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## Raises spark long debate for city council

BY COURTNEY HUGHETT  
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The Loogootee City Council met last Thursday night, in a special meeting, to discuss employee raises for next year.

The meeting started with the council reading from two lists. One was of raise recommendations from Mayor Noel Harty and the other was the ordinance typed up by the clerk-treasurer that contained all salary increase recommendations along with salaries that were remaining the same. When the council wanted to raise the salary of the chief of police, higher than the mayor had recommended, Clerk-Treasurer Nancy Jones said they could not do that according to state code. She said the recommendations could be lowered but not increased. In order to increase the salaries, a new ordinance would have to be created and approved later.

Council Member Roger Downey said the council did not know beforehand that they were not allowed to increase the raises recommended by the mayor.

Council Member Teresa Nolley asked if the raises for the clerk-treasurer and deputy clerk-treasurer were correct as presented on the ordinance. Clerk-Treasurer Jones said that the mayor does not recommend raises for her or her deputy, she does that herself. On the ordinance, Jones had put a 25-cent raise in for her and her deputy.

Mayor Harty said he did not recommend a raise for himself because he does not feel it is appropriate. He said the council would have to be the ones to give him a raise.

The council then discussed where to start on the list of raise recommendations and decided to start with the po-

lice department. Council Member Ruth Smith asked if the 50-cent raise the mayor recommended for the chief of police would widen the gap between his salary and that of a first-year officer. It was discussed at the last meeting that the raise would need to equate to \$4,000 to meet that goal.

Council Member Downey replied that the 50-cent raise would only be \$2,000 per year extra for the police chief. He then recommended raising the police chief's salary by one dollar per hour instead with the rest of the police department receiving a quarter per hour raise.

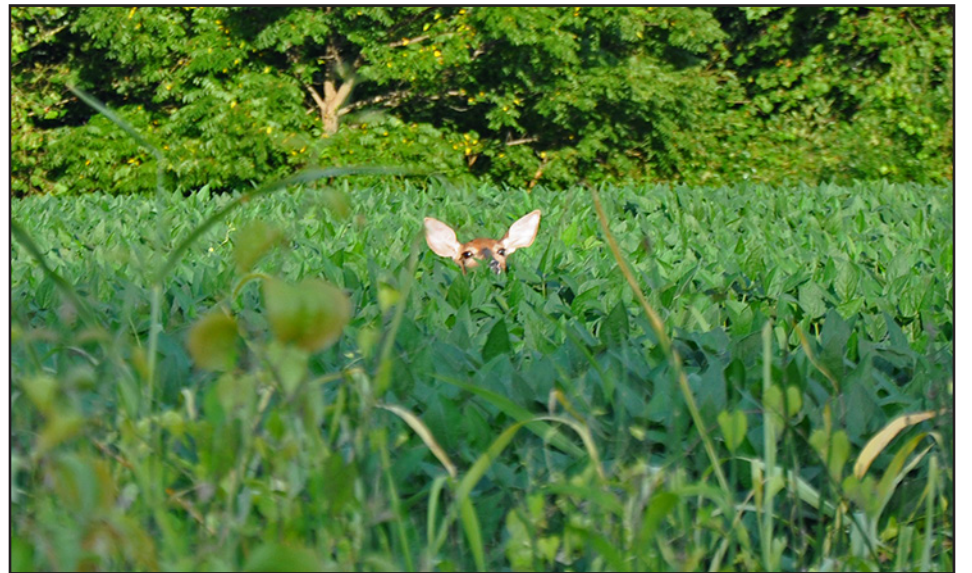
"You can't do that," said Council Member Nolley and Clerk-Treasurer Jones, almost in unison.

Mayor Harty spoke up and said that he has already explained that if the council wants to change his initial recommendation, he is fine with that and they will just have to produce a new ordinance.

Clerk-Treasurer Nancy Jones said she didn't think the council was going about this correctly. She said that since the mayor's recommendations are on the ordinance she prepared, she doesn't know how the council can now go and change those recommendations.

Council Member Nolley asked if they could instead go ahead and approve the 25-cent raises for the rest of the police department and not the raise for the police chief at this time. Clerk-Treasurer Jones replied that she thought the purpose of the meeting that night was to approve the raises as recommended.

"We were not aware we could not go higher," Council Member Downey said to Jones in regard to the mayor's recommended wage increases. "Nobody ever told us that, we are all new," he said. (See 'RAISES' continued on page 2)



## Peek-a-boo

-Photo by Bill Whorrall, www.billwhorrallart.com

Photographer Bill Whorrall captured this photo of a deer in a cornfield in Martin County last week. The deer was barely tall enough to peek over the top of the stalks.

## Loogootee Council discusses water department, promo video

BY COURTNEY HUGHETT  
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At the Monday night meeting of the Loogootee City Council, Phyllis Panko, mayor's secretary and water/sewer collections clerk, told the board of public works that the water department is having an issue collecting money owed on water/sewer bills from landlords after their renters leave abruptly. She said it's current policy that if a renter leaves a residence without paying off their water/sewer bill, and can't be located, the landlord is responsible for the sewer portion. Panko said this policy is not working and they have one landlord in particular that has racked up more than \$500 in bills. She said that Utilities Clerk Nancy Spaulding has been in contact with other cities to see what they do in these situations. She said some require the landlord to take responsibility for the renter's water/sewer bills when they rent and others will not turn on the water for new renters until all past due balances are paid by the landlord for that property.

Panko also noted that she has filed for liens on the landlord's rental property but this landlord isn't paying property taxes currently either.

It was decided that the City Attorney Isha Wright-Ryan would meet with the

### Filings for school board candidacy now open

Anyone wishing to run for school board at Loogootee or Shoals needs to file by Friday, August 26 (by noon). Loogootee has two at-large seats up for election (currently held by Tim Bradley and Nancy Summers). Shoals has District 2 (currently held by Mary Lou Billings), District 3 (currently held by Lorna Troutman), and District 5 (currently held by Jim Bruner).

Current filings:

Loogootee At Large - Nancy J. Summers

Shoals District 2 - Angela C. Cook

For information on how to file a petition for candidacy, contact the Martin County Clerk's Office at 812-247-3651.

water office clerks and see what they could come up with to recommend to the council.

The council voted not to add a \$10 surcharge to West Boggs Sewer District customers. Currently, any Loogootee Water customer outside of the city limits pays this surcharge. The council voted to exempt customers from the West Boggs Sewer District in regard to this surcharge. A hearing to be held at the next meeting in September for any public comment on this decision.

Council Member Teresa Nolley asked about the brick project at the city pool. The Friends of the Pool had sold bricks engraved with the donors' name(s) to raise funds to build the pool with the bricks to be laid on the pool property. Council Member Ruth Smith, who was a member of the Friends of the Pool, said that due to rain and being unable to coordinate workers to get the work done, (See 'COUNCIL' continued on page 3)

## West Boggs Park Hillbilly Weekend

West Boggs Park is hosting its Annual Hillbilly Weekend, August 12 through August 14. The following is a schedule of events for Saturday.

Saturday, August 13

10 a.m. - Mud Obstacle Course (near boat ramp/Bittersweet shelter)

11 a.m. - Watermelon Wrestling (near boat ramp/Bittersweet shelter)

2 p.m. - Golf Cart Races (near boat ramp/Bittersweet shelter)

4 p.m. - Volleyball Tourney (near boat ramp/Bittersweet shelter)

6:30 p.m. - Campsite Judging (Register your campsite for judging at the camp store between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m.)

7:30 p.m. - Fashion Show (Bittersweet shelter)

8-11 p.m. - County Line Band Concert (Bittersweet shelter)

8:30 p.m. - Prizes Awarded (Bittersweet shelter)

Participants must be registered five minutes prior to start of each event.

West Boggs Park is at 16117 US 231 Loogootee, IN 47553.



## Donation for the animals

-Photo by Courtney Hughett

Mya Miller, an eighth grader at Shoals Jr./Sr. High School, sold pops at this year's Shoals Catfish Festival and donated the \$200 she made to the Martin County Humane Society. Mya is shown above presenting the money she raised to Martin County Humane Society President Josh Hughett.



# RAISES

(Continued from page one)

Downey asked the other members of the council if they knew prior to the meeting that the mayor's salary increase recommendations could not be raised. The rest of the council non-verbally said no.

"Well, it's Indiana code, you just had to look it up," said Clerk-Treasurer Jones.

After more discussion on what could and could not be done, the council decided to table the police department's wage increases until the regular meeting on Monday night so they could change the mayor's recommendation and the salary ordinance to give the police chief a one-dollar raise.

The council then started to go back through the employee list to approve the other recommendations.

Council Member Rayhill said he thinks the mayor deserves a raise due to the amount of time he spends working for the city. He recommended 25 cents per hour or \$520 per year. The mayor currently makes \$39,104 per year.

Council Member Downey said he had mixed emotions about giving the mayor a raise. He said the city has other issues where money is going to be needed. He said they have to start cutting back on spending somewhere.

Council Member Nolley made a motion to approve the 25 cent raise for the mayor with Council Member Carroll Rayhill making the second. It was voted down with Council Members Ruth Smith, Tim Lawrence, and Roger Downey opposed.

The council approved a \$250 increase for City Attorney Isha Wright-Ryan for

next year.

On the mayor's secretary position, Nolley made a motion not to approve a 25-cent increase for her because she received a raise in November of last year when the city took over the West Boggs Sewer District. The vote passed 5-1 with Council Member Smith opposed.

Nolley also motioned to not increase Superintendent Bo Wilson's salary by a quarter. Council Member Smith spoke up on behalf of Wilson talking about all the work he does for the city.

Downey said he doesn't doubt that Wilson does a lot of work but feels all the city employees are important. He asked Wilson how much of a raise he got at the end of last year when the city took over West Boggs Sewer District. Clerk-Treasurer Jones replied that he got \$4,500 more per year.

Wilson told the council that if \$520 a year extra for him was going to break the city, he preferred they just keep it.

Nolley's motion died due to the lack of a second.

Smith motioned to give Wilson the raise. The council approved with Nolley voting against.

The council approved a 25-cent raise for the custodian of city hall, public works supervisor, water works employee, wastewater operator, public works equipment operator, public works laborer, and utilities clerk.

On the clerk-treasurer and deputy clerk treasurer, the ordinance stated a 25 cent raise for each. Jones said she actually wanted a 50-cent raise for herself and 25 cents for her deputy. The coun-

cil voted to give her what she requested with Downey voting against.

Richard Taylor, who was in the audience, questioned why the clerk-treasurer's salary could be upped to 50 cents when the ordinance stated the recommendation was 25 cents. He said he thought the raises couldn't be changed without rewriting the ordinance first. Clerk-Treasurer Jones said that was not the case for her raises.

## WestGate Park enrolling now for electronics classes with VU

The WestGate@Crane Technology Park and Vincennes University are enrolling now for the new Electronics Fundamentals Certificate program with classes beginning on August 22. Classes will be held at the Battery Innovation Center (BIC) as part of a partnership between, WestGate, Vincennes University, Daviess, Greene, Martin and Lawrence counties. This program was specifically chosen and designed to meet the needs of local employers. According to Ben Wrightsman, COO of the BIC, "we struggle to get local, qualified technical workers who can perform in a high technology manufacturing environment. We typically have to recruit outside the region, however we have been fortunate enough to find a couple local team members. One of these team members is a graduate of the Vincennes University Electronics program. Our hope in the course of this program is to acquire 1-2 more personnel as direct hires and al-

The salary discussion ended for the night but the city council held their regular monthly meeting four days later on Monday night.

The council ended up approving a \$1 wage increase for the chief of police and a quarter for all other part-time and full-time police department employees, including officers. Council Member Carroll Rayhill abstained from the vote due his son being chief of police.

low them to finish the coursework while working full time at the Battery Innovation Center." The BIC is just one of many local employers who hire people with this skill set.


Vincennes University's Electronics Fundamentals Certificate program will provide students with a comprehensive introduction to all areas of electronics (AC/DC, digital circuits, and linear electronics) and hands-on use of multi-meters, oscilloscopes, function generators, power supplies, and soldering techniques in the lab. To enroll in this program, no previous experience in electronics required. High school diploma or equivalent is required for registration (except current high school students), and all tools and parts needed for class are provided. Some students may have this certification paid in full with available grant funding.

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## IDA WAGLER

Ida (Knepp) Wagler died at 8:52 p.m. August 6, 2016, at her home. A resident of Loogootee, she was 89.

She was born July 17, 1927; the daughter of Levi and Mary (Wittmer) Knepp and step-mother Leah (Wagler) Knepp.

She married Glen Wagler on January 8, 1948, he preceded her in death October 12, 2009. She was a member of the Old Order Amish.

She is survived by her 12 children, Pauline Wagler, Willard K. (Ada Marie) Wagler, Marvin K. (Laura Mae) Wagler, Ada Marie (Lester) Graber, Mary Catherine (Loren) Wagler, Rosa (Paul) Wagler, Rachel (Leroy) Knepp, Delmar (Mary Ruth) Wagler, Stephen Glen (Janet) Wagler, Leanna (Robert Wayne) Wagler, Ida Lorene Wagler (Deceased), Barbara Jean (Lewis) Stoll, and Naomi Ruth (David Lee) Stoll; 44 grandchildren (4 deceased); 65 great grandchildren (2 deceased); and one sister, Margaret (Ben) Graber.

She is preceded in death by one daughter, Ida Lorene Wagler; four grandchildren; two great grandchildren; brothers and sisters, Fred W. Knepp, Wilmer Knepp, Rosanna (Abe) Graber, Louis Knepp, Elmer W. Knepp, Ada (Paul) Wittmer, and Peter Knepp.

Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, August 9 at the Produce Building in Montgomery. Burial followed in South West Cemetery.

Arrangements were provided by Blake & Wagler Funeral Home in Montgomery.

## DONALD WAGNER

Donald R. Wagner passed away at 7:20 p.m. Friday, August 5, 2016 at his home. A resident of Loogootee, he was 75.

He was born December 9, 1940 in Martin County; son of the late Oather and Edith (Jones) Wagner.

He graduated from Loogootee High School and was of the Christian faith. He was employed for 30 years at North American in Jasper. He enjoyed restoring furniture and woodworking. His greatest blessings were his children, grandchildren and his wife, Marilyn.

He is survived by his wife, Marilyn (Edwards) Wagner of Loogootee, whom he married December 23, 1961; son, Bob (Pam) Wagner of Zionsville; daughters, April (Greg) Clark of Loogootee and Lynn (Trevor) Keller of Mariah Hill; grandchildren, Cassie, R.J. and Joshua Wagner, Miranda, Grace and Annie Keller; sister, Ruth Burris of Washington.

He was preceded in death his parents; granddaughter, Chelsie; sisters, Helen Hopkins and Dorothy Wagner.

Funeral services were conducted this morning, Wednesday, August, 10 at Blake Funeral Home in Loogootee. Burial followed in Goodwill Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers memorial contributions may be made to Gentivia Hospice. Condolences may be made online at [www.blakefuneralhomes.com](http://www.blakefuneralhomes.com).

## CHARLES BRADLEY

Charles Jerome Bradley passed away at 7 a.m. Thursday, August 4, 2016 at Loogootee Nursing Center. A resident of Loogootee, he was 80.

He was born August 23, 1935 in Loogootee; son of Lawrence and Anna (Clements) Bradley.

He was a member of St. John Catholic Church and was a 1953 graduate of Montgomery High School. He was retired from Traylor Fertilizer in Montgomery. He loved spending time with his grandchildren and great grandchildren and he enjoyed farming.

He is survived by his wife, Oenone Bradley whom he married on April 18, 1959; two sons, Terry Bradley of Loogootee and Tom (Shawna) Bradley of Washington; four grandchildren, Joshua Bradley of Washington, Sarah Rutz of Washington, Utah, Jonathon Bradley and Shaina Bradley both of Washington; six great grandchildren, Carter Bradley, Connor Bradley, Collin Bradley, Chance Bradley, Gracelyn Rutz, and Mason Rutz; two sisters, Rosemary Wilcoxon of Columbus and Virginia Jacobs of Loogootee; and one brother, Ed Bradley of Loogootee.

He was preceded in death by his parents; two children, Theresa Bradley and Christopher Bradley; one grandson, Jacob Ryan Bradley; and two brothers, Lawrence Bradley and Tony Bradley.

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated Tuesday, August 9 at St. Martin Catholic Church in Whitfield with Father J. Kenneth Walker. Burial followed in St. Martin Cemetery.

Memorial donations may be given to Martin County Community Foundation Lucille and Rosemary Arvin fund P.O. Box 1235 Bedford, Indiana 47421. Arrangements have been entrusted to Ed Lee Mortuary of Washington.

## ANDREW ALBERTSON

Andrew "Andy" Albertson passed away at 9:05 a.m. Friday, August 5, 2016 at the Waters of Huntingburg. A resident of Jasper, he was 88.

He was born on August 13, 1927 in Boswell, Indiana; son of Andrew Sr. and Florence (Sturgeon) Albertson. He married Colleen Mounce on December 12, 1945 in Kentland, Indiana. She preceded him in death on December 26, 1998.

He was part owner and operator of Ireland Feed and Grain and A&J Feed Service. He was U.S. Army Veteran who served during the Korean War and was a member of the Loogootee American Legion Post #120, and the Mitchell VFW Post #9107.

He was a member of the First Presbyterian Church in Jasper and Jasper Outdoor Recreation.

He enjoyed playing golf, playing cards and early morning walks. He is survived by a daughter, Terry Fitch and husband, Toby, of Cannelburg; two sons, Mike Albertson of Loogootee and Bob Albertson of Jasper; four grandchildren, Carrie Albertson, Brooke Albertson, Kelly Ash, and Bryce Fitch; two great-grandchildren, Trey Baker and Teagan Ash; two sisters, Pat Hainje of Lafayette and Margaret Dewinger and husband, Don, of Lafayette; one brother, Darrel Albertson and wife, Mary, of Wichita Falls, Texas; and fourteen half-brothers

## COUNCIL

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it is not completed yet. She said they expect the bricks to be done by winter.

Clerk-Treasurer Nancy Jones said they are expecting around \$16,000 to come in from riverboat funds. There is currently \$3,000 already in the riverboat fund from last year. She said that typically, that money is transferred into the street paving fund and recommended the council approved \$17,000 to go toward paving. The council approved.

At last Thursday's meeting, Council Member Downey asked if the council planned to fund the extra position in the water department for the West Boggs Sewer District. He said when the plan first came about last year, under the old city council, the takeover was supposed to save the city money. He said the 300 or so customers from West Boggs Sewer District were to be added to the 1,400 customers of Loogootee Water and the employee for West Boggs Sewer District would not be needed. Plus, he noted, some city employees that were to be involved in the new work received raises to compensate them for the extra load.

Bo Wilson said they have been looking at computer programs to combine all the customers. He said as far as the employee goes, it was supposed to be analyzed after a year. Downey replied that as of January, which is the new budget, it will be a year. He said that the extra utilities clerk was not discussed as part of those savings.

Smith said she understood that the new software to be purchased to put all the water customers under one program would streamline the system and eliminate the need for an extra employee. Wilson said his current plan is to keep the software they have and build upon it. He said this would be a minimal amount of money compared to the cost of new software. Wilson said he believes the workload calls for the extra employees.

Downey replied that this was not discussed when the former city council agreed to take over West Boggs Sewer District. He said he had the printout somewhere of what was initially presented that showed the amount of money the city would be saving. He added that he doesn't see any savings from the takeover which was the purpose.

Clerk-Treasurer Jones said the West Boggs positions, of utilities clerk and laborer, were not put in next year's budget. According to the city attorney, the salary ordinance the council approved automatically budgets the two extra positions for next year but those positions can be eliminated if it is decided they are not needed. There was no further discussion.

The council then discussed whether or not to invest in a promotional video about Martin County to be made by Crosspoint Studios.

Mayor Harty said he is one hundred

and sisters.

Preceding him in death beside his wife were three brothers, Carol, Bill and Frank Albertson.

Funeral services were held at 11 a.m. this morning, Wednesday, August 10 at the Becher-Kluesner North Chapel in Jasper with burial following at Fairview Cemetery in Jasper. Pastor Cindy Lagle officiated. The Loogootee American Legion Post #120 conducted military gravesite rites.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Dubois County Humane Society or to a favorite local charity.

percent for doing the project however he has found that not many entities are interested in investing. There is currently only one organization that has agreed to invest \$2,500.

In the initial meeting where Crosspoint Studios presented the project, they said it could cost \$25,000-\$30,000, and up, depending on how long the video is. The project is being headed up by the Martin County Chamber of Commerce.

Martin County Alliance Director Tim Kinder, who was in the audience, said that when he looked into getting a video done four years ago, the maximum cost would be \$25,000 so he believes Crosspoint was a reasonable offer. Kinder said that the video would help bring tourists to Martin County to spend money at local businesses.

Council Member Downey said he doesn't think the people of Loogootee understand what Crosspoint is offering. He said that the main video only costs \$10,500 and the extra is for support, a hosting website and the videos made for each investor.

As was discussed at the initial presentation by Crosspoint, once the website with the videos is complete, there is no carry-on fee and the site and videos would be maintained by the Chamber. If changes needed to be made or if another business wanted to join, they would have to pay one of the three levels of fees - \$2,500, \$5,000 or \$9,500.

Mayor Harty said he just didn't see a lot of interest from businesses or organizations to invest that much in the project.

Downey asked what the harm would be then for the city to pledge \$2,500 toward the project.

Council Member Nolley said she had no issue with paying the \$2,500 because she doesn't see anyone else trying to promote the city or Martin County. "We can't sit here and do nothing and expect things to change," she said.

The council approved giving \$2,500 from the EDIT (Economic Development Income Tax) fund toward the project. Council Member Ruth Smith was opposed. Downey said Jones had said at the last meeting there was \$7,500 in a marketing fund. Jones said she didn't recall saying that.

City Superintendent Bo Wilson reported that one of the water mains out near the White River Co-Op had a major leak recently and the main is in disrepair. He said the main is clamped currently but could blow at any point. He spoke with four companies and received verbal quotes - VanHoy and Sons was \$29,500; Lane was \$30,900; Mitchell & Stark was \$39,759 and Infrastructure Systems, Inc. was \$50,370. The council voted to go with the low bid from VanHoy and Sons for \$29,500. Wilson said he expected to have the pipe replaced sometime in the next 90 days.

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## Martin County Sheriff's Department log

### MONDAY, AUGUST 1

8:49 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Loogootee Fire, Loogootee Chief Rayhill, and Martin County Ambulance responded. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

9:20 a.m. - Sergeant Keller assisted a motorist south of Loogootee.

11:04 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance near Shoals. Shoals Fire and Martin County Ambulance responded. No one was transported.

11:07 a.m. - Received a report of a tree across US 50, east of Shoals. The tree was removed.

11:52 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance transported the subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

12:17 p.m. - Received a dog complaint south of Loogootee. Sergeant Keller responded.

12:48 p.m. - Received report of a theft near Shoals. Sergeant Keller responded.

3:04 p.m. - Received a report of a theft in Shoals. Sheriff Roush responded.

4:45 p.m. - Jail Commander Abel took one inmate to the doctor.

6:23 p.m. - Received a medical alarm near Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded but did not transport.

8:41 p.m. - Received a report of vandalism in Shoals. Deputy Reed responded.

### TUESDAY, AUGUST 2

3:36 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. - Captain Dant took one inmate to court.

1:24 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded but did not transport.

2:00 p.m. - Sheriff Roush took one inmate to court.

3:20 p.m. - Received a report of a reckless driver near Shoals. Sheriff Roush responded.

7:40 p.m. - Received a report of illegal activity in Crane. Sergeant Keller responded.

8:59 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Shoals. Martin County Ambulance responded but did not transport.

9:37 p.m. - Received a report of a disabled vehicle near Shoals. Sergeant Keller, Town Marshal Eckert, and Shoals Fire responded.

10:37 p.m. - Received a report of a missing juvenile in Crane. Sergeant Keller and Deputy Reed responded. After an extensive search, with multiple agencies assisting, the juvenile was located.

11:15 p.m. - Received a report of speeding vehicles in Shoals. Town Marshal Eckert responded.

### WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 3

6:33 a.m. - Received a report of an accident near Loogootee. Deputy Reed responded.

11:00 a.m. - Captain Dant took one inmate to court.

11:30 a.m. - Sheriff Roush took one inmate to court.

12:35 p.m. - Received a report of a log skidder fire south of Shoals. Shoals Fire and Lost River Fire responded.

2:00 p.m. - Captain Dant took two inmates to court.

3:00 p.m. - Sheriff Roush took three inmates to court.

5:10 p.m. - Received a report of an accident near Shoals. Major Burkhardt, Town Marshal Eckert, and Shoals Fire responded.

1753 p.m. - Received a report of an accident near Shoals. Major Burkhardt, Town Marshal Eckert, Shoals Fire, and Martin County Ambulance responded. No one was transported.

5:55 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance transported one subject to Daviess Community Hospital.

7:03 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance transported the subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

7:19 p.m. - Received a report of a domestic situation near Loogootee. Major Burkhardt, K9 Officer Asher, and ISP Trooper Beaver responded.

10:37 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.

### THURSDAY, AUGUST 4

6:35 a.m. - Received a report of an accident north of Loogootee on US 231. Deputy Salmon responded.

7:23 a.m. - Received a report of an accident on US 50, east of Shoals. Captain Dant responded.

7:24 a.m. - Sheriff Roush transported one inmate to the Logansport State Hospital.

9:12 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.

10:30 a.m. - Captain Dant took one inmate to court.

12:30 p.m. - Received a report of an impaired driver in Loogootee. Loogootee Chief Rayhill responded.

1:00 p.m. - Captain Dant took two inmates to court.

1:10 p.m. - Received a report of a suspicious vehicle south of Shoals. Major Burkhardt and ISP Trooper Lents responded.

1:15 p.m. - Received a report of a theft in Loogootee. Loogootee Chief Rayhill responded.

2:00 p.m. - Captain Dant took two inmates to court.

3:59 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Loogootee Fire and Martin County Ambulance responded. No one was transported.

7:26 p.m. - Received a report of a domestic disturbance in Shoals. Major Burkhardt, Town Marshal Eckert, and ISP Trooper Beaver responded.

### FRIDAY, AUGUST 5

2:34 a.m. - Received a report of an attempted break-in near Shoals. Deputy Salmon and ISP Trooper Beaver responded.

6:40 a.m. - Received a report of a domestic situation in Shoals. Deputy Salmon responded.

7:25 a.m. - Received a report of highway signs torn down at SR 450. State highway was contacted.

9:45 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance south of Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance transported the subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

10:07 a.m. - Received a report of an accident near Shoals. Major Burkhardt, Shoals Fire, Martin County Ambulance, and Air Evac responded. The subject was transported to Louisville

Hospital by Air Evac.

10:50 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Shoals. Martin County Ambulance and Shoals Fire responded. No one was transported.

12:01 p.m. - Received an alarm call near Loogootee. Major Burkhardt responded and all was okay.

12:02 p.m. - Received a report of an accident in Shoals. Major Burkhardt responded.

12:50 p.m. - Received a report of a tree down near Shoals. Shoals Fire responded.

1:07 p.m. - Received a report of a fire in Loogootee. Loogootee Fire responded.

3:11 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance at Crane. Martin County Ambulance responded. 2 subjects were transported to Daviess Community Hospital.

3:22 p.m. - Received a report of an accident in Shoals. Sheriff Roush and Major Burkhardt responded.

4:21 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.

4:30 p.m. - Jailer Emmick transported one inmate to the doctor.

9:58 p.m. - Received a report of a tree down near Shoals. Shoals Fire removed the tree.

### SATURDAY, AUGUST 6

12:14 a.m. - Received a fire alarm call in Loogootee. Loogootee Fire responded.

3:49 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded but did not transport.

5:04 a.m. - Received a report of a tree down near Shoals. Shoals Fire removed the tree.

7:46 a.m. - Sergeant Keller assisted a motorist north of Loogootee.

8:01 a.m. - Received a report of property damage north of Loogootee. Sergeant Keller responded.

2:46 p.m. - Received a report of an accident in Shoals. Sergeant Keller and Deputy Salmon responded.

4:16 p.m. - Received a report of a domestic situation in Loogootee. Loogootee Officer Floyd responded.

9:00 p.m. - Received a report of a fire in Daviess County. Martin County Civil Defense assisted.

11:27 p.m. - Received a report of an impaired driver near Loogootee. Loogootee Officer Floyd responded.

11:40 p.m. - Received a request for a welfare check in Loogootee. Deputy Salmon, Reed, and Loogootee Officer Floyd responded.

### SUNDAY, AUGUST 7

10:49 a.m. - Received a report of a domestic situation in Loogootee. Captain Dant and Loogootee Captain Akles responded.

11:00 a.m. - Captain Dant performed a vehicle identification check near Shoals.

1:00 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance south of Shoals. Lost River Fire and Martin County Ambulance responded. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

1:33 p.m. - Received a report of vandalism in Loogootee. Loogootee Captain Akles responded.

6:50 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance north of Loogootee. Captain Dant, Deputy Reed, and Martin County Ambulance responded. The subject

was transported to Daviess Community Hospital.

## ARRESTS

### TUESDAY, AUGUST 2

12:00 p.m. - Ralph Fox Jr., 54, of Washington, was arrested by Major Burkhardt and charged with visiting a common nuisance. He is being held without bond. Assisting with the arrest were Sheriff Roush and K9 Officer Asher.

12:12 p.m. - Joseph Choate, 34, of Washington, was arrested by Major Burkhardt and charged with dealing in meth, possession of meth, and maintaining a common nuisance. He is being held without bond. Assisting with the arrest were Sheriff Roush and K9 Officer Asher.

### WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 3

11:45 a.m. - Robin Salmon, 23, of Shoals, was arrested by Captain Dant on a warrant and is being held without bond.

### THURSDAY, AUGUST 4

1:31 a.m. - David Dotts, 25, of Coal City, was arrested by ISP Trooper Beaver and charged with possession of marijuana and visiting a common nuisance. He has no bond. Assisting with the arrest were ISP Trooper Weir, Deputy Salmon, Loogootee Captain Hennette, and K9 Officer Roxy.

1:32 a.m. - Maegan Blackford, 25, of Coal City, was arrested by ISP Trooper Beaver and charged with possession of marijuana and visiting a common nuisance. She has no bond. Assisting with the arrest were Deputy Salmon, Loogootee Captain Hennette, ISP Trooper Weir, and K9 Officer Roxy.

1:32 a.m. - Laura Henry, 26, of Patricksburg, was arrested by ISP Trooper Beaver and charged with possession of marijuana, possession of paraphernalia, and maintaining a common nuisance. She has no bond. Assisting with the arrest were Deputy Salmon, ISP Trooper Wier, Loogootee Captain Hennette, and K9 Officer Roxy.

1:34 a.m. - William Randolph, 32, of Patricksburg, was arrested by ISP Trooper Beaver and charged with possession of marijuana. He is being held without bond. Assisting with the arrest were ISP Trooper Weir, Deputy Salmon, Loogootee Captain Hennette and K9 Officer Roxy.

12:50 p.m. - Molly Raney, 21, of Loogootee, was arrested by ISP Trooper Lents on a warrant and is being held without bond.

### SATURDAY, AUGUST 6

6:40 p.m. - James Osborne, of Loogootee, was arrested by Deputy Salmon and charged with possession of meth, marijuana, syringe, and paraphernalia. He has no bond.

### SUNDAY, AUGUST 7

1:06 a.m. - Stephanie Neukam, 34, of Odon, was arrested by Loogootee Officer Floyd and charged with operating while intoxicated. She is being held on a \$20,000 10% bond.

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# Loogootee Police log National unemployment stays at 4.9 percent for July

## FRIDAY, JULY 29

9:22 a.m. - Caller reported property damage on Broadway Street.

9:35 p.m. - Caller requested a welfare check on a female.

## SATURDAY, JULY 30

2:26 a.m. - Officer Floyd cited a male into court for operating a vehicle without ever receiving a license.

5:00 a.m. - First responders were requested on US 231 for a vehicle accident.

8:29 a.m. - Caller reported a dispute on Walker Street.

8:52 a.m. - Caller reported a phone scam.

12:05 p.m. - Caller reported a reckless driver on US 231.

## MONDAY, AUGUST 1

8:48 a.m. - First responders were requested on the high school for a medical call.

12:01 p.m. - Female caller reported a trespasser.

6:21 p.m. - Caller reported a dog complaint.

6:30 p.m. - Caller reported an animal complaint.

10:02 p.m. - Male caller reported a civil complaint.

## TUESDAY, AUGUST 2

4:30 p.m. - Caller reported a reckless driver on US 231. Officers were unable to locate.

## Accident report

### FRIDAY, AUGUST 5

10:05 a.m. - Brian McCauley, of Shoals, was riding his 2002 Harley Davidson motorcycle northbound on Chicken Farm Road near the Springhill Cemetery. Amy Moffitt, of Shoals, was traveling west on Springhill Road. As she entered the intersection, she failed to yield right of way to the McCauley motorcycle, causing it to hit the side of her van. When Major Burkhardt arrived on the scene at 10:10 a.m., he found Mr. McCauley bleeding profusely from his left arm. Major Burkhardt applied a tourniquet to help slow the bleeding. Shoals First responders and Martin County Ambulance took control of the scene upon arrival and prepped Mr. McCauley for transport. Air Evac was called in and transported him to University Hospital in Louisville.

## COURT NEWS

### CIVIL COURT

#### New Suits Filed

#### July 28

Crown Asset Management, LLC vs. Stephanie Huff and Stephen Huff, civil collection.

#### August 2

Portfolio Recovery Associates, LLC vs. Eldon R. Pursley, civil collection.

Joseph L. Zins vs. Sharon K. Zins, petition for dissolution of marriage.

### CIVIL COURT JUDGMENTS

#### August 3

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Discover Bank and against the defendant Michael Baker in the amount of \$12,848.98.

### SMALL CLAIMS COURT

#### August 2

Springleaf Financial Services vs. Zach T. Clifton, complaint.

### MARRIAGE LICENSES

#### August 5

Danielle Lynn Bough of Loogootee and Micah Eli Murphy of Loogootee.

5:20 p.m. - Captain Hennette assisted child protective services.

10:24 p.m. - Caller reported a lost cell phone.

11:05 p.m. - Received a report of suspicious persons on Broadway Street.

## WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 3

2:30 p.m. - Female came on station to report a hit-and-run involving her golf cart.

6:05 p.m. - Caller reported a reckless driver on Hwy 50.

10:15 p.m. - Female requested a welfare check on her mother.

10:37 p.m. - First responders were requested on Doyle Avenue for a medical call.

11:35 p.m. - Caller reported a suspicious vehicle on JFK Avenue.

## THURSDAY, AUGUST 4

1:32 a.m. - Captain Hennette and K-9 Roxy assisted ISP with a drug-related arrest.

9:30 a.m. - Female caller reported a reckless driver on US 231.

12:40 p.m. - Caller reported two intoxicated persons in a local business. Caller stated the subjects had left. Officers were unable to locate.

2:45 p.m. - Caller reported two vehicles racing on US 231.

3:30 p.m. - Male requested a vehicle identification check on a boat.

4:00 p.m. - First responders were requested on SE 3<sup>rd</sup> Street for a medical call.

4:30 p.m. - Received a call of two males in a verbal argument.

7:05 p.m. - Captain Akles towed an abandoned vehicle on SE 1<sup>st</sup> Street.

## FRIDAY, AUGUST 5

1:07 p.m. - Loogootee Fire was dispatched in regard to a semi with its brakes on fire.

4:17 p.m. - First responders were requested on SE 1<sup>st</sup> Street for a medical call.

4:37 p.m. - Caller requested a welfare check on a male on SW 3<sup>rd</sup> Street.

6:30 p.m. - Caller reported a lost dog.

9:35 p.m. - Male came on station to report his bike had been stolen.

## SATURDAY, AUGUST 6

12:14 a.m. - Captain Hennette responded to an alarm.

3:39 a.m. - First responders were requested on SW 2<sup>nd</sup> Street for a medical call.

5:17 a.m. - Captain Hennette responded to an alarm.

1:28 p.m. - Caller reported a vehicle all over the road on Hwy 50. Captain Akles located the vehicle but did not observe any traffic violations.

4:20 p.m. - Caller requested a male be removed from his property.

7:45 p.m. - Caller reported a speeding vehicle on US 231.

9:05 p.m. - Officer Floyd responded to a business alarm.

9:06 p.m. - Loogootee Fire assisted with a structure fire on Hwy 50.

9:23 p.m. - Caller reported a suspicious male near the City Park.

## SUNDAY, AUGUST 7

7:03 a.m. - Caller reported a possible intoxicated driver on Hwy 50.

10:49 a.m. - Caller reported a dispute on Crane Street.

11:00 a.m. - Male requested a vehicle identification check.

1:33 p.m. - Caller reported property damage to his vehicle.

5:38 p.m. - Caller reported a civil complaint.

6:45 p.m. - Officer Floyd assisted the ambulance service.

11:11 p.m. - Caller reported suspicious persons on North Line Street.

Total nonfarm payroll employment rose by 255,000 in July, and the unemployment rate was unchanged at 4.9 percent, the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics reported last week. Job gains occurred in professional and business services, health care, and financial activities. Employment in mining continued to trend down.

### Household Survey Data

The unemployment rate held at 4.9 percent in July, and the number of unemployed persons was essentially unchanged at 7.8 million. Both measures have shown little movement, on net, since August of last year.

Among the major worker groups, unemployment rates in July were little changed for adult men (4.6 percent), adult women (4.3 percent), teenagers (15.6 percent), Whites, (4.3 percent), Blacks (8.4 percent), Asians (3.8 percent), and Hispanics (5.4 percent).

In July, the number of persons unemployed less than 5 weeks decreased by 258,000. At 2.0 million, the number of long-term unemployed (those jobless for 27 weeks or more) was about unchanged over the month and accounted for 26.6 percent of the unemployed.

Both the labor force participation rate, at 62.8 percent, and the employment-population ratio, at 59.7 percent, changed little in July. The number of persons employed part time for economic reasons (sometimes referred to as involuntary part-time workers) was little changed at 5.9 million in July. These individuals, who would have preferred full-time employment, were working part time because their hours had been cut back or because they were unable to find a full-time job.

In July, 2.0 million persons were marginally attached to the labor force, about unchanged from a year earlier. (The data are not seasonally adjusted.) These individuals were not in the labor force, wanted and were available for work, and had looked for a job sometime in the prior 12 months. They were not counted as unemployed because they had not searched for work in the 4 weeks preceding the survey.

Among the marginally attached, there were 591,000 discouraged workers in July, little different from a year earlier. (The data are not seasonally adjusted.) Discouraged workers are persons not currently looking for work because they believe no jobs are available for them. The remaining 1.4 million persons marginally attached to the labor force in July had not searched for work for reasons such as school attendance or family responsibilities.

### Establishment Survey Data

Total nonfarm payroll employment rose by 255,000 in July. Job gains occurred in professional and business services, health care, and financial activities. Mining employment continued to trend down.

Professional and business services added 70,000 jobs in July and has added 550,000 jobs over the past 12 months. Within the industry, employment rose by 37,000 in professional and technical services in July, led by computer systems design and related services (+8,000) and architectural and engineering services (+7,000). Employment in management and technical consulting services continued to trend up (+6,000).

In July, health care employment

increased by 43,000, with gains in ambulatory health care services (+19,000), hospitals (+17,000), and nursing and residential care facilities (+7,000). Over the past 12 months, health care has added 477,000 jobs.

Employment in financial activities rose by 18,000 in July and has risen by 162,000 over the year.

Employment in leisure and hospitality continued to trend up in July (+45,000). Employment in food services and drinking places changed little in July (+21,000); this industry has added an average of 18,000 jobs per month thus far this year, compared with an average monthly gain of 30,000 in 2015.

Government employment edged up in July (+38,000).

Employment in mining continued to trend down over the month (-6,000). Since reaching a peak in September 2014, employment in this industry has fallen by 220,000, or 26 percent.

Employment in other major industries, including construction, manufacturing, wholesale trade, retail trade, and information, showed little or no change over the month.

The average workweek for all employees on private nonfarm payrolls increased by 0.1 hour to 34.5 hours in July. In manufacturing, the workweek was unchanged at 40.7 hours, while overtime increased by 0.1 hour to 3.3 hours. The average workweek for production and nonsupervisory employees on private nonfarm payrolls also increased by 0.1 hour to 33.7 hours.

In July, average hourly earnings for all employees on private nonfarm payrolls increased by 8 cents to \$25.69. Over the year, average hourly earnings have risen by 2.6 percent.

Average hourly earnings of private-sector production and nonsupervisory employees increased by 7 cents to \$21.59 in July.

The change in total nonfarm payroll employment for May was revised from +11,000 to +24,000, and the change for June was revised from +287,000 to +292,000. With these revisions, employment gains in May and June combined were 18,000 more than previously reported. Over the past 3 months, job gains have averaged 190,000 per month.

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## In the Garden

By Ralph Purkhiser

Purdue University Master Gardener

Goldenrod has started to bloom, signaling the start of hay-fever season. Those golden plumes may be an accurate indicator of the coming sneezes, runny noses and watery eyes but they are not the cause of the symptoms. Hay fever symptoms are caused by air-borne pollen. In general, plants that have big, colorful flowers have heavy, sticky pollen that must be picked up and carried by pollinators. Those colorful flowers and scents are meant to attract the insects, birds and other creatures who carry the pollen to other flowers to complete pollination and result in propagation. It is grasses, weeds and trees that do not have showy flowers that release great amounts of pollen into the air so that some will find the right flower to complete pollination.

Goldenrod just happens to bloom at the same time as one of the biggest releasers of air-borne pollen and since it is more showy, many people assume that it is the cause of their discomfort. In reality, the symptoms are probably caused by ragweed. Ragweed is almost the perfect allergy-causing plant. A single plant can produce more than a billion grains of pollen in a season and those grains contain chemicals that tend to aggravate the linings of the nasal passages of humans and animals. The pollen can stay in the air for days and the wind can carry it great distances. Ragweed pollen has been found as much as 400 miles out to sea.

In southern Indiana, there are two species of ragweed,--common ragweed and great ragweed. Common ragweed is appropriately named. Those fern-like leaves are everywhere. The only thing that is great about great ragweed is its size. In this area, it is commonly called horseweed and it is as big as a horse. Stalks may grow up to fifteen feet tall. It may actually be more common than common ragweed.

I am declaring war on ragweed. Combatting the plants may be futile, since the pollen will travel from other areas, but I am doing what I can to keep it down here at Sandhill Gardens. When I see ragweed growing, I make an effort to pull it out. If there is a large patch, I cut it and continue to keep it cut down as it re-grows. One must do the cutting or pulling before the plant begins to flower to be effective. In the past, people would cut ragweed and burn it, trying to keep it from releasing its pollens. However, studies show that the smoke from such fires actually contains the offending chemicals from the ragweed pollen and may aggravate allergy sufferers more than the pollen would. The key, therefore, is to keep the plant from flowering. There are some chemical controls for ragweed, but they are more effective with young plants and it would simply take huge amounts of sprays to have an effect in large stands of mature great ragweed.

Meanwhile, the much-maligned goldenrod is blooming without releasing pollen into the air. It is an important source of nectar for butterflies during this critical late-summer period. There are reasons to dislike goldenrod, even if you realize it is not causing your runny nose. The tall stalks tend to bend and break and it tends to colonize an area, choking out shorter plants. The sticky sap may cause some skin irritations. During World War II, that sap was investigated

as a source for a substitute for rubber. In recent years, breeding programs have produced some cultivars that are shorter and that play well with others. Still, many people continue to see goldenrod as a weed and choose not to include this nectar-rich plant in their gardens.

My plans for this past weekend had been to prepare beds for a fall vegetable garden. However, like best-laid plans, things went awry. I came home from work on Friday to find that a very large limb had fallen out of a huge soft maple tree in my yard. I spent most of the weekend, with the help of a couple of nephews, cutting up the limb and clearing debris. The limb had narrowly missed an arbor and swing, coming down in a border that is the south edge of my Japanese garden. It split a Lady-in-Red lacecap hydrangea and damaged another hydrangea. It also split a hybrid lilac and nearly demolished a firethorn. Several hostas were shredded and the sedum my grandmother had planted there more than 90 years ago was flat on the ground. It was a disheartening sight. However, I realize that the hostas and sedum will be fine next year. I trimmed out broken stems from the hydrangeas and lilac and they, too, should recover. The firethorn was loaded with berries this year, and I was looking forward to their bright orange color in the fall and winter. It was a very large bush, but I was able to save only a small portion with berries intact. I did, however, discover a few new plants that had rooted beneath the canopy of the parent plant, so I have dug up some to transplant to other areas. Firethorns are great for training along walls, so I may use some starts in areas where they will be easier to prune and shape. The loss of such a large limb will affect the amount of sunlight that enters the area, so it will be fun to see what will need to be changed in that area in the future. One change has already been made. My friend Deb gave me a beautiful ceramic Japanese garden stool that has been placed in the Japanese garden area. It's beautiful blue and white pattern creates a focal point and a welcome place to rest when working in the garden.

## DNR to adjust methods for bovine TB testing among wild deer

State biologists with the DNR Division of Fish & Wildlife plan to test for the presence of bovine tuberculosis (TB) in deer in southeastern Indiana this hunting season using a redesigned set of sampling protocols.

The new protocols are aimed at detecting the disease at lower rates of prevalence by focusing on hunter-harvested bucks that are at least 2 years old.

"While any age and sex of white-tailed deer can become infected with bovine tuberculosis, surveillance from other states has demonstrated that sampling bucks older than 2 years of age is more likely to detect the disease," said Joe Caudell, DNR state deer biologist.

Sampling of harvested deer this year will take place in all of Franklin County and in Fayette County south of State Road 44. In April of this year, the Indiana Board of Animal Health (BOAH) and the U.S. Department of Agriculture detected bovine TB on a cattle farm in Franklin County.

Previously, bovine tuberculosis was detected in farmed deer and cattle in late 2008 and 2009 in Franklin County

## Survey: Indiana farmland values continue to fall

BY KEITH ROBINSON  
Purdue University News Service

Indiana farmland values have continued their downward trend of last year, with average declines of 8.2 to 8.7 percent depending on land quality, according to the 2016 Purdue Farmland Value Survey. Declines of this size have not been seen since the mid-1980s.

Over the past two years, the average farmland value has fallen about 13 percent. The declines are largely the result of tighter profit margins from low commodity prices.

Cash rents - the amount a farmer pays to rent land to farm - also declined for the second consecutive year.

"The collapse in grain prices and the impact of tighter gross margins are working their way through the agricultural economy," wrote Purdue agricultural economists Craig Dobbins and Kim Cook, authors of the report. "While the underlying reasons for multiple years of tight gross margins now are not the same as in the 1980s, a series of years with downward adjustments in farmland values and cash rents like the 1980s may still be the result."

The survey shows that top- and average-quality farmland fell by an average of 8.2 percent from last year, and poor-quality farmland declined by 8.7 percent. Top land fell from \$9,266 per acre to \$8,508, average land from \$7,672 to \$7,041 and poor land from \$5,863 to \$5,353.

The downward change in farmland values was consistent across the five regions of the state, according to the report. The North had the largest year-to-year drop, with declines of 14.2 percent, 10.7 percent and 10.2 percent for top, average and poor farmland, respectively. The authors noted that declines of at least 10 percent are rare.

"In addition, the farmland value change in this region did not support the conventional wisdom of top-quality land maintaining its value better than lower-quality farmland in a downturn," they wrote.

This year's decline in cash rents

and on a Dearborn County cattle farm in 2011. As a result, DNR began a surveillance program in 2009 to determine if the disease had spilled into the wild white-tailed deer population.

From 2008-2015, biologists tested more than 1,400 deer. All have tested negative for bovine tuberculosis.

The DNR this year will need to collect between 850 and 2,700 samples from wild white-tailed deer depending on the sex and age class of the animal. The objective is to sample as many bucks older than 2 years as possible. The remaining samples will come from does and younger bucks.

During the check-in process, hunters will be asked to participate in testing by calling a toll-free number that will be available when they register a deer online. A team based in Franklin County will be on call to meet hunters and sample their deer.

Samples must come from the head and neck, so these parts should be preserved if deer are processed in the field. Hunters that wish to have their deer mounted or processed can provide the

across all land qualities was the largest since 1987. Over the past year, cash rents declined by an average of 9.8 percent to 10.9 percent. Top land had an average cash rent of \$257 per acre, average land \$204 per acre and poor land \$157 per acre.

The survey respondents indicated that they believe there will be a continuation of low grain prices, low and stable long-term interest rates and low inflation rates. If they prove to be correct, the authors said there is likely to be slower growth in farmland earnings and that producers' per-unit cost of production would need to be lowered further.

"Lowering per-unit cost of production will take time and will likely be a combination of adjustments in lower input costs, higher yields, and lower cash rents and farmland values, each contributing a small change," they wrote.

Respondents expected farmland values to fall an additional 1.9 percent to 2.2 percent during the last half of 2016.

Long-term, the direction is less clear. "Respondents were divided just about equally across higher, no change and lower," the authors said.

Those expecting farmland values to be higher in five years projected an average increase of 7.6 percent. Those expecting declines projected an average decline of 9.5 percent.

When asked to project cash rents for 2017, respondents expected a further decline of 4.5 percent.

The annual Purdue Farmland Value Survey is based on responses from rural appraisers, commercial bank and Farm Credit Mid-America agricultural loan officers, Farm Service Agency personnel, farm managers and farmers. The results provide information about the general level and trend in farmland values and cash rents. The survey does not indicate specific values for an individual farm.

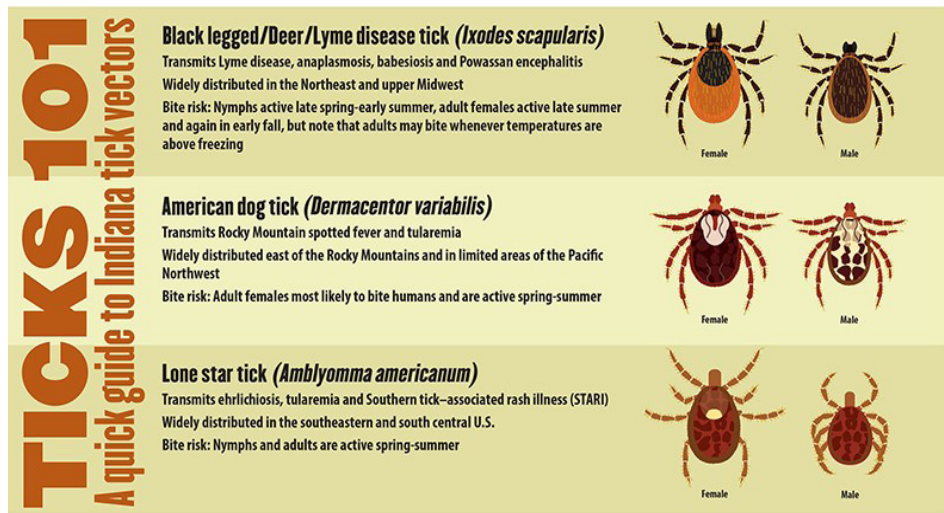
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name of the taxidermist or processor so arrangements can be made to collect the samples from that location.

During the youth weekend, September 24-25, and the firearm season's opening weekend, November 12-13, DNR staff will be at some historic check stations and other locations in Franklin and Fayette County. A list of these locations will be available when hunters register their deer online. A collectable Deer Cooperator Patch will be issued to all youth and adult hunters who submit deer for bovine tuberculosis surveillance.

Hunters who harvest a buck that is 2 years old or older from the TB sampling area and allow a sample to be collected (either by DNR staff, taxidermist, or at a processor) will qualify for an additional free buck tag that can be used to harvest a second buck that is at least 2 years old from the bovine tuberculosis surveillance area. A buck older than 2 years old can typically be estimated in the field by the spread of the antlers and the number of antler points. The age will be confirmed by tooth wear replacement by a biologist.





This Purdue infographic can help you identify Indiana's medically important tick species and the diseases they can transmit. (Purdue University graphic/Angela Roberts)

## Bit by a tick? Next steps and species to know

BY NATALIE VAN HOOSE  
Purdue University News Service

As you savor the great outdoors this summer, protecting yourself from ticks doesn't just spare you an irksome bite - it might also help you dodge a serious health problem, says Purdue University medical entomologist Catherine Hill.

Ticks can carry a wide variety of pathogens, parasites and viruses and can potentially spread diseases to their hosts by regurgitating infected saliva into the feeding wound they create in hosts' skin.

"Ticks have a greater impact on human health that we sometimes give them credit for," Hill said. "They can be powerful vectors of disease."

Indiana is home to several medically important tick species, including the blacklegged or deer tick, which can transmit Lyme disease, the most common vector-borne illness in North America.

Taking steps to prevent tick bites and knowing how to correctly remove a tick if you find one attached are key to avoiding tick-borne diseases, Hill said.

How to prevent tick bites

To help protect yourself from ticks, Hill advised wearing light-colored clothing with long sleeves and pants tucked into socks if you're headed into grassy or wooded areas. You can also use a U.S. Environmental Protection Agency-approved repellent or treat your clothing with permethrin. Nevertheless, checking your person and clothing thoroughly for ticks once you go indoors is crucial, Hill said.

"If you can remove a tick within 24 hours, you have a very low chance of acquiring pathogens," she said. "That's why we advise immediate tick checks."

Ticks can wander over the body before selecting a feeding site, and they tend to prefer areas that might seem less obvious such as the head, around the hairline, in the armpit and the groin. Remember that ticks can be tiny - the nymph, or juvenile, blacklegged tick is no bigger than a poppy seed before it has started bloodfeeding.

How to remove a tick

If a tick has anchored into your skin, remove it promptly. Apply a pair of fine-tipped tweezers to the skin, grasp the tick and pull upwards with firm, consistent pressure. The tick will eventually release.

Be careful not to break the tick, which could leave its mouthparts in your skin, potentially causing infection. Using a match to burn the tick, smothering it with mayonnaise or freezing it are ineffective ways of removing ticks and could be harmful, Hill said.

"Doing those things to a tick might encourage it to regurgitate back into the wound," she said. "Ticks are potentially full of bacteria and viruses, and you don't want those pathogens to be introduced into your body. You don't want to squeeze it for the same reason."

Once the tick is out, swab the wound with rubbing alcohol to sterilize it.

Symptoms of tick-borne illnesses

Symptoms of tick-borne diseases can include headache, fever, fatigue, rash, and muscle aches and pains. But reactions can differ widely from person to person, Hill said, and some people could pick up a pathogen without showing symptoms. Skin reactions will also vary. Some people break out in the classic bull's-eye rash associated with Lyme disease or the spotty pink rash that spreads from limbs to trunk associated with Rocky Mountain spotted fever. But others show no such reaction.

"Using a rash is not a good diagnostic," Hill said. "What's important to know is that if you've been out in tick habitat or you've got a tick bite and develop these symptoms within two to 10 days, you should see a doctor and seek immediate medical treatment."

Key species to know

Indiana is home to at least 15 species of ticks, but three are of particular importance to public health, Hill said: the blacklegged, or deer tick, the American dog tick and the Lone Star tick.

Of these, the blacklegged tick is the most significant, Hill said, as it can transmit Lyme disease. While not fatal, Lyme disease can be permanently debilitating if the infection is not treated before it reaches the chronic phase. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention confirmed 100 cases of Lyme disease in Indiana in 2014, and a percentage of blacklegged ticks in Indiana sampled by Hill's lab tested positive for the bacteria that cause Lyme.

"We know Lyme is in the Indiana blacklegged tick population," Hill said.

The blacklegged tick can also transmit anaplasmosis, babesiosis and Powassan virus.

The American dog tick can vector Rocky Mountain spotted fever and tularemia. The Lone Star tick - named after the distinct white spot on the female tick's back - can transmit ehrlichiosis, tularemia and Southern tick-associated rash illness. It could also be linked to an allergic reaction to mammal products, a condition known as alpha-gal allergy.

A free Purdue infographic offers a visual primer on Indiana's medically important tick species and is available through the Purdue Education Store at [https://edustore.purdue.edu/item.asp?Item\\_Number=E-272-W#](https://edustore.purdue.edu/item.asp?Item_Number=E-272-W#)

## Health officials urge precautions against mosquitoes as Zika spreads

The Indiana State Department of Health (ISDH) has been awarded more than \$3.6 million from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) over the next five years to protect Hoosiers from Zika virus disease.

The funds are being used to investigate illnesses, conduct mosquito surveillance and laboratory testing, support mosquito control and public health preparedness efforts and increase awareness of the Zika virus. The grants also include \$2 million, which will be received in \$400,000 annual increments, to fund a program manager to oversee microcephaly tracking efforts in Indiana, an application developer to support improvements to the Indiana Birth Defects and Problems Registry, and nurses who will conduct case reviews for any infants identified with microcephaly.

Zika is a mosquito-borne illness that has been predominantly found in tropical locations, including Central and South America, the Caribbean and Puerto Rico. Currently, 27 Indiana residents have acquired Zika while traveling to affected areas. No cases of Zika acquired from local mosquitoes have been reported in Indiana.

"While most people who get infected with Zika have mild symptoms or might not even know they're sick, Zika is a serious concern for pregnant women and their babies because of the risk of microcephaly and other health complications," said State Health Commissioner Jerome Adams, M.D., M.P.H. "We have been working diligently to educate Hoosiers about their risks at home and while traveling and to ensure that Indiana is prepared for Zika should we see local transmission here."

Indiana residents can protect themselves from Zika and other mosquito-borne illnesses by following the steps below:

When possible, avoid places and times when mosquitoes bite.

Use insect repellents containing DEET, picaridin, oil of lemon eucalyptus (OLE), or IR3535.

Cover exposed skin by wearing long-

## Controlled dove hunts at Patoka Lake

Patoka Lake will offer controlled dove hunts in several fields on September 1-4. The hunts will take place on Sept. 1 and 2, at Newton-Stewart State Recreation Area (SRA) and on September 3 and 4, at Jackson SRA. Jackson SRA fields will be closed to hunting on September 1 and 2.

A drawing will be held at 6:40 a.m. EDT each hunt day. On September 1 and 2, the morning draw will be at the Patoka Lake Archery Shelterhouse. On September 3 and 4, it will be at Check Station 5 in Jackson SRA.

Hunting hours are 7:15 a.m. to noon EDT. All fields surrounding controlled sunflower and wheat fields will be subject to similar time restrictions on September 1-4.

Property employees have planted sunflower fields in Newton-Stewart SRA and a mix of wheat and millet in Jackson SRA. Some planted areas did not grow due to poor weather during the growing season.

Interested hunters are encouraged to visit the property and examine the fields to determine where they would prefer to enter for a drawn hunt. Maps of the fields and additional information are at [stateparks.IN.gov/2953.htm](http://stateparks.IN.gov/2953.htm).

Hunters must have a proper hunting license and a migratory bird harvest information program number (HIP number). Non-toxic shot size will be limited to 6 or smaller, with a three-shell maximum capability per firearm. There will be no

sleeved shirts, long pants, socks and hats.

Stay and sleep in screened or air-conditioned rooms. Ensure all screens are in good repair.

Use a bed net if the area where you are sleeping is exposed to the outdoors.

Use permethrin-treated clothing and gear.

Eliminate standing water in and around homes and ensure that water is removed weekly from potential breeding grounds, such as tires, buckets, pet bowls, birdbaths and flower pots. Even a bottle cap can hold enough water to act as a mosquito breeding ground.

Repair cracks or gaps in septic tanks and cover open vents or plumbing pipes.

About Zika infection:

Zika virus is transmitted by the bite of an infected *Aedes aegypti* or *Aedes albopictus* mosquito. Only *Aedes albopictus* is typically found in Indiana.

Most people infected with Zika do not experience symptoms. About 1 in 5 will have a mild, self-limiting illness characterized by fever, rash, joint pain and conjunctivitis (pinkeye). There is no vaccine or specific treatment currently available for Zika.

Zika has been known to cause birth defects including microcephaly, in which a baby's head is smaller than expected. Babies with microcephaly often have smaller brains that might not have developed properly. Because of this risk, the CDC has urged pregnant women to avoid travel to areas with active Zika transmission, including an area north of downtown Miami. Sexual partners of pregnant women are advised to take precautions to prevent mosquito bites and sexual transmission. The latest CDC guidance can be found at [www.cdc.gov/zika](http://www.cdc.gov/zika).

To learn more about Zika virus in Indiana, visit [www.isdh.in.gov/zika](http://www.isdh.in.gov/zika).

For important health and safety information, visit the Indiana State Department of Health at [www.StateHealth.in.gov](http://www.StateHealth.in.gov) or follow us on Twitter at @StateHealthIN and on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/isdh1](http://www.facebook.com/isdh1).

"standby" or refilling of shooting stations for early departures. Fields will be "open hunting" starting September 5. Shooting hours will be 30 minutes before sunrise to sunset.

Non-toxic shot will be required for dove hunting throughout the season.

Hunters should call the office at (812) 685-2464 a week in advance for further information. The office is open 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. weekdays.

## Limestone carving demo at Paynetown SRA

Visitors to Paynetown State Recreation Area on Monroe Lake in September can watch local limestone artist Amy Brier and an assistant carve a reliquary.

The carving demonstration will run from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. every Saturday during the month at the Activity Center Shelter next to the beach. A reliquary is a limestone ball with a design carved into it. When rolled in sand, the reliquary leaves a pattern reflecting the carved design. Some reliquaries leave behind a trail of faces, or oak leaves or fish. More information is at [amybrier.com](http://amybrier.com).

The artists will interact with the public and share the story of stone as a natural resource, including its significance to American history and artistic merits.

Visitors can watch the limestone being shaped and ask questions. They can also try the tools themselves on a stone reserved for that purpose.



## More Neat Stuff



By Ann Ackerman



YOU KNOW YOUR DOG IS SPOILED WHEN:

1. You sneak into the garage to open snacks because you can't resist those puppy dog eyes.
2. You sleep on the edge of your king-sized bed while your dog spreads out over the rest.
3. She has a bigger collection of sweaters than you do.
4. You turn down an invitation to go out on a Friday night because you'd rather stay home and watch a movie with your dog.
5. He only eats healthy, natural premium food and treats (while you just grab fast food for yourself). Sometimes you even make your own dog treats! (Here are 3 grrr-eat recipes he'll love!).
6. If he's sleeping on your lap, you don't dare wake him - even if your legs are asleep and your bladder is full. Your dog's comfort is more important to you than your own.
7. You sing to your dog and replace words with his name. (I love you, Fluffy, and if it's quite alright, I need you, Fluffy, to warm a lonely night, oh pretty, Fluffy, trust in me when I say....)
8. If someone doesn't like your dog, you automatically don't like them. (There must be something fundamentally wrong with a person that can't see just how amazing your dog really is.)
9. You picked out your current vehicle with your dog in mind.
10. You wouldn't dare have a family portrait done without including the dog. It just wouldn't be a family portrait without the most important member of the family, would it?
11. You have a photo of your dog as your cell phone background.
12. Dog hair is just something you've learned to live with... everywhere.

13. When you leave the house, you play music or videos made especially for dogs to keep him entertained.

14. When you come home at the end of the day, you're more excited to see your dog than anyone else.

15. You spend more on grooming products for your dog than you do for yourself.

16. You've actually shopped for poop bags and know which ones work the best.

17. Your dog is your very best friend and you couldn't possibly imagine life without him.

### THOUGHT STARTERS

1. Facebook is like having nosy neighbors who don't really like you. They just stay connected to your wall to see what you're doing.

2. The dust bunnies killed my cleaning fairy.

3. A woman's place is in the kitchen: sitting with her feet up, sipping a cocktail, and watching her husband cook dinner.

4. Even duct tape can't fix stupid ... but it can muffle the sound.

5. I'm not short. I'm just more down to earth than most people.

6. You're not truly a parent til you've swatted blindly into the backseat of the car, hoping to connect with a kid.

7. I think senility is going to be a smooth transition for me.

8. If I were a ghost, I would go into homes of OCD people and tilt the pictures on the wall.

9. Dear Monday, Go step on a Lego!

10. I find it ironic that the colors red, white, and blue stand for freedom until they are flashing behind you.

11. Just read that 4,153,237 people got married last year, not to cause any trouble but shouldn't that be an even number?

12. In dog wine, I've only had two glasses.

13. The older I get, the earlier it gets late.

14. My brain says "crunches" but my stomach auto-corrected it to "cupcakes."

15. I'm always disappointed when a liar's pants don't actually catch on fire.

Make someone smile today!

## West Boggs Park Vintage Camper Rally

West Boggs Park is hosting its 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Vintage Camper Rally on September 29 through October 2. If you have camper 1983 or older, then this rally is for you. Even if you do not have a vintage camper you can still join for a weekend of activities. The public is welcome to tour the Vintage Campers on Saturday, October 1 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Call today and reserve your site today, (812)-295-3421. Find the event on Facebook at Martin County Annual Vintage Camper Rally. West Boggs Park is at 16117 US 231 Loogootee, IN 47553.

## School supplies giveaway helped 200-plus students

The Area Churches honoring Christ Together in Service (ACCTS) group completed its 2016 School Supplies Drive and Giveaway for Loogootee and Shoals students needing that little extra help to start the school year.

With the help of many churches, businesses, organizations, and people in the community, ACCTS spent July 29 and 30 to bag up and gave away 110 paper sacks full of school supplies for Shoals students and 56 sacks to Loogootee students. ACCTS also provided school supplies for 37

students in the Hoosier Uplands Head Start program. This event helped 120 less fortunate students, and their families, in our community to more easily begin the school year with the needed supplies. This is only possible through the generosity, care, and support from our communities for the students, the teachers, and the schools that are so important in the development and nurturing of our children.

The help of everyone in Martin County made this a successful ACCTS 2016 School Supplies Giveaway.

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### Shoals School Board meeting

The Shoals School Board will meet Thursday, August 11 at 6 p.m. in the central administration office. The meeting is open to the public.

### Lady Lions Golf Scramble

The 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Loogootee Lady Lions Basketball Golf Scramble will be held Saturday, August 13 at Lake View Golf Course at 9 a.m. It will be a four men/women scramble in A-B-C-D format. Turn in your team early to secure your spot. Cost is \$45 per person or \$180 per team. To register, call Brian Smith at 381-1026, Teresa Nolley at 295-6135 or Lonnie Hawkins at 340-9817. Food and drinks will be provided.

### Sons of the Revolution meeting

The Daniel Guthrie Chapter of the Indiana Society Sons of the American Revolution will meet on Tuesday, August 16 at the Free Methodist Church, 640 R Street, Bedford. Dinner will start at 6 p.m. and the meeting will start at 7 p.m. They will be installing a new member to the chapter and presenting awards that were presented to the Chapter at National Congress.

### Chamber meeting

The Martin County Chamber of Commerce will hold their monthly meeting Wednesday, August 17 at noon at Pizza Junction in Loogootee. Anyone interested in being a part of the chamber is invited to attend.

### Square Dancing

Learn to square dance. Lessons start September 6. The first and second lessons are free. For more information, call 812-329-6900 or 765-993-2807.

### Free lunch for kids

New Beginnings Community Church will be offering a free lunch to all school-age children every Saturday from noon to 1 p.m. at the fellowship hall of the church, located at 200 West Main Street next to the post office. For more info, call 812-709-2525.

### SOAR Tutoring

Need Skills? SOAR tutors can help! Free and confidential. Call or text Beverly 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. Members of the humane society are invited to attend.

### Solid waste board

The Martin County Solid Waste

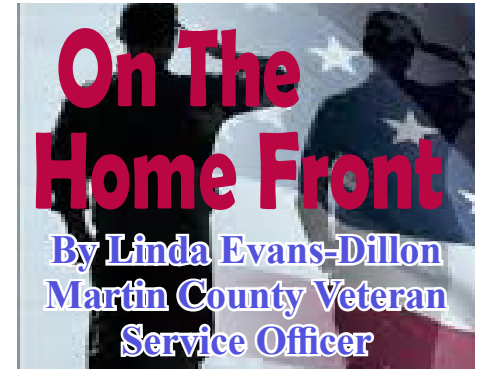
Board holds their monthly meetings on the third Wednesday of each month at 6 p.m. at the recycling center located at 500 Industrial Park Drive in Loogootee. The meetings are open to the public and anyone is invited to attend.

### Tourism meetings

The MCCC Tourism Committee meets on the third Wednesday of each month at 7 p.m. at Loughmiller Machine, 12851 E 150 N, Loogootee. The public 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.



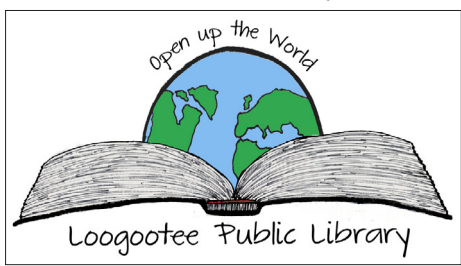
The Martin County Veteran Service Officer has an office in the Martin County Courthouse. An appointment is necessary as I am out of the office transporting veterans to medical appointments, meeting with or visiting veterans in the community.

During the month of July, the veteran service officer assisted 13 veterans, had six meetings, and visited the Legion's and VFW's in Crane, Loogootee and Shoals. The veterans' van took 12 trips transporting 14 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 in the surrounding area. This is not a paid position. You must have an Indiana license and a clean driving record. If interested, please contact me.

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

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).



BY DARLA WAGLER  
Librarian, Loogootee Public Library

Friends of Loogootee Library (FOLL) will have a huge book sale on Saturday, September 17, from 9-12:30. There are several nice hardback fiction, paperbacks, and children's books.

### New Books:

Fiction: "Sunday Kind of Love" by Dorothy Garlock, "Family Tree" by Susan Wiggs, "Insidious" by Catherine Coulter, and "Three Sisters, Three Queens" by Philippa Gregory.

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.



# 4-H NEWS

**By Stacy Brown**  
Martin County Purdue  
Extension Educator



## Making A Difference

MARTIN COUNTY  
COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

By Curt Johnson  
MCCF Executive Director



**4-H News**  
Martin County 4-H Junior Leaders Complete Year with Trip to the Zoo.

Through the past year the 4-H Junior Leaders participated in several community service activities including bingo at local nursing home, serving at Ag Day and the Turkey Dinner, hosting a community Easter Egg Hunt, conducting a day camp, helping with clean up and project check in at the fair, painting trash cans for the fairgrounds, serving as camp counselors at 4-H camp and helping the Youth Educator with tasks around the Extension Office. Another important responsibility of Junior Leaders is to extend information about projects, programs, and fair information to all other clubs in the county. They also had the chance to bond while playing miniature golf and participating in the Color Me Green Health Run. To celebrate their success, they took a trip to the Louisville Zoo on Tuesday, August 2. It was the perfect way to end the year and say goodbye and congratulations to the graduating seniors.

**Indiana State Fair Runs August 5-21**  
The Great Indiana State Fair begins on August 5 and runs through August 21. Many Martin County 4-Hers have exhibits in Centennial Hall, Exhibit Hall, and the Ag Horticulture building. There are also several 4-H members showing livestock throughout the two weeks. This year's fair is celebrating the Indiana Bicentennial. Visit [www.indianastatefair.com](http://www.indianastatefair.com) for a full fair schedule or stop by the Martin County Purdue Extension Office for a brochure.

**School Programs from Purdue Extension**

As part of their commitment to the community, Purdue Extension offers educational programs to area schools. These programs include nutrition, handling money, physics, and other STEM related lessons. If you would like more information or have a lesson you would like supplemented through the Extension office, please call (812) 295-2412.

**SPARK Clubs**  
What is a spark club?  
SPARKS Clubs are open to youth grades 3-12 to "spark" new interest in the Indiana 4-H program. They are special interest groups designed to capture the attention of youth with single focus, "out of the box" interests that are likely different from state-recognized 4-H projects. SPARK Clubs include six hours of instructional time that can occur in one day or over a length of time. Most SPARK Clubs end their program with a culminating event or activity. While current 4-Hers can participate in SPARK Clubs, it is generally meant for non-4-Hers to help them learn more about 4-H and get them involved. These clubs are led by volunteers bringing their subject mastery to the club. For instance, if you have a knack for making fishing lures or origami, you might be just the right person to lead a SPARK Club. If you would like to start a SPARK Club or have an idea for one, please call Stacy at the Purdue Extension office (812) 295-2412.



-Photos provided  
**Junior Leaders President Megan Hawkins is shown above accepting a donation from Ag Day Committee member Dave Gregory.**



**The Martin County 4-H Junior Leaders took a trip to the Louisville Zoo. Shown in the front row, from left to right, are Megan Hawkins, David Qualkenbush, Youth Educator Stacy Brown, Mykaela Peterson, and Aubrey Schaelgel. In the back row, from left to right, are Melanie Hawkins, Kenadi Rumble, Ryan Hawkins, Haileigh Suheski, Wade Burris, and Jocelyn Davis-Berger.**

-- WANT TO HELP? --  
So maybe you have been thinking about how you can help your community? How you can do your part, no matter how big or how small? You've probably heard that giving of your time, your talent, and your treasure are ways that you can do just that. The amount of each that you give is purely dependent upon you as an individual, unique in your own way. If giving of your treasure, no matter how big or how small, is something that you want to pursue, the MCCF has some great giving options. As I talked about last week, endowment funds are how we help you help others. Choose the one that's right for you.

-- UNRESTRICTED FUNDS --  
The unrestricted funds are perhaps the most impactful of the types of funds. You can use your gift to meet ever-changing community needs, including future needs that often cannot be anticipated at the time your gift is made. We evaluate all aspects of community well-being, such as education, health and human services, civic and historical affairs, the arts and culture, recreational activities, and more. The flexibility of your unrestricted gift enables our local board and staff to respond to the community's most pressing needs, today and tomorrow. The MCCF Open Grant cycle is when community organizations can present their current needs to the MCCF.

-- FIELD OF INTEREST FUNDS --  
You can also target your gift to address needs in an important area of community life, such the arts, economic development, or at-risk youth. You identify your personal interest area when making your gift; our Board awards grants to community agencies and programs that are making a difference in the area you select.

-- DESIGNATED FUNDS --  
With designated funds, you can direct your gift to a specific agency or purpose. You can provide ongoing funding for a youth organization, a church, a social service agency, or an arts group. Virtually any nonprofit charitable organization may be supported by such a fund. You identify the recipient you wish to benefit through your gift; our staff manages the annual distribution of the funds.

-- DONOR ADVISED FUNDS --  
If you want ongoing involvement in the use of your gift, a donor advised fund is for you. You work with our professional grantmaking staff, identifying ways to use dollars from your fund to address the issues and needs you care about most. Your recommendations are submitted to the board of directors for approval; we then distribute the grant dollars.

-- SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS --  
And lastly, but certainly not the least, you can designate your gift to benefit students seeking opportunities to better themselves through education. You may define guidelines for candidacy, the advisory committee, the school, and/or the award itself. We ensure that scholarships are awarded accordingly.

-- ESTABLISH A FUND --  
Any of these funds can be estab-

lished in your name, or in the name of your family, your organization, or anyone you wish to honor. There are minimum amounts for funds, whether for a specific "named fund" of a person(s) or for a more generic fund title. All grants distributed from your fund, today and in the future, are then awarded to charities in the name of your fund. It's a great way to always be involved with, and remembered, for your community investment, no matter how big or how small.

-- GIVE TO A FUND --  
You can also give to any of the already established funds managed by the MCCF. There are a wide variety of organizations, fields of interest, scholarships, and, of course, the very flexible unrestricted funds. Any amount can be donated to funds that already exist. Your gift can be what is just right for you. And these gifts can also be made in memory or honor of a loved one.

-- MORE INFORMATION --  
For more information about giving to available funds or how to establish a fund, please contact the MCCF Executive Director, Curt Johnson, at 812-295-1022 or [mccf@cfpartner.org](mailto:mccf@cfpartner.org). You are also welcome to visit our website at [www.cfpartner.org/mccf.htm](http://www.cfpartner.org/mccf.htm) or to "like" the MCCF Facebook page at [www.facebook.com/mcccommunityfoundation](http://www.facebook.com/mcccommunityfoundation).

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