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Loogootee-Shoals Tri Kappa looking for scholarship applicants

The state organization of Tri Kappa will award a variety of scholarships to college students throughout Indiana in the spring. Each state scholarship will be awarded in the amount of \$1,000. Tri Kappa has provided scholarship awards since 1914 acknowledging students on the local, province and state levels. Chapters, provinces and the state organization combined, currently give nearly \$500,000 annually honoring academic achievement.

The state scholarship chair is currently seeking applicants for the following:

-Twelve \$1,000 academic scholarships will be awarded and additional at-large scholarships could be awarded dependent upon the funds available. To apply, students must be currently enrolled in a baccalaureate or graduate program, having completed at least one academic year. Criteria used by the Tri Kappa selection committee are academic achievement, strong goals, extracurricular activities, work experience and volunteer service. (One scholarship per province, Loogootee-Shoals is Province III)

Primary filings 2018

The following have filed candidacy in the Martin County Clerk's Office for the 2018 Primary Election in Martin County:

Martin County Prosecutor

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Carolyn S. McGuire (R)

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Gerald D. Montgomery (R)

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Martin County Council District 3

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Jason Hennette (D)

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Crane Town Council

Bernard Butcher (D)

Judith A. Harlow (D)

Shoals Town Council

Cary D. Albright (R)

Earl Boyd, Jr. (R)

Clint D. Hoffman (R)

Cecil L. Ragsdale (D)

Dick Cresgy (D)

Shoals Clerk/Treasurer

Sierra Rutledge (D)

Crane Precinct Committee Member

Bernard Butcher (D)

Filing for candidacy for the May 8, 2018 Primary Election ends February 9, 2018 at noon in the Martin County Clerk's Office.

Please call the Clerk's Office at 812-247-3651 to check status or with any questions regarding the upcoming election.

-Two \$1,000 Key Scholarships are available to students throughout the state. These are directed to those students who have no previous degree beyond high school and have had a lapse in their education for at least 5 years. Any student enrolled in an accredited school offering an associate or baccalaureate degree, who has completed at least one semester, may apply. Criteria used by the Tri Kappa selection committee are strong goals, work experience and volunteer service since high school.

-Two \$1,000 Fine Arts Scholarships will be awarded statewide to students majoring in art, dance, drama, or music. To apply, students must be currently enrolled in an accredited baccalaureate or graduate degree program, having completed at least one academic year.

-The \$1,000 Twanette Nutter Fleming Music Award stipulates that the applicant must be enrolled in a fully accredited course of study leading to a degree to teach music in a private,

public, or parochial school, having completed at least one academic year.

The Tri Kappa Scholarship Committee says they know there are has numerous college students in the area who are talented and would qualify for these scholarships. They are hopeful that those students will be brought to their attention, so they may begin the process of submitting an application for State Tri Kappa scholarships. Students wishing to apply for any of these scholarships are encouraged to contact Katie Milligan at 812-296-0066 or kmilligan15@yahoo.com.

Local deadline to submit scholarship applications to Delta Tau Chapter of Tri Kappa is Friday, February 9, 2018. That will provide the committee time to vote on the applications, put the packages together and submit to state scholarship committee by the state deadline of February 28, 2018.

The Tri Kappa State Scholarship Committee will meet in early spring to select the recipients of the above-men-

tioned scholarships.

In addition to the state scholarships, the Loogootee-Shoals, Delta Tau Chapter of Tri Kappa also provides two local scholarships in the amount of \$500 each; one to a graduating Loogootee High School Student and one to a graduating Shoals High School Student with proof of college enrollment for the 2018-19 Fall Semester.

Applications for those high school scholarships can be obtained from your high school counselor or by contacting Katie Milligan at 812-296-0066 or kmilligan15@yahoo.com.



Loogootee woman arrested after police respond to fight in progress call

Last Wednesday, at approximately 1:08 p.m., the Martin County Sheriff's Office received a call of a fight in progress between two males in front of the apartments located at NE First and the railroad tracks, in Loogootee. A short time later, a trooper arrived in the area but didn't see people fighting. As he walked around in the area looking for the fight, he smelled the strong odor of burnt marijuana coming from 103 NE First Street Apt. 4. Not finding a fight in progress he waited until another trooper could arrive on scene to further investigate.

Trooper Jarrod Lents arrived and he along with Sgt. Chad Dick knocked on the door of apartment #4 but no one answered. They knocked again and Jasmine N. Jones, 24, opened the door. The troopers first inquired about the fight that was reported and Jones advised she did not see nor hear anyone fighting. The troopers then inquired about the strong smell of marijuana coming from within the apartment. Jones gave consent to the troopers to search her apartment. Inside of her apartment, items commonly associated with marijuana use were located. Also present in the apartment were two juvenile males.

Jones was placed into custody and transported to the Martin County Jail where she was charged with maintaining a common nuisance, possession of marijuana, neglect of a dependent, contributing to the delinquency of minors, possession of paraphernalia and false informing. While at the jail, additional paraphernalia was located on Jones.

The juveniles were released to family members.

Troopers were assisted at the scene by the Martin County Sheriff's Office and Loogootee Police Department.



Fire at Bailey Bros.

-Photo by Sergeant Keith Keller

A fire broke out in body shop of Bailey Bros. Used Cars in Shoals early last Saturday morning. Fire crews from Loogootee, Shoals, Lost River, Haysville, Crane and Martin County Civil Defense were dispatched and spent around six hours on the scene containing the fire. The cause of the fire is still under investigation. No one was injured in the blaze.

Martin County's unemployment rate at 2.6 percent for December

Martin County's unemployment rate dropped to 2.6 percent in December, down from 3 percent the month before. Martin had the 20th lowest jobless rate of the 92 Indiana counties for December, tied with four other counties.

CORRECTION

In last week's issue of the *Martin County Journal*, it was inadvertently reported that Martin County Community Corrections was applying for two juvenile grants for \$25,000 and \$4,750. Those amounts were actually \$25,000 and \$12,750. The *Martin County Journal* apologizes for the error.

In December, the county had 4,942 residents in the workforce with 128 of them without jobs. In November, there were 4,986 residents able to work and 149 of them unemployed. In December of 2016, Martin County's jobless rate was 3.7 percent with 5,003 residents in the workforce and 185 of them without jobs.

The top ten spots in the state for lowest jobless rate for December went to LaGrange County at 2 percent, Elkhart County at 2.1 percent, Dubois and Adams counties at 2.2 percent, Steuben, Kosciusko, Hamilton and Bar-

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NSWC Crane enters into new CRADA with Purdue University

Naval Surface Warfare Center, Crane Division (NSWC Crane) has entered into a new Cooperative Research and Development Agreement (CRADA) with Purdue University. The purpose of this CRADA is to better understand the characterization of polymer properties through ambient sampling (AS) and mass spectrometry (MS) techniques.

The goal of the agreement will be to develop novel analytical methodologies to overcome the complexity of material characterization. Several important AS techniques have been invented in the Cooks' Aston Laboratory of Mass Spectrometry at Purdue University, which is why Purdue is an ideal partner for NSWC Crane on this particular CRADA.

"This is an exciting venture between our researchers at NSWC Crane and Distinguished Professor Graham Cooks at Purdue University," said NSWC Crane Principal Investigator, Dr. Jonathan Dilger. "The ambient ionization techniques invented by Cooks' Aston Laboratories offers high-throughput forensic utility with no prerequisite for sample preparation. This technology offers multi-use purpose to the mission areas at NSWC Crane, particularly toward microelectronics trust and munitions environmental safety."

The proposed tasking list calls for Purdue University and NSWC Crane to complete no fewer than three separate projects on polymers and other energetic materials through this CRADA.

NSWC Crane's Technology Transfer (T2) Program helps link federal research and development to academic institutions and businesses in the private sector. A CRADA provides the formal mechanism between the federal laboratory and partner collaborator. The NSWC Crane T2 program has partnerships with more than 100 businesses, individuals and universities. Currently, there are 55 active CRADAs and 173 active agreements.

NSWC Crane is a naval laboratory and a field activity of Naval Sea Systems Command (NAVSEA). The warfare center is responsible for multi-domain, multi-spectral, full life cycle support of technologies and systems enhancing capability of today's warfighter.

RATE

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tholomew counties at 2.3 percent; and DeKalb and Boone counties at 2.4 percent.

The top ten spots in the state for highest jobless rate for December went to Vermillion County at 4.9 percent, Lake County at 4.8 percent, Crawford County at 4.6 percent, Fayette and Newton counties at 4.3 percent, LaPorte and Sullivan counties at 4.2 percent, Starke County at 4.1 percent, Greene County at 4 percent, and Lawrence County at 3.9 percent.

Indiana's unemployment rate stands at 3.4 percent for December and remains lower than the national rate of 4.1 percent. With the exception of one month when it was equal (October 2014), Indiana's unemployment rate now has been below the U.S. rate for more than four years. 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 decrease of 14,195 over the previous month. This was a result of 10,696 unemployed residents no longer seeking employment within the past four weeks, and a 3,499 decrease in residents employed. Indiana's total labor force, which includes both Hoosiers employed and those seeking employment, stands at 3.30 million, and the state's 63.6 percent labor force participation rate remains above the national rate of 62.7 percent.

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

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Obituaries

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MARY ALLEN

Mary G. Allen, formerly of Orleans, passed away Tuesday, January 16, 2018. A resident of Shoals, she was 89.

She was born April 16, 1928 in French Lick; the daughter of Rollie O. and Blanche F. (McBride) Jones. She married Robert E. (Bob) Allen on Christmas Eve 1948; he preceded her in death August 10, 2003. Please remember her smile, her laugh, and her generous spirit. Her friends were part of her family and she loved you all deeply.

She is survived by son, Robert W. Allen; daughter, Jennifer Parks; granddaughter, Jodi Allen Parks, MD; grandson, Richard Burton Allen; and great-granddaughter, Chloe Rachel Allen.

She was preceded in death by her beloved son, Dickie and her brothers, Robert, William, and Howard.

Graveside services were held Saturday, January 20 at Fairview Cemetery in Orleans.

Memorial contributions to Orange County Historical Society and Martin County Historical Society.

Online condolences may be sent to the family at ochstetrick.net.

MARY WALKER

Mary Ruth Walker passed away at 4:30 a.m. Friday, January 19, 2018 at her home. A resident of Loogootee, she was 60.

She was born March 25, 1957 in Jasper; daughter of the late George K. and Marie M. (Arvin) Walker.

She was a member of St. Martin Cath-

olic Church and previously employed at Aristo Kraft for 25 years. She was an avid St. Louis Cardinals fan.

She was preceded in death by her parents; siblings, George W. (Linda) Walker, Joseph A. Walker and Michael J. Walker; and brother-in-law, Larry G. Bair.

She is survived by her siblings, John L. Walker of Loogootee, Rebecca L. Bair of Dubois, Carl R. Walker, Cindy (Jay) Smith, Peggy L. Walker and Polly A. Walker, all of Loogootee; many nieces, nephews, great nieces and nephews and one great-great nephew; and sister-in-law, Ilene Walker.

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated by Very Rev. J. Kenneth Walker on Tuesday, January 23 at St. Martin Catholic Church in Whitfield. Burial followed in the church cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Riley Children's Hospital. Condolences may be made online at www.blakefuneralhomes.com.

JANE PIFER

Jane Pifer passed away at 1:48 p.m. Thursday, January 18, 2018 at Ketcham Memorial Center. A resident of Loogootee, she was 92.

She was born March 20, 1925 in Shickshinny, Pennsylvania; daughter of the late Carl and Bertha (Grover) Koons.

She was a member of the Antioch Christian Church. She was a previously employed as a Certified Surgical Tech in Frankfort, Indiana. She enjoyed traveling, playing cards and reading the Bible. She cherished time with her grandchild-

dren and her "adopted" children and grandchildren who she took under her wing.

She is survived by her children, Derlin (Debbie) Pifer of Corvallis, Oregon; Craig (Carole) Pifer of Whitestown and Paula Pifer of Loogootee; grandchildren, Kyle (Sydney) Pifer, Natalie Pifer, Zachary Pifer and Lauren Pifer; great-grandchildren, Reese, Delaney and Ellis Pifer; siblings, Leonard (Margaret) Koons, Wayne Koons and Charlotte (Gordon) Maish; and many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Arley Pifer, who passed away in 2002; her parents; sister, Bernice Cicerchia and a brother who passed in infancy.

Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, January 23 at the Loogootee United Methodist Church. Burial followed in Goodwill Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society or your local food pantry.

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

Arrangements were provided by Blake Funeral Home in Loogootee.

DOROTHY COOPER

Dorothy Roberta Cooper passed away January 16, 2018 at Memorial Hospital and Healthcare Center. A resident of Loogootee, she was 82.

She was born August 10, 1935 in Loogootee; daughter of the late Robert A. And Mary G. (Norris) Allen.

She was a member of St. Martin

Catholic Church, in Whitfield and civil service retiree, having worked for the Internal Revenue Service and NSWC Crane. Roberta was an avid reader, a painter, expert seamstress, and she also enjoyed quilting and crocheting, along with many other crafts. She attended St. John Catholic School, in Loogootee for several years, graduated from Southern Illinois, and from Lockyear Business College in Evansville.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her siblings, Robert A. Allen, Mary Alice Burch, and two older sisters that died in infancy; her first husband, Glenn E. Benjamin; her second husband, John H. Butts, her step-daughter, DeAnn (Cooper) Nolan; and one step-granddaughter.

She is survived by her husband, Carl Max Cooper, whom she married in 2001; her children, Douglas Benjamin and his wife, Yeshi, of Los Angeles, California; Martin Benjamin of Danville, Illinois; and Lisa (Benjamin) Muench of Loogootee, three step-sons, C.J. Cooper, Bryan Cooper, and John F. Harlan and wife Lisa of Glenview, Illinois; two step-daughters, Dana M. (Cooper) Davis of Vincennes and Cathy (Butts) Dayhuff and husband, Jay, of Clay City; six grandchildren, 13 step-grandchildren, and four step-great grandchildren, and several nieces and nephews.

A funeral service was conducted Saturday, January 20 at Blake Funeral Home in Loogootee celebrated by Very Rev. J. Kenneth Walker. A private interment will follow at a later date.

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

Arrangements were provided by Blake Funeral Home.

CHERYLE RITCHEY

Cheryle Lynn Ritchey passed away at 1:20 p.m. Tuesday, January 16, 2018 at Ketcham Memorial Center, where she was a resident for 45 years. A resident of Odon, she was 69.

She was born March 15, 1948 in Kokomo; daughter of the late Vincent Maurice and Anna Laura (Boling) Ritchey.

She was a member of the Odon United Methodist Church. She was the President of the Resident Council at Ketcham Memorial Center. She was an RSVP and hospice volunteer and the Older Hoosier Volunteer of the Year. Cheryle was a past Tiffany Queen and Valentine Queen at KMC. In 1989, she was the Old Settlers Parade Marshall and in 2002 she received Karen Bell Award. She was a lobbyist for SSI.

She is survived by her siblings, Joan (Jerry) Shadle and Don (Mary) Ritchey, both of Loogootee; Joyce Schwenk of Washington and Ginny (Leroy) Shafer of Odon; step-brother, Bob (Lori) Kollmyer of Odon; uncle, Paul Ritchey of Kansas City, Missouri; aunt, Lois Andis of Odon; several nieces, nephews and cousins.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Vincent and Anna Laura Ritchey; nephews, Jason Ritchey and Doug Hunter; and brother-in-law, Fred Schwenk.

Funeral services were conducted Monday, January 22 at the Odon United Methodist Church. Burial was Tuesday, January 23 at Albright Cemetery in Kokomo.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Ketcham Memorial Center or the Odon United Methodist Church.

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

Arrangements were provided by Blake Funeral Home in Loogootee.

CLASSIFIED ADS

HELP WANTED

Martin County Sheriff's Office is seeking qualified candidates for deputy and jail officer positions.

Minimum Requirements:

1. Be a citizen of the United States
2. Be at least 21 years of age
3. Have a high school diploma or G.E.D.
4. Have eyesight correctable to 20/20
5. Cannot have any Felony, Battery misdemeanor or Domestic Violence convictions
6. Pass a written entry-level examination
7. Pass physical examination / agility testing
8. Submit to drug screening, psychological testing and a Polygraph/Voice Stress Analysis
9. Possess a valid driver's license from the State of Indiana
10. Submit to being fingerprinted
11. Submit to a character and background investigation, which includes but is not limited to:
 - your credit rating
 - your previous and current employment
 - your driving record
 - any criminal records
 - interviews conducted with family members and/or friends
12. May be required to appear for a panel interview

Interested candidates can acquire an application and the Martin County Sheriff's Office: 318 Capital Avenue, Shoals, IN 47581 (812) 247-3726.

HIRING: JAIL COOK

One full-time position and One part-time position

The Martin County Sheriff's Office is accepting applications for the positions of full-time and part-time jail cooks. We currently have 1 position open. Applications may be picked up at the jail at 318 Capitol Avenue, Shoals. Qualified applicants should be able to follow directions

Position Requirements:

- High School Diploma or GED
- Ability to pass a drug screen
- No Felony Convictions
- Dependability and Reliability

Please contact the jail matron with any questions you might have at 812-247-3726.

BIDS WANTED

The Martin County Highway Department is accepting 2018 bids for supplies for the following highway improvement projects:

-Mount Calvary Rd from city limits to Reinhart Rd

1381 tons of cold mix
126 tons of #11 stone
4394 gallons of AE-90S

-Butler Bridge Rd from Ridge Rd to Bridge 73

3330 tons of cold mix
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10595 gallons of AE-90S

-Dover Hill Rd from Killion Mill Rd to Rama Dye Rd / Killion Mill Rd N SR450

3614 tons of cold mix
329 tons of #11 stone
11499 gallons of AE-90S

-Cale Rd from Indian Springs Rd to Bear Hill Rd / Mt. Olive Rd to Bear Hill Rd

3704 tons of cold mix
337 tons of #11 stone
11786 gallons of AE-90S

Bids are due February 9, 2018 at 4:00 pm in the auditor's office.

Bids will be opened February 13, 2018 at the 5:30 pm commissioner's meeting.

Martin County Sheriff's Department log

MONDAY, JANUARY 15

2:50 a.m. - Received a report of theft south of Loogootee. Deputy Reed and Loogootee Officer Norris.

7:48 a.m. - Received a request for ambulance south of Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance and Haysville Fire responded. Martin County Ambulance transported one subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

8:46 a.m. - Received a request for ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded and transported one subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

10:25 a.m. - Chief Deputy Greene, Captain Dant, Reserve Deputy Kidwell, and Shoals Fire Department assisted a motorist west of Shoals.

11:35 a.m. - Received a report of accident south of Loogootee. Chief Deputy Greene, Captain Dant, Reserve Deputy Kidwell, and Haysville Fire responded.

11:40 a.m. - Received a report of accident south of Loogootee. Chief Deputy Greene, Captain Dant, Reserve Deputy Kidwell, and Haysville Fire responded.

12:00 p.m. - Shoals Fire Department assisted a motorist in Shoals.

12:13 p.m. - Received a report of accident south of Shoals. Chief Deputy Greene responded.

12:14 p.m. - Received a report of accident north of Loogootee. Captain Dant responded.

12:14 p.m. - Received a report of accident north of Loogootee. Reserve Deputy Kidwell responded.

12:31 p.m. - Received an animal complaint south of Shoals. Animal Control Officer Hughett responded.

12:45 p.m. - Sheriff Roush assisted a motorist in Shoals.

2:10 p.m. - Chief Deputy Greene and Reserve Deputy Kidwell assisted a motorist north of Shoals.

2:15 p.m. - Received a report of accident north of Shoals. Sheriff Roush, Chief Deputy Greene, and Reserve Deputy Kidwell responded.

2:25 p.m. - Chief Deputy Greene assisted a motorist north of Shoals.

2:50 p.m. - Loogootee Chief Rayhill assisted a motorist in Loogootee.

5:09 p.m. - Received a report of suspicious person walking east of US Highway 50. Sergeant Keller and Reserve Deputy Kidwell responded. Everything checked out okay.

5:37 p.m. - Received a request for ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded and transported one subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

7:34 p.m. - Received a report of commercial burglar alarm in Loogootee. Loogootee Officer Norris responded. Everything checked out okay.

9:22 p.m. - Received a request for ambulance in Shoals. Sergeant Keller, Deputy Reed, Martin County Ambulance, and Shoals Fire Department responded.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 16

2:28 a.m. - Received a noise complaint in Loogootee. Loogootee Officer Norris responded.

6:38 a.m. - Received a noise complaint in Loogootee. Loogootee Chief Rayhill responded.

10:00 a.m. - Chief Deputy Greene took one inmate to court.

10:15 a.m. - Received an animal complaint south of Loogootee. Animal Control Officer Hughett responded.

12:25 p.m. - Received a report of accident in Loogootee. Sergeant Keller

responded.

12:38 p.m. - Received a report of abandoned vehicle in Loogootee.

12:59 p.m. - Sheriff Roush took four inmates to court.

1:53 p.m. - Sergeant Keller took four inmates to court.

3:20 p.m. - Received a report of accident east of Loogootee, on US Highway 50. Sergeant Keller, Captain Dant, Martin County Ambulance, Loogootee Fire Department, and Martin County Civil Defense responded. Martin County Ambulance transported one subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

3:48 p.m. - Chief Deputy Greene assisted a motorist in Shoals.

5:10 p.m. - Major Burkhardt assisted several motorists east of Loogootee.

6:34 p.m. - Received a request for ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded and transported one subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

8:41 p.m. - Received a request for ambulance north of Shoals. Martin County Ambulance and Shoals Fire Department responded. Martin County Ambulance transported one subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

9:00 p.m. - Received a report of ruff raff in the roadway on US Highway 50, east of Shoals. Major Burkhardt responded.

11:11 p.m. - Received a report of commercial burglar alarm south of Loogootee. Deputy Reed and Loogootee Officer Norris responded. Everything checked out okay.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 17

1:30 a.m. - Received a request for ambulance in Shoals. Major Burkhardt, Deputy Reed, and Martin County Ambulance responded.

1:48 a.m. - Received a report of commercial burglar alarm south of Loogootee. Loogootee Officer Norris responded. Everything checked out okay.

4:49 a.m. - Received a report of semi-truck blocking the roadway on US Highway 50. Deputy Reed responded.

6:15 a.m. - Received a report of reckless driving south of Loogootee. Deputy Reed responded.

9:40 a.m. - Received a request for ambulance north of Shoals. Martin County Ambulance and Shoals Fire Department responded. Martin County Ambulance transported one subject to IU Health in Bedford.

10:01 a.m. - Chief Deputy Greene took two inmates to court.

12:17 p.m. - Received a report of abandoned vehicle in Loogootee. Loogootee Captain Hennette responded.

12:43 p.m. - Captain Dant took one inmate to the doctor.

12:54 p.m. - Received a report of accident in Loogootee. Loogootee Captain Hennette responded.

12:54 p.m. - Chief Deputy Greene took one inmate to court.

1:10 p.m. - Received a report of domestic dispute in Loogootee. ISP Trooper Dick, ISP Trooper Lents, and Loogootee Captain Hennette responded.

3:30 p.m. - Loogootee Officer Hennette assisted a motorist in Loogootee.

5:01 p.m. - Received an animal complaint in Loogootee. Animal Control Officer Hughett responded.

5:21 p.m. - Major Burkhardt assisted a motorist in Loogootee.

6:29 p.m. - Received a report of vehicle off the roadway on US 231, south of Loogootee. Major Burkhardt responded.

7:23 p.m. - Major Burkhardt assisted a motorist in Loogootee.

8:41 p.m. - Major Burkhardt assisted a motorist west of Shoals.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 18

10:28 a.m. - Received an animal complaint north of Shoals. Animal Control Officer Hughett responded.

10:57 a.m. - Captain Dant took two inmates to court.

12:15 p.m. - Received a report of accident north of Shoals. Sheriff Roush and Chief Deputy Greene responded.

1:07 p.m. - Captain Dant took one inmate to the doctor.

2:00 p.m. - Chief Deputy Greene took two inmates to court.

2:28 p.m. - Received a request for ambulance south of Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance and Haysville Fire Department responded.

3:59 p.m. - Captain Dant took two inmates to court.

4:16 p.m. - Received a report of accident north of Loogootee. Captain Dant responded.

4:55 p.m. - Received a report of vehicle off the road south of Shoals. Chief Deputy Greene responded.

4:59 p.m. - Received a report of accident in Loogootee. Loogootee Captain Hennette responded.

5:15 p.m. - Deputy Shinn completed identification check on mobile home in Loogootee.

7:02 p.m. - Received a report of theft in north of Shoals. Major Burkhardt responded.

10:31 p.m. - Received a report of car-deer accident east of Shoals. Deputy Wright responded.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 19

5:59 a.m. - Received a request for ambulance south of Loogootee. Deputy Wright, Loogootee Officer McBeth, Martin County Ambulance, Haysville Fire Department, and Martin County Coroner Franklin responded.

1:04 p.m. - Received a report of abandoned vehicle in Shoals. Major Burkhardt responded.

2:48 p.m. - Received a report of accident north of Loogootee. Major Burkhardt, Loogootee Officer McBeth, Martin County Ambulance, and Loogootee Fire Department responded.

3:00 p.m. - Received a report of accident east of Shoals. Sheriff Roush responded.

6:46 p.m. - Received a report of car-deer accident east of Shoals. Deputy Shinn responded.

7:09 p.m. - Received a request for ambulance in Shoals. Major Burkhardt, Deputy Shinn, and Martin County Ambulance responded.

7:35 p.m. - Received a report of disabled semi-truck east of Shoals. Shoals Fire Department responded.

10:53 p.m. - Received a request for ambulance north of Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance and Crane First Responders responded.

11:50 p.m. - Received a report of reckless driving south of Shoals. Deputy Shinn and Deputy Wright responded.

11:59 p.m. - Received a request for ambulance in Shoals. Martin County Ambulance and Shoals Fire Department responded. Martin County Ambulance transported one subject to IU Health-Bedford.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 20

2:40 a.m. - Received a request for ambulance in Shoals. Martin County Ambulance and Shoals Fire Department responded.

5:48 a.m. - Received a report of commercial fire alarm in Loogootee. Loogootee Officer Floyd responded.

7:35 a.m. - Received a report of commercial fire in Shoals. Shoals Fire Department, Martin County Civil Defense, Lost River Fire Department, Loogootee Fire Department, Crane Fire Department, Martin County Ambulance, Sergeant Keller, Sheriff Roush, and Martin County Prosecutor Steiner responded.

10:00 a.m. - Received a request for ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded.

11:12 a.m. - Received a request for ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded and transported one subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

11:38 a.m. - Received a report of trespassing in Shoals. Sergeant Keller responded.

2:02 p.m. - Received a report of suspicious individual on US Highway 50, east of Shoals. Sergeant Keller responded. Everything checked out okay.

3:30 p.m. - Received a report of theft in Crane. Sergeant Keller responded.

3:50 p.m. - Received an animal complaint in Loogootee. Animal Control Officer Hughett responded.

3:58 p.m. - Received an animal complaint east of Loogootee. Animal Control Officer Hughett responded.

6:01 p.m. - Received a request for ambulance south of Loogootee. Deputy Shinn and Martin County Ambulance responded.

6:35 p.m. - Received a report of disabled semi-truck on US Highway 50, west Shoals. Deputy Shinn responded.

6:48 p.m. - Received a report of reckless driving south of Loogootee. Loogootee Officer Norris responded.

6:50 p.m. - Received a report of car-deer accident north of Loogootee. Deputy Shinn responded.

11:23 p.m. - Received a request for ambulance south of Shoals. Martin County Ambulance, Dubois County Ambulance, and Lost River First Responders responded. Dubois County Ambulance transported one subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 21

3:14 a.m. - Received a report of domestic disturbance in Loogootee. Deputy Wright responded.

8:24 a.m. - Received a report of commercial burglar alarm in Loogootee. Sergeant Keller and Loogootee Officer McBeth responded. Everything checked out okay.

11:00 a.m. - Received a request for welfare check in Loogootee. Loogootee Officer McBeth responded. Everything checked out okay.

12:57 p.m. - Received a request for ambulance south of Shoals. Sergeant Keller, Loogootee Officer McBeth, and Martin County Ambulance responded. Martin County Ambulance transported one subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

4:54 p.m. - Received a report of gun shots heard north of Shoals. Conservation Officer Doane responded. Everything checked out okay.

5:00 p.m. - Received a request for welfare check in Loogootee. Deputy Shinn and Loogootee Officer McBeth responded. Everything checked out okay.

9:46 p.m. - Received a report of residential burglar alarm in Loogootee. Deputy Reed, Deputy Shinn, and Loogootee Officer Norris responded. Everything checked out okay.

Loogootee Police log

MONDAY, DECEMBER 15

2:50 a.m. - Sgt. Norris assisted Gibson County with locating suspects from a robbery, which occurred in Gibson County.

8:45 a.m. - Caller reported a slid off near Lincoln Avenue.

2:20 p.m. - Caller reported a strong odor on Park Street.

2:40 p.m. - Caller reported a slid off at Jackson and Lincoln Avenue.

2:50 p.m. - Caller reported truck off the road on US 231.

5:07 p.m. - Caller reported a semi stuck on East Main Street.

7:27 p.m. - Male caller requested a security check at his residence.

7:31 p.m. - Sgt. Norris responded to a business alarm.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 16

2:28 a.m. - Sgt. Norris responded to a business alarm.

6:38 a.m. - Caller reported a disturbance in Redwing Trailer Court.

9:02 a.m. - Male came on station for transient assistance.

12:38 p.m. - Captain Hennette tagged an abandoned vehicle.

3:20 p.m. - First responders were requested on Hwy 50 for a one-vehicle accident.

5:59 p.m. - Caller reported damage to her mailbox.

6:02 p.m. - Female reported a possible violation of a protective order.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 17

1:48 a.m. - Sgt. Norris responded to a business alarm.

12:17 p.m. - Male caller reported an abandoned vehicle.

12:54 p.m. - Caller reported a property damage accident on Elm Street.

3:30 p.m. - Caller reported a traffic hazard on Church Street.

4:58 p.m. - Caller reported an animal complaint. Animal Control was contacted.

7:35 p.m. - Female requested a security check at her residence.

8:31 p.m. - Female reported striking a deer on US 231.

9:06 p.m. - Caller requested extra patrol.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 18

10:23 a.m. - Male came on station for a vehicle identification check.

1:34 p.m. - Caller reported a speeding vehicle on Hwy 50.

4:32 p.m. - Caller advised Captain Hennette to be on the look-out for a vehicle involved in a hit and run in Daviess County.

5:00 p.m. - Caller reported a property damage accident on Hwy 231.

9:42 p.m. - Officer Floyd responded to a business alarm.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 19

5:59 a.m. - Officer McBeth assisted

the ambulance service.

12:15 p.m. - Caller reported a vehicle making bad passes on US 231.

3:25 p.m. - Officer McBeth responded to a business alarm.

5:55 p.m. - Caller reported a domestic dispute on US 231.

9:40 p.m. - Caller reported a suspicious vehicle on Broadway Street.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 20

5:48 a.m. - Officer Floyd responded to a business alarm.

10:01 a.m. - Officer McBeth assisted the ambulance service.

5:41 p.m. - Officer McBeth assisted community corrections.

6:04 p.m. - Caller reported a reckless vehicle on Hwy 50.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 21

8:24 a.m. - Officer McBeth responded to a business alarm.

11:00 a.m. - Caller requested a welfare check on a male. Male was later transported.

12:57 p.m. - Officer McBeth assisted the county with a welfare check on a male.

9:52 p.m. - Sgt. Norris responded to residential alarm.

10:28 p.m. - Female reported a male threw something at her vehicle.

ARRESTS

TUESDAY, JANUARY 16

10:47 p.m. - Christopher Jones, 38, of Dubois, was arrested by Major Burkhardt and charged with driving while suspended with a prior and operating while intoxicated-refusal. He is being held on a \$25,000 10% bond.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 17

2:14 p.m. - Jasmine Jones, 24, of Loogootee, was arrested by ISP Trooper Lents and charged with neglect of a dependent (x2), maintaining a common nuisance, contributing to the delinquency of a minor (x2), possession of marijuana, possession of paraphernalia, and false informing. She is being held without bond. Sheriff Roush, ISP Trooper Dick, and Loogootee Officer Hennette assisted.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 18

12:45 a.m. - Michael Arvin, 58, of Loogootee, was arrested by Deputy Reed and charged with maintaining a common nuisance, possession of methamphetamine, possession of marijuana, possession of paraphernalia, and possession of a controlled substance. He is being held on a \$25,000 10% bond. Deputy Wright assisted with the arrest.

4:52 p.m. - Andrew Stone, 34, of Shoals, was arrested by Major Burkhardt and charged with driving while suspended-prior, resisting law enforcement, battery on a law enforcement officer, invasion of privacy, possession of marijuana, and visiting a common nuisance. He is being held without bond. Sheriff Roush and Chief Deputy Greene assisted.

4:52 p.m. - Isabella Goodpaster, 51, of Shoals, was arrested by Major Burkhardt and charged with maintaining a common nuisance, possession of marijuana, and invasion of privacy. She is being held without bond. Chief Deputy Greene and Sheriff Roush assisted with the arrest.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 20

7:56 p.m. - Benjamin Harner, 32, of Jeffersonville, was arrested by Reserve Deputy Commander Gammon on a Martin County warrant for probation violation and is being held without bond.

10:00 p.m. - Faith Chestnut, 25, of Terre Haute, was arrested on a Martin County warrant for probation violation and is being held without bond.

COURT NEWS

CRIMINAL CONVICTIONS & SENTENCING

December 19

Tiffany K. Compton, convicted of possession of a narcotic drug, a Class 6 Felony. Sentenced to serve 547 days with 541 days suspended and credit for 3 actual days previously served plus 3 Class A credit days. Defendant received 17 months of probation.

Cecorra R. Holt, convicted of maintaining a common nuisance – controlled substances, a Class 6 Felony. Sentenced to serve 547 days with the Indiana Department of Corrections with 473 days suspended and credit for 37 actual days previously served plus 37 Class A credit days. Defendant received 15 months of probation.

Christopher L. Ruble, convicted of possession of methamphetamine, a Class 6 Felony and operating a vehicle with a schedule I or II controlled substance or its metabolite in the body, a Class C Misdemeanor. Sentenced on the first count to serve 547 days with 543 days suspended and credit for 2 actual days previously served plus 2 Class A credit days. Defendant received 18 months of probation. Sentenced on the second count to serve 60 days with 56 days suspended and credit for 2 actual days previously served plus 2 Class A credit days. Defendant received 60 days of probation.

January 4

Richard B. Gilbert, convicted of operating a vehicle while intoxicated endangering a person, a Class A Misdemeanor. Sentenced to serve 365 days with 361 days suspended and credit for 2 actual days previously served plus 2 Class A credit days. Defendant received 6 months of probation.

CRIMINAL CHARGES

DISMISSED

December 19

Tiffany K. Compton, maintaining a common nuisance – controlled substances, a Class 6 Felony, dismissed; dealing in a schedule IV controlled

Real estate transfers

Ashley Bearden and Christopher L. Bearden, of Martin County, Indiana to **Brayton C. Meade**, of Martin County, Indiana, a part of the southwest quarter of the southwest quarter of Section 18, Township 3 North, Range 3 West, containing 98/100 of an acre. Also, a part of the southwest quarter of the southwest quarter of Section 18, Township 3 North, Range 3 West, containing 0.04 acres, more or less.

Mona M. Fischer, of Martin County, Indiana to **Shari Dawn Trepicone-Fry and Michael James Fry**, of DeKalb County, Indiana. Tract I: A part of the southeast quarter of the northeast quarter of Section 14, Township 2 North, Range 3 West, containing 1 acre, more or less. Tract II: A part of the southeast quarter of the northeast quarter of Section 14, Township 2 North, Range 3 West, containing 0.44 acre, more or less.

Michael Ader, of Arlington County, Virginia and **Rebecca Ader**, of Vanderburgh County, Indiana to **Brian T. Ader**, of Martin County, Indiana, Lot Number 20 in Risacher's Second Addition to the Town, now City of Loogootee, Indiana.

Thomas R. Ivey, of Martin County, Indiana to **Ashley N. Owen**, of Martin County, Indiana, the north half of the northwest quarter of the southeast quarter of the southwest quarter of Section 7, Township 3 North, Range 3 West, containing 5 acres, more or less.

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

Cecorra R. Holt, possession of marijuana, a Class B Misdemeanor, dismissed; possession of paraphernalia, a Class C Misdemeanor, dismissed.

Christopher L. Ruble, maintaining a common nuisance – controlled substances, a Class 6 Felony, dismissed; operating while intoxicated, a Class A Misdemeanor, dismissed.

January 4

Richard B. Gilbert, operating a vehicle with an ACE of .08 or more, a Class C Misdemeanor, dismissed.

January 9

Jessica L. Neal, check deception, a Class A Misdemeanor, dismissed.

CIVIL COURT

New Suits Filed

January 11

Indiana Farm Bureau Insurance vs. Jasmine N. Harner, civil plenary.

CIVIL COURT JUDGMENTS

January 11

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff LVNV Funding, LLC and against the defendant Jill Lake a/k/a Jill M. Sipes in the amount of \$796.91.

January 16

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Capital One Bank and against the defendant Terra Boyd in the amount of \$2,406.85.

SMALL CLAIMS COURT

New Suits Filed

January 4

Medical of Dubois vs. Jamie True-love, complaint.

SMALL CLAIMS JUDGMENTS

January 4

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Hoosier Accounts Service and against the defendant Donald Holt in the amount of \$6,118.74.

January 9

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Hoosier Accounts Service and against the defendant Allison Baker in the amount of \$4,466.94.

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Hoosier Accounts Service and against the defendant Levi Brown in the amount of \$3,531.97.

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Hoosier Accounts Service and against the defendant Kelvin Canady in the amount of \$2,358.89.

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Hoosier Accounts Service and against the defendant Julia S. Dosch in the amount of \$6,125.

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Hoosier Accounts Service and against the defendant Carol Harlow in the amount of \$1,012.08.

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Hoosier Accounts Service and against the defendant Shawn Harker in the amount of \$3,126.28.

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff David Pennington and against the defendant Jason Jones Trucking in the amount of \$2,051.

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Hoosier Accounts Service and against the defendant Thomas Lake in the amount of \$1,285.08.

January 10

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Isha E. Wright-Ryan, Attorney at Law and against the defendant Thomas Harbison in the amount of \$792.92.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

January 16

Dillon M. Norman of Shoals and Kelsie R. McGuire of Shoals.

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All America Selections for 2018 have been released and the list is lengthy this year. For a plant to receive All America Selection honors, it must stand up to rigorous trials conducted in botanical gardens, university research gardens and master gardener test gardens across the country. In each test, the plants are compared with other varieties of the same genus, many of which are themselves All America Selections from previous years. The submitted varieties must exhibit outstanding improvement in some aspect to be awarded the All American Selection.

Not all of the varieties submitted for consideration for trials are new developments. In some cases, the company that developed the varieties has conducted private trials for many years and have sold seed and plants of the selection. However, sometimes the companies pick older varieties that they wish to market nationally and submit those selections for trials. They know that winning an All American Selection designation will ensure that the national distributors will pick up the variety and that gardeners will notice the award when looking for new plants to try.

The All American Selection organization also gives out some regional awards. Sometimes, a plant performs well in the test gardens of a particular region, but does not do well in some others. While these selections are not awarded the national merit award, they may receive acclaim in one or more region. Indiana falls within the Great Lakes Region, which includes the states that border the great lakes and a portion of Canada. However, because of the proximity of Kentucky, gardeners in our area of southern Indiana may want to pay attention to plants that receive the Southeast Regional award.

Since so many awards have been given, it would be impossible to list them in this column. If you are interested in seeing all of the winners, go to the allamericaselection.org. The site is very educational, but it takes a lot of clicking on the various categories and then on each selection to see all they have to offer. You will find pictures of all of the selections, as well as the breeder who developed the plant and the year it was first developed. The site also provides a list of the plants used for the comparisons, the growing conditions that produce the best results and sources where the seeds or plants will be offered. Anyone with an interest in gardening can easily spend several hours on this site.

The easiest way to use the site is to stick to a specific category of plants. The list of categories includes annuals, perennials and edibles. Within those divisions, the selections will be subdivided by genus. Under each genus, one will find the hybrids and cultivars that have been selected as All America Selections. Each one will also indicate whether the award is national or for one or more of the regions.

I spent some time perusing the perennial selections that received national recognitions. They included a columbine and two delphiniums that

were developed in the 1930's and 1050's and are finally being recognized. There were also two Echinacea winners. Cheyenne Spirit offers several different colors of sturdy coneflowers, while PowWow Wild Berry offers deep pink flowers on sturdy stems. There were five varieties of gaillardia which received awards. Their names indicate the rainbow of colors available in blanket flowers. The winners included Arizona Apricot, Arizona Sun, Mesa Yellow, Red Plume and Sundance bicolor. Another national merit winner was Sparkle White Gaura.

It was interesting to me that this year's selections were dominated by hybrids and cultivars of native plants. Truthfully, All America Selection has as much to do with marketing as it does with awarding breeding efforts, and the renewed interest in gardening with natives and nativars explains the reason the breeders submitted these plants for trials.

Look for the blue shield and AAS logo on seed packets and plant tags. If ordering from catalogues, the shield is usually prominent by the picture of a selected variety. If you are wishing to try something new in your garden, choosing something that has the AAS award is a good idea. This tells you that the plant has been tested and found to be superior to others in the category and is more likely to succeed in your garden.

Get a jump on spring planting at Indiana Small Farm Conference

BY DARRIN PACK
Purdue University News Service

As much of the Midwest shivered during a mid-January blast of arctic cold temperatures, organizers of the 2018 Indiana Small Farm Conference and trade show were looking forward to the warm sun of spring.

"Planting season will be here before you know it," said Michael O'Donnell, Purdue Extension organic and diversified agriculture educator and one of the event organizers. "If you are a beginning farmer, small-scale or diversified producer, attending the Indiana Small Farm Conference is the perfect opportunity to learn about new trends in production, marketing and other vital topics before the 2018 growing season gets underway."

The conference is March 1-3 at the Hendricks County 4-H Fairgrounds in Danville. Registration is now underway on the conference website at <https://www.purdue.edu/dffs/smallfarms/>.

O'Donnell said there was still time to register for the conference at a reduced, early-bird rate. For those who sign up through February 5, cost is \$75 for one day, \$135 for two days and \$190 for three days. Admission for children age 12 and younger is \$20, \$35 and \$45. After Feb. 5, the cost will be \$90, \$162 and \$228.

"It's especially important to sign up early if you are interested in participating in one of the daylong workshops that open the conference," he noted. "Space is filling up fast."

The daylong workshops are offered March 1. Topics include Regenerative

Farming with Livestock and Agroforestry Systems, Farm Viability and Financial Management, and On-Farm Food Safety for Fruit and Vegetable Growers: Produce Safety Alliance Grower Training. There will also be an off-site farm tour focusing on four-season vegetable production using hoop houses and other methods.

Educational sessions March 2-3 will cover topics ranging from urban agriculture, crop diversification, disease management, weed control and specialty crops to farm finances, marketing and employee relations.

The March 2 keynote panel will include:

* Greg Gunthorp, operator Gunthorp Farms in LaGrange, discussing small farms, small processors, rural development, sustainable operations and antibiotic-free animals.

* Martha Hoover, owner of Patachou Inc., an Indianapolis-based group of 12 locally-sourced restaurants, and founder of the Patachou Foundation to provide healthy meals to Indianapolis children living in a food-insecure environment.

* Chef Tyler Herald of Patachou, Inc. Herald is responsible for menu development, ingredient sourcing and overall kitchen management for all Patachou locations.

The keynote speaker for March 3 is Chris Blanchard, host of the Farmer to Farmer podcast. Blanchard has more than 25 years of experience as a farmer and educator and provides consulting and coaching for farmers, food businesses and institutions throughout the U.S. and Canada.

More than 50 vendors are expected for the trade show, demonstrating products and services specially designed for small-scale and beginning farmers.

"This is the most comprehensive agenda we've offered," O'Donnell said. "And of course participants will have numerous opportunities to network with Extension educators, other farmers, expert speakers and vendors."

For more information, visit the Indiana Small Farm Conference website at <https://www.purdue.edu/dffs/smallfarms/>.

Civil War Winter Battle Program in Spring Mill

Spring Mill State Park invites you to an event that explores the hardships of the winter for the soldiers of the Civil War. The dates are February 17 and 18.

The park's Pioneer Village will be open from 11:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. The featured event is a program portraying a winter tactical battle at 2 p.m. on both Saturday and Sunday. At 1:50 p.m. visitors will be directed to the viewing areas where they can safely view the program that depicts a battle for possession of the village. Both before and after the program, visitors are welcome to tour the village and visit with the re-enactors and get warm by the fire.

Park admission during the event is \$7 per vehicle for in-state residents and \$9 per vehicle for out-of-state residents. 2018 Annual Entrance Passes are also available. For more information on this and other upcoming events contact Coletta Prewitt at (812) 849-3534 or springmillstatepark@dnr.IN.gov.

Spring Mill State Park (stateparks.IN.gov/2968.htm) is at 3333 State Road 60 East, Mitchell, 47446.

Martin County SWCD Annual Meeting

February 12, 2018 6:00 p.m. EST

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Making A Difference
MARTIN COUNTY COMMUNITY FOUNDATION
 By Curt Johnson
 MCCF Executive Director



4-H NEWS

By Stacy Brown
 Martin County Purdue Extension Educator



-- GROWING TO LEARN --

We all know that human beings are the most intelligent species on Earth. But have you ever considered that we're also the most vulnerable and dependent when we're born? Whereas most of the animal kingdom are born ready to move, feed and perform other basic functions to survive?

As humans, we need others to protect us, feed us, and nurture us so that we can grow and build strength. Growing, especially right after birth and the short years following, is key to getting us to where we can begin to learn. And then we learn and grow, one feeding upon the other, until they are both happening at the same time.

-- BUILDING ON IT --

But there comes a time when we begin to reach physical maturity. Now is when learning becomes an increasingly larger portion of the growing and learning partnership. Now we are building on the foundation of our early years.

Now we learn how to become successful in our community. You've probably heard this, or something similar, that a teenager or young adult is "growing into a fine person". Well, they've already grown, so what really is happening is that they are learning to grow skills and behaviors that will make them responsible and useful in our communities.

-- PLAYGROUNDS TO GROW --

The Martin County Community Foundation recently awarded West Boggs Park a grant to help with their Lively Lakefront Playground project. This \$2,236 grant was made possible from the donor-advised Carter Lee Kerns Memorial Fund. Ed and Alyssa Kerns understand that a playground not only lets the children run off some

pent-up energy, but also helps them to build strength, bones, and muscles. Activity helps them to grow. At that age it seems like you see the changes in them almost weekly.

-- OPPORTUNITIES TO LEARN --

So as the growing/learning cycle transitions to learning, the playgrounds change. Now the playground becomes college campuses, jobs, or families. But these playgrounds are not for play; these are an opportunity for learning. And now you don't see these once-children as frequently as you did before. Now instead of daily or weekly, you see them monthly or on holidays. Now the changes in them are in their behaviors and how they react and respond to life. Now when you see them, you see that they are different; through learning, they've grown into adults.

-- MCCF FIRST STEPS --

With this grant for the Lively Lakefront Playground, the MCCF hopes to help our community's children find their first steps toward growth and learning. And then when they've become adults, perhaps they will give back to the community that helped them so many years ago. You can be a part of that learning process too. Be examples to our children by giving back to your community.

-- MORE INFORMATION --

For more information about the MCCF and endowment funds, please contact the Executive Director, Curt Johnson, at 812-295-1022 or mccf@cfpartner.org.

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



Pictured is Alyssa Kerns, on the left, and Ed Kerns, on the right, presenting the \$2,236 grant to Jameson Hibbs for the West Boggs Park Lively Lakefront Playground. They are standing on the site of the future playground.

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4-H Trips and Conferences

Below is a list of all trips and conferences offered by Purdue Extension. If you are interested in attending any of these conferences, please call the Extension Office at (812) 295-2412 or email Stacy at brow1374@purdue.edu. To register for any of these activities or to learn more please visit: <https://extension.purdue.edu/4h/Pages/workshops.aspx>.

State 4-H Band: Saturday, June 23 – Monday, June 25, 2018 at Purdue University; performance on Monday evening of 4-H Round-Up (June 25).

- Youth who have completed grades 8-12 are encouraged to apply for this workshop.

- The workshop fees may be paid in full, or in part, by the 4-H Council. However, delegates are responsible for their own transportation to and from the conference, as well as any additional costs, such as meals, snacks and souvenirs

- Special application forms must be completed by the 4-H member and band director. Final selection is made by the state 4-H band director. Band members attend an intensive workshop and perform on the last evening of this session.

State 4-H Chorus: Saturday, June 23 – Tuesday, June 26, 2018 at Purdue University; performances at closing session of 4-H Round-Up and on 4-H Day at the Indiana State Fair.

- Youth who have completed grades 8-12 are encouraged to apply for this workshop.

- The workshop fees may be paid in full, or in part, by the 4-H Council. However, delegates are responsible for their own transportation to and from the conference, as well as any additional costs, such as performance uniform, meals, snacks and souvenirs

- Special application forms must be completed by the 4-H member and band director. Final selection is made by the state 4-H band director. Band members attend an intensive workshop and perform on the last evening of this session.

State 4-H Round-Up

- Monday, June 25 – Wednesday, June 27, 2018 at Purdue University.

- Youth who have completed grades 7-9 are encouraged to apply for this workshop.

- Transportation to and from Purdue is arranged through the Extension Office. The workshop and transportation fees may be paid in full, or in part, by the 4-H Council. However, delegates are responsible for their own meals, snacks and souvenirs.

Citizenship Washington Focus

- Saturday, June 30 – Saturday, July 7, 2018 in Washington, D.C.

- 4-H member must be at least 15 years of age and in 9th grade or higher by June 15.

State Fair Youth Leadership Conference

- Tuesday, July 31 – Saturday, August 4, 2018 at the Indiana State Fairgrounds (Discovery Hall).

- Youth who have completed grades 9-12 are encouraged to apply for this workshop.

- The workshop fees may be paid in full, or in part, by the 4-H Council. However, delegates are responsible for their own meals, snacks and souvenirs, as well as transportation to and from the State Fairgrounds.

Indiana 4-H Youth Congress

- TBA at the Indiana State Fair-

grounds

- Youth who have completed grades 8-12 are encouraged to apply for this workshop.

- Registration fee and additional details TBA.

National 4-H Dairy Conference

- Sunday, September 30 – Thursday, October 4, 2018 in TBA

- Youth who have completed grades 9-12 are encouraged to apply for this workshop.

- Join 4-H members from across the country and Canada as they learn about the dairy industry and dairy related careers. Conference participants will also spend time at World Dairy Expo.

National 4-H Congress

- Friday, November 23-Tuesday, November 27, 2018

- Eight to twelve 4-H members will be selected to represent Indiana at the National 4-H Congress.

- Applicants must be in grade 9, 10, 11, or 12 at the time of application. Since this trip is in November, finalists selected to attend will be in grade 10, 11, 12, or first year 4-H alumni at the time of this trip.

- Must be a current 4-H member and in at least the third year of membership at the time of application.

4-H Academy @ Purdue (formerly known as 4-H Science Workshops)

- Wednesday, June 13 – Friday, June 15, 2018 at Purdue University

- Youth who have completed grades 9-12 are encouraged to apply for these workshops.

- Transportation to and from Purdue is arranged through the Extension Office. The workshop and transportation fees may be paid in full, or in part, by the 4-H Council. However, delegates are responsible for paying for their own snacks and souvenirs.

- More information on available classes will be available in February 2018.

4-H Scholarship Applications Due January 25th

All enrolled 10-12 grade 4-Hers have the opportunity to apply for scholarships through Purdue Extension. The scholarship categories include leadership, citizenship, and animal science. Scholarship amounts start at \$1,000. The application deadline is January 25, 2018. If you are interested in applying, please contact the Extension Office at (812) 295-2412.

Extension Office Offers Programs for Classrooms and Other Youth Organizations

The Martin County Extension Office offers programs for classrooms and other youth organizations in STEM subjects, the arts, and leadership. This year's National Youth Science Challenge is Incredible Wearables. Students get the chance to build a wearable fitness device that tracks heartrate, steps, and other functions. Other programs offered are Captain Cash, a grade school program focused on money management; Makers, activities related to science, technology, engineering, and math; and Arts Management, a high school program focused on the business side of working in the arts. If you are interested in bringing any of these programs to your classroom or group, please contact Stacy at (812) 295-2412.

Upcoming Events

4-H Council Meeting - Thursday, February 1

Shooting Sports Meeting - Monday, February 5

More Neat Stuff



By Ann Ackerman



RANDOM THOUGHTS:

*January is the worst month. You're fat and broke from the holidays, paler than ever, and you can't feel your own face when you walk outside.

*You wanna know what I got for Christmas? Fat -- I got fat for Christmas.

*If you work on a farm and your job is to take care of the chickens, then you are a chicken tender.

*I was born to be wild - but only until about 9 p.m.

*Some days I amaze myself. Other days I look for my phone when I'm holding it.

*A word to the wise isn't necessary - it's the stupid ones that need the advice.

*Wife: I have blisters on my hands from the broom.

Husband: Next time take the car, Silly.

*My friend asked me what it was like to live in a house full of boys, so I peed on her bathroom floor, ate everything in her fridge, told her 800 stories about video games, passed gas 20 times, and when she was ready to kill me, I gave her a hug and told her she was pretty.

*To be old and wise, you must first be young and stupid.

*Some people are like clouds. When they disappear, it's a beautiful day.

*Wise men are not always silent, but they know when to be.

*Maybe eating cookies wasn't cheating on my diet. Maybe going on a diet was cheating on my cookies.

*Just imagine how awesome life would be if biscuits and gravy made you skinny.

*Me: I'm going to be better about spending this year. Email: Your 12 Amazon orders and 5 Target orders have been shipped.

GOLDEN RULES FOR LIVING:

If you open it, close it.

If you turn it on, turn it off.

If you unlock it, lock it back.

If you break it, admit it.

If you can't fix it, call someone who can.

If you borrow it, return it.

If you value it, take care of it.

If you make a mess, clean it up.

If you move it, put it back.

ANIMAL SHELTER Pet of the Week



YOGI is a male lab/chow mix, 2-3 years old, shy until he gets to know you. He is neutered and up to date on shots. Adopton fee is \$80. The shelter is located at 507 N. Oak Street in Loogootee. To see all available animals, visit www.humanesociety-ofmartincounty.org.

If it belongs to someone else, get permission to use it.

If you don't know how to operate it, leave it alone.

If it's none of your business, don't ask questions.

A wife was making a breakfast of fried eggs for her husband. Suddenly, her husband burst into the kitchen. "Careful," he said, "CAREFUL! Put in some more butter! Oh my gosh! You're cooking too many at once. TOO MANY! Turn them! TURN THEM NOW! We need more butter. Oh my gosh! WHERE are we going to get MORE BUTTER? They're going to STICK! Careful. CAREFUL! I said be CAREFUL! You NEVER listen to me when you're cooking! Never! Turn them! Hurry up! Are you CRAZY? Have you LOST your mind? Don't forget to salt them. You know you always forget to salt them. Use the salt. USE THE SALT! THE SALT!"

The wife stared at him. "What in the world is wrong with you? You think I don't know how to fry a couple of eggs?"

The husband calmly replied, "I just wanted to show you what it feels like when I'm driving."

Make someone smile today!

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Genealogy workshop

The Shoals Public Library will be hosting a genealogy workshop on Thursday, January 25 at 5:30 p.m. (weather permitting). Teresa Heidenreich, Director of Washington Carnegie Public Library, will be giving a lecture on beginning genealogy. A free beginner kit will be given to each attendee. Light refreshments will be served. Registration is not required but please call the Shoals Public Library (812) 247-3838 for more information or if interested in attending. This workshop is sponsored by the Martin County Genealogical Society.

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 from noon to 1 p.m. at the fellowship hall of the church, located at 200 West Main Street next to the post office. For more info, call 812-709-2525.

SOAR Tutoring

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

Tourism meetings

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

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 or call at 295-3149.

Attention Senior Citizens

The Loogootee Senior Citizen Center, located in the annex building attached to JFK Gym on JFK Avenue in Loogootee provides activities for seniors every Monday and Thursday from 8 a.m. to noon. For \$5 a year, seniors can participate in Euchre tournaments, games, puzzles, etc., with other local seniors. Call 812-295-3130 for more information.

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Radius Indiana, Southwest Indiana Development Council sign memorandum of understanding

Radius Indiana and Southwest Indiana Development Council (SWIDC) have signed a Memorandum of Understanding that will guide growing cooperation between the two organizations.

Radius and SWIDC developed the MOU to promote economic development coordination across their respective regions, which share similar demographics and industry clusters including high concentrations of agriculture and manufacturing.

"This newly formed relationship has the opportunity to bring more business and success to the counties involved," said Radius Indiana President and CEO Jeff Quyle. "We look forward to working alongside SWIDC and seeing what can be achieved as we expand our regional approach. We are already in the planning stages to co-host a site selector event in Chicago, and have started discussions to include representatives from SWIDC in our international outreach efforts."

The two groups will identify opportunities to collaborate on outreach, such as joint site selector events, and continuing professional education in topics related to economic development for economic development professionals and elected civic leaders, as well as through other opportunities for mutual support that may arise. In addition, an annual meeting will be held between Radius and SWIDC to facilitate conversations among both regions' Local Economic Development Organizations.

"Collaboration among stakeholders is key to economic development especially in rural areas. This MOU be-

tween Radius and SWIDC is a positive step toward improving the capabilities of all represented counties in bringing economic development to southwest Indiana," said Alvin Evans, chairman of Southwest Indiana Development Council. "I applaud the leadership of Radius Indiana in reaching out to SWIDC to improve all our efforts."

As neighboring regional economic development groups, Radius and SWIDC represent multiple counties in Southern and Southwest Indiana and there are three counties, Daviess, Martin, and Dubois that are members of both organizations.

"Dubois Strong is member of both regional groups. The new collaborative partnership agreement opens many opportunities to promote Southern Indiana as a great place to live, work, play and invest," said Ed Cole, president of Dubois Strong.

Ron Arnold, executive director of Daviess County Economic Development Corporation added, "There are challenges related to workforce and the continued migration of our bright young residents to the urban areas. It will take all of us working together utilizing all our resources to remain competitive."

ABOUT RADIUS INDIANA: Radius Indiana is a regional economic development partnership representing eight counties in Southern Indiana: Crawford, Daviess, Dubois, Greene, Lawrence, Martin, Orange, and Washington. Formed in 2009, Radius Indiana also serves as a point of contact in Indiana for Naval Support Activity Crane and leads regional collabora-

tion by leveraging the diverse assets of Southwest Central Indiana to drive attraction, retention and expansion of business, thereby increasing employment and investment opportunities and quality of life within the region.

ABOUT SWIDC: Southwest Indiana Development Council is a gateway to economic development resources in Southern and Southwest Indiana. As one of the nation's most dynamic, growing regions, we welcome new and expanding businesses. The experienced Local Economic Development (LEDO) directors of SWIDC (Daviess, Dubois, Knox, Martin, Perry, Pike, Posey and Spencer counties) have teamed to offer project specific assistance designed to identify, maximize, secure, and apply all available incentives to make Southwest Indiana the most attractive location for business.

Loogootee Elementary Term Two Honor Roll

THIRD GRADE

High Honors: Reed Brittain, Alaina Diamond, Isaiah Jones, Anniston Kelson, Brynn Lengacher, Haley Mason, Clayton Miller and Libby Swartzentruber

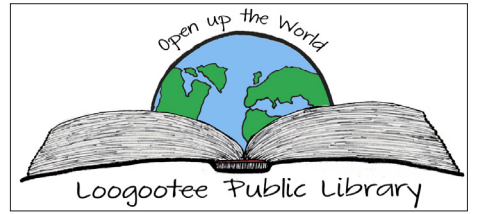
Honor Roll: Olivia Abel, Peyton Blackwell, Skyla Christopher, Albany Crim, Jayda Donnersberger, Zakkery Doyle, Reese Gibson, Rylee Gibson, Aubrey Gilbert, Emmett Graber, Brendan Green, Noah Hager, Kharma Hayes, Callaway Inman, Ava Jeffers, Lilly Lottes, Tucker Mayfield, Sadie Owens, and Jocelynn Sims

FOURTH GRADE

High Honors: Paxton Arvin, Mason Britton, Cora Consley, Cami Crays, Brody Gilbertson, Joe Graber, Olivia Nonte, Chloe Ramsey, and Owen Tompkins

Honor Roll: Chloe Allen, Julianna Baker, Brooklyn Carrico, Daniel Farhar, Riley Jones, Colt Kerns, Macy Knepp, Chloe Lawson, Dax Lee, Marley McAtee, Curtis Merkley, Madison Nail, Montana Scales, Savanna Sitzman, Noah Smith, Libby Taylor, Declan Todd, Baileee VanMeter, Lovena Wagler and Evan Williams

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BY DARLA WAGLER

Librarian, Loogootee Public Library

I have been asked recently about the status of the new library building. We are at a standstill currently since we are waiting for landowner signatures allowing access the property to do a Phase I environmental assessment. Our local SIDC office will complete this process with Brownfield funds. After they complete Phase 1, then the environmental survey started by Environmental Management Consultants can be completed. I was advised by Rural Development Southern District Director Craig McGowan to obtain bond counsel. I have been interviewing organizations to obtain the best price for this type of service. We will most likely go with Ice Miller since they have the best price plus a good reputation. Meanwhile, I contacted Mike Williams, CPA to look over our financial records and put together a proforma. Mike has done work for the library in the past and is a retired State Board of Accounts Auditor so he is familiar with library laws and funding. All of these steps have to be completed before I can even start the application process.

In the meantime, the library board and Friends of Loogootee Library (FOLL) have been meeting on a regular basis to come up with fundraising ideas and a timeline. FOLL president Judy Yarnell has spent countless hours contacting large corporations and researching grants. She will be setting up The Dream Lives On donation fund account at German American Bank with all donations going toward the new proposed building. FOLL is a 501(c)(3) organization and therefore is tax exempt.

NEW BOOKS:

Mystery: "City of Endless Nights" by Preston & Child.

Inspirational Fiction: "Beneath the Summer Sun" by Kelly Irvin, "Love by the Numbers" by Laura V. Hilton, "Phoebe's Light" by Suzanne Woods Fisher, "High Treason" by Diann Mills, "Harp on the Willow" by BJ Hoff, and "View from Rainshadow Bay" by Colleen Coble.

DVDs: "Dunkirk", "Logan", "Stronger", "Home Again", and "Masterminds".

The library hours are Monday and Tuesday 10-7, Wednesday closed, Thursday and Friday 10-5 and Saturday 9-1. The phone number is 812-295-3713 or check out the website www.loogootee.lib.in.us or like us on Facebook. The library has free Wi-Fi service available for patrons.

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