

STONEGATE SENTINEL

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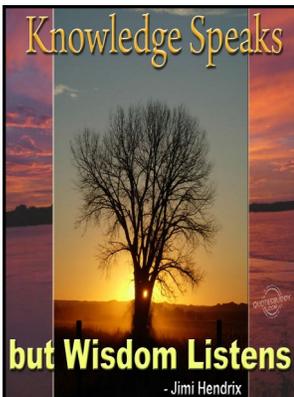
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LEGACY OF LIMESTONE

The Land of Limestone Exhibition is housed within StoneGate Arts & Education Center, 405 I St., Bedford.

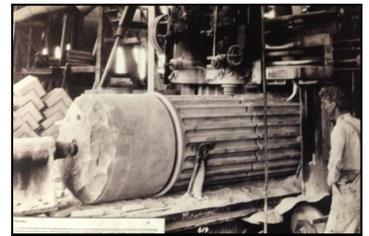
The facility itself is the former Indiana Limestone Co. headquarters, a 1926 Bedford limestone building listed in the National and Indiana Registries of Historic Places.

The Land of Limestone Museum brings to life the people, events and history surrounding Lawrence County's famous natural resource, limestone.

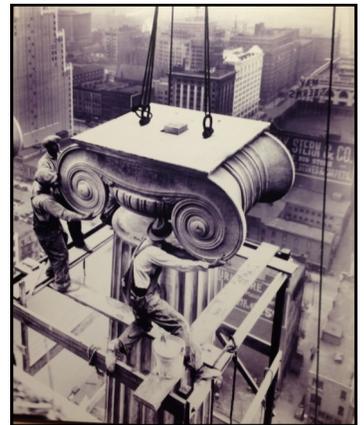
Limestone has been quarried in this part of southern Indiana since the mid-19th century, and has been used to build and embellish America's most distinguished architectural landmarks.

More than 200 archival and architectural photographs, historical news accounts, official records and documents recreate the development of a rural 19th century Indiana county seat into a teeming industrial center for a growing America by the early 1900s.

Recent tour groups at the museum included participants in "A Ride Through History" motorcycle gathering and the 2015 Indiana Landmarks Heritage Society Tour and luncheon. Exhibit hours are 8 a.m.-4 p.m. Monday-Friday, and admission is free.



ABOVE: Stone mill workers lathe turning architectural columns and balusters in a Bedford mill in the early- to mid-1900s.



ABOVE: Workers cap a column at the St. Louis Civil Courthouse in the 1920s.

Start-ups at StoneGate: Common\$en\$e Bookkeeping

Common\$en\$e Bookkeeping, LLC, officially opened for business this month.

Owner Sincerae "Cerae" Aslinger is a graduate of Oakland City University with a Bachelor of Science degree in accounting and currently is working toward her Master of Science Degree through OCU.



Sincerae "Cerae" Aslinger

She is Administrative Assistant at OCU-Bedford, and previously taught for the university.

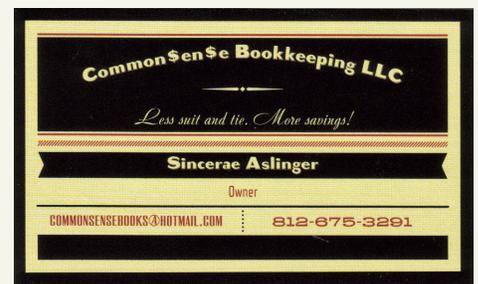
"We are a small bookkeeping company

specializing in small, local businesses operating on a budget," Aslinger said.

Common\$ense Bookkeeping is in Suite 229, StoneGate Arts & Education Center, 405 I St., Bedford, IN 47421. The business offers hours by appointment, including evenings and weekends.

For more information about the business, or to schedule an appointment, call (812) 675-3291, or e-mail commonsensbooks@hotmail.com.

To find out more about available StoneGate Center business incubator spaces, call Gene McCracken or



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STONEGATE CENTER —
DEVELOPING, LEARNING,
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ROBOTICS IN RESIDENCE

Multiple 4-H Limestone Robotics teams encompassing young people of varying ages have taken up residence at StoneGate Arts & Education Center.

Mini Master Builders, Nanobots, Robotiller, Cookie Bots, LC STEAM, Thunderbots, Diamond Blades and Aluminosity teams meet one-to-two times per week at StoneGate Center.

Regular meetings include programs like "Trash Trek," robotic missions, team building and core values. Special meetings have included a "Makerbot Demo" and on Aug. 28, an open house, during which all robotics club levels, K-12, showed off their remodeled meeting rooms,



ABOVE: 4-H Limestone Robotics team members listen to pointers from leader Greg Fedrick during a meeting.

demonstrated robotics programs and extended invitations to potential new members.

For additional information about the robotics teams and the various robotics programs, visit www.limestonerobotics.org.



READING & ROCKING

Volunteer "rockers" read and rocked for agreed-upon times to fulfill pledges for The Success and Opportunity At Reading (SOAR!) "Readers Rock" fund-raising event Sept. 12 in front of Lowe's.

Featured "rockers" included Bedford Mayor Shawna Girgis, Lawrence County Sheriff Mike Branam, Bedford

Public Library Director Susan Miller, Debbie Beeler, Angela Wilson, Laura Charles, Bedford Chamber Director Blaine Parker, North Lawrence Community Schools' Mark Vice and a number of other community figures.

StoneGate Arts & Education Center Executive Director Gene McCracken demonstrated his support for the

event by dressing in a chicken costume and perching atop a boom lift, urging on the participants.

The four-hour fund-raiser secured sufficient funding for the SOAR! adult literacy program to continue for another year.



ABOVE: BEDFORD — Volunteer "rockers" read and rocked at the SOAR! "Readers Rock" event in front of Lowe's Sept. 12.

BELOW: BEDFORD — StoneGate Center Executive Director Gene McCracken urged on the "rockers" from atop his high perch.



OCU HAPPENINGS

Oakland City University offers accredited associate, bachelor and master of science degrees in an accelerated format at StoneGate Center.

OCU is a military friendly university and has participated in the Yellow Ribbon Program since 2008.

Tuition is free for qualified veterans who have served 36 months of active duty since Sept. 11, 2001.



New classes begin every five weeks, so students can register to begin their coursework at any time. Online classes, on-site classes as well as Adobe classes are available.

For more information about OCU and its current Bedford offerings, call Cheryl Bolton or Sinceræ Aslinger at (812) 279-8126, or e-mail cbolton@oak.edu or saslinger@oak.edu.

Ivy Tech Express Enrollment



Ivy Tech Community College offers classes at StoneGate Arts & Education Center as well as at the Bloomington campus.

Registration for the second eight-week session of classes will begin Oct. 19. Registration for spring 2016 courses is ongoing.

Express Enrollment Days at StoneGate Center are the third Wednesday of each month. No appointment is necessary. The next Express Enrollment Day at StoneGate Center is set for 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Oct. 21.

Potential students can register for classes and take the Accuplacer Assessment testing, which is a free, but required testing before students can enroll. Because of the length of the test, students must arrive before 4 p.m. if they are interested in Accuplacer testing.

Ivy Tech in Bloomington has extended an invitation to the public to its Open House and Expansion Sneak Peek from 5-8 p.m. Nov. 4 at the main campus at 200 Daniels Way. Attendees can learn about degree options, financial aid, student life, meet the faculty and tour the expanded facilities.

For more information about Ivy Tech or classes at StoneGate Center, visit www.ivytech.edu/bloomington or contact Director of Admissions, Adam Gross, at (812) 330-6196 or agross52@ivytech.edu, or Assistant Director of Admissions, Jourdan Cleaver at (812) 330-6342 or jcleaver8@ivytech.edu.