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## Sheriff still trying to get blessing for jail project

BY COURTNEY HUGHETT  
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Sheriff Travis Roush spent quite a bit of time talking to the Martin County Council at their meeting Monday night, October 7 about the possible jail remodeling project. Roush and a committee put together to plan for the project, have been meeting and discussing ideas on how to pay for the work and how to bid out the work. Roush told the council that he doesn't want to spend a tremendous amount of time doing anymore research and planning if they are not onboard with the project. The sheriff said he didn't expect an official vote on doing the project, but he did want the okay to move forward. Council Members Randy Winger and Rich Summers said they were okay with the sheriff continuing to get information for the project. Council Member Buck Stiles said he is against it no matter how much it costs. Council Member Sherri Bowling said she would prefer to see money put back for the project first. The other council members didn't commit one way or the other.

The estimated cost of repurposing the current indoor recreation area of the jail to add more beds is \$500,000-\$600,000 and will add 12 beds.

Council Member Stiles said he felt that most of the money being made from housing Vigo County inmates was going back to their care. Sheriff Roush asked

Stiles if he had figures to back that up. Stiles replied that he didn't. The sheriff then gave a breakdown of meal costs for Vigo County inmates and noted that he can't figure exactly how much is spent on water, electricity, etc. since those things are used with or without out-of-county inmates. Roush also added that clothing for the inmates cost around \$40 each a year and new mattresses for the beds are \$100 each.

Currently, the jail is housing, on average, 25 Vigo County inmates at a time. The county is being paid roughly \$300,000 a year to take on those inmates from other counties. Roush showed the council that each Vigo County inmate is costing \$124.93 per month in meals. Of the \$254,590 brought in so far this year from housing out-of-county inmates, \$85,445.27 has been spent on food costs for Vigo County inmates. This leaves \$225,356.38 that has been going back into the county's general fund. Roush said he would like half of that money to go into a special line item in his budget to save for the jail project – either paying for it outright or for paying the loan payments each year. Roush noted that he doesn't think, jail remodel or not, that the sheriff's department should be helping fund regular Martin County government business anyway. He added that he doesn't mind helping out by bringing in revenue but said, "If the jail is kept

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## Shoals Town Council talks about trailers, resident complaints

The Shoals Town Council met Wednesday October 2. Those in attendance were Council President Cecil Ragsdale, Council Vice President Cary D. Albright, Member Clint Hoffman, Clerk-Treasurer Sierra Rutledge, Town Attorney Paul Vogler, Town Marshal Todd Eckert, SVFD Chief Jim Hamby, Municipal Utilities Manager Kevin Crecelius. Others in attendance were: Steve Deckard with The Shoals News, Audra Deckard, Jordan Wright, Amy Wright, Mary Ragsdale, Lorna Troutman, Candace Roush, Charlie Rollins, Kevin Boyd, Bonnie Reedy, Carl Rush, Susan Reedy, Remi Lake, Isaiah Roush, Emmalyn McNabb, Malachi McNabb, Kyle Winger, Abigail Rollins and Tim Kinder with Martin County Alliance.

Audra Deckard, with The Council on Aging, came before the council to request permission for work to be completed on the inside of the senior citizens center. She said they are going to put down new flooring and in the spring the plan is to paint the outside of the building to go along with the historical society museum. Councilman Albright made a motion for the capital improvements to the building with Councilman Ragsdale making the second. All were in favor.

Lorna Troutman introduced the FLL RoxStars Team (Robotic Team) from the Shoals Community School. Sev-

eral members of the team presented a research project they are working on concerning flooding and the floodplain areas in the Town of Shoals. After presenting the project and research the team had several questions for the board concerning the flooding and the floodplain. Councilman Hoffman presented the team with a floodplain map from the town's comprehensive plan. The board commended the team on not only their presentation but their research and questions and thanked them for attending the meeting.

Next, residents Bonnie Reedy and Carl Rush came before the council to get approval, in accordance with the new mobile home ordinance, to move a mobile home onto their property on McCormick Street. Reedy stated they had purchased the property and had worked very hard to clean it up and had removed two very old mobile homes. Reedy stated the mobile home would have underpinning and a deck once placed and would have upkeep. She stated the community was important to her. Carl Rush presented pictures of the mobile home to the board. Councilman Albright made a motion to authorize the mobile home with Councilman Hoffman making the second. All were in favor.

Resident Jordan Wright came before the council with a complaint towards

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-Photo by Courtney Hughett  
Shown above are member of the Martin County Logo Judging Committee with the logo contest winner. From left to right are committee members Danielle Murphy and Bev Terrell, contest winner Tawnya Showalter, and Martin County Auditor and committee member Bobbie Abel. On the left is the logo that was chosen by the committee of the seven entries received. Not pictured was committee member Dena Held.



## Martin County has a new logo

BY COURTNEY HUGHETT  
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Martin County Auditor Bobbie Abel announced the winner of the Martin County logo contest at the commissioners' meeting Tuesday, October 8. Tawnya Showalter submitted the winning logo and was presented with a framed certificate and flowers. Showalter was one of seven who submitted a logo for the contest.

Auditor Abel said the logo will now be added to the county government website and she plans to have t-shirts made for purchase.

In other business, Emergency Management Director Monte Wolf suggested that the commissioners continue the burn ban in the county. He said that although we received some rain, conditions are still too dry. The commissioners agreed.

Animal Control Officer Josh Hughett reported there are currently 81 inmates in the jail and 29 of them are from Vigo County.

The commissioners approved a quote from Area One for \$42,649 to install new cameras in the jail. They also approved a contract with Black Diamond to provide termite control at the civil defense build-

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## LHS Athletics donation

-Photo provided

MC Fitness & Submission Grappling hosted a fundraiser volleyball tournament on Saturday, October 5 at the Shoals Park. The event was sponsored by Jones Auto, Inc. A total of six teams entered into the tournament and battled it out through a triple elimination bracket. The event raised \$500. The winning team, "Team Bauer", chose to give the raised money to the Loogootee Community School Corporation Athletic Department. Pictured standing from left to right are Team Bauer members Waylon Matthews, Jere Levin, Liz Asdell, James Hager, Ashton Hager, Jason Bauer and Mindy Rose. Kneeling from left to right are MC Fitness & Submission Grappling members Jamie Divine, Jennifer Ridgway, Katherine Ochs, Sierra Rutledge and Mandy Witt.

# SHERIFF

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ing this county afloat, we have bigger problems.” The sheriff said the council would have to find another way to stay within budget.

Auditor Bobbie Abel noted that since the budget is already set for next year, a new line item cannot be created until 2021.

Council Members Wininger and Summers both said they preferred that the project be done and then paid off as soon as possible as opposed to a drawn-out loan. Roush said he went for a 40-year loan to be safe however it can be paid off anytime with no early payoff penalties. The jail committee is currently looking into USDA Rural Development loans. The sheriff explained that the county has no way of knowing where revenue will be in the future and having a cushion of a 40-year loan would be simply for security reasons.

In other business, Sheriff Roush also updated the council on the progress of the salary and wage committee formed earlier this year. Roush serves on the committee, along with Auditor Bobbie Abel and Council Member Buck Stiles, and said it's one of the best committees he's ever been a part of. Roush said what started as a committee to discuss how salary and wages should be done for county employees has now expanded to finding ways to bring in more revenue to the county. The sheriff said they would like to see four things – Hindostan brought back to the county's hands, more emphasis on the Jug Rock, upgrading camping in the Martin State Forest and a river walk built by the White River. Roush said bringing in campers and visitors would increase revenue across the board. Council Member Wininger said the county has tried to get Hindostan back from the DNR and they will not turn it back over. He said several reasons were cited and he didn't see them relenting. He noted that they are continuing to let the area grow up with weeds and he would love nothing more than to get it back into the county's possession. Roush said the committee has already spoken with SIDC and Alliance Director Tim Kinder and they plan to put pressure on the state through the county's state representatives. He encouraged anyone to speak to their state reps whenever possible to express Martin County's need for attention too.

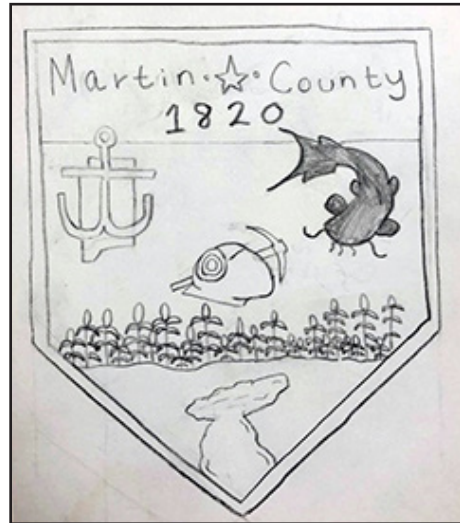
Kathy Collins requested \$1,750 from the misdemeanor fund to pay for books for inmates as part of the jail treatment program. The council approved with Council Member Stiles voting against. Stiles asked Collins why something isn't being done for drug abusers prior to being arrested and instead receiving help after they are incarcerated. Collins replied that Martin County has very limited resources in the way of mental health and there is only one provider. She said work on the Good Samaritan Advisory Board has helped Martin County get ex-

panded days and hours at the center, but it is still only one resource. She said she agrees there should be intervention for drug abusers prior to interacting with law enforcement but noted that drug abusers have to want help, which is usually not the case. She noted that individuals have started AA and NA groups that meet around the county however there is no group run by an organization. She also mentioned that pastors and church groups are a good resource in the county. Collins said that the CASS program at Shoals School is an important step in helping intervene with young people to try and prevent future crime or drug use. Currently the CASS program starts in sixth grade and she said it has been suggested to start as young as second grade.

The council approved the 2020 solid waste budget. Director Laura Albertson said she is working on a grant to purchase a new truck. The grant comes with a \$95,000 match and she included that in next year's budget. The truck will cost \$183,000. Albertson said that is the only change to next year's budget. The budget total is \$569,670.

## LOGO

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## Honorable mention

The Martin County Logo Judging Committee gave the above logo submitted an honorable mention. It was drawn by Abby Lane of Shoals.

ing for \$280 a year.

Census Committee Chair Vickie Wathen told the commissioners that a 2020 Census kickoff meeting for Martin County will be held Thursday, October 17 from 5:30-6:30 p.m. at the Loogootee Library. Wathen said she hopes to get more residents interested in the process because she hasn't had much success so far. She said if she is unable to get people involved, she plans to resign as chair of the committee.

Tim Hunt, with HWC Engineers, told the commissioners that the governor has a press conference scheduled for this Thursday and they expect to hear if the county was awarded Community Crossings road funds at that time.

Commissioner Paul George was not present for the meeting.

# SHOALS

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Town Marshal Eckert. Wright complained he felt Marshal Eckert was harassing him. Wright requested the board issue a letter that Eckert could not have any contact with him or his wife. After some discussion and some questions from Town Attorney Vogler the council members asked Attorney Vogler for his advisement. Vogler advised from the discussion he felt Eckert was only performing normal police duties. Councilman Albright stated the board would follow advisement of the attorney.

Resident Susan Reedy came before the board concerning her water bill. She stated that her water bill had increased and requested the town check her leak detector, which had been done and the leak detector did not indicate a leak. Reedy stated she was questioning if the meter was dated and was reading incorrectly. Municipal Utilities Manager Kevin Crecelius explained that a meter will never speed up but would slow down over time a detect less water usage. He stated that the meter at her residence was only a few years old. He provided Reedy with several suggestions and things to check for water loss.

Next, Marshal Eckert advised the board he has called for a couple estimates on the destruction of a building at the request of the board. He is waiting to receive the estimate prices.

Next, on the agenda was a request from the Park Board for the approval of a new member. Clerk-Treasurer Rutledge stated the park board would like to approval to add Ann Stewart. Rutledge stated Stewart was also a member of the Shoals Summer League Board. Councilman Hoffman made a motion to approve the addition of Stewart to the park board with Councilman Albright making the second and all were in favor.

Next on the agenda was an update from the Beautification Board. Clerk-Treasurer Rutledge stated Board President Amber Hoffman could not attend but provided her with the updates. A reminder that the clean-up date was scheduled for Saturday, October 2 at 8 a.m. The beautification board will meet on November 18 and will discuss their 2020 projects and plans. Rutledge stated she provided a copy of the meeting minutes from their last meeting to each board member.

Clerk-Treasurer Rutledge stated the board needed to set the "Trick or Treat" date and time for the town. Councilman Hoffman stated that with the holiday falling on a school night the board had decided to set the Trick or Treat night

for Friday, November 1 from 6 p.m.-8 p.m.

Rutledge stated that at the last meeting she had brought before the board a resident request for a street sign at South Railroad Street and that the board has requested further information. Rutledge presented a copy of the 911 map of South Railroad Street and explained where South Railroad Street started and ended and there has not been a sign for quite some time. Councilman Albright made a motion to put up a South Railroad Street Sign with Hoffman making the second. All were in favor.

Rutledge requested an amendment to Resolution 2019-2. The resolution requires organized events renting the ballfield to provide their own certificate of liability insurance to the town. Rutledge stated this has turned a few events away from renting the field. Rutledge stated she had talked to the carrier of liability insurance the town has coverage from the this is not a requirement for the policy. After some discussion, the decision to amend the resolution was tabled until some further information is obtained from the insurance carrier.

Rutledge stated the historical society was hosting their annual Ham and Bean Dinner on Saturday and community corrections has requested to transport a few picnic tables for the event and they would return them once the event concluded. Councilman Hoffman made a motion to approve the use of the tables with Councilman Albright making the second. All were in favor.

Tim Kinder, with Martin County Alliance, came before the council and stated that he wanted to make the board aware that the housing study he had done last year for the ROI had been published and is available on ROI's website.

Municipal Utilities Manager Kevin Crecelius wanted to remind everyone of the hydrant flushing that will take place October 14 thru 18.

Kevin Boyd came before the council to get approval to replace a mobile home on Low Street after the current mobile home is removed. He stated the mobile home that would replace the current one was much newer. Ragsdale asked Boyd if the trailer would be underpinned once set and Boyd stated it would. Councilman Albright made a motion to approve the mobile place placement with Councilman Hoffman making the second. All were in favor and the motion passed.

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7 p.m.



## Shoals Park donation

-Photo provided

The Town of Shoals Park Board receives \$1,000 from the MC Fitness & Submission Grappling Kickball Tournament. Pictured is Town of Shoals Park Board Member Sara Clark with the donation. Not pictured are Park Board members Zack Brown, Audrey Gibson, J.J. Johnson, John Ziegler and Chad Damon. The tournament was held in August and the winning team, "The Rusty Classics", chose to donate the money raised to the Town of Shoals Park Board.

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# Obituaries

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## EULA CAVE

Eula Marie Cave passed away at 3:55 a.m. Friday, October 4, 2019 at her home. A resident of Jasper, she was 88.



She was born near Shoals on October 29, 1930; daughter of Fred and Blanch (Burress) Hovis. She married Donal Cave on January 2, 1952.

She was a member of Crystal Community Church for 65 years and Ladies Church Choir. She volunteered for the Patoka Valley Center for many years. She enjoyed baking elaborate anniversary and wedding cakes. Surviving are her husband, Donal Cave; three sons, Stephen Cave of French Lick, Doug Cave (Sandy) of Jasper, and Jeff Cave (Kathy) of Mooresville; seven grandchildren, eight great grandchildren; two sisters, Betty Salmon of Shoals and Linda Cannon of Petersburg.

She was preceded in death by one daughter, Donna Marie, who died in infancy; one brother, Leo Hovis and two sisters, Darlene Eastridge and Wilma Jean Land.

Funeral services were held Monday, October 7 at the Crystal Community Church with burial following in the Crystal Community Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to Crystal Community Cemetery. Condolences may be made online at [www.becherkluesner.com](http://www.becherkluesner.com).

## RUTHIE ROBINSON

Sharon Ruth 'Ruthie' Robinson passed away peacefully on Tuesday, October 1, 2019 at her home. A resident of Elnora, she was 73.



She was born January 16, 1946 in Washington; the daughter of Virgil and Golden (Bradford) Bennington. Ruthie married William D. Robinson on July 29, 1971.

She was a 45-year member of the Elnora American Legion Post #245 Auxiliary. She drove a school bus for North Daviess Schools for 22 years, worked in the kitchen at Ketcham Memorial Nursing Center and then became the bar manager at the Elnora American

Legion Post #245.

Family left to cherish the memory of Ruthie includes two sons, Andrew Robinson and Bryton Robinson, both of Evansville; one daughter, Kylie Robinson of Loogootee; one step-son, Larry Robinson of Vincennes; three grandchildren; one brother, Barney (Christina) Chambers of Odon; and two sisters, Tammie Miley and Gennie (Joe) Matthews, both of Elnora.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, William Robinson; one brother, Darrell Chambers and one sister, Charolette Long.

A funeral service was held Friday, October 4 at Meng Family Funeral Home in Odon with Bro. Richard Smith officiating. Ruthie was laid to rest in Fairview Cemetery in Elnora.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Elnora American Legion Post #245 Auxiliary in memory of Ruthie.

All arrangements have been entrusted to Meng Family Funeral Home in Odon. Condolences and memories may be shared with the family online at [www.mengfuneralhome.com](http://www.mengfuneralhome.com).

## BRIEN LAGLE

Brien "Beanie" Lagle passed away at 6:36 p.m. Saturday, October 5, 2019 at Deaconess Midtown in Evansville. A resident of Loogootee, he was 55.

He was born November 26, 1963 in Washington; son of the late John Oscar and Lucille (Bussinger) Lagle.

Brien loved spending time with his wife of 10 years, Cindy and he loved her fiercely. He cherished each moment spent with his family and grandchildren and took Brayden on many lawnmower rides. Brien had the gift of teaching through example, even if it was the hard way. He took pride in being able to fix just about everything on his own. Brien was always there to help his family and friends. On any given weekend you could find Brien cooking and relaxing at his fire pit, also known as his outdoor living room.

He began his career in 1991 at Taber Owens in Washington. He was a member of the Loogootee United Methodist Church.

Brien was preceded in death by his parents, John Oscar and Lucille (Bussinger) Lagle; sisters, Donna (Scott) Wolfe and Lola Lagle; brothers, John E. Lagle and Boyce Lagle.

He is survived by his wife, Cindy Lagle of Loogootee; sons, Brien (Katelyn) Lagle Jr. of Huntingburg, Ben Lindsey (fiancé, Skylar Chestnut) of Loogootee and Brandon Lindsey of Loogootee; grandchildren, Mia and Brayden Lagle; siblings, Margie (Richard) Cornett of Loogootee, Charlene (Ara) Cookson of Machesney Park, Illinois and Marvin (Marilyn) Lagle of Shoals; nieces and nephews, Dustin (Sunshine) Wolfe, Brooke (Monty) Gregory, Nathan (Valerie) Wolfe, Jennifer (Dennis) Tarvin, John (Angie) Lagle, Cary (Tammie) Asbell and Silas, John and Erin Lancaster; many great-nieces and great-nephews; sister-in-law, Mary Beth Lagle.

Funeral services will be conducted at 11 a.m. Friday, October 11 at Loogootee United Methodist Church. A private family burial will be held at a later date.

Visitation will be held Thursday, October 10 from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the Loogootee United Methodist Church.

In lieu of flowers, memorial dona-

tions can be made to the Loogootee United Methodist Church Missions.

Condolences may be made online at [www.blakefuneralhomes.com](http://www.blakefuneralhomes.com).



--YOUTH AND THE FUTURE --

"We cannot always build the future for our youth, but we can build our youth for the future." -Franklin D. Roosevelt

Youth. Future. Those two words belong together for so many reasons. Youth have so much to look forward to. Youth have choices to make to get to their future. The youth are our future, whether we try to build it for them, or we prepare them for it.

-- WE HAVE AN INTEREST --

We all have a vested interest in helping our youth to learn, grow and become capable adults. They will be making decisions that affect our community, our county, and beyond. And they will be impacting our own lives when we adults will be relying on them for our care and well-being. It's important that we be a part of their growth.

So, how can we help? As parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles, friends, mentors, and any other adult close to our youth, you guide and shape them. You should know that everything you do teaches them about adult life and guides them toward their own future. We need to be sure that we are positive role models. We can also encourage our youth's involvement in organizations that focus on youth values, growth and development.

-- SOME WHO HELP --

Two such organizations in Martin County are the Shoals Jug Rox Robotics Club and the Loogootee Public Library. Shown

in the pictures is each organization receiving a \$500 Make My Grant, and each is focused on developing our youth. The library's grant will go toward enhancing their children's programs. The Jug Rox Robotics Club grant is to help them obtain materials, parts, etc. so that they can engage more students and explore broader possibilities and opportunities.

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If you want to help others deal with the changing and emerging needs in the county, like what you heard about today, your donation to an MCCF "unrestricted" fund will do that for you. And the MCCF has a matching grant opportunity where we will match \$2 for every \$1 donated to any of these unrestricted funds. We will also match 50¢ for each \$1 donated to any other fund type such as designated, donor advised, scholarship or field of interest funds. The matching grant is available through December 2020, but on a first-come, first-served basis while the grant funds are available.

-- MORE INFORMATION --

For more information about the MCCF and how we can help you help others, please contact the MCCF Director, Curt Johnson, at 812-295-1022 or [mccf@cf-partner.org](mailto:mccf@cf-partner.org). You are also welcome to visit our webpage at [www.cfpartner.org/mccf.htm](http://www.cfpartner.org/mccf.htm), follow us on Twitter at [www.twitter.com/MartinCountyCF](http://www.twitter.com/MartinCountyCF), and "like" the MCCF Facebook page at [www.facebook.com/mcccommunityfoundation](http://www.facebook.com/mcccommunityfoundation).



Pictured from left to right are Garry Smith (MCCF Board member) presenting a \$500 Make My Day grant check to Jug Rox Robotics Club members Andrew Newland and Jocelyn Davis.



Pictured is MCCF Vice-President Alan Lagree presenting a \$500 Make My Day grant to Jen Zehr of the Loogootee Public Library.

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## Martin County Sheriff's Department log

### SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 29

6:10 p.m. - Received a report of a car-deer accident north of Loogootee. Deputy Lents responded.

6:12 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance near Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded but did not transport.

8:15 p.m. - Deputy Lents assisted a motorist with a vehicle unlock in Loogootee.

9:26 p.m. - Received a report of a suspicious person north of Loogootee. Deputy Reed responded.

11:49 p.m. - Received a report of suspicious activity in Loogootee. Deputy Seymour and Loogootee Officer Allen responded.

### MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 30

8:00 a.m. - Received a report of an accident north of Loogootee on US 231. Major Keller, Loogootee Captain Hennessee, Martin County Ambulance, and Loogootee Fire responded. No one was transported.

8:15 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance transported the subject to Daviess Community Hospital.

10:45 a.m. - Major Keller assisted a motorist in Loogootee with a vehicle unlock.

1:40 p.m. - One inmate was transported to the doctor.

2:28 p.m. - Received a dog complaint near Loogootee. Animal Control Officer Hughett was notified.

3:07 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance and Deputy Lents responded. No one was transported.

3:13 p.m. - Received a report of harassment near Shoals. Deputy Lents responded.

5:45 p.m. - Received a report of threats in Crane. ICO Mann responded.

5:51 p.m. - Received a report of an accident near Loogootee. Deputy Lents, Martin County Ambulance, and Haysville Fire responded. No one was transported.

6:10 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Shoals. Town Marshal Eckert, Shoals Fire, and Martin County Ambulance responded. No was transported.

### TUESDAY, OCTOBER 1

9:00 a.m. - Deputy Wells took two inmates to court.

9:08 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance transported the subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

2:00 p.m. - Deputy Wells took three inmates to court.

3:35 p.m. - Deputy Lents assisted a motorist in Loogootee with a vehicle unlock.

4:40 p.m. - Deputy Lents and Town Marshal Eckert assisted community corrections with a welfare check near Shoals.

8:51 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance and Loogootee Fire responded. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

### WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 2

3:05 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance, Loogootee Fire, and Loogootee Officer Allen responded. No one was transported.

6:56 a.m. - Received a report of a reckless driver near Loogootee. Loogootee Chief Rayhill and Corporal

Reed responded.

7:20 a.m. - Received report of a suspicious vehicle north of Loogootee. Loogootee Chief Rayhill responded.

7:26 a.m. - Received a report of an accident near Shoals. Chief Deputy Greene, Martin County Ambulance, and Shoals Fire responded. No one was transported.

9:05 a.m. - Deputy Wells assisted a motorist in Shoals with a vehicle unlock.

1:05 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance transported the subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

2:40 p.m. - Received a report of a field fire near Shoals. Shoals Fire responded.

5:24 p.m. - Received a report of an altercation in Shoals. Major Keller, Town Marshal Eckert, Shoals Fire, and Martin County Ambulance responded.

6:10 p.m. - Received a report of a theft in Crane. Major Keller responded.

8:43 p.m. - Received a dog complaint north of Shoals. Animal Control Officer Hughett was notified.

### THURSDAY, OCTOBER 3

12:02 a.m. - Received an alarm call in Loogootee. Loogootee Officer McBeth and Deputy Seymour responded. All was secure.

9:00 a.m. - Deputy Wells took one inmate to court.

9:07 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance and Loogootee Fire responded. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

9:24 a.m. - Chief Deputy Greene assisted a motorist with a vehicle unlock in Loogootee.

11:00 a.m. - Deputy Wells took one inmate to court.

11:23 a.m. - Received a report of theft in Loogootee. Loogootee Chief Rayhill responded.

1:00 p.m. - Deputy Wells took two inmates to court.

5:11 p.m. - Received a dog complaint near Loogootee. Animal Control Officer Hughett was contacted.

6:53 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded but did not transport.

8:38 p.m. - Received a report of an accident near Loogootee. Major Keller responded.

9:46 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance near Shoals. Martin County Ambulance, Deputy Seymour, and Town Marshal Eckert responded. No one was transported.

### FRIDAY, OCTOBER 4

4:18 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance transported the subject to Daviess Community Hospital.

6:06 a.m. - Received a report of a car-deer accident near Shoals. Chief Deputy Greene responded.

6:19 a.m. - Received a report of an accident near Loogootee. Loogootee Sergeant Floyd, Deputy Seymour, and Loogootee Fire responded.

7:48 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Shoals. Shoals Fire and Martin County Ambulance responded. The subject was transported to IU Health in Bedford.

8:25 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance transported the subject to Daviess Community Hos-

pital.

12:04 p.m. - Received a report of a disabled semi on US 50, east of Shoals. Deputy Wright responded.

1:20 p.m. - Received a report of a suspicious vehicle near Shoals. Chief Deputy Greene, Deputy Wells, and Corporal Reed responded.

5:30 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance near Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance and Loogootee Fire responded. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

5:50 p.m. - Received a report of an accident near Loogootee. ISP responded.

9:16 p.m. - Received a report of a car-deer accident north of Loogootee on US 231. Deputy Seymour and Loogootee Officer McBeth responded.

10:33 p.m. - Received a report of a disturbance in Loogootee. Loogootee Officer McBeth responded.

10:55 p.m. - Received a report of a reckless driver on US 231, near Loogootee. Deputy Seymour and Loogootee Officer McBeth responded.

### SATURDAY, OCTOBER 5

1:28 a.m. - Received a report of a disturbance in Loogootee. Loogootee Officer McBeth and Deputy Seymour responded.

1:57 a.m. - Received a report of a domestic dispute in Shoals. Deputy Seymour responded.

5:40 a.m. - Received a report of an accident on US 231, south of Loogootee. Deputy Seymour and Haysville Fire responded.

6:25 a.m. - Received a report of a fire near Shoals. Shoals Fire, Martin County Civil Defense, Loogootee Fire, Martin County Ambulance, and Deputy Seymour responded.

9:55 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance south of Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance and Haysville Fire responded. No one was transported.

10:25 a.m. - Received a report of a car-deer accident near Loogootee. Loogootee Sergeant Floyd responded.

11:45 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance transported the subject to Daviess Community Hospi-

tal.

3:10 p.m. - Received a report of an accident near Loogootee. Deputy Lents responded.

4:36 p.m. - Deputy Lents assisted a motorist in Shoals with a vehicle unlock.

5:14 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Shoals. Shoals Fire and Martin County Ambulance responded. No one was transported.

5:07 p.m. - Received a report of horse neglect near Loogootee. Animal Control Officer Hughett was notified.

6:42 p.m. - Received a report of a domestic dispute in Loogootee. Deputy Lents responded.

8:45 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance near Shoals. Martin County Ambulance, Shoals Fire, and Deputy Lents responded. No one was transported.

9:29 p.m. - Received a report of a disturbance near Shoals. Deputy Seymour and Loogootee Officer Allen responded.

11:20 p.m. - Deputy Seymour assisted a motorist in Loogootee with a vehicle unlock.

### SUNDAY, OCTOBER 6

2:15 a.m. - Received a report of a suspicious person in Loogootee. Deputy Seymour, Reserve Deputy Greene, Loogootee Officer Allen, and Martin County Ambulance responded. The subject was transported to Daviess Community Hospital.

12:41 p.m. - Received a report of trespassing in Loogootee. Loogootee Sergeant Floyd responded.

2:00 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded but did not transport.

3:14 p.m. - Received a report of harassment in Loogootee. Loogootee Sergeant Floyd responded.

3:58 p.m. - Received a report of trespassing near Shoals. Deputy Wells responded.

9:00 p.m. - Received a request for a welfare check in Shoals. Town Marshal Eckert responded.

9:33 p.m. - Received a report of a reckless driver near Shoals. Town Marshal Eckert responded.

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# COURT NEWS

## CRIMINAL CONVICTIONS AND SENTENCING

September 3

Eugene L. Graber, convicted of passing school bus when arm signal device is extended, a Class B Misdemeanor. Sentenced to serve 120 days with 120 days suspended. Defendant received 4 months of probation.

Cole L. Howell, convicted of intimidation, a Class A Misdemeanor and public intoxication, a Class B Misdemeanor. Sentenced to serve 186 days with 180 days suspended and credit for 3 actual days previously served plus 3 Class A credit days. Defendant received 6 months of probation.

Kaylea R. Mulder, convicted of operating a vehicle with an ACE of .08 or more, a Class C Misdemeanor. Sentenced to serve 60 days with 58 days suspended and credit for 2 actual days previously served plus 2 Class A credit days. Defendant received 12 months of probation.

September 5

Shirley D. Coker, convicted of possession of methamphetamine, a Level 6 Felony. Sentenced to serve 296 days with 0 days suspended and credit for 148 actual days previously served plus 148 Class A credit days.

Equonya L. Ingram, convicted of possession of methamphetamine, a Level 6 Felony. Sentenced to serve 338 days with 0 days suspended and credit for 169 actual days previously served plus 169 Class A credit days.

September 9

Brandon Shaun Stone, convicted of maintaining a common nuisance – controlled substances, a Level 6 Felony. Sentenced to serve 900 days with 322 days suspended and credit for 109 actual days previously served plus 109 Class A credit days. Defendant received 10 months of probation.

September 27

Robert S. Tipton, convicted of passing school bus when arm signal device is extended, a Class B Misdemeanor. Sentenced to serve 120 days with 120 days suspended. Defendant received 4 months of probation.

## CRIMINAL CHARGES

DISMISSED

September 3

Cole L. Howell, disorderly conduct, a Class B Misdemeanor, dismissed; refusal to identify self, a Class C Misdemeanor, dismissed.

September 5

Kaylea R. Mulder, operating a vehicle while intoxicated endangering a person, a Class A Misdemeanor, dismissed.

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

possession of a controlled substance, a Class A Misdemeanor, dismissed.

## CIVIL COURT

New Suits Filed

September 25

Mariner Finance, LLC vs. Michaela M. Jones, civil collection.

Sara Kalb-Arvin vs. Jeremy D. Arvin, petition for dissolution of marriage.

## CIVIL COURT JUDGMENTS

October 1

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Credit Acceptance Corporation and against the defendant David Bauerle in the amount of \$9,014.04.

October 7

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Capital One Bank and against the defendant Rochelle L. Peterson in the amount of \$2,320.08.

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Personal Finance Company and against the defendants Norman Wildman and Debra Wildman in the amount of \$368.34.

## SMALL CLAIMS COURT

New Suits Filed

October 1

Blake Burch vs. Brett Mattingly, complaint.

## SMALL CLAIMS JUDGMENTS

October 7

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Crane Credit Union and against the defendant Charles Hardin in the amount of \$4,901.64.

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Crane Credit Union and against the defendant JC Gilbert, d/b/a JC Gilbert's Painting, in the amount of \$1,178.77.

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Crane Credit Union and against the defendant Hope N. Taylor in the amount of \$1,015.53.

## Real estate transfers

**John D. Gunselman and Marilyn J. Gunselman**, of Dubois County, Indiana to **John D. Gunselman and Marilyn J. Gunselman**, of Dubois County, Indiana. Dubois County: Lot Number 34 and Lot Number 35 in College View Estates, a subdivision in the City of Jasper, Indiana. Martin County: A part of the northwest quarter of the northwest quarter of Section 16, Township 3 North, Range 3 West, containing 18.207 acres, more or less.

**Emily E. Qualkenbush**, of Martin County, Indiana to **Good Samaritan District of Washington of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul**, of Martin County, Indiana, a part of the northwest quarter of the northwest quarter of Section 25, Township 3 North, Range 5 West, Martin County, Indiana, containing 0.571 acres, more or less, except a section containing 0.275 acres, more or less.

# Loogootee Police log

## TUESDAY, OCTOBER 1

9:45 a.m. - Male reported a child custody issue.

11:56 a.m. - Caller reported a speeding vehicle on Hwy 50.

5:51 p.m. - Caller reported a possible violation of a protective order.

7:23 p.m. - Female caller reported having problems with a male.

7:36 p.m. - Male came on station to request a transient voucher.

8:41 p.m. - Officer Allen assisted the county with an ATV accident.

8:55 p.m. - First responders were requested on Crane Street for a medical call.

## WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 2

3:05 a.m. - First responders were requested on Vine Street for a medical call.

6:56 a.m. - Caller reported a reckless driver on Hwy 50 in Daviess County.

7:20 a.m. - Chief Rayhill assisted the county with a suspicious vehicle at West Boggs.

2:45 p.m. - Female came on station to report a phone scam.

4:04 p.m. - Female reported a violation of a protective order.

4:43 p.m. - Male reported a reckless driver on US 231.

7:35 p.m. - Caller reported a speeding vehicle on JFK Avenue.

## THURSDAY, OCTOBER 3

12:02 a.m. - Officer McBeth responded to a business alarm

6:19 a.m. - Sgt. Floyd assisted the county with a vehicle accident.

9:07 a.m. - First responders were requested on Queen Street for a medical call.

11:23 a.m. - Male caller reported a theft of fuel.

6:44 p.m. - Male requested a welfare check on a female.

8:57 p.m. - Officer McBeth responded to a business alarm.

11:45 p.m. - Male reported a suspicious vehicle on US 231.

## FRIDAY, OCTOBER 4

1:20 a.m. - Caller reported a disturbance on Cedar Street.

6:25 a.m. - Loogootee Fire assisted with a building fire on Poplar Grove Road.

8:18 a.m. - Caller reported a truck leaking fuel on JFK Avenue.

10:25 a.m. - Sgt. Floyd assisted the county with a car/deer accident.

2:06 p.m. - Caller reported an illegal dumping complaint at O'Reilly's.

5:39 p.m. - Caller reported a possible intoxicated driver on JFK Avenue.

9:16 p.m. - Officer McBeth assisted the county with a car/deer accident.

## SATURDAY, OCTOBER 5

10:34 a.m. - Male requested a vehicle identification check.

3:13 p.m. - Male reported a civil complaint.

5:10 p.m. - Male reported an illegal burn.

6:42 p.m. - Caller reported a domestic dispute on Park Street.

8:01 p.m. - First responders were requested for a female having a medical problem.

9:29 p.m. - Officer Allen assisted the county with a disturbance call.

10:06 p.m. - Caller reported a possible intoxicated driver on Broadway Street.

## SUNDAY, OCTOBER 6

12:41 p.m. - Female reported a trespasser on her property.

3:56 p.m. - Female reported a civil complaint.

5:06 p.m. - Loogootee Fire was paged out to a fire on Hart Road.

5:09 p.m. - Caller reported a domestic dispute on Mulberry Street.

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

10:06 p.m. - Officer Allen responded to a business alarm.

## ARRESTS

### FRIDAY, OCTOBER 4

9:45 a.m. - Jordan Davis, 31, of Loogootee, was arrested by Chief Deputy Greene on a Martin County warrant and is being held without bond.

### SUNDAY, OCTOBER 6

5:38 p.m. - Joshua Cundiff, 38, of Louisville, was arrested by ISP Trooper Nolan and charged with being a habitual traffic violator and is being held without bond.

7:37 p.m. - Nicholas Guy, 40, of Loogootee, was arrested by ISP Trooper Nolan on a Martin County warrant and is being held without bond.

# CLASSIFIED ADS

## YARD SALES

**HUGE YARD SALE** 5968 St Rd 550, junction of Spout Springs Rd and Hwy 550 limestone house on hill. Friday, October 11, 8:00-? and Saturday, October 12, 8:00-12:00. Clothes-baby, girls 2T, plus size women's & men's, holiday decor, dishes, household items, 100 children's books, wooden shelves, humidifier, pictures, Home Interior, shoes, purses, 12ft laminate kitchen counter with sink, 2 other kitchen sinks, wood furnace, oven range hood, and fuel oil tank. Moved to October 18 & 19 if raining.

## HELP WANTED



## BRANCH MANAGER (Loogootee)

Crane Credit Union has an excellent opportunity for a motivated individual to join our Loogootee team as Branch Manager. The ideal candidate will have strong ties to the area business community, as well as a strong background in financial education/counseling. Candidates should also have lending experience, excellent communication and interpersonal skills, ability to prioritize and problem solve, and strong leadership skills. Interested candidates should submit resume by Friday, October 4, 2019 to [gbateman@cranecu.org](mailto:gbateman@cranecu.org)

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## More Neat Stuff

By Ann Ackerman



A pastor was 10 minutes into his sermon when he noticed his young son in the balcony with a pea shooter. He was leaning over the balcony aiming and popping people in the head.

As the pastor prepared to deliver a very public scolding of his boy, the 7-year-old-son hollered out, "You keep preaching, Dad, and I'll keep them awake."

So, I was at Walmart earlier today. A lady was looking at frozen turkeys but couldn't find one big enough.

She asked the stock boy, "Do these turkeys get any bigger?"

He replied with a straight face, "No mam, they're dead."

Made my week. (Thanks, Wayne)

### THOUGHTS

\*There are two kinds of people in this world:

1. morning people
2. people who want to shoot morning people

\*You know you're a grandparent when... you used to get angry at your kids and now laugh when your grandchildren do the same thing.

\*Cooler weather is coming...unfortunately, I never got that bikini body, but I can rock a hoodie and sweatpants like nobody's business.

\*The past, present, and future walk into a bar. It was tense.

\*I child-proofed my house, but the kids still get in.

\*They're not going to make yardsticks any longer.

\*They should make Lunchables for moms, but with wine, cheese, and

chocolate.

\*Currently helping my son search for his chocolate I ate last night.

\*I am a person who wants to do a lot of things trapped in a body of a person who wants to sleep a lot.

\*I could be a morning person if morning happened around noon.

\*Santa has been reading your Facebook posts all year. Most of you are getting Bibles and dictionaries.

\*I want time to craft, snack, and take naps. Basically, I want to go back to kindergarten.

\*Did you know? If you have 5 inches of fat around your tummy you can prevent a bullet reaching any vital organs. So, I'm not fat, I'm armored.

\*If you hear me order decaf coffee, I've been kidnapped and I'm trying to signal you.

### SERIOUSISMS

\*Be who you are and say what you feel because those who mind don't matter and those who matter don't mind. -Dr. Seuss

\*Be so positive that negative people don't want to be around you.

\*The best weight you'll ever lose is the weight of other peoples' opinion.

\*Just be a good person. Love who you can. Help where you can. Give what you can.

\*You know all the things you've always wanted to do? Just go do them.

\*Life is not the way it's supposed to be, it's the way it is. The way you cope with is what makes the difference. -V. Satir via Carol Harder.

Make someone smile today!

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### Shoals School Board special meeting

The Shoals School Board will meet in executive session on Thursday, October 10 at 5:30 p.m. in the central administration office. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining. The meeting is closed to the public.

### Loogootee School Board meeting

The Loogootee School Board will meet Tuesday, October 15 at 4:30 p.m. in the meeting room of the superintendent's office. The meeting is open to the public.

### Democrat meeting

The Martin County Democrat Party will meet Wednesday, October 23 at 6 p.m. in the courthouse in Shoals. The party is looking for candidates that are willing to run in 2020. Everyone is welcome to attend. Any questions, please call 812-639-8106.

### Celebrate Recovery meetings

Celebrate Recovery meetings will be held every Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. at Redemption Church in Loogootee. This is a Christ-centered recovery program and anyone is welcome to attend.

### Local recovery meetings

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

### Food pantry hours

The Loogootee United Methodist Food Pantry will be open the first, second, third and fifth Thursdays of the

month from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. and also the first Monday of the month from 5-6:30 p.m.

### Free lunch for kids

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

### SOAR Tutoring

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

### Humane society meetings

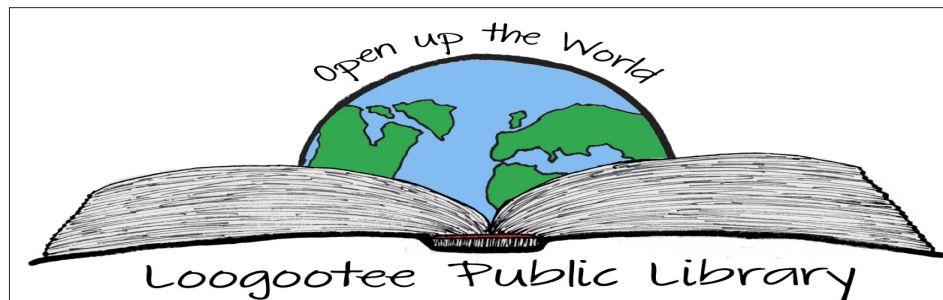
The Martin County Humane Society meets on the third Friday of the month at the animal shelter at 507 N Oak Street in Loogootee, at 5:30 p.m.

### Solid waste board

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

### Soil and Water meetings

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



BY DARLA WAGLER

Librarian, Loogootee Public Library

The final Pull up a Chair Auction fundraiser happened last Saturday. Charity Truelove-Karcz did a wonderful job as the guest speaker. Traci Lengacher Stoll won the Artist's Choice Award for her Wizard of Oz painted chair. Izzy Lengacher won People's Choice Award for her Save the Turtle's chair. My husband helped me to remake a table that Jennifer Lannan donated to resemble a VW van. It sold for \$190 (the highest bid of the night) and Mayor Noel Harty purchased it. Chrystal Goodpaster painted two end table a silver metallic with chalkboard tops and they were the second highest money maker. We had 46 chairs/small furniture donated and we appreciated everyone that helped. Martin County Credit Union, Crane Credit Union, Old National Bank and German American Bank all donated painted chairs. The sponsors were Brent and Melissa Courter, Edward Jones and Travis Brett and Chad Wade, Indiana Farm Bureau Insurance. We appreciate our sponsors. The Friends of Loogootee Library (FOLL) and the Library Board members supplied the desserts for the dinner. Carla's Country Catering prepared the meal. It was a fun evening but as I announced that evening, we

will not have another Pull up a Chair fundraiser; next year we plan on doing a Christmas themed auction.

New Books:

Mystery: "Mumbo Gumbo Murder" by Laura Childs and "The 19th Christmas" by James Patterson.

Fiction: "What Happens in Paradise" by Elin Hilderbrand and "Child's Play" by Danielle Steel.

Inspirational Fiction: "Synapse" by Steven James.

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.

## On The Home Front

By Linda Evans-Dillon  
Martin County Veteran Service Officer

The Martin County Veteran Service Officer has an office in the Martin County Courthouse. An appointment is necessary. For assistance, call 812-247-2210; transportation needs, call 812-247-2450 and leave a message or e-mail [martin-countyvs2013@yahoo.com](mailto:martin-countyvs2013@yahoo.com). Calls are returned on Tuesday and Thursday.

During the month of August, the veteran service officer assisted 12 veterans and had four meetings. The veterans' van took four trips, transporting four veterans to VA medical centers and clinics.

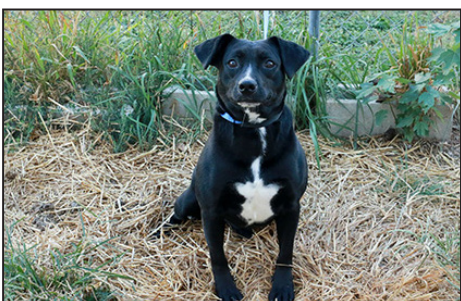
The veterans' van only transports to appointments at VA hospitals and clinics. You must contact me for transportation needs. Do NOT contact the driver's directly, they do not have the van schedule. The veterans' van is not a part of the DAV program, it is funded by Martin County taxpayers so we only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

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

If you have hearing issues and would be interested in a CapTel Captioned Telephone, please call the office at 812-247-2210. You DO NOT have to be a veteran to receive this phone.

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

## ANIMAL SHELTER Pet of the Week



**SPARKY is a male lab/beagle mix, high energy, 1.5 years old. He is neutered, up to date on shots, heartworm and Lyme negative and micro-chipped. For info on all the dogs and cats at the Martin County Humane Society, visit [www.humanesociety-ofmartincounty.org](http://www.humanesociety-ofmartincounty.org).**

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## In the Garden

By Ralph Purkhiser

Purdue University Master Gardener

We have received a little rain in the Hoosier Hills, but the drought conditions have undoubtedly caused some lasting problems. I have resorted to watering, concentrating on my collection of tropical and sub-tropical plants and on landscape plants which have been planted this season. We started the garden season with abundant rain and now we are in drought conditions.

Watering is really not a long-term solution to the problem. No one can know if this pattern will repeat itself in future years, but we do know that spring rains and late summer dry periods have been typical in southern Indiana over the years. One need only to look around to see what plants have done well despite this year's challenges.

While I have watered some plants close to the house, the out-lying parts of the landscape have received no supplemental water, yet there are some beautiful flowers in bloom despite the conditions. These plants should be encouraged and more of them should be planted to keep the landscape beautiful.

In my wildflower meadow, the goldenrod has shone bright through the drought and now the pink and purple asters stand tall despite the lack of moisture. In some parts of the meadow, the coneflowers are putting on new growth and new buds.

In the shrub borders, the beautyberries are particularly attractive. The arrowhead and leather-leaf viburnums show little sign of stress and various sumacs supply interest with the changing color of leaves and seed heads. The deciduous winterberry hollies, which are usually associated with moist areas, have shown no sign of stress from this drought.

The thing that the aforementioned plants have in common is that they are native plants, or at least cultivars of native plants. They have survived the peculiarities of Indiana weather for centuries. These plants are also important food sources for our native pollinators and other wildlife. Loss of habitat, including the loss of stands

## Patoka Lake fish habitat enhancement project finalized

This year Indiana Department of Natural Resources (DNR) finalized a plan for the next reservoir habitat enhancement project: Patoka Lake.

The two main objectives are to stabilize eroded shoreline and enhance in-lake fish habitat.

Artificial-structure volunteer build days will begin this December and continue through January 2020 until 260 pallet-style structures are built and placed. All other structure types are scheduled to be built and placed during December 2020 and January 2021.

Most Indiana reservoirs were built in the 1960s and 1970s. As the reservoirs have aged, fish habitat has been degraded. Specifically, much of the standing timber and other woody debris has been reduced. Additionally,

of these plants, has resulted in the decrease in the numbers of pollinators. There is no such thing as a care-free garden, but it makes sense that it will take less work to enhance nature than to fight it. Planting natives and "nativars" will mean the garden takes less work and the plants, once established, will need little supplemental moisture.

Anyone who has visited Sandhill Gardens knows that I am not a purist. I have many exotic plants here and am not considering removing them. I love the lilacs, peonies, hostas, hellebores and sedums that I have collected over the years. Many of the collections started with plants my grandmother brought here nearly a century ago and I would not think of getting rid of them. While they are not native, they have not been invasive. However, I have modified planting plans to make it easier to care for plants that need more care. Simply by placing the exotic plants closer to the house means I will see them more often as I go about my daily routine. I can also use the water from the water barrels rather than having to run hoses or irrigation systems.

Learning to garden smarter means less work and a garden that is healthier. When you consider adding plants to your landscape, give natives a chance. You will be glad you did.

## Advice for deer hunters on deer diseases

During deer hunting season, Indiana DNR encourages hunters to stay informed about deer diseases and best practices for handling any carcass or other raw meat.

There are three deer diseases that hunters should be aware of this season: epizootic hemorrhagic disease (EHD), bovine tuberculosis (bTB), and chronic wasting disease (CWD).

EHD has been confirmed in several central and southern Indiana counties. As a result, the bonus antlerless quotas for the affected counties were reduced to a maximum of two. EHD is a naturally occurring virus that is transmitted to deer by an insect, a biting midge. EHD

due to more frequent flooding and prolonged high water, aquatic vegetation has disappeared. DNR began the Reservoir Habitat Enhancement Program (RHEP) in 2016 to restore reservoir habitat.

Since the RHEP's creation, DNR has placed a total of more than 700 artificial fish habitat structures in Sullivan Lake (Sullivan County), Cecil M. Harden (Parke County), and Monroe Lake (Monroe and Brown counties) with support from volunteers.

The Patoka Lake Fish Habitat Enhancement Plan is available on Indiana's RHEP webpage at [wildlife.IN.gov/7665.htm](http://wildlife.IN.gov/7665.htm).

As volunteer events become available, they will be posted on [IN.gov/dfwvolunteer](http://IN.gov/dfwvolunteer).

## Farmer sentiment regarding current conditions slips

BY KAMI GOODWIN

Purdue University News Service

Farmers became much more pessimistic about current conditions on their own farms and in the U.S. agricultural economy in late summer, according to the September Purdue University/CME Group Ag Economy Barometer. While the overall Ag Economy Barometer reading dipped slightly to a reading of 121, down three points from August; the Index of Current Conditions, a sub-index of the barometer, dropped 22 points to a reading of 100. The barometer is based on a mid-month survey of 400 agricultural producers across the U.S.

Farmers' outlook toward making large investments such as machinery or buildings also declined in September. The Farm Capital Investment Index dropped for the second month in a row, down nine points from August, which left it 20 points below the July 2019 reading taken when corn and soybean prices were peaking. Producers' farmland value expectations for both the next 12 months and 5 years also drifted lower in September.

Despite the weak near-term outlook provided by farmers, they expressed some optimism about the future as the Index of Future Expectations, another sub-index of the Ag Economy Barometer, rose 6 points compared to August. "Even though farmers are concerned about the near-term, both on their own farms and for the ag economy, improved crop growing conditions during the last half of the summer appeared to boost op-

timism regarding the future," said James Mintert, the barometer's principal investigator and director of Purdue University's Center for Commercial Agriculture.

In the September survey, only one in five producers said they expect profitability to decline over the next year, compared to 41 percent that expected a profitability decline when the same question was posed back in May. "Considered jointly with this month's decline in the Index of Current Conditions," said Mintert, "this could be a signal that growers expect better times in 2020 compared to 2019, possibly because they are looking forward to a return to more normal growing conditions and crop production in 2020."

Read the full September Ag Economy Barometer report at <https://purdue.ag/agbarometer>. This month's report includes insights into producers' perspectives towards a favorable outcome to the trade dispute and their cropland rental arrangements. The site also offers additional resources – such as past reports, charts and survey methodology – and a form to sign up for monthly barometer email updates and webinars. Each month, Purdue Center for Commercial Agricultural Director James Mintert provides a short video analysis of the barometer results, available at <https://purdue.ag/barometervideo>.

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

does not affect humans. Deer infected with EHD are safe to eat. As outdoor temperatures begin to drop, the risk of EHD will lessen. More information about EHD is at [wildlife.IN.gov/8541.htm](http://wildlife.IN.gov/8541.htm).

Bovine tuberculosis (bTB) is a bacterial disease that can affect cattle, deer, and other mammals, including humans. It is not believed to be established in Indiana's wild deer herd; however, the DNR recommends that hunters continue to inspect harvested deer for white or tan lesions on the internal organs or inner wall of the deer's chest cavity. If lesions are found, hunters should contact an Indiana State Board of Animal Health (BOAH) veterinarian by calling 877-747-3038 or for more information.

CWD has not been detected in deer tested from Indiana. CWD is a fatal neurological disease affecting white-tailed deer, mule deer, elk, and moose. CWD is shed in bodily fluids like feces, saliva, blood or urine. CWD is found in free-ranging white-tailed deer in several Midwestern states close to Indiana, including Michigan, Illinois, and Wisconsin. Hunters choosing to hunt in CWD-positive states should have their harvested deer tested for CWD. Hunters from Indiana who hunt out of state and have a deer carcass that has tested positive for CWD should call Indiana's Deer Hotline at 812-334-3795 to discuss disposal options. To learn more about CWD and CWD surveillance, see on [IN.gov/CWD](http://IN.gov/CWD).

Hunters from out of state who hunt in Indiana should follow the carcass transportation regulations for their home state, as well as carcass transportation

regulations for Indiana. BOAH strictly limits the movement of cervid carcasses and body parts into Indiana to the following:

Commercially processed meat, which may contain bone

Carcasses or parts of carcasses if no portion of the head, spinal cord or small intestine is attached or otherwise included

Carcasses or parts of carcasses that include the head, spinal cord or small intestine, if they are delivered within 72 hours after entry to one of the following:

A meat processor inspected by BOAH for processing

A commercial deer processor registered with DNR for processing

A taxidermist licensed by DNR

Antlers, including those attached to skull caps, if the skull cap is cleaned of all brain and muscle tissue

Hides

Upper canine teeth, also known as "bugler," "whistlers," or "ivories"

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Regardless of the harvest, hunters and trappers should adhere to the following best practices when field-dressing or handling any carcass or other raw meat:

Wear disposable gloves

Always wash your hands afterward

Clean and disinfect instruments after use

Don't handle or consume wild animals that appear sick or act abnormal

Cook meat thoroughly

Minimize contact with brain or spinal tissues

Report sick deer at [deer.dnr.IN.gov](http://deer.dnr.IN.gov)

For information on wildlife diseases, visit [wildlife.IN.gov/5466.htm](http://wildlife.IN.gov/5466.htm).

## Lady Lions Volleyball results

The Loogootee Varsity Volleyball Team defeated Wood Memorial Monday, October 7 in three sets, 25-16, 25-4, and 25-9. The girls have two more away games before Sectional action starts at North Daviess on October 19. Loogootee goes up against Shoals in the second match at noon. The first match will see Vincennes Rivet against North Daviess. The winner will play that evening at 7 p.m.

Brooklyn Summers led in points with 16 and also in assists with 20. Emily Wade contributed 12 points and Sara Street finished with 10. Wade also had eight digs. Jaelyn Walker led in kills with 10 followed by Ana Teloken with eight and Makenzie VanHoy with seven. Makenzie also had 13 assists. Kyleigh Courter led in digs with nine and Asia Crim finished with seven digs.

The junior varsity Lady Lions also defeated Wood Memorial in two sets, 25-13 and 25-13. The JV finishes the season with a record of 13-3 overall and 4-1 in conference play.

Mallorie Sutton led the team in points with 10 followed by Brooklyn Summers, Ana Teloken, and Kyleigh Courter each with four. Summers led in assists with 12 and also had four kills. Abbey Furhman led in kills with six and Teloken had four. Courter led in digs with five and Lindsey Nolan finished with three.

The Lady Lions Varsity team competed in the Warrick Invitational last Saturday and were defeated by Perry Central in the final match, in two sets, 25-17 and 25-15. The Lions fell to Castle in two sets, 20-25 and 11-25 and by Barr-Reeve in three sets, 27-25, 22-25, and 8-15.

Emily Wade led in points for the day with 25 followed by Makenzie VanHoy with 15 and Kylie VanHoy with 13. Makenzie led in assists with 32 and also had 24 kills and 23 digs. Kylie led in kills with 26 and added 10 assists.

Asia Crim led in digs with 35 followed by Jocelyn Strange with 28.

Last Thursday, the varsity Lady Lions were defeated by Trinity Lutheran in five sets, 17-25, 25-22, 15-25, 25-23, and 13-15.

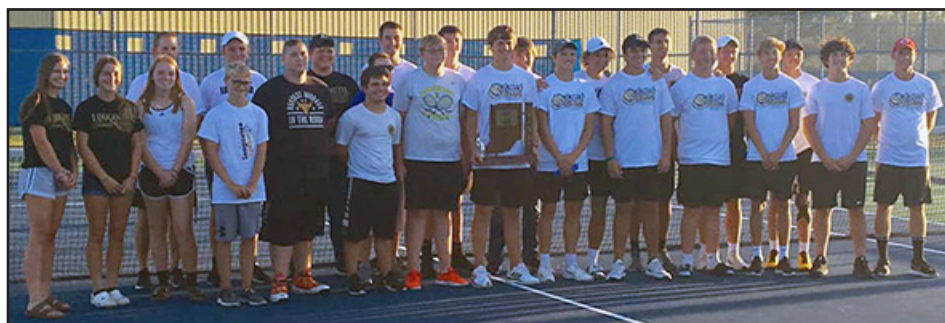
Asia Crim led in points with 10 followed by Kylie and Makenzie VanHoy with seven each. Crim also had 28 digs. Kylie VanHoy led in kills with 18 and also had 24 assists and three blocks. Makenzie VanHoy led in assists with 28 and also had 17 kills and 21 digs. Jaelyn Walker and Emily Wade each finished with eight kills and Jocelyn Strange led in digs with 40.

The junior varsity Lady Lions also fell to Trinity Lutheran last Thursday in two sets, 7-25 and 20-25. Ana Teloken led in points with four followed by Haylie Mathies and Mallorie Sutton with three each. Teloken also finished with three kills and Mathies had four. Brooklyn Summers led in assists with 11 and Kyleigh Courter in digs with 10.

Last Tuesday, October 1, the varsity team beat Springs Valley in three sets, 25-16, 25-17, and 25-22. Asia Crim led in points with 11 followed by Jocelyn Strange with nine and Kylie VanHoy with six. Crim also had nine digs. Kylie led in kills with 16 and in assists with 20, tied with Makenzie VanHoy. She also tied Emily Wade with the most blocks at three. Wade also had six kills. Makenzie VanHoy finished with nine kills and 13 digs.

The junior varsity team also defeated Springs Valley in two sets, 25-11 and 25-16.

Ana Teloken led in points with 13 followed by Mallorie Sutton with seven and Kyleigh Courter with six. Courter also led in digs with 10. Mallorie Sutton had a team-high six kills followed by Haylie Mathies with five and Abbey Furhman with four. Brooklyn Summers led the team in assists with 16.



## LHS Boys' Tennis win sectional, fall at regional, take over school record

The Loogootee Varsity Boys' Tennis Team ended their season at the Jasper Regional by being defeated by Jasper, 1-4. The boys ended their season with a 20-2 record which takes the new school record for the most wins.

Head Coach Mike Tippery said after the matches, "Jalen played a tactically sound match to win at #2 singles against a quality opponent. Jasper did a good job of keeping us at the baseline at #1 and #3 singles, so we were never able to attack the net. Sebastian and Luke played a great first set but came up a few points short. #2 Doubles were never able to string games together. You never want to end a season with a loss, but I was pleased with our play and effort today. We made Jasper earn the victory."

### Results

#1 Singles Max Sternberg (J) defeated Jordan Wildman 6-1, 6-0

#2 Singles Jalen Wildman (L) defeated Bennett Schmitt 6-4, 6-2

#3 Singles Grant Levy (J) defeated Bryant Eckerl 6-3, 6-3

#1 Doubles Mitch Kluemper/Grant Stratton (J) defeated Sebastian Toy/Luke Nonte 7-5, 6-2

#2 Doubles Hudson Himsel/Jobe Luebbehuesen (J) defeated Jayden Leatherman/Nathan Seals 6-2, 6-3

"The 20 wins set a school record for most team wins in a season. Three players broke the school record for most wins in a season (22). Jalen Wildman finished 23-2 at #2 singles. Jayden Leatherman

and Nathan Seals finished 23-2 at #2 doubles. Sebastian, Nathan, and Jayden showed great senior leadership in guiding this team to a successful season. Both our middle school and junior varsity squads finished the season with undefeated records, so the future looks bright for this program," said Tippery.

The Loogootee Varsity Tennis Team officially took the school record for the most wins last Thursday with their sectional title win over Northeast Dubois, 3-2. Head Coach Mike Tippery said after taking the Sectional title, "Winning this Sectional was no easy feat. Barr-Reeve came into the Sectional with a record of 18-0 and Northeast Dubois 16-3. Both teams made us earn the wins on every court. Following in the footsteps of a Hall of Fame Coach is no easy task for both players and coaches. I am really proud of this team because they bought into my coaching style and my emphasis on doing the little things to get better."

Loogootee 3, Northeast Dubois 2  
#1 Singles Reece Bauer (ND) defeated Jordan Wildman 6-2, 6-2

#2 Singles Jalen Wildman (L) defeated Aden Thewes 6-0, 6-0

#3 Singles Bryant Eckerle (L) defeated Tucker Neukam 6-3, 6-2

#1 Doubles Luke Harder/Ethan Ziegler (ND) defeated Sebastian Toy/Luke Nonte 6-4, 6-2

#2 Doubles Jayden Leatherman/Nathan Seals (L) defeated Tanner Hurt/Ross Mehringer 7-5, 6-1

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## National unemployment edges to 3.5 percent in September

The unemployment rate declined to 3.5 percent in September, and total nonfarm payroll employment rose by 136,000, the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics reported last week. Employment in health care and in professional and business services continued to trend up.

This news release presents statistics from two monthly surveys. The household survey measures labor force status, including unemployment, by demographic characteristics. The establishment survey measures nonfarm employment, hours, and earnings by industry.

### Household Survey Data

In September, the unemployment rate declined by 0.2 percentage point to 3.5 percent. The last time the rate was this low was in December 1969, when it also was 3.5 percent. Over the month, the number of unemployed persons decreased by 275,000 to 5.8 million.

Among the major worker groups, the unemployment rate for Whites declined to 3.2 percent in September. The jobless rates for adult men (3.2 percent), adult women (3.1 percent), teenagers (12.5 percent), Blacks (5.5 percent), Asians (2.5 percent), and Hispanics (3.9 percent) showed little or no change over the month.

Among the unemployed, the number of job losers and persons who completed temporary jobs declined by 304,000 to 2.6 million in September, while the number of new entrants increased by 103,000 to 677,000. New entrants are unemployed persons who never previously worked.

In September, the number of persons unemployed for less than 5 weeks fell by 339,000 to 1.9 million. The number of long-term unemployed (those jobless for 27 weeks or more) was little changed at 1.3 million and accounted for 22.7 percent of the unemployed.

The labor force participation rate held at 63.2 percent in September. The employment-population ratio, at 61.0 percent, was little changed over the month

but was up by 0.6 percentage point over the year.

The number of persons employed part time for economic reasons (sometimes referred to as involuntary part-time workers) was essentially unchanged at 4.4 million in September. These individuals, who would have preferred full-time employment, were working part time because their hours had been reduced or they were unable to find full-time jobs.

In September, 1.3 million persons were marginally attached to the labor force, down by 278,000 from a year earlier. (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 321,000 discouraged workers in September, little changed from a year earlier. (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 978,000 persons marginally attached to the labor force in September had not searched for work for reasons such as school attendance or family responsibilities.

### Establishment Survey Data

Total nonfarm payroll employment increased by 136,000 in September. Job growth has averaged 161,000 per month thus far in 2019, compared with an average monthly gain of 223,000 in 2018. In September, employment continued to trend up in health care and in professional and business services.

In September, health care added 39,000 jobs, in line with its average monthly gain over the prior 12 months. Ambulatory health care services (+29,000) and hospitals (+8,000) added jobs over the month.

Employment in professional and business services continued to trend up in September (+34,000). The industry has added an average of 35,000 jobs per month thus far in 2019, compared with 47,000 jobs per month in 2018.

Employment in government continued on an upward trend in September (+22,000). Federal hiring for the 2020 Census was negligible (+1,000). Government has added 147,000 jobs over the past 12 months, largely in local government.

Employment in transportation and warehousing edged up in September (+16,000). Within the industry, job growth occurred in transit and ground passenger transportation (+11,000) and in couriers and messengers (+4,000).

Retail trade employment changed little in September (-11,000). Within the industry, clothing and clothing accessories stores lost 14,000 jobs, while food and beverage stores added 9,000 jobs. Since reaching a peak in January 2017, retail trade has lost 197,000 jobs.

Employment in other major industries, including mining, construction, manufacturing, wholesale trade, information, financial activities, and leisure and hospitality, showed little change over the month.

In September, average hourly earnings for all employees on private nonfarm payrolls, at \$28.09, were little changed (-1 cent), after rising by 11 cents in August. Over the past 12 months, average hourly earnings have increased by 2.9 percent. In September, average hourly earnings of private-sector production and nonsupervisory employees rose by 4 cents to \$23.65.

## Radius releases regional update for National Manufacturing Day

Radius Indiana joined the U.S. Small Business Administration and the National Association of Manufacturers in recognizing Manufacturing Day, an annual event on the first Friday of October, which celebrates modern manufacturing and is meant to inspire the next generation of manufacturers.

Manufacturing is the fifth-largest employer in the United States, according to the Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Over 21,000 workers are employed in the manufacturing industry in the Radius Region and an average of 231 employees have been added each year in the past three years.

In anticipation of Manufacturing Day, Radius Indiana prepared a quarterly update to its Radius Manufacturing Index, which gives the organization an analytic tool that monitors several facets to gauge the strength of the manufacturing industry in the region.

The new report showed continued manufacturing growth in the eight-county region, powered by an increase in the number of manufacturing establishments and an increase in the average of earnings in the region attributed to manufacturing. The overall index did see a slight decrease, falling from 60.26 to 57.45, which can be attributed to other regional industry sectors gaining more employees at a high rate, causing the manufacturing sector to not grow as quickly as it has in the past.

Five of the twelve indicators in the index rose during the quarter, five declined, and two remained unchanged. Some of the declining factors represented slower comparative growth in the manufacturing economy and are signs of continuing manufacturing growth. The Radius region continued to add new manufacturing business establishments during the quarter, for example, but not as many as in the previous quarter.

"Our regional economy maintains a strong foundation of manufacturing," said Radius President and CEO Jeff Quyle. "The strength in manufacturing appears to be providing the financial fuel to allow other parts of the economy to grow as well, allowing our communities to see increasing diversification of

income sources."

In recent months, several manufacturing companies located in the Radius Region announced expansions and investments that will increase the size of facilities and employment opportunities.

Most recently, Berry Global, manufacturers of a wide variety of plastics, tape and adhesive products for a number of different industries, announced a 40,000-square-foot expansion at its Odon facility. The multi-million-dollar investment will create a dozen new jobs in the region.

"Manufacturing is critical to our economy both here in Daviess County and in the Radius Region. With Berry Global's recent announcement, we are continuing to see strong investment and growth in the manufacturing industry within our region. Berry Global's investment is a testament to why it's so important to celebrate this industry and inspire the next generation to explore careers in modern manufacturing," said Bryant Niehoff, executive director of Daviess County Economic Development Corporation.

Other notable announcements include Indiana Fabric Solutions, a certified Women-owned Bedford business that produces high-quality, reusable sewn fabric packaging products; the company is undergoing a 25,000-square-foot addition that will house new equipment, materials and service capabilities for the industrial sewing company. In addition, Metal Powder Products in Campbellsburg, formerly NetShape Technologies, announced an expansion in response to continued growth in both production and employees. MPP provides custom-engineered powder metallurgy product solutions to customers in a variety of industries located around the world.

Radius Indiana encourages manufacturers to take advantage of regional resources such as the Radius Regional Impact fund, which offers loans and grants to support job creation and business growth. The SBA offers programs that can help grow and strengthen the industry.

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