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Additional money requests top county council's agenda

BY COURTNEY HUGHETT
Martin County Journal Publisher

The Martin County Council met prior to the start of budget hearings on Tuesday, September 5. The main topics of discussion were several additional money requests from department heads. The circuit court requested an additional \$70,000 to pay public defender fees. Auditor January Roush told the council that she divided up the amounts, \$30,000 to come from the general fund, and \$20,000 each coming from the Rainy Day fund and CEDIT (county economic development income tax). Auditor Roush was asked by the council how much has been spent so far this year on public defender fees. Roush said that as of the end of June, it was around \$150,000. The council approved the request.

The council discussed an additional money request from the judge for \$2,000 for office supplies. \$1,071.60 was noted to pay for four stand up desks – desks that allow you to stand while working. The council commented that the desks were already purchased before the council approved. It was also noted that there was no specific information for the remaining \$928.40 in the \$2,000 additional appropriation request. The council, after more discussion, agreed to approved the \$1,071.60 for the judge however they didn't approve the additional \$928.40. The money came from the general fund.

The judge also requested \$5,000 for depositions, transcripts and travel ex-

Traffic stop south of Shoals leads to drug arrest

A traffic stop, for multiple violations, led to the arrest of a Shoals woman on drug and paraphernalia charges.

At 1:22 p.m. Friday, Senior Trooper Jarrod Lents was patrolling Spout Springs Road, south of Shoals, when he observed the driver of a green 1997 Dodge Intrepid traveling northbound without her seatbelt on. Lents pulled over the Dodge, and noticed that the license plate on the car had expired in 2016. Lents spoke to the driver, 24-year-old Robin Salmon, of Shoals, and explained the reason for the stop.

During the stop, Lents learned that the license plate did not belong to the Dodge. While preparing to inventory the car before he impounded it, Lents asked Salmon to empty her pockets. As Salmon turned her pockets inside-out, a small plastic baggie with a white powder inside. Salmon was placed into custody and transported to the Martin County Jail.

While Lents was processing Salmon at the jail, Martin County Sheriff Travis Roush and Chief Deputy Josh Greene searched the Dodge, finding methamphetamine residue, drug paraphernalia, and three syringes. After learning of

penses. The council approved the additional money to come from the riverboat fund.

The council also approved \$1,500 to pay for the alcohol and drug training program director with Council Member Buck Stiles voting against, but not giving a reason for the no vote.

In other business, Highway Superintendent Leo Padgett told the council that due to not having a mechanic on staff, the highway department is down to \$7,400 remaining for the year to send out equipment for repairs. He said that they have around \$8,000 now in outstanding bills. He wanted the council to know that he will be requesting additional money at their next regular meeting. Council Member Rich Summers said he spoke with a man who had been interested in the highway department's mechanic's position in the past. He said he didn't know what the details were with this individual but he would like to speak to Padgett about it after the meeting.

The council approved the following transfers:

-Prosecutor's office - \$300 from depositions to office supplies and \$300 from telephone to office supplies

-Extension office - \$1,500 from various funds to pay for the office's new copy machine

-Auditor's office - \$752.50 from part-time clerical to equipment for new screens for the auditor's office employees and for clean-up of their computers

-Highway department - \$11,000 from the mechanic's salary to truck and tractor repair



ROBIN SALMON

the vehicle search, Lents amended the charges against Salmon. She is being held in the Martin County Jail.

Charges:

-Possession of methamphetamine, a Level 6 Felony

-Maintaining a common nuisance, a Level 6 Felony

-Illegal possession of a syringe, a Level 6 Felony

-Possession of a controlled substance, a Class A Misdemeanor

-Possession of paraphernalia, a Class C Misdemeanor



3rd Annual "Cry Out America" to be held Monday on the square

The 3rd Annual "Cry Out America" Prayer Gathering, as part of Patriot Day, will be held Monday, September 11 at 6 p.m. at the square in Loogootee. The event will be held regardless of rain.

Patriot Day is an annual observance held on the 11th of September, and Cry Out America invites people to pray for the nation, in remembrance of the tragic events of September 11, 2001. The day was created in 2001 by a joint resolution of the United States Congress, and signed into law by George W. Bush.

The Joint Resolution proclaims that: "The President is requested to issue each year a proclamation calling on state and local governments and the people of the United States to observe Patriot Day with appropriate programs and activities;

all departments, agencies, and instrumentalities of the United States and interested organizations and individuals to display the flag of the United States at half-staff on Patriot Day in honor of the individuals who lost their lives as a result of the terrorist attacks against the United States that occurred on September 11, 2001; and

the people of the United States to

observe a moment of silence on Patriot Day in honor of the individuals who lost their lives as a result of the terrorist attacks against the United States that occurred on September 11, 2001.

Cry Out America, as an initiative of The National Day of Prayer Task Force, a privately funded organization whose purpose is to mobilize unified public prayer for America.

According to organizer, Duane Smith, the event will begin with the Pledge of Allegiance followed by the Loogootee High School Jazz Choir performing the National Anthem. Ten speakers will then address the crowd for five minutes each and then to pray for their chosen platform ranging from business owners to the military to school children and teachers. Many of the speakers will be pastors from local churches but will also include Pam and Jason Loughmiller, Lori Bell, and Yolanda Taylor. The entire event is scheduled to last about an hour.

The public is welcome and encouraged to attend. Smith said that last year 90 people attended and their goal this year is to have at least 150 participate.

For more information, contact Duane Smith at 812-295-4349 or ds89605@gmail.com.

West Boggs Park to host luncheon, 'Touch a Truck' event on September 16

On Saturday, September 16, West Boggs Park and West Boggs Park Foundation will be hosting a Luncheon and Touch a Truck event from 11

a.m. to 3 p.m. to raise money for new modern playground with a small zipline in the park.

Bring the family out and view a variety of trucks, cars and equipment on hand and let your little ones explore.

They will have a K-9 demonstration, Sparky from the Loogootee Fire Department, live DJ, raffle drawing, and many other things to experience.

Lunch, prepared by Happy Matt's BBQ Stoll's Lakeview Restaurant and Tri Kappa Shoals, will be sold per plate - \$6 per adult and \$4 per child.

All proceeds for the day will go towards the construction of a new playground at the park.

The normal gate fee of \$6 per car will be applicable. If you have any questions or would like to show of your "TRUCK" or any other equipment for the day, please contact Elaine Taylor at 295-3421 or Chadd Mosby at 486-8320.



NSWC Crane hosts Advanced Naval Technology Exercise (ANTX) 2017

Naval Surface Warfare Center, Crane Division (NSWC Crane) hosted the ANTX 2017 Innovation and Sensor Fusion event August 29-31. at NSWC Crane, Camp Atterbury in Edinburg, Indiana and Muscatatuck Urban Training Center (MUTC) in Butlerville, Indiana. Government civilians as well as industry and academic partners participated in a collaborative urban environment with experimentations and a technical interchange meeting focused on innovation, sensor data fusion and distributed weapon control.

“ANTX 2017 provides the opportunity for the Navy to collaborate with various partners to demonstrate technologies in a real time urban environment, said Patricia Herndon, NSWC Crane’s Department Director for Special Warfare and Expeditionary Systems Department. This unique urban environment affords participants to collect data that will be utilized to improve capabilities that are delivered directly to the Warfighter.”

“Events like this allow for synthesis of existing technologies and ideas, which will eventually lead to the creation of improved capabilities for the Navy and the nation,” said Monica Hutchins, Deputy Director for the Office of Strategy and Innovation, Deputy Under Secretary of the Navy (Management). “Efforts at the ANTX event closely align with the Secretary of the Navy’s strategic priorities, and we wanted to help support those efforts in every possible way. This was a valu-



able investment for us because it will lead to the innovative ideas and solutions our nation needs to maintain our advantage.”

The ANTX provides a low-risk environment in which scientists and engineers may evaluate their technological innovations at the research and development level before their technologies become militarized and integrated at the operational level. ANTX is an annual multi-day event to demonstrate future Navy technologies in action today. Naval warfare centers, universities, and industry partners have been invited to showcase their latest unmanned systems and related technologies.

In 2015, Crane hosted an Innovation and Sensor Fusion Experimentation Event which generated many successes. With the successful creation of an environment that enabled innovation, a network was established that continues to provide an avenue for more complex experimentations, expand relationships with other government and academic labs, and rapid prototype solutions which have led to several patent applications.

“We are very grateful to our partners at the Indiana National Guard who have worked tirelessly at MUTC and

Camp Atterbury to make this exercise a reality,” said Herndon. “Without their support, we would not have the ability to demonstrate these technologies in realistic environment.”

The Atterbury-Muscatatuck boundaries encompass more than 35, 000 acres of training and maneuver space. Within Johnson, Bartholomew, and Brown counties is Camp Atterbury, near Edinburg, Indiana, and armed forces reserve training area operated by the Indiana National Guard.

Atterbury’s Advanced Urban Training Facility, MUTC, located in Jen-

nings County near Butlerville, Indiana, is a unique interagency and intergovernmental training venue, which occupies the grounds of the former Muscatatuck State Hospital.

NSWC Crane is a naval laboratory and a field activity of Naval Sea Systems Command (NAVSEA) with focus areas in Expeditionary Warfare, Strategic Missions and Electronic Warfare. The warfare center is responsible for multi-domain, multi- spectral, full life cycle support of technologies and systems enhancing capability to today’s warfighter.

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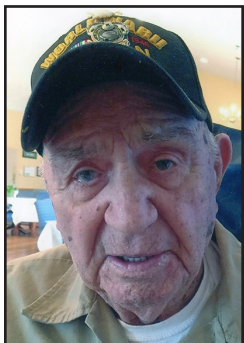
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RUSSELL HAGER

Russell Hager passed away at 8:05 p.m. Friday September 1, 2017 at Emerald Place in Washington. A resident of Loogootee, he was 94.

He was born March 20, 1923 in Lexington, Kentucky; son of Hank and Mary (Short) Hager. Russ joined the US Marine Corps in August 1942 and was a WWII combat veteran who fought in the bloodiest battle of the Marine Corp history. He was injured in battle and received two purple hearts. After an honorable discharge in 1945, he went to work at Crane as an electrician.

He worked at Crane for 34 years then opened a gun shop, served as building inspector for the city of Loogootee, a



RUSSELL HAGER

sheriff's deputy for Martin County and taught gun safety to young boys. Russ was a life time member of the Loogootee VFW, Loogootee American Legion Post 120 and the National Rifle Association. He was an avid gun collector, enjoyed hunting, fishing and bowling. Along with his two purple hearts, Russ also received a WWII Victory Medal, American Campaign Medal Presidential Unit Citation Ribbon, Combat Action Ribbon, inducted

into the Library of Congress and into the Honor Roll of the National World War II Museum in Louisiana.

He was a member of the Christian Church in Lexington, Kentucky and attended the Shoals Baptist Church.

Surviving are his wife of 31 years, Rosalie (Tow-Richardson) Hager; children from his first marriage to Francis Holz, Jim Hager of Loogootee, Linda (Ron) Bledsoe of Loogootee, Robert Hager of Loogootee; step-sons, Brett Richardson of Loogootee and Scott (Diane) Richardson of Washington; sister, Lucille Dodd of St. Petersburg, Florida; fifteen grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren.

He is preceded in death by his parents, three brothers, Calvin, Edgar and

Wilson; and daughters, Judy Hager and Donna (David) Sanders.

Funeral services were held Tuesday September 5 at the Queen-Lee Chapel of the Thorne-George Family Funeral Homes, in Shoals. Rev. Alfred Helms officiated.

Burial followed in Spring Hill Cemetery with full Military rites.

Pallbearers were Ron Bledsoe, Scott Richardson, Brett Richardson, Mikayla Richardson, Heath Richardson, Tokala Richardson, Jeff Bledsoe and Travis Roush.

Honorary pall bearers were Portia Beeden, Demi Chess, Natasha Richardson, Heather Reisinger, Julie Scott, John Scott, Teresa Holt, Melissa Thomas and Judy Archer.

Indiana Office of Tourism Development receives prestigious national award for Bicentennial Torch Relay

The U.S. Travel Association announced the recipients of its 2017 Mercury Awards during the 34th annual ESTO conference, held in Minneapolis and the Indiana Office of Tourism Development (IOTD) was awarded best Public Relations Campaign for the Indiana Bicentennial Torch Relay.

The Mercury Awards recognize U.S. Travel Association members for excellence and creative accomplishment in state destination marketing and promotional programs. One of the judges commented about the torch relay, "This idea was executed superbly. The idea of uniting the entire state and bringing together citizens of every age, race and background to carry a physical object throughout the state is interesting enough, but the partnerships and execution really



elevated this campaign."

"The torch relay was a great opportunity to promote and unify the state by connecting people, communities,

and regions," said Mark Newman, IOTD's Executive Director. "This award is a tremendous honor. The effort, dedication, and teamwork that went into more than three years of planning was worth the journey."

IOTD is also being honored by the Indiana Historical Society for the Bicentennial Torch Relay. It was chosen as one of the winners in the Outstanding Bicentennial Collaborative Project category. A ceremony will be held in November.

The Indiana Bicentennial Torch Relay, developed by IOTD, was one of the major commemorative events of the 2016 Bicentennial celebration. It was designed to inspire and unify Hoosiers by symbolically "passing the torch" connecting generations to ignite our future. The 37-day relay traveled more than 3,200 miles through all 92 Indiana counties.

During the five-week relay, undergraduate and graduate students from Ball State University worked with IOTD to produce daily videos, photos, articles, and social media related to the relay. A second team operated out of Muncie and produced a 37-minute documentary titled, "Everlasting Light: The Story of Indiana's Bicentennial Torch Relay."

Ball State students have received twelve awards for their work on the project.

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GOT LEFT OVER yard sale items? Donate them to the Martin County Humane Society for their annual yard sale to be held September 23! Drop off at the shelter, located at 507 N. Oak Street in Loogootee.

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Applications available at the Loogootee Municipal Building or utility office, 401 JFK Avenue, or by calling 812-295-2497. Deadline for submitted an application is September 20, 2017 at 4 p.m.

Martin County Sheriff's Department log

MONDAY, AUGUST 28

7:22 a.m. - Captain Dant assisted a motorist south of Loogootee.

11:56 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance transported the subject to Daviess community Hospital.

12:02 p.m. - Received a report of an accident in Loogootee. Captain Hennessee responded.

1:00 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance near Shoals. Martin County Ambulance responded and transported the subject to IU Health in Bedford.

1:21 p.m. - Received a report of a person dumping trash near Loogootee. Sergeant Keller, ICO Mann, Reserve Deputy Kidwell, and Loogootee Chief Rayhill responded.

2:42 p.m. - Received a report of people throwing trash from a vehicle. All Martin County units were notified.

2:58 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance transported the subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

3:55 p.m. - Received a report of an accident east of Shoals. Sergeant Keller responded.

5:41 p.m. - Received a report of a reckless driver on US 50, east of Shoals. Sergeant Keller responded.

7:22 p.m. - Animal Control Officer Hughett responded to a dog complaint near Shoals.

11:12 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance north of Shoals. Martin County Ambulance and Shoals Fire responded. The subject was transported to Dunn Memorial Hospital in Bedford.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 29

8:23 a.m. - Received a dog complaint in Loogootee. Loogootee Chief Rayhill responded.

9:05 a.m. - Received a report of a hit-and-run accident south of Loogootee. Captain Dant responded.

10:54 a.m. - Received a dog complaint in Loogootee. Animal Control Officer Hughett responded.

4:28 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded but did not transport.

4:34 p.m. - ICO Mann assisted a motorist near Loogootee.

4:56 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance transported the subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

6:29 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance north of Shoals. Williams Fire and Martin County Ambulance responded. The subject was transported to IU Health in Bedford.

6:56 p.m. - Received an animal complaint in Shoals. Sergeant Keller responded.

9:19 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance south of Loogootee. Loogootee Fire and Martin County Ambulance responded. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

9:27 p.m. - Received a report of a prowler east of Shoals. Sergeant Keller and Deputy Salmon responded.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 30

3:55 a.m. - Received a report of a tree down on US 231, south of Loogootee. Martin County Civil Defense removed the tree.

8:13 a.m. - Captain Dant performed a vehicle identification check east of Loogootee.

9:05 a.m. - Received a dog complaint near Shoals. Animal Control Officer Hughett responded.

11:54 a.m. - Received a report of an attempted theft in Loogootee. Loogootee Chief Rayhill responded.

12:46 p.m. - Received a report of an accident in Loogootee. Loogootee Chief Rayhill responded.

6:02 p.m. - Received a fire alarm call in Loogootee. Loogootee Fire responded and all was okay.

9:52 p.m. - Received a report of an altercation in Loogootee. All Martin County units responded.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 31

6:30 a.m. - Received a report of a car-deer accident north of Loogootee. Chief Deputy Greene responded.

6:49 a.m. - Received an animal complaint near Shoals. Animal Control Officer Hughett was notified.

8:06 a.m. - Sheriff Roush assisted a motorist in Shoals.

9:23 a.m. - Received a report of a semi-deer accident east of Shoals on US 50. Sheriff Roush responded.

9:30 a.m. - Chief Deputy Greene took three inmates to court.

10:22 a.m. - Chief Deputy Greene responded to a disturbance at the court house. Sheriff Roush assisted.

11:00 a.m. - Chief Deputy Greene took two inmates to court.

11:55 a.m. - Received a medical alarm call for list assistance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded but did not transport.

1:00 p.m. - Chief Deputy Greene took three inmates to court.

1:50 p.m. - Received a report of a suspicious person in Shoals. Captain Dant and Sheriff Roush responded. Captain Dant made contact with the individual.

6:08 p.m. - Received a report of a theft and disturbance near Shoals. Captain Dant responded.

6:27 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance and Loogootee Fire responded. No one was transported.

8:32 p.m. - Deputy Salmon assisted a motorist in Loogootee.

9:56 p.m. - Received a report of a fight in Shoals. Deputy Salmon responded.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 1

7:33 a.m. - Received a report of a domestic in Crane. Sheriff Roush, Chief Deputy Greene, Deputy Salmon, and ISP Trooper Lents responded.

8:28 a.m. - Received a report of a tree blocking West River Road. Shoals Fire responded.

8:40 a.m. - Received a report of shop lifting in Loogootee. Loogootee Officer McBeth responded.

9:00 a.m. - Chief Deputy Greene performed a vehicle identification check in Crane.

10:15 a.m. - Received a report of a car that has not been returned to its owner north of Shoals. Chief Deputy Greene responded.

11:45 a.m. - Received an alarm call near Shoals. ISP Trooper Lents responded.

12:21 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance north of Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded. The subject was transported to Daviess Community Hospital.

2:04 p.m. - Received a report of property damage in Shoals. Chief Deputy Greene responded.

2:30 p.m. - Received a report of a tree across Red School Road. Shoals Fire Responded.

3:25 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin Coun-

ty Ambulance responded and transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

4:10 p.m. - Received a request for a vehicle check. Chief Deputy Greene responded.

9:07 p.m. - Received a request for a vehicle unlock in Loogootee. Deputy Reed responded.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 2

1:04 a.m. - Received a report of a speeding vehicle on Abel Hill Road. Deputy Reed and Reserve Deputy Harmon responded.

8:28 a.m. - Received a report of an injured cat in Loogootee. Animal Control Officer Hughett responded.

10:20 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Shoals. Shoals Fire and Martin County Ambulance responded and transported to IU Health Bedford.

11:24 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded and transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

2:49 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Shoals. Shoals Fire and Martin County Ambulance responded and transported to Daviess Community Hospital.

3:31 p.m. - Received a report of a burglar alarm in Loogootee. Loogootee Officer McBeth responded.

6:01 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance south of Shoals. Martin County Ambulance responded and no transport needed.

6:18 p.m. - Received a request for a vehicle check north of Loogootee. Deputy Reed responded.

9:55 p.m. - Received a report of a subject disorderly in Shoals. Deputy Reed and Reserve Deputy Harmon responded.

11:25 p.m. - Received a report of a reckless driver in Loogootee. Loogootee Officer Floyd responded.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 3

Loogootee Police log

MONDAY, AUGUST 28

1:24 p.m. - Caller reported someone dumping trash on Brickyard Road.

2:42 p.m. - Caller reported subjects throwing things from a vehicle on Hwy 50.

7:48 p.m. - Caller reported a civil complaint.

11:05 p.m. - Male requested a welfare check on a female.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 29

9:00 a.m. - Caller reported a barking dog complaint on West Washington Street. Animal Control was contacted.

10:10 a.m. - Caller reported a parking complaint.

2:30 p.m. - A male came on station to request a vehicle identification check.

2:58 p.m. - An employee at Family Dollar reported a counterfeit bill.

4:51 p.m. - Caller reported a traffic light not working correctly.

7:05 p.m. - Captain Hennessee cited a female into court for possession of marijuana. K-9 Roxy, Sgt. Keller and Conservation Officer Doane assisted.

9:20 p.m. - First responders were requested on Brooks Bridge Road for a medical call.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 30

11:54 a.m. - Male reported someone tried to take money out of his bank account.

6:02 p.m. - Loogootee Fire was paged out to a fire alarm at Loogootee Rehab. Everything checked out okay.

12:19 a.m. - Received a report of a tree across Windom Road. Lost River Fire responded.

4:30 a.m. - Received a report of a property dispute in Loogootee. Loogootee Officer Floyd responded, assisted by Deputy Reed.

8:53 a.m. - Received a request for a vehicle unlock in Loogootee. Captain Dant responded.

10:15 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded and transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

11:01 a.m. - Received a report of a fall alarm in Loogootee. Loogootee Fire and Martin County Ambulance responded and no transport needed.

12:54 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Loogootee Fire and Martin County Ambulance responded and transported to Daviess Community Hospital.

3:06 p.m. - Received a report of Frontier workers in a curve on Hwy 550 without flags or cones out. Captain Dant responded.

4:05 p.m. - Received a request for a welfare check in Shoals. Captain Dant responded.

8:32 p.m. - Received a report of a dog barking for the last hour on Tedrow Road. Deputy Reed responded. Animal control Officer Hughett was notified.

8:57 p.m. - Received a report of a sick dog that had been dumped off on Hwy 450. Deputy Reed and Animal Control Officer Hughett responded. Animal Control Officer Hughett transported the dog to the shelter.

9:53 p.m. - Received a second call about a dog barking on Tedrow Road. Advised Deputy Reed and Animal Control Officer Hughett.

10:05 p.m. - Jail Commander Abel transported an inmate to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

9:52 p.m. - Caller reported a fight outside of Marathon. Subjects left before officers could arrive.

11:10 p.m. - Caller reported possible drug activity.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 31

12:25 p.m. - Caller reported an abandoned vehicle.

6:28 p.m. - First responders were requested on East Broadway for a medical call.

9:30 p.m. - Caller reported a reckless vehicle on US 231.

11:30 p.m. - Caller reported a civil complaint.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 1

8:40 a.m. - An employee at Family Dollar reported a shoplifter.

10:15 a.m. - Male requested a vehicle identification check.

2:15 p.m. - Caller reported a reckless vehicle on Hwy 50.

4:30 p.m. - Officer McBeth responded to a business alarm.

10:18 p.m. - Caller reported a reckless vehicle on Hwy 50.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 2

4:16 p.m. - Caller reported a possible intoxicated driver on 1200 East.

8:52 p.m. - Caller requested a welfare check on a female.

9:12 p.m. - Caller reported a possible intoxicated driver on Park Street.

11:25 p.m. - Caller reported a reckless vehicle on Hwy 50. Officer Floyd located the vehicle.

COURT NEWS

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

CRIMINAL COURT New Charges Filed July 25

Jennifer L. Bauernfiend, domestic battery; false informing.

James D. Sears, driving while suspended.

Travis S. Bauernfiend, criminal confinement; domestic battery resulting in moderate bodily injury; interference with the reporting of a crime; habitual offender sentence enhancement.

July 26

Adam S. Salmon, possession of methamphetamine; unlawful possession or use of a legend drug; possession of paraphernalia.

July 31

Darren K. Holt, burglary; theft of a firearm; resisting law enforcement; invasion of privacy.

Sasha L. Pottorff, possession of methamphetamine; maintaining a common nuisance – controlled substances; neglect of a dependent; two counts of unlawful possession or use of a legend drug; possession of marijuana; possession of paraphernalia; possession unprocessed ginseng out of season.

Roger A. Terry, operating while intoxicated; operating a vehicle with an ACE of .15 or more; two counts of operating while intoxicated with previous conviction within 5 years.

August 1

Carlis R. Craft, two counts of child molesting.

August 3

Wesley Allen Sturgell, criminal confinement; domestic battery.

Jesse D. Lewis, possession of methamphetamine; maintaining a common nuisance – controlled substances; possession of paraphernalia.

August 7

Isabella E. Goodpaster, public intoxication; public nudity.

August 8

Kevin M. Qualkenbush, invasion of privacy; possession of methamphetamine; maintaining a common nuisance – controlled substances; possession of marijuana; possession of paraphernalia.

Andrea M. Qualkenbush, possession of methamphetamine; maintaining a common nuisance – controlled substances; possession of marijuana; possession of paraphernalia.

Jessica L. Neal, check deception.

August 10

Gregory E. Messmer, possession of marijuana.

August 14

Jessica L. McClure, resitting law enforcement; disorderly conduct; public intoxication.

Tammy R. Meredith, intimidation; pointing a firearm.

Robert W. Goldsberry, possession of methamphetamine; two counts of maintaining a common nuisance – controlled substances; operating a vehicle while intoxicated; operating a vehicle with a schedule I or II controlled substance or its metabolite in the body; visiting a common nuisance – controlled substances.

Dylan J. Day, possession of methamphetamine; maintaining a common nuisance – controlled substances; possession of a controlled substance; possession of paraphernalia.

Johnathan M. Payne, possession of methamphetamine; maintaining a common nuisance – controlled substances; possession of a controlled substance; possession of paraphernalia; operating a vehicle while intoxicated; operating a

vehicle with a schedule I or II controlled substance or its metabolite in the body.

August 15

Kevin M. Qualkenbush, invasion of privacy.

August 16

Tyler J. Tinkle, possession of methamphetamine; maintaining a common nuisance – controlled substances; possession of a controlled substance; possession of marijuana; possession of paraphernalia.

August 17

Jacob M. Melton, aggravated battery; domestic battery resulting in serious bodily injury.

August 21

Katelyn R. Nelson, possession of marijuana; visiting a common nuisance – controlled substances.

Brien F. Lagle, maintaining a common nuisance – controlled substances; possession of marijuana; operating a vehicle while intoxicated; operating a vehicle with a schedule I or II controlled substance or its metabolite in the body; possession of paraphernalia.

August 23

Natasha N. Bledsoe, driving while suspended.

Nickolai Dean, possession of methamphetamine; maintaining a common nuisance – controlled substances; unlawful possession of a syringe; possession of marijuana; possession of paraphernalia; operating while intoxicated; operating a vehicle with a schedule I or II controlled substance or its metabolite in the body.

Shawn M. Brown, possession of methamphetamine; maintaining a common nuisance – controlled substances; unlawful possession of a syringe; intimidation.

Joshua M. Jones, failure to register as a sex or violent offender.

August 24

Shirsten E. Speer, operating a vehicle while intoxicated endangering a person.

August 25

ARRESTS

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 30

8:55 p.m. - Jacob Bolin, 18, of Grantsburg, was arrested by Major Burkhardt on warrants from Orange and Crawford counties. He is being held without bond. Assisting with the arrest were Sergeant Keller, K9 Officer Asher, and ISP Trooper McBeth.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 31

10:50 a.m. - Anthony Chestnut, 46, was taken to the jail by Chief Deputy Greene and reports he is homeless. He was arrested on a court order and is being held without bond.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 1

1:50 p.m. - Robin Salmon, 24, of Shoals, was arrested by ISP Trooper Lents and charged with possession of methamphetamine, illegal possession of a syringe, possession of a controlled substance, possession of paraphernalia. No bond. Assisting with the arrest were Sheriff Roush and Chief Deputy Greene.

7:40 p.m. - Kelvis Edmond, 39, of Washington, was arrested by Reserve Deputy Harmon on a Martin County warrant for petition to revoke probation. No bond. Reserve Deputy Gammon assisted with the arrest.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 3

2:03 a.m. - Haley Killion, 22, of Washington, was arrested by Loogootee Officer Floyd and charged with possession of methamphetamine, maintaining a common nuisance, possession of a controlled substance, possession of marijuana, and obstruction of justice. No bond. Reserve Deputy Harmon, Deputy Reed and K9 Virka assisted.

Deborah A. Neal, operating while intoxicated; operating a vehicle with an ACE of .15 or more.

CRIMINAL CONVICTIONS & SENTENCING

August 3

Rory A. Browder, convicted of judgment of conviction, a Class A Misdemeanor, amended from neglect of a dependent, a Class 6 Felony. Sentenced to serve 365 days with 267 days suspended and credit for 49 actual days previously served plus 49 Class A credit days. Defendant received 10 months of probation.

Carrie J. Childs, convicted of possession of methamphetamine, a Class 6 Felony. Sentenced to serve 365 days with 360 days suspended and credit for 5 actual days previously served plus 5 Class A credit days. Defendant received 11 months of probation.

CRIMINAL CHARGES DISMISSED

August 3

Rory A. Browder, intimidation, a Class 5 Felony, dismissed.

Carrie J. Childs, maintaining a common nuisance – controlled substances, a Class 6 Felony, dismissed; possession of paraphernalia, a Class C Misdemeanor, dismissed.

August 24

Dylan J. Day, possession of methamphetamine, a Class 6 Felony, dismissed; maintaining a common nuisance – controlled substances, a Class 6 Felony, dismissed; possession of a controlled substance, a Class A Misdemeanor, dismissed; possession of paraphernalia, a Class C Misdemeanor, dismissed.

CIVIL COURT

New Suits Filed

August 18

Stephanie A. Cannon vs. John R. Cannon, petition for dissolution of marriage.

August 22

Paul D. Ritchey vs. Cindy Ritchey, petition for dissolution of marriage.

August 24

Kimberly F. Flammer vs. Jared S. Flammer, petition for dissolution of marriage.

Alice Robbins vs. Ford Motor Company, civil plenary.

August 25

OneMain Financial of IN, Inc. vs. Jo-

Martin County real estate transfers

Stephen J. Petit, of Martin County, Indiana to **Stephen J. Petit and Nicholas S. Petit**, of Martin County, Indiana, a part of the southwest quarter of the northwest quarter of Section 32, Township 5 North, Range 4 West, containing 2 acres, more or less. Also a tract of land in the same section containing 10 acres, more or less.

Nancy J. Sterling and Robert W. Bell, of Martin County, Indiana to **Daniel L. Main**, of Dubois County, Indiana, Lot Number 132 and six feet off of the west side of Lot Number 133 in Loogootee, Indiana.

Deanna L. Holt, of Martin County, Indiana to **Good Samaritan District of Washington of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, Inc.**, of Martin County, Indiana, a part of the northwest quarter of Section 25, Township 3 North, Range 5 West, Martin County, Indiana, containing 0.571 acres, more or less.

Jarrod H. Lents, of Martin County, Indiana to **Emma S. Burch**, of Martin County, Indiana, a portion of the northeast quarter of the southwest quarter of Section 36, Township 3 North, Range 5 West, in Perry Township, Martin County, Indiana, containing 1.26 acres, more or less.

Cindy Nicholson, Chad Nicholson, and Betty Roach, of Martin County,

nah King and Ami M. Hatfield, civil collection.

SMALL CLAIMS COURT

New Suits Filed

August 16

Loretta J. Holt vs. Michael "Spike" Clifton, complaint.

August 23

Crane Credit Union vs. Bradly A. Dotterweich, complaint.

August 25

Toy's Auto Parts vs. Bright Family Farms, complaint.

Toy's Auto Parts vs. Incredible Transmissions and Auto Repair, complaint.

Toy's Auto Parts vs. Josh Padgett, complaint.

Toy's Auto Parts vs. Yancey's VW Specialists, complaint.

Toy's Auto Parts vs. Padgett Remodeling, complaint.

Toy's Auto Parts vs. Charles Sutche, complaint.

Toy's Auto Parts vs. Merle Pigg, complaint.

Toy's Auto Parts vs. Richie Lex, complaint.

Toy's Auto Parts vs. David Nenedjian, complaint.

Toy's Auto Parts vs. Beatty Farms, complaint.

Toy's Auto Parts vs. Getchells Auto, complaint.

Toy's Auto Parts vs. Scarbrough Construction, complaint.

Toy's Auto Parts vs. Alicia Keenedy, complaint.

Toy's Auto Parts vs. Hancock Trucking, complaint.

Toy's Auto Parts vs. Walls Construction, complaint.

Toy's Auto Parts vs. Billy Pullen, complaint.

Toy's Auto Parts vs. R.L. Smith Excavating, complaint.

Toy's Auto Parts vs. Jackson Racing, complaint.

Toy's Auto Parts vs. Roy Zimmerman, complaint.

August 28

Rosemary Harder vs. Chelsea Hager, complaint.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

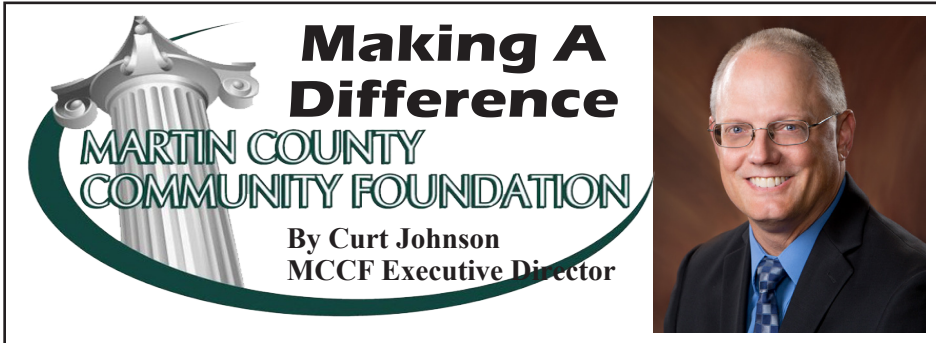
September 1

Richard A. Jones of Loogootee and Kimberly Ann Mabe of Loogootee.

Indiana to **Cindy Nicholson and Chad Nicholson**, of Martin County, Indiana, a part of the northwest quarter of the northwest quarter of Section 25, Township 3 North, Range 5 West, containing .07 acre, more or less.

Delmar Yoder and Geneva Yoder, of Daviess County, Indiana to **Mitchell J. Mathias and Elizabeth Mathias**, of Martin County, Indiana. Tract I: .25 acre in Section 24, Township 3 North, Range 4 West in Risacher's Addition to Loogootee, Indiana. Tract II: A part of the southeast quarter of the northwest quarter of Section 24, Township 3 North, Range 5 West, containing 0.47 acre, more or less. Tract III: A part of the southeast quarter of the northwest quarter of Section 24, Township 3 North, Range 5 West, containing 0.012 acre, more or less.

Drexel D. Turpin and Vicki S. Turpin, of Martin County, Indiana to **Larry G. Sherfick and Linda E. Sherfick and Mark T. Ciancone and Susan E. Ciancone**, of Martin County, Indiana, a part of the southeast quarter of the southwest quarter of Section 19, and part of the northeast quarter of the northwest quarter of Section 30, Township 2 North, Range 3 West, Lost River Township, Martin County, Indiana, containing 7.650 acres, more or less.



-- ALEXANDER GRAHAM BELL --
 "When one doors 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 furthering 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 two scholarships established specifically for this purpose of helping adults open another door in their lives and continue their education.

This year Paige Walton received the Martin County Non-Traditional Scholarship. Paige is pursuing a Bachelor's degree in Marketing from the Kelly School of Business at Indiana University. In addition to improving herself, helping her family, and helping others, she eagerly awaits the opportunity to bring creativity and fun to the work environment.

Jessica Hert received the Second Door Scholarship and is looking forward to a Master's degree in School Counseling from Indiana Wesleyan University. As a guidance counselor, Jessica's goal is to be able to lead, guide and educate students and their families in the right direction to help ensure their education and workforce success. Jessica wants to give back and help others find their way to improving their quality of life.

-- MORE INFORMATION --
 For information about how the MCCF can help you give back to your community, please contact the MCCF Executive Director, Curt Johnson, at 812-295-1022 or mccf@cfpartner.org.

You are also welcome to visit our website at www.cfpartner.org/mccf.htm, follow us on Twitter at www.twitter.com/MartinCountyCF, and "like" the MCCF Facebook page at www.facebook.com/mccommunityfoundation.



Pictured above is Curt Johnson (MCCF Executive Director) presenting the Martin County Non-Traditional Scholarship to Paige Walton and he is shown below presenting the Second Door Scholarship to Jessica Hert.



LHS Tennis results

The Loogootee High School Boys Tennis teams took on Forest Park last Thursday, August 31. The varsity won 3-2 and the junior varsity won 4-0.

Head Coach Rick Graves said after the matches, "I thought we bounced back nicely from a tough loss the other night. One of the things I like about this group is they remain positive and have a great outlook. Tonight, could have been one of those nights where we had a letdown but everyone came out and played good tennis and hit the ball well. We played well at all positions but I was especially pleased to see Sheldon and Jordan play well. They took their loss pretty hard the other night so it was good to see them get back on track and play good doubles tonight. Max looked really good but a few errors here and there made all the difference. Sebastian was in a similar situation where a few points could have changed the outcome of his match. The other spots I thought we did a nice job of playing smart and being efficient in

our matches."
Varsity results
 #1 Singles - Collon Hodgesang defeated Max Christmas (L) 7-6(0), 6-4
 #2 Singles - Jalen Wildman (L) defeated Aaron Welp (FP) 6-2, 6-1
 #3 Singles - Nathan Jarboe (FP) defeated Sebastian Toy (L) 7-5, 6-7(4), 6-3
 #1 Doubles - Sheldon Christmas and Jordan Wildman (L) defeated Aaron Hurst and Reid Steffe (FP) 6-1, 6-2
 #2 Doubles - Bailey Dearwester and Jayden Wagoner (L) defeated Joe Hurst and Evan Steinmetz (FP) 6-2, 6-2
Junior varsity results
 #1 Singles - Nathan Seals (L) defeated Wes Stout (FP) 8-1
 #2 Singles - Jayden Leatherman (L) defeated Wes Stout (FP) 6-4
 #1 Doubles - Max Blackwell and Cole Harmon (L) defeated Coiden Persohn and Dalton Streicher (FP) 8-0
 #2 Doubles - Lawson McCloskey and Wyatt Street (L) defeated Coiden Persohn and Dalton Streicher (FP) 8-4

4-H NEWS

By Stacy Brown
 Martin County Purdue Extension Educator

Extension Office Offers Programs for Classrooms and Other Youth Organizations

The Martin County Extension Office offers programs for classrooms and other youth organizations in STEM subjects, the arts, and leadership. This year's National Youth Science Challenge is Incredible Wearables. Students get the chance to build a wearable fitness device that tracks heartrate, steps, and other functions. Other programs offered are Captain Cash, a grade school program focused on money management; Makers, activities related to science, technology, engineer-

ing, and math; and Arts Management, a high school program focused on the business side of working in the arts. If you are interested in bringing any of these programs to your classroom or group, please contact Stacy at (812) 295-2412.

Upcoming Events
 4-H Council Meeting: September 7 at 6:30 p.m., Martin County Learning Center
 Junior Leaders Meeting: September 17 at 4 p.m., Martin County Learning Center
 All 4-Hers in grades 7-12 are welcome to join Junior Leaders.

Head to Paynetown SRA for a Ghostly Gathering

Celebrate Halloween with creepy crafts, costume contests, trick-or-treating and more at Monroe Lake's Ghostly Gathering, October 27 and 28.

All activities take place at Paynetown State Recreation Area and are open to both day visitors and campers. Those who want to camp should reserve their site soon at camp.IN.gov. Electric sites are already booked, although non-electric sites remain available.

Activities begin on Friday with "acorn skulls" from 3 to 4:30 p.m. From 5 to 6:30 p.m., you can make a scarecrow trick-or-treat bag. Ghoulish ghost stories take place around the fire at 8 p.m.

Saturday activities start with creepy, crawly crafts from 1 to 3 p.m. A costume contest happens at 4 p.m.; prizes will be awarded for six age categories, including adults, and for best costumed

canines and best group costume (two or more people).
 Trick-or-treating in the campground runs from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. on Saturday. Campers also can compete in a campsite decorating contest, which will be judged during the same time.

Ghostly Gathering concludes with a Halloween Party from 8 to 9:30 p.m., with games, activities and refreshments.
 For more information, contact Jill Vance, Monroe Lake interpretive naturalist, at jvance@dnr.IN.gov or (812) 837-9967.

The entrance fee for Paynetown SRA is \$7 per in-state vehicle and \$9 per out-of-state vehicle.

Paynetown State Recreation Area on Monroe Lake (stateparks.IN.gov/2954.htm) is at 4850 South State Road 446, Bloomington, 47401.

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More Neat Stuff



By Ann Ackerman



SCHOOL HUMOR

Mother: "Why are you home from school so early?"

Son: "I was the only one who could answer a question."

Mother: "Oh, really? What was the question?"

Son: "Who threw the eraser at the principal."

School teacher sends home a note with student. The note reads, "Your son is an obedient and bright student, but spends too much time talking to girls."

Mother sends a note back the following day, "Please advise a solution. Father has the same problem."

Teacher: "Today we are going to learn about tenses. Now if I say, 'I am beautiful,' which tense is it?"

Student: "Obviously that would be past tense!"

Q: How many teachers does it take to change a light bulb?

A: Well, teachers don't really change a bulb, but they can help to make a dim one brighter.

MORE PUNS

I wasn't originally going to get a brain transplant, but then I changed my mind.

Why was Cinderella thrown off the basketball team? She ran away from the ball.

How did I escape Iraq? Iran.

I'd tell you a chemistry joke but I

know I wouldn't get a reaction.

I was addicted to the hokey pokey... but thankfully, I turned myself around.

I told my girlfriend she drew her eyebrows too high. She seemed surprised.

A courtroom artist was arrested today for an unknown reason... details are sketchy.

A friend of mine tried to annoy me with bird puns, but I soon realized that toucan play at that game.

I used to be a banker, but then I lost interest.

"Doctor, there's a patient on line 1 that says he's invisible" "Well, tell him I can't see him right now."

My friend broke his left arm and left leg, but he was alright.

What do you have to do to have a party in space? You have to Planet.

THOUGHTS:

*I got gas today for \$1.39. Unfortunately, it was at Taco Bell.

*I walk around like everything is fine, but deep down, inside my shoe, my sock is sliding off.

*I hate it when people accuse me of lolly gagging when I'm quite clearly dilly dallying.

*The older I get, the less surprised I think I'd be if a random body part just fell off one day.

*I get awkward when someone compliments me and I don't know what to say:

Someone: You look pretty.

Me: Happy Birthday.

*Some days you eat salads and go to the gym. Some days you eat 20 tacos and drink margaritas. It's called balance.

*I wear two pairs of pants when I go golfing. People always ask me why I do. I say, "I wear two pants when I golf just in case I get a hole-in-one."

Make someone smile today!

ANIMAL SHELTER Pet of the Week



Sebastian is a male beagle/hound mix, 2-3 years old, very sweet, loves attention. He is neutered and up to date on shots. The animal shelter is open Monday and Wednesday 5-7 p.m. and Saturday 11 a.m.-2 p.m. The shelter is located at 507 N. Oak Street in Loogootee. To see all available animals, visit www.humanesocietyofmartincounty.org.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Loogootee School Board meeting

The Loogootee School Board will meet in special session Thursday, September 7 at 4 p.m. in the meeting room off the superintendent's office. The purpose of the meeting is for a public hearing on the 2017 budget, capital projects plan and bus replacement plan. The meeting is open to the public.

Domestic Violence Task Force meeting

Middle Way House, Inc. will hold its monthly Domestic Violence Task Force meeting Wednesday, September 13 from 4:30-6 p.m. at Martin County Community Corrections located at 211 S.E. 1st Street, Loogootee. The task force meets to discuss how domestic violence affects the community and ways to address it. Anyone interested in attending is welcome. For questions, you can reach Middle Way House's local Martin County Office at 812-295-2993.

AL-ANON meetings

AL-ANON, a support group for those impacted by substance abuse, meets every Thursday at 8 p.m. at Loogootee Redemption Church.

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 Karen at 812-709-1618 to learn more. Located in the Martin County Community Learning Center Improve Your Skills, Improve Your Life!

Humane society meetings

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

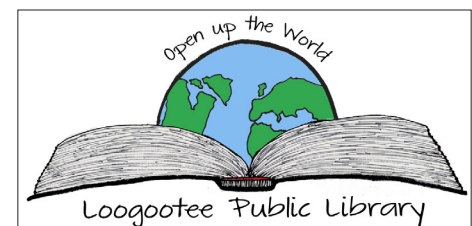
Soil and Water meetings

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.mar-tincounty.org.

tinswcd.com or call at 295-3149.

Attention Senior Citizens

The Loogootee Senior Citizen Center, located in the Annex building attached to JFK Gym on JFK Avenue in Loogootee provides activities for seniors every Monday and Thursday from 8 a.m. to noon. For \$5 a year, seniors can participate in Euchre tournaments, games, puzzles, etc., with other local seniors. Anyone interested is welcome to stop by, there are no age or residency requirements to participate. Seniors are also offered lunch at the Loogootee Senior Center every Monday and Thursday. A free-will donation is requested. Call 812-295-3130 to make a reservation, so enough food is prepared.



BY DARLA WAGLER

Librarian, Loogootee Public Library

The library will open at 11 instead of 10 on Tuesday, September 19 because of staff training.

Friends of Loogootee Library (FOLL) will have a huge book/yard sale on Saturday, September 23 (canceled if rain) from 8-12. There are a lot of gently used hardbacks, paperbacks, westerns, juvenile books and audio CDs. There are household items, holiday decorations, Primitive décor, picture frames, and lots of miscellaneous for a donation.

Did you know that you can get a library card if you own property in the taxing district or a teacher employed by Loogootee School Corporation? If you live outside the taxing district and your child attends Loogootee Schools, he/she qualifies for a free public library card.

NEW BOOKS:

Mystery Fiction: "Enemy of the State" by Vince Flynn, "The Western Star" by Craig Johnson, "Proof of Life" by J.A. Jance, and "Secrets in Death" by J.D. Robb.

Fiction: "The Right Time" by Danielle Steel and "The Romanov Ransom" by Clive Cussler.

Inspirational Fiction: "All She Left Behind" by Jane Kirkpatrick, "Christmas Admirer" by Laura V. Hilton, "Bringing Maggie Home" by Kim Vogel Sawyer, and "The Proving" by Beverly Lewis.

DVDs: "Megan Leavey" and "A Time to Dance".

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 or like us on Facebook. The library has free Wi-Fi service available for patrons.

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Sometimes some garden trials are so successful that it is necessary for one to make it known. Such is the success of the planting last year of the Japanese anemone “Honorine Jobert”. This was the perennial plant of the year a couple of years ago and I purchased and planted one to give it a try. It was a success. While the basal clump is only about two feet high, the wiry stems that hold the flowers shoot up to about four feet. This gives the plant a rather delicate, airy appearance, but it really is quite tough. Each stem has several buds which will open over the next several weeks. This makes the anemone a long-lasting cut flower.

Japanese anemones do best in partial shade and in moist soil, but with good drainage. They will establish a clump over time by underground rhizomes. I can only hope that will happen. This has been a truly exceptional plant trial and I now wish to plant other Japanese anemones at Sandhill Gardens.

Another successful trial that is coming into its own in the late summer is the rain garden I installed last year. As rain gardens are supposed to be, this one occupies a spot which previously stayed wet for long periods. It is a place which receives the drainage from several buildings. Most of the rain garden plants are native plants that can take periods of flooding without suffering crown rot. The garden has done its job and has been a wonderful addition to the garden, replacing an unsightly mudhole with a bed that has given great blooms for much of the summer. A plant that is presently drawing attention in that garden is the “Little Joe” Joe Pye weed. I love our native Joe Pye, which often top eight feet tall and sport huge mauve bloom clusters in late summer and early fall. However, these large plants are just too big for most garden borders. “Little Joe” is a miniature version of the plant, topping out at about four feet tall, but still having the

wonderful bloom clusters, which attract butterflies and native bees. I give it high marks in my trial and I hope it also increases its girth without reverting to its taller ancestors’ height.

In the shrub trials, the “Sugar Tip” rose of Sharon rates well. I actually planted this plant in three different places last year. One was planted at the Solution Center in Mitchell in memory of a co-worker there. I planted another in a prayer garden at the Springs Valley United Methodist Church and I planted one at Sandhill Gardens. All three have thrived, but the one at the church has been exceptional. Unlike the common rose of Sharon, “Sugar Tip” is sterile, so despite being covered with blooms, there is no danger of being overcome with seedlings next year. The blooms themselves are double blooms, actually resembling an English rose. They are a light pink with some darker highlights. What really sets this shrub apart, though, is the foliage, which is the source of the name. The dark green leaves common to roses of Sharon are here tipped with white variegation. This makes the shrub stand out, even when not in bloom. I give this trial high praise and would recommend it to anyone. It may be used in a border, as is common for the species, but this one is special enough to be used as a specimen plant as well. It will flourish in full sun to partial shade, but flowering will be stronger in the sun.

Mums have begun arriving at the retailers. These popular plants are standby plants for color in the fall. It is easy to drop a pot of mums into a spot in the garden where ephemeral plants have gone into dormancy. However, I caution that many of those plants will re-appear next year, so be careful not to dig them out. It may be best to use the mums in pots to avoid this. That will require diligence in watering, but the mums will reward you with blooms for several weeks.

Producer sentiment down slightly as commodity prices weaken

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Farmer sentiment dropped seven points in August as both grain and oilseed prices fell, according to the Purdue University/CME Group Ag Economy Barometer. While the barometer, which is based on a survey of 400 U.S. agricultural producers, showed a decrease in optimism, the August reading of 132 is still stronger than a year ago when the index read 95. Since hitting a peak of 153 in January, the barometer’s monthly readings have ranged from a low of 124 in March to a high of 139 in July.

The change in sentiment was primarily driven by the Index of Current Conditions, which fell to 122 in August after reaching an all-time high of 142 in July. The Index of Future Expectations held fairly steady, dropping just one point from 138 in July to 137 in August.

“Weakness in the Index of Current Conditions compared to July wasn’t unexpected given the recent downtrend in grain and oilseed prices,” said Jim Mintert, director of Purdue’s Center for Commercial Agriculture and prin-

cipal investigator for the barometer. “For example, from July 17 to August 21 – the first days of the July and August sentiment surveys, the December corn futures contract price declined 6 percent. Prices for wheat and soybeans also weakened, generating additional concern about farm revenues and profitability.”

In the August survey, producers were asked if the best opportunity to market grain occurred over the last six months or would be in the upcoming six months. A majority (59 percent) thought the best opportunity took place during the last six months, which Mintert said suggests there is some concern that prices are not likely to recover soon.

Researchers also sought to understand the overall mood in the agricultural community. The August survey included a question that asked producers about their neighbors’ sentiments regarding the current agricultural economy. Most – 71 percent – said that farmers in their areas were pessimistic.

Read the full report at <http://purdue.edu/agbarometer>.



I sometimes get in a hurry when I sit down to write. That sometimes causes me to have a bit of tunnel vision and I don’t get in enough detail due to lack of time or space in the article. That happened in August and I heard about it, and I still have some tire tracks from a couple buses. I guess I should have said more.

I may have been a little hard on tall fescue last month, but Kentucky 31 endophyte infected tall fescue does have issues. Much of the tall fescue in Indiana is infected with the endophyte, a fungus that produces a toxic substance known as ergovaline. The endophyte and ergovaline are responsible for reduced palatability of tall fescue especially when it is under stress. Fescue toxicosis is responsible for elevated body temperatures, restricted blood flow to extremities and poor animal performance.

Most people think that ergovaline doesn’t pose a problem in stockpiled fescue because the ergovaline appears to concentrate in seed heads and stockpiled fescue is generally vegetative. Livestock eat stockpiled fescue better after a couple of hard frosts or freezing conditions. This suggests that there is still ergovaline present in infected fescue, reducing intake until after freezing conditions. Most studies have found that ergovaline content drops fairly fast after mid-December. Sadly, as long as endophyte infected tall fescue is growing, it probably is still producing some ergovaline. I might like long, warm falls, but it can delay the ergovaline reduction. Earlier winter or cold weather tends to prompt lower levels of ergovaline. So, the best time frame to utilize endophyte infected tall fescue is probably mid to late winter. Ergovaline in hay also reduces over time.

Now there are some good, improved varieties of tall fescue. Ag-Research in New Zealand isolated naturally occurring endophytes that produced alkaloids associated with insect persistence, but did not produce alkaloids associated with poor animal performance. Welcome novel endophyte friendly tall fescues. The first release was MaxQ tall fescue also called Jesup MaxQ. The novel animal friendly endophyte was inserted into the tall fescue variety Jesup. There are several available today. These endophyte friendly tall fescues provided increased average daily gains, good yields, and even persistence better than even Kentucky 31. This was a huge improvement over low endophyte varieties that were not very persistent and were often quickly taken back over by old Kentucky 31.

If you are considering switching a dominantly endophyte infected tall fescue field to an endophyte friendly tall fescue, you need to make sure to kill out as much of the old fescue as possible. Time helps along with some good herbicides. It’s best to first start by spraying the field of tall fescue when it is actively growing which will help get a good kill. It’s hard to get all of it in one spraying and there is usually a seed bank waiting in the shadows. The ground being converted is probably needed for pasture or hay, so to buy some time to check for a successful kill and allow for any possible growth from seed, plant the field to a summer annual (or winter annual if

done in late summer) and utilize that annual for grazing or hay. Then, when the next planting season arrives, check for any remaining old fescue plants or new plants and apply appropriate herbicides if needed to clean up those remaining plants. Now plant the field to an endophyte friendly tall fescue or a mix including it. The new fescues stockpile just as good, if not better, than Kentucky 31.

Some research also suggests that ergovaline may leach out with a lot of rainfall. There is a tie to ergovaline and nitrogen content of the plant, so that should not surprise anyone. The conclusion of the article was that since stockpiled fescue retains dry matter and quality throughout the winter, the best use of infected stockpiled fescue was during the late winter period.

My last article also brought up concerns about spraying weeds because they could be beneficial. I find this very interesting. It wouldn’t have been too many years ago that I would have been criticized for saying to maybe not spray weeds and try and use livestock and forage management to handle weeds instead of chemicals. To say the least, I’m glad that a more holistic approach has finally started to take hold.

Some of those biennials I mentioned, such as bull and musk thistle and burdock, could all be consumed by livestock at certain stages and even have some decent nutritional value, but I wouldn’t miss them if they were not there either and certainly wouldn’t plant them! We’ll visit this subject at a later date. Concentrating livestock for short time frames creates enough competition that if it is not eaten, the plant is recycled one way or another.

There is still time to plant fall annuals for grazing this fall, winter and/or possibly next spring. Some areas in Indiana certainly could use more moisture. I feel fortunate for the moisture I have. I contribute a lot of that to maintaining good ground cover in the form of green live plants. I’ll end today with a prayer for all the ranchers and producers in the areas tragically impacted by Hurricane Harvey. The coastal bend region and southeast Texas was historically the region that was the birth of the cattle industry in the south and was tied to those famous cattle drives to railroads in Kansas. It’s a good reminder to take a moment to be thankful for what we have. Check the cows, pet the dog, kiss the spouse, hug the kids, and keep those in Texas in your thoughts.

Keep on grazing!

Reminders & Opportunities

Purdue Forage Management Workshop – September 6, 2017 – Purdue Agronomy Center, West Lafayette. This year will focus more on pasture management. For more information, go to the following link: <https://ag.purdue.edu/agry/dtc/Documents/2017%20DTC%20Workshops/2017%20DTC%20workshops%20brochure.pdf>

Stock Dog Workshop – November 14-16, 2017 – For more information contact Denice Rackley at denice.r@lycos.com

More pasture information and past issues of Grazing Bites are available at <http://www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/main/in/technical/landuse/pasture/>

National unemployment goes from 4.3 percent in July to 4.4 percent in August

Total nonfarm payroll employment increased by 156,000 in August, and the unemployment rate was little changed at 4.4 percent, the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics reported last week. Job gains occurred in manufacturing, construction, professional and technical services, health care, and mining.

Household Survey Data

In August, the unemployment rate, at 4.4 percent, and the number of unemployed persons, at 7.1 million, were little changed. After declining earlier in the year, the unemployment rate has been either 4.3 or 4.4 percent since April.

Among the major worker groups, the unemployment rates for adult men (4.1 percent), adult women (4.0 percent), teenagers (13.6 percent), Whites (3.9 percent), Blacks (7.7 percent), Asians (4.0 percent), and Hispanics (5.2 percent) showed little or no change in August.

The number of long-term unemployed (those jobless for 27 weeks or more) was essentially unchanged in August at 1.7 million and accounted for 24.7 percent of the unemployed.

The labor force participation rate, at 62.9 percent, was unchanged in August and has shown little movement on net over the past year. The employment-population ratio, at 60.1 percent, was little changed over the month and thus far this year.

The number of persons employed part time for economic reasons (sometimes referred to as involuntary part-time workers) was essentially unchanged at 5.3 million in August and has shown little movement in recent months. 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 August, 1.5 million persons were marginally attached to the labor force, about the same as a year earlier. (These 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 448,000 discouraged workers in August, down 128,000 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 1.1 million persons marginally attached to the labor force in August had not searched for work for reasons such as school attendance or family responsibilities.

Establishment Survey Data

Total nonfarm payroll employment increased by 156,000 in August. Job gains occurred in manufacturing, construction, professional and technical services, health care, and mining. Employment growth has averaged 176,000 per month thus far this year, about in line with the average

monthly gain of 187,000 in 2016.

Manufacturing employment rose by 36,000 in August. Job gains occurred in motor vehicles and parts (+14,000), fabricated metal products (+5,000), and computer and electronic products (+4,000). Manufacturing has added 155,000 jobs since a recent employment low in November 2016.

In August, construction employment rose by 28,000, after showing little change over the prior 5 months. Employment among residential specialty trade contractors edged up by 12,000 over the month.

Employment in professional and technical services continued to trend up in August (+22,000) and has grown by 262,000 over the last 12 months. In August, job gains occurred in computer systems design and related services (+8,000).

Health care employment continued on an upward trend over the month (+20,000) and has risen by 328,000 over the year. Employment in hospitals edged up over the month (+6,000).

Mining continued to add jobs in August (+7,000), with all of the growth in support activities for mining. Since a recent low in October 2016, employment in mining has risen by 62,000, or 10 percent.

Employment in food services and drinking places changed little in August (+9,000), following an increase of 53,000 in July. Over the year, the industry has added 283,000 jobs.

Employment in other major industries, including wholesale trade, retail trade, transportation and warehousing, information, financial activities, and government, showed little change over the month.

The average workweek for all employees on private nonfarm payrolls declined by 0.1 hour to 34.4 hours in August. In manufacturing, the workweek declined by 0.2 hour to 40.7 hours, while overtime was unchanged at 3.3 hours. The average workweek for production and non-supervisory employees on private nonfarm payrolls was 33.7 hours for the fifth consecutive month.

In August, average hourly earnings for all employees on private nonfarm payrolls rose by 3 cents to \$26.39, after rising by 9 cents in July. Over the past 12 months, average hourly earnings have increased by 65 cents, or 2.5 percent. In August, average hourly earnings of private-sector production and nonsupervisory employees increased by 4 cents to \$22.12.

The change in total nonfarm payroll employment for June was revised down from +231,000 to +210,000, and the change for July was revised down from +209,000 to +189,000. With these revisions, employment gains in June and July combined were 41,000 less than previously reported. (Monthly revisions result from additional reports received from businesses and government agencies since the last published estimates and from the recalculation of seasonal factors.) After revisions, job gains have averaged 185,000 per month over the past 3 months.

Radius Indiana reaches out to St. Louis

Radius Indiana traveled to St. Louis last week along with representatives from the IEDC and the DCEDC to meet with site selectors.

The visit marks Radius Indiana's first trip to St. Louis in an effort to raise awareness about economic opportunities in the eight-county region. For Radius, the visit adds to a series of economic development trips that it has conducted for 2017, and continues on the successful outreach program the organization began in 2016.

Jeff Quyle, Radius Indiana president and CEO, Susan Vaughn, director of the Southwest Regional Office of IEDC and Ron Arnold, executive director of DCEDC shared the advantages of doing business in the region and the state.

During the visit, Quyle highlighted the Radius region's assets, its logistical advantages, interstate connectivity, its proximity to the Louisville metropolitan area as well as developments in the region.

"St. Louis is a relatively close and familiar market for southern Indi-

ana, but our meetings showed us that there is always a benefit to creating a connection for the region," said Quyle. "One of the site selectors we met with is actually exploring the Louisville market for a current project, and we were able to expand his knowledge about our Radius counties that can effectively service that particular market."

"The State of Indiana and in particular the Radius Region has so much to offer including a work ethic of its citizens it is important we take every opportunity to tell our story," stated Ron Arnold

Radius Indiana will continue to partner with the IEDC and Local Economic Development Organizations from the region's respective counties for the remainder of this year's outreach efforts in Indiana and other states across the country. Ensuring that decision makers know about the area's offerings is a primary focus for Radius Indiana, the regional partnership representing Crawford, Daviess, Dubois, Greene, Lawrence, Martin, Orange, and Washington counties.

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