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## Loogootee girl receives award for inspiring others

Whitney Fleagle, of Loogootee, recently received an award from Developmental Services, Inc (DSI) for her outstanding commitment and achievement in reaching personal goals while providing inspiration to others. She is the youngest to ever received the award. She is five.

For the Fleagle family, the day five years ago that Whitney was born into their lives, they knew there would be significant challenges to face for their beautiful blue-eyed infant daughter. But they also knew that her very existence was a miracle. Whitney was born with Cerebral Palsy.

According to Whitney's mother, Emily, the pregnancy was perfect but a traumatic birth due to complications resulted in some damage to parts of her daughter's brain. Noting that she was not breathing for several minutes after her birth, Emily believes that Whitney's survival was a miracle.

"She was definitely a fighter," says Emily about those scary moments in the delivery room. "Whitney spent a little time in the NICU (Natal Intensive Care Unit), but she was able to come home with her family in few days.

According to the Mayo Clinic website, Cerebral Palsy is caused by abnormal development or damage to parts of the brain that control movement, balance, and posture. Most often, the



*-Photos provided*  
Five-year-old Whitney Fleagle, of Loogootee, recently won an award from Developmental Services, Inc. for her outstanding commitment and achievement in reaching personal goals while providing inspiration to others. She is the youngest to ever receive the award. In the photo on the left, is Whitney with a stuffed monkey presented to her at the awards banquet by Sherri Tredway, DSI Development Director, to help keep her from getting over stimulated due to the large crowd and noises. Monkeys are her favorite animal.

problems occur during pregnancy however, they may also occur during childbirth or shortly thereafter.

Hailing from Pennsylvania, Emily and her husband moved with their daughters - four-year-old Whitney and one-year-old Cambrie to Loogootee

in 2018. Whitney was enrolled in DSI's KidStuff preschool in Loogootee where she received physical, cognitive and speech therapies as well as having the opportunity to interact and with other children through play and learn-

ing activities.

Much of what was learned by the Fleagles is further enhanced in their home.

The Fleagles converted their one-car garage into a therapy room and stocked it with adaptive games, toys and learning equipment so that Whitney could work on skills she would need for future independence in school and in day-to-day life. Two-year-old Cambrie enjoys playing and learning alongside her big sister.

One of the most sophisticated adaptive devices used by Whitney is "Bella". This computer communication device has a large screen in which Whitney can manipulate by making eye contact with selected boxes displaying symbols and words. Once Whitney has selected her message, Bella speaks for her.

With Bella, Whitney is able to tell what color crayon she wants to draw with, what she wants to eat and even express her feelings.

Other adaptive equipment that will be more and more important to Whitney's future independence is her gait trainer which helps her take steps, a manual wheelchair, a stander, and a new power wheelchair she controls with head movements.

To further ensure Whitney's successful transition to kindergarten and beyond, the Fleagles are very involved in social media.

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## Christmas Parade, Stroll to be held in downtown Loogootee this Sunday

The annual Loogootee Festival of Lights Christmas Parade will be held downtown this Sunday, December 1. Line up begins at 5 p.m. behind Loogootee High School. 30-plus entries have signed up so far and more are being accepted. Anyone wanting to still enter a float can call the mayor's office at 812-295-4770.

The Christmas Stroll will take place downtown starting at 5 p.m. with vendors set up inside New Beginnings Community Church on the square. Local businesses will also be open. The Martin County Humane Society will have a booth selling paw print-themed jewelry, 2020 calendars and shirts. Redeeming Grace Christian Women's Ministry will have a booth selling baked goods and providing information on their mission.

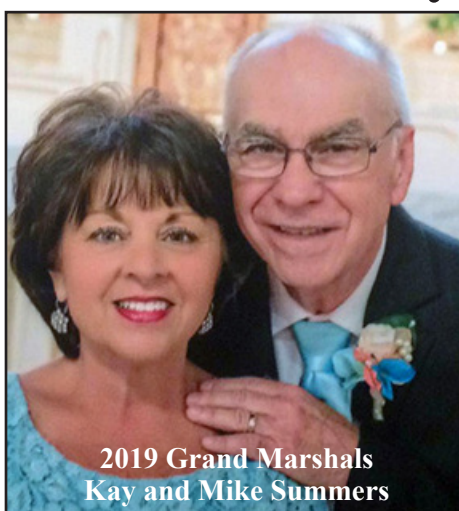
Anyone wanting to set up a vendor booth at New Beginnings can call 812-709-0258.

Carriage rides will be offered at Jolene's Decorating on West Main Street.

The Martin County Recycling Center will bring in elves to pass out candy canes during the Stroll.

The Loogootee Library will be hosting a soup supper from 3-6 p.m. Cost is a free will donation.

The first-ever tree lighting ceremony will take place at 7:30 p.m. Free cookies and hot chocolate will be provided.



2019 Grand Marshals  
Kay and Mike Summers

Carolers will sing during the tree lighting ceremony.

Santa and Mrs. Claus will be in the parade and then downtown during the Stroll.

Mike and Kay Summers have been chosen by the mayor to be the grand marshals of this year's parade. The couple are life-long Loogootee residents who live less than a half mile from the homes they were raised in. Mike is the son of the late Bud and Grace Summers and a graduate of St. John's High School Class of 1964. In 1966 he enlisted in the United States Air Force, where he served for 4 years, including service in the Vietnam War. In 1970, he returned to Loogootee and stole the heart of Kay Toy. Kay is the

(See 'PARADE' on page 2)



-Photo provided

A graduation ceremony was recently held consisting of both Martin and Daviess county ladies completing basic peer counseling training for CWM ministries. In the front row, from left to right, are Janice Henning and Kathy Mathias (Regional Director for CWM) In the middle row, from left to right, are Jami Whitehead, Jackie Wiscaver, Teresa Radcliffe and Kativa Tuttle. In the back row, from left to right, are Glenda Blake, Renaee Keller, Michelle Gann, Pam Summers, and Marissa Wagler. Not pictured is Barbara Rogge.

## Women's Ministry looking for permanent home in Martin County

Redeeming Grace Center for Women's Ministries is seeking a permanent home in Martin County to provide emotional and spiritual healing through free one to one peer counseling, support groups, prayer groups, fellowship activities, volunteer activities and Bible studies. These services are provided to women at no cost.

Redeeming Grace CWM is a non-denominational, Christ-centered counseling ministry that provides a safe place for hurting women in a confidential non-judgmental atmosphere. The center can help with abuse, addictions, depression, divorce, eating disorders, grief/loss, illness/caregiver support, incarceration. (See 'MINISTRY' on page 2)

# Martin County unemployment edges up to 2.4 percent in October

Martin County's unemployment rate rose slightly from September to October, edging up from 2.2 percent to 2.4 percent. The county had the eighth lowest jobless rate in the state for October, tied with Decatur, Gibson, Rush and White counties.

In October, the county had 5,347 residents in the workforce and 127 of them were without work. In September, there were 5,293 residents able to work and 118 of them were unemployed. In October of last year, Martin County's jobless rate was 2.6 percent with 5,156 residents in the workforce and 136 of them without jobs.

Daviess County's unemployment rate also edged up just slightly in October to 2.2 percent, up from 2.1 percent the month before. The county had the third lowest jobless rate in the state for October, tied with Bartholomew and Boone counties.

In October, the county had 16,826 residents in the workforce and 375 of them were unemployed. In September, there were 16,699 residents able to work and 351 of them were without jobs. In October of 2018, Daviess County's jobless rate was 2.7 percent with 16,508 residents in the workforce and 439 of them unemployed.

Dubois County's unemployment rate moved from 1.9 percent in September to 2.1 percent in October. The county had the lowest jobless rate in the state for October, tied with Tipton County.

In October, the county had 22,897 residents in the workforce with 481 of them unemployed. In September, there were 22,742 residents able to work and 442 of them were without work. In October of last year, Dubois County's unemployment rate was 2.5 percent with 22,999 residents in the workforce and 566 of them without jobs.

Greene County's unemployment rate bumped up to 3.5 percent in October, up from 3.3 percent the month before. The county had the fifth highest jobless rate in the state for October, tied with six other counties.

In October, the county had 13,810 residents in the workforce and 485 of them were unemployed. In September, there were 13,686 residents able to work and 447 of them were unemployed. In October of last year, Greene

County's unemployment rate was 4.1 percent with 13,777 residents in the workforce and 568 of them without work.

The top ten spots in the state for lowest jobless rate for October were Tipton and Dubois counties at 2.1 percent, Daviess, Boone, and Bartholomew counties at 2.2 percent; Jackson and Hamilton counties at 2.3 percent, and White, Rush, Martin, Gibson, and Decatur counties at 2.4 percent.

The top ten spots in the state for highest jobless rate for October were Fayette County at 4.4 percent, Lake County at 4.2 percent, Vermillion County at 4.1 percent, Vigo County at 3.7 percent, and Delaware, Greene, LaPorte, Miami, Starke and Sullivan counties at 3.5 percent.

Indiana's unemployment rate stands at 3.2 percent for October and remains lower than the national rate of 3.6 percent. The monthly unemployment rate is a U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) indicator that reflects the number of unemployed people seeking employment within the prior four weeks as a percentage of the labor force.

Indiana's labor force had a net increase of 567 over the previous month. This was a result of a decrease of 1,397 unemployed residents and an increase of 1,964 employed residents. Indiana's total labor force, which includes both Hoosiers employed and those seeking employment, stands at 3.38 million, and the state's 64.4 percent labor force participation rate remains above the national rate of 63.3 percent.

Learn more about how unemployment rates are calculated here: <http://www.hoosierdata.in.gov/infographics/employment-status.asp>.

**Employment by Sector**  
Private sector employment has grown by 16,500 over the year and has decreased by 2,000 over the previous month. The monthly decrease is primarily due to losses in the Manufacturing (-4,000) and the Trade, Transportation and Utilities (-2,100) sectors. Losses were partially offset by gains in the Leisure and Hospitality (2,100) and the Professional and Business Services (1,500) sectors. Total private employment stands at 2,734,500, which is 2,400 above the December 2018 peak.

## MINISTRY

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ceration, relationships, self esteem, and spirituality.

The group is made up of trained volunteers "Who have been where you are". Their clients are mothers, wives, sisters, and daughters who need someone they can trust. They are, however, not professional therapists. If a need arises for someone with more training and expertise, those women are referred to professional Christian counselors.

Centers are completely funded through donations and grants. Anyone wishing to support the center can send donations to Redeeming Grace CWM, PO Box 37, Loogootee, Indiana 47553.

The group will be at New Beginnings Community Church, on the square in Loogootee, on Sunday, December 1 during the Christmas Stroll, selling baked goods to raise funds and providing information about their mission. They will also be represented in the Christmas Parade.

Redeeming Grace CWM will serve both Martin and Daviess counties and the surrounding area. There will be announcements of upcoming community awareness meetings. Center volunteers

are available to give presentations about the ministry to any interested groups or churches. You can contact them at (812) 709-2397.

CWM Headquarters is located in Bloomington where the first center originally opened its doors in 1989. Headquarters now oversees centers throughout the United States and International. They are a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization. You can visit the website at [www.cwmhope.org](http://www.cwmhope.org) for more information.

## Replacement sought for outgoing commissioner

The Martin County Republican Party will hold a caucus on Tuesday, December 10 at 6 p.m. in the commissioners' room of the courthouse to choose the replacement for Commissioner Dan Gregory, who is resigning. Anyone interested in taking over the seat can pick up paperwork from Republican Chairman Earl Boyd, Jr. at KRB in Shoals. Applicants must live in Perry Township, Rutherford Township or Crane.

For more information, call the Martin County Clerk's Office at 812-247-3651.

The caucus will be closed to the public.



## Maintaining the balance

-Photo by Josh Hughett

Grocery Getter Nation presented a \$650 check to the Loogootee School Board at their meeting Thursday, November 21 to help pay off past due student lunch accounts. Grocery Getter Nation is a non-profit founded in October 2018 by Jammie and Kyla Quick and Krista Truelove with a mission to pay off lunch accounts at area schools so children do not have to suffer the burden of household finances. From left to right are Krista Truelove, Loogootee School Board Member Brent Courter, and Kyle Quick.

## AWARD

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"Social media has been very helpful, and we have found parent groups who have kids with similar needs that we've come to know," stated Emily. We have connected with "mom" groups, special needs mom groups, and a family-run CP (Cerebral Palsy) group. Social media has been our best resource for information and networking."

Emily has even started her own blog on Facebook - "Praying for Whitney-Whitney's Journey."

"We hope to help others by sharing things that we have learned or tried with Whitney that have been successful. We post a lot of pictures, videos and tips."

One can bet their expanding network of friends will find plenty of inspiration from Whitney and the Fleagle family. Although they anticipate many challenges ahead of them, the Fleagles find comfort in their faith and in the wisdom they have acquired during their journey together as a family.

"We love life and want others to

know there is lots of joy even though life isn't easy," advises Emily.

DSI merged with Four Rivers Resource Services and operates The Red Door in Loogootee. Developmental Services, Inc. and Four Rivers Resource Services, Inc. provide services and supports to children and adults with disabilities. For more information, visit [www.dsiservices.org](http://www.dsiservices.org). To follow Whitney's journey, visit [www.facebook.com/prayingforwhitney](http://www.facebook.com/prayingforwhitney).



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# Obituaries

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## RAYDIES "TATER" THIMLING

Raydies D. "Tater" Thimling passed away November 23, 2019 at the Daviess Community Hospital in Washington. A resident of Shoals, he was 93.

He was born June 12, 1926 in Martin County; son of Martin and Elizabeth (Hoffman) Thimling. He married Ruth Tow on October 18, 1956 and she preceded him in death in 2005.

He retired from National Gypsum with thirty-three and a half years of service, was a farmer, truck driver and served as Democrat Committeeman for twenty years. He was a member of the Shoals Christian Church, the Shoals American Legion for sixty-five years and was a veteran of the United States Army, serving during the Korean War.

"Tater" was preceded in death by his wife and three brothers, Ambrose, Lenise and Frank Thimling.

Funeral services were held Monday, December 2 at the Queen-Lee Chapel with burial in the Spring Hill Cemetery.

The Queen-Lee Chapel of the Thorne-George Family Funeral Home was in charge of the arrangements.

## MICHAEL ALBERTSON

Michael Albertson passed away at 2:55 p.m. Thursday, November 21, 2019 at IU Health University Hospital in Indianapolis from complications caused by esophageal cancer. A resident of Loogootee, he was 72.



He was born July 7, 1947 in Lafayette; son of the late Andrew and Colleen (Mounce) Albertson.

Mike was a United States Navy veteran and navigated the USS Sequoia, the presidential yacht during President Nixon's administration.

He enjoyed playing golf, watching football and frequenting the local casinos. He volunteered at the American

Legion Post 120 and helped account for the payroll. He served on the Martin-Daviess County Park Board.

Mike was preceded in death by his parents, Andrew and Colleen Albertson and sister-in-law, Heidy Albertson.

He is survived by his wife of 48 years, Laura (Northover) Albertson; daughters, Carrie Albertson and partner, Donald Humbert; Brooke Albertson and Kelly (Adam) Ash; grandson, Treyton Baker; granddaughter, Teagan Ash; brother, Robert Albertson; sister, Terry (Toby) Fitch; and nephew, Bryce Fitch.

Funeral services were conducted at 11:00 a.m. this morning, Wednesday, November 27 at Blake Funeral Home Loogootee. Burial followed in the Goodwill Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the American Legion Post 120 in Loogootee.

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

## JERRY KEMP

Jerry L. Kemp passed away at 12:31 a.m. Tuesday, November 19, 2019 at Memorial Hospital and Health Care Center. A resident of Loogootee, he was 89.



He was born December 2, 1929 in Velpen; son of the late Claud Winfield and Lois Cecil (Corn) Kemp.

Jerry married Betty (Tempel) Kemp on May 16, 1953 and she survives.

He was a former coach and teacher at Ireland, Dale and Loogootee High Schools. He retired from NSWC Crane after many years of employment as a mathematical statistician. He was a member of St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church. He was the former co-owner of Dog'n Suds Drive In in Loogootee. He was a past member of the Loogootee Senior Citizen Housing Board and the Loogootee High School

Scholarship selection committee.

Jerry loved playing golf, playing cards and water skiing. He was an avid baseball fan and was a catcher for summer league baseball teams. He enjoyed watching Indiana University and Purdue University basketball.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Claud and Lois Kemp and infant brother, Billy Kemp.

He is survived by his wife of 66 1/2 years, Betty Kemp of Loogootee; children, Jerry D. Kemp of Carmel, Terry L. Kemp of Bloomington, Sheila Kemp of Carmel and Gayla (Phil) Arvin of Memphis, Tennessee; grandchildren, Zachary Arvin and Lindsay Arvin; brother, David L. (Myra) Kemp; and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were conducted Saturday, November 23 at St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church in Loogootee. Burial followed in St. John Catholic Church Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to St. Vincent De Paul Food Pantry.

Condolences may be made online at [www.blakefuneralhomes.com](http://www.blakefuneralhomes.com). Arrangements were provided by Blake Funeral Home in Loogootee.

## MARY KAUTSKY

Mary Margaret Kautsky passed away on November 25, 2019. A resident of Indianapolis, she was 95.



She was born on March 27, 1924 in Loogootee, the eldest of seven children; daughter of Daniel and Mary (Clements) Bough.

Mary graduated from Shoals High School with honors in 1942. She graduated LPN school in 1970 at the age of 46. She was employed at St. Francis Hospital for 32 years. Mary was active in her children's schools, serving on the

school board and PTA President 1964. She was involved in many community activities including Greater Southside and helped start the Southside YMCA (Baxter YMCA), serving on the board and the downtown YMCA board. Mary enjoyed her family, quilting, flowers, and feeding birds.

She is survived by daughters, Sandra (William) Stevenson, Brenda Wagner, Rebecca (Dave) Crane, Donise White, and Kimberlee (Cindy) Kautsky; 10 grandchildren; 15 great grandchildren; and brother, Jim Bough.

She was preceded in death by siblings, Ruth Bough, Betty Robbins, Monica Burchfield, Joseph Bough and Jerry Bough.

Visitation will be held Tuesday, December 3 from 5 p.m. until the time of service at 7 p.m. at G. H. Herrmann Madison Avenue Funeral Home, 5141 Madison Avenue, Indianapolis.

Memorial contributions may be made to Keenan-Stahl Boys & Girls Club Board, Attn: Bob White, 1949 East Troy Avenue, Indianapolis, IN 46203.

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## Martin County Sheriff's Department log

### MONDAY NOVEMBER 18

12:48 a.m. - Received a report of a car-deer accident near Shoals. Deputy Lents responded.

4:50 a.m. - Received a report of cows out on US 50, west of Shoals. Deputy Lents responded and the owners were contacted.

9:17 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance transported the subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

9:36 a.m. - One inmate was transported to the doctor.

10:35 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance transported the subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

8:30 p.m. - Received a report of a car-deer accident on US 50, east of Shoals. Deputy Lents responded.

### TUESDAY NOVEMBER 19

12:12 a.m. - Received a report of a suspicious person and possible break-in, in Crane. Deputy Lents responded.

1:46 a.m. - Received a report of a suspicious vehicle in Loogootee. Loogootee Officer McBeth responded.

3:19 a.m. - Received a report of a car-deer accident on US 231, near Loogootee. Loogootee Officer McBeth responded.

5:50 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Shoals. Shoals Fire and Martin County Ambulance responded. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

8:42 a.m. - Received a report of an accident near Loogootee. Chief Deputy Greene and Loogootee Chief Rayhill responded.

10:02 a.m. - Deputy Wells took one inmate to court.

11:47 a.m. - Received a report of a theft near Loogootee. Corporal Reed responded.

1:12 p.m. - Received a request for a welfare check in Shoals. Deputy Wells responded.

1:14 p.m. - Received a request for lift assistance near Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded but did not transport.

1:21 p.m. - Jail Officer Shaw took two inmates to court.

3:04 p.m. - Received a request for lift assistance near Shoals. Martin County Ambulance and Shoals Fire responded. No one was transported.

4:45 p.m. - Received a report of an accident south of Loogootee on US 231. ISP Trooper Johnson and Corporal Reed responded. Martin County Ambulance also responded but did not transport.

### WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 20

12:41 a.m. - Received a report of a break-in, in Loogootee. Loogootee Officer McBeth responded.

7:06 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance near Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance and Loogootee Fire responded. No one was transported.

7:31 a.m. - Received a report of an accident on SR 550 near Loogootee. Chief Deputy Greene responded.

7:44 a.m. - Received an alarm call near Shoals. Chief Deputy Greene responded, and all was secure.

8:06 a.m. - Received a report of an accident in Loogootee. Loogootee Captain Hennette responded.

10:10 a.m. - Deputy Barnett took two inmates to court.

11:14 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Shoals. Sheriff Roush,

Chief Deputy Greene, Martin County Ambulance, and Shoals Fire responded. The subject was transported to Daviess Community Hospital.

11:48 a.m. - Chief Deputy Greene performed two vehicle identification checks near Shoals.

12:30 p.m. - Received a report of a theft in Shoals. Chief Deputy Greene responded.

2:25 p.m. - Received a report of an accident in Loogootee. Loogootee Captain Hennette responded.

2:29 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance and Loogootee Captain Hennette responded. No one was transported.

5:46 p.m. - Received a report of a car-deer accident on US 231, south of Loogootee. Chief Deputy Greene responded.

7:15 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance north of Shoals. Martin County Ambulance transported the subject to Daviess Community Hospital.

7:17 p.m. - Received a report of a missing person from Lawrence County. Chief Deputy Greene, Corporal Reed, Shoals Fire, and Martin County Ambulance responded. The subject was located.

10:08 p.m. - Received a report of an accident east of Shoals on US 50. Corporal Reed, Deputy Seymour, Shoals Fire, and Martin County Ambulance responded. No one was transported.

### THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 21

3:37 a.m. - Received an alarm call in Loogootee. Loogootee Officer McBeth responded and all was secure.

7:15 a.m. - Received a report of trespassing near Shoals. Chief Deputy Greene responded.

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

9:00 a.m. - Received a report of an accident east of Shoals on SR 150. Corporal Reed, Martin County Ambulance, and Shoals Fire responded. No one was transported.

10:00 a.m. - Deputy Barnett took two inmates to court.

10:53 a.m. - Deputy Barnett took one inmate to court.

11:25 a.m. - Deputy Barnett took one inmate to court.

11:51 a.m. - Received a report of damage to county road. Corporal Reed responded.

12:20 p.m. - Received a report of bad checks in Shoals. Deputy Barnett responded.

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

2:20 p.m. - Corporal Reed assisted a motorist with a vehicle identification check near Shoals.

2:32 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance near Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance and Loogootee Fire responded. No one was transported.

3:35 p.m. - Deputy Barnett took four inmates to court.

4:00 p.m. - Received a report of an accident in Loogootee. Loogootee Officer Allen responded.

7:02 p.m. - Received a report of an accident on US 231, north of Loogootee. Corporal Reed, Loogootee Officer Allen, Martin County Ambulance, and Loogootee Fire responded. No one was transported.

9:06 p.m. - Received a report of a fight north of Shoals. Deputy Seymour,

Town Marshal Eckert, and ICO Doane responded.

### FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 22

1:56 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance near Shoals. Martin County Ambulance transported the subject to IU Health in Bedford.

5:34 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded but did not transport.

11:49 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance transported the subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

2:00 p.m. - One inmate was transported to the doctor.

6:42 p.m. - Received a report of debris in the roadway east of Shoals. Deputy Barnett responded.

### SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 23

2:41 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Shoals. Shoals Fire and Martin County Ambulance responded. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

6:00 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Shoals. Martin County Ambulance responded but did not transport.

10:47 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance south of Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance transported the subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

1:47 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Loogootee Fire, Martin County Ambulance, and Loogootee Sergeant Floyd responded. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

4:40 p.m. - Received a report of a domestic south of Loogootee. Deputy Lents and Deputy Wells responded.

4:48 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance near Loogootee. Loogootee Fire and Martin County Ambulance responded. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

7:04 p.m. - Received a dog complaint in Loogootee. Animal Control Officer Hughett was notified.

7:20 p.m. - Received a dog complaint in Shoals. Animal Control Officer Hughett was notified.

8:00 p.m. - Received a report of a disturbance near Shoals. Deputy Seymour responded. Martin County Ambulance responded but did not transport.

10:03 p.m. - Received a report of a car-deer accident south of Loogootee. Deputy Seymour responded.

### SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 24

12:03 a.m. - Received a report of a fight in Crane. Deputy Seymour, Loogootee Officer Cummings, and a Greene County Deputy responded.

7:58 a.m. - Received a report of an accident in Shoals. Deputy Wells responded.

8:12 a.m. - Received a report of an accident near Shoals. Deputy Wells responded.

11:53 a.m. - Deputy Wells assisted a motorist with a vehicle unlock in Loogootee.

12:16 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded but did not transport.

4:10 p.m. - Loogootee Officer McBeth assisted the department of child services with a welfare check.

6:09 p.m. - Received a report of a possible impaired driver north of Loogootee. Deputy Wells responded.

6:46 p.m. - Received a report of a car

fire near Shoals. Shoals Fire and Deputy Wells responded.

7:49 p.m. - Deputy Reed assisted a motorist with a vehicle unlock near Loogootee.

## ARRESTS

### MONDAY, NOVEMBER 18

10:00 a.m. - Robert J. Alspaugh, 36, of Shoals, was arrested by Loogootee Police and charged with domestic battery.

6:04 p.m. - Justin Boyd, 32, of Shoals, was arrested by Corporal Reed on a Martin County warrant and is being held on a \$25,000 10% bond.

### TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 19

1:58 a.m. - Damian Russell, 23, of Linton, was arrested by Deputy Lents on Owen County warrants and is being held without bond.

### WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 20

11:13 a.m. - Gerban Soto Ozoa, 23, of Washington, was arrested by Chief Deputy Greene on a Martin County warrant and is being held without bond.

11:20 a.m. - James King, 55, of Shoals, was arrested by Sheriff Roush on a Martin County warrant and is being held without bond.

11:45 p.m. - Charles Gilmore, 23, of West Baden Springs, was arrested by Deputy Seymour for operating a vehicle while intoxicated and leaving the scene of an accident. He is being held without bond. Assisting with the arrest was Corporal Reed.

### THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 21

2:00 p.m. - Kenneth Campbell, 38, of Orleans, was arrested by Sheriff Roush on a Martin County warrant and is being held without bond.

### FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 22

3:59 a.m. - Debra Bottorff, 63, of Loogootee, was arrested by Loogootee Officer McBeth and charged with operating while intoxicated - controlled substance, possession of methamphetamine, possession of marijuana, and possession of paraphernalia. She is being held without bond.

9:37 p.m. - Jonathan Dant, 40, of Loogootee, was arrested by Loogootee Officer Allen on a Martin County warrant and is being held without bond.

### SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 23

2:49 a.m. - Cynthia Short, 57, of Bloomington, was arrested by Town Marshal Eckert for operating while intoxicated - controlled substance. She is being held without bond.

5:45 p.m. - Jesse Martinez, 44, of Loogootee, was arrested by Deputy Wells and charged with intimidation and is being held on a \$20,000 10% bond. Assisting with the arrest was Deputy Lents.



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## More Neat Stuff



By Ann Ackerman



### THOUGHTS

\*I can't prove this, but I swear I used to be smarter, funnier, and a lot less tired.

\*New Survivor Series: 16 politicians teaching in a Title I school and living on a teacher's salary.

\*Don't forget to turn your bathroom scales back 15 pounds Wednesday night at 1 a.m. for Thanksgiving.

\*When killing them with kindness doesn't work, I've heard a baseball bat is quite effective.

\*If I was a bird, I know who I'd poop on.

\*If I waited until I had all my ducks in a row, I'd never get across the street.

### THANKSGIVING THOUGHTS

\*Thanksgiving – the day everyone is thankful with the exception of those who are on a diet.

\*Every year around Thanksgiving and Christmas you see such helpful articles on how to CARVE A TURKEY – and they're really practical. Now if I can only find a butcher who sells those turkeys with the dotted lines on them.

\*Sure, you've got things to be thankful for. If nothing else, be glad you're not a turkey!

\*I'm working on something that'll revolutionize the poultry world – turkeys crossed with kangaroos. It'll be the first turkey in history you can stuff from the outside.

\*It's all fun and games til your jeans don't fit.

\*You cannot see your reflection in boiling water. Similarly, you cannot see the truth in a state of anger. When the waters calm, clarity comes.

\*Having a dog or cat will open your heart. Reading a book will open your mind. Having both a pet and a book is absolute heaven. -Mark Rubinstein

\*Cough, rough, though, through – why don't these words rhyme, but for some reason pony and bologna do.

\*Sometimes you just have to gather up what you've got and make a run for it.

\*Not everyone is in a position to help animals, but everyone is in the position not to harm them.

\*If you see someone falling behind, walk with them. If you see someone being ignored, find a way to include them.

\*A single act of kindness throws out roots in all directions, and the roots spring up and make new trees.

\*What you allow is what will continue.

\*Being told you are appreciated is one of the simplest yet most incredible things you can ever hear.

\*Every choice has either regret or peace attached to it. Choose wisely.

A woman walks up to an obnoxious drunk at a bar and tells him, "If you were my husband, I'd poison your drink."

The man replies, "If you were my wife, I'd drink it." (originally credited to Sir Winston Churchill)

Make someone smile today!

### SERIOUSISMS



## Red for Ed Action Day

-Photo provided

Shoals had seven teachers attend the Indiana State Teacher's Association "Red For Ed Action Day" rally held last Tuesday at the statehouse in Indianapolis. About 20,000 educators, parents, and community members rallied for investing the budget surplus in holding students, teachers and communities harmless from ILEARN, repealing the unnecessary PGP/externship requirements for teachers, and teacher compensation. Shown above are the teachers attending from Shoals. From left to right are Janie Johnson, Mimi Hawkins, Susan Sewell, Terra Boyd, Dennis Dahlen, April Sutton, and retired teacher Linda Sherfick.

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### Free soup supper

The Loogootee Christian Church would like to extend an invitation to the entire community for a free soup supper to be held from 6-8 p.m. Thursday, December 5. All members of the community are invited to attend.

### Chamber meeting

The Martin County Chamber of Commerce will meet Wednesday, December 18 at noon at Los Bravos in Loogootee. Anyone interested in Chamber activities is invited to attend.

### 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.

## Retired Teachers Association meet

BY LINDA STROSNIDER

Retired Teachers Association

The Daviess/Martin Retired Teachers Association held their November 8 meeting at Lakeview Restaurant. President Alice Jones led the membership and guest in the Pledge to the Flag. The minutes were read and approved.

Lawana Hand requested that members submit their community hours records at the January meeting. Magazines and books were collected to be dispersed at local nursing homes and the hospital. Approximately \$13 was collected for the "Pennies from Heaven", which will be sent to the IRTA Foundation.

In new business, members were reminded to bring treats for "goody bags" for active teachers to the January meeting. A volunteer is needed to serve on the State Award Committee for the Clock Award. Alice announced that Bonnie Moore, Dave Lennen, and Jim

### 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.

Strosnider were recipients of Community Service Honorable Mention certificates from the June RA.

The program was presented by Elaine Taylor from Daviess/Martin Recreation and Parks on Boggs Lake. She covered the history of the park as well the fishery, amenities and facilities, and future projects. She awarded members prizes for answering Jeopardy question from the presentation. Members in attendance were Alice Jones, Linda Strosnider, Nancy Adams, Linda Britton, Ken Macy, Aggie Cooper, Lawana Hand, Linda Britton, Vicky Bauernfiend, Marilyn Read and guest – Elaine Taylor.

Prizes were brought by Rita Divine and Linda Britton. Rita Divine, Ken Macy, and Aggie Cooper were the winners.

The next meeting is scheduled for January 10, 2020 at the Gasthof Restaurant at 11:30 a.m.

The meeting was adjourned for lunch.

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At this time of the year, we can pause and look back at the growing season to assess what did well and what did not. At Sandhill Gardens, I have a lot for which I am thankful this year. The year certainly had its challenges—too much rain in the spring and drought in the autumn, but all in all, it was a pretty good year for my gardens.

Due to the rainy spring, the vegetable garden was largely delayed. I was able to plant lettuce and peas before the rains started but was late getting out the bedding plants. However, when the tomatoes started producing, I had a good crop from a few plants. The best producer was an heirloom variety known as “goat’s bag”. The fruits were solid and elongated and had very few seeds. This variety proved to be good for eating and was especially good for sandwiches, since the tomatoes did not make the bread soggy. This would probably also be a good tomato for sauce. I saved seeds to grow this one again next year, but the fruits did not have many seeds. I also grew some old favorites, including purple Cherokee, mortgage lifter and golden jubilee.

As I have done for several years, I grew potatoes in a bin on top of the ground, adding a mixture of shredded leaves, shredded paper and compost to cover the plants as they grew. Using this method makes harvesting easy and I was able to pull out some very nice tubers. I actually got a second crop in that did even better than the first, since growing on top of the ground was not dependent on getting the soil dry enough to work before planting.

I also grew sweet potatoes in a raised bed. I had a fair harvest, but the tubers were not large. However, they are the perfect size for baking whole and eating a sweet potato for a meal. The fact that birds kept eating at the foliage may have been the reason that I did not

get big tubers. Next year, I will plant sweet potatoes in a different bed and will cover the bed with bird netting.

Another crop that produced a bumper crop was the Malabar spinach. This leafy green is not a true spinach at all but is a vining plant from New Zealand that produces dark green leaves and pink flowers. The leaves do actually taste a lot like spinach, but the texture is a little different. The great thing about Malabar spinach is that it loves the hot summer weather, which causes true spinach to bolt.

The ornamental garden got off to a shaky start. Warm weather followed by freezing temperatures nipped some of the early flowers. It was a marginal year for daffodils, but by lilac time, temperatures had warmed just enough to support good bloom, yet stayed cool enough that the blooms lasted longer than usual. It was also a banner year for the dogwoods, both the native dogwoods and the Korean dogwoods. Like the lilacs, the bloom period was lengthy.

The summer growing period was generally good. I really did not have to water anything planted in the ground until August. Of course, potted plants required some watering, but even they did not require attention every day. Good growing conditions also meant that weeds grew rapidly, and I admit that they got ahead of me in some beds. Next year, maybe I will do a better job of getting mulch in place early to help suppress the weeds.

My roots run deep on this ridge and I am thankful that I am able to garden where my ancestors gardened. I especially cherish the many perennials and shrubs that my maternal grandmother planted here nearly a century ago. I pray that each of you will also have great things for which you are thankful this year.

## DNR holiday gift packs are now available

Cross those hard-to-buy-for people off your shopping list by giving them a holiday gift pack from the DNR. The DNR gift pack saves you \$31 over buying the items individually.

A gift pack is a gift the recipient can use the whole year. Whether that person enjoys camping or sleeping in the comfort of one of seven Indiana State Park Inns, the gift pack is sure to please.

The \$99 gift pack includes a 2020 resident annual entrance permit, a one-year subscription to Outdoor Indiana magazine, and one of two \$65 gift card options. There’s a \$65 gift card that can be used at the campgrounds — or for those who like to enjoy nature from the comfort of the indoors, a \$65 State Park Inns gift card. There’s also an option to upgrade the gift card to \$100 by paying \$35 more.

Orders ship within three to five business days. Orders received by December 8 will ship by December 16. The offer is available through December 31, and packs can be purchased online at [innsgifts.com](http://innsgifts.com).

Indiana has 32 state parks and reservoirs throughout the state. The entrance permit grants gate entrance for all of 2020 for all state park properties beginning January 1.

The inns gift card can be used at any of seven state park lodging facilities, as well as at the award-winning Pete Dye-designed golf course at Fort Harrison State Park in Indianapolis. The card can also be used for lodging, meals in the dining rooms, or gift purchases.

The camping gift card can be used toward the rental of cabins (excluding inns-operated cabins), campsites, cottages, group camps, recreation buildings, rent-a-camp cabins, shelters, youth and rally camps at all state park and reservoir properties. It can also be used at a handful of DNR Division of Forestry properties, including Deam Lake State Recreation Area (SRA), Greene-Sullivan State Forest, and Starve Hollow SRA.

The camping gift card may also be used to purchase daily entrance, lake permits, horse tags, and any other items sold by park-operated gates, stores and gift shops. The camping gift card cannot be used at any privately-operated concessions, camp stores, marinas or saddle barns.

Outdoor Indiana is a bi-monthly magazine that brings you the best of the state’s outdoors in 48 pages of full color. The normal subscription rate is \$15 per year. You can learn more about the magazine at [outdoorindiana.org](http://outdoorindiana.org).

## Spring Mill SP hosts Holiday in the Village December 6, 7

Get in the holiday spirit at Spring Mill State Park’s Holiday in the Village celebration on Friday, December 6 from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. and Saturday, December 7 from 1 p.m. to 9 p.m.

Stroll through the Pioneer Village as reenactors craft holiday decorations, bake cookies, and prepare to celebrate in the style of a late 1800s Christmas. Stop in the grist mill and make an ornament to take home or place it on the mill tree. Follow the luminaries to find Santa Claus and tell him your holiday

wishes. Hot wassail and cookies will be served to the public in the village tavern both evenings from 6:30 p.m. until the supply runs out.

There will be two musical performances in the grist mill. Becky Sprinkle and the Apple Seed Band will play from 5 to 7 p.m. on Friday evening, and Wildflowers and Weeds will perform on Saturday at 6:30 p.m.

Park admission during the event is \$7 per vehicle for in-state residents and \$9 per vehicle for out-of-state residents.

For more information on this and other upcoming Spring Mill events, contact Coletta Prewitt at 812-849-3534 or [springmillstatepark@dnr.IN.gov](mailto:springmillstatepark@dnr.IN.gov).

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

## Play board games at Paynetown SRA

Paynetown State Recreation Area at Monroe Lake is hosting an afternoon of board gaming on Sunday, December 8 from 1 to 4 p.m. inside the Paynetown Activity Center. The event is completely free.

The Paynetown Activity Center has a collection of more than 25 nature and outdoor-themed board and card games (including recent releases like Planet and Fire Tower) that people can select from for almost any age. Attendees may also bring their own games to play.

The Activity Center is providing snacks and hot drinks for attendees. The Kid’s Corner in the building, with puppets, puzzles, and other activities, will also be open for younger children to play in.

Registration is not required, but people are encouraged to follow the Facebook event page for updates, weather and otherwise. Search Paynetown SRA lakeside gaming on Facebook to find the page.

Paynetown SRA ([on.IN.gov/monroelake](http://on.IN.gov/monroelake)) is at 4850 South State Road 446, Bloomington, 47401.

## New deer harvest website available for hunters

Indiana DNR has launched a new website allowing deer hunters to access white-tailed deer harvest data as it is accumulated by the state.

During the check-in process, hunters report the county of harvest, sex of deer harvested, type of land the deer was harvested on, and type of equipment used to harvest deer. This data can now be accessed and viewed by individuals using an interactive website. Visitors to the website can compare individual or multiple counties across the past five years. Results can even be limited to specific types of equipment or deer seasons.

Hunters have asked for more detailed harvest data and comparisons between years, and this new website is a direct result of that feedback to DNR. Harvest data is updated daily.

The website can be accessed at [wildlife.IN.gov/10286.htm](http://wildlife.IN.gov/10286.htm).

## DECEMBER AUCTIONS

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- 3. Saturday, Dec. 7<sup>th</sup> ~PUBLIC AUTO AUCTION & EQUIPMENT-**  
starting at 8:30am. Please have your vehicles and items in by Thurs. 5pm  
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- 4. Monday, Dec. 9<sup>th</sup> ~ONLINE AUCTION (Day 1) –Estate of Margaret Lee, Real Estate & Personal Property, 1011 Hwy 257, Washington, IN.**  
(Real Estate sells on Day 2)  
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- 5. Tuesday, Dec. 10<sup>th</sup> ~ONLINE REAL ESTATE AUCTION (Day 2)**  
Margaret Lee Estate. 1011 State Hwy 257 WASHINGTON, IN  
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- 6. Wednesday, Dec. 11<sup>th</sup> ~ ONLINE AUCTION –Mrs. Pauline Sellers, Montgomery, IN**  
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- 7. Monday, Dec. 16<sup>th</sup> ~ ONLINE REAL ESTATE AUCTION &**  
Personal property, Great location at: 10 Terrace Park Ave, Washington, IN ~ Sherman Estate.

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# Martin County Alliance partners with Purdue students through iFrontDoor

A group of Purdue students have partnered with Martin County Alliance for Economic Growth, Inc. during the fall semester in an effort to increase awareness of Martin County's tourism attractions.

"The iFrontDoor program was very advantageous to our Martin County Tourism efforts by providing us the opportunity to work with Purdue University students," said Tim Kinder, executive director of the Martin County Alliance for Economic Growth. "And their keen technological eyes, in redeveloping one of our key pieces of marketing collateral."

The partnership with Martin County Alliance has provided the students with practical experience developing a public relations campaign for the Martin County Tourism Council. Throughout the semester, the students redesigned a tourism brochure, created a social media guide for the Martin County Tourism Council Facebook page, and worked to increase engagement on the Facebook page and visitmartincounty.org.

"The Martin County Tourism Council is extremely fortunate to have the Purdue students in the iFrontDoor Program assisting our marketing efforts," said Jameson Hibbs, Daviess Martin County Parks and Recreation Supt. and the Martin County Tourism Council president. "Their knowledge and insight on current marketing trends will be vital to increase the awareness of Martin County and progress our marketing campaigns."

The Martin County Alliance is the local economic development organization (LEDO) for Martin County, Indiana.

The partnership, iFrontDoor, was created to aid Indiana communities in managing their online channels.

It is overseen by Purdue's Center for Regional Development and Extension Community Development

The partnership will continue with a new group of Purdue students at the start of the spring semester in January 2020.

## Loogootee 6th Grade Basketball results

On November 23, the Loogootee Sixth Grade Boys' Basketball Team competed in the Bosse Shootout. Loogootee faced Castle, losing 27-34. Scoring were Cam Haywood with 26 and Emmett Graber with one. In the next game, Loogootee defeated Evansville North 38-32. Scoring were Can Haywood with 28, Emmett Graber with four and Joe Graber, Evan Williams, and Paxton Arvin with two points each.

In the final game, the Lions lost to Bloomington by a score of 20-40. Scoring were Can Haywood with 14, Paxton Arvin with four, and Joe Graber with two.

On November 25, the Lions competed against Forest Park and came away with two victories. In the A game that went to double overtime, the Lions won 54-53.

Scoring were Cam Haywood with 46, Paxton Arvin with six, and Mason Brittain with two. In the B game the Lions won 27-15. Emmett Graber finished with eight, Joe Graber with six, Seth Salmon with three, and Daniel Farhar, Kylan Wolf, Carter Walton, Wesley Kerns, and Eli Aushbrooks with two points each.



"Dreams are the seeds of change. Nothing ever grows without a seed, and nothing ever changes without a dream."

-- DREAMS --

That's a nice quote from Debby Boone, a singer with a successful career in the pop, country and Christian music industries (her signature song was "You Light Up My Life" in 1977). I think she got it right by telling how important dreams are for our future. Dreams spring from hope and ideas for changes in ourselves and our community. We see change all around us. Most times it's good, sometimes it's not so good, and sometimes we may not agree with it. But if someone doesn't dream for something better, something to change, we're left in a rut and a life without hope.

-- BUILDING THEM --

While I would agree with Debby that dreams are the seeds of change, I would also say that new awareness and new ideas are the seeds of dreams. Dreams have to start with something planted within us, whether it is a new idea or a newfound understanding of one thing or a combination of things.

-- HOW --

How do those initial seeds get planted within us? How can we come up with those new ideas? We learn. We learn from our experiences and observations or from those of others. We have the capacity to develop wonderful dreams and goals from a single seed or from many that we cultivate into something beyond what we thought possible. Dreams are a great gift.

-- READING --

The premise that we learn through our own experiences is easy enough. But how do we learn from others? We either see it, they tell us, or we read it. Reading easily gives the most opportunities to learn from others. Read-

ing literally opens up the world to us. Reading plants the seeds for dreams. Dreams are the seeds for change. Change brings us hope.

-- YOUR LIBRARIES --

The school and public libraries in our county offer us some of the best access to read and to learn. Without books, writings and instruction, learning has a limited circle of influence. Books and libraries have forever been fundamental institutions for people. Without these, we don't know our history, we can't learn as well about the present, and our dreams for the future are limited.

-- THE MCCF HELPS --

The MCCF helps by supporting organizations and their services that spurn change and improvements to our community and quality of life. Grants and scholarships made possible by donors just like you, help bring to reality the dreams of others. Our libraries are one of the critical resources for nurturing those dreams.

The MCCF recently awarded a \$500 "Make My Day" grant to the Loogootee Public Library. MCCF Board member Angie Risacher was excited to be a part of furthering the library's reach and ability to foster ideas and dreams in our community. In the picture Angie is presenting the grant to Darla Wagler, Loogootee Public Library Director.

-- MORE INFORMATION --

For information about how the MCCF can help you put your passion and dreams back into the community, please contact the MCCF Director, Curt Johnson, at 812-295-1022 or mccf@cfpartner.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/mccommunity-foundation](http://www.facebook.com/mccommunity-foundation).



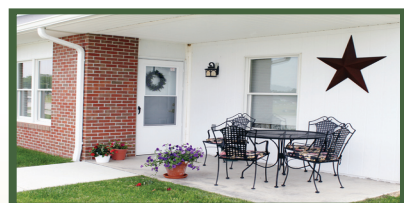
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Pictured is Angie Risacher (MCCF Board member) presenting a \$500 grant to Darla Wagler (Loogootee Public Library Director).