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## County council and commissioners now back cabin owners

BY COURTNEY HUGHETT  
Martin County Journal Publisher

The Martin County Council met Monday, July 1 and the Martin County Commissioners met Tuesday, July 2. Both meetings had some of the same issues being discussed.

Adam Greene and James Brown talked to the county council Monday night about getting their support, by way of letters and phone calls, to help them stop the DNR from forcing them to remove their cabins on West River Road, along the White River. As has been reported previously, a small portion of cabin owners in Martin County (seven at last count) received letters from the Indiana Department of Natural Resources telling them they violated flood laws by inhabiting cabins on the river and the cabins must be torn down within 30 days and cannot be sold. If the cabin owners failed to comply, the DNR would start fining the property owners \$500 per day.

Since that time, the cabin owners have attended several government meetings, including multiple commissioners' meetings, however Monday night was their first visit to the county council.

Brown explained the situation and told the county council that they needed the support of Martin County's elected officials. He said that by writing letters individually or as a body, it would show that Martin County is against what is being done.

Brown also again expressed concern about future residents building near the river and suggested the council find a way to make the law known so this doesn't happen to anyone again.

The county council members all agreed they were behind the cabin owners and would be happy to send letters to the state or contact whomever they could to help. The council also stated that they felt it was unfair how the DNR was singling out these seven cabin owners only and no one else living by the river. Brown said they told him that it was because they feared loss of life if the river rose to a dangerous (See 'CABIN OWNERS' on page 2)



### Where to watch the fireworks

West Boggs Park - Wednesday, July 3 at 10 p.m.

Shoals Catfish Festival - Thursday, July 4 at 10 p.m.

Washington Eastside Park - Thursday, July 4 at 10 p.m.

Odon - Thursday, July 4, at dark  
Alfordsville - Saturday, July 6 at 10 p.m.

Patoka "Thunder Over Patoka" - Saturday, July 6 at 10 p.m.



## Historical Society grant

The Martin County Historical Society has received a Heritage Support Grant to installing lightning protection to the new bell tower. This grant, totaling \$3,965, was provided by the Indiana Historical Society and made possible by Lilly Endowment, Inc. Without the help of this grant, this project may not have happened.

-Photo provided



-Photo provided by MCCC

Shown is Ann Ackerman, 14-year Martin County Community Corrections Advisory Board member, and MCCC Advisory Board Chairman Chan Cornett.

## Ackerman resigns from Advisory Board

On January 1, 2005, Ann Ackerman joined the Martin County Community Corrections (MCCC) Advisory Board. By statute, the MCCC Advisory Board is made up of approximately 18 people, many serving their terms as elected officials, ex-offender, victim, and like Ann, a few who represent the community as lay people. Fourteen years of dedicated service as an Advisory Board member has shown Ann's continued commitment in making Martin County a better place for all.

According to Community Corrections Director Kathy Collins, "We will miss Ann's supportive presence on the Martin County Community Corrections Advisory Board. There are many ways we each help our community, and we are excited to know this won't be the last we hear of Ann. She continues to champion our citizens and sets a high bar for all of us to match her love of Martin County. We wish her continued success and want to express our appreciation for her time on the Advisory Board."

## 34th Annual Catfish Festival starts tonight in Shoals

The Shoals Catfish Festival will kick off this evening, Wednesday, July 3 with the business decorating contest sponsored by the Shoals Lions Club. Kids & Chalk on Sidewalk, sponsored by Tri Kappa, will start in front of G&R Variety Store at 6 p.m. The annual benefit auction will be held at the fire station at 7 p.m.

On Thursday, July 4, a BBQ cookoff will be held on 2<sup>nd</sup> and Main streets. Judging times are at noon, 1 p.m., 2 p.m. and 3 p.m. The bridge fishing contest will run from 7 a.m. to noon on the bridge into Shoals. The Catfish 5K walk and run will be held at the ballpark starting at 7:30 a.m.

Also on Thursday, the baby contest (0-12 months) will be held in St. Mary's Parish Hall at 9 a.m. with the babies 13 months to 2 years starting

at 10 a.m. A corn hole tournament will start on the boat landing at 10:30 a.m.

At 2 p.m. on Thursday, the winners of the big catfish contest will be chosen at the White River Marine on Main Street.

Weigh-in will take place from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. A horseshoe tournament will also be held at the boat landing at 2 p.m. A pickleball tournament will be held at the ballpark, with registration starting at 4 p.m. The youth tourney will start at 4:30 p.m. and the adult tourney at 5 p.m.

Opening ceremonies for the 34<sup>th</sup> annual festival will be held at the main stage at 6

p.m. along with the posting of the colors, Pledge of Allegiance and National Anthem. The Little Firecracker, Little Miss, Pre-Teen, Junior Miss and Catfish Festival Queen contests will start (See 'CATFISH' on page 2)



# CABIN OWNERS

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level – for those living in the cabins and any rescue workers who had to go in to save them. Council Member Randy Winger said that this was a ridiculous reason to target only these seven homes as the river floods in worse areas all up and down the river, in other counties as well. He said he thought what was being done to Martin County residents, and no one else, is discrimination. He, along with the other council members said they would do whatever they could to help get this stopped.

Brown said he has had trouble getting the commissioners to commit to helping because they do not want to get involved since it's a state issue, not a county issue. Some council members said they didn't understand the commissioners' position on the issue, nor did they agree with it.

Auditor Bobbie Abel suggested that the council talk to the county attorney prior to committing to supporting the cabin owners, just to make sure everything they are doing is legal. Some council members said Abel could ask Lett and others said they would support the cabin owners with a letter regardless.

At Tuesday night's commissioners' meeting, Adam Greene again asked if they had made a final decision about helping by way of letters to the state. Commissioner Dan Gregory said that a letter has already been drafted in support of the property owners and against what the DNR is trying to do and they have given that letter to the county attorney for review. Gregory said he believes the cabin owners are being harassed and discriminated against and he hopes to get a hold put on further action.

Greene said that his attorney is working on an appeal with DNR and his next hearing is scheduled for July 30. The DNR will no longer speak to him because he is being represented by a lawyer.

Cori Lukomski, representing the Washington Times-Herald, said that she has worked on a story with State Senator Eric Bassler. She said Bassler told her that they will be bringing forth a resolution to change the law however that will not be brought to the house until January. Lukomski also said that Bassler was concerned about being stopped by the insurance committee at the state level because changing the law may affect property owners getting flood insurance. She said he has encouraged residents to contact their representatives again in January to make

## CATFISH

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on the main stage at 6:30 p.m.

At 10 p.m., Independence Day will round out with fireworks at the ballpark.

On Friday morning, July 5, the bridge fishing contest will be held again from 7 a.m. to noon. Softball, basketball, and kickball tourneys and three-point contest will begin at the ballpark at 6 p.m. and Battle of the Bands, featuring Bedford Beats, 30 Year Old Boomer, Damian Baker Band, 1 Night Stand, and The Big Dig will start on the main stage also at 6 p.m.

On Saturday, July 6, a volleyball tournament will begin at the ballpark at 8 a.m. following by the continuation of the kickball tournament at 10 a.m. The Catfish Festival Parade, with Grand Marshal Lisa Chastain, will begin at 10:30 a.m.

The Martin County Sheriff's Office Jeep and Bike Ride will leave from

sure the resolution gets through.

In other business, at the county council meeting on Monday night, the council approved the following additional appropriation requests from the sheriff's department:

-\$20,926 from the statewide 911 fund for dispatcher's salary

-\$5,000 from the general fund for full-time officer's vacation pay and \$2,000 from the general fund for commissary worker pay

-\$3,600 from the jail fund for housing of inmates

The council also approved \$49,366 for the courthouse roof replacement and \$48,593 for the jail roof replacement from the cumulative capital development fund. The money came from a loan from Radius Indiana however it had to be approved by the council prior to being spent.

The council approved August Bauer and Susan Brewer to the PTABOA (Property Tax Assessment Board of Appeals) Board and the commissioners approved Lois Brett, Kenneth Fuhrman, and Larry Fellers to the same board.

Courtney Hughett, with the Martin County Humane Society, provided the county council and commissioners with the animal shelter's quarterly report from April through June. Hughett reported that the animal shelter has taken in 57 dogs and 66 cats over the past three months. The shelter has taken in 157 dogs and 105 cats so far in 2019.

During the commissioners' meeting, Highway Superintendent Leo Padgett requested permission to seek sealed bids to purchase a new mower with boom and side mount. The commissioners agreed. Padgett also reported that they have completed priming work on Graded Road to get it ready for paving and will work on Rusk Road and Mill Road this week to get them ready.

Sheriff's Chief Deputy Josh Greene reported that there are currently 83 inmates in the jail with 29 of them being from Vigo County.

Community Corrections Director Kathy Collins reported that her department currently has 12 inmates in the jail treatment program, 10 inmates on home detention and 10 inmates on pre-trial home detention. They also have two offenders using the remote breath devices, carried with them, that measure their blood alcohol content randomly throughout the day.

The county council will meet again on Monday, August 5 at 8:30 a.m. and the commissioners' next meeting is Wednesday, July 17 at 5:30 p.m.

Shoals High School Parking lot at 12:30 p.m. and a Texas Hold'em tournament will start at 1 p.m. at the American Legion Post 61. Sign up starts at noon. An egg toss will be held in front of the post office at 4 p.m. and "Rumble by the River" wrestling, presented by Tri-State Wrestling, will start at the main stage at 7 p.m.

On Sunday, July 7, the catfish cooking contest will start at 3 p.m. on the east side of the post office. The day will finish with gospel music by Judith Montgomery & Family, The Isbell Family, Robert Sullivan and Katie Brett.

The Martin County Museum, at the former courthouse, will be open on July 4, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. for visitors and food stands and other vendors will be set up throughout the festival on Main Street. Local businesses on Main Street will also be open throughout the festival.



-Photo by Curt Johnson, ACCTS Secretary/Treasurer

Pictured are Jerry Schnarr (ACCTS Vice-President) and Paula Ringwald (ACCTS President) presenting a \$1,113.13 check to the Ministerial Association, represented by Pastor Ed Frost (Loogootee Christian Church) and Fr. Kenneth Walker (St. John Catholic Church).

## ACCTS is closing its doors

After 17 years of serving the community, the Area Churches honoring Christ Together in Service (ACCTS) organization closed its doors on June 30, 2019. The ACCTS origins go back to 2002 when Cheryl Biggs (deceased), a co-owner of the Blessings Book Store in Loogootee and a devout Christian, saw a need for the area churches to come together for a stronger voice and presence within the community so that even more could be done in the name of Jesus Christ. With that main vision in mind, representatives from seven churches convened and ACCTS was formed with a mission to (1) bring together the community of Martin County in the spirit of Christ, (2) lend moral, physical and spiritual support to those in need, and (3) bring area churches closer together in Christian community and service.

Over the years ACCTS was involved in the beginnings of several community Christian-based events and has had three ongoing programs for most of its existence: the ACCTS Winter Banquet, the ACCTS School Supplies Program, and the Christmas Toy Store. More re-

cently, the ACCTS Board of Directors has seen stronger relationships among the local churches and that the churches and Ministerial Association are working together in many Christian community events such as the National Day of Prayer, Good Friday Ecumenical Services, Cry Out America, Ecumenical Thanksgiving Prayer Service, and Thanksgiving Dinner. The reason and mission for the creation of ACCTS has been largely fulfilled and the Board of Directors saw no reason to duplicate the work and togetherness being displayed in the community.

The face of ACCTS, as a community of churches, will continue with the Winter Banquet being hosted by the St. John Catholic Church and the Ministerial Association, and with the Christmas Toy Store continuing as is with the ongoing support of local churches.

ACCTS leaves with a heartfelt "thank you" to all the churches and individuals who have provided support in the past and prays that they will continue to be the hands and feet of Christ in the future.

## Governor details next round of Community Crossings grant program

Governor Eric J. Holcomb on Tuesday announced the next call for projects is open in the Community Crossings grant program for shovel-ready local road construction projects. Community Crossings is part of Gov. Holcomb's Next Level Roads program, a 20-year, fully funded plan to enhance Indiana's highways and local roads.

"Our transportation infrastructure plays a crucial role in ensuring Hoosier residents and businesses reach their full potential," Gov. Holcomb said. "Community Crossings is a partnership between the state and local communities to make meaningful investments in transportation to catalyze economic growth, add jobs, attract and retain talent, all while promoting safety on every mile."

Projects that are eligible for funding through Community Crossings include road resurfacing, bridge rehabilitation, road reconstruction, and Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) compliance in connection with road projects. Material costs for chip sealing and crack filling operations are also eligible for funds.

Projects submitted to the Indiana Department of Transportation for funding will be evaluated based on need, traffic volume, local support, the impact on connectivity and mobility within the community, and regional economic significance.

"Community Crossings is a tremendously valuable tool to cities, towns, and counties as they build and main-

tain their local transportation assets," Joe McGuinness, Commissioner of the Indiana Department of Transportation said. "Local roads are the first and last mile of the state's transportation system. Because of that, INDOT is committed to partnering with communities to make local roads stronger and safer."

Community Crossings is open to all local government units in the State of Indiana.

Cities and towns with a population of fewer than 10,000 will receive funds using a 75/25 match.

Cities and towns with a population of greater than 10,000 will receive funds using a 50/50 match.

Counties with a population of fewer than 50,000 will receive funds using a 75/25 match.

Counties with a population of greater than 50,000 will receive funds using a 50/50 match.

Over the last three years, the state has awarded more than \$500 million in matching funds to support local road and bridge projects around Indiana. Long-term funding for Community Crossings is part of House Enrolled Act 1002, passed by the legislature and signed into law by Gov. Holcomb in April 2017.

All application materials must be submitted by Friday, August 2, 2019, at 5 p.m. ET. Communities receiving funding for projects will be notified by INDOT in the fall.

For more information on Community Crossings, visit [www.in.gov/indot/communitycrossings](http://www.in.gov/indot/communitycrossings).

# Obituaries

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## JASON SCHMITT

Jason A. Schmitt passed away at 5:33 p.m. Monday, June 24, 2019, at the home of his mother, whom he lived with. A resident of Loogootee, he was 45.

He was born in Jasper on September 15, 1973; son of Mark and Sharon (Stenftenagel) Schmitt.

He enjoyed fishing, music, movies, and spending time with family and friends.

Surviving are his mother, Sharon Schmitt of Loogootee; father, Mark Schmitt of Ireland; one sister, Jennifer (Jeff) Etapa of Port Orange, Florida; one niece and one nephew, Carleigh and Cayden Etapa.

Preceding him in death are his maternal grandparents, Sylvester and Dorothy Stenftenagel, and paternal grandparents, Raphael and Ada Schmitt.

A funeral service will be held at 3 p.m., Sunday, June 30 at the Becher-Kluesner North Chapel in Jasper with burial to follow at a later date. Fr. Kenneth Betz will officiate.

A visitation will be held from noon until the 3 p.m. service time at the Becher-Kluesner North Chapel.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the wishes of the family

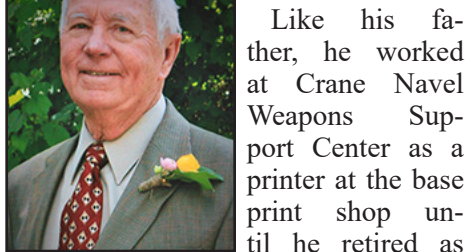
Online condolences may be made at [www.becherkluesner.com](http://www.becherkluesner.com).

## GEORGE PATTERSON, JR.

George Bernard Patterson, Jr. passed away peacefully at Northwood Good Samaritan Retirement Center in Jasper on Wednesday, June 26, 2019. A resident of Loogootee, he was 90.

He was born June 25, 1929 in Washington; son of the late George "Bud" and Julia (Acton) Patterson. He attended St. Meinrad Latin School and graduated from Loogootee High School in

1947. George joined the United States Air Force in 1950 and served as 1st Airman at bases in Ohio, Wyoming, Puerto Rico, and Alaska.



## GEORGE PATTERSON JR.

Like his father, he worked at Crane Navel Weapons Support Center as a printer at the base print shop until he retired as Print Supervisor in 1989. He was a founding partner of Belgrade Developers in 1962 and continued those friendships and interests in farming and land development for the next 57 years. He was a lifelong member of St. John the Evangelist Church and upon retirement, he initiated the writing and documentation of the 150-year history book of the church and school.

George believed in giving back to his community and served through the years in various organizations including Loogootee City Council, Loogootee School Board, Knights of Columbus, Loogootee Little League, Loogootee Alumni Committee, Jay C's, St. John's History Committee, St. John's Summer Festival Committee, St. Vincent De Paul, and St. John's Cemetery.

George was grateful for his large family and friends that brought such joy and memories to his life.

He married Mary Kay Morgan in 1957 frequently stating she was the "best thing that ever happened to me." They shared 60 years of married life together. She preceded him in death in September 2017.

Together they raised seven children at the home he built on 409 South East Third Street Loogootee. Their children are Gail Myers (Lou Lupin) of La Jolla, California; Morgan Patterson of Noblesville, Alice Smith, (Paul) of Roswell, Georgia; Julia Day (Jim) of Bloomington, Georgia Templin (Ran-

dy) of Hagerstown, Amy Williams (Jeff) of Crestwood, Kentucky and Neil Patterson of Indianapolis.

He was Grandpa to 13 grandchildren and two great grandchildren. Through the years they could count on Grandpa for a "horsey ride" on his leg, going out to 'the farm' to see the cows or playing a competitive game of Euchre. Their names are Chanel Kincaid (Noah) of Los Angeles, California; Ericka Myers of San Francisco, California; Will Butcher (Becca) of Atlanta, Georgia; Brian Butcher (Josey) of Sugar Hill, Georgia; Anna Nistler, (Matt) of San Francisco, California; Alex Templin of Houston, Texas; Bret Templin of Bloomington, Andrew and Grant Williams of Crestwood, Kentucky; Janice and Jace Day of Bloomington, Maya and Amina Patterson of Indianapolis and great grandchildren, Moshe and Adelina Kincaid of Los Angeles, California. Besides his children and grandchildren, he is also survived by his younger sister, Gloria Hart and his Morgan Family in-laws Sandy Morgan, Ruth and Kenny Dupps, Jane and Truman Hedrick, Mona Harrison, Ted and Cheryl Morgan and Fred and Tana Porter.

He was preceded in death by his parents, George and Julia (Acton) Patterson; sisters, Beulah Carrico and Judy Gootee; infant brother, Joseph; his wife, Mary Kay Patterson, and brothers-in-law, Emil Carrico, Bill Hart and Carl 'Bus' Morgan.

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated by Very Rev. J. Kenneth Walker on Saturday June 29 at St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church. Burial followed at St. John Cemetery in Loogootee.

In lieu of flowers, the family invites you to contribute to St. John's Church Cemetery Fund.

Online condolences can be made at [www.blakefuneralhomes.com](http://www.blakefuneralhomes.com)

## CARL BURNS

Carl Kent Burns passed away peace-



## CARL BURNS

fully at his home at 4:17 a.m. Friday, June 28, 2019. A resident of Jasper, he was 76.

He was born December 8, 1942, in Princeton; son of Brady and Louise (Potter) Burns. He married Julie Pieper on August 9, 1986, at Loogootee United Methodist Church in Loogootee.

He received his Bachelor's Degree from Oakland City University and his Master's Degree from Indiana University.

Carl and his wife Julie (Pieper) have owned and operated Pieper-Burns State Farm Insurance since 1987. Prior to that, he taught business at Shoals High School and later was as Associate Professor of Business at Vincennes University Jasper Center.

He was a member of Shiloh United Methodist Church.

Carl dearly loved his family, being at his home, bird watching and IU basketball.

Surviving are his wife, Julie Burns of Jasper; son, Kent (Patti) Burns of Carmel; daughter, Andrea (Aaron) Jones of Shoals; son, Evan Burns of Indianapolis; seven grandchildren, Haley Thomas of Salt Lake City, Utah; Max Burns of Phoenix, Arizona; Abby Burns of Carmel; and Ava, Jaden, Austin and Ethan (Morgan) Jones of Shoals; and two great-grandchildren, Savannah Thomas of Salt Lake City, Utah and Walker Jones of Shoals.

A Celebration of Life Service was held Tuesday, July 2 at Shiloh United Methodist Church, in Jasper, with burial following in Shiloh Cemetery in Jasper.

The family is requesting that in lieu of flowers, contributions be made to Shiloh United Methodist Church, Young Life or favorite charity.

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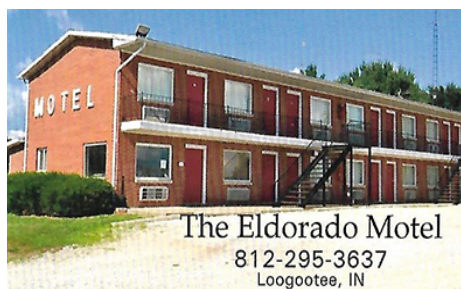
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## Martin County Sheriff's Department log

### MONDAY, JUNE 24

12:01 a.m. - Received a report of a disturbance near Shoals. Corporal Reed responded.

9:16 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance and Loogootee Chief Rayhill responded. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

5:19 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance south of Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance, Haysville Fire, Deputy Seymour, and Deputy Coroner Hamby responded.

5:30 p.m. - Received a report of criminal mischief near Shoals. Deputy Seymour responded.

6:25 p.m. - Received an alarm call in Shoals. ICO Mann and Reserve Deputy Ochs responded. All was secure.

10:33 p.m. - Received a report of a tree down north of Shoals. Shoals Fire removed the tree.

### TUESDAY, JUNE 25

12:34 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance near Shoals. Martin County Ambulance and Shoals Fire responded. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

12:37 a.m. - Received a report of a tree down on US 50, east of Shoals. Corporal Reed and Shoals Fire responded.

2:53 a.m. - Received a report of a tree down east of Shoals on SR 150. Shoals Fire responded and removed the tree.

8:15 a.m. - Major Keller assisted a motorist north of Loogootee with a vehicle identification check.

8:30 a.m. - Received a dog complaint in Loogootee. Animal Control Officer Hughett responded.

9:15 a.m. - Received a report of a drive off without paying in Loogootee. Loogootee Chief Rayhill responded.

9:43 a.m. - Received a report of a domestic dispute in Loogootee. Loogootee Chief Rayhill responded.

12:03 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance transported the subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

1:55 p.m. - Deputy Barnett assisted a motorist with a vehicle identification check near Shoals.

3:20 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Shoals. Martin County Ambulance and Shoals Fire responded. The subject was not transported.

3:42 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Crane. Crane Fire responded and transported the subject to Greene County Hospital.

4:41 p.m. - Received a report of an altercation south of Loogootee. Major Keller, Deputy Wright, and Deputy Barnett responded.

4:58 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded and transported the subject to IU Health in Bedford.

### WEDNESDAY, JUNE 26

12:17 a.m. - Received a report of a reckless driver on US 231, south of Loogootee. Corporal Reed responded.

6:05 a.m. - Received a report of an accident in Loogootee. Loogootee Chief Rayhill responded.

10:17 a.m. - Received multiple reports of an accident on SR 150, east of Shoals. Martin County Ambulance, Shoals Fire, Chief Deputy Greene, Major Keller, Deputy Wells, and AirEvac responded. The patient was flown to the University of Louisville Hospital.

11:18 a.m. - Received a request for an

ambulance in Shoals. Shoals Fire and Martin County Ambulance responded. The subject was transported to Daviess Community Hospital.

2:01 p.m. - Received a report of a male subject wanting to kill police on social media. Chief Deputy Greene responded.

11:18 p.m. - Received a report of a disturbance in Loogootee. Loogootee Sergeant Floyd responded.

### THURSDAY, JUNE 27

10:08 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance near Shoals. Shoals Fire and Martin County Ambulance responded. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

11:00 a.m. - Loogootee Chief Rayhill assisted a motorist in Loogootee with a vehicle identification check.

12:55 p.m. - Deputy Barnett and Deputy Wells took two inmates to court.

1:25 p.m. - Deputy Wright assisted a motorist near Loogootee with a vehicle identification check.

1:29 p.m. - Chief Rayhill assisted a subject at the Loogootee City Park.

1:35 p.m. - Received a report of a reckless driver on Beard Road. Advised Deputy Wright and Chief Rayhill.

1:55 p.m. - Deputy Barnett took three inmates to court.

2:50 p.m. - Deputy Wright assisted with a vehicle unlock in Shoals.

4:00 p.m. - Received a report of a family disturbance in Loogootee. Loogootee Police Department was advised.

5:50 p.m. - Received a 911 call of a possible domestic dispute inside a vehicle near Dubois County. Advised Dubois County.

7:24 p.m. - Received a report from a subject stating she had been side swiped. Deputy Gibson responded.

8:32 p.m. - Received a call from a subject reporting they found a stray dog and they were taking it to the shelter. Advised Animal Control.

9:32 p.m. - Received a report of harassment in Loogootee. Officer Floyd responded.

9:58 p.m. - Deputy Gibson responded to a noise disturbance in Loogootee.

10:10 p.m. - Deputy Gibson and Town Marshal Eckert responded to 911 call near Shoals.

11:05 p.m. - Deputy Gibson responded to a vehicle blocking a farmer's field. Vehicle was towed by KRB.

11:55 p.m. - Received a request for an officer at a residence in Loogootee. Loogootee Officer Floyd responded.

### FRIDAY, JUNE 28

7:35 a.m. - Female was on station wanting to speak with an officer. Chief Deputy Greene responded.

10:30 a.m. - Deputy Wells assisted with a vehicle identification check in Loogootee.

11:30 a.m. - Deputy Wright served a formal no trespass order in Shoals.

1:54 p.m. - Deputy Wright assisted with a vehicle unlock in Shoals.

2:40 p.m. - Loogootee Officer McBeth responded to a minor accident in Loogootee.

3:30 p.m. - Received a request for a lift assist. Shoals Fire responded.

4:49 p.m. - Received a report of a cat bite in Crane Village. Advised Animal Control.

11:32 p.m. - Received a call from Velma's Diner about an individual on their property. Deputy Seymour responded.

11:54 p.m. - Loogootee Officer Floyd responded to an accident near Loogootee.

### SATURDAY, JUNE 29

1:56 a.m. - Deputy Gibson, Loogootee Officer Floyd and EMS responded to a subject in Crane.

5:54 a.m. - Deputy Gibson assisted with a vehicle unlock.

9:10 a.m. - Deputy Lents assisted with a vehicle unlock in Shoals.

10:45 a.m. - Received a report of a loose goat in Loogootee. Advised Animal Control.

2:52 p.m. - Received a 911 medical call for a male in Shoals. Shoals Fire and Alert-1 responded. Alert-1 transported to DCH.

2:56 p.m. - Received a 911 call for a male in Loogootee. Alert-2 responded and transported to DCH.

2:56 p.m. - Received a report of a domestic battery in Shoals. Deputy Wells, Deputy Barnett & Deputy Lents responded.

4:51 p.m. - Received a call from a male who was experiencing medical issues. Alert-1, Lost River Fire and Deputy Barnett Responded.

5:00 p.m. - Received a call of a stray, ill kitten in Loogootee. Animal Control responded.

5:41 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Alert-1 responded and transported to JMH.

6:57 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Alert-1 responded.

7:17 p.m. - Received multiple calls about an accident in Loogootee. Deputy Gibson, Deputy Seymour, Deputy Barnett and Alert-1 responded.

11:29 p.m. - Received a report of a suspicious vehicle in Emmons Ridge Cemetery. Deputy Seymour responded.

11:40 p.m. - Received a firework complaint in Loogootee. Loogootee Officer Norris responded.

### SUNDAY, JUNE 30

12:53 a.m. - Received a report of a suspicious person in Loogootee. Loogootee Officer Norris responded.

1:44 a.m. - Received a report of someone spotlighting at Hindostan.

## ARRESTS

### TUESDAY, JUNE 25

3:30 p.m. - Angela Killion, 51, of Loogootee, was arrested by Deputy Wells on a Martin county warrant. She is being held without bond.

5:40 p.m. - Ryan Hunley, 30, of Loogootee, was arrested by Deputy Wells on a Martin County warrant. He is being held without bond.

### WEDNESDAY, JUNE 26

1:03 p.m. - Candida Richey, 38, of Knox County, was arrested by Knox County Deputy Morris on a Martin County warrant and is being held without bond.

### FRIDAY, JUNE 28

10:06 p.m. - Courtney Sutton, 28, of Shoals, was arrested by Town Marshal Eckert and charged with driving while suspended- prior. She is being held without bond. Deputy Seymour assisted with the arrest.

### SATURDAY, JUNE 29

3:50 p.m. - David H. Sorrells, 65, of Shoals, was arrested by Deputy Lents and charged with domestic battery and is being held on a \$20,000 cash only bond.

8:41 p.m. - Allison Winger, 18, was arrested by Deputy Gibson and charged with operating while intoxicated, operating while intoxicated endangerment and minor consumption. Deputy Barnett assisted with the arrest.

Deputy Seymour responded.

5:25 a.m. - Deputy Seymour assisted an individual with directions.

11:15 a.m. - Individual in Loogootee requested to speak with an officer. Advised Loogootee Officer McBeth

12:00 p.m. - Subject on station requesting to speak with an officer. Advised Deputy Lents.

4:37 p.m. - Received a report of a dog in the road in Loogootee. Advised the animal control officer.

7:10 p.m. - Received a report of a tree across Love Cemetery Road. Loogootee Fire responded.

7:14 p.m. - Received a report of fire alarms at Shoals School. Shoals Fire responded. All clear.

7:36 p.m. - Received a report of a tree across Hwy. 645. Loogootee Fire responded.

7:36 p.m. - Received a report of a tree across Tommy George Road. Shoals Fire responded.

7:54 p.m. - Received a report of a tree down on Mt. Pleasant Road. Loogootee Fire responded.

8:22 p.m. - Received a report of a tree down on CR 650S. Advised Haysville Fire.

8:27 p.m. - Received a report of a tree across Rama Dye Road. Shoals Fire responded.

8:40 p.m. - Received a report of a tree down on 200S. Loogootee Fire responded.

8:50 p.m. - Received a report of a tree down on Alfordsville Road. Loogootee Fire responded.

8:53 p.m. - Received a report of a tree across Abel Hill Road. Lost River Fire responded.

8:59 p.m. - Received a report of a tree across Windom Road. Lost River Fire responded.

## 'Operation Dry Water' to target boating under the influence

Boaters preparing for the Independence Day holiday should be aware that Indiana Conservation Officers will be on high alert for violations of boating-under-the-influence laws as part of national Operation Dry Water.

Operation Dry Water (operationdrywater.org), a year-round program, will be in heightened effect July 5-7.

Indiana Conservation Officers, in partnership with the National Association of State Boating Law Administrators and the U.S. Coast Guard, will focus on educating boaters about safe boating practices, including keeping alcohol off the boat, for both operators and passengers.

Officers will be on the lookout for impaired boaters. Boaters will notice an overall increase in patrols, both on the water and at recreational boating checkpoints, to remove dangerous and impaired boaters from the waterways.

"Alcohol use can impair a boater's judgment, balance, vision and reaction time," said Lt. Kenton Turner, Indiana boating law administrator. "Every year, we see boating accidents and tragedies that could have been avoided, had alcohol or drug use not been a factor."

Operating a vessel under the influence of alcohol or drugs is illegal on all bodies of water and can lead to serious injuries and consequences. In Indiana it is illegal to operate a vessel with a blood alcohol concentration (BAC) level of .08 or higher, the same BOC for land vehicles.

# COURT NEWS

Persons listed on criminal charges are innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

## CRIMINAL COURT

### New Charges Filed

May 29

Christopher T. Richmond, driving while suspended, a Class A Misdemeanor.

Dakota Lee Browning, child molesting, a Level 1 Felony; rape, a Level 3 Felony.

Brandon Shaun Stone, possession of methamphetamine, a Level 5 Felony; possession of marijuana, a Class A Misdemeanor; possession of a controlled substance, a Class A Misdemeanor.

Steven E. Boyd, nonsupport of a dependent child, a Level 5 Felony.

Cody R. Richardson, child solicitation, a Level 5 Felony; possession of child pornography, a Level 6 Felony; inappropriate communication with a child, a Class A Misdemeanor.

Joseph W. Pendley, residential entry, a Level 6 Felony; possession of methamphetamine, a Level 6 Felony; possession of paraphernalia, a Class C Misdemeanor.

May 30

Weylan E. Keasling, battery by means of a deadly weapon, a Level 5 Felony; public intoxication, a Class B Misdemeanor; resisting law enforce-

ment, a Class A Misdemeanor.

May 31

Brad M. Edwards, intimidation, a Level 5 Felony; intimidation, a Level 6 Felony.

June 3

Valerie Ann McCarthy, three counts of causing serious bodily injury when operating a vehicle with a schedule I or II substance in the body, Level 5 Felonies; neglect of a dependent resulting in bodily injury, a Level 5 Felony; neglect of a dependent, a Level 6 Felony.

June 4

Dora L. Moon, operating a vehicle while intoxicated endangering a person, a Class A Misdemeanor; operating a vehicle with a schedule I or II controlled substance or its metabolite in the body, a Class C Misdemeanor.

Kevin James Akles, operating a vehicle with a schedule I or II controlled substance or its metabolite in the body, a Level 6 Felony; resisting law enforcement, a Level 6 Felony; possession of marijuana, a Class B Misdemeanor; possession of paraphernalia, a Class C Misdemeanor.

June 5

Mary E. Blanton, neglect of a dependent, a Level 6 Felony; operating a vehicle with a schedule I or II controlled substance or its metabolite in the body, a Class C Misdemeanor.

June 11

## Martin County real estate transfers

**William A. Lukens and Treva R. Lukens**, of Martin County, Indiana to **Leland A. Wagler and Darla R. Wagler**, of Daviess County, Indiana, a part of the west half of the northwest quarter of Section 31, Township 5 North, Range 4 West, Perry Township, Martin County, Indiana, containing 32.480 acres, more or less.

**Roger A. Kyger and Kimberly R. Kyger**, of Martin County, Indiana to **LAK Rentals, LLC**, of Daviess County, Indiana, Lot Number 9 and Lot Number 6 in Roger's Addition to the Town, now City of Loogootee, Indiana.

**Adam Tompkins and Jerry Tompkins** to **Adam Tompkins and Jessica Lehmkuhler**, part of the south half of the northwest quarter of Section 6, Township 1 North, Range 4 West, Martin County, Indiana, containing 10.56 acres, more or less.

**Street Contracting, Inc.** to **Ryan James Letherman and Jacquelyn Brooke Nonte**, Lot Number 1 in Eastgate Terrace Addition to the City of Loogootee, Indiana.

**Joanna J. Montgomery**, of Montgomery County, Kansas; **Twila D. Drummond and Kenneth Montgomery, Jr.**, of Marion County, Indiana; and **Timothy C. Montgomery**, of St. Lawrence County, New York to **Kenneth E. Montgomery, Jr. and Debra S. Montgomery**, of Marion County, Indiana, a part of the northwest quarter of the southeast quarter of Section 27, Township 3 North, Range 3 West, containing 5 acres, more or less.

**Joanna J. Montgomery**, of Montgomery County, Kansas; **Twila D. Drummond and Kenneth Montgomery, Jr.**, of Marion County, Indiana; and **Timothy C. Montgomery**, of St. Lawrence County, New York to **Timothy C. Montgomery and Nancy A. Montgomery**, of St. Lawrence County, New York, a part of the southeast quarter of the southwest quarter of Section 26, Township 3 North, Range 3 West, containing 4.25 acres, more or less.

**Stanley J. Raispis**, of Monroe County, Indiana to **Maureen Koob Investments**, a Utah LLC, Lot Number 124 in the Original Town of Crane, Indiana.

**Bonnie Lou Troutman**, of Martin County, Indiana to **Kyle Troutman and Shanelle Troutman**, of Martin County, Indiana, the northeast quarter of Section 22, Township 2 North, Range 4 West, containing 34.8 acres, more or less and except a section containing 1.48 acres, more or less.

**Bill G. Dusenbury, Jr.**, of Shelby County, Indiana to **JHK Holdings, LLC**, of Martin County, Indiana, the northwest quarter of the northeast quarter of Section 36, Township 2 North, Range 5 West, containing 40 acres, more or less.

**Bramble Farms, LLC**, of Martin County, Indiana to **First Equipment, LLC**, of Martin County, Indiana, part of the south half of the northeast quarter of Section 1, Township 1 North, Range 5 West, Rutherford Civil Township, Martin County, Indiana, containing 29.957 acres, more or less.

Marissa Elise Foley, domestic battery, a Level 6 Felony; intimidation, a Level 6 Felony; neglect of a dependent, a Level 6 Felony; false informing, a Class B Misdemeanor.

June 12

Mandy J. Luker, two counts of domestic battery, Class A Misdemeanors; public intoxication, a Class B Misdemeanor; disorderly conduct, a Class B Misdemeanor.

June 13

Sonja D. Davis, operating a vehicle while intoxicated endangering a person, a Class A Misdemeanor; operating a vehicle with a schedule I or II controlled substance or its metabolite in the body, a Class C Misdemeanor.

June 17

Ryan Wade Hunley, domestic battery, a Level 6 Felony; interference with the reporting of a crime, a Class A Misdemeanor.

June 18

Laythan Lee Dalton Cobb, possession of marijuana, a Class B Misdemeanor; possession of paraphernalia, a Class C Misdemeanor.

Richard Lee Cobb, possession of marijuana, a Class B Misdemeanor; possession of paraphernalia, a Class C Misdemeanor.

Gregory Scott Pannell, possession of marijuana, a Class B Misdemeanor; possession of paraphernalia, a Class C Misdemeanor.

June 19

Melissa D. Hall, conversion, a Class A Misdemeanor.

June 25

Kaylea R. Mulder, operating a vehicle while intoxicated endangering a person, a Class A Misdemeanor; operating a vehicle with an ACE of .15 or more, a Class C Misdemeanor.

Chase D. Wright, possession of marijuana, a Class B Misdemeanor; possession of paraphernalia, a Class C Misdemeanor; operating a vehicle with a schedule I or II controlled substance or its metabolite in the body, a Class C Misdemeanor.

Cole L. Howell, intimidation, a Class A Misdemeanor; disorderly conduct, a Class B Misdemeanor; public intoxication, a Class B Misdemeanor; refusal to identify self, a Class C Misdemeanor.

Christopher Joseph Senne, intimidation, a Level 6 Felony; disorderly conduct, a Class B Misdemeanor; refusal to identify self, a Class C Misdemeanor.

## CRIMINAL CONVICTIONS & SENTENCING

June 18

Darin L. Grindstaff, convicted of possession of marijuana. Received no sentence and no probation.

Lori B. Plano, convicted of domestic battery, a Class A Misdemeanor, amended from a Class B Misdemeanor. Sentenced to serve 180 days with 180 days suspended. Defendant received 6 months of probation.

James L. Taber, convicted of passing school bus when arm signal device is extended, a Class B Misdemeanor. Sentenced to serve 180 days with 180 days suspended. Defendant received 6 months of probation.

## CIVIL COURT

### New Suits Filed

June 19

Crane Credit Union vs. Warren D. Hayman, civil collection.

June 21

Jenna M. Stinson vs. Michael W. Stout, civil tort.

June 24

Nicole E. Cooper vs. Christopher A. Cooper, petition for dissolution of marriage.

June 25

Cach, LLC vs. Weldon Edwards, civil collection.

## CIVIL COURT JUDGMENTS

June 27

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff LVNV Funding, LLC and against the defendant Kevin Gillick in the amount of \$1,061.78.

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Crane Credit Union and against the defendant Zacharey S. Griffin in the amount of \$6,160.84.

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Personal Finance Company and against the defendant Thomas R. Mullins in the amount of \$5,360.31.

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Personal Finance Company and against the defendant Thelma J. Smith in the amount of \$4,158.17.

## SMALL CLAIMS COURT

### New Suits Filed

June 19

Crane Credit Union vs. Trevor L. Littlejohn and James M. McCullough, complaint.

## SMALL CLAIMS JUDGMENTS

June 27

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Crane Credit Union and against the defendant John Capps, Jr. in the amount of \$2,939.60.

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Crane Credit Union and against the defendant Cynthia D. Dwyer in the amount of \$1,029.65.

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Crane Credit Union and against the defendant Diana Gruber in the amount of \$5,999.28.

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Crane Credit Union and against the defendant Bartholomew W. Kelly in the amount of \$2,708.86.

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Crane Credit Union and against the defendant Steven J. Knox in the amount of \$1,800.

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Crane Credit Union and against the defendant Phillip B. Mitchell in the amount of \$2,416.57.

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Patriot Motors and against the defendant Ami Slaubaugh in the amount of \$6,118.74.

## MARRIAGE LICENSES

June 27

Zachary Joseph Allen Dosch of Loogootee and Alysia Lynn Hamilton of Loogootee.

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## More Neat Stuff



By Ann Ackerman



Whack! A woman hits her husband right on the head with a rolled-up magazine!

"What was that for?" he shouts.

"That, she says, "was for the piece of paper I found, with the name Laurie Sue on it."

"But, dear," he says, "that was just the name of a horse I bet on when I went to the track."

"Okay," she replies, "I'll let it go, this time."

Two weeks later, Whack!

"Now what?" he wails.

"Your horse called."

### RIDDLES

1. Where did Noah keep his bees?
2. What is more rare than a unicorn?
3. Why did the snail paint a big "S" on the side of his car?

### THOUGHTS

\*Remember when we used to line up at a fair and pay to see a fat tattooed lady? Now they're everywhere (especially Walmart).

\*I found the key to happiness. Surround yourself with animals and stay away from idiots.

\*If anyone sees me in a bathing suit this summer, mind your own business. I like to eat.

\*One minute you're 21 - staying up all night and drinking beer. Then - in

the blink of an eye you're drinking water and taking it easy because you pulled a muscle putting on your socks.

\*Everyone has a stomach like an ironing board. It's just that some of us have bigger piles of ironing.

\*Two mysterious people live in my house: Somebody and Nobody. Somebody did it, and Nobody knows who.

\*I ate all the donuts so YOU can stick to your diet. You're welcome!

\*I finally did it! Bought a new pair of shoes with memory foam insoles. No more forgetting why I walked into the kitchen.

\*Dance like no one is watching but text and email like it will be read in court someday. -Your Lawyer

\*When my husband tries to help my child find something, it's like the blind leading the blind.

\*Believe in yourself! If cauliflower can become pizza, you can do anything.

\*Apparently it doesn't matter if you breastfeed, bottle feed, or both, either way your kid still turns into a teenager.

Friend: What are you doing this weekend?

Me: Gaining 4-7 pounds

The doctor said it is medically necessary that I lounge on the beach for a week. Also, I'm calling myself "the doctor" these days - I do that sometimes.

At breakfast, a man asked his wife, "What would you do if I won the lottery?"

She replied, "I'd take half, and then leave you."

"Great," he said, "I won \$12 yesterday. Here's \$6. Stay in touch."

### ANSWERS

1. In the Ark Hives
2. A kid that does something the first time you ask
3. It was so when he drove by, everyone would say, "Look at that S car go."

## Healthy Steps for Older Adults

The RSVP Volunteer Center is hosting a workshop for older adults on Tuesday, July 16 to teach skills for preventing falls. Healthy Steps for Older Adults addresses exercise, home safety, nutrition, medication management, footwear, communicating with your physician, insurance help, and more. The event is free to attend and includes lunch and a workbook. It is scheduled from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Villages at Oak Ridge Club House, 1694 Troy Road in Washington.

Participants will learn a little, move a little and hopefully laugh a little. The program is sponsored by United Way of Daviess County.

Reservations are required, please call 812-254-1996 to save your spot.

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### Holiday hours

The Martin County Health Department Immunization Clinic will close at 3 p.m. on Wednesday, July 3. Catfish Festival set-up will be taking place that afternoon near their office. Hoosier Uplands, Martin County Health Department and Martin County WIC will be closed on Thursday July 4. Normal office hours resume on Friday, July 5.

### Chalk up the Town

The Odon Business Association's Chalk up the Town will be held Saturday, August 3. For more information, you can find OBA on facebook.

### Night of music

The Pregnancy Care Center of Washington will be having a night of music on Friday, July 19 at the Store House on 200 West Main in Washington. Doors open at 5 p.m. with music commencing at 6 p.m. Baked goods and drinks will be served. The Night of Praise will feature Christian music from Dan Maley and Jenna Clouse, Barefoot Sundays, One Cause, and Forged in the Fire. Admission is free and free will donations will be accepted at the event to help support the Pregnancy Care Center. There are 250 seats. Tickets are available on the event page at [www.facebook.com/washpcc](http://www.facebook.com/washpcc).

### Food pantry hours

The Loogootee United Methodist Food Pantry will be open the first, second, third and fifth Thursdays of the month from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. and also the first Monday of the month from

5-6:30 p.m.

### Free lunch for kids

New Beginnings Community Church will be offering a free lunch to all school age children every Saturday. Lunches can be picked up at the fellowship hall of the church, located at 105 Wood St, Loogootee no later than 10:30 a.m. Deliveries will begin between 10:30 and 11 a.m. Saturdays.

### SOAR Tutoring

Need Skills? SOAR tutors can help! Free and confidential. Call or text Karen at 812-709-1618 to learn more. Located in the Martin County Community Learning Center Improve Your Skills, Improve Your Life!

### Humane society meetings

The Martin County Humane Society meets on the third Friday of the month at the animal shelter at 507 N Oak Street in Loogootee, at 5:30 p.m.

### Solid waste board

The Martin County Solid Waste Board holds their monthly meetings on the third Wednesday of each month at 6 p.m. at the recycling center located at 500 Industrial Park Drive in Loogootee. The meetings are open to the public and anyone is invited to attend.

### Soil and Water meetings

The Martin County SWCD meets the third Monday of the month at the SWCD office located at Martin County Learning Center. Office hours are 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. weekdays except Thursdays when it is closed. Visit [www.martinswcd.com](http://www.martinswcd.com) or call at 295-3149.



By Linda Evans-Dillon  
Martin County  
Veteran Service Officer

The Martin County Veteran Service Officer has an office in the Martin County Courthouse. An appointment is necessary. For assistance call 812-247-2210, transportation needs call 812-247-2450 and leave a message or e-mail [martincountyvso2013@yahoo.com](mailto:martincountyvso2013@yahoo.com). Calls are returned on Tuesday and Thursday.

During the month of June, the veteran service officer assisted nine veterans and had three meetings. The veterans' van took 0 trips transporting 0 veterans to VA medical centers and clinics.

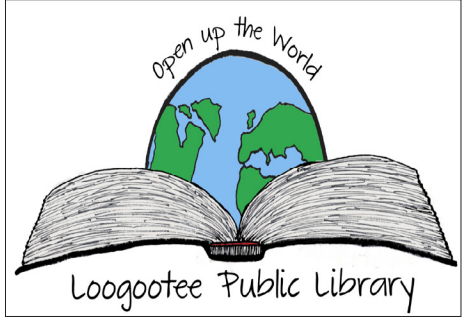
DRIVERS NEEDED for the veterans' van. I am aware that we all have very busy lives and very little free time which is why I am looking for reliable drivers to add to my call list. I am looking for VOLUNTEERS that are willing to transport a veteran possibly one trip a week to medical appointments at VA hospital and clinics in the surrounding area. This is not a paid posi-

tion. You must have an Indiana license and a clean driving record. If interested, please contact me.

The veterans' van only transports to appointments at VA hospitals and clinics. You must contact me for transportation needs. Do NOT contact the driver's directly, they do not have the van schedule. The veterans' van is not a part of the DAV program, it is funded by Martin County taxpayers so we only transport Martin County residents.

The veterans' van will only transport to Indianapolis and Northern clinics on Tuesday and Thursday, Louisville and New Albany on Wednesday and Friday and Southern clinics on Monday's. The veterans' van will NOT leave the recycling center earlier than 7 a.m. Please schedule your appointments accordingly.

The Veterans Crisis Line provides confidential help for veterans and their families. Call at 1-800-273-8255 (PRESS 1) for help.



### BY DARLA WAGLER

Librarian, Loogootee Public Library

The library will be closed on Thursday, July 4.

The library board, Friends of Loogootee Public Library (FOLL), and I appreciate the community support at our recent cookout fundraiser. The cookout netted \$2,889, the recent Book, Bake & Yard Sale brought in \$1,056, add in the \$750 donations we received plus \$2,000 from Daviess-Martin REMC Operation Round-up grant made it possible to secure the \$5,000 donation match pledge.

You can still register your kids for the summer reading program. Pick up a calendar at the library or go to the library Facebook page to access the monthly calendar.

New DVDs: "Wonder Park", "Five Feet Apart", "The Public", and "Paw Patrol Mission Paw".

The library hours are Monday and Tuesday 10-7, Wednesday closed, Thursday and Friday 10-5 and Saturday 9-1. The phone number is 812-295-3713 or check out the website [www.loogootee.lib.in.us](http://www.loogootee.lib.in.us) or like us on Facebook. The library has free Wi-Fi service available for patrons.

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## In the Garden

By Ralph Purkhiser  
Purdue University Master Gardener

There is a reason that we hear the phrase “hotter than the Fourth of July”. Temperatures in the 90’s for a week have added problems for gardeners. Despite the fact that the ground water is still high in most places, some watering chores are necessary. Plants in pots dry out much faster than those in the ground. With the increase in temperatures, transpiration is more rapid, and wilting will signal stress for the plant. It is easy to forget that it only takes a day or two for a saturated pot to become a desert.

The heat also takes a toll on the gardener. Sunstroke and heatstroke are very possible under such circumstances. If you have to be out during the heat of the day, drink plenty of water and take frequent breaks. At Sandhill Gardens, I have learned to follow the shade around the garden. Temperatures in the shade are often more than ten degrees cooler than in direct sun.

Gardening is also a chance to make a fashion statement. Clothing goes a long way in protection from the sun.

mer sun. A good hat is very important. A couple of years ago, I found a hat at a farm supply store that has become indispensable to me. It is well-ventilated and has a wide brim to offer protection from the sun. One may even soak this hat in water and the process of evaporation helps to cool the wearer. If you see me in the garden, chances are that I will be wearing this hat. Long pants and long sleeves may seem to be counter, to keeping cool, but wearing light colors and light-weight fabrics will ameliorate the heat, while providing protection from the sun’s rays.

Following our extended wet weather, mosquitos are a major problem. They are especially active in the cooler morning and evening periods. Keeping down the mosquito population starts with eliminating their breeding grounds. They are especially fond of shallow pools of water. Make a search of your garden for water that has collected in pots, pet dishes and old tires. Removing the water and turning the containers upside down to prevent future collections will help reduce the mosquito population. Birdbaths should be emptied every couple of days and fresh water added after cleaning. This makes them more healthy for the birds, while elimination mosquito breeding areas. Bogs, fountains and water gardens present some special problems. Mosquitos tend to avoid running water, so keeping the pumps on fountains running will help. The use of Bt, a bacterium, has shown mixed results in helping keep down mosquito populations, but I still recommend using this method over the use of insecticides. Most gardening centers carry Bt in the form of dunks, which may be added to standing water. It is impossible to get rid of all of the mosquitos but keeping the environment safe for birds and bats will help keep populations down. Wearing repellants on your clothing and exposed skin will also help prevent exposure to mosquito-borne diseases.

There are a few chores for which the first week in July is a signal. It is time to pinch mums, tall sedums and asters one final time. It is also the time when soft-wood cuttings may be taken from azaleas and rhododendrons and other spring-flowering shrubs. Using a rooting hormone and a soil-free planting mixture will increase the chances of growing roots. Cover the container with plastic to increase the humidity for the cuttings. Make sure the planting mix stays moist, but not soggy. After a few weeks, check to see if your new plants have developed roots. Pot up the successful starts and wait until early autumn to find a place in the landscape. As always, I remind you that patented plants should not be asexually reproduced.

Keep cool!

## Rising crop prices and USDA payment announcements lift farmer sentiment, despite uncertain economic environment

BY KAMI GOODWIN  
Purdue University News Service

Ag producer sentiment rebounded in June as farmers expressed a more optimistic outlook toward the future of the ag economy. The Purdue University/CME Group Ag Economy Barometer, based on a mid-month survey of 400 agricultural producers across the U.S., increased to a reading of 126 in June, up 25 points from May.

Increases were also seen in both of the barometer’s sub-indices. While the Index of Current Conditions only saw a modest increase, up 13 points from May, to a reading of 97, the Index of Future Expectations jumped 33 points, to a reading of 141 in June.

“This year farmers have faced an extremely wet planting season and uncertainty surrounding trade discussions, however, a crop price rally coupled with USDA’s announcement of its 2019 MFP program and Congress’ passage of the Disaster Aid Bill made farmers more optimistic,” said James Mintert, the barometer’s principal investigator and director of Purdue University’s Center for Commercial Agriculture. “While this combination provided a boost to a struggling ag economy, it remains a challenging economic environment for farmers.”

In June, the prospect of large prevented plantings, along with concerns that delayed planting of corn and soybeans would impact yields, led USDA to forecast tighter supplies than previously expected. Supply concerns were a key factor behind a rally in corn and soybean prices that took place from mid-May to mid-June when the June barometer survey was conducted. For example, nearby CBOT corn futures prices were up 28 percent and nearby Chicago Board of Trade soybean futures prices were up 12 percent, both compared to their mid-May lows. The USDA also announced it would provide another round of MFP payments on planted acres of a large number of covered crops, including corn and soybeans.

In light of the announcement and the historic corn and soybean planting delays this spring, producers who planted corn or soybeans in 2018 were asked whether the MFP announcement affected their decision to take or not take

a prevented planting payment this year. Ten percent of corn and soybean producers said the announcement did impact their prevented planting decision making and one out of five farmers within that group said they intended to plant more corn, while one out of ten farmers within that group said they intended to plant more soybeans, because of the MFP program.

One of the big question marks in the 2019 outlook is how many acres will be enrolled in Federal Crop Insurance’s prevented planting program. Nearly one-third (32 percent) of corn/soybean farmers in the survey said they intended to take prevented planting payments on some of their corn acres and of those who intend to take a prevented planting payment, just over half (51 percent) said they intend to take prevented planting on more than 15 percent of their intended corn acreage.

Lastly, farmers were slightly more optimistic regarding the resolution and impact of the ongoing trade dispute with China. From March through May, the percentage of producers expecting a beneficial outcome to the trade dispute declined from 77 percent to 65 percent; yet, on the June survey, that percentage rose slightly to 69 percent. Farmers were also asked whether they believe the dispute will be resolved by Sept. 1. In mid-June, 32 percent of producers expected it to be settled by early September, whereas just 20 percent expected the dispute to be settled by July 1 when this question was posed in mid-May.

Read the full June Ag Economy Barometer report at <https://purdue.ag/agbarometer>. This month’s report includes more information about farmer sentiment regarding farmland values and large farm investments. The site also offers additional resources – such as past reports, charts and survey methodology – and a form to sign up for monthly barometer email updates and webinars. Each month, Mintert also provides a short video analysis of the barometer results, available at <https://purdue.ag/barometervideo>.

The Ag Economy Barometer, Index of Current Conditions and Index of Future Expectations are available on the Bloomberg Terminal under the following ticker symbols: AGECCBARO, AGECCURC and AGECCFTEX.

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## Apply for a reserved hunt starting July 1

Starting July 1, hunters can apply online for a reserved hunt at [on.IN.gov/reservedhunt](http://on.IN.gov/reservedhunt). The online method is the only way to apply. Applicants must possess a hunting license valid for the hunt for which they are applying. Applications must be completed by the application deadline. Hunters will be selected through a random computerized drawing. A link to view drawing results will be posted at [on.IN.gov/reservedhunt](http://on.IN.gov/reservedhunt) within two weeks after application deadlines. An email will be sent to applicants when results are posted. Applications for the following hunt open July 1:

**-Dove Hunt Draw:** Application must be completed by July 29. Applicants may select desired date and property. Due to inclement spring weather, other crops may have been planted in place of or along with sunflowers. Participating Fish & Wildlife Areas include Atterbury, Jasper-Pulaski, Kankakee, Kingsbury, Pigeon River, Blue Grass, and Winamac.

**-Waterfowl Hunt Draw:** Application must be completed by September 16. Participating Fish & Wildlife Areas include Goose Pond, Hovey Lake, Kankakee, Kingsbury, LaSalle, and Willow Slough. Province Pond Wetland Conservation Area and Monroe Lake

## Spring Mill Old-Fashioned Independence Day

Spring Mill State Park's Pioneer Village is hosting an Old-Fashioned Independence Day celebration July 6 and 7.

Enjoy a traditional celebration of United States independence by observing period craft demonstrations, or watch interpreters spinning, quilting, weaving, and leather working.

There will be plenty of hands-on activities as well, including playing pioneer games, trying hog calling, or making an Independence Day craft in the auditorium from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Decorate your bike at 3:30 p.m. in the campground, and at 4 p.m. take part in the bicycle parade.

## 4-H Open Class exhibits due July 9

Just a reminder that all exhibits in Open Class in this year's Martin County 4-H Fair will be entered on Tuesday, July 9 from 6 to 8 p.m. No late exhibits will be accepted. The exhibits will be released on Tuesday, July 16 from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Anything not picked up after that time will be left with the 4-H department. Not responsible for articles left.

Open Class organizers would also like to thank the following sponsors who make the open class exhibits possible. Martin County Farm Bureau, Inc. sponsored the cash prizes given for ribbon placings. Grand Champion sponsors are Hometown IGA, Hometown Flowers & Gifts, Williams Bros Health Care Pharmacy, Chastain's Flowers, Velma's Diner and Jones Oil.

will also be participating.

**-Deer Hunt Draw:** Application must be completed by August 26. Participating properties include Deer Creek Fish & Wildlife Area, Fairbanks Landing Fish & Wildlife Area, Tern Bar Slough Wildlife Diversity Conservation Area, Big Oaks National Wildlife Refuge, and Muscatatuck National Wildlife Refuge.

**-Military/Refuge Firearm, Primitive and Archery Deer Hunt Draw:** Application must be completed by August 26. Hunts on military/refuge properties may be canceled at any time. Properties participating include Camp Atterbury Joint Maneuver Training Center, Big Oaks National Wildlife Refuge, and Muscatatuck National Wildlife Refuge.

**-Youth Firearm Deer Hunt at Muscatatuck National Wildlife Refuge:** Application must be completed by August 26.

**-Pheasant Hunt Draw:** Application must be completed by September 16. Adults should not apply for the November 2 hunt, as it is reserved for youth (ages 17 and younger) only.

Only one application per hunt is allowed. No changes can be made once the application is submitted.

More information is available at [on.IN.gov/reservedhunt](http://on.IN.gov/reservedhunt).

Park admission during the event is \$7 per vehicle for in-state residents and \$9 per vehicle for out-of-state residents. 2019 Annual Entrance Passes are also available.

Spring Mill State Park ([on.IN.gov/springmillsp](http://on.IN.gov/springmillsp)) is at 3333 State Road 60 East, Mitchell, 47446.

## New Outdoor Indiana issues 'Invitation to Conservation'

Outdoor Indiana magazine's July/August issue features a cover article on the DNR's Invitation to Conservation (I2C) efforts.

I2C develops pathways to introduce people of all ages to outdoor activities and teaches how to do them.

The issue also includes a feature on the many natural attractions in Gary and on the State Tree Nursery program.

In 2018, Outdoor Indiana was honored by the Association for Conservation Information (ACI) as the third-best state-sponsored conservation/outdoor recreation magazine in the country.

Outdoor Indiana is available now at most Barnes & Noble stores in Indiana for \$4. Subscriptions are \$15 for one year (six issues, a 38 percent savings off cover) and \$28 for two years (12 issues, a 42 percent savings off cover).

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I find it hard to believe that it is already July. I was beginning to think we were stuck in April showers. I generally think of the 4<sup>th</sup> of July as the beginning of the second half of summer, but this year it seems more like the beginning. There is also a limited amount of corn that is knee-high. It's an odd year, no one will argue with you about that.

There was finally a long enough break between rains for a lot of hay to get laid down in most of the state. That didn't mean there were not challenges getting it dried. Some soils were so saturated that you would see wet tires cutting hay. When there is that much water on the soil surface and upper horizon, it's hard to dry hay. Cutting the hay just a bit higher than normal and then tedding it can help. That little bit of extra height helps with air flow.

Pastures have also been a challenge. I've walked across several pastures recently that had water literally standing on them. I've had some almost that saturated. Even with huge amounts of forage present, anywhere cows traveled more than once, especially multiple times, was subject to pugging. You generally don't have to worry about pugging this time of year. It's always better to try and find something positive in a situation if at all possible, or as my wife points out, "There's no use complaining, when handed a bunch of lemons, make lemonade." In a very anecdotal thought, one might hope that with fast regrowth of forages and their roots, compaction might be less of an issue and those divots can catch runoff and forage seed which would have some value. In fields with a lot of forage present, carbon from the forages and anything else growing out there, when trampled into the ground, is putting that excess material right at the soil surface where it can be broken down quicker and help feed future forage.

I've been very tempted to hay some long-term grazing-only paddocks just to gain a little extra control and to be able to squirrel away a little extra hay. It's probably been over 20 years since some of these have been hayed and the density, diversity of plants, soil organic matter, and yield has done nothing but increase. I couldn't do it, I had to leave it be and walk the talk. I don't like moving nutrients out of a field, and because of the wet soils, I really didn't want to get tractors out there adding even more compaction. If it decided to turn dry, I would be disappointed in my decision. I'll keep my hay fields, hay fields and pasture, pasture.

The one field that I was most tempted by was probably best left alone. It had extremely dense, heavy forage that would have been challenging to get dry, especially when it should've been cut, and I would have been sick if it was a wash. That field has yet to be grazed this year. Ordinarily this would have created a quality issue and it would have to be grazed in a strip grazing fashion with more benefit to soil health than livestock satisfaction. There is certainly more mature forage in that field than preferred, but there is also a huge amount of very lush green forage beneath it that is still very good quality. The extended cooler weather (until lately) and the excess moisture has maintained forage quality and animals grazing those forages show the benefits.

My wife mentioned recently that we should be appreciative for the excess forage. "We have more grass to stockpile and sure as shooting we're due a dry spell and we'll be glad we have it." She is right. I think she has been actually listening to me!

Keeping those animals moving is a good idea this summer, especially as wet as some fields still are. This is best done by strip grazing across the fields allocating out enough to meet the livestock needs and, of course, to help maintain that solar panel. When grazing under wet conditions, don't concentrate the animals too much. Bigger allotments and less time spent on them is what is going to work the best. Concentrating them too much or leaving them there too long will yield a field that looks more like it's been plowed than grazed. Severely damaged pastures from pugging or "plowing" by hooves, can really set back forage potential and open up the field for opportunist weeds, most that you would not want to get a foot hold again such as cocklebur, prickly pigweed, and ragweed.

Back to hay. Quite a bit of early hay was not able to be cut when it was the best quality. That is a problem to some degree every year, but more so this year because of the rain and wet conditions. With ample moisture, it should be a good year to fertilize those hay fields after the first cutting to boost the quality and quantity of a possible second cutting. There may be a shortage of quality hay this year.

Hay certainly isn't the only crop to struggle this year. Corn and soybean fields were late getting planted and some not at all. Prevented planting acres can be planted to annuals and can serve several purposes. Those annuals will help deter weeds once established, help boost soil health by keeping the soil covered with green growing plants, provide diversity, and maintain reduced soil disturbance if no-tilled into the soil. Soil health can also be boosted by the integration of grazing livestock which some call the fifth soil health principle.

If you have crop insurance, you want to make sure to talk to your insurance agent or Risk Management Agency (RMA) prior to planting or utilizing any cover crops or annuals planted on prevented planting acres. Only for 2019, RMA has moved the date from which cover crops or annuals can be utilized for grazing or forage from November 1 to September 1. This move is a great opportunity for producers with grazing livestock.

Summer annuals can be planted now and harvested or grazed after September 1<sup>st</sup>. These can include sorghum-sudan, sudangrass, millets, cowpeas, teff, and a few other summer annuals. Please note that some of these species have a short supply of seed this year. RMA has recently opened up the possibility of cash crops to be used for summer cover crops, if desired. Consult your crop insurance agent before doing anything. You do not want to jeopardize your crop insurance.

You may want to plan ahead and get fall seeded annuals planted early. Most of the common fall-seeded, cool season annuals can be planted as soon as early August. It might also pay to have seed in your possession ahead of time. My (See 'GRAZING BITES' on page 9)

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# Several criminal justice laws took effect July 1

The vast majority of the bills signed by Gov. Eric Holcomb officially became law on July 1, 2019. Many directly impact criminal justice, the prosecutor's office, and the local community. Prosecutor Aureola S. Wright wanted to highlight some of these important measures before they go into effect.

Some of the highlights include:

SEA 551 allows parents to seek a protective order against a person they believe is grooming their child for sexual activity. It also creates a provision, so crime victims' initials are not listed in court documents. Instead, victims will be identified by number only. The bill also creates enhancements for domestic battery charges that involve strangulation. Strangulation is one of the fastest rising charges that prosecutors are seeing statewide and is often a precursor to more violent acts in the future.

HEA 1186 allows prosecutors to charge the abuse and trafficking of a synthetic drug as the drug it is designed to mimic. For instance, synthetic drugs designed to act like heroin will be charged at the same level as possessing and dealing heroin itself.

SEA 186 – This bill makes all Oper-

ating While Intoxicated Causing Death cases Level 4 felonies. In addition, it makes OWI Causing Serious Bodily Injury a Level 5 felony and creates a sentencing enhancement for "catastrophic injury."

SEA 240 – This new bill deals with intimidation, particularly threats to schools and school buildings. SEA 240 expands the intimidation statute to include threats made to any person that puts said person in fear that the threat will be carried out. The hope is that this bill will make it easier for prosecutors to charge those who make bomb or shooting threats to schools.

SEA 198 – This was the much-discussed bias crimes bill. The new law makes it an aggravating circumstance if a crime was committed due to the perceived or actual characteristics, traits, beliefs, practices, or associations of the victim, including but not limited to color, creed, disability, national origin, race, religion or sexual orientation. A judge would decide at sentencing if it is appropriate to apply this aggravator.

HEA 1615 – This legislation broadens language in the animal abuse statutes to make it easier to charge offenses related to animals.

SEA 243 – Senate Enrolled Act 243 creates a new crime for distributing an intimate image of another person without that person's consent. If proven, the nonconsensual distribution would result in a Class A misdemeanor charge.

These are just a few of hundreds of new laws that went into effect on July 1. Martin County residents are encouraged to visit [www.iga.in.gov/legislative/2019/bills](http://www.iga.in.gov/legislative/2019/bills) for a complete list.

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favorite mix is still spring oats, a brassica such as radish, rape, or turnips, and cereal rye. The oats will grow fast with ample moisture, yield well and can make some very decent hay or grazing throughout the fall. The brassica is a nice component and readily consumed by most grazing livestock. The cereal rye will come on stronger later and will overwinter and provide good cover for the next growing season and perhaps even some early spring grazing if soil conditions are favorable. Other fall seeded options would include triticale, wheat, and barley. Crimson clover and brassicas can be added to any of these.

If you have cover crops planned under the Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP), these can also be grazed or hayed as long as the planned purpose(s) are not compromised, and the planned resource concern is met. Grazing or forage is not a primary purpose of NRCS cover crops. Cover crops planted on prevented planting acres and EQIP cover crops can not be harvested for grain under any circumstances.

For more information about grazing or harvesting forage on EQIP funded cover crops, mixes and seeding rates for prevented planting options, contact your local NRCS office.

Keep a positive attitude and keep on grazing!

Reminders & Opportunities  
Conservation Cropping Systems Initiative 2019 compiled information: <http://ccsin.iaswcd.org/conservation-practices/prevented-planting-tools/>

More pasture information and past issues of Grazing Bites are available at [www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/in/technical/landuse/pasture/](http://www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/in/technical/landuse/pasture/)

### -- INDEPENDENCE DAY --

Independence Day. Such a great day in our history. Over 240 years ago, 13 American colonies, as a new nation, declared independence from the British Empire. We all celebrate this very important day on July 4<sup>th</sup>. But did you know that we actually (and legally) became separated from Great Britain on July 2<sup>nd</sup> when Congress voted to approve the resolution of independence? Two days later they then approved and adopted the Declaration of Independence, which was an explanation of the decision to separate from Great Britain.

### -- OUR INDEPENDENCE --

The actions by those people so long ago set the stage for our great county to grow and prosper as it has. Each of us are very fortunate to live here. Just ask anyone who has traveled abroad. Here we can voice our opinions and make our own decisions. We are free and independent to make our own choices, hopefully within the laws established by this great county.

### -- OUR CHOICES --

When we make our choices and decisions, we typically do it to better ourselves, help someone else, or in some way improve something. Even though we do occasionally see that some people sometimes make decisions and choices that cause harm or don't do good. Our country's laws, set in motion over 240 years ago, deal with those instances.

### -- DOING GOOD --

So, when you decide to do something good, you can choose your time, your talent, or your treasure to meet your goals. If you choose your treasure (your money) to improve the quality of life in your community, the Martin County Community Foundation is always here to provide a way to do that. There are other ways and organizations to donate to a charity or to help a good cause, but with the MCCF, your choice will have an impact and make a difference for many, many years to come, for another 240 years and more.

### -- BECAUSE WE CAN --

So, with our independence, we can choose what or who we can help, decide why we do it, choose how we do it, and choose when we do it. You can do it now, do it later, or do it with a will or bequest when you're gone. Remember the MCCF when making your decisions and your choices. We offer some unique alternatives to help you help others. You are free to help others any way you can because of some actions by a few men those many years ago.

### -- CELEBRATE --

Celebrate that freedom every day, not just once a year on July 4<sup>th</sup>. There is no reason not to be thankful for living in these United States of America. Each of us is fortunate to live here. Be thankful for what you have been given. Not just for an opportunity to do good, but the ability and freedom to actually take some actions and improve the quality of life around you and in your community. Give back for what you have been given. So many years ago...

### -- WITH MORE NOW --

And if you want your giving to have even more impact, the MCCF has a

matching grant opportunity in place at this time. With this grant, the MCCF can match \$2 for every \$1 donated to an unrestricted fund and 50¢ for each \$1 donated to any other fund type. The matching grant is available through December 2020, but on a first-come, first-served basis while the grant funds are available.

### -- MORE INFORMATION --

For more information about the MCCF, the matching grant, or how we can help you accomplish your charitable goals, please contact the MCCF Director, Curt Johnson, at 812-295-1022 or [mccf@cfpartner.org](mailto:mccf@cfpartner.org).

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## Cops Cycling for Survivors starts next Monday

Monday, July 8 marks the start of the 18th annual Cops Cycling for Survivors bicycle ride around Indiana. A departure ceremony is scheduled for 8:30 a.m. EDT at the Law Enforcement and Fire Fighters Memorial on the capital grounds in downtown Indianapolis. The cyclists will depart shortly after comments by Amy Elson, survivor of fallen Indiana State Police Trooper Cory Elson, EOW 4/03/1999.

After the 9 a.m. departure from the memorial, the cyclists will head north to the Boone County Sheriff's Office in Lebanon where they will meet with family, friends, and co-workers to honor and remember Deputy Jacob Pickett's ultimate sacrifice for Hoosiers on March 5, 2018. July 8 continues with a ride across Hamilton County to end in Lapel to meet with survivors of DNR Sgt. Edward Bollman, EOW February 13, 2018. Later in the ride the cyclists will visit the survivors of other Indiana law enforcement officers killed in the line of duty, including 2018 officers Patrolman Robert Pitts, Terre Haute Police Department, EOW May 5, 2018, Officer David Tinsley, Fort Wayne Police Department, EOW September 11, 2018, and Sgt. Benton Bertram, Charlestown Police Department, EOW December 12, 2018 as well as survivors from throughout Indiana's history. The cyclists' journey will last 13 days and cover nearly 1,000 miles bicycling the perimeter of Indiana honoring fallen police officers and their families.

The Cops Cycling for Survivors Foundation, Inc. annual bike ride consists of active and retired police officers, law enforcement survivors, law enforcement family members and friends of law enforcement riding their bicycles around the perimeter of Indiana to raise funds and awareness of the sacrifices made by Hoosier law enforcement families across Indiana. Funds raised from this event are used to perpetuate the memories of officers killed in the line-of-duty and to aid surviving family members and co-workers of officers killed in the line-of-duty. Previously raised funds have been directly donated to foundations, scholarships and camps started in memory of fallen officers or by Indiana

survivors in honor of their fallen heroes and to provide immediate financial assistance following a line of duty death.

The ride is scheduled to conclude the afternoon of Saturday, July 20, 2019, at Crown Hill Cemetery, Heroes of Public Safety Section. The closing ceremony begins at 2:00 p.m. EDT. Phil Garrison, Paul Garrison, and Lori Garrison Boggs, surviving children of fallen Indiana State Police Trooper Robert Garrison, EOW December 14, 1959 will provide the closing message. All are welcome to attend.

The general route of the ride is as follows:

Day 1- July 8th Indianapolis to Lapel (Lunch Boone County)

Day 2- July 9th Lapel to Bluffton (Lunch Taylor University)

Day 3- July 10th Bluffton to Angola (Lunch Fort Wayne)

Day 4- July 11th Angola to South Bend/Mishawaka (Lunch Middlebury)

Day 5- July 12th South Bend/Mishawaka to Merrillville (Lunch La Porte)

Day 6- July 13th Merrillville to Kentland (Lunch Lowell)

Day 7- July 14th Kentland to Terre Haute (Lunch Cayuga)

Day 8- July 15th Terre Haute to Princeton (Lunch Wabash Valley Correctional Facility Sullivan)

Day 9- July 16th Princeton to Huntingtonburg (Lunch Jasper)

Day 10- July 17th Jasper to Jeffersonville (Lunch Marengo)

Day 11- July 18th Jeffersonville to Madison (Lunch Madison)

Day 12- July 19th Madison to Bloomington (Lunch Brownstown)

Day 13- July 20th Bloomington to Indianapolis (Lunch Mooresville)

To track the ride's progress, stops, and activities, please like and follow them on the Cops Cycling for Survivors Foundation Facebook page [www.facebook.com/Cops-Cycling-for-Survivors-195826717113332/](https://www.facebook.com/Cops-Cycling-for-Survivors-195826717113332/)

For more information about the organization, donations made, or this year's ride, visit their website: [www.cops-cycling4survivors.org/](http://www.cops-cycling4survivors.org/), or contact Monica Zahasky, President of Cops Cycling for Survivors Foundation, Inc. at [cops-cyclingforsurvivors@gmail.com](mailto:cops-cyclingforsurvivors@gmail.com).