 702B, Fort Wayne IN 46802; phone (317) 822-8240. Email accessible through Braun's website, braun.senate.gov

Congressman Jim Banks, a Republican (Indiana Third Congressional District), is in his fourth two-year term. He is not seeking reelection in 2024. Washington office: 1713 Longworth House Office Building, Washington, D.C. 20515. Phone 202-225-4436. Fort Wayne office: 1300 S. Harrison St., Fort Wayne IN 46802; 260-702-4750. Email accessible through Banks' website, banks.house.gov

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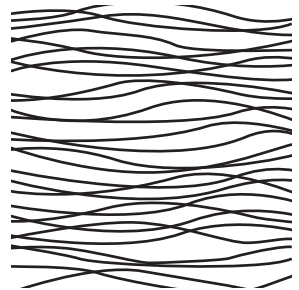
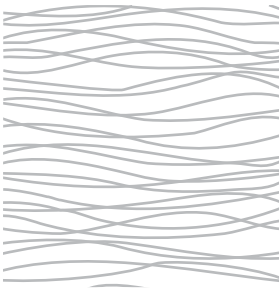
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The Wells County Public Library serves the county with its Main Library in Bluffton and the Ossian Branch—all modern and excellent physical facilities and offering many services. A major renovation project at the Main Library was com-

pleted in 2020 and at the Ossian Branch in 2013.

The main facility is at 200 W. Washington St., Bluffton, 46714, phone-824-1612, fax 260-824-3129. Library website: wellscolibrary.org

Library hours at Bluffton are Monday through Thursday, 9 a.m. to 8 p.m.; Friday, 9 a.m. to 6



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Director: Sarah MacNeill; **IT Manager:** Brian Christman; **Administrative Services:** Dawn Miller; **Accounting/HR:** Danielle Archbold; **Public Relations:** Emily Marshall; **Adult Services:** Jason Habegger, Catherine Campbell, Alice Curry, Lisa Powell-Sabinske; Andrew Feeback; **Media Services:** Jackie Dailey; **Children's Services:** Cynthia Burchell, Stefanie Kipfer, Kara Raschick, Rachel Maggard, Amy Meyer, Rachel Hunter; **Circulation Services:** Teresa Dustman, Kaitlin Christman, Lora Kieser, Angela Pfister, Stephanie Rinkenberger, Nicole Zurcher; **Materials Services:** Annette Gover, Robin Barton, Chloe Maddox, Grace Zoll; **Teen Services:** Janelle Smith, Hilary Habegger, Linden Barcus, Sarah Stuck; **Shelvers:** Stephanie Rinkenberger Beth Baumgartner, Donna Geisman, Mateo Castro **Maintenance:** Nate Reinhard, Jean Brinneman

County Library Board of Trustees

John Stauffer, president; Steve Tabor, vice president; Dustin Brown, secretary; Deb Johnson, treasurer; members: Julie Eicher, Kim Gentis and Matt Yergler.

The board meets at the Wells County Public Library at 6:30 p.m. on the second Tuesday of

each month.

Ossian Branch

207 North Jefferson, Ossian, IN 46777; phone 622-4691; fax 260-622-7030

Email: osslib@wellscolibrary.org

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Hours at Ossian: Monday through Thursday, 9 a.m. to 8 p.m.; Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.; and Saturday, 9 a.m. to 12 noon.

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The branch hours are:

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Wednesday, Thursday and Friday — 8:30 a.m. to noon and 1 to 5 p.m.

Saturday — 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
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Town of Markle

The town of Markle is in both Huntington and Wells counties. The entire town is served by the Huntington County Plan Commission.

The Markle elected officials, all elected on a non-partisan basis, are the three members of the Markle Town Council and the town clerk-treasurer. The Markle Town Hall is located at 154 E. Morse St., P.O. Box 367, Markle, IN 46770, phone 758-3193; fax 758-2832. The Town Council meets regularly on the third Wednesday of each month at 7 p.m., at the Markle Town Hall, 154 E. Morse St.

The Town Council members are:

Matthew Doss, president. Home address: 225 N. Haflich St., Markle. Phone: 602-6805.

Nicolas Lund, vice president. Home address: 302 Cottonwood Ct., Markle. Phone: 438-5845.

The third council member is Blake Caley.

Home address: 510 E. Morse St., Markle.

The clerk-treasurer is Stephenie Hensley, Town of Markle, 197 E. Morse St. (P.O. Box 367), Markle 46770, phone 758-3193, fax 758-2832. Email: clerk@markleindiana.com. Home address: 230 W. Morse St. (P.O. Box 336), Markle. Phone: 917-0001.

Markle operates water and sewage utilities. Mike Grant, Town Operations Manager, 310 N. Lee St., Markle; Scott Spahr, Wastewater Utility superintendent, 6770 N. Marzane Rd., Markle; Stephen Jeffers, Water Utility superintendent, 315 E. Morse St. P.O. Box 537, Markle.

Weekend or emergency utility problems: Call the phone number, 1-260-358-6604.

POLICE DEPARTMENT: John Markley is the town marshal (police chief). The police non-emergency phone is 758-2225. The police department is located at 139 E. Morse St. Markle Water Utilities (Water and Wastewater), P.O. Box 367, Markle 46770. Clerk Treasurer at 758-3193. \$100 deposit on rental properties for water. New water taps \$1,015 for residential up to an inch; new residential sewer taps \$830 for time and material. Commercial/business/multi-unit sewer: minimum fee of \$1,105.

Most of Markle gets electric service from Duke Energy, phone 1-800-521-2232. A small portion receives it from Heartland REMC, 758-3155.

Markle receives natural gas service from CenterPoint Energy, phone 1-800-777-2060 day or night. Markle telephone service is from Frontier, phone 1-800-921-8104 for repair. Phone 1-800-921-8101 to order services or billing.

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The fire station is located at 150 W. Sparks St., Markle. Jon Gray is the fire chief.

PARK and POOL: The Markle Fish and Game Club provides a large community park on Ind. 3 in Markle, with activities help of the Markle Business and Community Association. Provided are a major playground equipment array installed through a community effort, plus a ballpark, a swimming pool, phone 758-3312 (only available between Memorial Day and Labor Day), and picnic facilities. For pavilion rental, call Jacob Ainsworth at 530-6417.

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Scott Johnson Chiropractic, 715 N. Main St. in Bluffton.

Sell Chiropractic Clinic, 1169 N. Main St. in Bluffton.

Physical Therapy, 2170 Commerce Drive in Bluffton.

The Town of Markle's Park Board meets the second Monday of each month at 8 a.m. in the conference room of the Fire Station, 150 W. Sparks St.

Markle Area Chamber of Commerce (MACC): The Markle Business & Community Association and the Markle Economic Development Organization have merged to become the Markle Area Chamber of Commerce (MACC). The officers are: President Mike Grant and Treasurer Cheryl Hardin. Meetings are held at 12:30 p.m. on the second Wednesday of the month at town hall.

Markle Historical Society: The Markle Historical Society, P.O. Box 197 Markle, IN, 46770. Teresa Beck and Lisa Street are co-chairs. Contact them for meeting information. They can be reached through email at saving-marklehistory@gmail.com and at facebook.com/marklehistoricalsociety

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The main campus of Bluffton Regional Medical Center is located at 303 S. Main St. The Medical Center and its lab are accredited by The Joint Commission, an organization that accredits and certifies more than 18,000 health care organizations and programs in the United States.

Julie Thompson is the chief administrative officer/chief nursing officer and Amy Hochstetler is the chief financial officer of Bluffton Regional Medical Center. Julie Braun is the director of nursing.

The Bluffton Regional Medical Center phone number is 824-3210.

Bluffton Regional Medical Center is a member of the Lutheran Health Network.

Lutheran Health Physicians

824-3210 – Main Phone Number

Lutheran Health Physicians of Bluffton is a multi-specialty medical group. The physicians are affiliated with the Lutheran Health Network. Hours of operations are 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday in most offices.

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Sell Chiropractic Clinic, Michelle Toth, D.C., 1169 N. Main St., Suite 6, Bluffton, 824-

9944.

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Bluffton Family Eye Care, Matthew D. Mitchell, O.D. and Michelle Frye, O.D., 105 Harvest Rd., Bluffton, 824-3424.

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Walmart Vision Center, 2100 N. Main St., Bluffton, 824-0466.

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Redi-Med, 1980 N. Main St., Bluffton. 353-2190. Hours: Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Saturday and Sunday, 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Non-life threatening urgent care and in-

oculations.

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News Media-Newspaper

The News-Banner (daily), Ossian Journal (weekly) News-Banner Publications Inc., 125 N. Johnson St., Bluffton.

Doug Brown, publisher; Holly Gaskill, editor. (260) 824-0224; E-mail: email@news-banner.com. Website: news-banner.com.



Town Council members — Josh Barkley, president; Brad Pursley, vice president; and Jason House, Dennis Ealing, Stephanie Tucker, and Glen Werling are members. Council meetings are the second Monday of every month at 7 p.m. Meetings are held at 215 N Jefferson St., the Collier's Building

Police Department — The Police Chief is Kurt

Town of Ossian

Jack. Full-time officers: Sam Oliver, Josh Ware. Part-time officers: Larry Butler, Russell Mounsey, and Scott Adam.

Town Services

Water, Sewer and Streets: Water and Sewer Supervisor is Darrell Reynolds; Utility Maintenance employees Chad Foreman, Nicholas Ormsby and Parks and Facilities is Ron Privett.

Town Services Contact: Ossian Town Hall, 507 North Jefferson, phone 622-4251

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Town Boards and Committees

Police Commissioners: Caleb Chichester, president; Jay Esparza, vice president, Jason House, member. Dennis Ealing serves as the non-voting liaison from the town council to the commissioners. The Police Commissioners meet

on the first Tuesday of the month at 6:30 p.m. at 215 N Jefferson St. the Colliers Building.

Ossian/Jefferson Township Park Board: President Jeff Osborn, vice president Jay Esparza, secretary Michael Dodge. Board members are Ben Jones and Jared Kurtz. Stephanie Tucker serves as the non-voting liaison from the town council to the board. The Park Board meets at 7 p.m. the first Monday of the month at 215 N Jefferson St. the Colliers Building with the exception being months where Mondays fall on a holiday. Dates of those meetings will be announced.

Ossian Economic Revitalization Committee

Ossian Economic Revitalization Committee: Kody Kumfer chairs the committee and Judy Harkless is vice-chair. Jan Williams serves as secretary, and Jim Brewer serves as treasurer. Other members are Larry Heckber, Linda Hambrick, Cheryl Laley, Larry Smith, Mikeal Dodge, Tsipporah Harris, Chris Harris, Linda Morrett and Phil Dinovo. Luann Martin, the town manager, acts as the town's liaison on the committee. The Revitalization Committee meets on the first Tuesday of each month at 5:30 p.m. at the Ossian United Methodist Church, 201 W. Mill St., Ossian.

Ossian Fire Department

Ben Fenstermaker, chief; Jon Sherburne, assistant chief; Shawn Weikle, captain; Jeff Miller, captain; Mike Lewis, captain; Dan Scherrer, captain; Darrell Reynolds, safety officer; Rob Gresley, lieutenant/medical officer; Kurk Haddix, training officer; Chris Kuntz, board member; Jay Werling, board member; and Mike Fenstermaker,

secretary. Other members are Andi Bergman, Herb Bergman, Brad Cole, Zachary King, Brice Lawrence, Heather Miller, Eventt Norris, David Rittmeyer, Kevin Stout, William Thoma, Corey Privett, Jason House, Ryan House, Abe Pratt, Joe Bradley, Josh Hartman. Jim Platt. Dane Zoda, Kyle White, Jamie Macy and Kadin Gerber.



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Ouabache State Park



Ouabache State Park

Ouabache State Park is a 1,104 acre state Park property bordering the Wabash River east of Bluffton at 4930 E Ind. 201, Bluffton, IN 46714. It is operated by the Indiana Department of Natural Resources Division of State Parks and Reservoirs. Ouabache Flatwoods Nature Preserve is located within the park and designated on property maps.

Jon Winne is park manager, and Tyrone Jesup is the assistant park manager.

Directions: Take Ind. 124 east from Ind. 1 to Ind. 201, turn south and follow state park signs to main entrance.

Telephone: 824-0926

Office Hours: 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Monday through Friday from November through March. Daily hours April 1, through Oct. 31, are 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Admission Fees: \$7 per car for residents daily, \$9 per car for non-residents daily, \$50 annual pass for residents, \$70 for annual -pass for non-residents and \$25 Golden Hoosier Passport. Fees collected seasonally when the office is open seven days a week. (Subject to change)

Camping Facilities: 124-site electric campground with modern restrooms and shower facilities. Reservations available from early May

to late October through Central Reservation System at 1-866-622-6746 or online at CAMP.IN.Gov.

Primitive Youth Tent Campgrounds for approved youth groups under adult supervision.

Kunkel Lake Beach: Generally open from dawn to dusk Memorial Day to Labor Day. Free with admission to the park. Features 215 ft. of waterline and 2,500 tons of sand. Water is up to four feet deep. No life guard on duty, adults responsible for children's safety while swimming. Contact the office for more information.

Kunkel Lake: Generally open from dawn to dusk Memorial Day to Labor Day. Twenty-five-acre lake offers fishing for large mouth bass, blue gill, channel catfish and other game fish. License required. Canoe and paddle boat rental available.

Fire Tower: Open during daylight hours, may close during severe weather, high winds or freezing conditions. 100 steps high. Offers view of the park.

Recreational Opportunities: Hiking trails, paved bike trail, bison exhibit, firetower, naturalist activities, playground equipment, picnic shelters. Bocce ball court, baseball diamond, play fields and tennis/basketball courts. A paved bike trail extension connects Ouabache State Park to the Bluffton Rivergreenway Trail for a combined distance of almost 5 miles.

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Parks and Recreation

Bluffton Parks and Facilities

Angel of Hope Park, at the corner of Bennett and Wabash streets, is a place for anyone who has lost loved ones to remember them. This setting provides a soothing sound of the water and a view of the beautiful Wabash River. The park includes brick walkways and several benches for those wishing to enjoy the park and remember their loved ones.

Bluffton City Gym is in the back of City Hall, located at 128 E Market Street. Facilities include a basketball court, which is also lined for pickleball, a volleyball court with a scoreboard, a racquetball court, a weight lifting room, restroom facilities, shower rooms, and saunas. The facility is available year-round and is under the leadership of the Bluffton Parks and Recreation Department. Yearly memberships are \$95 for a single or \$125 for the family and are available for purchase in the Park office in City Hall.

Jefferson Park is a park of 2.1 acres located in the southeast portion of Bluffton, off of Townley and Bennett streets. Facilities include a playground, two T-Ball diamonds, a batting cage, and a concession stand/restroom building.

K-9 Kommons dog park, 805 W. Market St. is a fenced-in park offering a variety of dog obstacles, a few benches, and a picnic table. Key

memberships are sold by the year in the Park office and are \$25.

Kehoe Park is a 2-acre park along the Wabash River, just west of the south junction of Ind. 1 and Ind. 124. Facilities include a lighted amphitheater, a pavilion with picnic tables, and a restroom building. This is the site of the summer concert series on Friday and Sunday evenings during the summer. The full schedule can be found on the city's website.

Lancaster Park, 200 E. Jackson St., is located on Bluffton's north side off Ind. 1 and includes approximately 17.5 acres. The park is still under construction but consists of a variety of amenities already open to the public, including a walking trail, playground, volleyball courts, football/soccer field, dual-use disco golf/foot golf course, lighted basketball court, gaga ball pit, fire pit, phone charging station, bike air pump station, sledding hill, and pavilion. In 2024, the park will add pickleball courts and improve the parking lot.

Lions Park contains approximately 5.5 acres in the west central part of Bluffton, off Midway and Washington streets. Facilities include a playground, a pavilion with picnic tables and grill, two lighted basketball courts, three lighted tennis/pickleball courts, restrooms, a maintenance building with storage, a lighted baseball diamond, and

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a T-Ball diamond. The Teen League baseball program for 13- and 14-year-old boys use the field at Lions Park, which used to be Wilson Field, through the years that it was the football field for Bluffton High School.

Pickett's Run is at the intersection of Wayne and East Washington streets. The park has paved paths, picnic tables, benches, wood carvings, a story walk trail, a gazebo, and a historical marker. The park gets its name from the stream that runs through the site. This is the former location of 17 homes that were damaged in the July 2003 flood and had to be removed. Across the street from the park, at the corner of East Washington and Bennett streets, is a splash pad and a life fitness trail of outdoor exercise equipment. The park also has two gazebos.

Rotary Park is a small part of the Rivergreenway corridor off the River Road along the Wabash River in the east part of Bluffton. Facilities include a pavilion with picnic tables, a paved parking lot, and access to the Rivergreenway.

Roush Park, 925 W. Silver St., is an 8-acre park in the southwest part of Bluffton off the Indiana Street/Clark Avenue/Silver Street intersection. Facilities include playground equipment, two lighted baseball diamonds, two lighted softball diamonds, picnic areas, two rentable pavilions (a small one with picnic tables and a larger one), restroom facilities, a storage building, press boxes at the ball diamonds, batting cages, two concessions stands and two basketball courts. A splash pad and a half-mile walking trail were added to the park in 2017. The Farm League for 9- and 10-year-old boys and the Junior League for 11 and 12-year-old boys use the two baseball diamonds. The Junior Girls League for ages 9-12 and the Senior Girls League for ages 13-16 use the two softball diamonds.

Veterans Memorial Park is on Bluffton's south side at the corner of Main and Arnold Streets. This park features memorial gardens, walkways, a gazebo, and park benches. It is the scene of official tributes to those who have served in the nation's defense.

Washington Park, 710 S. Mulberry St., cov-

ers approximately 2.6 acres in the southeast part of Bluffton, bordered by Ohio, Mulberry, Arnold, and Bennett streets. A pavilion was added in 2019/2020. Facilities include playground equipment, two 8-foot basketball goals and two lighted 10-foot basketball goals, restrooms, two horseshoe pits, a cornhole game, a Rock Steady boxing gym, an all-seasons indoor facility with a kitchenette that seats 120 (with tables and chairs), a lighted outdoor pavilion with picnic tables and picnic areas. Tennis courts are lined with pickleball and are located near the park on Mulberry St.

Wabash River Park, 225 E. Wabash St., is located at the beginning of the River Greenway Trail Corridor and is about 1/2 acre in size. Facilities included are picnic tables, benches, and a gazebo. Located just west of the park is a covered pavilion with picnic tables and an oversized Adirondack chair, perfect for a fun photo opportunity.

Reforestation Wetlands Project: Some 40,000 native trees and shrub seedlings have been planted on 90 acres of land on the east side of Bluffton, upstream on the north side of the Wabash River. About 2.5 miles of trails currently exist through the native grasses, shrubs, and trees that are establishing a native community and restoring a wetlands area on the former floodplain

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Trails

The **Interurban Trail** is a paved walking and bicycle trail that starts at the pedestrian bridge over the Wabash River and extends north 2 1/3 miles to the intersection of Main Street (Ind. 1) and Monroe Street. (Wells County Road 200N) where Walmart, Lowe's, and Walgreens are located. The trail runs along the west side of Main Street in front of restaurants and motels, plus other businesses. Approximately one mile will be added from Lowe's to Lancaster Park in 2024.

The **River Greenway** is a paved walking and bicycling trail that starts at the east end of East Wabash Street in the heart of Bluffton. The trail runs southeast on the banks of the Wabash River on River Road to the White Bridge, a distance of 2.25 miles. The state has extended the trail eastward from the bridge, connecting it to the Ouabache State Park, which links into an extensive park trail. The trail from Bluffton to and through much of the state park is close to 5 miles. The River Greenway features include a boating access site at the east end of the trail near the White Bridge, a replica historic covered bridge, and designated parking lots along the trail. No horses or motorized vehicles are allowed on the River Greenway.

Bluffton Parks — The award-winning Bluff-

ton Park Department has a variety of activities, programs, leagues, concerts, lessons, races, and events for all ages. Information about their programs can be found on the city's website, blufftonindiana.net; on Facebook and X (Twitter), @Bluffton Parks; in weekly articles in The News-Banner; on the digital sign at the Commons parking lot along Main Street, on the sign at Kehoe Park, and by emailing parks@blufftonindiana.gov or calling 824-6069.

Swimming

Wells Community Swimming Pool: The property is about 3.1 acres in size, located at 310 W. Spring St. It has a six-lane 50-meter outdoor swimming pool, is gas heated, with a 1-meter diving board, small tube slide and a 150-foot open flume triple-loop waterslide, plus a concession stand area, restrooms, shower facilities, a sun deck around the pool, playground and a pavilion with picnic tables and grill. The pool and pavilion are open for rental. The Wells Community Pool is managed and operated by the Bluffton Parks and Recreation Department. It opens on Memorial Day weekend and closes in early August. It is available for private rentals. Phone: 824-1550.

Swim lessons and adult lap swim times are available during the pool season.

Other swimming facilities include Kunkel Beach at Ouabache State Park, as listed in the information elsewhere about Ouabache State Park, and the Markle Pool, as listed in the separate information about the town of Markle. grasses, shrubs and trees that are establishing a native community and restoring a wetlands area on the former flood plain farmland.

Planning and Zoning

WELLS COUNTY AREA PLAN COMMISSION

The Wells County Area Plan Commission serves all of Wells County except the Wells County part of Markle, which is served by the Huntington County Department of Community Development. The Wells County APC serves the entire town of Zanesville, including the parts of the town in Wells County and Allen County.

The office is located in the Wells Carnegie Government Annex, 223 W. Washington St., Bluffton 46714. The phone number 824-6407.

Michael Lautzenheiser Jr. is the Area Plan Commission executive director/GIS coordinator. Suzie Gentis is the administrative assistant and Tracey Ulmer is a part-time clerical assistant.

Members of the Wells County Area Plan Commission include:



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Vera Cruz Town Council appointment is vacant at the time of publication.

Tyson Brooks, 413-3990 (appointed by the Wells County Commissioners; term ends Dec. 31, 2024).

Kiera Lance, 260-519-5921 (appointed by the Uniondale Town Council; term ends Dec. 31, 2024).

Jarrod Hahn, 824-6414 (on APC by virtue of his office as Wells County surveyor).

William Horan, vice president, 824-6412 (on APC by virtue of his office as Wells County's Purdue Extension educator for agriculture).

Chandler Gerber, 417-1024 (appointed by the Bluffton Common Council; term ends Dec. 31, 2026).

Jerome Markley, president, 694-6491 (appointed by the Wells County Council; term ends Dec. 31, 2025).

Tim Rohr, 622-7708 (appointed by the Wells County Commissioners; term ends Dec. 31, 2024).

John Schuhmacher, 602-2391 (appointed by the Zanesville Town Council for a term through Dec. 31, 2026).

John Potter, 307-1278 (appointed by the Ponoeto Town Council; term ends Dec. 31, 2024).

Melissa Woodworth, 622-9110 (appointed by the Ossian Town Council; term ends Dec. 31, 2024).

The APC's attorney is **Colin Andrews**, office phone 824-4049.

Meetings of the Wells County Area Plan Commission regularly are at 7 p.m. on the first Thursday of each month in the Wells Carnegie Government Annex. Those attending APC meetings are asked to use the entrance on either the east or west side of the building.

The APC reviews and approves development plans, major subdivisions, certain confined animal feeding operations, planned unit developments, and makes recommendations on rezonings. The APC will also hear any appeals of staff approvals or Plat Committee decisions. The Plan Commission's staff reviews and approves minor development plans, wind energy conversion systems, and confined feeding operation projects.

PROCEDURE TO AMEND ZONING MAPS

Petitions must be filed in the Wells APC office by 4:30 p.m. by the posted deadline each month prior to the scheduled meeting. That will allow for a sign to be posted notifying interested parties and a legal notice to be published in the appropriate local newspapers in accordance with state law.

The filing information and fees can be found on the Plan Commission's website at wellscounty.org/area-planning-commission or at the office of the Area Plan Commission.

WELLS COUNTY BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS

Members of the Wells County Board of Zoning Appeals are:

Bill Dowty (appointed by the Ossian Town Council for a term through Dec. 31, 2025).

Tim Rohr (appointed by the Area Plan Commission on an annual basis, for a term through Dec. 31, 2024).

Tyson Brooks, president (appointed by the Wells County Commissioners, for a term through Dec. 31, 2024).

Jerry Petzel (appointed by the mayor of Bluffton for a term through Dec. 31, 2025).

Tracy Gentis (appointed by the Wells County Commissioners for a term through Dec. 31, 2027).

Meetings of the Wells County BZA are usually the fourth Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m.

PROCEDURE FOR PETITIONS TO WELLS COUNTY BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS

Petitions are to be filed in the Wells County Area Plan Commission office by 4:30 p.m. by the posted deadline each month prior to the day of the scheduled meeting for legal notices to be published in the appropriate local newspapers, in accordance with state law and the BZA's rules of procedure.

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PROCEDURE FOR PETITIONS TO THE WELLS COUNTY PLAT COMMITTEE

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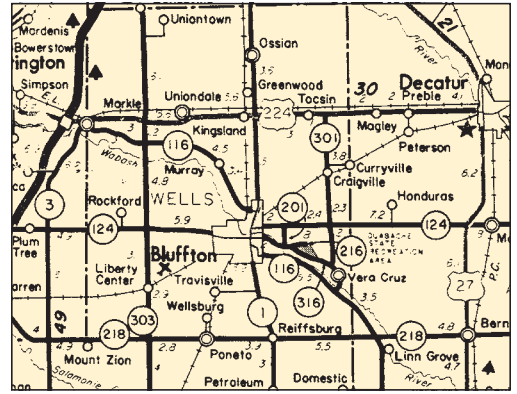
WELLS COUNTY GIS DEPARTMENT

The Wells County Geographic Information System serves all of Wells County and is located at the Carnegie Government Annex, 223 W. Washington St., Bluffton.

GIS is a computerized database management system for the capture, storage, retrieval, analysis and display of spatial data. In other words, it is

a digital database of the collective governmental offices. You can search from your home or office via the internet and obtain information about Wells County.

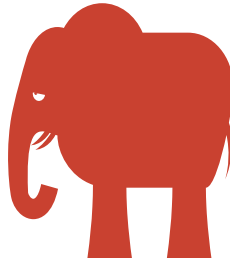
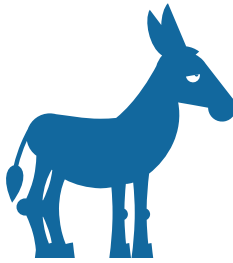
The website is wellscountygis.org. Also see wellscounty.org/gis for news and information relating to the office.



Political Parties

Wells County Democrats: Party headquarters are at 119 S. Johnson St., Bluffton; 273-0972; wellscountydemocraticparty.com.

The county chairman is Dylan McIntosh. Mellanie Hollingsworth is the vice chairwoman.



Wells County Republicans: Party Headquarters are at 125 S. Johnson St., Bluffton; 288-9746; wells.gop.

The county chairman is Zach Rodgers and Sandy Garcia is the vice chairwoman

Poneto

The town of Poneto has an elected three-member Town Council and an elected clerk-treasurer. The town address is P.O. Box 61, Poneto.

The members of the Poneto Town Council are:

Kelly Coleman-Potter (D), 119 W Washington, Poneto.

Linda L. Ogle (I), 5962 S. Meridian Rd., Poneto. 820-0185

Paul Miller (R), P.O. Box 50, 443-9829.

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Poneto

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Poneto electric service is from AEP.

Poneto has its own sewage system. Garbage collection by Republic Services.

Poneto's police protection is provided by the Wells County Sheriff's Department. Telephone service is from the Citizens Telephone Corp. of Warren.

FIRE DEPARTMENT: Len Smith is the chief of the Poneto Volunteer Fire Depart-

ment. The assistant chief is Tyler Moser. The secretary-treasurer is Tracy Fiscus. The captains are Scott Minniear, Jeff Prible, Dennis Fiscus and Gage Minniear. Other members include Victoria Bibble, Mike McFarren, Ryan Nash, Mike Prible, Robin E. Lane, Steve Rush, Ethan Reynolds, Kevin Scott and Zach Smith. Scott Minniear, Tyler Moser, Dennis Fiscus, Gage Minniear, Ethan Reynolds and Victoria Bibble are the department's first responders.



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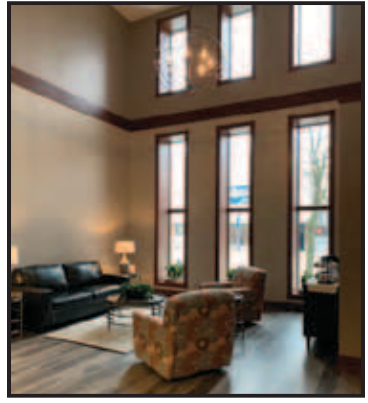


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Population Statistics; Schools

Wells County, Indiana

Formed in 1837 and named for Captain William Wells, a scout for General Anthony Wayne
 County Seat: Bluffton
 Population per Sq. Mile: 75.96
 Square Miles: 368.1

Population Over Time	Number	Rank in State
1980	25,401	57
1990	25,948	57
2000	27,600	55
2010	27,636	58
2020	28,142	57

Cities and Towns in Wells County

	2020 Census	% of County
Bluffton	10,308	35.9
Markle	454	1.6*
Ossian	3,370	12.0
Poneto	191	0.6
Uniondale	311	1.1
Vera Cruz	86	0.3
Zanesville	488	1.7*

* Population in this county is shown, this city or town crosses county lines.

People QuickFacts	Wells County	Bluffton
Population, 2010	27,636	9,897
Population, percent change, 2010 to 2020	1.8%	0.4%
Population, 2020	28,142	10,308

Population By Age (2020)

Under 5 years	6.2%	5.4%
Under 18 years	24.6%	25.1%
65 years and over	18.6%	19.2%
Female persons	50.6%	51.6%

Population by Race (2020)

White	96.9%	95.6%
Black or African American	0.9%	1.8%
American Indian	0.3%	0.0%
Asian	0.7%	0.4%
Two or More Races	1.2%	1.2%
Hispanic or Latino	3.3%	3.7%

Schools

BLUFFTON-HARRISON METROPOLITAN SCHOOL DISTRICT

The Bluffton-Harrison School District is all of Harrison Township including that part of Bluffton within Harrison Township. The administration building is at 805 E. Harrison St., Bluffton, IN, 46714, phone 824-2620, and the superintendent is Brad Yates, byates@bhmsd.org

SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS: Bruce Holland (District 2), president, 824-4308, bholland@bhmsd.org; Angie Sheets (at-large), vice president, 307-3462, asheets@bhmsd.org; Trent White (District 3), secretary, 341-1289, twhite@bhmsd.org; Mike Murray (District 1), 273-0717, mmurray@bhmsd.org; Julie

People QuickFacts	Wells County	Bluffton
Mean travel time to work (minutes) workers age 16+	22.9	20.2
Housing units	12,006	
Owner Occupied	78.9%	65.0%
Median value of owner-occupied housing units	\$127,600	\$100,300
Renter Occupied	21.1%	35.0%
Median Rent	\$702	\$622
Households	10,888	4,092
Households w/ a computer	89.0%	88.7%
Households w/ broadband internet subscription	79.2%	76.8%
Persons per household	2.52	2.35
Per capita income	\$45,704	
Median household income	\$61,636	\$47,493
Persons below poverty level	8.2%	12.8%
Total Resident Labor Force	14,006	
Dec., 2021 Unemployment Rate	0.9%	

Educational Attainment

Wells County Population Age 25+ (2020)	Wells Co.	Bluffton
High School Graduate or higher (incl. equivalents)	92.2%	91.4%
Bachelor's Degree or higher	18.2%	14.4%

Sources: US Census Bureau; Indiana University StatsIndiana

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Bluffton-Harrison Elementary School: 1100 E. Spring St., Bluffton, 824-0333, Schlaura Linderwell, principal, slinderwell@bhmsd.org

Bluffton-Harrison Middle School: 1500 Stogdill Road, Bluffton, 824-3536, Rick Mettler, principal (retiring after the Spring semester), rmettler@bhmsd.org

Bluffton High School: 1 Tiger Trail, South Wayne Street, Bluffton, 824-3724, Steve Baker, principal, sbaker@bhmsd.org

Bluffton athletic director: Steve Thompson
Fall sports: football, volleyball, girls' golf, boys' tennis, cross country (boys and girls)

Winter sports: basketball (boys and girls), swimming (boys and girls), wrestling

Spring sports: baseball, softball, boys' golf, girls' tennis, track and field (boys and girls)

NORWELL COMMUNITY SCHOOLS

The Norwell Community Schools serves all of Union, Jefferson, Rockcreek and Lancaster townships, including that part of Bluffton in Lancaster Township. The administrative office is at 312 N. Jefferson St., Ossian, IN 46777. Phone is 622-4125. The superintendent is Mike Springer, office phone 622-4125, mike.springer@nwcs.k12.in.us

SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS:

Gene Donaghy (Jefferson Township), president, 437-9823, gene.donaghy@nwcs.k12.in.us; Chad Kline (Rockcreek Township), vice-president, 302-6252, chad.kline@nwcs.k12.in.us; Angie Topp (Lancaster Township), 273-2224, angie.topp@nwcs.k12.in.us; Traci Neuenschwander (Union Township), 402-5924, traci.neuenschwander@nwcs.k12.in.us; Corey Krug (at-large), 273-7389, corey.krug@nwcs.k12.in.us

Lancaster Central Elementary School: 275 E. Jackson St., Bluffton, 565-3135. Ginger Butcher, principal, ginger.butcher@nwcs.k12.in.us

Ossian Elementary School: 213 S. Jefferson St., Ossian, 622-4179. Andrea Larkey, principal, andrea.larkey@nwcs.k12.in.us

Norwell Middle School: 1100E U.S. 224, Ossian, 543-2218. Andrew Enderle, principal, andrew.enderle@nwcs.k12.in.us

Norwell High School: 1100E U.S. 224, Ossian, 543-2213. Kam Meyer, principal kam.meyer@nwcs.k12.in.us

Norwell athletic director: Kelby Weybright
Fall sports: football, volleyball, girls' golf,

boys' tennis, cross country (boys and girls), soccer (boys and girls)

Winter sports: basketball (boys and girls), swimming (boys and girls), wrestling

Spring sports: baseball, softball, boys' golf, girls' tennis, track and field (boys and girls)

SOUTHERN WELLS COMMUNITY SCHOOLS

The Southern Wells Community Schools district is all of Liberty, Chester, Nottingham and Jackson townships. All of the schools and the school district headquarters are in one complex at 9120S-300W, Poneto. The superintendent is Trent Lehman, office phone 765-728-5537, tlehman@swraiders.com

SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS:

Todd Fiechter (Nottingham Township), president, 4197E-1200S-90, Bryant; Chad Roush (Jackson Township), vice president, 11270S-1000W-90, Marion, 765-348-6234; Delora Schneider (Liberty Township), secretary, 2840S-400W, Liberty Center, 442-4760;

Andrew Pursifull (Chester Township), board liaison, 8155S-500W, Poneto, 273-8373.

Southern Wells Elementary School: Phone, 765-728-2121. Kristen Wall, principal, kwall@swraiders.com

Southern Wells Junior-Senior High School: Phone, 765-728-5534. Kim Conner, principal, kconner@swraiders.com

Southern Wells athletic director: Todd Thieme

Fall sports: football, volleyball, girls' golf, cross country (boys and girls)

Winter sports: basketball (boys and girls), wrestling

Spring sports: baseball, softball, boys' golf, track and field (boys and girls)

NORTHERN WELLS ALTERNATIVE SCHOOL

Operated by Northern Wells Community Schools. Enrollment is limited. Admittance to the program is through Norwell High School administration. Located at 312 N. Jefferson St., Ossian, 46777. Phone, 622-4125.

ADAMS-WELLS SPECIAL SERVICES COOPERATIVE

102 W. Main St., Berne, IN 46711. Phone: 824-5880. The executive director is Abi West. Provides special education services for five public school districts in Adams and Wells counties. Board is comprised of the five area school superintendents.

OTHER SCHOOLS

Bethlehem Lutheran School, 6514E-750N,



Schools (cont'd); Townships

Ossian, 597-7366. The headmaster is Rev. Anthony Dodgers. The pastor is Rev. Samuel Wirgau. Grades kindergarten through eighth.

Kingdom Academy, 225 Ferguson Park Ct., Bluffton, 824-5590. The principal is Brian Steffen. Grades one through 12, preschool and kindergarten.

New Life Christian School, 1621S-350E,

Bluffton, 824-4660. Open to toddlers and pre-kindergarten children. Before- and after-school programs available for elementary-aged children.

Wesleyan Heritage Academy, 1309 W. Washington St., Bluffton, 824-4431. Pre-kindergarten through grade 12.

Townships

CHESTER TOWNSHIP

TRUSTEE: Steve Studebaker (R), 7620 S. Meridian Road, Poneto, IN 46781; home phone 694-6530.

TOWNSHIP BOARD: Stanley J. Bales, 90400S- 400W-90, Montpelier, IN 47359; Lynn Blevins, 8396S-200W, Poneto, IN 46781; Nate Holmes, 9463S-200W Poneto, IN 46781.

HARRISON TOWNSHIP

TRUSTEE: Kyle Hunt, 1314 W. Washington St., Bluffton, IN 46714; home phone 824-6402. Office, Carnegie Government Annex, 223 W. Washington St., Bluffton, IN, 46714; phone 824-6402.

TOWNSHIP BOARD: Jeff Hewitt, 1331 Ridgewood Ln., Bluffton, IN 46714; Diane R. Markley, 1138 Sherwood Lane, Bluffton, IN 46714; Susan Poppewell (R), 940 Ranch Road, Bluffton, IN 46714.

JACKSON TOWNSHIP

TRUSTEE: Bruce Herr (R), 6620W-900S-90, Warren, IN 46792; phone 765-348-9160.

TOWNSHIP BOARD: Greggory Vanover (R), 9380S-900W-90, Warren, IN 46792; Bruce E. Leas (R), 9492S-900W-90, Montpelier, IN 47359; Benjamin Morton, 8494W-900S-90, Warren, IN 46792.

JEFFERSON TOWNSHIP

TRUSTEE: Larry Heckber (R), 592 Indian Trace, Ossian, IN 46777; phone 260-704-6629.

TOWNSHIP BOARD: Timothy M. Baker (R), 2142E-800N, Ossian, IN 46777; David Haiflich (R), 3457E-800N, Ossian, IN 46777; AJ Springer (R), 2513 E U.S. 224, Ossian.

LANCASTER TOWNSHIP

TRUSTEE: David Rigney (R), 2414 Red Oak Ct., Bluffton, IN 46714; 824-9501.



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TOWNSHIP BOARD: Rick Smith, 5216N-600E, Craigville, IN 46731; Greg Steele, 3522E U.S. 224, Ossian, IN 46777; Andy Wolf (R), 5351E-500N, Craigville, IN 46731.

LIBERTY TOWNSHIP

TRUSTEE: Chase Gentis, 2365S-300W Liberty Center, IN 46766; home phone 341-1074. Office — 2600S-300W, Liberty Center (Liberty Center fire station), 964-6300, liberty-township90@gmail.com

TOWNSHIP BOARD: Logan Mynatt, 3244W-100S, Liberty Center, IN 46766; Richard Borrer, 2479W-300S, Liberty Center 46766; Scott Minniear, 2521W-300S, Liberty Center, IN 46766.

NOTTINGHAM TOWNSHIP

TRUSTEE: Mark Shaffer (D), 8878 S. Walnut St., Petroleum, IN 46778; cell phone, 827-8104.

TOWNSHIP BOARD: Robin Gentis (R), 3418E-700S, Bluffton, IN 46714; Michael

D. Pursifull (R), 2875E-900S, Keystone, IN 46759; Edward R. Herman (R), 3981E-900S, Keystone, IN 46759.

ROCKCREEK TOWNSHIP

TRUSTEE: Nathanael Wilson, 1041W-200N-90, Markle, IN 46770, phone 438-3437, wellsrockcreek.trustee@gmail.com

TOWNSHIP BOARD: Lindsay J. Burnau, 2579W-525N, Uniondale, IN 46791; John Legge, 170 Conifer Court, Markle, IN 46770; Dylan McIntosh, 115 Woodfield Court, Markle IN 46770.

UNION TOWNSHIP

TRUSTEE: Brian D. Imel, 8313N-600W-90, Markle, IN 46770; cell phone 260-273-1834.

TOWNSHIP BOARD: Kedric L. Bailey, 3475W-1000N-90, Markle, IN 46770; John M. Walmsley, 11941 E. Smuts Drive, Zanesville, IN 46799; Robert L. Caley (R), 7756 N. Marzane Road-90, Markle, IN 46770.

Uniondale

The town of Uniondale has an elected three-member Town Council and an elected clerk-treasurer. Council terms are four years and elections have been on a non-partisan basis. Next town elections will be in 2020.

The Town of Uniondale's mailing address is Post Office Box 111, Uniondale, IN 46791.

The Uniondale Town Council meets on the second Tuesday of each month. Its members are Erin Kreigh (D), 5866 N. Main St., P.O. Box 33, Uniondale, IN 46791, phone 610-3942; Geoffrey Lance, 5965 N. Miller St., Uniondale, IN 46791, phone 227-0022; Corey Elzey (R), 5857 N. Main St., Uniondale, IN 46791, phone 260-433-2954.

The Uniondale Clerk-Treasurer is Sharice Bow-

en (R), phone 543-2542.

Electric Service is from American Electric Power and natural gas service from NIPSCO. Phone service is from Frontier.

Sewage service is from the Town of Uniondale. Contact the Clerk-Treasurer, 543-2542.

Garbage/trash collection is by Republic Services, phone 478-9864. Recyclers can use the Wells County Recycling Center at 702 W. Wabash St., Bluffton.

Uniondale has no police agency and no water service.

VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT. No phone number at location. The fire chief is Aaron Nunley.

United Way of Wells County

Office: 122 LaMar St., Suite 118, Bluffton, 46714, 824-5589; www.unitedwaywells.org

Executive Director: Ben Renkenberger, UW-Director@unitedwaywells.org

Mission Statement: Promote and lead positive solutions that improve lives and strengthen our Community.

Board of Directors: Carolyn Bertsch, Tamra Boucher, Jessica Bricker, Doug Brown, Patty Randall, Phil Swain, Cari Whicker and Alan Winterrowd.

Utilities

There are no less than five electricity providers, five land-line telephone companies and two natural gas providers that do business in Wells County.

If you live within Bluffton, Ossian, Markle, Uniondale, Poneto, Vera Cruz or Zanesville, consult those community listings for water, sewage and waste disposal services.

Here is a listing of other utility services in the

county:

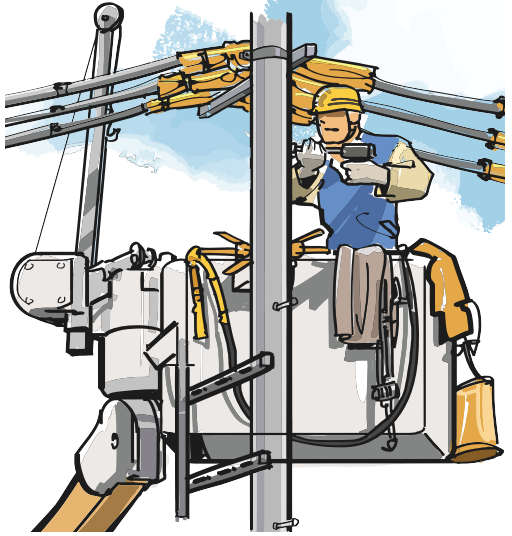
ELECTRICITY

- Bluffton Utilities — Serves the city of Bluffton with eastern and western spurs into some rural areas.

- Duke Energy — Serves Markle. For customer service: 1-800-521-2232.

- Heartland REMC — Serves rural Wells County. The office is at 4563 E. Markle Road

Utilities (cont'd); Vera Cruz



(just west of I-69 on U.S. 224). Mailing address: PO Box 605, Huntington IN 46750. For customer service: 1-800-542-6339

- Indiana Michigan Power (AEP) — Serves the communities of: Ossian, Poneto, Reiffsburg, Uniondale, Tocsin, Craigville, Liberty Center, Vera Cruz and Kingsland. The office is at One Summit Square in downtown Fort Wayne. Mailing address: PO Box 60, Fort Wayne IN 46801. For customer service: 1-800-311-4634

- Jay County REMC — Serves a portion of southeastern Wells County and a portion of Adams County in addition to all of Jay County. The office is at Ind. 67 and Tyson Road in Portland. Mailing address: PO Box 904, Portland IN 47671. For customer service: 1-800-835-7362

TELEPHONE

Service providers within Wells County are:

- AdamsWells Telecom (Craigville Telephone Co.) — Serves the city of Bluffton, Craigville area and east-central Wells County. Office is located at 2351 N. Main St. (SR 301), Craigville. Mailing address: PO Box 38, Craigville IN 46731. For customer service: 565-3131 or 800-917-7731.

- AT&T — Serves the city of Bluffton and west central and southern Wells County. Residential repair service: 800-868-9696. Customer Service: Residential, 800-288-2020; Business, 800-660-3000.

- Citizens Telephone Co. — Serves the Liberty Center, Poneto, and rural Warren areas in southern Wells County. The office is at 426 N. Wayne St. in Warren. The mailing address PO Box 533, Warren IN 46792. Customer service, call 375-2111.

- CenturyLink — Serves a portion of northern Wells County (Tocsin area and west along US 224), the Petroleum area, and a portion of southeastern Wells County. For customer service: Residential, 1-888-723-8010; Business: 1-800-786-6272; Repair: 1-800-788-3600.

- Frontier — Serves the Ossian, Uniondale and Markle areas. For customer service phone 1-877-462-8188 for business and 1-877-723-8010 for residences.

NATURAL GAS

- Northern Indiana Public Service Co. (NIP-

SCO) —serves Bluffton and most of Wells County. The office and mailing address is: 801 E 86th Ave., Merrillville, IN 46410. Customer Service Telephone: 800-464-7726. Emergency Gas Leaks: 800-634-3524

- Vectren (formerly Indiana Gas Co.) — Serves the Poneto and Markle areas in Wells County in addition to Blackford and Huntington counties. Office is located at One Vectren Square, Evansville, IN 47708. Customer service: 800-227-1376.Emergency gas leaks: 800-227-1376

RECYCLING

- Bluffton Recycling Center, 702 W. Wabash St., 824-4828.

INTERNET SERVICE PROVIDERS

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- Mediacom, 800-874-2924
- OnlyInternet.net, 800-363-0989
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- Swayzee Communicattons, 800-435-8353

MISCELLANEOUS

- Buckeye Pipe Line 800-523-9420
24-Hr. Emergency gas leaks ..800-331-4115
- Panhandle Eastern Pipe Line . 713-989-7000
24-Hr. Emergency gas leaks. 800-225-3913

Vera Cruz

ton, IN 46714; phone 849-2785.

The clerk-treasurer is Jackie Alford, 2985 SE Wabash St. VC, Bluffton; phone 273-3696.

The town office address is 2985 SE Wabash St., Vera Cruz, Bluffton. Board meetings are at 6:30 p.m. the third Tuesday of each month at the Town Hall.

Vera Cruz was settled in 1841 and the town was incorporated as Newville until becoming Vera Cruz in 1870.

Vera Cruz has a Community Development Committee and Fund and a community park.

Vera Cruz is the smallest incorporated town in Wells County with a population of 69 according to the 2021 census. The town is governed by a three-member elected town council and an elected clerk-treasurer, all elected for four-year terms.

The Vera Cruz Town Council members are:

John Ringer, Kiera Lance, Clerk-Treasurer, Sheila Flotow, 2928 SE Mulberry St., Bluffton, IN 46714; phone 574-527-0898.

Malvra Grover, 2986 SE Wabash St., Bluffton, IN 46714; phone 565-3719.

Kevin Ripple, 2736 SE Mulberry St., Bluff-

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D.V.M.; 1890 N. Main St., Bluffton, 824-0924.

Honegger Animal Clinic, Erin-Ashley Ricks, D.V.M.; 420 N. Jefferson St., Ossian, 622-4186. honeggervet.com.

Wells on Wheels; Council on Aging

The Wells County Council on Aging is located at 225 W. Water St. in Bluffton. Betsy Collier is the executive director. The Council on Aging hours of operation are Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. The office phone number is (260) 824-1070 and the email address is info@councilonaginginc.com

The WCCOA provides transportation services to the Wells County community, regardless of the resident's age or income status. Public transit hours of operation are 6 a.m. through 7 p.m. Monday through Friday. The name of this service is WOW! Wells on Wheels. Please call WOW directly at 824-4WOW (4969) to schedule a ride or to inquire about services.

The WOW! fleet includes 14 vans and all

the vans are wheelchair lift or ramp-equipped. The agency provides transportation to any Wells County resident to destinations within a 50-mile radius of Bluffton. Transportation to dialysis treatments is also available.

Other services provided by the Council on Aging includes in-home services such as Home-maker, Assistance to the Homebound, Telephone Reassurance/ Friendly Visitor, Information and Referral and Tax Assistance, Case Management, the Nutrition Site and Home-Delivered Meals are also available to Wells County residents. For additional information, please contact the office and ask to speak with Susie Ehlerding at 260-824-1070.

Wells County EMS

Wells County EMS Inc. is a private not-for-profit corporation created by action of the Wells County Commissioners in July of 2000. It has three locations serving Wells and surrounding counties.

Ambulances are stationed at the following locations:

- Wells County EMS headquarters at 140 W. Spring St.
- The Southern Wells County facility in the

Chester Township Fire Station just south of Southern Wells school building on 300W.

- The Northern Wells County facility in the Ossian Fire Station/Ossian Town Hall building complex on Ind. 1.

Although emergency calls for the EMS are to 911, administrative calls can be made to 827-0166.

Rick Piepenbrink is the CEO of Wells county EMS.

Wells County Foundation

Office: 222 West Market St., Bluffton, IN 46714

Phone: 260-824-8620

E-mail: wellscountyfound@wellscountyfound.org

Website: www.wellscountyfound.org

Staff: Tammy Slater, CEO; Sherry Barnes,

Administrative Assistant: Kaitlyn McNally, Financial Assistant/Scholarship Manager.

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Foundation (cont'd); Zanesville; Zip codes

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issues by distributing income from funds to local students via scholarships and to local not for profit organizations via grants.

2024 Grant Cycle Deadlines: Feb. 15, June 14, Oct. 15

LIGHT Grant Deadline: Sept. 13

Teacher Creativity Grant Deadline: April 1

Town of Zanesville

The town of Zanesville is in both Wells and Allen counties. The Wells County Area Plan Commission serves the entire town. Zanesville's elected officials are the three members of the Zanesville Town Council and the clerk-treasurer.

Regular town council meetings were designated as the third Tuesday evening of each month at 6:30 p.m.

The three **Town Council** members are:

John Schuhmacher, home address 2795 W. Rockhill Lane, P.O. Box 352, Zanesville, IN 46799; phone 260-602-2391.

Barb O'Connor, home address 2612 W. Woodview Drive, P.O. Box 391, Zanesville, IN 46799; home phone 260-403-6184.

Council member Issac Zent, 3090 W. Scott St., Zanesville, IN 46799; phone 260-251-1353.

The Town Clerk-Treasurer is Tera Bowersock (R). 3250 Scott St., Zanesville, IN 46799; phone 260-760-6070.

The Zanesville Town Hall is at 17736 Wayne St. The phone number there is 260-638-0051.

The Zanesville Sewage is managed by Fort Wayne City Utilities. Customer service, account and billing issues should be directed to Fort Wayne Utilities' Customer Relations De-

partment at 427-1234. This number operates 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. Questions or problems in the sewer system should be reported to Fort Wayne's One Call to City Hall center at 427-8311. This number can be used to report problems 24 hours a day, seven days a week. When the center is not staffed, a call will be directed to personnel who will respond

Carl Collins is the Zanesville Town Marshal. The police non-emergency number is 638-4080.

Fire protection is by the Southwest Allen County Fire Department. The non-emergency number is 747-2938.

Electric service is from American Electric Power and United REMC. Natural gas service is from NIPSCO. Garbage collection is by National Serv-All, Earth First Services or Reliable Trash Company.

Lions Park on Van Horn Street has a playground, fitness area, ball diamond, pavilion, a 24/7 free library. The town has an annual festival, community Easter egg hunt, Halloween party, and a Christmas lighting contest and party, all sponsored or led by the Lions Club. For information, call 638-4327.

Zip codes

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Ashley	46705	Geneva	46740
Auburn	46706	Goshen	46526
Avilla	46710	Grabill	46741
Berne	46711	Hamilton	46742
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Bluffton	46714	Hartford City	47348
Brimfield	46720	Helmer	46747
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Butler	46721	Hudson	46747
Camby	46113	Huntertown	46748
Churubusco	46723	Huntington	46750
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Craigville	46731	Kimmel	46760
Cromwell	46732	La Fontaine	46940
Decatur	46733	LaGrange	46761
Dunkirk	47336	Lagro	46941
Eaton	47338	Laketon	46943
Elwood	46036	Laotto	46763
		Larwill	46764

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