

If a year was tucked inside of a clock, then autumn would be the magic hour.

Victoria Erickson

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#### HALLOWEEN - HAPPY HAUNTING!

AMO READING ROOM
Friday, October 27, 2023
5:00 - 7:00 PM





HALLOWEEN NIGHT - Tuesday, October 31, 2023: 5:00 - 8:00 PM

TOWN OF AMO Halloween Trick-or-Treat will be Halloween night. The Community Building will be open with treats, and restrooms are available. If you would prefer not to have trick-or-treaters at your door, limited tables are available in the Community Building with a reservation. If you would like to set up a table with treats in the Community Building, please send us a private message or call Donna Watson @ 317.525.3759

MILL CREEK FELLOWSHIP: Look for us at Halloween in downtown Amo! We will be set up across from the Amo General Store again this year. We'll have hot dogs, drinks, and candy. We can't wait to see everyone out trick-or-treating!

AMO FIRE DEPARTMENT will be in the downtown area of Amo at the 4-way stop. Stop by the trucks for treats!



NOVEMBER 11, 2023
VETERANS DAY

Let's not forget to reach out and THANK our VETERANS!

Veterans who signed in to the 9/11/2023 Dinner:

Don Fuller, National Guard Army
Jackie Fuller, National Guard Army
Darrell Mynatt, US Navy
Frank Mynatt, US Army
Robert Zook, US Army
David Soots, US Airforce
Sam Dillon, US Marines
Mark Douglass, US Army

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#### THANK YOU TO ...

There are always many behind-the-scenes happenings!

Angel Chattin for continuing to help maintain the flowers in front of the Post Office and Interurban Station.

Terry (last name unknown) asked Kelsey Freeman, Reading Room Attendant, if he could mulch the Interurban flower bed. She, of course, said yes. It looks beautiful, Terry!

We appreciate *Doug Wallace's* time and expertise in determining if a new mini refrigerator was needed for the Amo Reading Room! Thank you for cleaning off your lot!

The Town of Amo commissioned *Greg Burch* to craft 4 new picnic tables for the Amo Shelter. All 4 have been placed in the shelter. Funds from the ARA were used to pay for the tables. They look great, *Greg*!

Phil Strahl/Kase Electric for completing much-needed electrical work in the Reading Room. The lighting is so much better!

**Barb Strahl** for picking up and planting the beautiful mums in the downtown area of Amo. Great job, **Barb!** 

THANK YOU to the donor of the book of stamps to be used for mailing of the newsletter! Very thoughtful of you!





#### CASCADE FFA

Bringing home some hardware! What a great learning experience at the University of Nebraska research facility. Our team placed 3rd in this regional competition by completing tasks related to corn and soybean growth and development, weed and insect ID and management, cover crops, precision ag focused on aerial/digital scouting, pesticides, and corn and soybean diseases. (Copied from Cascade FFA Website) Amo's own Evan Fishel is a team member! The Town of Amo donated \$500 to help offset expenses for this experience! Other team members



included: Adryanna Hendershot, William Thompson, Ethan Tames and Zach Benter. Not pictured, Team Teacher Laura Searcy.

CONGRATULATIONS! The Town of Amo is proud of you!

#### AMO FIRE DEPARTMENT



Saturday

December 9, 2023

8:00 — 11:00 AM



#### **Donations Accepted**

Proceeds from the breakfast go back into our community to assist with a family/or families for Christmas.

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## We extend our sympathy to the families and friends of Jo Bryant Cordray / 1943—2023

Jo Cordray, age 79, Greencastle, passed away Monday afternoon at her home surrounded by her loving family. She was born in Tallahassee, Florida on October 19, 1943 the daughter of Clifford G. and Eva Icel Pounds Bryant. She was a member of the Amo Baptist Church. Jo was an excellent seamstress and made multiple items including square dancing dresses and quilts. She was a volunteer EMT for the Mill Creek Fire Departments, and she and her husband ran Cordray U-pick strawberries.

She is survived by her husband – Carl "Gene" Cordray; daughter – Robin McEnulty, Greencastle; son – Kevin Cordray and wife, Shelli, Kansas; grandchildren – Sarah Burdine and husband Tim, Kelli Tipton and husband Will, and Chelcie Cordray, and Kylie Cordray; great-grandchildren – Dean, Dalton, Derek, and Carlee, Burdine, Connor Tipton, and Liam Cordray; brother – Larry Bryant and wife, Jean; and several nieces and nephews. She was preceded by her parents.

Visitation will be held at Bousley Funeral Home on Friday, August 18 from 4 until 8 PM. Funeral services will be held on Saturday at 11:00 AM with Pastor Jamie Lyons officiating. Burial will follow in the Mill Creek Cemetery. (Copied from Bousley Funeral Home Website)

Jo had a very warm and welcoming smile. She is dearly missed by all who knew her!



# We extend our sympathy to the families and friends of Jason Joseph Bousley / 1971—2023

The world lost a bright shining soul on Sunday, September 24, 2023. Jason Joseph Bousley was born on a beautiful fall afternoon on October 22, 1971. He was the third son of Carol (Wiswall) and Phil Bousley. He was welcomed into the world by his brother Brian Bousley. There was never a dull moment with the Bousley Brothers. Jason was an avid swimmer with the Vincennes Sharks. He was even invited to go to the Olympic Time Trials. He was a basketball star at Rivet High School where he

graduated in 1990. Jason went on to Vincennes University and graduated in 1992 with an Associates Degree in Funeral Services. He worked as a funeral director in Terre Haute, Greencastle, and then returned to work in Terre Haute. In November of 2003, Jason's hit gold when he met his future wife Koren Beam. The two were set up on a blind date by a mutual friend and were immediately attached at the hip. It was a perfect match. They married on June 23, 2007 in Terre Haute and immediately started a family. Abigail Joann (AJ) was born in 2008, and Jakob Van was born in 2010. Their daddy thought the sun rose and set on them. He loved watching them follow in his footsteps when they too became great swimmers. The family's focus has always been on spending time together and having fun because that is what their daddy valued most. In 2011, Jason and Koren escaped corporate America when they bought Bousley Funeral Home in Coatesville, Indiana. The community accepted them with open arms, and the business has grown under their stewardship. In 2013, Koren opened Fleurs de Beausoleil despite Jason's exasperation with her because he hated flowers, but what she wanted he always made come true. Thanks to his love, she found her passion for flowers, and Jason was able to see the beauty in what she created. At Jason's urging, Koren became a licensed funeral director as well. Jason was never more proud of her. They loved working side by side and hand in hand. Jason was larger than life. He always had a smile on his face and a joke to tell. The man never met a stranger. Everyone he ever crossed paths with he counted as a friend. Jason was always up for a good time and a

cold beer, preferably Miller Lite. He was kind to a fault, charismatic, and loving. Our lives and hearts are shattered. The foundation of our family is cracked. But Jason has been working for years to teach Koren what she needed in order to go on; looking back, he always knew he would leave us early. With time we will heal and will be whole again.

Visitation will be held at the Bousley Funeral Home Saturday, September 30, 2023 from 3pm to 7pm with a candlelight service at 7pm. Jason will be cremated and remain at home with Koren and the kids until it is her time to rejoin him and then their ashes will be spread together on the beach which was always their favorite place. Koren, AJ, and Jakob have requested that you put a story or memory of Jason, preferably funny, on paper to gift to them.

(Copied from Bousley Funeral Home Website / Picture Provided by Koren Bousley)

Jason positively touched many lives in Amo, and we along with his family and friends miss him!

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#### We extend our sympathy to the families and friends of Fred Terrell / 1942—2023 (Reverend Shelly Zook's Father)

Fredrick "Fred" L. Terrell, 80, of Martinsville, Indiana left this earthly life in the early morning hours of Thursday, October 5, 2023 at St. Francis Hospital in Indianapolis, surrounded by

Fred was born in Spencer, Indiana, Owen County, on December 23, 1942. The son of Floyd and Lorena (Edwards) Terrell. He graduated from Spencer High School with the class of 1961.

He married Ethel E. "Sue" (Strunk) Terrell on October 9, 1962. Sue remained the love of his life for over sixty years. The couple have two children. Shelly A. (Robert) Terrell-Zook and William A. "Bill" Terrell. They have four grandchildren, Errick Zook, Kevin (Amber) Kindle, Jimmy Barber, and Elizabeth (Devlin) Greene, two great-grandchildren, John William Plank and Grayce Daniel.



Fred is survived by two sisters, Dee Freeman and Phyllis Nash. His children, Shelly and Bill, his grandchildren, great -grandchildren, nieces and nephews and many friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents, his beloved wife, brothers: Tom, Ronnie, Joe, Bub and Billy.

A celebration of Fred's life is entrusted to West & Parrish & Pedigo Funeral Home, 105 North Montgomery Street, Spencer. Services will be 2:00 PM, Tuesday, October 10, 2023. Reverend Mark Thompson will officiate. Interment will be at Chambersville Cemetery in Spencer. Visitation will be 10:00 AM until 2:00 PM on Tuesday, at the funeral home. (Copied from West & Parrish & Pedigo Funeral Home Website)

Fred had many interesting stories. He is so missed by his family and friends!

#### We extend our sympathy to the families and friends of Mable Dillon / 1927—2023

Mable V. Dillon, 96, of Amo, passed away on October 8, 2023 surrounded by loving family members. She was born on September 4, 1927 in Speedway to the late Ray and Lillian Lakin. Mable was a former Sunday School teacher and a dedicated homemaker. She enjoyed sewing, quilting and bible study in her free time.

Mable was preceded in death by her loving husband, Loren Dillon and a grand daughter, Kristie Arthur. Visitation will be Thursday, October 12, 2023 in Hampton-Gentry Funeral Home from 5:00 to 8:00 pm. Funeral services will be Friday, October 13, 2023 in the funeral home at 11:00 am. Burial will follow in Amo Cemetery. Survivors include her children, Carolyn, Larry, Marjorie, Samuel and Becky; sister, Florence Kelm; 49 grandchildren, great grandchildren and great great grandchildren.



(Copied from Hampton Gentry Funeral Home Website)

Mable was always a delight to talk with. She is dearly missed by her family and friends!

#### KEEPING YOU IN THE







Kelsey Freeman, Amo Reading Room Clerk, was invited to participate in the Mill Creek West Elementary's School Literacy Night. Very nice display, Kelsey! Thank you—great way to represent the Town of Amo and Amo Reading Room!

# WORKING HARD Hoosier Students

#### Legislative Update by State Representative Jeff Thompson

Students can AskRose to help with homework Students who are confused about chemistry or anxious about algebra can turn to the Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology's AskRose tutoring service. AskRose provides students in grades 6-12 free homework help in math and science. Tutors are trained to guide students through problems and concepts by phone, email, chat or screenshare, and can provide learning resources ike those in the classroom. During the school year, tutors are available 5-10 p.m. EST, Sunday through Thursday. For free homework help, visit askrose.org or call 877.275.7673.

#### **BOOSTING CAREER READINESS**

Students in grades 10-12 can apply for Career Scholarship Accounts to pay for industry-recognized certification.

The above information was copied from various Jeff Thompson State Representative Jeff Thompson's publications. For details on student resources go to in.gov/education where there is a wealth of information. (Submitted by Donna Watson & Becky Rhea)

#### Amo 1<sup>st</sup> Baptist 2023 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Car Show

A sweet, unified, spirit was in the streets of Amo on Saturday, September 16<sup>th</sup> as the Amo 1<sup>st</sup> Baptist Church held its 7<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL CAR SHOW. Did you know, the Car Show began in 2016 as the Church celebrated its 150<sup>th</sup> year anniversary? It was the idea of a member of the planning Committee for the Anniversary Celebration and was such a success that the Town and Baptist folks decided to continue to invite Car enthusiasts back to Town!

A special "thank you" is extended to the Townspeople who promoted the Car Show by passing out flyers at other Car Shows throughout the state of Indiana. Thank you to the Amo Town Council for their continued support in closing the street and welcoming our guest Car Show enthusiasts. Thank you to the Townspeople who live on Pearl Street for their patience and support. Thank you to the Amo Volunteer Fire department for your continued support in safely closing the main street through Town and redirecting traffic. The presence of the Amo Police department was a blessing as Marshal, Chris Nelson, came out to maintain order and help by participating as a judge for the Car Show. Thank you also to Shelly Fishel for the wonderful signs! What a blessing it is to have the support of the Richey family as they loan us their tent for registration and volunteer with set-up and tear-down.

While the final financial numbers have not been reconciled, we believe that a profit of well over \$1,500 was made to reinvest into the Amo community!

The combined effort of the entire Town is such a blessing to the Baptist Fellowship and is greatly appreciated!

THANK YOU SINCERELY!
Reverend Shelly Zook



PASTOR'S PICK

**TOP CAR** 



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#### VANDALIA TRAIL — Please use the Trail!

Pending favorable weather, the Vandalia Trail restrooms in Amo and Coatesville will remain open until November 30th. The extended availability was graciously approved by IDEM to provide trail users a better experience while on the trail. The Hendricks County Parks & Recreation maintenance team will then close/winterize the restrooms until April 1st.

This summer, Hendricks County Parks & Recreation applied for a Next Level Trails grant from Indiana to complete the funding to build 2.5 miles of paved Vandalia Trail from Clayton going west. Grant awards are expected to be announced in December.

The weekly group bike rides by Friends of the Vandalia Trail have finished for the year, but please join the group's monthly rides through the winter on Plainfield's Vandalia Trail which will have a new 2.3 miles by then. The first two dates are November 11 and December 8, leaving at 9:00 AM from the southeast corner of the Meijer parking lot with a breakfast stop afterwards.

For more news and updates, please also visit nrht.org/vandalia and its Events page.

Enjoy the trail this fall!

Greg Midgley, National Road Heritage Trail, Inc. www.facebook.com/NRHTInc greg@nrht.org



SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2023 2:00 AM

SET YOUR CLOCKS BACK 1 HOUR

#### **TOWN STREET LIGHTS**

If you notice one of the Town street lights out, please contact Donna Watson @ 317.525.3759 so that she can report for replacement.



The Town of Amo THANKS all who came out and supported our 9/11 Dinner!!

We are proud to host this annual dinner honoring our Veterans and First Responders and are grateful for their service and commitment to our country and our communities! Thank you to all who shopped, helped set up, cooked, donated food, attended, participated in the program and helped clean up!



We are grateful to Janice & Don Schauwecker for blessing us with their trailer of flags display.













Sheriff Jack Sadler, Sergeant Josh Nohren



**Dustin Strahl** Below: Amo Marshal Chris Nelson, Patrol Officer Ben Oliphant

Left: Amo Fire Chief



#### KEEPING YOU IN THE





#### AMO POLICE DEPARTMENT

TOWN MARSHAL: CHRIS NELSON
PHONE: (317) 539-6030 FAX: (317) 539-5115
amopolice.in@gmail.com
4925 Pearl St. P.O. BOX 156
AMO, IN 46103

"To Protect and Serve"

\*\*\*Laws and ordinances relating to care and control of dogs and animals\*\*\*

In an effort to educate residents within town, please find a general list of the most notable laws/ordinances related to care and control of your animals. The list is not all inclusive!

(DOGS/CATS)

An owner is permitted to have no more than Four (4) dogs and Four (4) cats if the animals have been sterilized. If the animals have not been sterilized, an owner is permitted to have no more than Three (3) or a combination thereof. (HC Planning and Zoning Ordinance)

It is unlawful for any owner to fail to exercise proper care and control of his or her dog or dogs so as to prevent the following actions (AMC 90.20 Prohibited Conduct)(Penalty 90.99)

- (A) Molesting of passers-by
- (B) Chasing of passing vehicles (C) Attacking other domestic animals
- (D) Trespassing upon private or school property
- (E) Damaging private or public property
- (F) Habitual barking or loud and continued noise or
- (G) Unnecessary foul or noxious odors which offend people in the neighborhood

(AMC 90.21 Running at large prohibited)

It shall be unlawful to permit any dog to run at large within the corporate limits of the town. Any dog running at large within the town shall be impounded. (Penalty 90.99)

(AMC 90.02 Limitations on keeping certain animals; Sanitation)

It shall be unlawful to have or keep any goats, sheep swine or pigs, horses, mules, ponies, cattle, rabbits, chickens, ducks, geese, turkeys, guineas, or other farm animals or foul within 200 feet of any residence, other than the residence of the person so keeping or having these animals. (Penalty 90.99)

(AMC 90.03 Destruction of vicious animals authorized)
Instead of impoundment, the Town Marshal or other law enforcement officer, or a private citizen, may immediately destroy any vicious or ferocious domestic, farm, or wild animal which is attacking or threatening to attack a person or another domestic farm animal, or which cannot be safely captured and impounded by usual and ordinary means. The owner of an animal required to be destroyed under this section will have no claim for recovery.

TOWN MARSHAL: CHRIS NELSON



#### AMO POLICE DEPARTMENT

CHIEF OF POLICE: Chris Nelson

ASSISTANT CHIEF OF POLICE: John Vehling

PATROL OFFICER: David Gunn
PATROL OFFICER: Ben Oliphant

**DEPARTMENT CHAPLAIN: Rev. Shelly Zook** 

**Contact Amo Police** 

@ 317.539.6030

FOR EMERGENCIES

911

When Driving Through Town Remember To:
Dim Your Lights / Observe the Speed Zone / Watch for Kids

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#### **SCHOOL GROUNDS SHELTER:**

To reserve the Shelter located on the school grounds, please call Fire Chief Dustin Strahl @ 317.442.5357.

#### **TOWN OF AMO COMMUNITY BUILDING**



5046 Sycamore Street Amo, IN 46103

#### COMMUNITY BUILDING RESERVATIONS CONTACT

For scheduling the Community Building, please call Kelsey Freeman @ 317.734.6471.

#### **BUILDING RENTAL RATES**

Residents - \$25.00

Non-Resident — \$100.00

PAYMENT: Check payable to Town of Amo or Cash

Rental Agreements must be signed and a 50% Deposit or full payment made prior to the rental date.

### **TOWN OF AMO COMMUNICATION RESOURCES**

**Quarterly Newsletter Town of Amo Resource Guide** 



Keep up to date on Amo events by checking out our Facebook page.

Town of Amo, Indiana



#### **TOWN COUNCIL**

2023 Town Council Meetings

January 5, 2023 February 2, 2023 \*\* July 12, 2023 August 3, 2023

\*\* March 9, 2023 April 6, 2023

\*\* September 14, 2023 October 5, 2023

\*\* May 11, 2023 June 1, 2023

\*\* November 9, 2023 December 7, 2023

\*\* 2nd Thursday

Town Council meetings are held at the Amo Community Building @ 7:00 p.m. (Unless otherwise posted)

Everyone is welcome at the Town Council meetings.

#### Town Council:

President - James "Ronnie" Travelsted President Pro Tem — Rene Gay Council Member — Donna Watson Clerk-Treasurer - Barb Strahl

> **Town Council Board Term is** 1-1-20-12-31-23

**TOWN PHONE NUMBER: 317.539.6030** 

#### AMO JAM -

#### **PLEASE NOTE:**

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 24, will be Amo Jam's last night for this year and is suspended until March of 2024.

EVERY TUESDAY EVENING / 6:00—8:30 p.m.

For additional information. Call Al Lawson @ 765.653.0590

#### **DOG COURTESY**

When walking our dogs, we should use Doggy DoDo Bags; our dogs should be kept on a leash and under control at all times.

http://www.amoin.net

#### **WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES**





Shaping Hearts & Changing Lives

Rev. Shelly A. Zook, Lead Pastor Pastor Kelli J. Tipton, Youth Pastor

Church/Office number: 317.539.6920 Emergency number: 317.489.2988 PO Box 146; 4779 Pearl St., Amo, IN 46103 EMAIL: <u>1stBaptistAmo@gmail.com</u> YouTube and Facebook: 1<sup>st</sup> Baptist Amo

October, November and December at Amo 1<sup>st</sup> Baptist Church promises to be an active time for the Kingdom of God in the community of Amo and the surrounding area.

We will be holding an ESTATE SALE to benefit the Church and its ministry here in Amo. More information will be released on the Church Facebook page at #1stBaptistAmo soon. Plan to come check out some treasures, antiques, and useful items for a GREAT cause!

It is hard to believe it is time to consider the Advent Season and Christmas is just around the corner. Come join us for a special Christmas celebration on Sunday, December 24<sup>th</sup> and/or join us for our Candlelight service on Christmas Eve at 7 PM. Christmas is the PERFECT time for focusing on God and strengthening our relationship with Him as we celebrate the gift of salvation through Jesus Christ.

The Church plans to host a Fundraiser Benefit on Saturday, November 11<sup>th</sup> on Veteran's Day at 6 pm. We will be featuring our own, Ginny Pugh Spillman, as Tammy Wynette, at the TRINITY CENTER. If you are interested in purchasing tickets, the cost is \$15 in advance and \$20 the day of the show. All proceeds will benefit the Trinity Center/ Storehouse Food Pantry.

Amo 1<sup>st</sup> Baptist owns and sponsors the local Storehouse Food Pantry, a community effort to stamp out food insecurity in Amo/Clay Township. This pantry is open to receive donations every second Saturday of each month from 10 AM to Noon. We serve clients on the third Saturday of every month from 10 to Noon. If you are interested in serving your community, we have opportunities to serve a couple times a year or weekly. Feel free to email us if you have any questions or would like to know more about the Storehouse.

Mill Creek Fellowship (Formerly Amo United Methodist)

P.O. Box 84 Amo, IN 46103



Worship Service - 9:30 am

Communion is celebrated 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of each month

We would love for you to come worship with us! We are a non-denominational Christian church. We meet Sunday mornings at 9:30 AM, at the Amo Community Building. Our service is casual with fellowship after. We have 2 lay speakers and retired minister who deliver the messages. Hymns and prayers are also included. We are NOT perfect and our church has "history" just like every person does, but we press forward and come together to continue to worship, praise, learn, and serve the Lord.

Church contacts:

Bill Bartlett: 317.501.6676 Phil Thomas: 317.440.5946 Angel Chattin: 317.539.3357

Follow us on Facebook, or contact any of our leaders for more information.





#### Amo 1st Baptist (Continued)

Want to know more details about Church activities? You can receive the Church newsletter by emailing your mailing address to <a href="mailto:1stbaptistamo@gmail.com">1stbaptistamo@gmail.com</a> or by calling 317.539.6920.

In His service and yours, Rev. Shelly A. Zook, Lead Pastor

## TOWN OF AMO P.O. Box 15 AMO, INDIANA 46103

#### LOOKING AHEAD:

#### **UPCOMING TOWN COUNCIL MEETINGS:**

Thursday, October 5, 2023 / 7:00 p.m.

) Amo ) Community

\*\* Thursday, November 9, 2023 / 7:00 p.m. Thursday, December 7, 2023 / 7:00 p.m.

) Building

\*\* Second Thursday of the Month

VETERAN'S DAY: Saturday, November 11, 2023

THANKSGIVING DAY: Thursday, 23, 2023
CHRISTMAS DAY: Monday, December 25, 2023
NEW YEAR'S DAY: Monday, January 1, 2023
POST OFFICE CLOSED on federal holidays

TOWN OF AMO 2023 1st Quarter 2024

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE: December 27, 2023

If you have submissions for the Newsletter, please e-mail to Becky Rhea @ rarhea23@gmail.com or call her @ 317.281.8996. All submissions are at the discretion of the Amo elected officials and the Communication Director.

Box Holder
Amo, Indiana 46103

HENDRICKS COUNTY
RECYCLING DISTRICT

Last Tox-Away Day of 2023
Saturday, October 21, 2023
Plainfield Middle School
8:00 AM—1:00 PM



WELCOME TO AMO





