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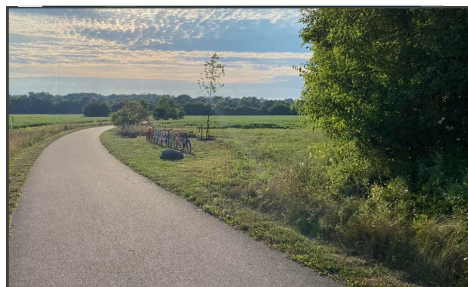
Celebrate Sat., April 22, 2023



Henry County RIPS Director, Dr. Helen Steussy, (R) won the Lifetime Achievement Award from the Robert Cooper Audubon Society in 2022.



Secretary of Healthy Communities, Krystal Stanich, (R) won the Richard Greene Public Service Award for her efforts starting the New Castle Action Team & organizing the Cool Climate Fest in 2022.



WWT Phase III is in progress!

Saturday, April 22, Rails to Trails

Opening Day—National Event

Sat., June 3—National Trails Day

Saturday, Sept. 23rd, 2023

23rd Annual Raintree Ride
6, 30, 60-mile bicycle event
Henry County YMCA
New Castle, IN 47362

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**Healthy
Communities**
of Henry County

Annual Meeting & Lunch

March 10, 2023

Welcome

Chris Williams

Board President

Lunch, catered by Ky's Creations

Healthy Communities in 2023

Featured Speaker

**Aaron Stump, Habitat Programs Mgr
Indiana Wildlife Federation**

Updates in Henry County

Jeff Ray, Trails Coordinator

Rusty Conner, Honey Creek Trail

HCRIPS

Beverly Matthews, Fundraising

Climate Action Team

Friends of Big Blue River

Recognition of Volunteers

Closing Remarks

Chris Williams

Healthy Communities Officers 2022

Chris Williams, President

Louise Thompson, Interim VP

Krystal Stanich, Secretary

Jerry Cash, Treasurer

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Jan Lockridge,

Helen Steussy

Website

Tom Steussy

2022 ACCOMPLISHMENTS

We've had another great year! Thank you for all the hard work from all of our volunteers, community, and most of all, our donors!

- ◆ WWT Parking lot expansion—SR 103
- ◆ NRHT Mountain Bike Ride
- ◆ Honey Creek Trail parcel donation
- ◆ 22nd Annual Raintree Ride
- ◆ Gave away 2,700 trees across Henry County
- ◆ Community Partner in Castle Heights
- ◆ Received \$10,000 grant from LightSource BP for Nat. Road Heritage Trail
- ◆ Honey Creek Trail completed 5.3 miles
- ◆ Continued Trail maintenance on WWT, NRHT, WBPT, HCT
- ◆ \$10,000 Duke Energy Foundation grant for WWT Phase 3
- ◆ HC-RIPS partner in tackling invasive plants in Henry County
- ◆ Received \$1,331,690 from DNR NLT for WWT Phase 3
- ◆ Received \$458,000 in ECI RDA & READI funds for WWT Phase 3
- ◆ Received \$25,000 from HCCF grant for future HCT
- ◆ NC Climate Action Member, Cool Climate Fest Supporter
- ◆ Continued work on Wilbur Wright Expansion
- ◆ Received Trail Parcels from MT/FCT Park Board

SUPPORT HEALTHY COMMUNITIES

There are many ways to become involved in supporting Healthy Communities - through donation, sponsorship, and volunteering and participating in our events! Additionally, the Board of Directors meets every second Thursday of each month from 12pm to 1pm at Primo's, 1326 Broad Street. All meetings are open to the public, as we encourage and welcome the attendance of our supporters!

VOLUNTEERS

Events, Jerry Cash, Nancy Cook, David Gratner, Marsha Gratner, Melissa Hiday, Beverly Matthews, Duane Matthews, Nan Polk, Jeff Ray, Judy Ray, JoAnne McCorkle, Steve Robinson, Helen Steussy, Louise Thompson, Chris Williams.

F.U.N. Park , Bill Bledsoe and New Castle Parks Dept.

Marketing Jan Lockridge, Beverly Matthews, Helen Steussy & Tom Williams.

Trail Maintenance Sonny Carter, Jeff Cates, Merrill Coffin, Jerry Cash, Scott Gard, Don Guffey, Bill Halstead, Larry Loveall, Greg Midgely, Tom Murray, Bob Perdue, Ken Platts, Jeff Ray, Mike Summers, Louise Thompson, Chris Williams, Darby Williams, Henry County YMCA, and many trail users and friends of Healthy Communities.

Tree Plantings Sonny Carter, Duane Matthews, Bruce McCall, Jeff Ray, Judy Ray, Krystal Stanich, Helen Steussy, John Vann & Climate Action Team, including NCHS students.

DONORS

A continued Thank You to all of our monetary donors, without whom we would be unable to move forward in our efforts to build a better community.

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Tom Williams
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2023 EVENTS

April—Tree Giveaway & Planting in Henry County, 2,200 trees

May

Saturday, May 13,

Cool Climate Fest.....Local Event at Arts Park
NRHT, Inc. Ride.....NRHT Raysville

June

Saturday, June 3,

Canoe Big Blue.....Sign Up with Friends of Big Blue River

Sat., Sept. 23, 23rd Annual Raintree Ride. 6, 30, 60 -mile bicycle event

Henry County YMCA, New Castle, IN