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Mt. Pleasant Creations opens in Loogootee

BY COURTNEY HUGHETT
Martin County Journal Publisher

Vicki Roberts, of Loogootee, has taken her love of creating and turned it into a business in the hometown she loves. Roberts recently opened Mt. Pleasant Creations in a small shop on her property.

Roberts graduated from Loogootee High School. She and her husband, Billy, have two sons, Dominic and Gunnar. Roberts said when her kids were born, she wanted to learn to sew cloth diapers and clothing for them. Once she started, she realized she had a knack for making things and started offering her services to her family. She then started selling products from her home and online but after six months decided that she would prefer to open a store location. Roberts also sets up booths at various functions around the county including Shop & Taste and the Christmas Stroll.

Mt. Pleasant Creations offers a variety of purses, home décor, children's items, decals, signs, cups, and clothing. Roberts does customization on clothing, signs, cups, decals, bags and seasonal products along with purchas-

ing ready-made items from a wholesale company. Her clothing comes in all sizes, from onesies to adult. Prices range from \$14.99 to \$21.99. Roberts also designs custom shirts for the local schools and organizations. She also has a section of the store set up for another local business, Earth and Wind Creations, who makes bath and body products.

Mt. Pleasant Creations is located at 1474 Mt. Pleasant Road in Loogootee. Directions: Travel Highway 231 South for two miles and turn left on Mt. Pleasant Road. Travel Mt. Pleasant Road for approximately one mile and the building is on the right, at the corner.

Contact Mt. Pleasant Creations at 812-296-1068, via email at mtpleasantcreations@gmail.com or you can find them on facebook. The store is open 11 a.m.-4 p.m. on Friday, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. on Saturday or by appointment other days.



-Photos by Courtney Hughett

Mt. Pleasant Creations, located at 1474 Mt. Pleasant Road in Loogootee, is now open. The store is owned by Vicki Roberts, of Loogootee, shown above. In the photos on the left are some of the products available at the new store, including clothing and home decor items. For more information, find Mt. Pleasant Creations on facebook.



BRYANT ACKERMAN

Loogootee Lion Backers Pre-Sectional Banquet

The Loogootee Lion Backers will be hosting the Pre-Sectional Banquet Sunday, February 25 at 1 p.m. in the Loogootee High School Cafeteria. Tickets for the event will be \$10 at the door. A catered meal will be provided by The Mill Street Grille.

The 2018 Lion Backers Pre-Sectional Banquet speaker will be Bryant Ackerman. Ackerman was a four-year letter winner for Loogootee High School, two-time all Blue Chip conference honoree and all area selection. While in high school Bryant was named the All Southwestern Player of the Year by the *Evansville Courier* and All-Area Player of the Year by the *Washington Times Herald*. In 2012, Bryant led Loogootee to their first Class A State Championship title! After graduation, Bryant continued his basketball career for the Division III Elmhurst College Bluejays.

Smithville Fiber, Purdue collaborate to advance fiber connectivity at WestGate@Crane Technology Park

BY MICHAEL SNYDER
Purdue University News Service

Purdue has tapped Smithville Fiber to increase connectivity performance from its West Lafayette campus to the WestGate@Crane Technology Park by upgrading existing fiber services at WestGate using Smithville's advanced core network.

This new network architecture provides multiprotocol label switching to the customer edge supported by a 100-gigabit optical transport network. The Purdue Research Foundation manages WestGate Academy under the name *Purdue@WestGate*, and Smithville has been a partner providing high-speed internet connectivity to the Purdue Research Park in West Lafayette since 2009.

"The importance of providing and maintaining fast, reliable and secure connectivity for businesses cannot be underscored enough," said Greg Deason, senior vice president of the Purdue Research Foundation and director of innovation and entrepreneurship at the Burton Morgan Center for Entrepreneurship at Purdue University. "We are pleased to have an outstanding compa-

ny like Smithville Fiber providing the same exceptional fiber services to *Purdue@WestGate* as they do to our Purdue Research Park in West Lafayette."

Upgrades have already begun in the WestGate area and continue in other areas of the state. WestGate Academy and *WestGate@Crane Technology Park* tenants can access these advanced services.

"We have been pleased to be a part of *WestGate@Crane Technology Park* since its inception," said Cullen McCarty, president of Smithville Fiber. "It is very gratifying to both be able to expand that service to our state-of-the-art gigabit-quality fiber network and to provide direct connectivity between the Purdue Research Park and *WestGate@Crane Technology Park*."

The upgraded Smithville network is engineered to handle emerging technologies in the Internet of Things, streaming video and cloud data. On the data transport side, Smithville will implement a transmission core that is able to pass multiple 100-gigabit waves.

Thousands of people come to *WestGate Academy* throughout the year for various types of conferences, training and other events. The increased

connectivity performance could help develop business and attract talent to the southwest Indiana region and the greater *Purdue@WestGate* community.

This spring, more than 2,000 school-age students will learn STEM skills at *WestGate*.

"The increased bandwidth will give (See 'SMITHVILLE' on page two)

Two students arrested after making threats at school

On Friday morning, February 16, Loogootee Police were notified of a potential threat by a student at Loogootee High School. Officer McBeth was dispatched. The student was detained and a joint investigation with the Martin County Sheriff's Department, Indiana State Police, Martin County Prosecutor's Office and the Department of Natural Resources was conducted. While officers were in the building another student made a potential threat and was also detained. A search of the building was conducted by officers and school staff. No potential evidence was located. Officer McBeth arrested two male juveniles and they were transported to Southwest Youth Village and both were charged with intimidation.

SMITHVILLE

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these students access to learning without disruption," said Tina Closser, NSWC Crane STEM coordinator and WestGate Academy tenant.

Smithville initially invested \$250,000 in 2004 to provide "last mile" fiber connectivity to WestGate@Crane Technology Park, which was a requirement for tenants to move into the first facilities. "Smithville was a 'life-saver' in those days, and we were and remain very appreciative of their willingness to make a high-risk commitment to punch in fiber in what was then essentially bean and corn fields," said Ron Arnold, executive director of the Daviess County Economic Development Corporation.

A principal early organizer of the park, Daviess County Economic Development Corporation was the first to construct a new technology facility in the now-\$100 million park. The WestGate Academy is also located in the Daviess County section of the tri-county certified technology park. Other sections of the park are in northwest Martin and southeast Greene counties.

"We have created peering relationships in major data centers and with multiple upstream providers to speed traffic exchange between Internet Service Providers," said Jason Dauby, chief technology officer for Smithville. "Operationally, our engineering team is located right here in the area we serve. The team that supports this network is the very same team involved in its design. All of this combined gives our customers in WestGate@Crane Technology Park access to an advanced, scalable, multi-gig network supported by an expert team that is intimately knowledgeable about its design. This truly is a Smithville network built for the future."

About Smithville Fiber and Smithville Communications

Nationally recognized as a Top 100 broadband company, privately owned

Smithville Fiber is Indiana's largest independent telecom company with more than 200 employees. With an earned reputation as a communications technology innovator, Smithville is presently deploying Fiber-to-the-Premise (FTTP) and other enhanced fiber services to its business and residential customers. It launched its "Best Speed Available" service in 2017, eliminating speed tiers and data caps for its internet service, regardless of platform (fiber or copper). These services, which range up to 100 gbps for enterprise operations, provide a platform for the fastest connectivity available in Indiana to business, institutions and consumers. The company develops the Smithville GigaCity™ technology platform and provides fiber-based connectivity, data consulting, network management and managed services for businesses, university campuses, biotechnology companies, health care providers, government offices, residential centers, communities, and other entities. The company currently serves about 23,000 businesses and residences in southern and central Indiana. For more information, please visit www.smithville.com.

About Purdue@WestGate

Purdue@WestGate is an economic development accelerator formed by the partnership between WestGate Authority, Naval Surface Warfare Center Crane Division (NSWC Crane), Purdue University and Purdue Research Foundation. The Indiana-based collaboration combines strengths to advance educational, research and development and technology commercialization across Indiana and elsewhere. Purdue@WestGate offers tools for startups, entrepreneurial experts, programs, educational opportunities and workforce development to help southern Indiana businesses grow and thrive. For more information about the resources available to businesses, visit Purdue@WestGate.

Lannan announces candidacy for District 63 House seat

Loogootee resident, Joseph "Joe" Lannan has announced his candidacy for Indiana House of Representative District 63. Lannan grew up on a farm in Loogootee and attended Loogootee High School and the University of Evansville. After college he was a teacher in Evansville, until the untimely passing of his father in 2012, when he returned home to take over his family's grain farm in Daviess and Martin counties. In addition to farming, Joe and his partner, Rick, have established a consulting firm, eSolve Solutions, LLC, working with regional schools seeking grant-funding and providing training.

Joe is passionate about education and quality of place in our district. "I am interested in bringing the conversation back to Daviess, Dubois, Martin, and Pike counties," says Lannan. "We have to produce strong graduates and retain our best talent. To do this, our district needs to be an inviting place to live, learn, work, and play." Lannan believes that local, and often smaller, schools and communities need an advocate in the statehouse fighting for fair funding models and the flexibility to meet the needs of local students and people. "A one-size-fits-all approach isn't working for our smaller schools and towns," added Lannan.

Although pro-life and supportive of the second-amendment, Lannan says that he intends "to leave national party conversations in Washington, DC, and focus his work on issues he can impact closer to home." He states that "reproductive healthcare and gun safety are educational aspects of the national issues that our local representatives can actually do something about." His slogan, seeking to represent the people of District 63, states "A Common voice for Common Ground."

"I love working the land and helping support schools," Joe says. "I have no



JOE LANNAN

desire to be a full-time politician, and I think being a State Rep allows me to practice what I love and represent the region's best interests at the same time." Learn more by visiting rep63.com or emailing info@rep63.com.

Active shooter workshop to be held this evening

The Martin County Sheriff's Office will be hosting an Active Shooter Survival workshop on Wednesday, February 21 at the Martin County Community Building. The workshop will begin at 6 p.m. and will provide training on how to increase your odds of surviving an active shooter event. The program, which emphasizes the concept of RUN/HIDE/FIGHT, will be taught by local law enforcement officers.

Registration is not required, and snacks and refreshments will be provided. This event is free to the public.

All organizational leaders are encouraged to attend, especially, those that work in confined areas, such as churches, banks, schools, and other office like settings.

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ROGER CORNETT

Roger E. Cornett passed away February 10, 2018 at 12:14 a.m. in Bonita Springs, Florida. A resident of Avon, he was 69.

He was born August 12, 1948 in Middletown, Ohio; son of James H. and Stella Marie (Lane) Cornett. He married Pamela J. Heichelbech and she survives.

He was the owner and operator of Roger's Barber Shop in Avon, Indiana and was a member of the Avon American Legion #145 in Avon. He was a member of the NRA, an avid fisherman, enjoyed skeet shooting and was an off-road adventurer.

He is survived by his father, James Cornett of Shoals; his wife, Pamela Heichelbech of Avon; a daughter, Crystal Adams and husband, John, of Brownsburg; a son, Casey Cornett and wife, Lisa, of Plainfield; grandchildren, Braden Adams and Madison Adams; step grand-children, Tyler Tooley, Natascha Tooley and Kody Tooley; great-granddaughter, Addison Tooley; five sisters, Marilyn Tow of Indianapolis, Shirley Harding of Shoals, Becky Truelove of Seymour, Tennessee, Sally Burch of Shoals and Shari Flippins of Santa Claus; and one brother, Richard Cornett of Loogootee.

He is preceded in death by his mother, two brothers, Jim Cornett and Randy Cornett; and sister, Betty Lou Cornett.

Funeral services were held Sunday, February 18 at the Queen-Lee Chapel in Shoals with Pastor Nathan Thomas officiating. Interment will be at a later date.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to support myeloma research at the IU Simon Cancer Center. Please make gifts payable to IU Foundation/Multiple Myeloma Research Fund. Please indicate "In memory of Roger Cornett" on your gift. Mail to: IU Simon Cancer Center, PO Box 7072, Indianapolis, IN 46207.

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

PEGGY STOLL

Peggy Stoll, formerly of Washington and Cannelton, passed away on Friday, February 16, 2018 at her home. A resident of Loogootee, she was 81.

She was born June 29, 1936 in Vevay, Indiana; daughter of the late Casper and Della (Thomas) Leap.

Peggy spent many of her early years as a full-time homemaker and babysitter in Cannelton and later in life she worked at Marshall's in Evansville. She was a member of the Catholic Faith. She was a member and friend of the V.F.W. and American Legion for many years in Vevay.

She is preceded in death by her parents, and six of her brothers.

She is survived by her husband, Darrell Stoll of Loogootee; her children, Rick (Donna) Carrico of Evansville, Jim (Charlotte) Carrico of Derby, and Connie (Brad) Miller of Boonville; her grandchildren, Amanda (Jason) Tekoppel, Emily Carrico, Kaitlyn Carrico (Brendan Kassel), Corey (Cheryl) Carrico, Jacob (Katlyn) Carrico, Chris Miller, Drew Miller, and Matt Miller; her great grandchildren, Holly, Henry, and Harvey Tekoppel, Atreyu Carrico, and Cohen Miller; one sister, Betty Hargrove; step children, Mark (Kathy) Stoll of Cement City, Michigan; Nena Schreiber of Clayton, Jeff Stoll of Indianapolis, and Cara (Thomas) Hell-



PEGGY STOLL Allison (Billy) Whitehouse, Brooke (Eric) Mcallister, Holly Stoll (Jon Neel), Connor Stoll, Harrison Hellmich and Alyssa Hellmich and 10 great grandkids.

Funeral services are being held today, Wednesday, February 21 at 2 p.m. (Eastern Standard Time) at Blake and Wagler Funeral Home in Montgomery with the Very Rev. J. Kenneth Walker officiating. Burial will follow in St. Peter's Catholic Cemetery.

Visitation will be held today, Wednesday, February 21 from noon until the time of service at 2 p.m. at Blake and Wagler Funeral Home in Montgomery.

A special thanks to Good Samaritan Hospice, especially Lena, Brenda and Beth for their care and compassion.

A memorial contribution can be made in Peggy's honor at MD Anderson Cancer Research at gifts.mdanderson.org.

Condolences may be made online at www.blakefuneralhomes.com. Arrangements were provided by Blake & Wagler Funeral Home in Montgomery.

NORMAN GERKIN

Norman Gerkin passed away Saturday, February 17, 2018 at 3:27 p.m. at Memorial Hospital in Jasper, surrounded by his family. A resident of Montgomery, he was 81.

He was born January 21, 1937 in Mitchell; son of the late Lawrence and Thelma (Clouse) Gerkin.

He married Judy (Shirley) Gerkin on May 25, 1956. He joined B&O Railroad as a train dispatcher in 1955 until 1995. Norman was a farmer and was known as a "jack of all trades", he could fix anything. He was a member of White River Baptist Church in Budah.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Lawrence and Thelma and his brothers, Bill, Bernard, Jon, and Ronnie Gerkin.

He is survived by his loving wife of 62 years, Judy Gerkin; his children, Lynn (Jerry) Stoll of Montgomery, Dale (Shirley) Gerkin of Loogootee, and Bobby (Tammatha) Gerkin of Bedford; his grandchildren, Jeremy (Anita) Stoll, Amanda (Jodey) Neukam, Emily (Adam) Cornelius, Virginia Gerkin, Lynnette (Adam) Sell, Brandy (Rick) Gerkin - Combs, and Jesse Gerkin; 10 great grandchildren, his sister-in-laws, Wanda, Betty, Doris, and Faye Gerkin, and numerous nieces, nephews, and cousins.

Funeral services were held this morning, Wednesday, February 21 at 11 a.m. at Providence Mennonite Church with Reverend Tim Baxter officiating. Burial followed in the church cemetery.

Condolences may be made online at www.blakefuneralhomes.com. Arrangements were provided by Blake & Wagler Funeral Home in Montgomery.

NORMA JEAN SIMS

Norma Jean Sims went to her Heavenly home on Saturday, February 17, 2018 at St. Vincent Hospice of Indianapolis with her loving family by her side. A resident of Odon, she was 65.

Jean was born February 20, 1952;

daughter of the late Thomas A. and Bernadette George nee, Dobson in Jeffersonville. Jean was a 1970 graduate of Shoals High School and was wed to her high school sweetheart



NORMA JEAN SIMS Stephen "Steve" Sims shortly after

on July 2, 1971. She had various jobs throughout the years, but home health-care was her calling and she worked in that field for many years. During this time, Steve and Jean had three children, Lori Sims, April Horn (Erich), and David Sims (Rachel). After Jean became a grandmother her life changed greatly, they were her reason for living. She logged many miles to see them, support them, and enjoy their activities. Her face lit up at just the mention of their names; they were their true loves of her life. The grandchildren that were so dear to Jean are, Abby Horn, Brennan Sims, Kylie Sims, Mason Sims and Colyn Sims.

Jean had a passion for all youth and spent many years as a youth leader at her former church and prepared countless meals while working at Nipgen camp. The last 18 years have been spent assisting her husband in the pastoring of Shiloh Church of God.

Jean also leaves behind a brother, Carroll George (Roberta), four sisters, Linda Bauer (Cletus), Marlene Baugh, Donna Downs (Bob), and Mary Ann Kuper; many nieces and nephews; and a caring church family.

Preceding her in death are her parents and two brothers, John T. George and Hilbert E. George.

A funeral service was held this morning Wednesday, February 21 at 11 a.m. at Dover Hill Church. Burial followed in Spring Hill Cemetery.

Arrangements have been entrusted to Gill Funeral Service. You may leave the family a condolence online at www.gillsince1872.com.

Food as Medicine and Dine with a Doc events scheduled for March

Senior Education Ministries, in partnership with Generations and Vincennes University, will be presenting Dine with a Doc® on March 7, 2018 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Beckes Student Union Food Court, 1101 N. 2nd St, on the Vincennes University Campus. The program is free to the public, and a free lunch sponsored by Home Instead Senior Care will be provided. This month's speaker will be Dr. V. Chawdry Pinnamaneni, MD. Dr. Pinnamaneni is a board-certified Family Practice and Wound Care specialist with Daviess Community Hospital.

This program provides the opportunity to fellowship with peers while receiving valuable information from our medical community. If you would like more information about Dine with a Doc®, you may visit www.dinewithadoc.com. To RSVP for Dine with a Doc®, please call 1-877-223-6109.

Tonya Short with Purdue Extension will also be presenting Mastery of Aging: Food as Medicine on this date from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. at the Beckes Student Union Food Court prior to the Dine with a Doc® program. Nutrition is a key component of healthy living at any age, but our nutritional needs change as we age. What role

JANICE HUDSON

Janice L. Hudson went to be with the Lord on Thursday, February 15, 2018 at St. Vincent Hospital in Evansville with her family at her side. A resident of Washington, she was 67.

She was born in Washington on July 17, 1950; the daughter of the late Carl and

JANICE HUDSON Wilma (Hoffman)

Fuhrman. She was a 1968 Barr-Reeve graduate and went on to pursue and administrative career at Crane naval base from which she retired in 2012. She was a member of Good Shepherd Lutheran Church and enjoyed her fellowship with her church family. Janice also held dear the time she was able to spend with her children, grandchildren, and her sister.

Those Janice left to mourn her loss are as follows: a daughter, Staci Clauss of Madisonville, Kentucky; a son, Aaron Hudson of Washington; three grandchildren, Jakob and Hannah Clauss, and Stella Deitz; and a sister, Marilyn Fuhrman of Louisville, Kentucky.

She is preceded in death by her parents, and a daughter, Lynnette Hudson.

There will be a memorial visitation at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, 1002 1/2 NE 6th St. Washington, IN on Saturday, February 24 from 4 p.m. until 8 p.m. with Rev. Christopher Byars officiating a memorial service on Sunday, February 25 at 1 p.m. also at the church. Inurnment will follow in Goodwill Cemetery in Loogootee.

In lieu of flowers, please make memorial contributions to your choice of Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, The American Diabetes Association 2451 Crystal Drive, Suite 900 Arlington, VA 22202, or the American Heart Association 208 S. LaSalle St., Suite 1500 Chicago, IL 60604-1242. You may leave the family an online condolence at www.gillsince1872.com. Arrangements entrusted to Gill Funeral Service.

does food have in the aging process? In what ways can food bring health? In this presentation we consider these questions and more as we explore the relationship between eating and aging, with a review of nutritional recommendations for the aging adult. Please RSVP for the nutrition awareness program at 1-800-742-9002. Come for the nutrition program and stay for lunch and Dine with a Doc®

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Martin County Sheriff's Department log

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 12

4:00 a.m. - Received a report of trespassing in Shoals. Deputy Reed responded.

5:25 a.m. - Received a report of trespassing in Shoals. Deputy Reed responded.

7:17 a.m. - Received a report of reckless driving north of Loogootee. Captain Dant and Loogootee Chief Rayhill responded.

9:59 a.m. - Captain Dant took one inmate to court.

10:30 a.m. - Received a dog complaint in Shoals. Captain Dant responded.

10:51 a.m. - Loogootee Chief Rayhill completed vehicle identification check in Loogootee.

11:23 a.m. - Received a request for ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded and transported one subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

12:59 p.m. - Sheriff Roush assisted a motorist in Shoals.

3:03 p.m. - Received a report of tree down on US Hwy 150. Lost River Fire Department responded.

3:18 p.m. - Received a report of accident in Shoals. Sheriff Roush responded.

5:41 p.m. - Received an animal complaint in Shoals. Animal Control Officer Hughett responded.

8:14 p.m. - Received a report of trespassing in Shoals. Reserve Deputy Harmon responded.

8:30 p.m. - Received a request for ambulance west of Shoals. Martin County Ambulance and Loogootee Fire Department responded. Martin County Ambulance transported one subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

11:11 p.m. - Received a request for extra police patrols in Loogootee. Loogootee Officer Norris responded.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 13

1:07 a.m. - Deputy Reed and Loogootee Officer Norris assisted a motorist in Loogootee.

8:46 a.m. - Captain Dant took three inmates to court.

9:25 a.m. - Received a report of residential burglar alarm north of Loogootee. ISP Trooper Lents responded. Everything checked out okay.

10:03 a.m. - Captain Dant took two inmates to court.

11:16 a.m. - Received a request for ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded and transported one subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

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

1:25 p.m. - Received a report of fire alarm in Shoals. Shoals Fire Department and Sheriff Roush responded.

2:26 p.m. - Captain Dant took four inmates to court.

3:12 p.m. - Received report of theft in Loogootee. Loogootee Chief Rayhill responded.

3:55 p.m. - Received a report of reckless driving south of Loogootee. Sergeant Keller and Captain Dant responded.

9:30 p.m. - Received a report of reckless driving south of Loogootee. Sergeant Keller responded.

Sergeant Keller assisted with the arrest.

10:46 p.m. - Received a report of commercial burglar alarm north of Loogootee. Sergeant Keller responded. Everything checked out okay.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 14

4:52 a.m. - Received a report of domestic disturbance in Shoals. Sheriff Roush and Deputy Reed responded.

7:47 a.m. - Received a report of harassment in Loogootee. Loogootee Chief Rayhill responded.

9:53 a.m. - Captain Dant took one inmate to court.

10:27 a.m. - Received a report of trash dumping in Loogootee. Loogootee Chief Rayhill responded.

10:43 a.m. - Captain Dant took one inmate to court.

3:26 p.m. - Received a request for ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded.

9:21 p.m. - Received a report of reckless driving west of Shoals. Shoals Town Marshal Eckert responded.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 15

6:52 a.m. - Received a report of car-deer accident south of Loogootee. Loogootee Chief Rayhill responded.

8:55 a.m. - Received a report of semi-truck exceeding the 10-ton weight limit on county roads east of Shoals. Captain Dant responded.

9:00 a.m. - Chief Deputy Greene took three inmates to court.

9:35 a.m. - Received an animal complaint in Shoals. Animal Control Officer Hughett responded.

11:02 a.m. - Received a request for ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded and transported one subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

12:15 p.m. - Received a report of illegal dumping in Shoals. Sheriff Roush and Chief Deputy Greene responded.

12:30 p.m. - Received a report of harassment in Loogootee. Loogootee Chief Rayhill responded.

1:30 p.m. - Chief Deputy Greene took one inmate to court.

1:50 p.m. - Chief Deputy Greene took one inmate to court.

1:59 p.m. - Received a report of semi-truck exceeding the 10-ton weight limit on county roads south of Shoals. Captain Dant responded.

3:23 p.m. - Received a report of accident in Loogootee. Loogootee Captain Hennessee responded.

3:42 p.m. - Received a report of residential burglar alarm south of Loogootee. Captain Dant responded. Everything checked out okay.

7:37 p.m. - Received a request for extra patrols south of Loogootee. Major Burkhardt and Deputy Shinn responded.

7:54 p.m. - Received a request for ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded and transported one subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

8:30 p.m. - Received a report of accident east of Loogootee. Major Burkhardt, Loogootee Officer Floyd, and Martin County Ambulance responded. Martin County Ambulance transported one subject to Daviess Community Hospital.

10:30 p.m. - Received a report of suspicious person walking east of Loogootee. Deputy Shinn responded. Everything checked out okay.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 16

3:01 a.m. - Received a report of tree across the road on US Hwy 150, south of Shoals. Shoals Fire Department responded.

3:10 a.m. - Received a report of tree across the road on US Hwy 150, south of Shoals. Shoals Fire Department and

Deputy Shinn responded.

6:50 a.m. - Received a request for ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded.

8:56 a.m. - Received a report of civil dispute in Loogootee. Loogootee Officer McBeth responded.

9:09 a.m. - Loogootee Officer McBeth responded to Loogootee High School due to security concern. Multiple officers from multiple agencies then arrived to assist with security detail.

10:40 a.m. - Received a report of trespassing in Loogootee. ISP Trooper Lents responded.

1:15 p.m. - Received a report of harassment in Loogootee. Loogootee Officer McBeth responded.

1:50 p.m. - Received a report of theft in Shoals. Major Burkhardt responded.

3:04 p.m. - Major Burkhardt assisted a motorist east of Loogootee.

3:26 p.m. - Received a report of theft in Loogootee. Loogootee Officer McBeth and ISP Trooper Beaver responded.

3:40 p.m. - Received a report of residential burglar alarm north of Loogootee. Major Burkhardt responded. Everything checked out okay.

3:43 p.m. - Received an animal complaint south of Loogootee. Animal Control Officer Hughett responded.

5:25 p.m. - Received a report of property damage east of Loogootee. Major Burkhardt responded.

7:56 p.m. - Received a report of reckless driving east of Loogootee. Loogootee Officer Floyd responded.

8:19 p.m. - Received a report of underage party east of Loogootee. Deputy Shinn responded.

8:23 p.m. - Received a request for first responders east of Shoals. Shoals Fire Department responded.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 17

10:30 a.m. - Received a report of harassment in Shoals. Major Burkhardt responded.

10:52 a.m. - Received a report of accident in Loogootee. Loogootee Officer Dant responded.

11:46 a.m. - Received a report of commercial burglar alarm in Shoals. Loogootee Officer Dant responded. Everything checked out okay.

11:53 a.m. - Received a report of accident north of Shoals. Shoals Fire Department, Williams Fire Department, and ISP Trooper Wilson responded.

1:54 p.m. - Major Burkhardt completed a vehicle identification check in Shoals.

3:52 p.m. - Received an animal complaint in Shoals. Animal Control Officer Hughett responded.

4:19 p.m. - Received an animal complaint in Shoals. Animal Control Officer Hughett responded.

4:40 p.m. - Received an animal complaint in Shoals. Animal Control Officer Hughett responded.

8:07 p.m. - Deputy Reed completed a vehicle identification check in Shoals.

8:12 p.m. - Received a report of accident south of Shoals. Deputy Reed, Shoals Fire Department, Lost River Fire Department, Martin County Ambulance, Conservation Officer Doane, Conservation Officer Mann, and Conservation Officer Watson responded. Martin County Ambulance transported one subject to Indiana University Health-Paoli.

9:35 p.m. - Received a report of domestic dispute south of Shoals. Depu-

ty Reed and ISP Trooper Johnson responded.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 18

2:25 a.m. - Received a request for ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded.

7:33 a.m. - Received a report of accident in Shoals. Captain Dant responded.

8:21 a.m. - Received a report of accident in Shoals. Captain Dant responded.

9:34 a.m. - Received a report of possible impaired driving in Loogootee. Loogootee Officer McBeth and Captain Dant responded.

11:22 a.m. - Received a report of broken down transport bus east of Shoals. Captain Dant, Deputy Coroner Franklin, and Shoals Fire Department responded. No injuries were reported.

1:38 p.m. - Received a report of reckless driving south of Shoals. Captain Dant responded.

4:34 p.m. - Received a request for ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded and transported one subject to Daviess Community Hospital.

5:36 p.m. - Received a report of commercial burglar alarm in Shoals. Shoals Town Marshal Eckert responded. Everything checked out okay.

5:38 p.m. - Received a report of harassment in Shoals. Shoals Town Marshal Eckert responded.

8:03 p.m. - Received a request for ambulance in Shoals. Martin County Ambulance responded.

ARRESTS

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 13

11:18 a.m. - Jasmine Cunningham, 32, of Loogootee, was arrested by Loogootee Officer McBeth and charged with dealing in methamphetamine, possession of methamphetamine, possession of paraphernalia, possession of marijuana, possession of a controlled substance, neglect of a dependent x2, and maintaining a common nuisance. She is being held on a \$125,000 10% bond. ISP Trooper Lents, Chief Deputy Greene, Deputy Reed, and K9 Virka assisted with the arrest.

9:46 p.m. - Rodney Denham, 36, of Shoals, was arrested by Loogootee Officer McBeth and charged with dealing in methamphetamine, possession of paraphernalia, possession of marijuana, possession of a controlled substance, neglect of a dependent x2, and maintaining a common nuisance. He is being held on a \$125,000 10% bond.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 14

11:17 p.m. - Gage Sanders, 24, of Loogootee, was arrested by Deputy Shinn and charged with invasion of privacy and being held without bond. Major Burkhardt and ISP Trooper Beaver assisted.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 17

12:19 p.m. - Kevin Qualkenbush, 42, of Shoals, was arrested by Major Burkhardt and charged with invasion of privacy and is being held without bond.

10:30 p.m. - Joseph Williams, 31, of Shoals, was arrested by Deputy Reed and charged with domestic battery in the presence of a minor, intimidation, and neglect of a dependent. He is being held without bond. ISP Trooper Johnson assisted with the arrest.

COURT NEWS

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

CRIMINAL CHARGES DISMISSED February 5

Christopher H. Raney, driving while suspended, a Class A Misdemeanor, dismissed.

CIVIL COURT New Suits Filed February 9

Jefferson Capital Systems, LLC vs. Heather D. Rayhill, civil collection.

Crane Credit Union vs. Ashley Ma-lott, civil collection.

Bank of America vs. Terri Gammon, civil collection.

Madison Revolving Trust 2017 vs. Linda D. Sipes, Joseph E. Sipes, Beneficial Indiana, Inc. and Internal Revenue Service, mortgage foreclosure.

February 12

Tamara L. Florio vs. Richard F. Florio, petition for dissolution of marriage.

February 13

Faron W. Hudson vs. Deborah M.

Stamm, petition for dissolution of marriage.

SMALL CLAIMS COURT New Suits Filed February 9

Crane Credit Union vs. Johnathan W. Davis, complaint.

Crane Credit Union vs. Mark D. Bechtold, complaint.

Crane Credit Union vs. Leland S. Wade, complaint.

Crane Credit Union vs. Noel M. Abemathey, complaint.

Crane Credit Union vs. Angel E. Morales, complaint.

Crane Credit Union vs. Harold P. Byer, complaint.

Crane Credit Union vs. Todd E. Landis, complaint.

Crane Credit Union vs. Zachary W. Leek, complaint.

SMALL CLAIMS JUDGMENTS February 14

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Family Dental Care and against the defendant Richard Winstead in the amount of \$464.03.

Honor Flight looking for veterans

Honor Flight of Southern Indiana is in the planning stages for their upcoming 2018 Honor Flight trips out of Evansville Regional Airport. Their scheduled flights for 2018 are set for Saturday, May 5 and Saturday, November 3. Honor Flight of Southern Indiana is a non-profit organization created solely to honor America's veterans for all their sacrifices. Honor Flight of Southern Indiana transports America's Heroes to Washington, D.C. on a FREE one-day trip to visit and reflect at their memorials. Top priority is given to senior veterans – World War II survivors,

Korean and Vietnam survivors, along with those other veterans who may be terminally ill.

Honor Flight of Southern Indiana is looking for World War II and Korea Veterans. If you know of a WWII or Korean War veteran who has not traveled with Honor Flight, please get them signed up for their honor flight. To sign up a veteran simply go to honorflightsi.org to complete the veteran application. Be sure to follow Honor Flight of Southern IN on their facebook page for upcoming news.

Real estate transfers

Aaron S. Beck and Tonya M. Beck, of Martin County, Indiana to Justina M. Walker, Martin County, Indiana, a portion of the south half of the southwest quarter of Section 31, Township 2 North, Range 4 West, Rutherford Township, Martin County, Indiana, containing 2 acres.

ANIMAL SHELTER Pet of the Week



MAX is a male boxer/pit bull mix, 6 months old, will be a very large dog. He is sweet, seems fine with other dogs and scared of cats. He is neutered and up to date on shots. Adopton fee is \$80. The Martin County Humane Society Animal Shelter is located at 507 N. Oak Street in Loogootee. To see all available animals, visit www.humanesocietyofmartincounty.org or find Martin County Humane Society - Indiana on facebook.

Loogootee Police log

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 12

7:30 a.m. - Caller reported a reckless vehicle on US 231. Chief Rayhill located the vehicle.

10:51 a.m. - Female requested a vehicle identification check.

5:31 p.m. - Caller reported a suspicious vehicle on Bloomfield Road.

5:36 p.m. - Caller reported a battery complaint.

8:33 p.m. - Caller reported smelling burnt wiring at a local business. A fireman checked it out.

11:11 p.m. - Caller requested extra patrol.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 13

1:07 a.m. - Caller reported a vehicle in the ditch on Dewey Street.

1:55 p.m. - Caller requested a welfare check on a male.

3:12 p.m. - Caller reported a theft of fuel from Circle K.

3:55 p.m. - Caller reported a reckless driver on US 231.

9:17 p.m. - Male requested extra patrol.

9:30 p.m. - Female reported a semi making bad passes on US 231.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 14

7:45 a.m. - Female reported a trespasser on her property.

10:27 a.m. - Caller reported a trash complaint.

5:08 p.m. - Male reported a water leak on East Main Street.

7:30 p.m. - Male reported a child custody issue.

8:23 p.m. - Caller reported a civil complaint.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 15

6:52 a.m. - Caller reported a property damage accident on US 231.

11:02 a.m. - Caller reported a parking complaint.

11:55 a.m. - Male requested extra patrol.

12:45 p.m. - Female reported someone had been on her property earlier in

the night. Female was advised to obtain a protective order.

4:50 p.m. - Female reported a theft.

4:56 p.m. - Caller reported a person threatening employees at McDonalds.

8:31 p.m. - Officer Floyd assisted Daviess County with a vehicle accident on Hwy 50.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 16

8:56 a.m. - Caller requested a welfare check on a male.

11:30 p.m. - Officer McBeth arrested two male juveniles and they were charged with intimidation.

1:15 p.m. - Caller reported a trespasser on her property.

3:23 p.m. - Male requested a vehicle identification check.

7:56 p.m. - Caller reported a suspicious vehicle on Hwy 50.

8:34 p.m. - Male reported a child custody issue.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 17

10:52 a.m. - Caller reported a property damage accident on North Line Street.

11:46 a.m. - Officer Dant assisted the county with a business alarm.

3:15 p.m. - Male requested a vehicle identification check.

7:35 p.m. - Caller requested a welfare check on a female.

9:43 p.m. - Caller reported a reckless driver on Hwy 50.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 18

8:30 a.m. - Caller requested to speak with an officer regarding an investigation.

4:43 p.m. - Officer McBeth assisted the ambulance service.

7:40 p.m. - Caller reported a loose dog. Animal Control was contacted.

7:43 p.m. - Caller requested a welfare check on a male.

8:01 p.m. - Caller reported a 911 hang-up on JFK Avenue.

10:23 p.m. - Officer Norris assisted the county with a traffic stop.

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Pretty weather

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Teasing spring-like conditions came to town on Monday and Tuesday of this week. Temperatures today and for the rest of the week are heading back to "normal" February conditions that we are used to. The first official day of spring is March 20.

Help nongame wildlife by donating on your state taxes

You can help animals such as bald eagles, barn owls, spotted turtles, Indiana bats and more by donating to the Indiana Nongame Wildlife Fund as you do your taxes.

The fund supports DNR Division of Fish & Wildlife programs that manage more than 750 nongame and endangered wildlife species in the state. Nongame means the species is not hunted, trapped or fished. No state tax dollars are used.

You can donate all or a portion of your state tax refund. Donations fund research, habitat conservation and more.

Past successes include restoring bald eagles, river otters and peregrine falcons to the state. In recent years, projects have included implementing techniques to improve natural reproduction of hellbenders, Indiana's largest salamander.

If you file with paper forms, look for the eagle logo on Schedule 5/Schedule IN-Donate.

If you file through online tax programs, you will be prompted to donate at the end of filing, and the eagle logo will not be present.

The fund is also supported by a match

of federal funds through the State Wildlife Grant Program. For each \$5 donated, another \$9 will be added, equaling \$14 for wildlife. Annual donations through the tax check-off have declined by 60 percent since 2016. This was likely due to changes that required donations from tax forms to be on a separate page, Schedule IN-5. A code is now required to donate, which further complicates the

2018 DNR Rec and Fishing guides available online

Your guide to Indiana's best values in outdoor recreation is available now at dnr.IN.gov/5280.htm.

And your guide to Indiana fishing is available now at wildlife.IN.gov/2347.htm. The Department of Natural Resources' 2018 Indiana Recreation Guide is the source for information on state parks, lakes, State Park Inns, fish & wildlife areas, state forests and other DNR properties.

Soon, free printed copies of each will be available at local retail outlets, state parks, lakes and other DNR properties.

The guides also will be available at the DNR booth at the Indianapolis Boat, Sport and Travel Show, Feb. 16-

procedure. The Indiana Nongame Wildlife Fund code is "200." A video explaining the process is at youtube.com/watch?v=oQaVXVbuSKk

In addition to the tax check-off, direct donations can be made anytime at EndangeredWildlife.IN.gov or by mail to: Indiana Nongame Fund, 402 W. Washington St., RM W273, Indianapolis, IN 46204.

Annual Entrance Passes for state park properties can be purchased in person at the gatehouse or offices of state park properties during business hours, at the Indiana Government Center South in Indianapolis during business hours, or at innsgifts.com.

Indiana resident passes cost \$50. For individuals 65 years old or older, the price is \$25. Annual passes for vehicles with out-of-state license plates are \$70. Normal daily gate fees for residents at most properties are \$7 per in-state vehicle.

For more information on Indiana state park properties, visit stateparks.IN.gov.

New documentary uncovers the hidden wildness of Indiana

A new documentary from WTIU Public Television takes viewers on a statewide tour of Indiana's wild and natural landscapes and reveals their little-known connections to the Indiana of 200 years ago. Indiana's Wild Landscape premieres March 5 at 8 p.m.

Two centuries ago, Indiana was an endless forest with vast wetlands and inhabitants such as elk, wolves, bison, and alligators. Indiana's Wild Landscape uncovers the natural and wild areas of the state that still remain 200 years later, tucked away among Indiana's large-scale landscapes.

Flora and fauna from Indiana's past are shown living today in wild areas across the state. Frogs and thousands of salamanders inhabit ephemeral forest pools around the Lake Michigan area, hemlock and pine trees that survived the ice age thrive in the cool climate created by the sandstone canyons of Shades State Park, and in the karst country of southern Indiana, mountain lions have slowly started to return to the state.

The documentary utilizes recently available drone filming technology to showcase Indiana's landscape from the air. Viewers see unique perspectives of the state through tree-tops and caves; along waterways and lakes; and from the edges of cliffs, gorges, and waterfalls.

Through time-lapse storytelling, viewers witness natural phenomena that they would not normally experience, including flora changing over time.

The program is produced by Samuel Orr, a professional time-lapse photographer, and creator and cinematographer of the Emmy-winning series The Natural Heritage of Indiana.

Indiana's Wild Landscape is made possible with production support from the Sierra Club-Hoosier Chapter and John Hougham. Watch a trailer and learn more about the program at: <http://wtiu.org/wildlandscape>.



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THE LIONS BASEBALL and Softball Program is soliciting anyone or organization that would like to work the concessions this summer for all league and tourney play. The requirements of this position would be to schedule workers, pick up supplies, and restock the shelves with some additional duties to be determined. The LIONS Baseball and Softball Program is willing to pay your organization a predetermined amount. If you are interested, please be sure to submit your information to PO Box 19, Loogootee, IN 47553. All submissions should be postmarked by February 24, 2018.



Making A Difference
MARTIN COUNTY
COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

By Curt Johnson
MCCF Executive Director



-- YOUR GIVING PLAN --

Recently I've talked about your passions, your giving plan, and your priorities for the year. I've also mentioned a few things you need to consider for your charitable giving plan, such as how much, how often, and committing to your plan and your cause. Now it's time to put some careful and detailed thought to your plan. As with any significant endeavor in your life, thoughtful planning is important.

-- GIVING QUESTIONS --

Before creating your charitable giving plan, you need to think through some questions that can help you structure your plan. Here are a few:

- Why are you interested in giving?
- What would you like to accomplish?
- What are your values and goals?
- How would you like to be involved in, or manage, your giving?
- How much money do you have to commit during your lifetime? After your death?
- Are there tax considerations?
- Do you need income from your financial assets now? What are those needs?
- Would you like your plan to be part of your retirement planning? How?
- How have you given in the past?

-- WHERE TO GIVE --

For some people, one of the most difficult aspects of charitable giving is figuring out where to give their money. There are so many opportunities to give that it can be overwhelming. Many organizations and causes are out there competing for funding to do their good works.

-- HOW DO YOU BEGIN --

A giving plan is really a process of distilling what you love and are concerned with and then threading those issues with your own values, money and time. It's also choosing initiatives, leaders and non-profits whose missions and strategies are working to make the changes you want to see.

-- PASSION AND VALUES --

Knowing what you feel passionate about is the first step in determining how your personal contributions of money, time and energy will be most effective. It is how you are going to give a part of yourself.

One way to help with this is to identify your top three values (i.e., opportunity, creativity, dignity, spirituality) and your top three interest areas and con-

cerns (i.e., education, youth, the arts, substance abuse, the elderly). Then determine if there is a relationship or common thread between the two. Try to match your values with your interests and concerns to help create a plan that is right for you.

-- HOW MUCH --

Determining how much to give to charity is a personal choice. The appropriate charitable giving amount will be different for every person. It can be influenced by many factors including your family situation, retirement goals, financial picture, personal values, and passions.

You will need to decide if you want to set a target amount or a percentage of your income each year. Some choose to donate in honor a loved one instead of buying gifts. And it can be a small amount; it all adds up over the year. The choice is yours.

-- WHAT TO GIVE --

Your contribution can consist of almost any asset. To help you get an idea of what types of assets you might consider using as you develop your charitable giving plan, the below list provides some of the most common types you can donate.

- Cash and cash equivalents
- Publicly traded securities
- Closely held securities
- Life insurance
- Real estate
- Personal property
- Retirement assets

-- WHEN TO GIVE --

And don't think that these decisions are only limited to your plans for the here-and-now. All of this thoughtful consideration can also be applied to your wills and bequests. In that way you can retain the use of your assets now, and then carry-out your plan for your charitable legacy when you are gone.

-- MORE INFORMATION --

For more information about the MCCF endowment funds and how we can help you develop your charitable giving plan, 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, and "like" the MCCF Facebook page at www.facebook.com/mcccommunityfoundation.

4-H NEWS



By Stacy Brown

Martin County Purdue Extension Educator

Junior Leaders Easter Egg Hunt

The Martin County Junior Leaders will hold their annual Easter Egg hunt on Sunday, March 18 at the Community Building. All are welcome to join us in the hunt. Prizes are given to first and second place winners in each category. There is no need to register. More details will be coming soon.

JOANN Fabrics Stores to Spread Love and Grow Local 4-H Programs with Paper Clover Campaign

JOANN Fabrics stores want to see more Indiana/Martin County kids 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/Martin County.

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 by purchasing \$1 and \$4 Paper Clovers to equip local Clubs with resources to reach more kids in need.

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 the Purdue Extension Martin County Office at (812) 295-2412.

Make a Difference in a Child's Life, Become a 4-H Volunteer

Becoming a 4-H volunteer is easy, just phone the Extension Office at 812-

295-2412 and ask for the appropriate forms to be mailed to you. Once we get all of the forms back and conduct a brief interview, you're finished. Being a volunteer with 4-H means you get the chance to help Martin County youth learn leadership and life skills through project completion, camps, workshops, and educational outreach programs.

Livestock Weigh-In Dates

The 2018 livestock weigh-in dates have been finalized. All 4-Hers participating in cattle, sheep, goats, and/or poultry will receive information and registration forms in the mail soon. Please have all of this information filled out before coming to the weigh-ins. This year DNA hair samples will be required from cattle going to the Indiana State Fair. If you have any questions, please contact the Extension Office.

Beef Weigh-in - Saturday, March 10 @ the fairgrounds 9-11 a.m.

Sheep & Goat Weigh-in - Saturday, May 5 @ the fairgrounds 9-11 a.m.

Swine Weigh-in - Saturday, May 12 @ the fairgrounds 9-11 a.m.

Poultry Blood Testing - Saturday, June 9 @ the fairgrounds 9-11 a.m.

Upcoming Events

4-H Council Meeting: Thursday, March 1, at 6:30 p.m.

Shooting Sports Meetings: Mondays, February 12, February 26, March 12, and March 26 at 6 p.m. at the Community Building.

Horse & Pony Meetings: Every third Monday of the month at the fairgrounds.

Jolly Jug Rox Meetings: March 13, April 2, April 17, May 1, May 22, June 11, June 26 all at 6 PM at Hindostan Church

Junior Leaders Meetings: March 18 at 4 p.m., April 22 at 5 p.m. (bingo at senior housing following). All at the Learning Center.

WTIU seeking co-host for new Indiana travel show

WTIU Public Television is currently seeking an on-air co-host/presenter for its newly branded Indiana travel program Journey Indiana.

Debuting this September, Journey Indiana is a bi-weekly locally-produced WTIU television program exploring the distinctive culture, history, and artistry that shape our state. Building on thirteen seasons of The Weekly Special (weeklyspectal.org), an Emmy award-winning WTIU television series, Journey Indiana takes the hosts and its audience out of the studio and into communities across the state to uncover hidden Hoosier stories.

The co-host's job duties include conducting interviews on-location with a variety of guests, introducing pre-recorded video stories, voice talent for edited stories, and interacting with co-host and guests on location. Field

on-location shoots will be bi-weekly, lasting approximately 8 hours. Locations and exact schedule varies.

To receive a co-host audition appointment, please email a cover letter, resume, available web-based work samples, and headshot photo to Sarah Curtiss: scurtiss@indiana.edu.

Applications will be accepted through March 9.

A complete job description is available at: <https://indianapublicmedia.org/about/cohost>.

About WTIU

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More Neat Stuff



By Ann Ackerman



A CEO (member of Fortune 500), throwing a party, takes his executives on a tour of his spectacular mansion. In the back of the property, the CEO has the largest swimming pool any of them has ever seen. The huge pool, however, is filled with hungry crocodiles.

The CEO says to his executives, "I think an executive should be measured by bravery. Bravery is what made me a CEO. So, this is my challenge to each of you: if anyone has enough brave to dive into the pool, swim through those alligators, and make it to the other side, I will give that man everything they desire. My job, money, house anything!"

Everyone laughs at the outrageous offer and proceeds to follow the CEO on the tour of the estate. Abruptly, they hear a loud splash. Everyone turns around and sees the CAO (Chief Administrative Officer) in the pool, swimming for his life. He dodges the crocodiles left and right and makes it to the edge of the pool with seconds to spare. He pulls himself out just as a giant crocodile snaps at his shoes.

The flabbergasted CEO approaches the CAO and says, "You are incredible. I've never seen anything like it in my life. You are brave beyond measure and anything I own is yours. Tell me what I can do for you."

The CAO, panting for breath, looks up and says, "You can tell me who the heck pushed me in the pool!!!"

DOG THOUGHTS:

1. Sorry I can't make it to work today. My dog just laid his head on my foot and well, that's that.

2. The best thing about dogs is you can act like something really good happened and they'll instantly start celebrating too and they have no idea what the context is. They're just always ready to party no matter what.

3. Everyone thinks they have the best dog and none of them are wrong.

4. canine paralysis: (noun) the condition in which a person is unable to move due to the presence of a dog on her or his lap.

5. Dorothy taught us that all a girl really needs is a nice pair of red shoes and a very loyal dog.

6. Dog - "I won't be your best friend the rest of your life because I don't live that much, but I'll be your best friend for the rest of my life."

7. Dog: "I don't shed. I emit magical fibers of joy and love."

THOUGHTS ON AGE

1. Old age is coming at a really bad time.

2. Being an adult is the dumbest thing I've ever done.

3. The first 50 years of childhood are always the hardest.

4. The irony of life is that by the time you know your way around, you're not going anywhere.

5. My secret talent is getting tired without doing anything.

6. I hate it when you can't figure out how to operate the iPad and the resident tech expert is asleep - because he's 5 and it's past his bedtime.

7. Shout out to everyone who got through the day without taking a nap. Pulling an all-dayer is pretty rough.

8. The older I get, the earlier it gets late.

9. The sad part about getting old is you stay young on the inside but nobody can tell anymore.

10. I thought growing old would take longer.

11. I think senility is going to be a smooth transition for me.

12. Growing old beats the alternative - dying young.

PONDERISMS

*Life isn't fair, but it's still good.

*Life is too short not to enjoy it.

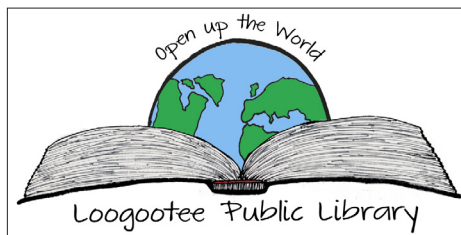
*Cry with someone. It's more healing than crying alone.

*When it comes to chocolate, resistance is futile.

*Make peace with your past so it won't screw up the present.

*Don't compare your life to others. You have no idea what their journey is all about.

Make someone smile today!



BY DARLA WAGLER

Librarian, Loogootee Public Library

There will be a library board meeting on March 1, 2018 at 5 p.m. to discuss ERATE internet infrastructure bids.

Starting on March 1, Giving of the Green is being planned to coordinate with St. Patrick's Day. Community members are encouraged to stop by the library and make a donation and get their name on a shamrock for the glass window and be entered into a \$25 gas card drawing. On March 10, there will be a Euchre Tourney at VFW from 6-9. It costs \$10 to play and winners receive a cash prize. There will be various themed baskets that will be raffled off during the tournament. Food and drinks will be available for a donation. These are a few of the fun activities planned to help raise funds toward the new library building. Friends of Loogootee Library (FOLL) and the library board are the sponsors.

NEW BOOKS:

Mystery: "Fifty Fifty" by James Patterson and "Night Moves" by Jonathan Kellerman.

Fiction: "Surprise Me" by Sophie Kinsella.

Inspirational Fiction: "In Places Hidden" by Tracie Peterson.

DVDs: "IT", "Woody Woodpecker", "The Stray", "LBJ", Good-Bye, Christopher Robin", "Daddy's Home 2", and "The Star".

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.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

ACCTS Banquet

ACCTS (Area Churches Honoring Christ Together in Service) will hold their 16th Annual Banquet on Saturday, February 24 at 6:30 p.m. in the lower level of St. John's Center, Loogootee. There is no cost to attend and the public is invited.

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.



Drawing class

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Artist Bill Whorrall hosts a drawing class on Saturdays, from 1-2:30 p.m. at the Martin County Learning Center, on the fairgrounds. Everyone is welcome, beginner to proficient. Materials provided.



Last Saturday Of Every Month!

at the Loogootee VFW Post 9395

300 W. Vine Street, Loogootee IN 47553

We start serving at 5 p.m.

Grilled Ribeye \$20 or Grilled Chicken Breast \$14

Served with: Salad Bar, Baked Potato, Green Beans & Dinner Roll

Call to reserve your steak - 812-295-4661

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