



BELGIUM CHRONICLES

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*Come join us on our face book page Belgium, IL Yesterday today and tomorrow
Did you know what is happening in the Village of Belgium*

Streets in Belgium

*E Kelly Ave
Shaw St
Delanois St
Orlea St
Dequimpaul St
Brooks St
Riley St
James St
Smith St
Lyons Rd
Champaign St
Urbana St
Danville St
Center St
Chantos Ave
Lateral Lane*

Village of Belgium Community
Development Group Officer
Established Feb 24, 2018

*Christine Delhaye- Pres
Sue Hill – Vice Pres
Goldie Lete – Treas
Wendy Harrier – Sec
Reba Haun – Member
Stephanie McNeese-Member*

Village Officers
*David Crowl – Mayor
Paulette Myers – Secretary
Nikki Nelson – Treasurer
Jim Delhaye – Trustee
Kathleen Bayles – Trustee
Debbie Martin – Trustee
Eli Williams – Trustee
Mike Halcom – Trustee
Ron Harrier – Trustee
Phil Hawley – Rd Commissioner
Isaiah Crowl – Asst to Rd
Commissioner*

Chrissy's Mystery Pic



If you know where this is at go to our face book page and put you guess in!

Resident's Birthday for the month of June & July

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| Jun 1 | Kathy High |
| Jun 4 | Seigal Hall Mike Noel Shelby Carrigan |
| Jun 6 | Nathan McNeese |
| Jun 10 | Debbie Howell |
| Jun 11 | Robert Roark |
| Jun 12 | Wendy McDaniel |
| Jun 19 | Connie Sellers |
| Jun 22 | Stephanie McNeese |
| Jun 23 | Kathleen Bayles Joe Brazas |
| Jun 25 | Kim Thomas |
| Jun 28 | Joe Kizer |
| Jul 1 | Jerry McQueen |
| Jul 4 | Billie Spencer |
| Jul 6 | Linda Woods |
| Jul 13 | Kay Pierce |
| Jul 15 | Dora Crowl |
| Jul 18 | David Delva |
| Jul 22 | Terry O'Reilly Kay Copas |
| Jul 25 | Donnie Haun Patricia Chittack |
| Jul 26 | Greg Blue |

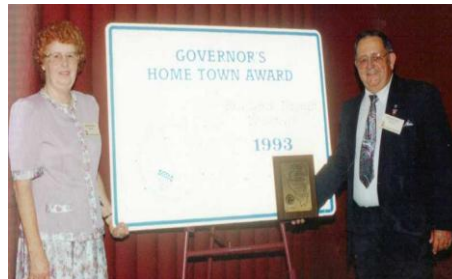
*If you do not what your birthday on
our Birthday list let us know on
our Face Book page*

Debbie's Historical News

This Articles was in the Danville Daily News

June 19, 1893 Bloody Murder Ex-Policeman Tom Duncan in Self Defense kills Wilson Lafferty at Kellyville

Yesterday at 1:30 pm Ex-Policeman Tom Duncan plunged a knife into Wilson Lafferty at Kellyville, killing him almost instantly. They had been drinking beer and Lafferty was drunk. Lafferty accused Duncan of hitting his father on the head when he was on the police forces that heal so struck his brother in law Wilber Riley, with a spittoon on at another time. The two men quarreled and Lafferty threatened to kill Duncan and struck him with his fist and tried to get a weapon from his pocket. Duncan took out his knife, opened it and drove the blade deep into Lafferty's chest. Lafferty without a word started home and succeeded in climbing a fence but could go no farther and died in a few minutes. Corner Taylor held an inquest, the result of the inquiry being a verdict of justifiable homicide. Lafferty was 40 years of age and bore a bad reputation. He was dangerous when drinking. The funeral will be held today at 2 pm burial in the Blakeney Cemetery near Westville



*If you would like
anything in the
Chronicle deadline is
always on the 14th of
every month and will be
delivered the next
Sunday*

Happy Birthday to all of you

**From the Village of
Belgium Community
Development Group and
from all the board
members and Staff**

**This is what we want to spend part of the
donations on to get this sign back up in
Belgium, beside other things to put Belgium
back on the map!**

**State of the Village Address
From our Mayor David Crowl**

May 2018

I would like to start out by thanking:

**All Members of the Board
Police Chief, Josh Brown
Rd Commissioner, Phil Hawley**

A special debt of gratitude to our:

**Clerk, Paulette Myers
Treasurer, Nikki Nelson
Rd Engineer, Lisa Lashuay**

First and foremost this has required much team work and perseverance. You have accomplished much. I am humbled by all of your hard work and dedication as this has been a monumental under taking. You are the builders and communicators of ALL that is good about Belgium. With your efforts and ideas Belgium can be restored to a better and more prosperous village.

When I was elected to Village President in May of 2017, I was handed a set of keys, told good luck and then inherited a monumental undertaking. We were faced with:

- **\$58,000 deficit in regards to our MFT.(Motor Fuel Tax)**
- **The roof on our Village Has was leaking and in dire need of replacement.**
- **Our maintenance shop door was falling off the hinges.**
- **None of the equipment was working properly and the majority was not working at all.**
- **We were paying on a truck that wouldn't drive across the Street without putting it in 4 wheel drive.**

The entire village was in need of work. We now have our MFT reconciled thanks to our Rd Engineer and a little begging from myself. The roof has been repaired; all buildings and grounds have been brought back to life by our Rd Commissioner and all his helpers. Our equipment is up and running and things are being accomplished.

We have faced some misfortune as we lost one of our board members Loretta O'Banion, who always gave joyfully and freely to and for the village. Also Joe Wise who was a great asset to us always helping when he could and giving direction in areas we were unfamiliar with. May God bless both these souls and their families; their contribution to the village and those around them.

A new Treasurer was brought in due to financial concerns. Nikki has brought our finances back into compliance. Thank you Nikki! Our entire ordinance was out of date. We have updated them and they are presently in the hands of IL Codification Services for finalization. We have implemented former ordinances to begin receiving funds for gas, electric, and telecommunication companies. We raised our tax levy 4.99%, this has not been done in numerous years.

I would like to Thank you, to all those on the Ordinance Committee.

Our roads and streets are being worked on daily and getting water to shed so we can start repairing them. My wife found that we had over 30 discrepancies with our boundaries and property tax assessments, with her help and Michelle at the County Clerk's office we have most of these discrepancies rectified. This brings back more voters and property taxes back into our village. Thank You, Dora! We have received our DUNS, SAM numbers and getting ready to apply for the GATA #. These #'s are needed to apply for government grants. Thank you Paulette!

We have been surrounding ourselves with people who are stepping up on their own for the betterment of this village. Thank you to Rowland Atwood who has fixing a lot of our equipment for no charge. The Community Development Group a 501(3) C, headed by Chris Delhaye and her fantastic team of ladies, are bringing excitement back to the village. Thank you all for your hard work. Everyone is seeing it. You should all be proud of yourselves. We still have a lot to accomplish and I know you are all up to the task. Remember the quote "United we stand and divided we fall." Go team! Let's put Belgium back on the map.

**We can always use volunteer help as there is much to be done.
God Bless You, God Bless, Belgium and May God Bless America.**

Coming events

Aug 7, Will be our Village of Belgium Board Meeting at 6:30.

Aug 12, will be Village of Belgium Community Development Group meeting (time yet to be determined) and also we will be working on the float

Sept 3, Labor Day Parade

October 13, Weenie Roast, at Belgium Plaza parking lot, where the old night club was on Lyons Rd and Champaign St.

November – we have nothing, so far but maybe a possible bake sale with crafts along with it!!

December – We would like to have Christmas Party with the Village of Belgium Board and the Mayor and the board of trustees and their spouses.