



**Property Committee Agenda**  
**Room 400, Government Center**  
**Thursday, September 1, 2005**  
**3:00 p.m.**

1. Roll Call
2. Chairman's Approval of Minutes – August 4, 2005
3. Departmental Matters:
  - A. Jennifer Ho, Risk Management
    - 1) Items to be Presented for Action:
      - a) Request Approval to Display Silent Witness Exhibits and to host a Press Conference on October 10 on the grounds of the Law and Justice Center, and to hold a Candlelight Vigil on October 11, 2005 on the Grounds of The Old Courthouse on behalf of the Corporate Alliance to end Partner Violence (CAEPV) 1-10
    - 2) Items to be Presented for Information:
      - a) General Report
      - b) Other
  - B. Jack Moody, Director, Facilities Management
    - 1) Items to be Presented for Action:
      - a) Request for Approval of a Vanguard Energy Services Natural Gas Contract For County Facilities for 2005-2007 11-17
    - 2) Items to be Presented for Information:
      - a) Coffee Depot at Government Center Letter 18
      - b) Status Report on Old Courthouse Fire
      - c) Notice of 2005 Richard H. Driehaus Foundation Award for Outstanding Restoration and Renovation of the Completed Dome and Roof Areas Project for the McLean County Museum Of History 19
      - d) General Report
      - e) Other

C. William Wasson, Director, Parks and Recreation

1) Items to be Presented for Information:

- a) General Report
- b) Other

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D. John Zeunik, County Administrator

1) Items to be Presented for Information:

- a) General Report
- b) Other

4. Other Business and Communications

5. Recommend Payment of Bills and Transfers, if any, to County Board

6. Adjournment

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August 26, 2005

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McLean County Board  
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Dear Ms. Bostic and Members of the Property Committee:

October is National Domestic Violence Awareness Month. In October, community agencies, local employers (including McLean County), Radio Bloomington, community law enforcement agencies and others will be participating in events promoting awareness that domestic violence is an issue in McLean County, and is indeed, everybody's business.

For just one example of the impact that domestic violence has in McLean County, last year Mid-Central Community Action's Countering Domestic Violence Program served 1,061 adult victims and 94 child victims of domestic violence, and they received 4,182 calls for assistance on their 24-hour telephone hotline.

As part of these events for October, we are seeking the County's approval for the following events on County premises:

- **"It's Time to Talk Day" Press Conference (Law and Justice Center Courtyard)** -- October 10, 11:00 AM. In case of rain, we would hold the press conference in the lobby of the Law and Justice Center.
- **Silent Witness Exhibit and Clothesline Project (Law and Justice Center Courtyard)** -- October 10, 1:00 PM- 4:00 PM involving Silent Witness silhouettes and Clothesline Project t-shirts. In case of rain, we would display this exhibit in the lobby of the Law and Justice Center.
- **Candlelight Vigil (McLean County Historical Museum)**-- October 11, 7:30 PM – 9:30 PM. We would like to have this event outside with the back up plan that in case of rain, we could enter the Museum.

We are truly appreciative of the County's leadership and support provided to County law enforcement agencies, its employees and residents to learn how to be safer with respect to the issue of domestic violence. McLean County was the first governmental agency member of the Corporate Alliance to End

It's everybody's business.



Partner Violence (CAEPV), the only national non-profit organization founded by the business community to address domestic violence as a workplace issue.

We are enclosing literature about 2004 events to give you a sense of the direction the events mentioned in this letter will take and some of the collateral materials used. Debbie White of Mid-Central Community Action's Countering Domestic Violence Program and Kim Wells of the Corporate Alliance to End Partner Violence are planning to be present at your September 1st meeting at 4:00 PM to answer any questions you may have. Thank you in advance of your kind consideration of our request.

Sincerely,

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Deborah White, MS, ICDVP  
 Program Director  
 Mid Central Community Action's  
 Countering Domestic Violence Program

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Kimberly K. Wells, MA  
 Executive Director  
 Corporate Alliance to End  
 Partner Violence

**Attachments**

- 2004 October Events Calendar (McLean County)
- 2004 It's Time to Talk Day *Marie Claire* Article
- 2004 "How Do You Begin A Conversation" *Marie Claire* Article
- 2004 It's Time to Talk Poster (National)

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**Domestic Violence Awareness Month Calendar of Events  
October 2004 – McLean County, IL  
(Open to the Public)**

DATE	EVENTS
<i>October 6</i>	<p><b>Soroptimist Club Meeting</b>            Guest Speakers: Debbie White and Trina McCarty-Stefl of Mid-Central Community Action's Countering Domestic Violence Program            Contact: Joan Garber (<a href="mailto:jgarber@davesworld.net">jgarber@davesworld.net</a>)</p>
<i>October 11</i>	<p><b>Press Conference: "It's Time to Talk" Day</b>            11:00 a.m. - Normal Public Library  <i>Sponsors: YWCA, CAEPV, Radio Bloomington</i></p>
<i>October 12</i>	<p><b>Silent Witness Project</b>  <i>Display of silhouettes of IL victims killed by domestic violence</i>            10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. – Wal-Mart on West Market Street</p>
	<p><b>TV Program: "Domestic Violence" - ISU Campus, Channel 2</b>            10 am, 12 pm, 2 pm, 4 pm, 6 pm, 8 pm, 10 pm</p>
<i>October 12</i>	<p><b>Clothesline Project</b>  <i>View Clothesline of tee shirts designed by women affected by domestic violence</i>            9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. – ISU Quad</p>
<i>October 13</i>	<p><b>Silent Witness Project</b>  <i>Display of silhouettes of IL victims killed by domestic violence</i>            9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. – ISU Quad</p>
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<i>October 14</i>	<p><b>National "Its Time To Talk" Day</b>  <i>Community wide dialogs on Domestic Violence</i></p>
	<p><b>TV Program: "Domestic Violence" - ISU Campus Channel 2</b>            10 am, 12 pm, 2 pm, 4 pm, 6 pm, 8 pm, 10 pm</p>
	<p><b>"Take Back the Night/Time to Talk" March</b></p> <p>5:30 to 6:45 p.m. Pre-March Rally  <i>Speaker: Yadira Ruiz of YWCA Stepping Stones</i></p> <p>7:00 to 8:00 p.m. "Take Back the Night" March            8:00 to 9:00 p.m. Women's and Men's Safe Speak Out Spaces            9:00 to 9:30 p.m. Candlelight Virgil, ISU Quad</p> <p><i>Sponsors: ISU Feminist Majority Leadership Alliance; CAEPV, Mid-Central Community Action's Countering Domestic Violence Program, YWCA Stepping Stones</i>  <i>Contact: Angeline Anastasia 309-532-4404 (<a href="mailto:a.anastasia@insightbb.com">a.anastasia@insightbb.com</a>)</i></p>
	<p><b>Silent Witness Project</b>  <i>Display of silhouettes of IL victims killed by domestic violence</i>            9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. – ISU Bone Student Center, 4th Floor – West Lounge            5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. – ISU Bowling and Billiard Center</p>

	<p><b>“Kids Turn” Dinner (Invitation Only)</b>  <i>Impact of domestic violence on children</i>  5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. – Biaggi’s  Sponsor: Children’s Foundation</p>
<b>October 15</b>	<p><b>Silent Witness Project</b>  <i>Display of silhouettes of IL victims killed by domestic violence</i>  10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. – Illinois Wesleyan University, Student Center Dugout</p>
	<p><b>TV Program “Domestic Violence” - ISU Campus, Channel 2</b>  10 am, 12 pm, 2 pm, 4 pm, 6 pm, 8 pm, 10 pm</p>
<b>October 16</b>	<p><b>Silent Witness Project</b>  <i>Display of silhouettes of IL victims killed by domestic violence</i>  9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. – Bloomington Public Library, Adult Services Area/  Lobby</p>
<b>October 17- 21</b>	<p><b>Tunnel of Oppression</b>  <i>Haunted House depicting various forms of oppression</i>  Sunday, October 17: 6:00 to 9:00 p.m.; walk-in only  Mon – Thurs: 9:00 to 11:00 am; 1:00 to 4:00 pm; 6:00 to 9:00 pm  ISU Bone Student Center, Prairie Room North  Free to all; call to arrange special times for walk though</p> <p>Sponsor: ISU Office of Intercultural Programs  Contact: Mel Freitag 309-438-8968 (<a href="mailto:mbfreit@ilstu.edu">mbfreit@ilstu.edu</a>)</p>
<b>October 18</b>	<p><b>Silent Witness Project</b>  <i>Display of silhouettes of IL victims killed by domestic violence</i>  9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. – Heartland Community College, ICB Foyer</p>
<b>October 19</b>	<p><b>Silent Witness Project</b>  <i>Display of silhouettes of IL victims killed by domestic violence</i>  10:50 a.m. to 12:35 p.m. – Normal Community High School, Raab Road,  Normal</p>
<b>October 20</b>	<p><b>Silent Witness Project</b>  <i>Display of silhouettes of IL victims killed by domestic violence</i>  10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. – Lincoln College, Bloomington, Raab Rd,  Academic Building</p>
<b>October 22</b>	<p><b>Week Without Violence Luncheon</b>  <i>“At What Cost? Consequences of Violence as a Last Resort”</i>  12:00 to 2:00 p.m.; Second Presbyterian Church, Bloomington  Keynote Speaker: Rev. Richard Watts  Cost: \$12 per person; RSVP by October 15, 2004 at 5 p.m.  Sponsors: YWCA, Community Compact, Mid-Central Community Action's  Countering Domestic Violence Program</p> <p><b>Awards Ceremony – Essay Contest for High School Students</b>  Sponsors: YWCA, Mennonite Churches of McLean County  Contact: Madonna Wilkins 309-662-0461 (<a href="mailto:mwilkins@ywcamclean.org">mwilkins@ywcamclean.org</a>)</p>
	<p><b>Silent Witness Project</b>  <i>Display of silhouettes of IL victims killed by domestic violence</i>  12:00 pm to 2:00 pm - Second Presbyterian Church, Bloomington</p>
<b>October 24-28</b>	<p><b>Tunnel of Oppression</b>  <i>Haunted House depicting various forms of oppression</i></p>

	<p>Sunday, October 24: 6:00 to 9:00 p.m., walk-in only  Monday – Thursday: 9:00 to 11:00 a.m.; 1:00 to 4:00 p.m.; 6:00 to 9:00 p.m.  ISU Bone Student Center, Prairie Room North  Free to all; call to arrange special times for walk through</p> <p><i>Sponsor: ISU Office of Intercultural Programs</i>  <i>Contact: Mel Freitag 309-438-8968 (<a href="mailto:mbfreit@ilstu.edu">mbfreit@ilstu.edu</a>)</i></p>
<b>October 25</b>	<p><b>Silent Witness Project (Tentative)</b>  <i>Display of silhouettes of IL victims killed by domestic violence</i>  8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. – Law &amp; Justice Center, 104 W. Front Street,  Bloomington</p>

**OTHER ACTIVITIES TO PARTICIPATE IN:**

☼ **Make a Personal Pledge**

Go to YWCA's Website [www.ywcamclean.org](http://www.ywcamclean.org)  
Make a personal pledge to stop violence against women

☼ **Purple Ribbon Magnets for Cars**

Contact the Soroptimist Club - *Joan Garber ([jgarber@davesworld.net](mailto:jgarber@davesworld.net))*

☼ **Pick up a "Stop Violence Against Women Together: Women and Men" pamphlet**  
Pamphlet available through Lifetime TV, Soroptimist Club, and other participating organizations

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"If only we could make women understand: No you don't have to put up with any of this."  
 —TYRINDA CREZ, CORRESPONDENT, THE REALITY SHOW

"My hope is that women suffering silently will see a story on domestic violence in the newspaper or on TV and say, 'I can do it. I can leave.'  
 —KELLY WALLACE, NATIONAL CORRESPONDENT, CNN

"About all I can do is tell my friends and family about it. I don't want to put it down the slippery slope of emotional abuse. I'm afraid to let my friends know about it."  
 —LINDA WATKINS, HOST, THE REALITY SHOW

"I've seen situations in which makeup gets put on and the problem is literally covered up. We must commit to talking about abuse, publicly and privately—especially with young people."  
 —ALYNDAWIS COLLINS, EMBROIDERER

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 —BARBARA KATZ, JOURNALIST AND CORRESPONDENT, CBS NEWS

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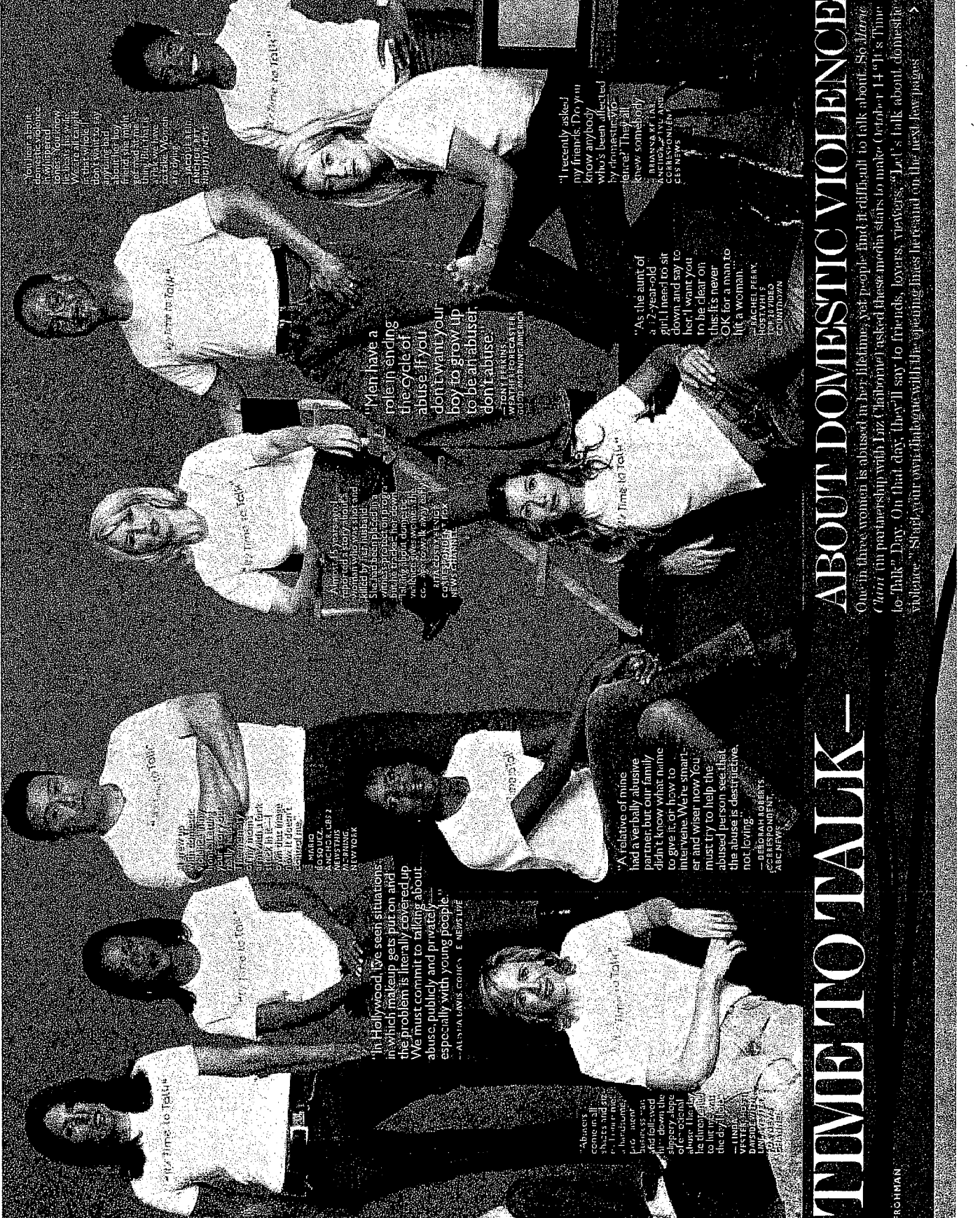
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# IT'S TIME TO TALK—



## ABOUT DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

One in three women is abused in her lifetime. Yet people find it difficult to talk about. *Spot-Marketing* (in partnership with Laz T. Labrone) asked these media stars to make October 14 "It's Time to Talk" Day. On that day, they'll say to friends, lovers, viewers: "Let's talk about domestic violence." Start your own dialogue with the speaking lines here and on the next few pages.

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"If women find somebody else to help them get through it—like in a support group—they'll be able to put themselves first."

—MARTHA MACCALLUM  
ANCHOR, FOX NEWS  
FIVE, NEW YORK

"Victims of abuse should never feel shame. Reaching out will not only help you, it may help the next victim as well."

—DANA TYLER,  
COANCHOR,  
CBS 2 NEWS,  
NEW YORK

"I've never talked about it publicly, but I was a victim of domestic violence. It was a boy friend in college. I thought it was my fault that I had egged him on to a fight, that if I had been more careful around him he wouldn't have hit me. And that's all the wrong thinking. It's never your fault. It's his fault."

—MACEE HICKEY,  
CORRESPONDENT,  
CBS 2 NEWS,  
NEW YORK

"Women often reflect negativity onto ourselves, instead of onto the person who is abusing us. We need to get the word out that victims didn't do anything wrong."

—SHELLEY WADE,  
HOST, 7100'S  
HI-NOON COUNTDOWN,  
NEW YORK

"The thing we must get across is, there is help. You can get the support you need."

—KATTY TONG,  
ANCHOR, WBTV NEWS  
AT TEN, NEW YORK

"People ask victims, 'Why don't you just leave?' Well, that is easier said than done. As women, we have to talk about it; we have to put a stop to it."

— WENDY WILLIAMS, SYNDICATED RADIO HOST

"The greater and more frequent the dialogue, the better off women—and society—will be. My dad is my hero because of the wonderful partner he's been to my mother. That's being a role model."

— DAVE PRICE, FEATURED REPORTER, CBS 2 NEWS'S THE EARLY SHOW, NEW YORK

"It's scary to talk about something you're afraid of, but opening up and discussing violence forces people to recognize that it exists."

— MARIA BARTIROMO, ANCHOR, CNBC

"Recently, a high-profile woman got banged up by her boyfriend. My 10-year-old son saw the news about it, and I mentioned that the boyfriend might end up getting arrested. My son asked me, 'What for?' I said, 'Because that's assault. A man is never allowed to hit a woman.' I sure hope he got it."

— ROSANNA SCOTTO, COANCHOR, FOX 5 NEWS, NEW YORK

"A pregnant friend was in an abusive relationship, and she'd mention his 'temper.' I noticed that he never wanted her to go out. Eventually, she started telling friends about threats he would make. We told her, 'We know you want to stay together for the baby, but it's time to leave.' She knew she had her friends behind her."

— ERNABEL DEMILLO, NEWS REPORTER, GOOD DAY NEW YORK

"There are code phrases you'll hear like, 'I was in a bad marriage,' or 'I just got out of a bad situation,' and at that point you can say, 'Do you mind if I ask what happened?'"

— ALISON STEWART, ANCHOR, MSNBC NEWS

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DELBANCO

# How Do You Begin a Conversation?

If you suspect someone you know is being abused, share your concerns with her, rather than tentatively whispering them to a mutual friend. One conversation might not solve her problem, but it will remind her that she has an ally. We consulted Kim Wells with the Corporate Alliance to End Partner Violence and Allegra Perhaes at Safe Horizon for some easy opening lines

**IF YOU'RE WORRIED ABOUT A** friend or relative, the key is to avoid passing judgment or using accusatory words, like "violence" and "abuse." And always have a hotline number on hand, like Safe Horizon's: (800) 799-SAFE.

**START BY SAYING:** "Andrea, I'm worried about you. You don't look happy; you rarely smile anymore. I feel like Alex has been demanding a lot of your attention. You've called him three times in the past half-hour. You always have to ask him for money, even to go see a movie. Is there anything you want to talk about?"

**IF SHE BRUSHES YOU OFF, SAY:** "OK, I'm glad to hear nothing's up. But I'm always here to talk, if anything changes. I really care about you."

**A FEW WEEKS LATER, FOLLOW UP WITH:** "You know Andrea, you still seem pretty tense. I'm really concerned about you. I don't mean to be a nag, but I'm here if you ever want to talk."

**IF SHE ADMITS THERE IS A PROBLEM, LISTEN FIRST, WITHOUT INTERRUPTING. THEN SAY:** "I'm so glad you confided in me. I care about you, and I understand how hard it must be to figure things out alone. I'm here any time you want to talk. But you also might want to speak with an expert: Here's a hotline number, and also the address of a help center where we can go—together, if you want—to get more information. This is a serious situation that likely won't get better without help."

**A FEW WEEKS LATER, FOLLOW UP WITH:** "How are things going with Alex? Any progress? I've been thinking about you guys a lot."

**IF YOU'RE WORRIED ABOUT A** neighbor or acquaintance, try opening the conversation during a natural one-on-one moment. Keep it low-key and calm, so she doesn't feel like she's being ambushed. Your purpose isn't to pry, it's to let her know she has a friend.

**START BY SAYING:** "Hi, I'm Cynthia, and I live upstairs. I didn't mean to eavesdrop, but I heard a lot of yelling and banging coming from downstairs last night. If you feel like talking about anything, I'm available. And if you ever need help, my door is always open—really."

**IF THAT'S WHERE THE CONVERSATION ENDS, DON'T FEEL BAD: YOU'VE DONE THE RIGHT THING BY SAYING SOMETHING. BUT IF YOUR NEIGHBOR OPENS UP, LISTEN FIRST—THEN SAY:** "The last thing I want to do is get you into trouble; he doesn't have to know we talked. You're welcome to use my phone to call this hotline number—that way you can have privacy and get some advice. Also, I'm going to keep an eye on you. Please knock whenever you want to, day or night."

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For more conversation tips, information about It's Time To Talk Day, or to request Liz Claiborne's handbook on relationship abuse, visit [www.marieclaire.com](http://www.marieclaire.com). ♦



When I was little, our neighbor used to run to us for protection whenever her husband beat her. We'd take her in until he calmed down—then she would go back home. I don't remember our family ever discussing it with her or each other; it was none of our business. Back then, it wouldn't have occurred to any of us to talk to her about options or feelings. I bet she must have been terrified all the time."

—JOY BEHAR, COHOST, ABC'S THE VIEW

JENNY SCHUBER

# “ It's Time to Talk ”

About Domestic Violence

Participate in a national **moment to talk**  
Thursday, October 14th

- Talk to your child about healthy relationships.
- Ask a friend you suspect is in an abusive relationship if she is okay.  
Remind her that she is not alone and help is available if she needs it.
- Encourage your workplace to develop a domestic violence policy  
if it does not have one already.

**Let's get the conversation started.**

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To: The Honorable Chairman and Members of the Property Committee  
Mr. John M. Zeunik, County Administrator

From: Jack E. Moody, CFM  
Director, Facilities Management

Date: August 19, 2005

Subj: Natural Gas Contract

On July 22, 2003, McLean County entered into a two-year Rate-74 natural gas supplier contract with Vanguard Energy Services, which expires on August 31, 2005, for eight County operated facilities. These facilities include:

McLean County Law and Justice Center

McLean County Museum of History

Fairview Building

McLean County Juvenile Detention Center

McLean County Health Department

McLean County Highway Department

McLean County Nursing Home

Government Center

NICOR Gas owns and operates the natural gas pipelines which "transports" natural gas to customers. Distribution charges are incurred each month from NICOR Gas while gas supply charges are incurred each month from the gas supplier.

A customer can buy gas from NICOR Gas, using them as the gas supplier, however the cost per therm would be the highest price available because the cost per therm would be the cost of gas at the Citygate in Chicago. Therefore, it behooves any commercial gas customer to buy gas from another source, ie. a natural gas supplier who literally buys gas in billions of therms. Under our Rate 74 plan with NICOR Energy, all gas meters are read electronically by the gas supplier via a modem and phone line.

You will recall that in 2003 we solicited proposals from the four main gas suppliers authorized to sell gas in our area. Vanguard Energy had the lowest proposal. There were problems with the other gas suppliers in that they either could not manage our account without risk of penalties for gas storage if the market changed; their monthly service fees were almost three times higher than Vanguard; or they offer a Rider 25 program only.

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Regarding the other gas suppliers, we learned that one is about to go out of business, one does not offer a Rate 74 plan, and the other has severe penalties for storage if the market is caught short.

We have negotiated a new two-year contract with Vanguard at the same rates as the current contract. Vanguard's contract proposes "a variable rate equal to \$0.01 per therm above the actual weighted average cost of gas (WACOG)" and a service fee of \$80.00 per month".

Attachment #1 shows the rising cost of natural gas since March 1999. Attachment #2 shows a comparison of buying natural gas from NICOR vs. buying natural gas from this gas supplier, a savings of \$37,173.00 these past two years, a savings of 5.6%.

Mr. Eric T. Ruud, first assistant states attorney, has reviewed the enclosed proposal and states it is consistent with other County contracts for similar services.

We have budgeted our natural gas supplier costs for the Recommended FY 2006 McLean County Budget consistent with these cost rates.

We therefore request and recommend approval of the enclosed natural gas supplier contract.

Thank you for your kind consideration of this matter.

JEM:  
Enclosures

Cc: Mr. Eric T. Ruud, First Assistant States Attorney



Vanguard Energy Services, L.L.C.  
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August 17, 2005

Mr. Jack Moody  
Facilities Manager  
McLean County Government  
104 West Front Street  
PO Box 2400  
Bloomington, IL 61702-2400

Dear Jack:

It has been a pleasure providing you with natural gas services. Vanguard Energy Services and I thank you for your continued business.

Vanguard Energy will provide McLean County Government identical pricing for the term of September 2005 through August 2007 as the term of September 2003 through August 2005. The price remains at Vanguard Market Index (VMI) plus \$0.01 per therm with the monthly \$80 service fee, despite steady market increases over the past 2 years. (see Attachment #1)

The volumes in the VMI Exhibit A have been modified to reflect updated usage for the existing facilities. For complete accuracy, they have been run through a "weather normalizing" model to establish a benchmark of usage based on normal weather patterns.

The VMI has performed as promised in being less than the Nicor Gas Gas Supply Cost (GSC), providing McLean County Government with quality value and reduced natural gas cost versus the alternatives. (see Attachment # 2)

The value of storage remains at a cost prohibitive and elevated risk level that does not warrant the daily management of the staff of McLean County Government. This is being properly managed by Vanguard's supply department with the value reflected in the VMI's reduced price.

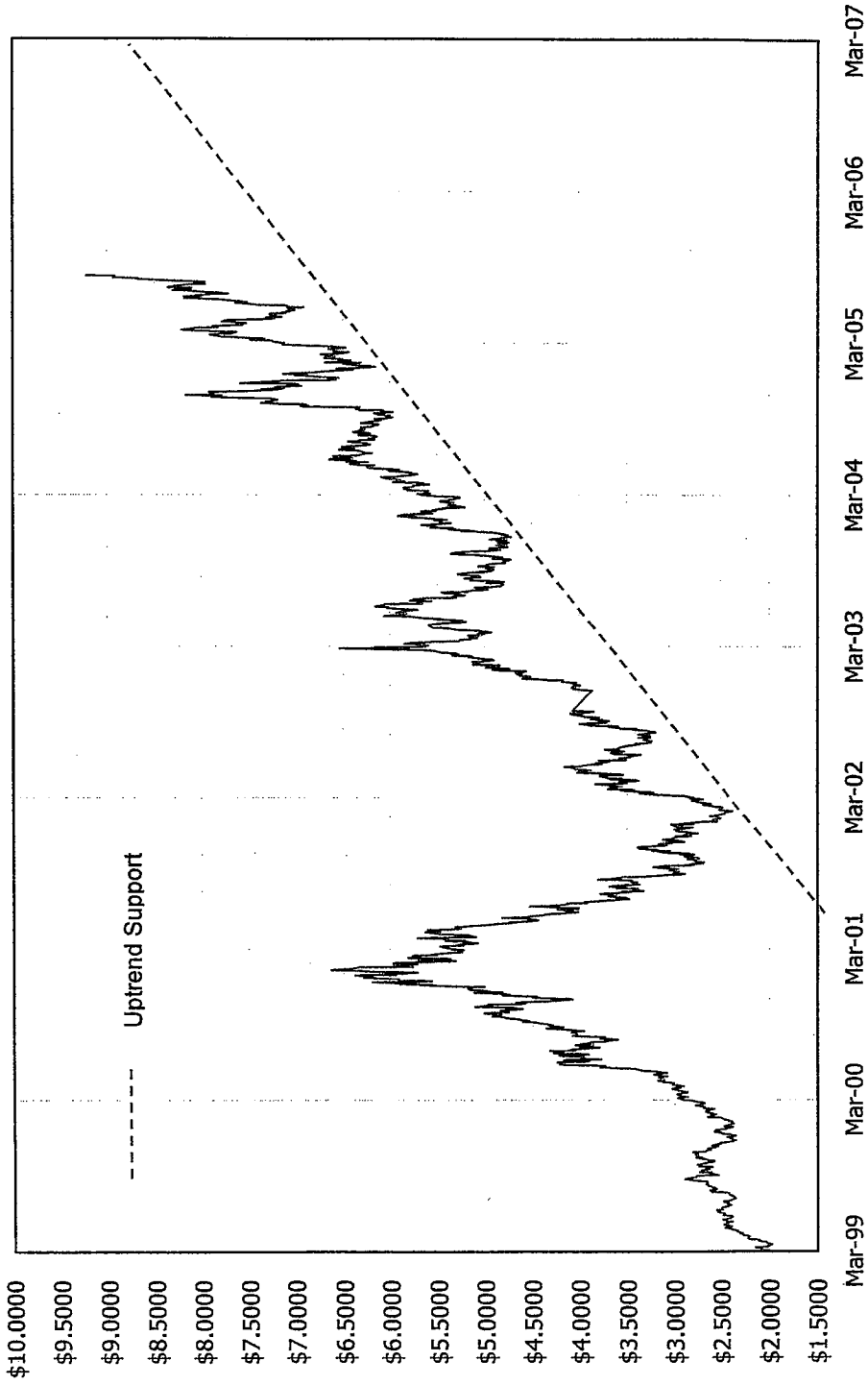
Market prices have reached another all time high despite record levels of supply in the natural gas market. This financial contradiction is sure to have a breaking point in the future, in which we should see prices moderate, at least slightly, from these high and volatile levels. I strongly encourage McLean County Government to look towards making selective short term fixed pricing purchases in the coming months to diversify and protect the government's budget from future volatility. I do not recommend any long term fixed pricing at this time.

Please call me with any questions or comments on this information. And thanks again for your continued business.

Sincerely,

Joe Cooper  
Account Executive

# Nymex Natural Gas 12-Month Strip





Attachment #2



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**McLean County**

**Cost Comparison Spreadsheet**

**Nicor Gas (GSC) versus Vanguard Market Index (VMI)**

Month	Monthly Usage	Nicor Gas (GSC)		Vanguard Market Index (VMI)	
		Cost Per Therm	Total Cost of Gas	Cost Per Therm	Total Cost of Gas
	A	B	D	E	G
		=B*A			=E*A
Sep-03	20,132	\$ 0.5800	\$ 11,677	\$ 0.5129	\$ 10,326
Oct-03	32,801	\$ 0.5500	\$ 18,041	\$ 0.4735	\$ 15,531
Nov-03	46,254	\$ 0.5800	\$ 26,827	\$ 0.4755	\$ 21,994
Dec-03	63,919	\$ 0.5800	\$ 37,073	\$ 0.4990	\$ 31,896
Jan-04	81,576	\$ 0.6900	\$ 56,287	\$ 0.6335	\$ 51,678
Feb-04	69,048	\$ 0.6000	\$ 41,429	\$ 0.5990	\$ 41,360
Mar-04	49,766	\$ 0.5500	\$ 27,371	\$ 0.5250	\$ 26,127
Apr-04	32,590	\$ 0.5900	\$ 19,228	\$ 0.5480	\$ 17,859
May-04	21,427	\$ 0.5900	\$ 12,642	\$ 0.5950	\$ 12,749
Jun-04	17,861	\$ 0.7200	\$ 12,860	\$ 0.6730	\$ 12,020
Jul-04	21,234	\$ 0.7200	\$ 15,288	\$ 0.6460	\$ 13,717
Aug-04	24,495	\$ 0.6500	\$ 15,922	\$ 0.6020	\$ 14,746
Sep-04	26,553	\$ 0.6200	\$ 16,463	\$ 0.5270	\$ 13,993
Oct-04	42,652	\$ 0.5800	\$ 24,738	\$ 0.5550	\$ 23,672
Nov-04	57,521	\$ 0.7400	\$ 42,566	\$ 0.8155	\$ 46,908
Dec-04	75,367	\$ 0.7000	\$ 52,757	\$ 0.7378	\$ 55,606
Jan-05	79,094	\$ 0.7200	\$ 56,948	\$ 0.6315	\$ 49,948
Feb-05	61,561	\$ 0.6700	\$ 41,246	\$ 0.6425	\$ 39,553
Mar-05	62,580	\$ 0.6400	\$ 40,051	\$ 0.6255	\$ 39,144
Apr-05	41,699	\$ 0.7600	\$ 31,691	\$ 0.7235	\$ 30,169
May-05	38,784	\$ 0.7800	\$ 30,252	\$ 0.7035	\$ 27,285
Jun-05	26,774	\$ 0.7000	\$ 18,742	\$ 0.6385	\$ 17,095
Jul-05	23,153	\$ 0.7400	\$ 17,133	\$ 0.7205	\$ 16,682
Aug-05	-	\$ 0.7500	\$ -	\$ 0.7305	\$ -
<b>Total</b>	1,016,841		\$ 667,231		\$ 630,058
<b>Average</b>			0.6562		0.6196

<b>Savings with VMI:</b>	\$ 37,173	5.571%
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This Exhibit "A" is made and entered into by and between Vanguard Energy Services, L.L.C. ("Vanguard Energy Services") and **McLean County Government** ("Customer"), establishes legally binding terms and conditions to govern the sale and purchase of natural gas ("gas") and services delivered by Vanguard Energy Services to Customer. This Exhibit shall become effective on the first day of **September, 2005** and extend through the last day of **August, 2007**, or for each Facility listed on Exhibit B, upon that Facilities first utility billing cycle immediately thereafter, and shall continue through the term of the Master Energy Services Agreement referenced below, including any Renewal Term unless superseded by a new Exhibit A. This Exhibit A will supersede any previous Exhibit A with respect to all Facilities listed on Exhibit B.

In addition to the terms and conditions contained herein, this document is governed by the terms and conditions contained in the executed Master Energy Services Agreement (Vanguard Energy Services Agreement # 2028 dated July 22, 2003 by and between Vanguard Energy Services and Customer, which is incorporated herein and made a part hereof.

Customer will receive one total bill for service which includes items (1), (2), (3), (4) as shown below. If a billing period spans more than one calendar month, commodity costs will be prorated based on the applicable forecasted volumes and the applicable monthly Vanguard Energy Services weighted average cost of gas (WACOG).

Vanguard Energy Services agrees to sell and deliver, and Customer agrees to purchase and receive 100% of contracted volumes listed below and delivered by Vanguard Energy Services to Customer's LDC for Customer's facilities as listed within Exhibit B, attached hereto.

**1. COMMODITY PRICING:** Monthly commodity price during the Term of this Agreement shall be priced at **\$0.01** per therm above the Vanguard Market Index for the applicable contracted volumes listed below, notwithstanding customer's actual metered gas consumption, and adjusted for unaccounted gas as determined by Customer's local distribution company. In the event that Customers monthly natural gas consumption is greater than the contracted volumes stated below, Vanguard Energy Services will charge Customer for those additional volumes at a price equal to **\$0.01** per therm above the actual weighted average cost of gas ("WACOG") purchased by Vanguard Energy Services, and scheduled to flow during that month, for the express purpose of balancing Vanguard Energy Services retail aggregation pools. In the event Customer's monthly metered gas consumption is less than the contracted volumes stated below, Vanguard Energy Services will credit back those deficient volumes to customer at **\$0.01** per therm below the actual weighed average sales price ("WASP") of gas sold by Vanguard Energy Services, and scheduled to flow during that month, for the express purpose of balancing Vanguard Energy Services retail aggregation pools.

Any natural gas delivered after the VMI pricing period without execution of a new Exhibit A will be priced per the terms of the Master Energy Services Agreement.

**2. LOCAL GAS DISTRIBUTION UTILITY CHARGES:** Customer will be responsible for payment of monthly LDC charges as issued by the utility. If applicable, Vanguard Energy Services will include any charges not billed directly to customer by utility for facilities specified in Exhibit B.

**3. VANGUARD ENERGY SERVICES SERVICE FEE: \$80.00** monthly.

**4. TAXES:** All applicable taxes.

**5. LDC: Nicor Gas**

**6. VOLUMES:** The Customer's contracted (indexed) volumes as well as the applicable unit of measure associated with this transaction shall be as follows:

MONTHLY VOLUME COMMITMENTS - UNIT OF MEASURE (THERMS)							
JAN	81,080	FEB	68,110	MAR	56,040	APR	40,570
MAY	28,980	JUN	20,000	JUL	22,130	AUG	22,320
SEP	25,150	OCT	45,970	NOV	64,850	DEC	77,720

**7. MISCELLANEOUS:** In the event Vanguard Energy Services is directed by Customer's LDC to either increase or decrease gas deliveries as a result of a 'Critical Day', whether for Customer's actual or historically potential gas consumption as determined by Customer's LDC, Customer agrees that it shall be responsible for any and all incremental costs, expenses, charges, damages or liabilities incurred by Vanguard Energy Services as a result of Vanguard Energy Services' compliance with said Customer's LDC directive as applied to Customer's account. In the event that the index above is not available, the parties will mutually agree upon an alternate index.

In Witness whereof, the Parties acknowledge that they have heretofore executed this Exhibit A to the Master Energy Services Agreement, as well as any necessary and applicable Exhibit(s) and Rider(s), which are hereby incorporated herein by reference and made a part hereto.

**VANGUARD ENERGY SERVICES, L.L.C.**

**CUSTOMER: McLean County Government**

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

By: \_\_\_\_\_

By: Michael F. Sweeney

Title: Managing Partner

Title: Chairman, McLean County Board

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_



**Natural Gas Continued Service Letter**

This letter is governed by the terms and conditions contained in the executed Master Energy Services Agreement (Vanguard Energy Services Agreement # 2028 dated July 22, 2003 by and between Vanguard Energy Services and Customer, which is incorporated herein and made a part hereof.

**Term:** Your service will automatically continue on the first day of September, 2005 and extend through the last day of August, 2007 for each facility listed on your existing Exhibit B.

**Pricing:** Your monthly commodity price during the Term stated above for the contracted quantities listed below will be priced at \$0.01 per therm above the Vanguard Market Index for the applicable contracted volumes listed below, notwithstanding customer's actual metered gas consumption, and adjusted for unaccounted gas as determined by Customer's local distribution company. In the event that Customers monthly natural gas consumption is greater than the contracted volumes stated below, Vanguard Energy Services will charge Customer for those additional volumes at a price equal to \$0.01 per therm above the actual weighted average cost of gas ("WACOG") purchased by Vanguard Energy Services, and scheduled to flow during that month, for the express purpose of balancing Vanguard Energy Services retail aggregation pools. In the event Customer's monthly metered gas consumption is less than the contracted volumes stated below, Vanguard Energy Services will credit back those deficient volumes to customer at \$0.01 per therm below the actual weighed average sales price ("WASP") of gas sold by Vanguard Energy Services, and scheduled to flow during that month, for the express purpose of balancing Vanguard Energy Services retail aggregation pools; plus a monthly service fee of \$80.00.

**Contracted Quantities:**

MONTHLY VOLUME COMMITMENTS - UNIT OF MEASURE (THERMS)							
<b>JAN</b>	<b>81,080</b>	<b>FEB</b>	<b>68,110</b>	<b>MAR</b>	<b>56,040</b>	<b>APR</b>	<b>40,570</b>
<b>MAY</b>	<b>28,980</b>	<b>JUN</b>	<b>20,000</b>	<b>JUL</b>	<b>22,130</b>	<b>AUG</b>	<b>22,320</b>
<b>SEP</b>	<b>25,150</b>	<b>OCT</b>	<b>45,970</b>	<b>NOV</b>	<b>64,850</b>	<b>DEC</b>	<b>77,720</b>

**Vanguard Energy Services, L.L.C.**

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: Managing Partner

Date: \_\_\_\_\_



104 W Front St  
Bloomington, IL 61701  
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Facilities Mgt. Div.

August 5, 2005

Dear Property Committee Members,

I'm writing to update you on our progress of opening a second Coffee Depot Kiosk at The Government Center.

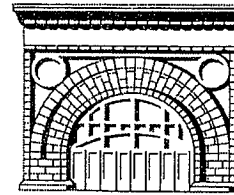
After much discussion we have decided NOT to pursue a second kiosk at The Government Center. Our decision was a result of several factors, some that we've just recently been able to get answers to. We apologize that our decision has been so protracted in coming.

We will continue at our current location, and look forward to continuing to serve the employees and visitors at The Law and Justice Center.

Additionally, The Coffee Depot staff would like to convey our thanks to Jack Moody. Jack has truly gone "above and beyond" his role as facilities manager to assist us. He has been exemplary in his role.

Sincerely,

Kevin Crutcher  
President  
The Coffee Depot, LLC



August 12, 2005

Mr. Jack Moody  
Director of Facilities Management  
Law & Justice Center  
104 W. Front St, Rm. 100  
Bloomington, IL 61702-2400

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AUG 16 2005

Facilities Mgt. Div.

Dear Mr. Moody,

On behalf of the Landmarks Preservation Council of Illinois, I am pleased to inform you that the

**McLean County Museum of History**  
has been selected to receive the  
**2005 Richard H. Driehaus Foundation Award for  
Outstanding Restoration**

Congratulations for winning in what was a very competitive pool of nominees. We would like to invite you and your project teams to the awards dinner and ceremony, to be held on Saturday, October 15th from 5:30 to 9:00 p.m. in the Stock Exchange Trading Room at the Art Institute of Chicago to receive your award. Each award-winning project will receive a total of two complimentary reservations to the awards dinner. You may, however, invite as many guests as you would like. Additional reservations will be \$75 per person. Formal invitations will be mailed in the next several weeks.

The Landmarks Preservation Council of Illinois wishes to thank the entire Planning/Design/Construction team for demonstrating their high level of commitment to the principals of historic preservation and the architectural resources of Illinois.

Sincerely,

David A. Bahlman  
President

Cc: Stephanie Janik, Wiss, Janney, Elstner & Assoc.  
Greg Koos, McLean County Museum of History  
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**TO: Honorable Chairman and Members, Property Committee**

**FROM: Bill Wasson, Director of Parks and Recreation**

**DATE: 08/25/05**

**RE: General Report**

**1. Parks Usage – YTD as of 08/26/05**

	2005	2004	2003	2002	2001	2000	1999	1998
<u>Camping Nights</u>	6242	6377	6665	6150	6774	5947	6063	6356
<u>Watercraft Registration</u>								
Annual	1124	983	1010	1344	1356	1088	1423	1421
Daily	267	257	259	370	459	354	419	544
<u>Boat Rental</u>								
½ hour Paddleboat	467	540	630	567	569	576	502	498
Hourly Canoe	309	377	369	468	450	497	566	666
Rowboat	210	205	220	228	275	219	272	199
Sailboat	38	38	46	51	83	81	101	97
Daily Canoe	60	96	94	89	109	88	94	137
Rowboat	168	122	158	152	154	99	147	227
<u>Shelters Reservations</u>	110	99	99	98	94	90	95	94
<u>Equine Registrations</u>								
Daily	74	9	10	67	60	90	1	0
Family	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0
Individual -annual	5	2	5	2	0	6	1	2
<u>Beach Usage</u>	8011	6255	7320	7868	7325	6026	7603	8710