

## Greencastle's Repeat

For the second time in as many years Greencastle has been named IACT's (Indiana Association of Cities and Towns) **Green Community of the Year**. The award was presented during the annual meeting of the Association on October 5<sup>th</sup> in French Lick. "It was with great pride that we accepted this award for the second year in a row." Greencastle Mayor, Sue Murray told those assembled. Last year's honor was shared with Bloomington. This year the Association recognized three communities for their efforts: South Bend, Dyer and Greencastle.

Since last receiving the designation, a citizen driven Core Committee on Sustainability, chaired by Steve Setchell was established. Input and energy from at least one hundred people has helped push the city forward in its efforts to become a more sustainable community. It is that citizen activism, drawing people of all ages and from all walks of life, combined with the continuing city-wide efforts to better care for our natural resources and decrease our carbon footprint, that brought the city this year's recognition.

The Sustainability Commission has a mission statement, that seems to summarize, well the **Greencastle Repeat**: "It will take a village to achieve environmental solutions to strengthen our community, economy, culture and quality of life."