

THE CLASSIFIEDS

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CLASSIFIED AD DEADLINES

All classified ads must be in our office by the following deadlines.

For the Osgood Journal, by Friday at 11:00 a.m.

For The Versailles Republican, by Tuesday at 11:00 a.m.

ADJUSTMENT OF ERRORS

The Ripley Publishing Company cannot be responsible for more than the first publication of any ad, so please check your ad for accuracy. Subsequent repeated errors are the responsibility of the advertiser. If a classified ad should be under a heading other than the advertiser would like it to be please contact the paper and it will be corrected for the following insertion, however, no credit will be given on the ad. The Ripley Publishing Company reserves the right to reclassify, revise or reject at its option any advertisement deemed detrimental to the public interest or the policy of the newspapers.

All real estate advertised herein is subject to the Federal Fair Housing Act, which makes it illegal to advertise any preference, limitation or discrimination because of race, color, religion, sex, handicap, familial status, or national origin or intention to make any such preference,

limitation, or discrimination. We will not knowingly accept any advertising for real estate which is in violation of the law. All persons are hereby informed that all dwellings advertised are available on an equal opportunity basis.

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Will buy and haul scrap cars and trucks

Top prices paid. Fast pick up. Cash paid. Call 1-812-933-8151. 56fxp
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99-101p

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95-98p

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Land clearing, ponds, building pads, basements, etc. Fully Insured. Terry Struckman Sr. Excavating 812-689-3716/812-621-2512
79-15p

For Sale

3 bedroom ranch home, 7 acres, 4 outbuildings, woods, & pond in Rexville. \$250,000 812-571-4034 91-101p

1974 Buick \$500, 1950 Dodge Truck, \$4900. 812-571-4034 91-101p

Hay and straw, small square bales. Versailles, IN 812-621-1319 91-101p

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We manufacture Premium Metal Roofing and Trim
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Country Wood Apts.
is currently taking applications for low-income apartments. Rent subsidy is available. All apts. are furnished with stove, refrig., & central air. Water & sewer are included in rent. Applications accepted daily 10 am - 4 pm, closed Thursday. Office hours: Mon., Tues., Wed. & Fri. 10 am - 4 pm.
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WE ARE HIRING MECHANIC
Responsible for maintenance and repair of fleet vehicles.
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SCC is looking to hire the following:
Position: Veterinary Science I Instructor
Application Deadline: April 5, 2024
Job Description can be emailed upon request. Please apply online
<https://www.sccusa.org/page/employment>
Submit a certified application, resume and three letters of recommendation to Keli Miller by email kmiller@sccusa.org.
Any questions please call 812.689.5253 X 222



LEGALS

Notice to Taxpayers of Additional Appropriations

Notice is hereby given to the Taxpayers of Ripley County, located in the State of Indiana, that the Council of Ripley County will meet at the Ripley County Annex at 6:00 PM on 04/15/2024, and will consider the following Additional Appropriations in excess of the budget for the current year.

Fund Name	EMS Training Grant	Amt Requested
10000	Personal Services	
20000	Supplies	
30000	Services & Charges	
40000	Capital Outlay	\$60,000.00
	Total of Fund	\$60,000.00

Fund Name	NAMI Officer Training Grant	Amt Requested
10000	Personal Services	\$968.18
20000	Supplies	
30000	Services & Charges	
40000	Capital Outlay	
	Total of Fund	\$968.18

Fund Name	JDAI "A" Office Supplies	Amt Requested
10000	Personal Services	
20000	Supplies	\$8,000.00
30000	Services & Charges	\$7,000.00
40000	Capital Outlay	
	Total of Fund	\$15,000.00

Amy R. Copeland,
Ripley County Auditor
3/31/2024

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Notice of Administration

STATE OF INDIANA
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT
OF RIPLEY COUNTY
2024 TERM
CAUSE NO. 69C01-2402-EU-000012
IN THE MATTER OF THE UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION OF THE ESTATE OF GEORGE A. ERTZINGER, DECEASED
ESTATE DOCKET 69C01-2402-EU-000012

Notice is hereby given that James L. Moreland was, on the 27th day of February, 2024, appointed Personal Representative of the Estate of George A. Ertzinger, deceased, who died on the 13th day of December, 2023.

All persons who have claims against this estate, whether or not now due, must file the claim in the office of the Clerk of this Court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, or within one (1) year after the decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred. Dated at Versailles, Indiana, this 15th day of March, 2024.

Liz Baumgartner
Clerk, Ripley Circuit Court
LAW OFFICE OF MELISSA S. SCHOLL
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I.D. 18143-16
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Lawrenceburg, IN 47025
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Do you want to inspire others?
Share your success story with us to get published in the Osgood Journal or The Versailles Republican.
Send your story to publication@ripleynews.com.
Have Questions? Call (812) 689-6364

Grants available for urban forestry projects

Grants totaling \$2 million are available to fund urban forestry throughout Indiana.

Administered by the Indiana DNR Division of Forestry, Community & Urban Forestry, the funding is available through the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) Forest Service Urban & Community Forestry program.

Projects that are fundable through this grant include tree planting, tree inventories with management plans, urban tree canopy assessments, storm response planning, public and/or staff education, program outreach, and the establishment and strengthening of local urban forestry programs. Funds are awarded on a reimbursable basis, and no match is required.

Communities interested in applying should note that grant awards are available for a minimum \$20,000 and a maximum \$250,000, and only areas that have census tracts that meet federal requirements are eligible.

Applications are due July 12.

All application materials are available for download at dnr.IN.gov/forestry/programs/community-and-urban-forestry/ira-grants

Additional information is available from Jacob Roos, community and urban forestry director, DNR Division of Forestry, 317-234-4386, jroos@dnr.IN.gov.

Huge Garage Sale
April 4, 5, & 6
Lots of quilting material, lots of yarn and crocheting items, lots of household, lots of men's, women's and teen clothes, tools and tool box, lots of books, homemade table, Longaberger baskets.
Debbie Hughes
Hwy 50, Holton

PUBLIC AUCTION
At Lutz Auction Center
25980 Auction Ln. Guilford, IN 47022
Saturday April 6, 2024 at 9 a.m.
Doors open at 8:00 a.m.
Cub Cadet lawn mower; power woodworking equipment; tools, garage and shop items; neon signs; Grandfather and other clocks; pedal cars; toys and train sets; lantern collection; Wurlitzer juke box; antique furniture; camping and hunting items; antiques and collectibles. 2 buildings full.
AUCTIONEERS NOTE: Check lutzauctions.com for details, pictures, and late additions.
The Estate of Melvin Taylor, The Estate of Russell (Rusty) Ison, & Various Consignor - Owners
Dale & Randy Lutz - Auctioneers AU01030327, AU10100126
513-266-1859 / 513-266-1860
TERMS: Cash or check with ID. No Buyers Premium. Indiana sales tax collected.

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has done a variety of things in her life, being a chemist, working at the Ripley County Extension Office as Director and more. She is married to Bob Ehlers and said she's proud to be from Ripley County. She said she brings common sense, is conservative, open minded, and a Christian.

Hooker, who is from Stringtown, said he had worked as an accountant for the past 40 years and thoroughly understands budgeting and cash flow. He said he also understands the impact of income taxes on taxpayers. "I'm looking forward to serving," he noted.

Question #1: When each was asked about how additional appropriations should be handled and what determined an "emergency", this is what they had to say:

Batchelor: "Overspending on the budget is not really an emergency, but we have to take care of it."

Hooker: "Overspending is not an emergency."

Bailey: "The first building block is to understand if it's a true emergency."

Decker: "Plan for emergencies...sometimes we cut ourselves a little short...everything could be an emergency." He said, "We need transparency, and we would have to fix the problem."

Ehlers: "We need to watch the budget and make sure you're keeping in step...transparency is key."

Question #2: Another question was how they felt about the recent safety tax that was imposed?

Back: "I don't know everything about it. I'm willing to listen."

Bailey: "I'm for the public safety tax. Police, EMS, fire, the jail are all important to keep the community safe. Money will bring safety."

Decker: "I'm for it...emergency services for the county has to be done."

Ehlers: "I'm in favor of the safety tax. We have 28,995 residents and we're one of 19 counties out of 92 that did not have a public safety tax. She said in two months they have seen a revenue of \$280,000.

Batchelor: "Safety is the right of all citizens." He said he's watched (police) officers leave due to not being paid enough and said the County was spending a lot on training for them to leave and go to another county or agency.

Hooker: "I'm in favor (of the tax). "He said the county's job is to provide safety...fund dispatchers better and use the money wisely.

Question #3: Where would you cut the budget in the case of a revenue shortfall?

Decker said cutting somebody's budget is not the answer. It has to be determined case by case. He said maybe the public safety monies would free up some from the general fund.

Ehlers: She noted it would become everyone's responsibility - each department.

Batchelor: He suggested looking at the current budget and seeing if they have wants or needs.

Hooker: He said to plan and educate those who created the shortfall.

Back: Agreed with everyone ahead of her.

Question #4: What impact would the concerns of citizens have on you?

Decker: "We work for you. What the public says we have to take into consideration."

Ehlers: "This has been a learning experience." She said she went to every office to understand what their duties are.

Batchelor: "Their concerns need to be addressed."

Booker: "It's important to listen and also make hard decisions."

Back: Agreed you would need to listen to the people.

Bailey: "It's very important to listen. That's

the reason we had two meetings instead of the one that was required," she noted of the tax decision.

Commissioners also have a strategic role in making sure the county runs smoothly. Two seats out of the three are open.

Running for District 2 are Trent Mozingo and Jeff Volz.

Mozingo said he is building a new home in the county and has a chiropractic business in Osgood. He is knowledgeable about budgets and dealing with people. When asked about the solar farms subject, he said people should have the freedom to use their own land, but at the same time, they can't hurt their neighbors in the process.

Volz said he was born and raised in the county and likes dealing with the public. "I don't have a problem with the solar farms, but there should be setbacks in place." He has served and is serving on boards in the county and says he enjoys helping people.

Running for Commission in District 3 are Roger Gullion of Dewberry and Doug Rump of Olean. Both men agreed it was important to listen to constituents. Gullion noted there was a fine line between people wanting something and it being the best for the county. Rump noted that beyond listening and making decisions, they should educate the public about why a certain decision was made.

About the Link 101 project, Rump said he was opposed to it. "I'm against building new roads that takes land and farms. It's not a good thing for our economy, it's just a pass thru for freight. "Gullion said he was neither for nor against Link 101. "No matter what we do somebody is not going to be happy." He said he would listen to the people and make the best decision possible.

Chad Meinders is a fourth-generation farmer and business owner in Ripley County. He is running for the State Representative seat District 67. He said it's simple really, "Treat others how we like to be treated." He is all about conservation, has served in many capacities and is ready and qualified to be the next representative. Alex Zimmerman is in the position now after Randy Frye resigned. He said he and his wife are both attorneys. He is also conservative and wants the government to work for the people.

Jason Bailey is the incumbent for Coroner and his opponent, Rodney Stepleton, was not in attendance. Bailey has been a paramedic for 25 years. He said being the Coroner allows him to help people from a different perspective than saving lives. He likes helping families navigate the hard time of losing a loved one, and says the biggest challenge is not having a morgue locally. He said right now a family has to go to Blue Ash, Ohio, to identify their loved one. He says he works with both the Commissioners and Council and local police. The position requires him to be available 24/7 every day of the year.

If you have questions or concerns, contact these people directly and ask them what their intentions are for wanting to serve. It's important to know your politician and what their feelings are about the people and practices of the county.

Watch for biographies in the Osgood Journal and The Versailles Republican as the candidates introduce themselves. Listen to what they have to say at meetings and check the record of those who are serving now. It's the duty of every voter to be informed before casting their ballot on May 7.

Editor's Note: There will be more information concerning voting printed in the newspaper during the month of April. Also, the answers candidates gave were sometimes more detailed that written here. This is just a partial answer in some cases.

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Equipment Sale
The Ripley County Soil and Water equipment for sale
1006NT Great Plains Drill
• 10' Great Plains No-Till Drill
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• Acreage : approx. 3000
• Rebuilt with New Coulters and Double Disc Blades installed 2020
• Year: 2013
• Sold as is
• Minimum bid - \$12,000

Sealed Bids are due to the Ripley County Soil and Water Conservation District by April 9, 2024, close of business at 4:00pm.
At the April 9th board meeting the bids will be opened starting at 7pm and the SWCD Board reserves the right to reject any and all bids. You will have the right to attend the meeting to discuss your bid or increase it after the bids have been opened.
For more information contact:
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