

## **Chamber of Commerce Educational Speakers' Bureau**

We have worked with the Chamber of Commerce in procuring a feasibility software program that will match students with industry professionals. The goal is to show students what real world jobs are before they make career path decisions, with support going toward our community's manufacturing and trade skills jobs.

Austin Donovan & Josh Finch

## **Share-A-Pet Assisted Therapy**

Introducing the opportunity available for bringing Share-A-Pet, a nationally recognized Pet Assisted Therapy (PAT) to Kosciusko County. The reasons why pet assisted therapy has become an accepted program within multiple types of facilities and organizations throughout the country, the community support for a local PAT program, and the positive impact it can have on our county. The steps in starting the program in Kosciusko County will also be provided. The support needed for it to be successful will also be shown with the goal to launch the local Share-A-Pet chapter by Fall 2018.

Erica Elliott; Kelly Engle; Stephanie Johnson; Cari Wells

## **Governor's Work Ethic Certificate**

Governor's Work Ethic Certificate is meant to provide high school students with a step ahead in the work force. Industry leaders will know what the certificate is and will recognize it as an ideal accomplishment. The students with the certificate will be able to get incentives from participating employers.

Phil Kuhn; Brian Lardino; Eric McCray

## **Growing a Healthier Community**

Our project is aimed at providing an outdoor space for the community members to have their own garden. This space will allow individuals and families to grow and harvest their own produce and herbs. We envision a garden that serves all different demographics and creates a bigger sense of community while helping families make healthier choices one vegetable at a time.

Sheryl Harlan; Lori Haywood; Amanda Landis; Andrew Waugh

## **Winona Lake Shoreline**

The shoreline and landscape of the Winona Lake Limitless Park are contributing to poor water quality and creating health and safety hazards for residents and park visitors. A new shoreline of glacial stones and native plants will reduce erosion and deter the exotic invasive Canada Goose population.

Matt Abbitt; Darren Bickel; Cliff Buttermore; Lyn Crighton; Jason Montel

## **Increasing Access to Blueway Trails: Feasibility of a Boat and Kayak Launch**

A major goal of Kosciusko County is to increase outdoor activity. One area of great opportunity is use of existing blueway trails (rivers and streams). A challenge is the need for increased access on the Tippecanoe River by means of canoe and kayak launch sites. This paper seeks to address the feasibility of putting a non-motor boat launch in Warsaw.

Joseph Beard; Jordan Foreman; Stephen Gerber; James Layne

## **Technology Reuse Initiative of Kosciusko County**

The goal of the Technology Reuse Initiative is to collect discarded computers and refurbish them with the aim of placing these machines in the care of non profit organization and those in need within Kosciusko County.

Jason Brandyberry; Joseph Frentzel; Craig Kauffman