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Community hosting memorial service for beloved teacher

The Loogootee community lost a cherished citizen on May 29, 2021. Longtime band director, Ed Hamilton, passed away. His wife, Maryann, is also in poor health and unable to receive visitors so Ed wanted to spare her the stress of a funeral. Therefore, per Ed's request, no public services were held. However, several former students decided that some sort of community recognition was warranted for someone that meant so much to so many. Therefore, on Sunday, August 1, at 2 p.m. in the Loogootee High School Auditorium, a memorial service will be held to honor Mr. Ed Hamilton.

Ed began his teaching career at Loogootee in the fall of 1959. After one year he left to teach at Hymera and Jasonville for a combined three years then returned to Loogootee in the fall of 1963. He spent the rest of his career at Loogootee retiring at the end of the 1989-90 school year.

He demanded perfection from his students and got it! His legendary career was marked with an amazing string of first division ratings at ISSMA sanctioned contests. Band alumni will remember walking into the band room and seeing row upon row of awards across the front wall. No band wanted to be the one to end the streak.

At contest in 1972, Ed met another band director, Maryann Parr. They were married on June 8, 1973. Maryann spent her career as the assistant band director for Washington Community Schools but was always the unofficial assistant for Loogootee. She was always there to warm up the band while Ed attended to last-minute details at contest or to help fix those broken instruments as the band was preparing for a concert. She was truly a tremendous asset to Ed and the Loogootee band program.

While Mr. Hamilton demanded high quality performances, he also made music fun. Many of his students went on to become music majors as a result of the impact he had on their lives. Many more continue to enjoy music to this day as a result of their days in Mr. Hamilton's program. The band room was always a safe place for students to come when they were having a bad day. Mr. Hamilton was



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always a smiling face and a listening ear.

In addition to teaching band, Mr. and Mrs. Hamilton also taught many students to water ski during the summer months at West Boggs Lake. Both were excellent skiers and enjoyed teaching anyone who wanted to learn.

Mr. Hamilton also helped with the school tennis program for several years. He truly enjoyed teaching kids who wanted to learn new skills.

Several former students will be in attendance at the community memorial service. A very special announcement will be made about an outstanding honor that will be unveiled in the fall of 2022 in recognition of Mr. Hamilton's amazing 31-year career. At the memorial service, an announcement will also be made about how you can order CD copies of three of the albums that Mr. Hamilton recorded with bands in 1969, 1972, and 1978.

Whether you were a band member or just enjoyed listening to the amazing performances, please make plans to attend the memorial service on Sunday. Organizers would love to see the auditorium full to honor a teacher who touched so many lives in the community. If you have any questions or would like to send any memories to be shared at the memorial service, please feel free to email LHS.band.memories@gmail.com.

Shoals Town Council approves sewer, water rate changes

The Shoals Town Council met July 19. In attendance were Council Members Cary D. Albright, Clint Hoffman, and Cecil Ragsdale; Clerk-Treasurer Sierra Rutledge, Town Marshal Todd Eckert, Town Attorney Dave Lett and Brian Fleck, with HWC Engineering.

Clerk-Treasurer Rutledge presented an invoice from Roush Construction, LLC, on behalf of the Beautification Board. The invoice for \$14,000 is for all labor and installation of the new street signs that were purchased with a community foundation grant. After review, Council Member Ragsdale made a motion to approve the work and invoice with Council Member Hoffman making the second and all were in favor. Council Member Albright stated he felt the price for the job was very reasonable.

Council Member Albright presented a SRF Authorized Represented Resolution for submission for the SRF Loan for

a wastewater project that is in progress. Council Member Ragsdale made a motion to accept the resolution with Council Member Hoffman making the second.

Council Member Albright presented a per acceptance resolution between the Town of Shoals and HWC for the SRF process. Council Member Ragsdale made a motion to accept, with Council Member Hoffman making the second.

Albright then presented a letter of intent for matching funds to INDOT for funding to apply for the Community Crossings grant round 2021. He presented ordinance 2021-03 which was for a rate change for the sewage works. Council Member Ragsdale made a motion to accept, with Council Member Hoffman making the second.

Council Member Albright presented ordinance 2021-04 which was for a rate change for the water works. Council Member Ragsdale made a motion to

Commissioners give okay for \$248,900 to upgrade communications system

BY COURTNEY HUGHETT
Martin County Journal Publisher

The Martin County Commissioners met Tuesday, July 27.

Sheriff Travis Roush, along with dispatch commander Melissa Sorrells and a representative from VEI Communications, Dave Holt, presented three quotes to the commissioners for upgrading the communications towers around the county. The three quotes received were from Leonardo for \$358,500, Southern Communications Consultants for \$278,168 and VEI Communications for \$248,900. The work includes repairs to the current communications system along with replacing towers on Hwy. 231 and Peeks Road. It also includes adding a tower in the Lost River area, most likely on Windom Road. Dave Holt, with VEI, said their quote included the tower on Windom because they felt that area was the best suited spot. He told the commissioners that if VEI was chosen, they would hope to have the work completed this year.

Melissa Sorrells said that the upgrades will greatly improve communications with first responders, deputies and improve safety for the public by reaching places that are currently unreachable or have spotty coverage.

The commissioners approved the VEI quote for \$248,900. The money will come from the 911 fund and not be a new cost for taxpayers.

Ernie Abel, from Burns City, updated the commissioners on the progress of the cleanup on his property. The commissioners have been working with Abel for several months after neighbors complained about the junk cars lining his property. Abel also had cars parked on a county-owned lot next door to his lot. Abel said there are still a few cars he needs to get moved. Commissioner Paul George told Abel that the highway department will be mowing the county-owned lot this week. He said Abel didn't need to return to a commissioners' meeting in the future but

accept, with Council Member Hoffman making the second. The ordinances were presented for first reading at the regular session on June 8, 2021. The public hearing held for public comment concerning the increase was held June 30, 2021, at the Shoals Town Hall.

Clerk-Treasurer Rutledge presented current fund balance for all accounts. She requested for the additional appropriation as previously advertised with no changes for the general, LOIT and MVH funds. Council Member Ragsdale made a motion to approve the additional appropriations with Council Member Hoffman making the second.

Rutledge stated she needed approval for a new fund to be created for the grant received for the East Shoals Tornado Siren. Council Member Hoffman made a motion to create the fund with Council Member Ragsdale making the second.

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said they will be keeping an eye on him. "Better get that thing cleaned up because next time you come in here, we won't be so nice," said Commissioner George.

Highway Superintendent Scott Seals reported they are currently mowing in Lost River and the Bramble area. He asked the commissioners for permission to advertise for more help. Commissioner George asked if they have the money in their budget for one or two more employees. Highway Secretary Terri Alcorn said there is enough in the budget to cover the extra positions needed. Seals said they are going to hire just one person for now.

Commissioner George wanted to note that the county council did a fabulous job hiring a financial advisor to help with the budget. He said he wasn't on board with the idea at first, but he is very thankful the council went through with it. "Money well spent," he said.

Pat Jones, who was in the audience, asked the commissioners about the unsafe building ordinance that has been in the works. She wanted to know who would be enforcing the violations and asked if the ordinance would be advertised to the public before being voted on. Commissioner George asked Auditor Bobbie Abel if the ordinance could be published on the county website. Abel said it could. George said the commissioners would be the ones who receive complaints about properties and act accordingly. He said they are still tweaking the ordinance but asked Jones what her suggestion would be on how they handle it. Jones said she isn't sure, but her concern was that the ordinance would be stepping on the toes of property owners.

George replied that this is a concern of his as well which is why they have been dragging their feet passing the ordinance. He said he doesn't necessarily want to encroach on property owners either however in some cases they need to intervene to get them cleaned up. He said he isn't sure yet who is going to pay for the clean-up, if needed. Commissioner Cody Roush noted that a property in Shoals was recently cleaned up with donations and volunteers.

Following the regular commissioners' meeting, a "trial" was held in regard to a dog belonging to Jerry Erwin, of Shoals, that is frequently running at-large and chasing cats. Although some residents in the area have said the dog has attacked humans, there has never been an actual report made to law enforcement or the health department. Erwin has been issued the maximum number of tickets allowed in the county ordinance, so the matter was left up to the commissioners. Erwin failed to attend the hearing however one of his neighbors was present to express their annoyance with the dog not being contained. The commissioners, along with Animal Control Officer Josh Hughett, discussed next steps. In the end, it was decided that Erwin would need to construct a gate on his back porch to contain the dog within the next 30 days. Commissioner George noted that if the issue comes back to the commissioners again, they will consider requiring the dog be euthanized.



Making A Difference

By Curt Johnson
MCCF Director



-- ALEXANDER GRAHAM BELL --
"When one door closes, another door opens." Alexander Graham Bell (educator, scientist and inventor) understood that we cannot always look back at the closed doors in our lives; we need to look forward to other doors that open for us and bring new opportunities.

-- OPPORTUNITIES --

The Martin County Community Foundation (MCCF) exists to provide opportunities to our county, to make a difference in people's lives. One of these opportunities is to provide donors an avenue to give back to the community. Another is to help charitable organizations and causes improve the quality of life in our area.

One compliments the other and they need each other to make that difference; the donors need a way to give, and the charitable organizations or causes need someone to provide the resources to meet the community needs. It's all about giving back - whether individually with your time, talent or treasure, or as an organization looking to improve the quality of life in Martin County.

-- MCCF CAN HELP --

Donors want to put their money where their hearts are. When they come to the MCCF for help, they have some level of understanding that an endowment can provide the "forever funding" for that concern of theirs. Almost any good cause would benefit from having an endowment to provide funding far into the future.

-- SCHOLARSHIPS --

Some donors have seen the need to help adults improve their quality of life by fur-

thering their education even after they've been out of high school for a year or more. In those cases, both the donors and the students have seen the importance of continuing their education. Each of them also understands that as adults, life sometimes brings responsibilities and demands that challenge the goal of going back to school.

-- ADULTS TOO --

Because of these complimentary opportunities coming together, the MCCF is able to offer "non-traditional" scholarships established specifically for this purpose of helping adults open another door

in their lives and continue their education. This year Ariana Gomez received the St. Vincent de Paul Non-Traditional Scholarship for \$1,167. Ariana is attending Indiana University to become a Physician Assistant.

-- GIVING BACK --

Adult students set aside time in their life to further their education, improve their quality of life, and give back for some of what they've been given. We at the MCCF are thankful that we can help both Ariana and our donors attain their goals.

-- MORE INFORMATION --

For more information about the MCCF and how we can help you help others, please contact the MCCF Director, Curt Johnson, at 812-295-1022 or mccf@cf-partner.org.

You are also welcome to visit our webpage at www.cfpartner.org and "like" the MCCF Facebook page at www.facebook.com/mcccommunityfoundation.



Pictured is Curt Johnson, MCCF Director, presenting Ariana Gomez a certificate for the \$1,167 St. Vincent de Paul Non-Traditional Scholarship.

SHOALS

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Rutledge presented CLFRF "Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Funds" request for payment. She stated even though the money is already allocated to the town you have to request the funds from the Indiana Finance Authority, or you forfeit the funds. Rutledge reminded the council they have to have a plan submitted to the IFA by August 31, 2021, on how they plan to spend the money and they currently expect to receive approximately \$178,000. Rutledge stated that she and Council Member Ragsdale attended the last county commissioners' meeting and asked to consider allocating a portion of their APRA recovery funds to the town for infrastructure updates. Rutledge stated it would be a good idea to follow up with the county council as they are responsible for the county plan.

Rutledge presented meter deposit and applies for: P. King, A. Quinn, D. Sipes, H. Baylis, A. Voegerl, and R. Whaley. Council Member Hoffman made a motion to accept, with Council Member Ragsdale making the second.

Before closing, Council Member Albright asked for an update on the status of the land purchase by the ballpark. Attorney Lett stated the appraisals are still

being done.

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:28 p.m. The next regular council meeting will be Monday, August 9 at 5:59 p.m.

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OBITUARIES

KENNETH TAYLOR

Kenneth C. Taylor, formerly of Shoals, passed away Wednesday, July 21, 2021, at Jasper Memorial Hospital. A resident of Jasper, he was 62.

He was born August 2, 1958, in Washington; son of Austin and Maxine (Terrell) Taylor.

He is survived by his daughters, Melissa (Dan) Schroeder and Kendra (Ark) Wright; ten grandchildren; brother, Tim (Becky) Taylor; sister, Darlene (Paul Joseph) Moffitt; and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents; son, Dustin Taylor; and brother, Shelby Eugene Taylor.

Burial was held at Spring Hill Cemetery Tuesday, July 27.

Online condolences may be sent to the family at www.queenlee.com.

SARAH BARRERA

Sarah L. Barrera passed away at 8:08 a.m. Wednesday, July 21, 2021, at St. Vincent Hospital in Evansville. A resident of Loogootee, she was 57.

She was born July 12, 1964, in Bloomington; daughter of the late Dale and Marsha (Henderson) Weddle.

Sarah was religious and attended First Pentecostal Church of Odon. She truly believed in Acts 2:38. She loved being a mother and grandmother. She also enjoyed riding horses with her dad.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Dale and Marsha Weddle; and grandparents, Marie and Carl Honeycutt and Ruth and Bill Weddle.

Sarah is survived by her husband, Joseph M. Barrera of Loogootee; children, Tiffany Smith and Cody Smith, both of Bloomington; granddaughter, Sierra; sister, Shelly Weddle of Judah; and Smokie the cat.

Funeral services were held today, Wednesday, July 28, at Blake Funeral Home in Loogootee. Burial followed in Clover Hill Cemetery in Harrodsburg.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions can be made to Blake Funeral Home.

Condolences may be made online at www.blakefuneralhomes.com.

Blake Funeral Home in Loogootee is honored to serve the family of Sarah L. Barrera.

WALTER HORSTING

Walter Horsting passed away at 12:22 p.m. Saturday, July 24, 2021, at Memorial Hospital and Healthcare Center. A resident of Loogootee, he was 76.



WALTER HORSTING

He was born November 13, 1944, in Washington; son of the late Adolph Horsting and Ruth (Mattingly) Mandabach.

Walter married Elsie Hembree on December 6, 1969, and she survives. Walter was a Vietnam veteran and served in the United States Army for three years. He then joined the Army Reserve 281st Maintenance Unit in Evansville where he served for an additional 20 years. Walter also served in Wisconsin during Operation Desert Storm. He was a member of the American Legion Post 120 and Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 9395.

He was a member of St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church. And he enjoyed bird watching, NASCAR and spending time with his family. He also enjoyed to watching traffic on the highway.

Walter was preceded in death by two children, David Hill and Joetta Horsting; parents, Adolph Horsting and Ruth Mandabach; siblings, Rita (John) Martin, Jerry (Kay) Horsting, Betty (Mike) Williams and infant, Donald Eugene Horsting.

He is survived by his wife, Elsie Horsting of Loogootee; children, Tammy Hill of Shoals, Tim Hill of Shoals, Amy (Brent) Fellers of Loogootee and Nina Cook of Loogootee; 13 grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren; siblings, Bob (Marilyn) Horsting of Shoals, Frank (Theresa) Horsting of Washington, Joyce (Mark) Ashcraft of Vincennes and Patty (Jerry) Melvin of Washington.

Funeral services will be conducted at 10 a.m. Friday, July 30 at Blake Funeral Home in Loogootee. Burial will follow in St. John Catholic Cemetery.

Visitation will be held Thursday, July 29 from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. at Blake Funeral Home in Loogootee.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions can be made to the American Heart Association or Wounded Warriors Project.

Condolences may be made online at www.blakefuneralhomes.com.

Blake Funeral Home in Loogootee is honored to serve the family of Walter Horsting.

DANIEL KING

Daniel Brian Dean King was born in Newburgh on Tuesday, July 20, 2021. He spent a short time with his mommy and daddy before going to live in the arms of Jesus.

Family surviving Daniel include his parents, Daniel and Heather King of Elnora; brother, Jayden Flinn; sister, Kiera Mae King; maternal grandparents, Donald and Sandy Buchanan of Elnora; ma-

ternal great-grandmother, Onnie (Daniel) Hart of Loogootee; paternal grandfather, Randall 'Randy' King of Mitchell; paternal great-grandparents, Mike and Mamie King of Bedford.

Daniel was preceded in death by sister, Sarah Mae Flinn; maternal grandfather, David Byers and maternal great-grandfather, Kenneth Arthur.

Funeral services were held Friday, July 23 at Meng Family Funeral Home in Odon with Pastor Ura Miller officiating. Daniel was laid to rest in Walnut Hill Cemetery in Odon.

Arrangements have been entrusted to the Meng Family Funeral Home in Odon. Condolences and memories may be shared online at www.mengfuneralhome.com.

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Martin County Sheriff's Department log

MONDAY, JULY 19

3:05 a.m. - Received a report of a disabled vehicle on US 231, north of Loogootee. Captain Reed and Loogootee Captain Hennette responded.

4:08 p.m. - Received a report of trespassing near Shoals. Town Marshal Eckert responded.

5:17 p.m. - Deputy Wells assisted a motorist north of Loogootee with a vehicle identification check.

8:34 p.m. - Received a report of a tree on US 50, west of Shoals. Sergeant Gibson responded.

9:40 p.m. - Received a report of a stolen vehicle and a runaway juvenile in Loogootee. Loogootee Chief Floyd responded.

TUESDAY, JULY 20

5:03 a.m. - Stolen vehicle and runaway juvenile located in Greene County.

5:15 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance near Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded and transported the subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

6:26 a.m. - Received a report of a possible impaired driver on US 50 entering Shoals. Captain Reed responded.

2:25 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance near Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance transported the subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

2:52 p.m. - Received a report of damage to a car on US 50, west of Shoals. Sergeant Gibson responded.

3:38 p.m. - Received a report of a disabled semi on US 50, east of Loogootee. Sergeant Gibson, Loogootee Chief Floyd, and Martin County Civil Defense responded.

7:50 p.m. - Received a dog complaint in Shoals. Animal Control Officer Hughett was notified.

10:32 p.m. - Received a report of a reckless driver on US 231 near Loogootee. Loogootee Officer Wells responded.

11:33 p.m. - Received a fire alarm report in Loogootee. Captain Reed, Chief Deputy Greene, Loogootee Officer Wells, and Loogootee Fire responded.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 21

5:00 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

7:29 a.m. - Received a report of an accident on US 50, east of Loogootee. Loogootee Captain Hennette, Loogootee Chief Floyd, Loogootee Fire, and Martin County Ambulance responded. No one was transported.

10:45 a.m. - Received a request for an

ambulance near Shoals. Martin County Ambulance and Shoals Fire responded. The subject was transported to IU Health in Bedford.

11:55 a.m. - Received several calls about a trash truck on fire at Crane Base. Crane Base was notified.

2:31 p.m. - Town Marshal Eckert assisted a motorist in Shoals with a vehicle unlock.

6:18 p.m. - Received a request for a welfare check near Loogootee. Sergeant Gibson and Reserve Deputy Dorsey responded. All was okay.

6:40 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded but did not transport.

8:18 p.m. - Received a report of an altercation in Loogootee. Loogootee Police were notified.

11:25 p.m. - Received report of a disturbance north of Loogootee. Captain Reed and Loogootee Officer Wells responded.

THURSDAY, JULY 22

12:12 a.m. - Received a report of a tree down on SR 645, north of Loogootee. Captain Reed and Loogootee Officer Wells responded.

3:32 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance south of Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance, Loogootee Officer Wells, and Loogootee Fire responded. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

5:04 a.m. - Received a report of a possible break-in, in Shoals. Captain Reed and Loogootee Officer Wells responded.

7:34 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance transported the subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

10:14 a.m. - Chief Deputy Greene assisted a motorist near Shoals with a vehicle identification check.

10:35 a.m. - Received a cat and dog complaint in Crane. Animal Control Officer Hughett was notified.

11:51 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Shoals. Shoals Fire and Martin County Ambulance responded. No one was transported.

12:38 p.m. - Received a dog complaint in Shoals. Town Marshal Eckert responded.

1:10 p.m. - Deputy Seymour took three inmates to court.

1:19 p.m. - Received a report of trespassing north of Shoals. Chief Deputy Greene responded.

1:45 p.m. - Received a request for an

ambulance in Loogootee. Loogootee Fire and Martin County Ambulance responded. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

1:58 p.m. - Deputy Seymour took two inmates to court.

2:19 p.m. - Received a report of criminal mischief near Shoals. Town Marshal Eckert responded.

2:27 p.m. - Received a report of a damaged gas line in Loogootee. Loogootee Fire and Vectren responded.

2:50 p.m. - Deputy Shaw assisted a motorist with a vehicle identification check north of Shoals.

5:56 p.m. - Received a report of a disturbance north of Loogootee. Deputy Flanagan, Deputy Shaw, and Loogootee Officer Wells responded.

FRIDAY, JULY 23

5:48 a.m. - Received a report of a break-in, in Shoals. Deputy Flanagan responded.

6:25 a.m. - Received an alarm call in Shoals. Deputy Flanagan responded and all was secure.

8:35 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Shoals. Shoals Fire and Martin County Ambulance responded. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

9:23 a.m. - Received an alarm call east of Shoals. Chief Deputy Greene responded.

11:53 a.m. - Received a request for a welfare check in Shoals. Chief Deputy Greene, Shoals Fire, and Martin County Ambulance responded. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

12:37 p.m. - Received a dog complaint near Shoals. Animal Control Officer Hughett was notified.

2:52 p.m. - Received a report of an accident south of Loogootee. Haysville Fire, Deputy Shaw, Martin County Ambulance, and Dubois County Ambulance responded. No one was transported.

3:40 p.m. - Received a report of a missing person in Loogootee. Loogootee Police responded.

7:11 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance, Loogootee Fire, and Deputy Shaw responded. No one was transported.

7:40 p.m. - Received a report of a car-deer accident near Shoals. Deputy Shaw responded.

SATURDAY, JULY 24

5:21 a.m. - Received a report of a missing person near Shoals. Deputy Flanagan and Shoals Fire responded for the search. The subject was located.

8:48 a.m. - Deputy Shaw assisted a motorist near Shoals with a vehicle identification check.

10:28 a.m. - Received a dog complaint near Shoals. Animal Control Officer Hughett was notified.

1:22 p.m. - Received a report of a person "squatting" at a house south of Loogootee. Deputy Shaw and ISP Master Trooper Lents responded.

5:03 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Loogootee Assistant Chief Rayhill and Martin County Ambulance responded. The subject was transported to Daviess Community Hospital.

6:40 p.m. - Received a report of a suspi-

cious person in Loogootee. Deputy Flanagan, Deputy Shaw, and Loogootee Police responded.

7:25 p.m. - Received a report of an accident near Shoals. Deputy Flanagan responded.

9:44 p.m. - Received a report of an accident with a truck in the river near Shoals. Deputy Flanagan, Deputy Shaw, Chief Deputy Greene, Shoals Fire, and South Region responded.

10:13 p.m. - Received a report of a suspicious person south of Loogootee. Loogootee Police responded.

SUNDAY, JULY 25

5:35 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Loogootee Sergeant McBeth and Martin County Ambulance responded. No one was transported.

8:26 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Shoals. Shoals Fire and Martin County Ambulance responded. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

3:08 p.m. - Received a report of criminal mischief north of Loogootee. Deputy Wells responded.

5:04 p.m. - Received a request for a welfare check near Shoals. Sergeant Gibson and Loogootee Assistant Chief Rayhill responded. The subject was transported to Daviess Community Hospital.

7:54 p.m. - Received a report of a disabled vehicle east of Shoals. Town Marshal Eckert responded.

ARRESTS

TUESDAY, JULY 20

7:19 p.m. - Brock Hendrix, 22, of Heltonville, was arrested by ISP Trooper Nolan and charged with operating a vehicle while intoxicated, operating a vehicle while intoxicated endangerment, and reckless driving. His bond has been set at \$10,000 10%.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 21

10:39 p.m. - Tyler Ross, 27, of Washington, was arrested by Sergeant Gibson and charged with operating a vehicle while intoxicated and operating a vehicle while intoxicated refusal. His bond has been set at \$15,000 10%.

THURSDAY, JULY 22

11:08 a.m. - Mary Waggoner, 58, of Shoals, was arrested by Shoals Town Marshal Eckert on a Martin County warrant and is being held without bond.

FRIDAY, JULY 23

5:19 p.m. - Abigail Ferree, 20, of Bloomington, was arrested by Deputy Shaw and charged with domestic battery, obstruction of justice, resisting arrest, disorderly conduct, and criminal mischief. Her bond has been set at \$15,000 10%.

11:39 p.m. - Courtney Sutton, 31, of Loogootee, was arrested by Deputy Flanagan on a Martin County warrant and is being held without bond.

SATURDAY, JULY 24

3:12 p.m. - Jacob Long, 28, of Michigan, was arrested by Deputy Shaw and charged with possession of marijuana, possession of paraphernalia, possession of a stolen vehicle, and two Michigan warrants. He is being held without bond. ISP Master Trooper Lents assisted with the arrest.



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COURT NEWS

CRIMINAL CONVICTIONS AND SENTENCING

July 16

Charles T. Kline, convicted of strangulation, a Level 6 Felony. Sentenced to serve 365 days with 175 days suspended and credit for 95 actual days previously served plus 95 Class A credit days. Defendant received 175 days of probation.

Dale E. Jones, Jr., convicted of criminal trespass, a Class A Misdemeanor. Sentenced to serve 94 days with 0 days suspended and credit for 26 actual days previously served plus 26 Class A credit days.

Shane A. Enlow, convicted of false informing, a Class A Misdemeanor and possession of marijuana, a Class B Misdemeanor. Sentenced to serve 365 days with 359 days suspended and credit for 3 actual days previously served plus 3 Class A credit days. Defendant received 9 months of probation.

Billie Groff, convicted of disorderly conduct, a Class B Misdemeanor. Sentenced to serve 174 days with 0 days suspended and credit for 87 actual days previously served plus 87 Class A credit days.

James Edward Lewis, convicted of operating a vehicle while intoxicated endangering a person, a Class A Misdemeanor. Sentenced to serve 365 days with 365 days suspended. Defendant received 12 months of probation.

July 19

Kelvin E. Canady, convicted of possession of methamphetamine, a Level 6 Felony. Sentenced to serve 730 days with 728 days suspended and credit for 1 actual day previously served plus 1 Class A credit day. Defendant received 24 months of probation.

Alyssa R. Matheis, possession of methamphetamine, a Level 6 Felony. Sentenced to serve 365 days with 353 days suspended and credit for 6 actual days previously served plus 6 Class A credit days. Defendant received 12 months of probation.

July 20

Grazzin T. Eaton, convicted of operating a vehicle while intoxicated endangering a person, a Class A Misdemeanor. Sentenced to serve 365 days with 361 days suspended and credit for 2 actual days previously served plus 2 Class A credit days. Defendant received 12 months of probation. Also convicted of resisting law enforcement, a Level 6 Felony. Sentenced to serve 730 days with 654 days suspended and credit for 38 actual days previously served plus 38 Class A credit days. Defendant received 10 months of probation.

Chase H. Hembree, convicted of operating a vehicle while intoxicated endangering a person, a Class A Misdemeanor. Sentenced to serve 184 days with 180 days suspended and credit for 2 actual days previously served plus 2 Class A credit days. Defendant received 6 months of probation.

CRIMINAL COURT DISMISSED

July 16

Charles T. Kline, domestic battery, a Class A Misdemeanor, dismissed; operating a vehicle while intoxicated, a Class C Misdemeanor, dismissed; refusal to submit to a breath or chemical test, a Class C Infraction, dismissed.

Shane A. Enlow, possession of paraphernalia, a Class C Misdemeanor, dis-

missed.

Billie Groff, intimidation, a Level 6 Felony, dismissed.

James Edward Lewis, operating a vehicle with an ACE of .08 or more, a Class C Misdemeanor, dismissed.

July 19

Kelvin E. Canady, possession of a controlled substance, a Class A Misdemeanor, dismissed; possession of paraphernalia, a Class C Misdemeanor, dismissed.

Alyssa R. Matheis, maintaining a common nuisance-controlled substances, a Level 6 Felony, dismissed; possession of marijuana, a Class B Misdemeanor, dismissed.

July 20

Grazzin T. Eaton, operating a vehicle with a schedule I or II controlled substance or its metabolite in the body, a Class C Misdemeanor, dismissed; driving while suspended, a Class A Misdemeanor, dismissed; reckless driving, a Class C Misdemeanor, dismissed.

Chase H. Hembree, minor in possession of alcohol, a Class C Misdemeanor, dismissed.

CIVIL COURT New Suits Filed

July 15

Midland Credit Management, Inc. vs. Sidney Laurent, civil collection.

Amanda N. Hodson vs. Joseph L. Hodson, petition for dissolution of marriage.

Katherine Hoffman vs. Nathan Hoffman, petition for dissolution of marriage.

July 16

Midland Credit Management, Inc. vs. Jonie Day, civil collection.

July 19

State of Indiana vs. Triple L Ranch, LLC and Martin County, Indiana, civil plenary.

July 20

Midland Credit Management, Inc. vs. Connie Shipman, civil collection.

Kimberly J. Combs vs. William D. Combs, petition for dissolution of marriage.

CIVIL COURT JUDGMENTS

July 15

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Sumitomo Mitsui Finance and Leasing and against the defendant Timothy Wagler in the amount of \$57,574.23.

SMALL CLAIMS COURT New Suits Filed

July 14

Matthew W. Harshaw vs. Susan L. Harshaw, complaint.

July 15

Hoosier Accounts Service vs. Chad E. Chandler, complaint.

Hoosier Accounts Service vs. Raymond K. Chesser, complaint.

Hoosier Accounts Service vs. Glenda J. Barber, complaint.

SMALL CLAIMS JUDGMENTS

July 14

Judgment in favor of the plaintiffs William and Kimberly Combs and against the defendant Brian Wagler in the amount of \$994.50.

Real estate transfers

Rondia Joe Mack, of Marion County, Indiana to **Michael Malone**, of Martin County, Indiana, Crane Lot 50, more commonly known as 126 Earle Street, Crane IN 47522.

Nicolas E. Brosmer to **Terrin Ball and Holly Ball**, a part of the northwest quarter of the southwest quarter of Section 11, Township 1 North, Range 3 West, Lost River Civil Township, Martin County, Indiana, containing 3 acres, more or less. Also, a part of the northwest quarter of the southwest quarter of Section 11, Township 1 North, Range 3 West, Lost River Civil Township, Martin County, Indiana, containing 7 acres, more or less. More commonly known as 2276 Rusk Road, French Lick IN 47432.

Loogootee Police log

MONDAY, JULY 19

4:57 p.m. - Chief Floyd completed a welfare check on North Line Street.

6:40 p.m. - Caller reported a carcass on US 231 North.

TUESDAY, JULY 20

8:58 a.m. - Caller reported a low-flying aircraft in the area of US 50 and State Road 550.

3:47 p.m. - Loogootee Fire Department was dispatched to assist with a stranded semi at US 50 and Brickyard Road.

5:14 p.m. - Chief Floyd responded to a report of a semi that hit a utility pole at South Kentucky Avenue and East Washington Street.

6:49 p.m. - Officer Wells responded to a report of a vehicle traveling on Broadway Street at a high rate of speed and smoking.

8:44 p.m. - A caller reported a vehicle speeding through the residential area of Indiana Avenue on a regular basis.

11:30 p.m. - Loogootee Fire Department was dispatched for a smoke alarm at White River Co-Op.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 21

9:28 a.m. - Chief Floyd completed a vehicle check.

10:14 a.m. - A caller reported possible illegal drug activity.

12:09 p.m. - Caller reported an unknown vehicle parked at local apartments.

2:10 p.m. - Caller reported a possible missing person.

8:38 p.m. - Officer Wells completed a welfare check on Southwest Third Street.

10:13 p.m. - Caller reported a truck traveling at an excessively slow speed on US 231 South.

THURSDAY, JULY 22

9:46 a.m. - Captain Hennette completed a welfare check.

1:46 p.m. - First responders were dispatched to a medical call at a local business.

2:26 p.m. - Loogootee Fire Department was dispatched to a possible gas leak on Wood Street.

7:00 p.m. - Caller reported a noise complaint on Sycamore Street.

9:28 p.m. - Officer Wells responded to a domestic dispute at a local business.

9:45 p.m. - Caller reported threats and a possible break-in.

FRIDAY, JULY 23

10:00 a.m. - Captain Hennette responded to a report of a female harassing working at a local business.

10:55 a.m. - Captain Hennette completed a vehicle check.

11:07 a.m. - Caller reported illegal dumping at the industrial park on Oak Street.

4:12 p.m. - An employee at a local business reported trespassing.

7:10 p.m. - First responders were dispatched to a medical call on Church Street.

SATURDAY, JULY 24

1:50 p.m. - Assistant Chief Rayhill assisted with a funeral procession.

3:53 p.m. - Assistant Chief Rayhill check on a civil disturbance in a local business parking lot.

5:03 p.m. - Assistant Chief Rayhill assisted Martin County EMS with a medical call.

6:40 p.m. - Sgt. McBeth completed a welfare check on North Line Street.

9:45 p.m. - Sgt. McBeth responded to a report of a suspicious person on US 231 South.

10:13 p.m. - Sgt. McBeth responded to a report of a suspicious person on US 231 South.

SUNDAY, JULY 25

5:35 a.m. - Sgt. McBeth assisted Martin County EMS with a medical call on Cedar Street.

10:17 a.m. - Assistant Chief Rayhill assisted the Indiana State Police with a traffic stop on 1250 East.

11:06 a.m. - Loogootee Fire Department was dispatched to check an odor of propane gas on Cooper Street.

5:33 p.m. - Assistant Chief Rayhill assisted the Martin County Sheriff's Department with a welfare check.

10:09 p.m. - Sgt. McBeth responded to a domestic dispute on West Broadway Street.



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By Ann Ackerman



EXERCISE FOR PEOPLE OVER 60
Begin by standing on a comfortable surface, where you have plenty of room on each side.

With a five-pound potato bag in each hand, extend your arms straight out from your sides and hold them there as long as you can. Try to reach a full minute, and then relax.

Each day you'll find that you can hold this position for just a bit longer.

After a couple of weeks, move up to 10-lb potato bags. Then try 50-lb potato bags and eventually try to get to where you can lift a 100-lb bag in each hand and hold your arms straight for more than a full minute. (I'm at this level.)

After you feel confident at that level, put a potato in each bag.

THOUGHTS

*I don't want to adult anymore. Don't even want to human. I want to goat. Jump around randomly. Eat what I want. Head butt anyone who annoys me.

*Watching the price of lumber and wondering if I should sell my house for parts.

*Vegetarian (n.) an old Indian word for bad hunter.

*I do not have ducks.
Or a row.

I have squirrels.

And they are everywhere.

*Did you know that before the crowbar was invented, crows used to drink at home.

THE ATHEIST AND THE BEAR

An atheist was taking a walk through the woods. "What majestic trees! What beautiful animals!" he said to himself.

As he continued walking alongside the river, he heard a rustling in the bushes. Turning to look, he saw a seven-foot bear charging towards him.

He ran as fast as he could up the path.

Back-to-school shots

If you have putting off your back-to-school shots, the last immunization clinics before the school year starts will be Wednesday, July 28 and August 4, 8:30 a.m.-noon and 12:30-6 p.m. Students in kindergarten, grade 6, and grade 12 may need shots before they can begin classes. Immunization clinic hours are by appointment only. Please bring your insurance card and a copy of your child's immunization record with you. The Martin County Health Department office is located at 127 Water Street, Shoals. Please call 812-247-3303 to schedule an appointment or if you have questions about immunizations.

ANIMAL SHELTER Pet of the Week



KITTENS! The Martin County Humane Society is completely full of kittens! All colors and ages. The shelter is open by appointment only. For more info or to apply to adopt, visit www.humanesocietyofmartincounty.org.

Looking over his shoulder he saw that the bear was closing in on him. His heart was pumping frantically, and he tried to run even faster. He tripped and fell on the ground. He rolled over to pick himself up but saw the bear raising his paw to take a swipe at him.

At that instant the atheist cried out, "Oh my God!"

Time stopped.

The bear froze.

The forest was silent.

It was then that a bright light shone upon the man and a voice from heaven asked, "You deny my existence for all of these years, teach others I don't exist and even credit creation to a cosmic accident. Do you expect me to help you out of this predicament? Am I to count you as a believer?"

The atheist looked directly into the light. "It would be hypocritical of me to suddenly ask you to treat me as a Christian now, but perhaps could you make the BEAR a Christian?"

"Very well," said the Voice. The light went out, and the sounds of the forest resumed.

And then the bear lowered his paw, bowed his head and spoke: "Lord, bless this food which I am about to receive and for which I am truly thankful. Amen."

Make someone smile today!

Parkview Village holds annual golf scramble

The Parkview Village Annual Charity Golf Scramble was held Friday, July 16 at the Country Oaks Golf Club. 30 teams turned out for the event.

First place winners were Jamal Wittmer, Jordan Knepp, Marc Knepp, and Landon Lengacher. Second place winners were the German American Bank team of Travis Brett, Dave Winger, Connor Swartzentruber, and Steve Swartzentruber. Third place winners were Emmanuel Wagler, Galen Lengacher, Lamar Graber, and Noah Miller.

Gold sponsors for the event were German American Bank, Stoll & Graber CPA, and The Insurance Shop. The lunch sponsor was Stoll & Graber CPAs, LLC. Closest to the pin winners were #8-Aaron Otto and # 11-Cain Miller; longest drive winner was Steve Swartzentruber and Cain Miller won the 50/50 putting contest.

The \$10,000 Hole-in-One, putting contest and additional four hole-in one contest sponsor was Assured Partners.

Hole sponsors were Graber Post Buildings, Elnora Body Shop, Gordon Food Service, Twin Rivers Pest Control, Odon Locker, Assured Partners, Blake & Wagler Funeral Home, Shake Broadcasting, Alan Bubalo, K & K Industries, Daviess Community Hospital, Stoll & Graber CPA, LLC; German American Bancorp, The Insurance Shop, Odon Journal, First Savings Bank, B & B, and Summit Home Health.

Prize donations were made by Parkview Village Christian Care, German American Bank, Graber Post Buildings, Casa Sevilla, Kaffee Haus, Chuckles Odon, Summit Home Health, WTHL, Shake Broadcasting, and First Savings Bank.

Organizers want to give a special "thank you" to Annetta Graber, Floyd Alsmang, and Janae Wagler-The Core Center, who volunteered to help with the

Jones Reunion

The 48th Annual Jones Family Reunion for descendants of James and Rachel (Gallagher) Jones will be held Saturday, August 14, 2021, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. (Eastern Daylight time) at "The Church" at Powell Valley, located at 11502 Anderson Road, Shoals, Indiana 47581. The building will be open at 11 a.m. with lunch at noon (Eastern Daylight time). Masks may be worn but are not required. Please bring a covered dish. Plates, tableware, napkins, tea, lemonade, coffee, and hand sanitizer will be furnished. Please feel free to bring any family heirlooms, genealogy records, pictures, etc. for display as well as an item to be included in the silent auction. A driving tour to Anderson Cemetery and the Rusk area will follow.

St. Vincent Food Pantry

The St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry, on Park Street in Loogootee, is open the fourth Thursday of the month except November and December when they are open the third Thursday. The hours are 8 a.m.-noon and 1-4 p.m.

LUMC Food Pantry

The Loogootee United Methodist Church Food Pantry is open every Thursday (except the fourth Thursday) from 11 a.m.-1 p.m.

Mental Health Task Force

The Martin County Mental Health Task Force meets on the second Wednesday of the month from 1-2 p.m. at the Community Learning Center on the Martin County Fairgrounds.

Celebrate Recovery meetings

Celebrate Recovery meetings will be held every Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. at Redemption Church in Loogootee. This is

a Christ-centered recovery program and anyone is welcome to attend.

Local recovery meetings

Wednesdays-Alcoholic Anonymous, Martin County Community Corrections Building at 8 p.m.; Thursdays-Narcotics Anonymous, Redemption Church Loogootee at 8 p.m.; Fridays-Alcoholic Anonymous, Loogootee Municipal Building Loogootee at 8 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

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Solid waste board

The Martin County Solid Waste Board holds their monthly meetings on the third Wednesday of each month at 5:30 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 or call at 295-3149.



-Photos provided

First place winners at the Parkview Village Golf Scramble are shown above. The winning team included Jamal Wittmer, Jordan Knepp, Marc Knepp, and Landon Lengacher.



Second place winners at the golf scramble were the German American Bank team of Travis Brett, Dave Winger, Connor Swartzentruber, and Steve Swartzentruber.



In the Garden

By Ralph Purkhiser,
Purdue University Master Gardener

On a recent night, as I stepped outside into the garden, my nose was greeted with a sweet scent. I did not need to see the blooms to know that the evening primroses are in bloom. These primroses bloom at night to attract the moths that are their preferred pollinators.

Primroses are not roses, and many are not what I would consider prim. Actually, the common name of primrose may be applied to plants in either of two genera. There are more than 400 species in the genus *Primula*. Additionally, there are numerous hybrids and cultivars. The *Primulas* tend to be short, with few species topping a foot tall. Many have flowers that barely push above the basal rosette of foliage. *Primulas* may be annual, biennials or short-lived perennials. Most bloom in the early spring, but I once had an English primrose that set blooms every month except January. The bloom colors include white, yellow, orange, red, burgundy and purple, as well as many different variegations. Most of the blooms are only an inch or so in diameter.

However, that sweet scent that has been coming to me at night comes from a different type of primrose altogether. The genus *Oenothera* is related to *Primula*, but the two cousins are very different. The flowers on *Oenotheras* have a less-diverse palette, occurring in only white, yellow and pink. There are about 150 species in the genus. This genus includes the popular Missouri primroses, whose papery yellow or pink two-inch flowers are among the largest primrose blooms. They tend to grow almost as vines and are often used as ground covers, often on banks. They are quite striking when in bloom.

There are actually several species known collectively as evening primroses. Most of the blooms in the group are

yellow and are an inch or less in diameter. Plant heights range from two feet to over eight feet. Some within the genus have some interesting kinetic properties. The so-called spinning primroses actually do spin as the blooms open in the evening. If you can manage to be present when the blooms open, it is quite an entertaining sight. Since a plant often has dozens of blooms, all of which will open within a few seconds of the others, the plant may appear to be dancing. The show does not last long, but you will not forget the first time you see it.

The spinning may not last long, but the scent will permeate the night. The honey-sweet scent serves to attract the moths that will pollinate the flowers. The flowers will remain open, often not closing until about noon, and the scent continues to emit from the flowers.

Throughout history, *Oenotheras* have been used for food and medicine. The medicinal uses employ different parts of the plant for different conditions. The plant has been used in teas or infusions, as an ingredient in topical creams and even ground and made into pills. The leaves of young plants may be mixed with other salad greens for a tasty meal. While there is no research that confirms the plant has medicinal value, I can attest that the greens are good to eat.

Like many wildflowers, *Oenothera* will self-seed profusely and that has earned it a reputation as a weed. I say that I love weeds that smell so wonderful. They may be aggressive, but since they are native, they are not invasive. If plants pop up in unwanted spaces, the young plants are easy to pull out in the spring. You may also limit the spread by cutting back plants as soon as they have finished flowering. They make a wonderful addition to meadows and prairie gardens and the night-time scent is a real treat.

Purdue, OSHA workshop to help prevent grain dust combustion, explosion

A Purdue Extension workshop will help farmers and those who work in grain handling facilities better understand how to prevent grain dust combustion and explosions.

The workshop, funded by a grant from the Occupational Safety and Health Administration, includes sessions on handling and unloading grain, industrial hazards, and engineering techniques for overall prevention.

The training workshop will be held on September 10, 2021, 1-2 p.m. EDT, at the Southern Indiana Purdue Agricultural Center (SIPAC), 11371 E. Purdue Farm Road, Dubois.

“On average, there are 10 grain dust ex-

plosions every year in the United States, causing damage, injury, and death,” said Kingsly Ambrose, associate professor in Purdue University’s Department of Agricultural and Biological Engineering. “Our goal is to raise awareness of the perils of grain dust explosion and reduce this number.”

“Our participants will be able to identify active steps to reduce immediate threats, improve their knowledge of dust reduction methods, and better understand the combustion and explosion potential of grain dust.”

To register to attend or for more information, contact Dr. Ambrose at rambrose@purdue.edu or ph.765-494-6599.

Purdue Extension offering master gardener course for fall 2021

If you enjoy gardening and helping others grow, make plans to take part in the upcoming Purdue Extension Master Gardener course.

The Purdue Extension Master Gardener Program is a volunteer training program that offers an extensive course in horticulture in exchange for a donation of volunteer hours to help teach others what you have learned.

Sessions will be held on Thursday afternoons from 2-5 p.m. EST/1-4 p.m. CST, beginning on September 9 and running through December 16. The course will be held at the Ferdinand Library, located at 112 East 16th Street, Ferdinand.

Participants will learn about a wide range of subjects including soil and plant

science, diagnosis of plant problems, pesticide safety, composting, native and invasive species, and the culture of vegetable, flower, landscape, lawn, and fruit plants.

An early-bird registration fee of \$150 per person is available prior to August 26. After August 26, the fee increases to \$165 per person. Registration covers items such as educational materials, publications, name badges, and refreshments. Couples or family members who wish to take the course together and share reference materials can register for \$210 per couple through August 26, or \$225 per couple after.

If you would like to join the 2021 class, contact Purdue Extension-Dubois County at (812) 482-1782 or kjcek@purdue.edu to request an application.

Spotted lanternfly found in Indiana

Spotted lanternfly (*Lycorma delicatula*) was found in Indiana for the first time in Switzerland County earlier this week, the farthest west the insect has been found. This federally regulated invasive species has a detrimental impact upon plant growth and fruit production, especially in vineyards and orchards.

A homeowner in Vevay contacted DNR’s Division of Entomology & Plant Pathology (DEPP) with a picture that was taken outside his home of a fourth instar, or developmental stage, larvae. DEPP staff surveyed the site and discovered an infestation in the woodlot adjacent to a few homes in the area. The site is within 2 miles of the Ohio River and the Markland Dam. DEPP and USDA are conducting an investigation to determine exactly how large the infestation is and where it could have come from, as well as how to limit the spread and eradicate the population.

Spotted lanternfly is a planthopper that originated in Asia. It was first discovered in the United States in Pennsylvania in 2014. The Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture tried to limit the spread of this pest, but it excels at being a hitchhiker and is often spread unknowingly by humans.

Adult spotted lanternfly has two sets of wings, and the underwing has a very distinct red color with spots on the outer wings. The fourth instar of the insect is bright red with black and white markings. The egg masses of this invasive insect look like mud and they can be spread by

vehicle transport including recreational vehicles, cargo carriers (truck transport) and freight trains. They can also be spread through trade materials sold in infested areas that are shipped out of state including nursery stock, outdoor furniture, lumber, etc. Anyone receiving goods from the east coast should inspect for signs of the insect, especially if the commodity is to be kept outdoors.

Spotted lanternfly prefers to feed on tree of heaven (*Ailanthus altissima*), but it has been found on more than 103 species of plant including walnut, oak, maple, and various fruit trees. This insect is often found on grapevines in vineyards. Adult insects have piercing, sucking mouthparts and weaken the plants through feeding on them, which can make it difficult for the plant to survive the winter months. Congregating spotted lanternfly insects produce a sticky substance called “honeydew” in large quantities that over time becomes infested with sooty mold that attracts other pests in the area.

The Indiana DNR is asking for all citizens to keep an eye out for spotted lanternfly. The bright color of both the last instars and the adults of the insect should be present at this time of the year. Anyone that spots signs of the spotted lanternfly should contact DEPP by calling 866-NO EXOTIC (866-663-9684) or send an email to DEPP@dnr.IN.gov. For more information on this or other invasive pests see the following link www.in.gov/dnr/entomology/pests-of-concern/spotted-lanternfly/



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