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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
Michael Steiner (D)
Martin County Assessor
Carolyn S. McGuire (R)
Martin County Clerk
Gerald D. Montgomery (R)
Martin County Sheriff
T.A. "Andy" Burkhardt (D)
Travis Roush (R)
County Commissioner District 2
Paul George (D)
Martin County Council District 1
Randy L. Winger (D)
Martin County Council District 2
James A. (Buck) Stiles (R)
Martin County Council District 3
Barb McFeaters (R)
Perry Township Trustee
Jason Hennette (D)
Perry 4 Precinct Committeeman
Noel Harty (D)
Center Township Trustee
Charles S. Hamilton (R)
Center Township Advisory Board
Ruby V. Wilcoxon (R)
Halbert Township Trustee
Exzelia Montgomery (R)
Halbert Township Advisory Board
Stephanie (Stevie) J. Horton (R)
Travis Montgomery (R)
Lost River Township Advisory Board
Keith Emmons (R)
Rutherford Township Advisory Board
Danny F. Berry (D)
Crane Town Clerk/Treasurer
Linda Ann Willoughby (R)
Crane Town Council
Bernard Butcher (D)
Judith A. Harlow (D)
Ronald L. Barker (R)
Shoals Town Council
Cary D. Albright (R)
Earl Boyd, Jr. (R)
Clint D. Hoffman (R)
Cecil L. Ragsdale (D)
Dick Cresgy (D)
Billy Joe Norman (R)
Shoals Clerk/Treasurer
Sierra Rutledge (D)
Crane Precinct Committee Member
Bernard Butcher (D)
Republican State Delegate
Gerald D. Montgomery

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.

Jail to add 11 more beds, bumping maximum capacity to 90 inmates

BY COURTNEY HUGHETT
Martin County Journal Publisher

The Martin County Commissioners met Tuesday night, January 30. Commissioner Dan Gregory was not in attendance.

Sheriff Travis Roush reported that he currently has 80 inmates, 10 of which are from Vigo County. The sheriff said he has been in contact with the state jail inspector and they are going to add 11 more beds to the jail. This would increase the jail capacity to 90 inmates. Sheriff Roush said he would like to add five additional inmates from Vigo County which would generate around \$1 million for all out-of-county inmates over the next five years. The commissioners said this was good news and told the sheriff to move forward with the plans.

Kathy Collins, Martin County Community Corrections Director, presented information on grants her department is applying for. The first is the adult community-based supervision grant for the county's road crew. The county gives \$21,000 a year to help support road crew. This was included in the grant application per the state's

request. The grant, in the past, provided \$97,600 to the road crew fund however, this year, Collins will be asking for \$406,000. She wants to create two new positions – a field officer and a quality assurance position. With the grant funds, no money will be required from the county to fund the new positions. There is no guarantee the full asking amount will be approved.

The second grant is a jail treatment grant. This grant, totaling \$21,300, goes toward paying for someone to go to the jail two days a week to provide programming to male and female inmates. The grant was the same amount last year, with no increases.

The commissioners signed paperwork approving the grant applications.

Rhonda Harder presented the annual road crew report to the commissioners. There were 5,219 total hours put in with the road crew, close to the same as last year.

Andy Ringwald, with Civil Defense, told commissioners that the National Weather Service will host a weather spotter class on Thursday, April 8 at 6:30 p.m. at the civil defense building.

Stacy Brown, Extension Educator, reported that she has 191 children

signed up for 4-H this year which is down from last year. Last year's total enrollment was 221. She said she still has room for more sign-ups if anyone is interested. She also had a donor give money to help pay for enrollment fees.

The commissioners discussed the fact that the county has a 10-ton weight limit on county roads however some companies are not following the limit. One company is running their log trucks in Rutherford, causing damage to the roads. Commissioner Paul George asked Sheriff Roush if the officer sent out to ticket the log truck had any luck. Sheriff Roush replied that they were unable to locate the driver. Sheriff Roush added that some may not be aware that the weight limit includes all county roads. He said they will post on their facebook page again that the weight limit is still in effect on all county roads and the sheriff's department will be enforcing it.

Jenny Dearwester, with SIDC, spoke to the commissioners about the housing grant. She said there were extra funds left over and they were able to work on another house. She presented bids for the addition and will return a recommendation to the next meeting.

Narcotics investigation leads to three arrests

On Saturday, January 27, in the late afternoon, Sheriff Roush and Chief Deputy Joshua Greene conducted a controlled buy of narcotics in a rural area of Martin County, east of Loogootee. Information from that controlled buy led three members of the Sheriff's Office to a hotel in Loogootee. A consent to search was given for the room, which led to the arrest of Rocky McClure, 37, of Loogootee, by Deputy Cody Shinn. Acting on information from the McClure arrest led to another narcotics operation in the Shoals area.

Plain clothes officers set up surveillance on a Shoals gas station. Cary Clifton, 36, of Shoals, arrived in a pickup truck to sell methamphetamine. The buyer entered Clifton's truck and they travelled to a Shoals liquor store where the transaction was completed.

Traffic stop leads to search warrant resulting in meth charges

On Sunday, January 28, 2018 around 9:44 p.m., Deputy Tyler Reed, of the Martin County Sheriff's Office, was conducting a narcotics investigation on the west side of Loogootee when he observed a vehicle leave a suspect's residence. The vehicle committed a moving violation and then continued toward Park Street where Martin County Sheriff's Deputy Cody Shinn was positioned. Deputy Shinn observed the vehicle commit another moving violation. Deputy Shinn initiated a traffic stop on the vehicle. The driver was identified as Rejan K. Allen. During his interaction with Allen, Deputy Shinn smelled the odor of an alcoholic beverage emitting from her exhaled breath and noticed that

The buyer exited the vehicle, and Clifton attempted to leave the liquor store parking lot, when uniformed and plain clothes officers intercepted Clifton. Clifton was arrested by Deputy Cody Shinn, without incident, late Saturday night.

A few hours later, early Sunday morning, Sheriff Roush and Chief Deputy Joshua Greene conducted another interdiction in a rural part of Martin County, east of Loogootee, which led to the arrest of Juan Avalos, 34, of Huntingburg. During the arrest, over 11 grams of methamphetamine and nearly 70 grams of marijuana was recovered, along with a semi-automatic pistol hidden in a backpack belonging to Avalos.

The following is the list of those arrested and their charges:

Cary Clifton, 36, of Shoals
-Dealing methamphetamine, a Level 4 Felony
-Possession of methamphetamine, a Level 6 Felony
-Maintaining a common nuisance, a Level 6 Felony
-Possession of marijuana, a Class B Misdemeanor
-Possession of paraphernalia, a Class C Misdemeanor
Rocky McClure, 37, of Loogootee
-Conspiracy to deal methamphetamine, a Level 5 Felony
-Possession of methamphetamine, a Level 6 Felony
-Maintaining a common nuisance, a Level 6 Felony
-Two counts of neglect of a dependent, a Level 6 Felony
(See 'NARCOTICS' on page 2)

ijuana and methamphetamine. Ms. Allen was transported to the Martin County Security Center

Deputy Reed then requested, through Martin County Prosecutor Michael Steiner, and was granted, a search warrant by the Honorable Martin Circuit Court Judge Lynne E. Ellis for Allen's residence. The search warrant was executed by Deputy Shinn, ICO Tony Mann, Loogootee Sergeant Rick Norris, and Deputy Reed on January 29 at 12:55 a.m. Rodger Gist and Michael Gist were located inside the residence and detained. Upon entering, marijuana, methamphetamine, and paraphernalia were in plain view. An extensive (See 'TRAFFIC STOP' on page 2)

TRAFFIC STOP

(Continued from page one)
 search of the residence was conducted resulting in officers locating over 12 grams of methamphetamine, over 35 grams of marijuana, indicators of dealing such as scales and pre-cut baggies, paraphernalia, several controlled substances and legend drugs, and controlled substances and legend drugs bagged and labeled. Rodger Gist and Michael Gist were arrested and transported to the Martin County Security Center.

- Arrested:**
 Rejan K. Allen, 42, Loogootee
- 1) Maintaining a Common Nuisance, Level 6 Felony
 - 2) Dealing in Methamphetamine, Level 2 Felony
 - 3) Possession of Methamphetamine, Level 4 Felony
 - 4) Dealing in Marijuana, Class A Misdemeanor
 - 5) Possession of Marijuana, Level 6 Felony
 - 6) Possession of a Controlled Substance, Class A Misdemeanor
 - 7) Dealing in a Controlled Substance, Level 6 Felony
 - 8) Dealing in a Legend Drug, Level 6 Felony
 - 9) Possession of a Legend Drug, Level 6 Felony
 - 10) Possession of Paraphernalia, Class C Misdemeanor
 - 11) Operating While Intoxicated - Prior, Level 6 Felony
 - 12) Operating While Intoxicated - Controlled Substance, Class C Misdemeanor
 - 13) Operating While Intoxicated - Endangerment, Class A Misdemeanor
- Rodger L. Gist, 53, Loogootee
- 1) Maintaining a Common Nuisance, Level 6 Felony
 - 2) Dealing in Methamphetamine, Level 2 Felony
 - 3) Possession of Methamphetamine, Level 4 Felony
 - 4) Dealing in Marijuana, Class A Misdemeanor

- 5) Possession of Marijuana, Level 6 Felony
 - 6) Possession of a Controlled Substance, Class A Misdemeanor
 - 7) Dealing in a Controlled Substance, Level 6 Felony
 - 8) Dealing in a Legend Drug, Level 6 Felony
 - 9) Possession of a Legend Drug, Level 6 Felony
 - 10) Possession of Paraphernalia, Class C Misdemeanor
- Michael D. Gist, 58, Washington
- 1) Maintaining a Common Nuisance, Level 6 Felony
 - 2) Dealing in Methamphetamine, Level 2 Felony
 - 3) Possession of Methamphetamine, Level 4 Felony
 - 4) Dealing in Marijuana, Class A Misdemeanor
 - 5) Possession of Marijuana, Level 6 Felony
 - 6) Possession of a Controlled Substance, Class A Misdemeanor
 - 7) Dealing in a Controlled Substance, Level 6 Felony
 - 8) Dealing in a Legend Drug, Level 6 Felony
 - 9) Possession of a Legend Drug, Level 6 Felony
 - 10) Possession of Paraphernalia, Class C Misdemeanor

NARCOTICS

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- Intimidation, a Class A Misdemeanor
 - Possession of paraphernalia, a Class C Misdemeanor
- Juan Avalos, 34, of Huntingburg
- Dealing methamphetamine, a Level 2 Felony
 - Possession of methamphetamine, a Level 3 Felony
 - Maintaining a common nuisance, a Level 6 Felony
 - Dealing marijuana, a Class A Misdemeanor
 - Possession of firearm without a permit, a Class A Misdemeanor



Saving one life at a time

-Photos by Courtney Hughett

The Martin County Humane Society Board of Directors recently recognized Doctor Scott Wallace, with Wallace Vet Clinic, in Loogootee, by giving him a plaque and gift card as a thank you for all he does for the shelter dogs and cats. Doctor Wallace not only fits shelter animals into his busy daily schedule at the last minute, he also gives the animal shelter discounts on treatments and medications, saving the shelter thousands of dollars annually. The animal shelter takes in an average of 300 animals per year, many that are not in the best health. "Doctor Wallace puts the care of the dogs and cats above his profits, because he cares, and that is invaluable to our mission of animal rescue," said Humane Society President Josh Hughett. The humane society board also recognized Wallace Vet Clinic Receptionist Candace Clark with a monetary gift for fielding the dozens of calls and messages from the shelter each year.



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SON SORRELLS

Lawrence A. "Son" Sorrells passed away January 23, 2018 at 10:07 p.m. at Jasper Memorial Hospital. A resident of Shoals, he was 93.



SON SORRELLS

He was born May 23, 1924 in Martin County; daughter of Lawrence and Maude (Sherfick) Sorrells. He married Inez Queen on November 27, 1946 and she survives.

He graduated Shoals High School in 1944, was a member of the Eagles Lodge and St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception Church, in Shoals.

Son and his wife "Inie" owned and operated Queen's Clothing Store, and was a bus driver for the Shoals Community School Corp for 56 years. He loved watching IU Basketball and his grandchildren play sports.

He is survived by one daughter, Kristy Winger of Shoals; grandchildren, Shane Roush and wife, Brenda, of Shoals; Cody Roush and wife, Michelle, of Shoals; and Ashley Roush of Shoals; great grandchildren, Kaley Roush, Ellie Roush and Collin Roush; two sisters, Emma Lou Line of Hillham and Allie Boyd of Shoals; a brother, Dale Sorrells of Spottsville, Ken-

tucky; and several nieces, nephews and cousins.

He is preceded in death by his parents, brothers, Charlie, Sid, Lyle and Wilson in infancy; and sisters, Beverly Tow, Norma Collins and Nina Hagen.

A Mass of Christian Burial was held at St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception Church in Shoals on Friday January 26 with the Very Reverend Kenneth Walker officiating. Burial followed in the Spring Hill Cemetery.

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

KIMBERLY TROWBRIDGE

Kimberly A. Trowbridge passed away January 25, 2018 at 9:00 a.m. at Daviess Community Hospital. A resident of Washington, she was 55.

She was born May 24, 1962 in Washington; daughter of William and Shirley (Cissell) Wilson. She had worked at Wal-Mart and loved drawing, reading and art. She loved spending time with her grandchildren and will be greatly missed by all who knew her.

She is survived by her husband, Dale Trowbridge, whom she married, July 16, 1988; son, Jeremy Trowbridge of Bicknell; daughter, April (Jason) Conley of Washington; mother, Shirley (Cissell) Wilson; brothers, Kevin (Connie) Wilson and Mike Wilson, both of Shoals; Tim Wilson of Loogo-

tee and Randy Wilson of Greenwood; sister, Shelly Wilson of Loogootee; six grandchildren, Korbin Trowbridge, Karson Trowbridge, Kenzie Conley, Teagan Conley, Danessa Conley and Ryker Conley; mother and father-in-law, Deanie and Morris Trowbridge of Washington.

She was preceded in death by her father.

A funeral service was held Monday, January 29 at Ed Lee Mortuary with Yvonne Evans officiating.

Condolences may be sent to the family online at www.edleemortuary.com

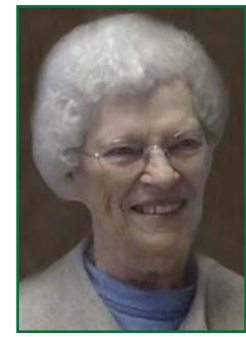
CAMILLA OVERTON

Camilla 'Millie' Overton went to Heaven, peacefully, on Thursday, January 25, 2018. A resident of Odon, she was 82.

She was born in Martin County on June 11, 1935; daughter of Harley H. and Alice (Smith) Beasley. She married James Overton on October 26, 1960.

She was a member of the Frady United Methodist Church. She earned her undergraduate at Indiana Central and her Masters at Indiana State University before becoming a teacher until her retirement in 1996. Millie liked to crochet and enjoyed collecting things.

Survivors include two nieces that lived with her, Alice Ann and Ray Simmons of Plainville and Cathern and Howard Nellist of Elkhart; great neph-



CAMILLA OVERTON

ews, Matthew and Angela Simmons of Lafayette, Brian and Shannon Simmons of Monroe City, Bradley and Katie Nellist of Greenwood and Michael Nellist of Elkhart; several other nieces and nephews; two brothers, Calvin

and Betty Beasley and Ronnie and Diane Beasley, both of Odon; and sister-in-law, Dixie (Gary) Beasley of Odon.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Alice (Smith) Beasley and Harley H. Beasley; her husband, James Overton; brothers, Wallace Beasley, Gary Beasley, John Beasley and John Edwin Taylor; and sisters, Gertrude Kemp, Ava Gee, Irene Sims and Geraldine Harris.

Funeral services were held Monday, January 29 at Frady United Methodist Church in Raglesville with Pastor Gwen Pew officiating. She was laid to rest in Walnut Hill Cemetery in Odon.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Frady United Methodist Church or the Todd Beasley Scholarship Fund.

All arrangements were entrusted to James W. Meng, Jr. and Meng Family Funeral Home in Odon. Online condolences may be sent to www.mengfuneralhome.com.

Purdue@WestGate will bring defense industry resources to WestGate innovators

BY SARAH K. MILLER

Purdue University News Service

Purdue@WestGate will bring the Institute for Global Security and Defense Innovation (i-GSDI) free seminar to WestGate Academy on February 6 to discuss resources available to WestGate innovators, tenants and the greater region.

Global Security and Defense Innovation is a Purdue University consortium that supports Indiana's defense industry and integrates strengths across Purdue and its research centers, converging cross-cutting research capabilities from Purdue STEM fields. The sectors include advanced instrumentation, nanotechnology, social and behavioral sciences, big data simulation and cybersecurity.

"Our consortium has a lot to offer WestGate innovators and tenants," said Mike Dodd, managing director for the Global Security and Defense Innovation. "Due to WestGate's relationship with Naval Surface Warfare Center Crane as well as its volume of defense focused tenants, the research our group compiles provides access to the lead-

ing-edge defense technology directly relevant to their industries."

The seminar will include several topics relevant to WestGate innovators and tenants:

Introduction to the Institute for Global Security and Defense Innovation.

Explanation of the iGSDI roundtable series.

Global Security and Defense Innovation consortium member benefits.

Credentialing of defense contractors.

Overview of contract vehicles that require teaming and benefits of teaming.

Structuring agreements to be a successful government contractor.

Mentor Protégé programs available.

Description of how to exceed subcontracting requirements.

Assist large primes to identify "procurement ready and credentialed" sub-contractors and vendors.

The seminar will take place at 3:30 p.m. ET February 6 at WestGate Academy, 13598 E. WestGate Drive, Odon, directly prior to the monthly networking event the Spirited Entrepreneur at 4:30 p.m. The public is invited to attend both the Global Security and Defense Innovation seminar and the Spirited En-

trepreneur networking event.

The Spirited Entrepreneur @WestGate Academy is a monthly networking event offered by the Purdue Foundry@WestGate, a startup accelerator located in the Academy.

"Having Mike and the Global Securi-

Radius Indiana launches Women in Economic Development Leadership Initiative

Radius Indiana kicked off its new Women in Economic Development Leadership Initiative January 24 at the West Baden Hotel. This is the first-ever course of its kind for the region, and the state, and is designed to promote professional development for women.

The course will focus on a broad range of topics, including business attraction, retention and expansion, entrepreneurship, quality of life initiatives, networking, and international business etiquette. The initiative will span 2018 and encourage an open dialogue among participants to share successes, challenges and best practices.

This program adds to the portfolio of educational economic development initiatives that Radius currently leads, like the Economic Development for Community Leadership Program that will be held for the second time this year in March.

"Radius Indiana has undertaken a number of initiatives to strengthen the culture and practice of economic development in Southern Indiana. We saw that there were a number of new people who have come on the economic development scene in a relatively short period of time all in a compact area, and we felt this course could help them all and their communities," said Radius Indiana President and CEO Jeff Quyle. "We opened up the program to our region and surrounding counties and have nearly a dozen participants from eight counties representing local economic development, the utility sector, community development, chambers of commerce, marketing and telecommunications."

Quyle selected Chelsey Manns, pres-

ty and Defense Innovation as a resource will only enhance the mission of becoming a more innovative and diverse region as well as bringing tangible solutions for the mission of the Warfighter," said Samantha Nelson, the program manager for Purdue@WestGate.

ident of Manns Consulting, LLC to facilitate the course. Manns is a veteran in economic development and helps communities develop and execute project plans for business growth, quality of life initiatives and community development. Manns formerly served as the Executive Director of Morgan County Economic Development Corporation, and as business development director for Banning Engineering, a central Indiana-based civil engineering and surveying firm. She began her career as a project manager with the Indy Partnership.

"I commend the Radius Indiana team for spearheading this new program," said Manns. "I am excited for the opportunity to be involved and look forward to sharing my experiences and helping to strengthen the foundation of economic development professionals in the area."

Manns and Quyle both hope that this initiative will leave participants with a better sense of the industry, and see this as a chance to serve as a networking opportunity for the region.

Rachel Steckler, director of Communication & Community Development for the City of Huntingburg, who is attending the course, added, "The Women in Economic Development Initiative is a great opportunity for women in this industry to discuss important issues in our region, and share best practices to not only sustain our communities, but to promote and enhance them, as well. I applaud Radius for supporting regional collaboration, and I am grateful for the opportunity to be included with this great group of economic development professionals."

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Martin County Sheriff's Department log

MONDAY, JANUARY 22

6:53 a.m. - Received a report of a tree across US 50, near Buffalo Bottoms. Shoals Fire responded and removed the tree.

8:36 a.m. - Received a report of tree debris on US 50, near Warren's curve. Captain Dant removed the debris.

9:27 a.m. - Received a report of a tree on US 231, near the Haysville Bridge. Captain Dant and the state highway department responded.

9:42 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance transported the subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

12:56 p.m. - Received a report of harassment in Loogootee. Loogootee Captain Hennette responded.

1:00 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance, Loogootee Chief Rayhill, and Loogootee Captain Hennette responded.

5:57 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Shoals. Martin County Ambulance transported the subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 23

7:16 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Shoals. Martin County Ambulance and Shoals Fire responded. Martin County Ambulance transported the subject to IU Health in Bedford.

8:15 a.m. - Received a request for lift assistance in Loogootee. Loogootee Fire, Loogootee Chief Rayhill, and Sheriff Roush responded.

10:01 a.m. - Received a request for lift assistance near Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded.

10:11 a.m. - Sheriff Roush took three inmates to court.

12:34 p.m. - Jailer Fox took one inmate to the doctor.

12:48 p.m. - Captain Dant took two inmates to court.

1:48 p.m. - Captain Dant took two inmates to court.

3:20 p.m. - Received a dog complaint west of Shoals. Animal Control Officer Hughett responded.

3:55 p.m. - Received a report of a car-deer accident near Crane. ISP responded.

4:10 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance near Loogootee. Sergeant Keller and Martin County Ambulance responded. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

6:29 p.m. - Received a report of a disturbance in Loogootee. Loogootee Police Department responded.

10:30 p.m. - Received a report of a break-in near Loogootee. Sergeant Keller responded.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 24

2:00 a.m. - Received an alarm call west of Loogootee. Deputy Reed and Loogootee Officer Floyd responded. All was okay.

6:07 a.m. - Received several alarm calls in Loogootee. Loogootee Chief Rayhill responded. All was okay.

6:21 a.m. - Received a furnace fire call in Loogootee. Loogootee Fire responded.

9:54 a.m. - Captain Dant took one inmate to court.

10:30 a.m. - Sheriff Roush performed a security walk-thru at Loogootee Schools.

12:00 p.m. - Captain Dant took one inmate to the doctor.

12:35 p.m. - Received a report of a reckless driver on US 231, south of

Loogootee. Sergeant Keller responded.

2:59 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance near Shoals. Martin County Ambulance and Sergeant Keller responded. No one was transported.

8:40 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance transported the subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

8:43 p.m. - Received a report of a fire south of Loogootee. Haysville Fire, Martin County Ambulance, and Major Burkhardt responded.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 25

4:26 a.m. - Received a report of a tree blocking the road south of Shoals. Shoals Fire responded and removed the tree.

7:20 a.m. - Received a report of a broke down vehicle on US 231, north of Loogootee. Sheriff Roush, Captain Dant, and Chief Deputy Greene responded.

8:02 a.m. - Received an alarm call in Loogootee. Loogootee Chief Rayhill responded and all was okay.

8:49 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance near Shoals. Martin County Ambulance and Shoals Fire responded. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

9:19 a.m. - Captain Dant took one inmate to court.

10:17 a.m. - Captain Dant took two inmates to court.

10:54 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Shoals. Shoals Fire and Martin County Ambulance responded. No one was transported.

12:58 p.m. - Sheriff Roush took three inmates to court.

2:32 p.m. - Captain Dant took two inmates to court.

2:35 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance transported the subject to Daviess Community Hospital.

3:20 p.m. - Major Burkhardt transported one inmate to Dubois County Corrections.

6:06 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance near Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance and Loogootee Fire responded. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

8:26 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in French Lick. Martin County Ambulance responded and transported the subject to IU Health in Paoli.

9:02 p.m. - Deputy Shinn and Major Burkhardt performed a welfare check south of Loogootee.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 26

7:37 a.m. - Chief Deputy Greene assisted a motorist in Loogootee.

9:48 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Shoals. Martin County Ambulance responded and transported the subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

10:09 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance east of Shoals. Martin County Ambulance, Dubois First responders, Lost River Fire, and Memorial Hospital Ambulance responded. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

11:40 a.m. - Received a dog complaint in Shoals. Animal Control Officer Hughett responded.

12:05 p.m. - Major Burkhardt took one inmate to the doctor.

12:10 p.m. - Sheriff Roush assisted with a funeral detail in Shoals.

2:30 p.m. - Received a report of an

accident east of Shoals. Major Burkhardt responded.

2:46 p.m. - Received a dog complaint in Crane. ICO Mann responded.

5:03 p.m. - Received a report of an accident south of Shoals. Major Burkhardt responded.

6:49 p.m. - Received a report of an accident in Shoals. Town Marshal Eckert, Shoals Fire, and Martin County Ambulance responded. No one was transported.

7:07 p.m. - Received a dog complaint in Shoals. Animal Control Officer Hughett responded.

7:57 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 27

1:10 p.m. - Received an alarm call near Loogootee. Loogootee Officer McBeth and ISP Trooper Beaver responded. All was okay.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 28

3:50 a.m. - Received an alarm call in Loogootee. Reserve Deputy Harmon responded. All was okay.

7:36 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded and transported the subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

8:17 a.m. - Sergeant Keller assisted a motorist in Loogootee.

9:50 a.m. - Received a report of an accident in Shoals. Sergeant Keller, Shoals Fire, and Martin County Ambulance responded. There were two subjects transported to the Jasper Memorial Hospital.

5:13 p.m. - Received a report of a disturbance near Loogootee. Deputy Shinn and Loogootee Officer McBeth responded.

5:18 p.m. - Received a report of a possible wood stove fire in Loogootee. Loogootee Fire and Martin County Ambulance responded.

ARRESTS

MONDAY, JANUARY 22

4:18 p.m. - Cory Nugent, 30, of Loogootee, was arrested by Captain Dant on a Dubois County warrant.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 25

3:10 p.m. - Ricky Riggins, 38, of Odon, was arrested by ISP Trooper Werne on a Martin County warrant. He is being held without bond. ISP Trooper Greene assisted with the arrest.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 26

10:21 a.m. - Matthew Quinn, 27, of Shoals, was arrested by Chief Deputy Greene and charged with neglect of a dependent, battery, and domestic battery. He is being held without bond. Sheriff Roush assisted with the arrest.

10:27 a.m. - Brittany Hert, 24, of Shoals, was arrested by Chief Deputy Greene and charged with neglect of a dependent and is being held without bond. Assisting with the arrest was Sheriff Roush.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 27

12:19 a.m. - Tina Wilson, 45, of Loogootee, was arrested by Loogootee Officer Floyd on charges of operating while intoxicated refusal and endangerment. She is being held on a \$25,000 10% bond. Deputy Wright assisted with the arrest.

4:47 a.m. - Lourdes Marie Vega-Castellvi, 20, of Charleston, Illinois, was arrested by Loogootee Officer Floyd and charged with operating a vehicle while intoxicated with a controlled sub-

stance and possession of marijuana. She is being held on a \$10,000 10% bond.

10:50 p.m. - Rocky McClure, 37, of Loogootee, was arrested by Deputy Shinn and charged with conspiracy to deal meth and possession of meth. Assisting with the arrest were Sheriff Roush and Chief Deputy Greene. He is being held without bond.

10:50 p.m. - Cary Clifton, 36, of Shoals, was arrested by Deputy Shinn and charged with dealing in meth. He is being held without bond. Assisting with the arrest were Sheriff Roush and Chief Deputy Greene.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 28

1:55 a.m. - Juan Avalos, 34, of Huntington, was arrested by Sheriff Roush and was charged with dealing meth, possession of meth, dealing marijuana, possession of a firearm without a permit, and maintaining a common nuisance. He is being held without bond. Chief Deputy Greene assisted with the arrest.

12:30 p.m. - Travis Karns, 46, of Odon, was arrested by Loogootee Officer McBeth and charged with invasion of privacy and is being held on a \$20,000 10% bond.

12:35 p.m. - Sherry Lindy, 43, of Dubois County, was arrested by Loogootee Officer McBeth and charged with invasion of privacy and false reporting. She is being held on a \$20,000 10% bond. Sergeant Keller assisted with the arrest.

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Loogootee Police log

MONDAY, JANUARY 22

2:52 a.m. - Sgt. Norris responded to a business alarm.

12:56 p.m. - Male caller reported harassment.

1:00 p.m. - Chief Rayhill and Captain Hennette assisted the ambulance service.

7:05 p.m. - Caller reported a reckless vehicle on US 231.

7:15 p.m. - Female requested transient assistance.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 23

12:45 a.m. - Sgt. Norris assisted the county with a juvenile arrest.

8:15 a.m. - Chief Rayhill assisted the ambulance service.

10:05 a.m. - Male requested a vehicle identification check.

10:09 a.m. - Chief Rayhill assisted with a funeral procession.

10:28 a.m. - Male came on station for transient assistance.

1:05 p.m. - Female requested a vehicle identification check.

6:30 p.m. - Caller reported a disturbance in Shaded Estates.

7:15 p.m. - Caller reported a vehicle stuck in a snow bank near Marathon.

7:20 p.m. - Captain Hennette assisted the county with a welfare check on a male.

8:10 p.m. - Captain Hennette responded to a business alarm.

8:40 p.m. - Captain Hennette assisted the county with a possible prowler.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 24

6:07 a.m. - Chief Rayhill responded to a business alarm.

6:15 a.m. - Chief Rayhill responded to a business alarm.

6:21 a.m. - Loogootee Fire was paged out to check an odor at a residence.

12:35 p.m. - Caller reported a vehicle all over the road on US 231. Chief Rayhill located the vehicle and the driver checked out okay.

12:56 p.m. - Caller reported a suspicious male on Butcher Boulevard. Male checked out okay.

4:15 p.m. - Female requested a vehicle identification check.

5:56 p.m. - Caller reported a civil complaint.

8:41 p.m. - First responders were requested on Bloomfield Road for lifting assistance.

9:03 p.m. - Caller reported a propane odor at the Co-Op.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 25

7:35 a.m. - Female reported something in the road near McDonalds.

8:15 a.m. - Chief Rayhill responded to a business alarm.

2:03 p.m. - Caller requested to speak with an officer regarding a civil matter.

4:16 p.m. - Caller reported someone tried to pry her door open.

6:08 p.m. - First responders were requested on Killion Mill Road for a medical call.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 26

9:15 a.m. - Officer McBeth responded to a business alarm.

10:10 a.m. - Caller requested to speak with an officer regarding personal property.

3:37 p.m. - Caller reported a controlled burn.

5:10 p.m. - Caller reported a domestic dispute on Church Street.

9:15 p.m. - Caller reported a reckless vehicle on Hwy 50.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 27

4:16 p.m. - Caller reported a property damage accident on Broadway Street.

6:26 p.m. - Caller reported a dog complaint. Animal Control was contacted.

6:55 p.m. - Caller reported a vehicle stuck in her yard.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 28

3:50 a.m. - Sgt. Norris responded to a business alarm.

10:25 a.m. - Caller requested to speak with someone on the fire department in regard to fire alarms.

4:01 p.m. - Caller reported harassment.

5:12 p.m. - Officer McBeth assisted the county with a domestic dispute.

7:17 p.m. - Loogootee Fire was paged out to a garage fire on Bloomfield Road.

Real estate transfers

Michael G. Harker and Kathy A. Harker and Jonathan M. Harker, of Martin County, Indiana to **Jalen M. Hyde**, of Daviess County, Indiana and **Gabriella R. Daniel-Cox**, of Martin County, Indiana, a portion of the northeast quarter of Section 24, Township 3 North, Range 5 West, containing .40 acres, more or less.

Robert Allbright and Patricia Allbright, of Martin County, Indiana and **James Marshall Warren**, of Spencer County, Indiana to **Robert K. Allbright and Patricia A. Allbright**, of Martin County, Indiana. Tract I: Lots Number 75 and 88 in the original plat of Memphis, now Shoals, Indiana. Tract II: Situated in the northeast quarter and the northwest quarter of the southeast quarter of Section 25, Township 2 North, Range 4 West.

Curtis Kidwell, of Martin County, Indiana to **Sheryl L. Ogg**, of Martin County, Indiana, Lots Number 42 and 44 in Sims' Second Addition to the Town of Indian Springs and Lot Numbered 43 in Sims' Extension to the Town of Indian Springs.

COURT NEWS

CRIMINAL CONVICTIONS & SENTENCING

Dustin J. Butler, convicted of operating a vehicle while intoxicated endangering a person, a Class A Misdemeanor and operating a vehicle while intoxicated with previous conviction within 5 years, a Class 6 Felony. Sentenced to serve 730 days with 0 days suspended and credit for 340 actual days previously served plus 340 Class A credit days.

Andrew J. Hsu, convicted of operating a vehicle while intoxicated, a Class A Misdemeanor. Sentenced to serve 365 days with 357 days suspended and credit for 4 actual days previously served plus 4 Class A credit days. Defendant received 11 months of probation.

Richard L. Morris, convicted of operating a vehicle with a schedule I or II controlled substance or its metabolite in the body, a Class C Misdemeanor. Sentenced to serve 60 days with 54 days suspended and credit for 3 actual days previously served plus 3 Class A credit days. Defendant received 6 months of probation.

Nathan Rash, convicted of domestic battery, a Class 6 Felony. Sentenced to serve 547 days with 537 days suspended and credit for 5 actual days previously served plus 5 Class A credit days. Defendant received 12 months of probation.

CRIMINAL CHARGES DISMISSED

Rick Crowder, criminal trespass, a Class A Misdemeanor, dismissed; driving while suspended, a Class A Infraction.

tion, dismissed; driving while suspended, a Class A Misdemeanor, dismissed.

Dustin J. Butler, public intoxication, a Class B Misdemeanor, dismissed; auto theft, a Class 6 Felony, dismissed.

Andrew J. Hsu, maintaining a common nuisance – controlled substances, a Class 6 Felony, dismissed; possession of marijuana, a Class B Misdemeanor, dismissed; operating a vehicle with a schedule I or II controlled substance or its metabolite in the body, a Class C Misdemeanor, dismissed; possession of paraphernalia, a Class C Misdemeanor, dismissed.

Richard L. Morris, maintaining a common nuisance – controlled substances, a Class 6 Felony, dismissed; operating while intoxicated, a Class A Misdemeanor, dismissed; possession of marijuana, a Class B Misdemeanor, dismissed.

CIVIL COURT

New Suits Filed

January 18

US Bank vs. David C. Gilbert, Brandi M. Sanders, Procol, and Personal Finance Company, LLC, mortgage foreclosure.

January 23

Baird Homes of Distinction vs. William Campbell and the Estate of Ruby Campbell, civil collection.

John and Virginia Hopkins vs. Timothy Perry and Schilli Specialized, Inc., civil tort.

SMALL CLAIMS COURT

New Suits Filed

January 19

Crane Credit Union vs. Cody Hershman, complaint.

Lions Baseball, Softball signups

The LIONS Baseball and Softball Program (LBSP), formerly the Loogootee Little League, will be accepting sign-ups for the 2018 season. Any child that would like to play baseball or softball should sign-up at the Loogootee High School Cafeteria on Wednesday, February 7, from 6-8 p.m. or Sunday, February 11 1-4 p.m.

Both Loogootee and Shoals Schools have teachers that have agreed to collect on behalf of LBSP (Loogootee – Mrs. Seasonal Lawson and Shoals – Mrs. Lisa Ader). If you are unable to sign-up with either option above or have any questions, please send them a message on their Facebook page.

LBSP is asking all sign-ups be completed by Saturday, February 24, 2018. League divisions are determined upon numbers, so it is very important to meet the deadline. If deadline is not met, there will be an additional \$5 per child for late registration.

Sign-up fees are \$40 for one child and \$30 for each additional child (\$100 maximum family limit). There will be a \$5 additional fee per child after February 24, 2018.

Eligibility and age cutoff dates:

-Boys must turn age 4 by August 31st, 2018

-Boys that turn age 13 by April 30th, 2018

-Girls must turn age 4 by December 31st, 2017

-Girls turning age of 12 by December 31st, 2017

All parents will be scheduled to work two games in the concessions unless \$20 buyout per child is paid prior to concessions schedule being printed and sent out.

Shoals female students are encouraged to join the Loogootee Soft-

ball Program to sign-up. They also welcome any boy that wants to join the Loogootee Baseball Program as well, but they do not want to take away from the local Shoals Summer League.

On Saturday, February 24, the league is planning a clinic for any girl age 7-12 that will be participating in the LIONS Softball Program. They are working on establishing a clinic for the boys, but dates have not been established at this time. Please follow us on Facebook to stay up to date on any information released.

Odon man arrested after warrant was issued

A case that began just before Christmas led to an Odon man being arrested last Thursday. On December 22, 2017, Indiana State Police Senior Trooper Detective Brock Werne launched an investigation after being contacted by the Department of Child Services (DCS). DCS had received a complaint that Ricky L Riggins, 38, of Odon, had shown a nine-year-old child, adult pornography.

Through the investigation, Detective Werne was able to determine that Riggins allegedly had shown both pictures and video of adult pornography to the nine-year-old child. Werne developed enough probable cause for an arrest warrant for Dissemination of Matter Harmful to Minors, a Level 5 Felony, to be granted by the Martin County Circuit Court. Last Thursday, armed with this arrest warrant, troopers from the Jasper Post went on a search to find Riggins. After several hours of searching, they located him at a gym in Washington. He was taken into custody without incident and transported to the Martin County Jail.



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In the Garden

By Ralph Purkhiser

Purdue University Master Gardener

A brief reprieve from winter weather over the weekend gave some opportunity for some garden chores. It gave some opportunities to get out into the garden to check for signs of frost heaving and to take some measures to tamp the exposed roots back into the soil. With plenty of moisture and light winds, it was a good time for some small controlled burns to clear some underbrush. While more winter weather is sure to come, we can also look forward to more nice days when garden clean-up is possible.

I have had several people asking about daffodils and other spring bulbs that have sprouted during the warm days. At Sandhill Gardens, I noticed some sprouting of daffodils planted near the foundation on the south side of the house. The foliage of spring bulbs is pretty tough, and when it is just peeking through the soil, it can withstand some freezing temperatures. However, as it grows, it becomes more susceptible to damage, especially if temperatures drop below 20 degrees. If you have some bags of leaves, you may use them to provide some protection, but they must be removed on the warm days, so it is a lot of work. I usually just hope for the best. It may mean fewer daffodil blooms in the spring, but the bulbs will survive to grow again next year.

It was also a good time to just take a walk through the garden to enjoy nature. Sandhill gardens offers a lot of cover and food choices for the birds, so they are plentiful. The gardens have been designed to provide interest in all seasons, and I love the winter garden. Such days are a wonderful time to take stock of the garden and plan for additions to make it a place of beauty during future winters.

Of course, evergreens are the most obvious choice for winter interest. Over the years, I have added various types of evergreens to Sandhill Gardens. I, personally, am partial to the weeping forms of conifers, but the cost of such specimens limits the number I have in the gardens. Even with the weeping trees I have, one needs other forms to complement that form. I suggest shorter, rounded evergreens help to keep the focal specimen in balance. Broadleaf

evergreens also help to provide interest in the winter garden. I am especially fond of evergreen types of rhododendrons and azaleas, which will also provide interest throughout the year.

I have written extensively of my love for hollies, especially the native deciduous hollies. The red berries have been plentiful this year, providing interest for the eye and food for the birds. In the past, I have cautioned that one must have both male and female of hollies, and have noted that a single male will provide enough pollen to pollinate several females. However, a recent article in an American Horticulture Society publication advocates planting more male hollies, despite the fact that they will have no berries and the flowers are not exactly spectacular. However, having more male hollies will ensure diversity that will be healthy for the future. The males may be placed in hedges in the back of a property, but they are necessary to get the berries on the females.

Some of the other plants that bring interest to the garden in winter include contorted shrubs and trees. My favorite at Sandhill Gardens is the contorted filbert. With the leaves off the stems, one can see that the branches curl around themselves and provide great interest. The contorted mulberry is another good choice. The branches are not so much like corkscrews, but still interesting.

Exfoliating bark also adds interest in the winter garden. My favorite plants for exfoliating bark include river birches, ninebarks and oak-leaf hydrangeas.

For colorful bark, try coral-bark maple or red or yellow twig dogwoods. The dogwoods will require some effort to prune out older stems to ensure the young stems with the best color are plentiful, but that pruning is usually done just one time in the spring. There is a lot of diversity in the color of the bark and it is hard to see that when buying these plants during the growing season. It is a good idea to visit a garden to see different cultivars in winter to determine which will be the best for your garden.

Next week, we will continue our discussion of winter gardens. There really is no need for the garden to look dead during the winter months.

Avian cholera detected in wild waterfowl in Gibson County

Wildlife officials have confirmed the presence of avian cholera in geese from western Gibson County. Diagnostic testing was conducted at the U.S. Geological Survey's National Wildlife Health Center.

Avian cholera is common among North American waterfowl, although the Gibson County detection is the first time the disease has been documented in wild birds in Indiana.

In total about 350 birds—mostly snow geese—have been found dead since the beginning of December. Tens of thousands of waterfowl spend winter in this part of the state, so the incidence of disease appears to be very low.

Avian cholera poses minimal risk to humans or to the commercial poultry industry, but it is highly contagious among wild birds, especially waterfowl. It is caused by the bacterium *Pasteurella multocida* and is unrelated to avian influenza.

The DNR, together with federal and private partners, has increased surveillance of waterfowl populations throughout the state and is carefully removing and disposing of carcasses to decrease the risk of transmission to other birds.

Avian cholera spreads through bird-to-bird contact, ingestion of food and water containing the infectious bacterium, and scavenging of infected carcasses. Infected birds often die quickly, but might appear sluggish and otherwise exhibit abnormal behavior. While the disease could result in high mortality rates in small areas, it is not expected to have a significant effect on overall waterfowl populations.

To help prevent the spread of avian cholera, waterfowl hunters in southwest Indiana should consider cleaning and disinfecting their gear, including waders and decoys, using warm, soapy water.

Waterfowl hunters should also use gloves when cleaning birds; avoid eating, drinking, or smoking during cleaning; and thoroughly wash their hands afterwards.

Animals known or suspected to be ill should not be consumed.

Duck season in southern Indiana ended on January 21, and goose season runs through February 11. The Indiana Light Goose Conservation Order Permits program allows the harvest of light geese from February 12 through March 31, 2018.

Local 4-H Clubs join with JOANN Fabrics Stores for Paper Clover Campaign

Lawrence, Martin, and Orange county 4-H programs and JOANN Fabrics stores want to see more local youth learning by doing, creating and making. Thousands of local 4-H members, staff, volunteers, and supporters will join with JOANN customers to ensure more kids get that chance through a new Paper Clover campaign to bring hands-on 4-H programs to Indiana youth.

The Paper Clover campaign will take place in 865 JOANN Fabrics stores nationwide during February 1-28. Supporters will have a chance to share their hearts and show their love for 4-H by purchasing \$1 and \$4 Paper Clovers to equip local clubs with resources to reach more kids in need.

During the month of love, local 4-H'ers will also partner with their local JOANN stores to hand-make and deliver custom Valentine's Day cards to Lawrence, Martin, and Orange county nursing homes. The public is invited Saturday, February 3 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Bedford JoAnn Fabrics store to make Valentine's for

local nursing homes. To register for this event, please call Purdue Extension-Orange County at 812-723-7107. The deadline to register is February 2 at 4 p.m.

Proceeds from the Paper Clover campaign will directly support Indiana 4-H programs. Each Paper Clover will include instructions for a special Valentine's Day craft idea that customers can create to share with someone special. With the \$4 Paper Clover, customers will also receive a coupon for \$4 off their next purchase.

To learn more about the national partnership, visit www.4-h.org/JOANN or contact a Purdue Extension Office.

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MCCF Executive Director



-- DEFERRED GIFTS --

I have talked about how a bequest or a will can be used to make a “deferred” gift to the Martin County Community Foundation (MCCF). These types of gifts do not require an immediate outlay of your assets or cash; you retain full use of your property during life, so there is no immediate out-of-pocket cost, reduction in net worth, or disruption of cash flow. Other deferred gifts can be assets such as Individual Retirement Accounts (IRAs), stocks, bonds, real estate, life estate, cash and/or insurance benefits.

-- DEFERRED FUNDS --

Any of these deferred gifts can go towards a “deferred fund.” These funds have no money in them yet. Instead, they are created just like any other fund, except that they will be funded by a future gift. As I said, these gifts are usually with a bequest from an estate or will, with a life insurance policy, or with a gift from an IRA. So, it’s called a deferred fund because the endowment will be waiting and inactive until the future deferred gift is made.

-- ACTIVE FUNDS --

OK, so if a deferred fund is inactive, there’s obviously some “active” types of funds. And yes, these can be any endowment fund that has received money or other gifts and is actively invested and paying out dividends for the purpose the fund was established. These funds can be any of the types of funds the MCCF administers: unrestricted, scholarship, designated, donor advised, or field of interest funds. I’ve described each of these funds in other MCCF Columns that can be found in our Online Library. The Library is accessible through our

Facebook or web pages.

-- DEFERRED TO ACTIVE --

But I do need to make it clear that a deferred gift can also go to an already established active fund. If an endowment already exists that supports or addresses a community need that you are passionate about, then you can just designate one of those funds to receive your deferred gift. Even if such a fund does already exist, you can choose instead to create a new deferred fund in your or your family’s name to preserve your legacy for years and years to come.

-- CREATING DEFERRED GIFTS --

Any time you are drafting or changing your will or estate plans, you may want to consider adding a deferred gift. Your financial advisor or legal advisor can provide professional guidance related to your specific estate, income goals, beneficiaries, taxes and other considerations.

Once you’ve decided the details of your deferred gift, provide the MCCF a copy of the portion of your estate planning document that pertains to the gift. The amount of the gift does not need to be revealed to us. Then contact the MCCF for a “Statement of Gift Intention” form and we’ll get everything set up to fulfill your giving plans.

-- MORE INFORMATION --

If you would like to hear more about giving a deferred gift, please contact the MCCF Executive Director, Curt Johnson, at 812-295-1022 or mccf@cfpartner.org.

You are also welcome to visit our website at www.cfpartner.org/mccf.htm or to “like” the MCCF Facebook page at www.facebook.com/mcccommunityfoundation.



SOAR donation

Martin County SOAR would like to thank the Loogootee/ Shoals Tri Kappa for their generous donation of \$200 for the SOAR projects for Martin County. If you are interested in tutoring or are an adult who could use some private tutoring in reading or math, please call 812-709-1618. Pictured are Tri Kappa member Karen Slaven and SOAR Testing Director Beverly McIntosh.

4-H NEWS



By Stacy Brown

Martin County Purdue Extension Educator

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 Fairgrounds

- 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.

Upcoming Events

4-H Council Meeting: Thursday, February 1

Shooting Sports Meeting: Monday, February 5

Jolly Jug Rox Meeting: Monday, February 19, 6 p.m. at Hindostan Church

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More Neat Stuff



By Ann Ackerman



Me: I want skinny legs.
 Me: I want a flat stomach.
 Me: I want to be thin.
 Me: *sees McDonald's
 Me: yolo (for those who don't know, this stands for you only live once)

*You can't truly call yourself an adult until you get really angry because they changed the layout of your favorite grocery store again.

*If you think women are the weaker sex, try pulling the blankets back to your side.

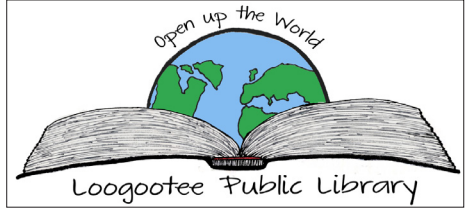
*The next time conversations turn to salt and ice, it needs to be in reference to a Margarita.

*The risks outweigh the benefits just in case you are thinking of frying bacon in the buff. Brenda Bauer Smith

Once, there was a preacher who was an avid golfer. Every chance he could get, he would be on the golf course swinging away. It was an obsession. One Sunday was a picture-perfect day for golfing. The sun was out, no clouds were in the sky, and the temperature was just right.

The preacher was in a quandary as to what to do, and shortly, the urge to play golf overcame him. He called an assistant to tell him that he was sick and could not do church, packed the car up, and drove three hours to a golf course where no one would recognize him. Happily, he began to play the course.

An angel up above was watching



BY DARLA WAGLER
 Librarian, Loogootee Public Library

Judy Treffinger, representing Delta Tau Chapter of Tri Kappa, stopped by the library last Thursday to drop off a donation. It is always wonderful to receive donations and that made me start thinking about all that Tri Kappa does in the community. As I walk around the library, I can see their nameplate on various items that have been paid for by Tri Kappa donations. The local chapter supports so many wonderful causes including local scholarships, Martin County Historical Society, the library, and various Loogootee School programs, etc. I appreciate everyone that gives their time and effort to this worthwhile organization and their continued support of the library.

NEW BOOKS:
 Mystery: "Dark in Death" by J. D. Robb.

DVDs: "Get Out", "Peaky Blinders Series", "Crooked House", and "The Americans".

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.

the preacher and was quite perturbed. He went to God and said, "Look at the preacher. He should be punished for what he is doing."

God nodded in agreement. The preacher teed up on the first hole. He swung at the ball, and it sailed effortlessly through the air and landed right in the cup 250 yards away. A picture-perfect hole-in-one. He was amazed and excited.

The angel was a little shocked. He turned to God and said, "I beg your pardon, but I thought you were going to punish him."

God smiled. "Think about it-who can he tell?"

A man was walking along a California beach and stumbled upon an old lamp. He picked it up and rubbed it and out popped a genie.

The genie said "OK. OK. You released me from the lamp, blah, blah, blah. This is the 4th time this month and I'm getting a little sick of these wishes, so you can forget about three. You only get one wish!"

The man sat and thought about it for a while and said, "I've always wanted to go to Hawaii, but I'm scared to fly and I get very seasick. Could you build me a bridge to Hawaii, so I can drive over there to visit?"

The genie laughed and said, "That's impossible! Think of the logistics of that! How would the supports ever reach the bottom of the Pacific? Think of how much concrete . . . how much steel!! No, think of another wish!"

The man said OK and tried to think of a really good wish. Finally, he said, "I've been married and divorced four times. My wives always said that I don't care and that I'm insensitive. So, I wish that I could understand women . . . know how they feel inside and what they're thinking when they give me the silent treatment . . . know why they're crying, know what they really want when they say, 'nothing' . . . know how to make them truly happy . . ."

The genie said, "You want that bridge with two lanes or four?"

Make someone smile today!

ANIMAL SHELTER Pet of the Week



ARLO is a male beagle, 8 years old, very, very sweet, fine with other dogs. He is neutered, up to date on shots and tested negative for heartworms. Adoption fee is \$80. The shelter is located at 507 N. Oak Street in Loogootee. To see all available animals, visit www.humanesocietyofmartincounty.org.



Loughmiller's giving

-Photos by Courtney Hughett

Every year, the employees at Loughmiller Machine, Tool & Design, in Loogootee, donate money, weekly, from their paychecks and then at Christmastime, they use that money by helping nonprofits and the less fortunate. This year, the Martin County Humane Society Animal Shelter was one of the organizations that benefited. The Loughmiller employees purchased the shelter more than 2,000 pounds of cat litter. Shown above are the employees who donated from their weekly pay and also unloaded all 2,016 pounds of litter at the shelter. From left to right are CJ Cooper, Donnie Reinhart, Mitch Mathias and Joe Burnette. Also pictured, is the cat litter that was purchased and donated. Loughmiller Machine, Tool & Design is owned by Pam and Jason Loughmiller, of Loogootee.



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Chamber meeting

The Martin County Chamber of Commerce will meet Wednesday, February 21 at noon at the Loogootee United Methodist Church. Anyone interested in being a part of the Chamber is welcome to attend.

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. Anyone interested is welcome to stop by, there are no age or residency requirements to participate. Seniors are also offered lunch at the Loogootee Senior Center every Monday and Thursday. A freewill donation is requested. Call 812-295-3130 to make a reservation, so enough food is prepared.