

The Stewardson "Moos"



July 2013

Upcoming Area Events:



- July 19th—WCIA Channel 3 News broadcast "OUR TOWN STEWARDSON" live from Stewardson park
- July 21st—Lions Club Tractor Pull
- July 23-24—Stewardson-Strasburg School registration
- July 30-31—Trinity Lutheran School registration
- August 20th—First day of school
- 23-25th—Lions Club Homecoming

In the Spotlight

Stewardson will be in the Spotlight this week, July 15th-19th as WCIA Channel 3 television station out of Champaign, IL spotlights Stewardson in their summer "Our Town" series. What does this mean for Stewardson? It means businesses are in the spotlights through daily commercials and interviews aired during the evening news. It means showing central Illinois what our town has to offer—great community, businesses, friendly neighbors, wonderful volunteers and pride for our town. The news crew will be on-site Friday July 19th beginning with their CI Living program at 4pm. The 5pm and 6pm news will also be broadcast live from the park. WCIA members Dave Benton, Jennifer Roscoe, Aaron Benett, Derick Fabert, and Judy Fraser will all be in town.

We want YOU to help us celebrate and join in the fun! FREE hamburgers courtesy of Prairie National Bank, and FREE hotdogs courtesy of Stewardson Lions Club will be served at the Park Pavilion from 4-7pm. The Stew-Stras H.S. Drum Line will kick off the CI Living program with a performance at 4pm. Performances by Dance Etc. will follow. Live interviews with many of our friends and neighbors will be conducted at the park. The Veterans' Memorial and Historical Museum will also be featured. Antique Tractors and trucks, a bounce house for the kids, and a boat safety demonstration by the Army Corp of Engineers will also take place. Many local businesses and organizations will be promoting their services and WCIA will also be raffling prizes.

We hope you will join us Friday to help celebrate this great opportunity to spotlight Our Town—Stewardson!

Volunteers do not necessarily have the time; they just have the heart!

Elizabeth Andrew

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June—a month that kept us Mooooooving!

June was a very busy month for the C.O.W.S. organization as three fundraising events kept our volunteers Mooooooving! The month started with our 3rd annual [Hoofin' To The Cow 5k Fun Run / 1mile walk](#) on June 1st. Although the rain didn't hold off, the crowd didn't shy away. With over 200 registrants, the die hard runners and walkers faced the elements and made this year's race another successful fundraiser for C.O.W.S.



Photo Courtesy Jim Arther



The [Big Sausage Jeep Run](#) was held June 22nd. This year's run was held in memory of Don Everett who devoted many hours to C.O.W.S. and the Stewardson Volunteer Fire department. All proceeds from the event were split between the Fire Department and C.O.W.S. for the restoration and beautification of Stewardson. As with every weekend in June, the rain made an appearance but the festivities continued on. Over 100 vehicles participated in the run! The foot long rope sausage and smoked cabbage was a huge hit. Thanks to Paul Tabbert for his delicious work! The Sampson Jones Gang and Zach Linley & The Rebel Dare Devils entertained the crowd after the meal. Although the music was moved inside to accommodate for the weather, everyone had a great time.

The annual [Stewardson 4th of July Celebration](#) was the final event in June for C.O.W.S. members. The pork chop dinner was again held at the community building. Rains made their appearance between the lunch meal and the parade but thankfully stayed away the rest of the day, which resulted in a very nice Sunday afternoon and evening! The parade stepped off at 3pm followed by food, family fun, and entertainment at the park. A bounce house and dunk tank kept the kids entertained while the adults participated in a geographical caches scavenger hunt and bean bag tournament. Evening entertainment in-

Beautiful Yard Awards



Steve & Diana Vonderheide's yard was chosen the Beautiful Yard for the month of May. The manicured grass along with pristine landscaping and potted plants make this house and yard stand out on Main Street. Congratulations Vonderheide's!

Dwight & Bev Storm's yard earned top honors in June as the Beautiful Yard awarded by the C.O.W.S. Housing and Beautification Team. From flowering shrubs to potted plants, the Storm's yard puts the "B" in Beautiful!



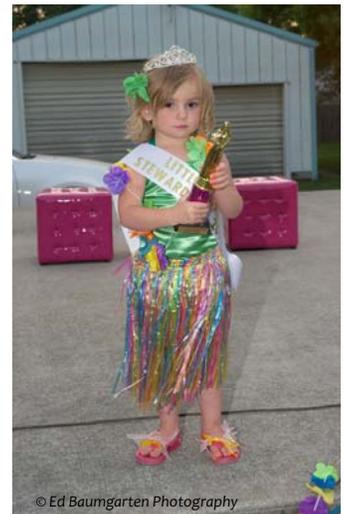
Congratulations to these winners. The housing & beautification team encourages all Stewardson residents to participate!

Little Miss Stewardson

Callie Friese, 3 yr. old daughter of Andy and Beth Friese, was named Little Miss Stewardson on Sunday, June 30th.

Congratulations

Callie!



Runners up were Katie Linder and Abigail Brown.

Lions Club Tractor Pull—Come watch farm tractors, antique tractors, pick-up trucks, and semi trucks pull the sled on Sunday, July 21st. The Lions Club will be serving food all day. The beer tent will be open as well. Pulling starts at 10:00am. Admission is \$3.00—Children 12 and under are FREE!

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cluded Karate demonstrations, dance performances and the crowning of Little Miss Stewardson & Mister Heifer—a first for Stewardson! The evening ended in traditional fashion with a terrific fireworks display. A big THANK YOU to the businesses, families, and individuals who made donations towards the Fireworks display.

These events would not be possible without the countless hours given by our volunteers. Whether you're a C.O.W.S. member, Lions' club member, Fireman, EMT, or just a friend or resident of Stewardson—THANK YOU! Thank you to those who volunteered, to those who participated in the parade, and to those who patronized these events.

Farmer's Market

Looking for fresh, home-grown produce? Be sure to check out the Stewardson Farmer's Market each Monday from 4:30-6pm on the front porch of the Stewardson Community Building.



Follow the news!!



Shelby County News.net (www.shelbycountynews.net), an online newspaper is adding a section for Stewardson. We are a bustling community with so much going on that they will be creating our own corner of the world to help everyone keep up with the news. This section will be called "My Neck of the Woods" and written by Patty Everett. When there is something happening - from a military person coming home, a special visitor, something positive happening, to the many events that go on, let's HEAR it Stewardson! You can contact Patty via email at stewardsonnews@gmail.com, or phone @ 217-821-2512. You can also drop off information at Personalities on Main St. in Stewardson.

School registration is just around the corner. Stewardson-Strasburg registration is July 23-24th. Students with last names A-L should register from 1-7pm on July 23rd. Students with last names M-Z should register July 24th. Contact the school office for more information. Phone 217-682-3355.



Trinity Lutheran School will also be holding registration. Registration dates are July 30-31st. Contact the school office at 217-682-3881 for more information.

Happy Anniversary!

Reverend Richard Bremer, pastor at Trinity Lutheran Church in Stewardson, recently celebrated **30 years** in the ministry!

CONGRATULATIONS Pastor Bremer!



Pastor Richard Bremer and wife Sharon.

Mister Heifer Contest

A new contest was a huge success during the 4th of July celebration. Mister Heifer was crowned as a spoof on the typical beauty pageant. The park was packed to cheer on five lovely 'ladies' as they competed for the crown. Although the 'ladies' competed in evening wear, runway walk, and had to answer a current events question, the winner was determined by people's choice! A donation can for each 'lady' was passed through the crowd. The 'lady' with the most money won!



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From L to R: "Gretchen", "Raquel", "Luscious Lucy" - Mister Heifer 2013, "Sha-Na-Na", and "Moo-nique".

Lions Club Homecoming

The Stewardson Lions Club Homecoming will take place August 23-25, 2013. Come out and enjoy all the activities at Stewardson Park and at the Lions Club Tractor Pull site.

The park will have inflatables for the kids, craft vendors, entertainment on the stage, and of course great food and soft drinks in the food stand.

The tractor pull will take place on Saturday this year, with the pull starting at 10am. You won't want to miss the action, noise, dirt, and smoke from the tractors and trucks. A food stand and beer garden will be set-up on the pulling grounds. The pull is always a great place for summer fun!

As always, proceeds from the annual homecoming event help the Stewardson Lions support outstanding causes of Lions Club International worldwide, and also allow us to support equally great causes right here in our own hometown.

For more information on this event or the Stewardson Lions Club, please visit our website at www.stewardsonlions.org. For more information on Lions Club International, you can go to www.lionsclubs.org.

