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A Brief History

Before the Memorial Suspension Footbridge was built in 1923 in Winamac, IN, it appears that the only way to cross the Tippecanoe River without getting your feet wet was a large iron bridge on Washington Street, and, perhaps, another bridge at the foot of Pearl Street.

READ MORE...

The information shared on the website comes from "*Stalking My Hometown*," a Facebook page established and managed by former Pulaski County resident Jim Phillips .

We will share more with each newsletter!

Invite Others To Join

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They will receive regular emails - not too many - and they can opt out whenever they choose. Their information will never be shared.

Join Us

Send us an email or contact us via Facebook. We'll put you to work!

There will be several opportunities to serve, and we will gladly try to match your interests with our needs.

We would like to involve as many people as possible in this project. Please share this email with your friends!

Next Steps

Our next meeting has not been set. In the first quarter of the year, we will meet again with the lighting consultants, set the scope of our plans, and then invite stakeholders to a meeting to discuss their hopes for the project.

Since It's Winter...

Enjoy this photo from Jack Burger, taken February 2008.



Some Photos Are Beyond Beautiful

Bridge photography can be found from amateurs and professionals alike. This photo is from a professional, Tom Jones, Tom Jones Foto. All rights are reserved.

Click on [this link](#) for additional photographs of Pulaski County from Mr. Jones.

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February 2020



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1886 – 1899

Jul 3 1886: The work on the new iron bridge across the river at this place was completed on Wednesday. All the crossing of the river during the repairs was at the foot of Pearl street.

Aug 5, 1892: The foot bridge across the river to the park was put up last week. The sand in the river bottom caused the walk to settle unevenly and it was moved the first of the week to more solid bottom a little up stream.

May 12 1899: J.C. Nye is enclosing four acres of the park with a fence to exclude cattle. Inside the enclosure the grass will be kept down with a one-horse lawn mower. Incandescent sparks will light the building and grounds, city water will be piped there, and entrance will be by a foot bridge across the river east of the artesian well.

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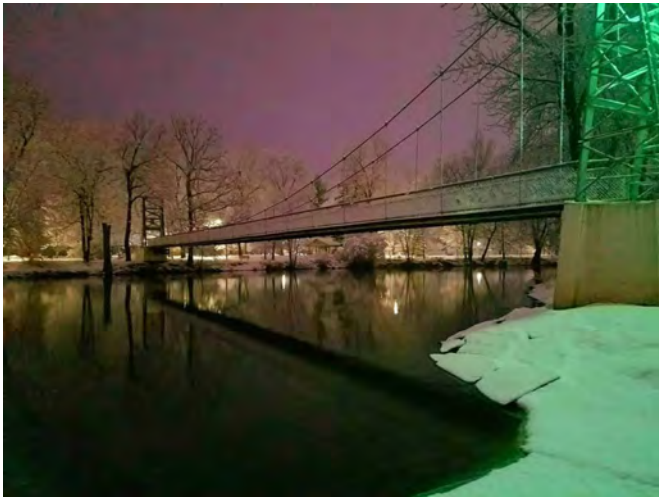
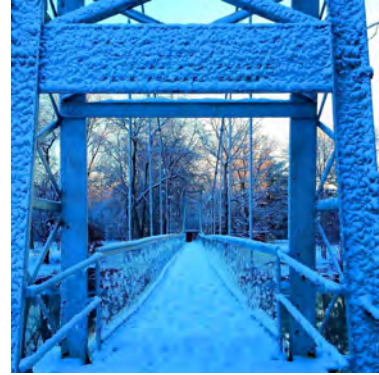
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Next Steps

Our next general meeting has not been set. Before the end of March, we will meet for a second time with stakeholders and will then set a scope for the project.

Upcoming meetings will be posted in these newsletters, scheduled to go out on the 15th of each month, and on the website calendar.

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March 2020

Memorial Swinging Bridge Project

March 9, 1923

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A permanent footbridge across the river, from the town's little park below the artesian well to the Association park on the peninsula, is practically secured followed [sic] meetings sharing the past week by directors of the Park Association, members of the town council and representatives of the Kiwanis club.

The matter was formally taken up at a park board meeting last Thursday evening, when it was proposed that that organization would finance the project if the town would assure to pay one half the cost within the next couple of years. At Monday night's meeting of the council this proposition was accepted, paving the way for what is expected to be final action at another meeting of the park board tonight.

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This photograph was sent by Deb Shidler.



Next Steps

After a Stakeholder meeting set for March 25, we will schedule another core group meeting and move forward. If you are interested in attending, keep your eyes on this newsletter and on our Facebook page!



In the division of troops at the officers' training camp at Ft. Benjamin Harrison, all the Winamac men remained in the infantry branch of the military service. Dan Kelly, Joe Vurpillat and Walter Wendt are all still in the Indiana section of the infantry at the big training camp. They are still enthusiastic over their work at the Fort.

Hobart Yarnell sailed several days ago with an auto-truck detachment for France, the first Winamac boy to sail. A Lewiston, Mont. paper states that Merrill K. Riddick, son of Carl W. Riddick, formerly of Winamac, has passed the examination and enlisted with the aviation corps at Omaha, Neb.

Winamac Republican 28 Jun 1917, Submitted by Janet Onken



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April 2020



**Stay Safe
We'll Get Through This**

April 12, 1923

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The contract for the construction of the proposed footbridge across the river, from the park below the artesian well to the Association park, was let last Friday night to R.E. Nutt. His was the only bid, at \$3,197.

The matter had been held in abeyance pending the sale of sufficient stock in the park association to provide money for the improvement. Recent sales of stock to the amount of \$2,300 were reported, which, together with the \$1,000 previously agreed to be paid by the town council, placed the directors of the organization in position to close the contract.

The bridge is to be completed by July 1, according to the contract. The Winamac Cement Products Co. is to do the concrete work, and expects to begin operations as soon as the river falls enough to permit.

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Next Steps

Of course, like the rest of the world, we are currently on hold.

Stay safe.

We'll get through this.

This photograph was found on the web.



Exemption Board Approved

Information has been received that the recommendations of Governor Goodrich for exemption boards have been approved by President Wilson. The local boards that served on registration day generally compose the exemption boards.

The Pulaski County board will be composed of Sheriff N.V. Zellers, Clerk J.F. Ale and Dr. E.H. Marshall.

They have received no instructions as yet, outlining the rules they shall follow in making exemptions.

Winamac Republican 28 June 1917. Submitted by Janet Onken.



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May 2020



Stay Safe
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June 21, 1923

Following a lapse of several Fourth celebrations in Winamac without fireworks, arrangements have been made this year for what is expected to be the most elaborate display of pyrotechnics ever shown here. The committee in charge has purchased a complete display, to be set off as outlined in a pre-arranged schedule.

The display will be fired along the south side of the base ball park, thus enabling spectators to use the grandstand. The program includes a band concert preceding the fireworks.

Upon request of Brigadier General Gignilliat, who is to dedicate the memorial Bridge, an invitation is being issued to all Gold Star Mothers of the county to attend the exercises in a body. These are the mothers of the men who lost their lives, either in battle or by disease, while in U.S. service during the World War. ... [READ MORE...](#)

Invite Others To
Join

We're still on hold for now, but you can still invite your friends and family to join in by sharing this newsletter.

While we do nothing, some surprising things have come our way. We'll share - briefly - but look for additional information when the time is right.

Prints Donated

We are the proud recipients of several prints of the bridge made from an original by local artist Don Kegarise.



These prints will be auctioned or raffled or used in some other way to raise funds.

The print may also be used to make merchandise. If you have ideas - T-shirts, blankets, mug, hats, whatever - please let us know! Your comments will guide our decisions!



Clerk Ale, as clerk of the conscription board, has finished numbering all registered men in the county, giving each a new number, which number will tell the tale as to whether each man is drafted or not, when the drawing takes place at Washington. Every registered man in the county has a separate number, and his number is posted at the clerk's office. Following the drawing of the drafted numbers at Washington the county board will make exemptions as far as their authority extends and a higher board will then pass on appeals and occupation exemption claims. The last number on the Pulaski county list is 980. About 140 numbers will be drawn for this county before exemptions are passed on by the board.

Winamac Republican 12 Jul 1917, Submitted by Janet Onken.



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If you check out our Facebook page, you will often find exceptional photographs.

This photo was provided by Krysten Hinkle.

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July 5, 1923

Yesterday's celebration of the Fourth in Winamac was one of the most successful affairs of the kind ever held here. The crowd was one of the largest ever seen here on such an occasion, the weather was ideal, the program was carried out with but few disappointments, not an accident marred the day's events, and there was no disturbance of any kind.

The parking space in the Association park was literally covered with automobiles; hundreds of cars were parked in town and in the town park at the artesian well, the occupants going to the big park by way of the new suspension bridge, and during the evening the roads were lined with cars bringing in people for the night fireworks.

The dedication of the new bridge as a memorial to Pulaski county soldiers who served in the wars gave to the occasion a patriotic touch of deep significance. In the presence of a group of gray haired veterans of the Civil War, of a number of Gold Star Mothers and of an assemblage of veterans of the World War, Major General Gignilliat of Culver Military Academy delivered a brief address to a huge crowd that assembled near the east end of the bridge.

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**Celebrate
the 4th
in Winamac**

COME AND ENJOY THE DAY IN THE BEAUTIFUL
Association Park

SEE AND USE THE NEW
Memorial Suspension Bridge
TO BE DEDICATED THAT DAY TO PULASKI COUNTY
SOLDIERS IN ALL WARS.

OUTLINE OF PROGRAM.

10:00—Parade, led by American Legion. Prizes for best decorated cars.

11:00—Address by Congressman Cook, from speaker's stand in park.

12 to 1:00—Dinner and band concert.

1:00 to 3:00—Base ball game, contests, bathing, dancing.

3:00—Dedication of Memorial Bridge by Brigadier General Gignilliat and staff of Culver Military Academy.
Roll Call—Service Men.
Volley—Escort.
Taps.
To the Colors.
National Salute.

4:00 to 7:00—Bathing, Dancing, Playground.

7:00 to 8:00—Band Concert.

8:00—Fireworks. Finest display ever shown in Winamac, to be fired in front of base ball grand stand.

Bathing suits and private lockers for rent in new bath house. Also free bath houses.
Refreshments of all kinds on the grounds.



Paintings Donated

Over an approximate 10-15 year span, local artist Louanna Deutschman created five oil paintings of local landscapes for William (Dr. Bill) Thompson. Those paintings became very special Christmas presents for child #3, Jim, Winamac High School Class of 1967.

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Clinic), the memorial swinging bridge, and a river setting near the bridge. He is donating the

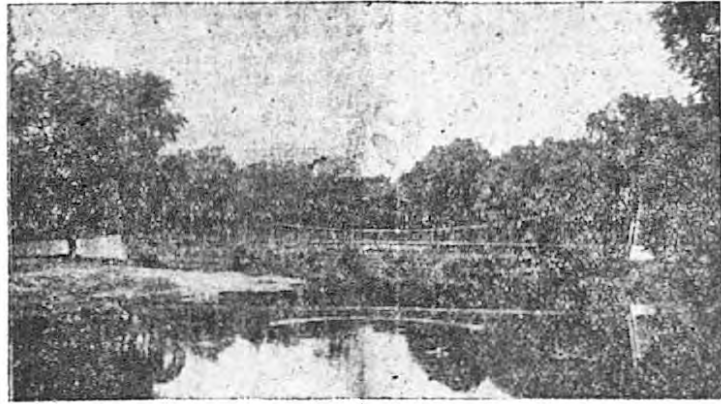
paintings of the bridge and the river scene to the Memorial Swinging Bridge Project to help raise funds.

Included here is a photograph of the river scene. Stay tuned for next month to see the bridge, and stay tuned as well for your opportunities to purchase raffle tickets or to bid on these oils at auction. Details have not been decided, but these original oils, one of a kind, would be a treasure for any family.

Next Steps

Although a few things are happening behind the scenes, we have not yet scheduled our next meeting. Stay tuned!

This was the first published photograph of the bridge, from the Winamac Republican, July 26, 1923.



Abstracted from The Francesville Tribune 24 October 1918 issue

Block In Cemetery Given For Soldier Dead

Through the kindness of W. R. Jones, of this place, all soldiers from here who die in the military camps or those who will be brought back later from France, should the deaths occur over there, are to be buried in a block in the cemetery east of town. Through this arrangement, Privates Leslie Koster and Jesse Howard Engle now repose in this spot. Later a monument is to be placed there, beautifully inscribed with the names of the boys who have died in the service.

Pertinent information: Jesse Engle died 10 Oct 1918 of pneumonia at San Antonio, Leslie Koster died 12 Oct 1918 of pneumonia at Camp Taylor, Herman Malchow, another veteran from the Francesville area could have been buried here (killed in France 12 Oct 1918), however, he is buried at Arlington National Cemetery.

John Shirtz, a veteran, is buried at this spot also, but he didn't die until 1937.

The above mentioned monument to these veterans was never erected.

Submitted by Janet Onken

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July 2020



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August 9, 1934

At the August meeting of the Town Board Monday night an emergency ordinance was passed making it “unlawful for any person to shake by grasping the cable or hand rail jump up and down upon or otherwise cause unnecessary vibration of the suspension Memorial bridge over the Tippecanoe river.”

Violators will be fined not to exceed \$25.

This is a good move on the part of the Town Board as numerous boys and young men have been in the habit of indulging in the dangerous practice of shaking the bridge.

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Next Steps

The Governor put a pin in Indiana's re-opening plans, so we have not yet started meetings back up.

Stay tuned for information....





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the bridge. He is donating the paintings of the bridge and the river scene to the Memorial Swinging Bridge Project to help raise funds.

Last Month you saw a photo of the river scene. Here is a photo of the bridge scene.

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Abstracted from the Pulaski County Democrat 29 June 1916 issue

Hourly expecting an order for the Winamac militia company to entrain for the state mobilization camp, Private George Zellers and Miss Tillie Klucas seized time by the forelock last Thursday evening and were made man and wife less than twenty hours before the company departed.... It was the first "war wedding" in Winamac for over fifty years, and friends join in the hope that may be a happy one."

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August 2020



Memorial Swinging Bridge Project

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Words From A Proud Native Son

Who among you have specific memories of the “Memorial Swinging Bridge” that spans the Tippecanoe River in the Winamac Town Park? A recently activated committee has taken on a project to give this structure an aesthetic makeover in celebration of its 100th birthday!

Some time ago, I was asked to do a presentation to the Iris-Elm Garden Club regarding recent and future renovations in the Winamac Town Park. I took this opportunity to mention the 100th anniversary celebration of the Memorial Swinging Bridge, and was quite surprised by the enthusiasm of the club members in sharing stories that each had experienced connected to this structure. Young and “more experienced” members alike had memories to share about various events that they attended which were somehow tied to this bridge.

[READ MORE...](#)

Next Steps

Stakeholders are meeting this month to finalize ideas on lighting.

If the world gets back to normal soon, we will be able to move forward with a meeting before the end of the year.

Until then, stay safe!





"Cuba Libre"

"The naval battle in the port of Manilla not only interests Winamac people as it does all the rest of the nation but it interests them personally for the reason that two of the men on the Baltimore are intimately connected in this town. The Chaplain Rev. T. S. Freeman is the son-in-law of Elder W. R. Lowe, and one of the head gunners on the same boat is John Falvey, a nephew of Mark D. Falvey. Specific tidings from the Baltimore and these two men are anxiously awaited. Both come of fighting stock and will give a good account of themselves."

Abstracted from the Winamac Republican 06 May 1898

Submitted by Janet Onken



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September 2020



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Things To Do When You Visit Winamac

While planning your visit to Winamac, for the near future or for the rededication ceremony in July of 2023, take advantage of several tourism opportunities. This month, we feature floating on the Tippecanoe.

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It's Option 4!



We'll be setting a meeting soon, because TONIGHT - September 14, 2020 - Greg Henry met with the Town of Winamac, who approved the report we sent. The report detailed what they would need to pay every year, and what they should set aside every year, in order to keep the lighted bridge illuminated.

We are going with Option 4, pictured here, which illuminates the towers, the underside, the cables, and every other vertical cable. While this shows a patriotic red, white & blue, the

colors will be myriad and can change daily, with the seasons, with holidays.... there are infinite possibilities.

This e-Newsletter goes to everyone who has indicated an interest in the project. If you are interested in becoming INVOLVED AS A VOLUNTEER, **send us an email**, and we'll add you to the "Core Group" list.

In the meantime, if you live in the area, take a walk around the park with your camera and send those bridge photos here to be publicized. Send them to our **general email account**.

Dedicated To "The Soldiers And Sailors"



Many communities erect memorials to honor veterans, both those who returned and those who did not.

Few communities, however, follow the path taken by Pulaski County.

We built a bridge.

Watch for opportunities to come that will allow you to contribute to the lighting project.

News

Historical Society receives grant from the Efrogmson Family Fund

PRESS RELEASE SEPTEMBER 1 2020: The Pulaski County Historical Society received word it has been awarded a \$6,000 grant from the Efrogmson Family Fund. The fund provides financial support to a diverse range of issues including arts and culture, historic preservation, the environment and helping those in need. This grant was awarded to support refurbishing the historic Memorial Swinging Bridge, a well-known feature of the Winamac Town Park.

The bridge is one of only a few suspension bridges of its type in the state. From *The Winamac Republican*, March 1, 1923, comes an article about a “new foot-bridge” to span the Tippecanoe River. The Park Association proposed to construct a “permanent suspension foot-bridge” over the Tippecanoe River to connect the artesian well park with the river park. Plans proceeded, and, in what today would seem record time, the bridge was dedicated to great fanfare just four months later, on July 4, 1923. The dedication was in memory of “soldiers of all wars who hailed from Pulaski County.”

Ryan Harrison, President of the Historical Society, stated, “We are pleased the Efrogmson family thought highly of the project. As we approach the bridge’s centenary anniversary, it’s gratifying to see a community coalition come together. This is one small step toward the goal.”

And it truly is a community effort. The grant was secured with the aid of Indiana Landmarks. The Historical Society, a member agency, is acting as a pass-through entity. In a nod to the Town of Winamac’s plans to refurbish the bridge, the Town will be the sub-recipient of the funds. In tandem with the Town, and in advance of the 100th anniversary of the bridge’s dedication, a citizen group is working toward the goal of illuminating the bridge with LED lighting.

If you're interested in keeping up with the Historical Society, go to their [website](#) to sign up for the monthly e-Newsletter.

Photo Gallery

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Photo from Greg Henry



Photo from Linda Thompson
Gingerich

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October 2020



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Things To Do When You Visit Winamac

While planning your visit to Winamac, for the near future or for the rededication ceremony, take advantage of several tourism opportunities. This month, we feature the Panhandle Pathway.

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The Model Bridge



This model bridge was "discovered" and has been reclaimed. It is being cleaned, and the Project will look for a place to display it.

Perhaps we'll find a way to light the model, a little at a time, to show the community how we are doing with our fundraising.





What's Coming Next

We received costs to maintain the lights on the bridge and then had to get permission from both the Town and the Parks Board to proceed, based on the projected annual cost. We have permission from both!!!

We had a brief meeting on October 1, and we have set regular meeting dates. We will start meeting at the VFW, at 6:00, on the 2nd Tuesdays of the month, starting in November. So our next meeting is Tuesday, November 10. Please come if you are interested!

In addition, we are beginning to set up our committees. If you have a specific interest (fundraising, public relations, marketing, events, membership, outreach, etc.), please let us know.



If you have an interest in any of these areas, please **send us an email**. We are getting ready to step off the edge of the cliff, and it will be EXCITING! A meeting is scheduled for 10/27.

Make A Donation

Your contribution would mean a lot!

Please go to our **Donation page** and make a gift, or make it a monthly gift.



Consider making it in honor of or in memory of someone special.

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Photo from Jack Burger



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From E&J Marketing



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E&J Marketing has uploaded a drone video of the bridge in this glorious fall season. Please visit our Facebook page or follow this link:

<https://www.facebook.com/EJMarketing574/videos/2732355530345352>



Winamac Militia Volunteer Company

The election of officers in the Militia Volunteer Company of Winamac took place Monday evening. Sam E. Taylor was elected captain; O. F. McCay, 1st lieutenant; W. N. Conn, 2nd lieutenant; Francis A. Drake, 1st sergeant; J. N. Kelly, M.D., medical examiner; Clarence E. Reed, company clerk; John W. Frain, 1st duty sergeant; James I. Hoover, 2nd sergeant, leaving two vacancies for sergeant and four for corporals to be filled later. These places will be given to men who bring in the largest number of recruits. The boys are all hustling to secure the full quota of men for a company. The company is being organized with the understanding that it is for actual service and not as a militia company.

Winamac Republican April 22, 1898

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November 2020



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Friday, December 4 - Saturday, December 5, Celebration Station (Opera House) Winter Wonderland

As this newsletter is going out, Indiana has been placed on "Orange" status by the Governor. The event is still going on, but vendors will be carefully spaced inside Celebration Station. Some vendors may be inside other businesses around town. Parade viewers will be asked to space themselves along the route.

Our participation will be driven by conditions as we get closer to this date.

- Electric Parade 4:00 PM
- Vendor Booths Friday 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM
- Vendor Booths Saturday 8:00 AM - 3:00 PM
- Model Bridge will be in the parade and will be parked downtown through Saturday afternoon.
- Team members will be at the booth on Friday and Saturday. Please join us!

A Holiday Gift Idea



Make a contribution in the name of a family member or special friend.

You can do this by going to our [donation web page](#).

Once the gift hits our accounts, we will send you a printable certificate that can be placed into a legal-sized envelope or framed.

Happy Holidays!

Veterans' Day 2020

Thank you for your service!

Degrees in the 70s for several days preceding 11/11 lulled us into a dream of a beautiful day for an outdoor celebration.

Not so fast.

Chilly weather was on hand for the Veterans' Day service held at the Courthouse. Afterward, many of the veterans in attendance gathered for a photo around the model bridge.



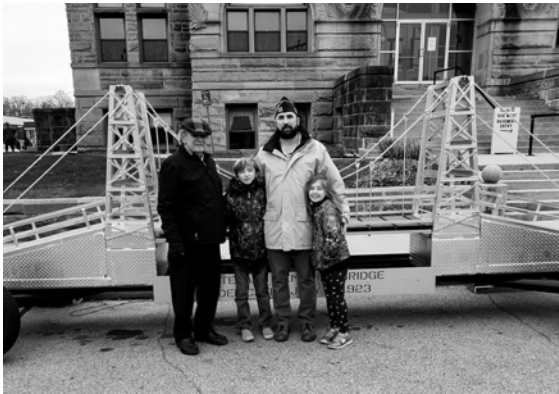
Photo by Kyle Hurd, Francesville Tribune



The night before the 11/11 service, volunteers added lights to the model bridge.



The model bridge was parked in front of the Courthouse the night before.



Veterans' Day 2018

Veterans Day Celebration to Be Held This Morning Outside Pulaski County Courthouse

WKVI Posted on November 9, 2019 Author Michael Gallenberger

Photo from Pulaski County Journal



Hundreds of veterans, students, and community members are expected to converge on Downtown Winamac this morning to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the end of World War I. Winamac High School is teaming up with the Town of Winamac, the Pulaski County Public Library, and several other groups for the Veterans Day Celebration.

It starts at 9:00 a.m. EST with a program at Winamac Middle School. After that, a procession will set off for the Pulaski County Courthouse, heading west on Superior Street then north on Market Street. School officials say it will include more than 300 students and faculty members and block formations led by veterans from World War II, Korea, Vietnam, Desert Storm, and Afghanistan, as well as current veterans.

A ceremony is expected to begin at the memorial on the northwest corner of the courthouse lawn at 9:55. The procession will then move to the Winamac Town Park, where a closing ceremony will take place at the Memorial Bridge, also called the “swinging bridge,” at about 10:40. Veterans will then have a chance to eat lunch with the students at the high school.

School officials say a number high school of classes have worked together to research and create a biography of all 500-plus Pulaski County World War I veterans, with help from County Historian Karen Fritz and Sue Caldwell from the Indiana Genealogical Society.

The county commissioners formally approved the use of the courthouse lawn when they met Monday. Main Street will be closed to traffic between Market Street and U.S. 35 during the event.

The actual centennial of the end of World War I is this Sunday. Some government offices will be closed Monday, in observation of the Veterans Day holiday.

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You can own a piece of the bridge! Buy-a-light for \$50.

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Things To Do When You Visit Winamac

While planning your visit to Winamac, for the near future or for the rededication ceremony, take advantage of several tourism opportunities. This month, we feature paintball.

[READ MORE...](#)

Invite Others To Join

A Holiday Gift Idea



Make a contribution in the name of a family member or special friend. Make a contribution of any amount by going to our [donation web page](#).

It can be a general gift, or make it an honorarium or a memorial.

Once the gift hits our accounts, we will send you a printable certificate that can be placed into a legal-sized envelope or framed.

Happy Holidays!

Giving Tuesday

The Project participated in Giving Tuesday (December 1). Our goal was to make \$500. As this newsletter is being written, we are over \$1,500 and funds are still coming in.

THANK YOU!



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- The sky is the limit!

Do it here!

Pulaski County's "Gold Star" List

From PROGRESS OF PULASKI COUNTY, Pulaski County Centennial, August 17 - 20, 1939, "Ten Decades of Development." Thirty-three names in Official Roster of Men from County Who Lost Their Lives Diruing World War, 1917 and 1918.

Part 1 - to be continued in 3 installments.

JOHN M. AGNEW, Volunteer Co. L, Indiana National Guard: died from pneumonia on English ship "Delta" en route to France, October 18, 1918; buried at sea.

ALBERT T. ANDERSON 15th Co., 4th Field Battery: died from pneumonia at Camp Taylor, Ky., April 25, 1918.

ROME ANTROBIUS, Co. H, 39th Infantry, 4th Division: killed in action August 4, 1918.

ROBERT E. BENNETT, Battery D, 35th Field Artillery: died from pneumonia at Camp

IVAN E. BROWN, Co. F, 309th Infantry: missing in action near Preny, France, September 26, 1918.

THOMAS V. BUDD, fireman in Navy: died from pneumonia at Naval Hospital, Philadelphia, March 11, 1918.

GEORGE W. CRIM, Co. A, 9th Squadron, A.E.F.: died from pneumonia in France, September 29, 1918.

HARRY E. CRAMER, Tank Corps: died from pneumonia at Camp Colt, Pa., September 29, 1918.

HENRY DRAKE, Co. G, 115th Infantry: killed in action October 27, 1918.

Jesse H. Engle, Co. C, unassigned: died from pneumonia at College Station, Texas, October 10, 1918.

FRANK FALVEY, 309th Engineers: died from pneumonia at Brest, France, April 12, 1918.

OSCAR C. HELM, Co. D, 16th Infantry: wounded in action while in France and died in U.S. Hospital at Baltimore, Md., April 27, 1919.

McClellan, Ala., October 22,
1918.

An overwhelming number of servicemen from The Great War died of pneumonia and related diseases during the 1918 Pandemic. Read about it [in this post](#).

National Register

In the beginning... we've heard these words before!

In OUR beginning, someone volunteered to complete and send in the paperwork to put the Memorial Swinging Bridge on the National Register of Historic Places.

We have the paperwork. We no longer appear to have the volunteer.

We seek a volunteer or a couple of volunteers to step up and say "YES!"

Send us an email if you're interested.



Photo Gallery

If you have photographs to share, share them [via email](#).



Remember the park's trick-or-treat days? They'll be back, I promise. Jennifer Pitcher shared these photos of her family. In one, an adorable trickster crosses the bridge to go home. Both girls, ages 3 and 5, ride across to go home after playing at the new playground.



The Model Bridge showed up in Francesville on Saturday, November 21. Alvin and Rana Parish hand out brochures while Greg Henry explains the Project to interested folks.

Photos by Kyle Hurd.



Photos from Ashley Armstrong, whose family loves the bridge!



The model bridge came home from the "Pulaski Lights" to appear in the Winter Wonderland Electric Parade. Even the truck is decked out!

Big Brother / Little Brother



The Project



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