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See What OCU Can Do for You

Oakland City University, Bedford campus is currently enrolling students.



Students may enroll any time in five-week and eight-week classes to earn associate, bachelor or master degrees.

For more information, contact Chery Bolton, OCU Academic Program Coordinator at (812) 279-8126 or cbolton@oak.edu.

OCU has been recognized by *U.S. News and World Report* as one of the top universities in the Midwest.

In addition, OCU was voted one of the safest colleges and universities in Indiana. The school holds the distinction of being accredited by the Higher Learning Commission (HLC) of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools (NCA).

StoneGate Center Hosts ROI Event

BEDFORD – Regional Opportunity Initiatives, Inc. (ROI) met with Lawrence County community members for an informational meeting Sept. 29 at StoneGate Arts & Education Center, 405 I St.

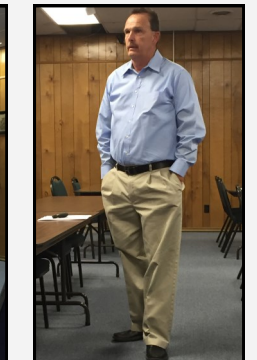
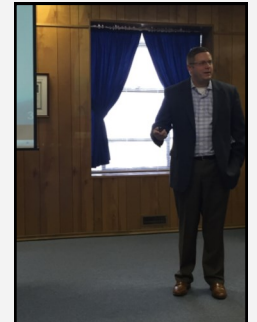
Representatives from ROI, the Applied Research Institute (ARI) and Indiana University are conducting meetings with community and business leaders throughout the 11 counties of Southwest Central Indiana to provide updates on activities underway to advance economic and community prosperity across the region.

ROI's mission is to support regional development opportunities in Brown, Crawford, Daviess, Dubois, Greene, Lawrence, Martin, Monroe, Orange, Owen and Washington counties – the Southwest Central Indiana region. Through an initial \$25,870,000 grant through Lilly Endowment Inc., ROI is implementing an education and workforce plan and regional opportunity fund for quality-of-place investments.

The coalition is led by a regional board of directors and is affiliated with the Community Foundation of Bloomington and Monroe County (CFBMC).

Host of the meeting, Hope Flores, CEO of Lawrence County Community Foundation Partnership, Inc., introduced the speakers, which included Doug Kellams, owner of Tri-County Builders and ROI board member; Tina Peterson, CEO and president of CFBMC and interim CEO of ROI; Ian Steff of ARI; and Deborah Kremer, Indiana University Center for Regional Excellence.

For more information about ROI and its projects, call (812) 287-8116 or (844) 316-7668 toll-free; e-mail info@swcindiana.org; or visit swcindiana.org.



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Ivy Tech Sets Spring Offerings

Ivy Tech Community College-Bedford spring classes at StoneGate Arts & Education Center, 405 I St., will begin Jan. 17.

Classes to be offered at the Bedford campus during the spring semester include Intro to Business, Microsoft Office Suite, Financial Accounting, Fundamentals of Public Speaking, Intro to Interpersonal Communication, Integrated Reading/Writing, English Composition, Medical Terminology, Student Success in University



Transfer, Essentials of Algebra, Intro to Psychology and Intro to Sociology.

To sign up for college classes close to home in Bedford, apply online today at

www.ivytech.edu/apply-now.

For more information about Ivy Tech offerings at StoneGate Center in Bedford, call Ivy Tech Community Outreach Coordinator Vonda Clay at (812) 279-8126, extension 3, or e-mail vclay@ivytech.edu.

Cultivating Reading Skills Enriches Non-Readers' Lives

Imagine not knowing how to read a driver's test or not being able to read to a child.

Countless people would like to learn to read, but don't know where to begin. Success and Opportunity At Reading (SOAR) can help.



For information about being matched with a tutor or to volunteer help adult students learn to read, contact SOAR! Adult Literacy Director Adele

Bowden-Purlee at soardirector@gmail.com to get started.

Kruse Joins OCU Staff

Doran Kruse accepted the position of Oakland City University Administrative Assistant at StoneGate Arts & Education Center on Oct. 3.

Kruse has an extensive background in public service in the Bedford and Lawrence County area, serving 24 years as a Bedford City Police officer, retiring with the rank of major.

In addition, Kruse is a former bailiff of Lawrence Circuit Court.



Doran Kruse

Contact Kruse by phone at (812) 279-8126, extension 1222, or via e-mail at dkruse@oak.edu.

Limestone Robotics: STEAM Skills for Kids

BEDFORD – Limestone Robotics is a youth organization structured to support Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, Mathematics Education and Robotics (STEAM) in Lawrence and surrounding counties for young people ages five through 18.

The group has grown steadily and has added several new mentors, coaches and sponsors to keep up with the needs of the community. Seven teams currently compete, with hopes of adding more in the future.

Divisions include FLL Jr.-FIRST Lego League Jr. (ages 5

-8), which includes CookieBots, NanoBots, ThunderBots, Robotillers, EFCN and Robow Squirrels – winner of the first-ever Indiana All-Girls Championship; FLL-FIRST Lego League (ages 9-14), FTC-FIRST Tech Challenge (ages 13-18), featuring the Diamond Blades; FRC-FIRST Robotics Competition (ages 14-18), which includes the STEAM Rollers, Limestone Robotics' newest team, which launched this spring and won the right to compete in the world championships; VEX (ages 13-18); and SeaPerch (in Oolitic only).

Limestone Robotics has sponsoring partnerships with Lawrence County Purdue Extension 4H, Limestone Boys & Girls Club, StoneGate Arts & Education Center and the Indiana University School of Informatics and Computing.

For more information about Limestone Robotics or to enroll or volunteer, contact Greg Fedrick at (812) 381-3345 or at gkf985@gmail.com, Daniel "Tony" Brazzell at (812) 278-0616 or daniel.brazzell@gmail.com, or Tony Peters at (812) 797-4905 or tonypeters7@gmail.com.



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