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## Follow-up Story

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### LOCAL HOMESTEAD CREDIT CRUSADE CONTINUES

*By Jamie Grabert, Publisher*

On June 11, 2009, The City-County Observer began a crusade to help the people of Vanderburgh County by urging those involved in the fiscal well-being of this county to re-instate the local Homestead Tax Credit. We were the first to shed light on this topic, and we intend to see it through.

Our discovery of the missing tax credit has uncovered a multitude of problems associated with this issue. We have found out about closed-door meetings, political “yes men and women,” a lack of communication and unwillingness to listen to the needs of the people.

Yesterday, Evansville Mayor Jonathon Weinzapfel held a press conference to discuss the local Homestead Credit. In his statement, he states, “With regard to the provision of the Local Homestead Tax Credit for 2009, there is no question that, as elected officials, we made mistakes. The public was not informed that the City and the County did not plan to re-instate the Local Homestead Tax Credit this year. The people of Evansville and Vanderburgh County deserved to know and deserve the opportunity to participate in a public discussion on the topic.”

He went on to state, “I take great pride in being a leader who listens to people and seeks collaboration on the many challenges that face our community, and does so with integrity, honesty and transparency.”

If you read further into the press release, you will find that Mayor Weinzapfel is planning to ask for a re-instatement of the full local tax credit; however there are ambiguities in the mayor’s statements from Wednesday. His statements said that he will ask the City Council to re-instate the local Homestead Tax Credit for 2010. But what does that mean? Is he going

to ask them to re-instate the credit on the 2009 pay 2010 property tax bills? Or does he mean he is going to ask for the tax credit to be re-instated in 2010 pay 2011?

The Department of Local Government Finance (DLGF) has the same questions. They need to know what year the County Tax Council plans to re-instate the credit.

We are also questioning the likelihood of getting the local Homestead Tax Credit back this year, for the 2008 pay 2009 property taxes. According to DLGF, there may be some hope for the tax credit to be re-established. But this would also mean that this year’s budget would have to be revisited.

The mayor also said that he encouraged the public to attend meetings where the city council would be discussing the budgets for next year so they could give their opinions as to what services should be cut. We believe that Vanderburgh County taxpayers can have the local Homestead Tax Credit, and there is no need for a cut in services.

As a provision to help offset the property tax burden, the state suggested that counties adopt ordinances or resolutions establishing local option income taxes. Along with this, the county and cities were to create County Stabilization Funds, or Rainy Day Funds.

According to the Department of Local Government Finance, “Any income proceeds that exceed the levy



*Mayor Jonathon  
Weinzapfel*

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## OFFICIAL CORRESPONDENCE FROM THE MAYOR



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**June 24, 2009**  
**For Immediate Release**

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### **Mayor Weinzapfel's Statement on Local Homestead Tax Credit**

(EVANSVILLE, IN) - Thank you for coming this morning, I want to take a few minutes to address the Local Homestead Tax Credit and how we move forward in 2010.

With regard to the provision of a Local Homestead Tax Credit for 2009, there is no question that, as elected officials, we made mistakes. The public was not informed that the City and the County did not plan to reinstate the Local Homestead Tax Credit this year. The people of Evansville and Vanderburgh County deserved to know and deserved the opportunity to participate in a public discussion on the topic.

I can tell you that there was no intent to mislead or deceive those who have entrusted me with this office. A decision was made that, at the time, I thought was in the best interests of the people of Evansville given the economic information we had available.

I take great pride in being a leader who listens to people and seeks collaboration on the many challenges that face our community, and does so with integrity, honesty and transparency.

Frankly, I have been kicking myself for the past several days for allowing a big decision like this to be made without public input. I am angry with myself that, because the decision was poorly handled, people are now questioning my motives. I understand why people are upset. I don't blame them.

The people of Evansville have spoken and I have listened. We can't turn back the clock, but we can handle things differently for 2010.

To that end, I will ask the City Council to consider the reinstatement of the full local homestead credit for 2010. This will require tough decisions by City Council members and me, but that is

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the job we were elected to do. It will require real soul searching from the people of Evansville about the type of services they want from their City. I hope the public gets involved in this debate, because, ultimately it is their government.

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## Indiana State Police Warn Against Internet Scams and Fraud

The Criminal Investigation Division of the Indiana State Police reminds citizens to be cautious when engaging in the numerous types of transactions that are readily available to them in today's market. The most popular being those which involve use of the internet to buy, trade or otherwise exchange goods for money.

First Sergeant Darrell Thornburg, commander of the Criminal Investigation Division at the Redkey District said, "The recognition of a scam or fraud is the most important factor in determining whether someone will become a victim. Most scams may involve the use of one or more of the following".

- Inquiry from someone far away, at times, from another country
- The use of wire services, cashier's check, money order, shipping, escrow service or any "guarantee"
- Inability or refusal to meet face-to-face before beginning the transaction

**The following precautions should be observed if engaging in any transaction:**

- Deal locally with people that you can meet in person so that you can see exactly what it is that you are intending to purchase
- Read the "Terms of Use" for sites such as eBay and Craig's List, as they provide valuable information concerning the use of wire services for payment
- Fake cashier checks and money orders are common and if banks cash them, you will be held responsible when the fake is eventually discovered
- NEVER give out personal or financial information (social security number, account number, etc.)
- IF IT SEEMS "TOO GOOD TO BE TRUE", IT

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If someone believes that they have been the target of a scam or fraud, they can contact the Federal Trade Commission (FTC) at 1-877-FTC-HELP or online at [www.ftc.gov/](http://www.ftc.gov/), the Internet Fraud Complaint Center at [www.ic3.gov/](http://www.ic3.gov/), or the Indiana Attorney General's Consumer Protection Division at 1-800-382-5516.

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## COVER STORY

### Local Homestead Credit Crusade Continues

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replacement amount will be deposited into the County Stabilization Fund...Money in the stabilization fund could be distributed to the taxing units in the county in a year when the certified local option income tax distributions are less than the calculated levy growth amount for the year.”

In essence, we believe that this fund was created for times like these.

Another potential revenue source is the Riverboat Gaming Fund. Other local counties use this fund when they need it to be able to continue to provide services for residents.

Our point is that there are many funding sources available to those elected, but they would have to sacrifice other less important, or pet political, projects to best serve the people.

The Vanderburgh County Council realizes its folly. In yesterday's meeting, the council drafted a letter to be sent to B.J. Watts and the Evansville City Council urging them to re-instate the local Homestead Credit. They used the letter as their votes in favor of the tax credit as a portion of the County Tax Council.

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June 24, 2009

The Common Council of the City of Evansville, Indiana  
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**Re: Ordinance Establishing Homestead Tax Credit Percentage for 2009 Taxes  
Payable in 2010**

Dear President Watts:

The County Council of Vanderburgh County, Indiana requests that the Common Council of the City of Evansville, Indiana pass a Resolution approving an Ordinance of the Vanderburgh County Income Tax Council establishing the percentage credit allowed for homesteads for taxes payable in 2010 and casting the votes of the Common Council on said Ordinance of the Vanderburgh County Income Tax Council. The Vanderburgh County Council believes that it is in the best interest of the taxpayers of Vanderburgh County for a homestead tax credit to be established for 2010. Since the Common Council of the City of Evansville has approximately 70% of the votes on the Income Tax Council, we request that the Common Council promptly cast its votes so that the other members of the Income Tax Council can likewise pass the Resolution casting their votes to pass the Ordinance prior to the deadline. We request that you advise us after the next meeting of the Common Council of its position with regard to establishing the homestead tax credit and the percentage of tax credit that will be proposed by the Common Council.

We look forward to receiving notice of the action taken by the Common Council of Evansville on this important issue. Thank you.

Sincerely,

VANDERBURGH COUNTY COUNCIL

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EDITORIAL

# Zahra!



By  
**Kathleen  
Parker**  
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WASHINGTON -- There's a "new" old name suddenly in circulation that is both filled with ancient history and ripe with a revolutionary spirit for today's game-changing events.

Zahra.

Well-known to Muslims, Fatima az-Zahra was one of four daughters of the Prophet Muhammad. Today, Zahra is also the name of two important, outspoken women of Iran.

One is Zahra Rahnava, the courageous and charismatic wife of the allegedly defeated Iranian presidential candidate, Mir Hossein Mousavi. The other is Zahra Khanum, the equally courageous and charismatic woman portrayed in a new movie, "The Stoning of Soraya M.," about the death of an Iranian woman on trumped-up charges of adultery.

Begging forgiveness for this confederacy of cliches, but we seem to have a perfect storm of tipping points.

Beneath the surface of news blasts covering Iran's tainted elections, riots, protester deaths and government crack-downs, a subtext of women's rights is emerging. It is a subtext only to the extent that women's oppression isn't often acknowledged directly -- not even by the leader of the free world. But human rights are at the core of what is occurring now.

A government that oppresses its people can only sustain itself with violence, as the world is witnessing yet again as thousands take to Iran's streets. And, in Iran as elsewhere in the Muslim world, violence against women -- as well as against homosexuals and others considered inferior according to the mullahs' masculinist standards -- isn't only permitted, but justified with religious doctrine.

Mousavi challenged these notions -- and the government, apparently, saw fit that he lose. Even in the midst of so much heat, Mousavi's wife Zahra on Monday urged students at a Tehran University protest to hold fast in their resistance. Climb to the rooftops, she said, and shout, "God is great!"

Zahra R., who holds a Ph.D. in political science and was an adviser to former President Mohammad Khatami, also has been vocal in urging reforms that would eliminate "morality police," as well as end discrimination against women.

Mahmoud Ahmadinejad, that monument to self-confident masculinity, reportedly was so undone by Zahra's power on the campaign trail that he questioned whether her doctorate is legitimate.

Americans will begin getting a glimpse of the other Zahra soon as "The Stoning" opens in select cities. Based on a true story, the movie is adapted from French-Iranian journalist Freidoune Sabeti's 1994 novel of the same name.

In the film, produced by Stephen McEveety ("Braveheart" and "The Passion of the Christ"), the journalist-author is stranded in a small village when his car breaks down. Zahra (Shohreh Aghdashloo) dodges the threatening

stares of her fellow villagers and persuades the reporter to come to her house and record her story. Evil has visited her village, she tells him, and she wants the world to know.

Briefly, Zahra's niece Soraya, mother of four, had been accused of adultery by her abusive, unfaithful husband. The truth was he wanted a divorce so he could marry another. When Soraya refused, he and the village mullah conspired to accuse her of adultery.

As the title suggests, Soraya was convicted and condemned to death by stoning.

I saw a rough cut of this film several months ago. Since that time, I've been unable to shake the story or images that I suspect will haunt me forever. Be forewarned: It is brutal. McEveety and director Cyrus Nowrasteh felt that the stoning scene needed to be accurately portrayed or the film would be an insult to Soraya's suffering.

It will be hard for many to get through to the end, but staying with the movie brings a reward. Despite the brutality, the film is also beautiful and true. It reminds us that a woman in some parts of the world can be destroyed at a man's whim without consequence. The beauty is that truth will out.

"The Stoning," which will be in most theaters June 26, was intentionally timed for release after Iran's elections. Dennis Rice, charged with promoting the movie, figured the election would help create interest, but he didn't anticipate the serendipitous intersection of the two Zahras. "Irony?" he asks. "I think not."

In Arabic, Zahra means "The Shining One."

In English, we'd call that a beacon.

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# IS IT TRUE?

Is it true that the City-County Observer was the first media outlet to break the absence of the local Homestead Credit on June 11, 2009? Is it true that if you go to <http://city-countyobserver.com> and click on the “Electronic Edition” and see the previous two issues?

Is it true the Vanderburgh County Commissioners are going to discuss and vote on the Sheriff’s deputies contracts in an upcoming meeting? Is it true we urge them to vote in favor of the contract?

Is it true Mayor Weinzapfel backed out of tomorrow’s Big Brothers Big Sisters Murder Mystery Dinner fundraising event at the Old Courthouse? Is it true BBBS is stating that it was a “high-level scheduling conflict?” Is it true the program was titled “What happened to Evansville Mayor Jonathan Weinzapfel?” Is it true the proposed suspects were Steve Melcher, Troy Tornatta, Lloyd Winnecke, Curt John, Patricia Weinzapfel and Pat Rayburn? Is it true Annie Groves and Sheriff Eric Williams were scheduled to help conduct the investigation? Is it true that donors, sponsors, vendors and ticket holders would like to know the real reason the event was cancelled?

Is it true we are asking those involved, consciously or unconsciously, in the decision to cut the local Homestead Tax Credit for 2009 to stand up and admit your mistake, like the mayor did? Is it true we are asking 2008 City Council members Keith Jarboe, Curt John, John Friend, Dr. Dan Adams, Missy Mosby, Steve Melcher, Joe Kiefer, Connie Robinson and Steve Melcher to stand up? Is it true we are asking 2008 County Council members Tom Shetler Jr., Lloyd Winnecke, Mike Goebel, Royce Sutton, Donna Leader, Marsha Abell and James Raben to stand up?

Is it true that some political types are asking local businesses to boycott advertising in the City-County Observer?

Is it true that we were told by reliable sources at the Civic Center that our requests for public information shall have to be formal in nature? Is it told we were told by these same sources that information was not to be given to us freely? Is it true we were recently charged twice the normal rate for copies when we asked for the mayor’s travel expenditures?

Is it true that Councilwoman Wendy Bredhold, Councilman

Dr. Dan Adams, and Councilwoman Missy Mosby spoke adamantly in support of open government and the need for public access? Is it true that they all present in the “secret” caucus meetings held in the mayor’s conference room to discuss annexation and the new downtown arena? Is it true they should be ready to explain their actions when they run for re-election?

Is it true that when people “Boo” you numerous times in a public meeting that when you run for re-election, you can expect them to vote for your opponent?

Is it true that the City-County Observer hereby respectfully requests that the Evansville City Council and Vanderburgh County Council re-instate the local Homestead Credit immediately?

Is it true that the overwhelming majority of Westsiders is against any annexation plan the city may have to offer? Is it true that we feel the mayor should withdraw his request for all annexation plans because of the hard economic times?

Is it true that the City-County Observer is working on a monster story that should be among the same magnitude as the local Homestead Credit fiasco?

Is it true all the perceived secretive actions of the Mayor, City Council and other elected county officials has put a cloud on their potential re-election bids? Is it true this is not a party line issue, but an issue of good public policy?





# FRANCES WRIGHT'S WORLD PATRIOTISM

*By Judge James Redwine*

Tradition is important. Symbols are important. People such as Posey County's own Frances (Mad Fanny) Wright who was a living symbol of our democratic tradition are important. Their memory should be honored and our country's birthday is an appropriate time for such remembrances.

Under the guidance of Robert Owen, the Owenites of New Harmony began a tradition of celebrating July 4, 1776 each July 4th. Owen gave the first public address on the fiftieth anniversary of the Declaration of Independence. His address was one of vision and hope. While his address was filled with progressive thought, because it was given by a wealthy white adult male, it caused little controversy.

On the other hand, when Owen invited Frances Wright to speak on July 4, 1828, there were many who believed women should be seen but not heard, especially Frances Wright. Wright's earlier calls for the abolition of slavery, marriage and organized religion were far more rev-

olutionary than the ideas of those revolutionaries of 1776. Frances Wright's address was shocking just because she gave it. But the content of her speech reminds me of President Obama's calls for détente and rapprochement with other countries such as Iran.

Mad Fanny began her speech by celebrating The Declaration of Independence as, "a mighty step in the march of human knowledge". She called the establishment of our Constitution, "one of the most beautiful inventions of the human intellect". Wright found the spark of genius in America's form of government to be:

"The clear-sighted provision in the national constitution, as in the constitutions of the different states (including Indiana), by which the frame of government can be molded at will by the public voice, and so made to keep pace in progress with the human mind ..."

Wright believed that it was America's ability to change itself that set our form of government apart. She, also, saw America's representative government as giving our country the ability to learn from our mistakes and our

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successes so that America could and must continually advance towards a happier existence.

But jingoism or blind support of our nation at the expense of others was not true patriotism. Wright saw us as one world with the same goals:

"[A] love of the public good; a preference for the interest of the many to those of the few; a desire for the emancipation of the human race from the thrall of despotism ..."

To "Mad Fanny" true patriotism was not nationalism but humanitarianism. I guess she was a radical.



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## EDITORIAL

# SO BE IT

*By Jamie Grabert, Publisher*

At a recent meeting with the board of directors of the City-County Observer, the focus of the meeting was to discuss what some outside the organization perceived to be radical. When asked how the newspaper was radical, there was no response.

I was hired to make sure the newspaper followed the mission set forth by the board of directors. It's very simple – a call for good public policy and accountability. I explained that as a newspaper publisher, I believe that smart voters find reliable, insightful and honest sources for their information. I think that you would agree that if a newspaper is going to serve a community, it should do so by listening to the people, not the politicians, by reporting the facts as they are, not as they are spun. Information should be provided in such a way that allows the people to form their own opinions on the subject matter.

We witnessed the power the press has in last year's election. It was a sickening display of abuse of our First Amendment right. American citizens complained about the obvious bias in the media. And yet, the amount of propaganda has only multiplied. The City-County Observer isn't about propaganda. It's about truth. It's about the First Amendment. It's about questioning those we elect to serve and to lead us. It's our right and duty as American citizens to hold these individuals accountable for their actions. Propaganda is merely a way to hide lies. As I explained to the board of directors, I simply won't be party to that, and as long as I am publisher of the City-County Observer, you won't read that here. They agreed.

Over 233 years ago, there was a revolution that changed the scope of this world and this country. The men and women that led this revolution were considered radicals. They asked for true representation in parliament; they asked for the right to worship as they chose; they asked for the soldiers not to be able to enter their homes and tell them how to live; they asked for the right to speak freely; and they asked for the right to pursue their own dreams. What happened when these requests were not honored? They united. They organized. They fought. They won. And today, you and I have the gift of freedom.

I have heard it often said that to those much has been given, much is expected. It's a biblical principle. It's universal. Ask anyone serving in the military about what must be given in order for this freedom to be maintained. It's a price that is sometimes paid with a life. But sometimes, it's as simple as showing up at City Hall with a sign asking for your tax credit back. Sometimes, it's as simple as attending a tea party in your local community to show your concern. Sometimes, it's as simple as a letter to the mayor, the city council, your state or federal leg-

islators letting them know you are watching and are concerned about their decisions.

There's a concept people need to be pay careful attention to – if you don't exercise your rights, you will lose them. Every day there is a new piece of legislation that limits your rights. Some of these limitations may not affect you personally, but if you allow this to continue, eventually, something you care about will be taken from you. It's not too late for the American people to take back this country or the citizens of Evansville to take back this city. But you can't take a passive role, or wait for someone else to do it for you.

Freedom isn't a passive concept. It's a concept that requires daily effort. It requires diligence and knowledge. After all, knowledge is power. But it's what you do with the knowledge that makes you powerful. I can have all the knowledge of misdeeds and cover-ups in the city, but if I don't share that with you, how will you know? Then, I am only weakening you as a citizen, which weakens this city and this country.

I believe in the spirit of the American people. I believe that despite our many flaws we are still the greatest and most powerful nation in the world. Why? Because as a nation, we still believe in three simple words, "We the people..." So, if my statements here seem radical, so be it.

## First Amendment to the U.S. Constitution

**"Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press; or the right of the people peaceably to assemble, and to petition the Government for a redress of grievances."**

# Bad Public Policy: The Unnecessary Westside Annexation

By Jamie Grabert, Publisher

**Board of Director's Note: We feel this story sums up the problem and our stance on the Westside Annexation. We are running this editorial again in its entirety for that reason.**

News stories are typically assigned to staff writers. Editorials and columns are typically outsourced or requested from respected writers. But in this case, because of the importance of this issue, we are denouncing the city's attempt to tap another funding source by taking more money from the people of the Westside. We would like to make a few points about our belief that annexing the Evansville's Westside is an unnecessary step and will fiscally stretch the city more than it will help.

The hearing is less than a week away. Westsiders are scrambling to find any way they can to prevent the proposed (and seemingly inevitable) annexation attempt by Evansville Mayor Jonathon Weinzapfel.

We have spent week's researching annexation laws and listening to the people's opinions on this issue. In this story, we will present some of our findings.

Here are a few points the Evansville City Council needs to consider:

- Can the city afford to increase fire and police protection in that area?
- Is the city prepared for the increase in water and sewer flow that will be required by State Law within two years?

•Does the city realize it may be 2011 before they even see a dime from the annexed area, while they will be forced to make infrastructural improvements within that time? Does the city realize that means an increase in the costs to do business by the utility? Do the people realize this will mean the city may be forced to raise the rates of these services?

•Who is going ultimately to benefit from annexing this area? No one, at least not for many years.

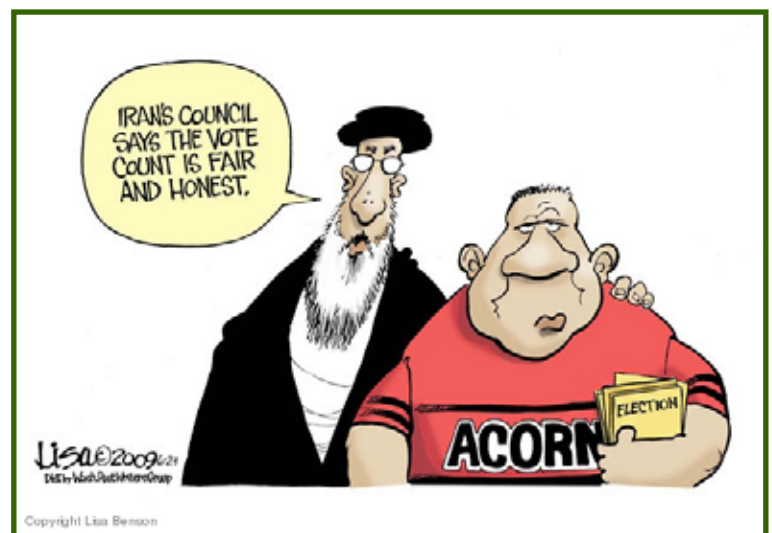
•Is the city willing to honor or entertain existing tax abatements for commercial and/or industrial businesses located in the proposed annexed area?

•Does the city realize that according to IC 36-4-3-10, the city will be required to pay any debt the proposed annexed area has accumulated?

•The volunteer fire departments and Vanderburgh County Sheriff's Deputies are doing an outstanding job in this area. While we have all confidence in the world in the men and women of the Evansville Fire Department, they continue to fight for the basic firefighting equipment needed to serve the people.

Here are a few fiscal points to think about:

- How much will it cost the people of Evansville if annexation becomes a protracted legal battle?
- What is the initial investment the city will have to make to annex the proposed area without being in violation of state law?



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## EDITORIAL

### Westside Annexation

•How long will it take the city [the taxpayer] to recoup the costs associated with annexation?

• How much is the City of Evansville currently in debt?

•Can the city afford to maintain the additional roads and streets at time when there is a decrease in the funds coming from the Wheel and Excise taxes, which is where a majority of the money comes from to maintain and fix roads and streets? What about the sidewalks and street lights that may be necessary in some areas?

•What will the newly annexed area cost the city to maintain annually, in terms of increased fire and police protection, roads and streets, water and sewer services?

For years, politicians have used growth and development as their basis for deciding to annex particular areas. Why is it then that they only seem to want to annex areas that are thriving and appear to be making money? Areas of quick growth are a breeding ground for annexation fears. And essentially, that's what we have going on in this fair city.

Here's the perceived fact: "We need more money to spend on unnecessary items, like a new downtown arena, \$655,000, 55-space parking lot at the McCurdy on the riverfront, astronomical expenses associated with urban blight throughout the entire city, etc.; so let's go after an area that is providing quality goods and services and seems to be experiencing growth."

Upon further research, we discovered that annexation is not only a municipal matter, but it is also a county matter. According to Indiana Code 36-4-3-9.1, "the consent of the executive of the county is first obtained" before annexation can be legal. Phone calls made to the Vanderburgh County Commissioners [the executive branch of county government] revealed that the county commissioners have not discussed this matter in an open meeting.

After carefully considering the pros and cons of the proposed Westside Annexation, the City-County Observer has determined it is not beneficial to the people of Vanderburgh County. This is especially true given the mistrust of the people following the recent discovery of Mayor Weinzapfel's and Evansville City Council members' failure to continue the local Homestead Credit without voting on or discussing the matter in an open meeting.

In essence, it is bad public policy to annex the proposed Westside area. It is our stance that if the City Council will not do away with the entire plan to annex, they should at least drop the proposed residential annexed area from the plans.

### Our Policy:

The City-County Observer accepts letters to the editor and op-ed pieces. We reserve the right to edit such items to maintain the integrity of this publication, space constraints, or for misleading and accusatory statements. We will not print letters that have not been signed and are not verifiable with the original source. From time to time, we reserve the right to print (or electronically publish) correspondence from your local officials. Again, all emails and letters must be able to be verified. Any items without accurate contact information and are not signed (a digital signature is acceptable) will not be published. We encourage our readers to submit letters to the City-County Observer, regardless of your political affiliation.

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## VANDERBURGH COUNTY ASSESSMENT DATA ONE OF FIRST APPROVED IN STATE

EVANSVILLE - Vanderburgh County Assessor Jonathan Weaver has announced that the Department of Local Government Finance (DLGF) has approved the assessment data that will be used to calculate the county's 2010 tax bills.

"This is record time on both ends," says Weaver. "The new leadership at the DLGF is committed to helping counties bill on time to avoid financial strife, and we are one of the first counties approved out of 92 statewide. This is a testament to the hard work we put in and the confidence taxpayers should have in our accuracy and fairness."

The submission of the trending is the first step in the property tax billing process. It uses sales from the previous two and three years to adjust the assessed values on a yearly basis. Weaver's office was approved October 7 for this year's tax bills.

"My staff is committed to working very hard and calculating accurate assessment information," says Weaver. "The taxpayers of Vanderburgh County need to know I'm very serious about their accurate assessment. This is also important so taxpayers can potentially get their tax bills much earlier, not 15 days before they're due, and save for this major expense."

## May 2009 Indiana Employment Report

INDIANAPOLIS (June 19, 2009) - The Indiana Department of Workforce Development (DWD) today released Indiana's May employment report.

Indiana's preliminary seasonally-adjusted unemployment rate increased in May to 10.6 percent. Indiana's 0.7 percent month-to-month unemployment gain equals increases in Illinois and Kentucky. Ohio reported a 0.6 percent increase from the previous month. Michigan increased 1.2 percent from April.

Indiana's unemployment rate is equal to Kentucky's rate of 10.6 percent. Ohio stands at 10.8 percent. Michigan continues to lead the nation in unemployment at 14.1 percent. Illinois has the lowest rate among Indiana's neighboring states at 10.1 percent. The national seasonally-adjusted unemployment rate in May is 9.4 percent.

"As expected, extended furloughs and layoffs in the US auto industry greatly affected Indiana's employment picture in May," said Teresa Voors, Commissioner of the Indiana Department of Workforce Development. "Indiana may see the ripple effect over the next few months as suppliers, dealerships and other service providers adjust to the new business models of the domestic auto companies."

Indiana's seasonally-adjusted unemployment rate peaked at 12.8 percent in November 1982. Indiana's unemployment rate stood at 5.3 percent in May 2008.

*EDITORS NOTE: The June 2009 employment report will be released on July 17.*

*Links to the data used to compile the monthly employment report are listed below:*

### Employment Report (LAUS)

- ~Labor Force Estimates for U.S., Indiana, MSAs, Counties, Cities
- ~Ranking of Indiana Counties by Unemployment Rate
- ~Indiana County Map with Unemployment Rates

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- ~Seasonally-Adjusted Employment Table for Indiana
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# CountryMark Voices Opposition to Proposed Climate Change Legislation

One of the greatest challenges facing Indiana-based CountryMark in 2009 will be global warming legislation.

“If the Waxman-Markey Climate Change bill (HR 2454) passes as currently drafted, the economic impact to the Midwest will be devastating,” said Smith. “It’s estimated that this proposed energy tax will add at least \$80 per acre to the cost of American corn production and \$20 per acre to the cost of American soybean production. It will increase fuel costs by as much as 80 cents per gallon to all Americans.

Electric rates could double and without relief CountryMark’s anticipated new tax liability will be between \$100 and \$200 million per year. These are costs that threaten the very existence of our farmer-owned cooperative, as well as the competitiveness of every family farm and manufacturing company in America.”

“The Waxman-Markey bill as currently drafted is the most economically devastating legislation of my lifetime,” said Smith. “By

dramatically raising energy prices in America it will serve to destroy the economic competitiveness of our country. It amazes me we’re close to a vote in the U.S. House of Representatives and yet the public still knows very little about the implications of this legislation.”

CountryMark is Indiana’s only American-owned oil refining and marketing company, is one of only three farmer-owned refineries in the country, and is recognized nationwide as a leader in the distribution of biodiesel and ethanol.

The company operates a refinery in Mount Vernon, headquarters in Indianapolis and fuel terminals located in Mount Vernon, Switz City, Jolietville, and Peru, Ind; as well as Henderson, Kentucky. Eighteen farmer-owned cooperatives deliver CountryMark fuels, and an estimated 90 fuel stations carry CountryMark branded fuels in and around the state of Indiana. To learn more about CountryMark, go to [www.countrymark.com](http://www.countrymark.com).

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## CountryMark Reports Successful 2008, Opposes Pending Energy Taxes

INDIANAPOLIS – Liquid fuel sales for Indiana-based CountryMark were up 5 percent in 2008. This past year, CountryMark sold 472 million gallons of liquid fuels and energy products. The year previous, the company sold 448 million gallons.

“In a year when other refineries were shutting down due to poor refining margins, we have done well,” CountryMark President and CEO Charlie Smith said in his remarks earlier this week at the CountryMark annual meeting.

According to Smith, CountryMark’s niche in the liquid fuels market has been American-made fuels with an emphasis on fuel quality, energy expertise and renewable energy blends.

“We focus our brand on those components that make our Indiana company unique and valuable to end users, and we’re seeing positive results from that brand discipline,” said Smith. “We also cannot underestimate the value of our branded dealer network. The commitment to energy innovation and expertise these Indiana workers have shown is second to none.”

Other highlights of the year included a refinery expansion project, drilling for oil and the launch of a new gasoline product line.

CountryMark’s Mt. Vernon, Indiana, refinery expansion proj-

ect was completed in the spring of 2008. The nearly \$20-million upgrade allows CountryMark to refine an additional 45 million gallons of fuel per year. Through state-of-the-art technologies and enhanced efficiencies, the increase was realized with no additional expenditure of energy.

CountryMark invested in a strategy of drilling for oil in the Illinois Basin. In August of 2008, CountryMark partnered with Pioneer Oil Company to drill sites in the area. Additional partnerships are expected. “The activity in 2008 and the wells we anticipate drilling in 2009 demonstrate CountryMark’s commitment to the Illinois Basin,” said Smith.

Also in 2008, CountryMark launched a new gasoline line with three unique features – 100% American crude oil; a 10% blend of ethanol; and a new, top tier performance package. This PLUS gasoline line represented the first change in CountryMark’s gasoline formula since the early 1990s.

CountryMark is a farmer-owned cooperative and returns a portion of its profits to members. For 2008, CountryMark distributed \$15.3 million in cash to its members in Indiana, Michigan and Ohio. Over the past six years, CountryMark has returned \$90 million in cash to these owners.

## USI students build a rain garden at Mesker Park Zoo & Botanic Garden

The University of Southern Indiana, Mesker Park Zoo & Botanic Garden, the Evansville Zoological Society, and the Vanderburgh County Soil and Water Conservation District (SWCD) have partnered to promote the benefits of rain gardens to the community and the region. USI students, faculty, and zoo staff will construct a demonstration rain garden just inside the zoo's Mesker Park Drive entrance that began at 9 a.m. Thursday, June 25.

Rain gardens are storm water management tools that allow rainwater to be diverted from parking lots, driveways, sidewalks, and other impermeable surfaces and help reduce flooding and water pollution. Dr. Brandon Field, USI assistant professor of engineering, said, "Rain gardens reduce the runoff that goes into the storm drain, but they also return nutrients from the rain back to the soil instead of the sewage treatment plant, and serve as a filter to cleanse the rain of pollutants."

Field will demonstrate the storm water retention properties of rain gardens before he and students in the University's STEM (science, engineering, technology, and mathematics) Early Undergraduate Research Program get to work planting 500 native plants for the zoo's demonstration garden. The garden was designed by Paul Bouseman, the zoo's botanical curator, and

funded by a grant from the Vanderburgh County SWCD. Misty Minar, grounds maintenance for the zoo, will lead the installation.

The rain garden will supplement measures the zoo has already taken to protect water quality, including building wetlands and native grass filter strips. Bouseman said, "Rain gardens are a great conservation practice homeowners can implement to help improve water quality and reduce flooding. Our rain garden was designed with native plants, which will provide year-round beauty in the landscape while providing habitat for butterflies and wild birds."

Field said the rain garden will be a focal point of the zoo's new front door. "It will be one of the first things you see when you get to the zoo, if you're not heading straight for your favorite animal."

After the garden is planted, information about rain gardens and the specific plants used in the zoo's demonstration garden will be available on the zoo's website at [www.meskerparkzoo.com](http://www.meskerparkzoo.com).

USI's Center for Applied Research (CAR) coordinated the joint venture. For more information, contact Elissa Bakke, CAR project coordinator, at 812/454-8946.

### First Amendment to the U.S. Constitution

**"Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press; or the right of the people peaceably to assemble, and to petition the Government for a redress of grievances."**

# UE Camp Helps Students Engineer Careers

The University of Evansville's 17th annual OPTIONS Program begins on Sunday. UE's College of Engineering and Computer Science offers two unique summer programs that introduce young women who are strong in math and science, to career opportunities available in the fields of engineering and computer science.

The first of the two programs, OPTIONS for High School Girls, opens Sunday, June 21 and runs through Saturday, June 27. It is a six-night, seven-day camp for girls in the 9th through 11th grades or home school equivalent, who have passed geometry. The participants will work on hands-on projects taught by UE professors. Female engineers and computer scientists from local businesses will serve as mentors and will provide job shadow opportunities, while current female UE engineering students and alumni will serve as counselors.

"Each year we see more young women serving as mentors to the participants in the OPTIONS for High School Girls Program who attended the program themselves when they were in high school," says Dr. Phil Gerhart, Dean of the College of Engineering and Computer Science and OPTIONS Program Director. "It is pleasing to be able to offer a program that not only serves the participants by introducing them to career OPTIONS they may not have considered, but that also assists the local area work force in their ability to hire qualified women in these areas. We appreciate the generous funding from the Vectren Foundation, the Indiana Space Grant Consortium, and others, as well as the willingness of local industry who support this experience in many other ways."

The second camp is "OPTIONS for Middle School Girls." It runs Sunday, June 28 – Thursday, July 2. It is designed especially for girls in the 6th through 8th grades or home school equivalent.

Led by University of Evansville professors, students, and staff, OPTIONS camps feature lectures and laboratories where participants design, build, and test projects using computer-aided engineering software,

the Internet, and other tools. There are also field trips to area companies and industries that employ engineers. The participants create projects involving several disciplines which are combined into one final competitive project.

Partial funding for the program is provided by the Vectren Foundation, JP Morgan Chase & Company, and Indiana Space Grant Consortium.

There is a third program being offered this year - OPTIONS for Middle School Boys. It runs Sunday, July 12 – Thursday, July 16.



## Fifth Hall Of Fame Comes Calling On Schmalz



**Former University of Evansville soccer coach Fred Schmalz**

Induction into a Hall of Fame is special, even if it's your fifth time.

Former University of Evansville soccer coach Fred Schmalz has been chosen for induction into his hometown St. Louis Soccer Hall of Fame on October 1. He is already a member of the Halls of Fame at Quincy University, where he played; Davis & Elkins College and the University of Evansville, where he coached, and the Indiana Soccer Hall of Fame.

"The past inductees (into the St. Louis Soccer Hall of Fame) were heroes to me when I was a kid, so this is very special," said the 65-year-old Schmalz. "It's a very competent list of players who are in there. I'm honored and humbled."

Schmalz retired from UE in 2002, following a 24-year career with the Purple Aces in which he compiled a 302-165-49 head coaching record and led the school to a pair of NCAA Division I final four appearances, in 1985 and 1990. The Aces reached the NCAA Tournament 11 times under Schmalz between 1982 and 1996. His 33-year collegiate head coaching record is 403-196-56, ranking him 21st in victories in NCAA history for all divisions, and ninth best in Division I history.

A 1961 graduate of LaBoure High School in St. Louis, Schmalz played on the 1966 NAIA national championship team at Quincy College. He began his head coaching career at the University of Wyoming in 1969, then turned Davis & Elkins into an NAIA national power in his seven years there before coming to Evansville prior to the 1979 season.

Since retiring from UE, Schmalz has remained active in the Evansville soccer community as a youth coach, and is also closely involved with the Goebel Soccer Complex on Evansville's north side.

## Motto Promoted To Assistant Coach For Women's Basketball

University of Evansville women's basketball coach Misty Murphy announced on Monday that current Director of Basketball Operations Nicki Motto will be promoted to assistant coach, effective July 1. Motto will replace former UE assistant coach Hillary Beck, who recently accepted an assistant coaching position at Western Carolina University at the start of June.

Motto will work with UE's backcourt players, while also assisting with scouting and recruiting at UE. Motto was a standout point guard at Miami University in Ohio from 2002-05, after beginning her collegiate career at Indiana University. Motto helped the RedHawks to the 2004 Mid-American Conference championship behind a school-record 79 three-point field goals as point guard. She would finish her Miami career ranked fourth in school history in career three-point field goals made with 182, despite playing just three seasons for the RedHawks.

After graduating from Miami in 2005, Motto began her collegiate coaching career in 2006 as an assistant coach at Missouri Valley Conference rival Indiana State. While at ISU, Motto worked with the Sycamores' post players, while also assisting with team travel and Indiana State's Sycamore Squad. Motto also served as Division III Earlham College's assistant coach and recruiting coordinator in 2007, before joining the UE staff last summer as the program's Director of Basketball Operations.

"Nicki has been an incredibly valuable member of our coaching staff this past year as the Director of Basketball Operations, and when our assistant coaching position came open, I knew right away that Nicki would be the right person for the job," said Murphy. "Her work ethic is unquestioned, she has a tremendous basketball I.Q., and she relates extremely well with our players and already has their respect from the job she did last season."

"I am extremely excited to add Nicki to our staff as a full-time assistant, and I know that she will do a great job this season."

Evansville will return six letterwinners from this past season's NCAA Tournament team this winter, led by senior guard Amy Gallagher (10.2 ppg, 4.3 rpg).



# Sports and Nutrition: What's good for your Teen!

*By Nicholas Romain, Diva La Sports*

## **Eat Extra for Excellence**

There are hundreds of books, dvd's, websites, and a thousand other ways to get information today on what's good for teen athletes, but keeping it simple, let us just say that more is less!

There's a lot more to eating for sports than chowing down on carbs or chugging sports drinks. The good news is that eating to reach your peak performance level likely doesn't require a special diet or supplements. It's all about working the right foods into your fitness plan in the right amounts.

Teen athletes have unique nutrition needs. Because athletes work out more than their less-active peers, they generally need extra calories to fuel both their sports performance and their growth. Depending on how active they are, teen athletes may need anywhere from 2,000 to 5,000 total calories per day to meet their energy needs.

So what happens if teen athletes don't eat enough? Their bodies are less likely to achieve peak performance and may even break down rather than build up muscles. Athletes who don't take in enough calories every day won't be as fast and as strong as they could be and may not be able to maintain their weight. Extreme calorie restriction could lead to growth problems and even cause other health problems, so eat right, and eat plenty.

## **Athletes and Dieting**

Since teen athletes need extra fuel, it's usually a bad idea to diet. Athletes in sports where weight is emphasized — such as wrestling, swimming, dance, or gymnastics — might feel pressure to lose weight, but they need to weigh that choice with the possible negative side effects mentioned above.

If a coach, gym teacher, or teammate says that you need to go on a diet, talk to your doctor first or visit a dietitian who specializes in teen athletes. If a health professional you trust agrees that it's safe to diet, he or she can work with you to develop a plan that allows you get the proper amount of nutrients, perform your best, and lose weight.

## **Eat a Variety of Foods**

You may have heard about "carb loading" before a game. But when it comes to powering your game for the long haul,

it's a bad idea to focus on only one type of food.

Carbohydrates are an important source of fuel, but they're only one of many foods an athlete needs. It also takes vitamins, minerals, protein, and fats to stay in peak playing shape.

## **Muscular Minerals and Vital Vitamins**

Calcium helps build the strong bones that athletes depend on, and iron carries oxygen to muscles. Most teens don't get enough of these minerals, and that's especially true of teen athletes because their needs may be even higher than those of other teens.

To get the iron you need, eat lean red meats (meats with not much fat on them); green, leafy vegetables; and iron-fortified cereals. Calcium — a must for protecting against stress fractures — is found in dairy foods, such as low-fat milk, yogurt, and cheese.

In addition to calcium and iron, you need a whole bunch of other vitamins and minerals that do everything from help you access energy to keep you from getting sick. Eating a balanced diet, including lots of different fruits and veggies, should provide the vitamins and minerals needed for good health and sports performance.

Athletes, in general, need to eat everything that's healthy like every other active adult... but, because of growth factors, teen athletes need to pay even more attention to what, and how much they eat in order to get maximum output from a growing body!

## Athletic Abuse

by Nicholas Romain, Diva La Sports

It was a cold, rainy early winter afternoon about five years ago, but I still remember it like it was yesterday. The coach on the field next to ours kept vehemently telling one of his players that she “sucked”, that she “had no business being on the soccer field,” and to add further damage to the situation-not to mention the girls self-esteem- the coach made her sit by herself at the end of the bench in the cold rain. This wasn’t a professional game, and the player wasn’t a tough high school athlete, she was, however, only nine years old. I don’t believe the girl has played any sport since. I’m not even sure if she had said something derogatory to the coach, and it doesn’t matter...coaches (at all levels) need to have RESPECT for individual players as people first, players second, and team members third...that winning at all cost is meaningless if it crosses the barrier of self-worth and/or abuse for players or coaches. (The coach was a female)

The Women’s Sports Foundation, which has extensive studies on what constitutes athletic abuse, does a good job in keeping the public aware of policies and cases that make headlines. You hear about it all the time, that a coach went berserk and hit a player, or that a parent got into it with a coach. However, what we sometimes fail to hear about is the everyday abuse that young athletes take from coaches that fly under the media and legal radar, but yet results in permanent damage being done to the young athlete’s mindset. (see related article on the Womens’ Sports Foundation website)

These coaches, perhaps most being new to the coaching ranks, or so very young themselves that they haven’t learned the fine art of people skills, are more often than not attempting to coach in the same matter as they were coached. Unfortunately, what usually happens is that these personally un-people-skilled

coaches are only coaching because they know the sport, not because they are particularly gifted with teaching the sport. (I recently heard about a young High School Star Athlete that was so humiliated by words from her new coach that the girl not only quit the sport that she loves...and was also considered to be the best in her grade level...but she also now risk losing a potential great scholarship in that sport.)

Most of us have heard the stories about the great athlete rising up from the junior ranks only to fall off the sports-radar after entering high-school...but, is it the coaching profession that is at fault, the parents, the school, the system or is it just a lack of RESPECT for young athletes in general.

The example given above happened just this year in one of our local schools, and unfortunately, it happens everywhere...perhaps, athletes (male and female) don’t understand their rights as players, or don’t want to rock the boat...but, athletes, both professional and youth alike, have rights against athletic abuse, no matter how insignificant it may seem. Listed below is a link to a great article on athletic abuse.

We are looking for sports stories that haven’t been told. The City-County Observer is looking for any kind of sports information you would like us to publish. Have a tournament coming? Did your T-Ball team win a game? Do you have an interesting sports story to tell, email it to us at [citycountyobserver@live.com](mailto:citycountyobserver@live.com).

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# Posey County Community Foundation accepting Grant Proposals To Benefit Women and Girls in Posey County

Posey County, Indiana – The Women's Fund of Posey County is about strong, caring, and focused women determined to make a difference in the lives of our community's women and girls. At its heart, the Women's Fund is about women helping women.

The Women's Fund is used to make yearly grants supporting a variety of resources serving women of all ages, such as programs that prevent domestic violence, secure family-supporting jobs, promote health and education and perhaps most importantly, develop confidence. Last year, the fund awarded grants to support after-school programs for girls at West/Hedges Elementary schools; to purchase resources to instruct parents on the proper way to care for their sick children; to conduct four fiber arts classes at the New Harmony Gallery of Contemporary Art; to support Tai Chi classes offered through the Posey County Council on Aging; to purchase materials to be used by Willow Tree of Posey County in community outreach projects; for Posey County Steps Ahead Council to purchase ten portable beds; and for St. Peter's United Methodist Church to offer classes that will teach single mothers about meal planning, food preparation, and proper food storage.

The Foundation is pleased to announce that it is accepting grant proposals from nonprofit organizations serving Posey County which will support the Women's Fund mission: to give opportunity, encouragement, knowledge and hope to our community's women and girls. Proposals are sought for charitable projects and activities that address needs and opportunities in health, human services, arts and culture, education, community development, and other areas that would improve the quality of life for women and girls in Posey County.

Only those agencies or organizations which are tax exempt under sections 501 (c) (3) and 509 (a) of the Internal Revenue Code are eligible to apply for approximately \$5,000 available to grant. Multiple grants will be awarded from the total amount. Proposals must be postmarked or delivered to the Foundation office in the Old National Bank Building at 402 Main Street, in Mt. Vernon by 4:30 pm on July 28, 2009. Funding guidelines and proposal instructions may be obtained at the Foundation office or by visiting our website at [www.poseycommunityfoundation.org](http://www.poseycommunityfoundation.org).

If you would like more information on the Women's Fund of Posey County or any of our seventy funds at the Foundation, please call Julie Eickhoff, Foundation Director, at 812.838.0288 or visit our website at [www.poseycommunityfoundation.org](http://www.poseycommunityfoundation.org). If you would like to make a contribution, make a check payable to the Posey County Community Foundation and mail it to PO Box 746, Mt. Vernon, IN 47620. Include a note indicating you would like your contribution to be credited to the Women's Fund of Posey County or any of the other funds within the Foundation.

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