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## Indiana Bicentennial Torch Relay route unveiled

Lt. Governor Eric Holcomb recently joined the Indiana Office of Tourism Development (IOTD) to unveil the statewide route the Indiana Bicentennial Torch Relay will travel this fall. The Indiana Bicentennial Torch Relay will start in Corydon on September 9 and travel over 3,200 miles as nearly 2,000 torchbearers will carry the torch through each of Indiana's 92 counties. The route showcases locations of natural beauty, local interest and historic significance to the state.

A map and schedule of the statewide torch relay are now available as well as route maps for each of the 92 counties on the Bicentennial Torch Relay webpage.

"The Indiana Bicentennial Torch Relay is not only the premier event of our state's Bicentennial Celebration, but it is also an opportunity for Hoosiers from counties large and small to showcase all that makes Indiana unique," said Holcomb. "The torch route was designed to highlight the state's cultural fabric, our history and values, and the spirit of Hoosier ingenuity, igniting generations to come."

The Indiana Bicentennial Torch Relay route touches:

260 cities and towns.

17 state and national parks, including Indiana Dunes, Turkey Run, Falls of the Ohio and Abraham Lincoln's Boyhood Home.

Nine lakes and rivers, including the Ohio and Wabash Rivers.

27 national, state and local sites of historic significance including the Levi Coffin House, Benjamin Harrison Presidential Site and Lanier Mansion.

22 colleges and universities.

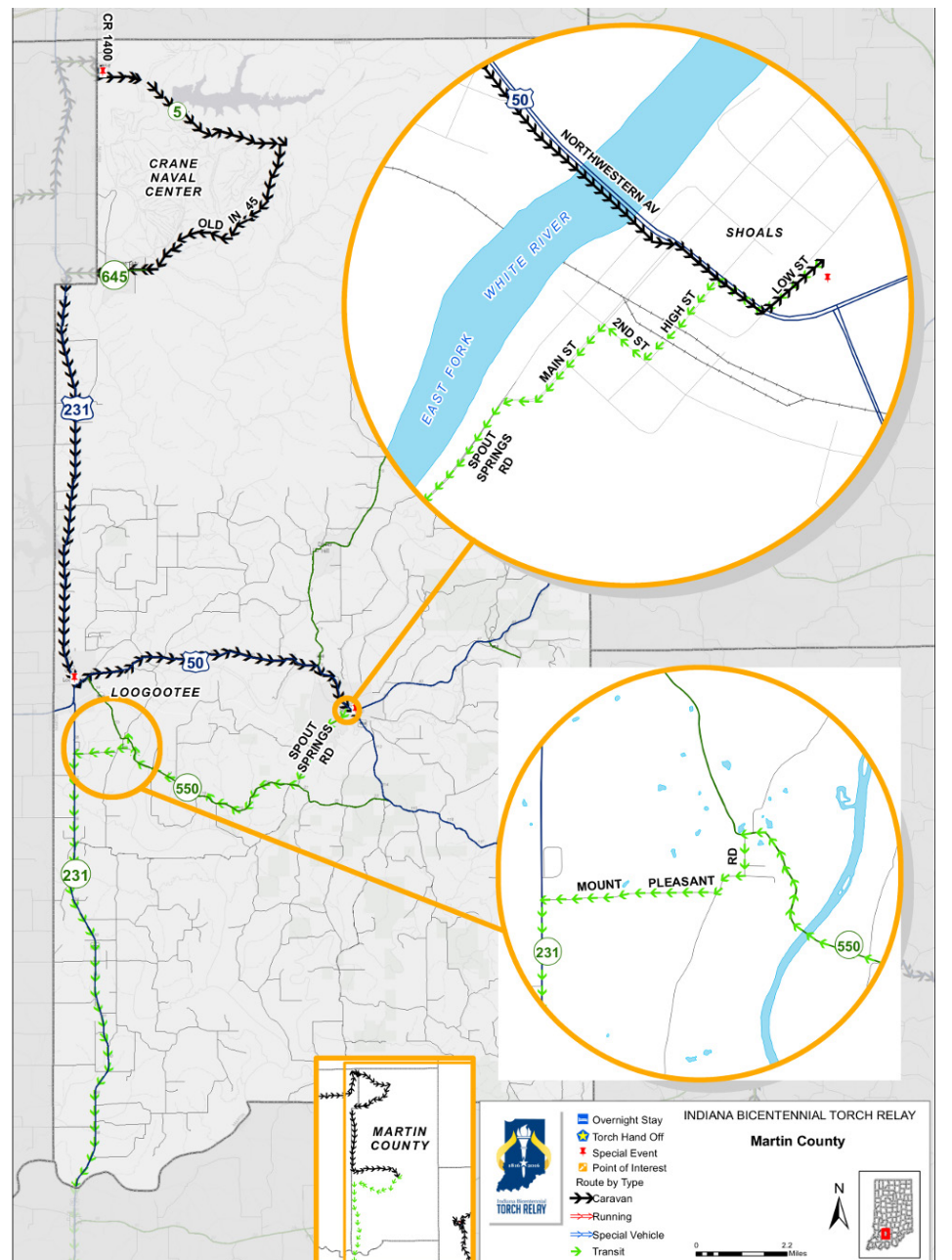
Auburn Cord Duesenberg Museum,

Bridgeton Mill, Conner Prairie, Evansville Museum of Arts, History & Science, French Lick Resort, Holiday World, Indiana High School Basketball Hall of Fame, Indiana State Soldiers and Sailors Monument, Indianapolis Motor Speedway, Lew Wallace Study and Museum, NSA Crane and many additional landmarks and destinations.

The torch relay route was charted by a taskforce of representatives from multiple state agencies and the private sector; including the departments of transportation, natural resources, state police, tourism, community and rural affairs and archives. Local organizing committees in each county finalized their county-specific routes. While the route is considered final, it is subject to alterations as conditions on the ground during the relay may warrant.

The Indiana Bicentennial Torch Relay will start September 9 in Corydon, Indiana's first state capital, and culminate with a celebration October 15 on the grounds of the statehouse in Indianapolis. Accompanying the torch will be a high-tech mobile experience—an interactive museum that highlights important milestones during Indiana's first 200 years and looks ahead to the future of the state. State Police personnel will provide logistical support and escort the torch caravan over the course of the relay.

"As we reflect on Indiana's first 200 years, the torch relay is a terrific opportunity to showcase the beauty and allure of Indiana. From the Lake Michigan shoreline to the rolling hills along the Ohio River, Indiana is full of special people and places. The Indiana (See 'ROUTE' continued on page 2)



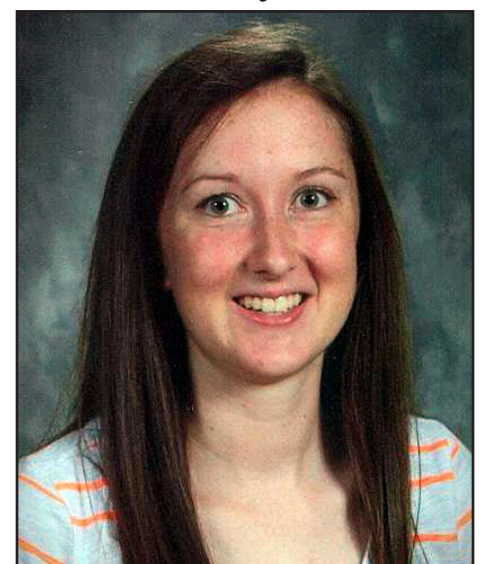
Shown above is the torch relay map for Martin County. The entire state map can be found on page 2.

## Megan Hawkins named 2016 Lilly Scholar

Megan Hawkins, daughter of Rodney and Mimi Hawkins, has been named the Martin County Community Foundation's 2016 Lilly Endowment Community Scholar. Megan will receive a full tuition scholarship to a four-year Indiana public or private college or university, along with an annual \$900 stipend for required books.

Megan, a Shoals Jr/Sr High School senior, plans to pursue a career as a physical therapist. She is planning to attend the University of Evansville or University of Indianapolis to earn a bachelor's degree in exercise science and then earn a doctorate degree in physical therapy.

Megan speaks of her selection as the 2016 Lilly Endowment Community Scholar: "I am so excited to have been chosen for the 2016 Lilly Scholarship! I am blown away that I was chosen for this wonderful award and I could never express how thankful I am for this chance of a lifetime. I am thrilled that I will represent Martin County as I go to college and I am grateful to every-



MEGAN HAWKINS

one who helped guide me so far in my life, especially God! This scholarship is proof that hard work pays off! I am proud to represent my family, Shoals High School and Martin County. I would like to thank anyone who was (See 'HAWKINS' cont. on page 2)

## Martin County's unemployment rate at 5.1 percent for February

BY COURTNEY HUGHETT  
Martin County Journal Publisher

Martin County's unemployment rate went up just slightly to 5.1 percent in February, up from 4.7 percent in January. The county had the 34<sup>th</sup> lowest jobless rate in the state for February, tied with Tipton and White counties.

In February, the county had 5,050 residents in the workforce with 257 of them without work. In January, there were 5,036 residents able to work and 237 of them were unemployed. In February of last year, Martin County's unemployment rate was 5 percent with 5,009 residents in the workforce and 251 of them without jobs.

Daviess County's unemployment rate also went up just a little in February to 4.5 percent, up from 4.1 percent the month before. The county had the 12<sup>th</sup>

lowest jobless rate of the 92 Indiana counties, tied with Decatur and Johnson counties.

In February, the county had 16,000 residents in the workforce with 712 of them without work. In January, there were 15,951 residents able to work and 659 of them unemployed. In February of last year, Daviess County's jobless rate stood at 4.3 percent with 15,465 residents in the workforce and 671 of them unemployed.

Dubois County's unemployment rate moved from 3.8 percent in January to just 3.9 percent in February. The county had the second lowest unemployment rate in the state for February.

In February, the county had 22,650 residents in the workforce and 882 of them without work. In January, there were 22,707 citizens able to work and (See 'RATE' continued on page 2)

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# ROUTE

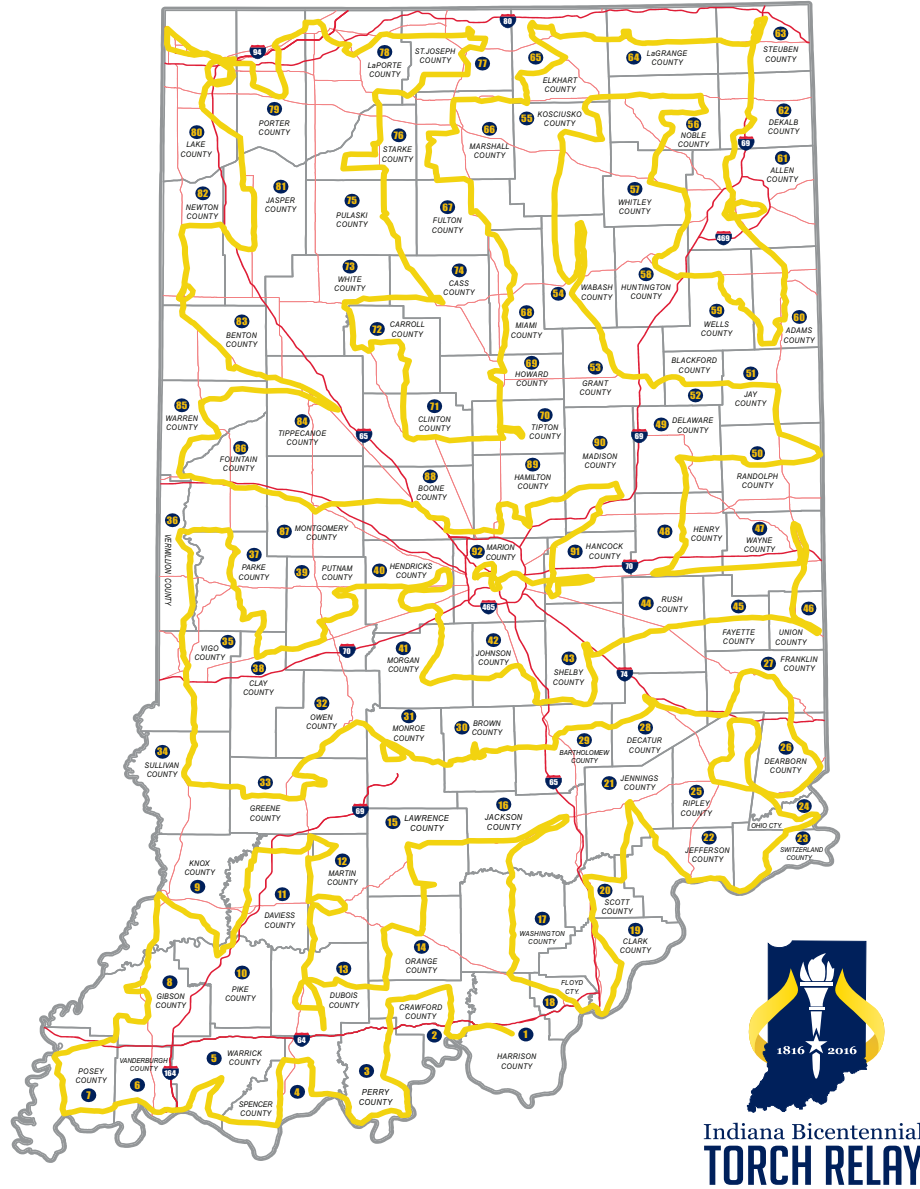
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Bicentennial Torch Relay allows us to show off both our state and civic pride as we honor our past while symbolically 'passing the torch' to future generations of Hoosiers," said Newman.

Developed by IOTD, the relay is patterned after the Olympic Torch Relay and is designed to connect Hoosiers across the state and nation with their home state during the bicentennial year. The torch itself was designed by engineering faculty and students at Purdue University. The torch will be primarily transported by people, passing the flame from torch bearer to torch bearer. The relay will also employ other modes of conveyance that are symbolic of the history and heritage of Indiana, including watercraft, farm equipment, a racecar, horse and wagon, antique automobile and others.

Torchbearers were nominated by the public and nominations are currently being vetted at the local level by county torch relay coordinating committees. Over 4,000 torchbearer nominations were received. Torchbearers will be Hoosiers who demonstrate exceptional public service, excellence in their profession, acts of heroism or volunteer service to their neighborhood, community, region or state.

To follow the Indiana Bicentennial Torch Relay on social media, visit IN-TorchRelay on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram.



# RATE

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855 of them unemployed. In February of 2015, Dubois County had a jobless rate of 3.9 percent with 22,303 residents in the workforce and 860 of them unemployed.

Lawrence County saw a small increase in their jobless rate in February bumping to 7.7 percent, up from 7.2 percent the month before. The county had the fifth highest jobless rate in the state for February.

In February, the county had 20,588 residents in the workforce with 1,586 of them without jobs. In January, there were 20,441 residents in the workforce and 1,473 of them unemployed. In February of last year, Lawrence County's unemployment rate was 7.9 percent with 20,226 residents in the workforce and 1,600 of them without work.

Orange County's unemployment rate also went up just slightly from 6.5 percent in January to 6.6 percent in February. The county had the 18<sup>th</sup> highest jobless rate of the 92 Indiana counties, tied with Ohio and Porter counties.

In February, the county had 9,130 residents in the workforce with 599 of them without work. In January, there were 9,166 citizens able to work and 592 of them without jobs. In February of 2015, Orange County's unemployment rate was 7.3 percent with 8,854 residents in the workforce and 645 of them without jobs.

The top ten spots in the state for lowest unemployment rate for February went to Hamilton County at 3.7 percent, Dubois County at 3.9 percent, LaGrange County at 4 percent, Bartholomew County at 4.1 percent, Hendricks, Elkhart, Boone and Adams counties at 4.2 percent; Wells County at 4.3 percent; and Jackson and Gibson counties at 4.4 percent.

The top ten spots in the state for the highest unemployment rate for February were Greene County at 8.8 percent, Vermillion County at 8.5 percent, Lake and LaPorte counties at 7.8 percent,

Crawford, Jasper and Owen counties at 7.5 percent; and Fountain and Sullivan counties at 7.4 percent.

More than 20,000 Hoosiers entered the labor force in February for a second consecutive month, resulting in a sharp increase in Indiana's labor force participation rate. The percentage of the working-age population that is employed or looking for work in Indiana continues to outpace the national average by nearly two percent (64.6 percent vs. 62.9 percent). Of the 43,708 Hoosiers who entered the labor force during the past two months, 35,682 found employment.

Indiana's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate, a U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics indicator that reflects the number of unemployed people as a percentage of the labor force, rose by 0.1 percent over the previous month to 4.7 percent in February. Indiana's unemployment rate remains below the national average of 4.9 percent.

"In the past two months, more than 35,000 Hoosiers rejoined the labor force and found employment due to the strong Hoosier economy," said Steven J. Braun, Commissioner of the Indiana Department of Workforce Development. "This growth is even more impressive when compared to the 11,376 individuals who joined the labor force in January and February of 2015."

Commissioner Braun also noted that initial unemployment insurance claims remain at the state's lowest level in more than a decade.

Employment by Sector

Private sector employment increased by 6,900 jobs in February. The highest levels of growth occurred in the Trade, Transportation & Utilities (+5,000), Private Education & Health Services (+4,500) and Leisure & Hospitality (+1,300) sectors. Gains were partially offset by contraction in the Professional & Business Services (-3,000) and Manufacturing (-2,600) sectors. Over the past three years, Indiana's private sector has grown by more than 150,000 jobs.

# HAWKINS

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involved with the Martin County Community Foundation and as well as anyone who was involved with any of my community service activities. My service has made me the person I am today and I look forward to keep giving back to my community."

Twenty-two students applied for the scholarship. The selection committee, made up of volunteer community residents, narrowed the field to the final four. Three nominees were submitted to the Independent Colleges of Indiana (ICI) for final selection of the recipient. ICI is a non-profit corporation that represents 31 regionally accredited degree granting, non-profit, private colleges and universities in the state.

The Lilly Endowment Community Scholarships are the result of a state-wide Lilly Endowment initiative to help Hoosier students reach higher levels of education. There were 142 scholarships awarded statewide.

## West Boggs master plan

West Boggs Park is currently working on a master plan. Copies of the draft will be placed at the libraries in Washington, Odon, Shoals, and Loogootee. They will be at these locations for public review until April 11. Comments, concerns, suggestions, are all welcome in the provided public comment sheets.

There will also be a public master plan review meeting tonight, Wednesday, March 30 at 7 p.m. in the activity center at West Boggs Park.

## Martin County Humane Society ANNUAL AUCTION

### Saturday, April 9

Item viewing from 4-5 p.m. Auction starts at 5 p.m.  
at Loogootee United Methodist Church

#### CURRENT AUCTION ITEMS

- (2) tickets to Kings Island
- Spring grapevine wreath from Debbie Truelove
- Briggs & Stratton tune up kit from Toy's Auto Parts
- (2) Collector's Edition American Muscle model cars donated by Butch and Norma Bailey
- Bicycle donated by Butch and Norma Bailey
- (4) tickets to a University of Evansville Men's Basketball game
- (2) Collar and Leash combos from Lupine Pet
- Overnight stay at Sybaris Pool Suites in Indianapolis
- Autographed photo of Clayton Richard from the Chicago Cubs
- (4) \$10 car washes from Blake Hi-Y Car Wash
- \$25 gift certificate to Bradley's Bar & Grill
- Cordless drill and worklight combo from Builders Best
- (2) \$50 gift card to Loogootee Marathon
- (2) \$25 gift certificates to Red Bones Bar & Grill
- (2) Funday passes to Indiana Beach
- \$25 gift certificate to Biggin's Pizza
- BBQ set from Jasper Engines
- \$20 gift card to Williams Bros. Pharmacy
- Emergency radio from Daviess-Martin REMC
- Doggie gift bag donated by Lynn Gee
- (4) leashes and (4) collars from Kurgo
- (4) autographed books from Lisa Jackson
- Nerium gift bag
- Gift box of "poop bags" and accessories from Earth Rated Products
- \$15 gift certificate to BreakTime Bar & Grill
- \$25 gift certificate to Hometown Flowers & Gifts
- (2) jump passes to Jump N Jax
- \$25 gift certificate to Bobe's Pizza
- (2) buffet dinners to Dogwood Barbeque
- \$30 gift card to China Wok
- \$10 gift certificates to Dairy Master
- Oil change from Bill Dobson Ford
- Oil change from Harder's Auto Service
- A huge lot of bags of dog bones from Tractor Supply
- (2) reserved seats to at St. Louis Cardinals baseball game
- (2) tickets to Indianapolis Zoo
- (17) Loogootee, Shoals t-shirts from JD Shirt Design
- & Martin County Video
- (4) adult buffet gift certificates from the Gasthof
- (2) one-night stays to The Gasthof Inn
- (4) one day park hopper passes to four Walt Disney World theme parks
- (4) view level or (2) terrace line tickets to a Cincinnati Reds baseball game
- Team stamped football from the Indianapolis Colts
- Kong products gift basket
- (2) tickets to Holiday World
- (5) subscriptions to Bark magazine
- (6) community passes to Vincennes AMC theatre
- (4) reserved seats to an Indianapolis Indians baseball game
- Hair care products from Lisa's Salon
- 4-foot wooden tool box planter from Arvin Crushed Stone
- \$30 Jamberry gift certificate from Jennifer Randolph
- Autographed Mutts Comic
- Haircut certificate from Hair Tropic
- (3) \$10 gift certificates from Faytastic Pizza
- \$50 gift card from RJ's Food Mart
- (5) loaves of bread from the Rox Cafe at Shoals High School
- (2) \$20 gift certificates from Broadway Salon
- \$25 gift card from the Odon Tavern
- \$50 gift card from Rural King
- Chi Tea Tree Oil trio from Running With Scissors salon
- Measuring tape and hammer from DC Metal
- (1) 16-inch, two-topping pizza from Pizza Junction
- 30-minute massage from Bowling Massage
- Solomon Hill autographed Pacers basketball
- One-night getaway package to Rising Star Casino Resort in Rising Sun, Indiana
- Legendary "Dine, Stay & Play" package from Horse-shoe Casino in Elizabeth, Indiana
- (2) tickets to the Indianapolis Zoo
- (4) tickets to Mesker Park Zoo
- (2) \$100 gift certificates to The Lodge of Loogootee
- Camp fire ring from Fire Ring King
- (4) \$5 gift cards from Wendy's

More items coming in every day!



# Obituaries

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## NORMA JEAN WOODS

Norma Jean (Price) Woods passed away at 4:25 a.m. Saturday, March 26, 2016 at her home. A resident of Loogootee, she was 87.

She was born September 12, 1928 in Petersburg; daughter of the late Truman and Esta Marie (Wilhite) Price. She married James Woods in 1946 and he preceded her in death.

Norma and James moved to Washington briefly, and finally settled in Loogootee after Mr. Woods found work in town. Norma was an active member in the community. She was a past matron of the Order of Eastern Star, a 1<sup>st</sup> Mother Advisor to the Rainbows for Girls, the President of the local American Cancer Society Chapter, the chairman of the Daffodil Day, a member of the Loogootee United Methodist Church, taught Caring Friends Sunday School class, a past president of the Loogootee Women's Club, a member of the Martin County Marco Singers Choir and the Euchre Club.

She also was a business owner, running Laurie's Flowers and Gifts and the Clothesline Dress Shop. Prior to owning businesses she was employed at RCA in Bloomington, the Reliance Factory in Loogootee, Home Loan and Finance, Amway Distribution, Pearl Level. Norma also was a committed Loogootee Lions fan. She and her late husband often attended basketball games, both at home and out of town. Norma's motto in life was "Get up, dress up and show up." She loved to cook and entertain company.

She is survived by her son, James "Mike" Woods of Loogootee; daughter, Rebecca (Oscar) Allbright of Loogootee; nine grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren, one great-great-grandchild; and sister, Carol Gregory of Washington.

She is preceded in death by her husband, James Woods and children, Larry Woods and Lana Walton.

Funeral services will be held at 1 p.m. Thursday, March 31 at the Loogootee United Methodist Church.

Visitation will be held from 4 p.m. until 8 p.m. Wednesday, March 30 at the Loogootee United Methodist Church in Loogootee.

Memorial contributions may be

made to Loogootee United Methodist Church, American Cancer Society or the charity of your choice.

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

## FRANCES HOLT

Frances Kay (Lee) Holt, 73, of Shoals, passed away at 4 a.m. Saturday, March 26, 2016 at Monroe Hospital Bloomington. A resident of Shoals, she was 73.

She was born October 21, 1942 in Martin County; daughter of Harvey and Opal (Davison) Lee. She married Ronald Vance Holt and he preceded her in death on March 29, 2008.



She was a 1960 graduate of Shoals High School, a member of the Rusk Homemakers Club, Shoals Senior Citizens, and The Shoals Nazarene Church. Frances was a homemaker.

She is survived by one son, Walter Holt of Shoals; two daughters, Ludemia, and her husband, Clint Burgess, of Loogootee; Ruth Hamilton of Bedford; four grandchildren, Mandy Burgess, Casey Burgess, Anthony Wayne Robinson II and Ronald Jack Cory Robinson; close cousin, Beverly Brown of Somerset, Kentucky; nephews, Jimmy Dean Holt of Shoals; Calvin Evans of Shoals; and Wayne Evans of Wellington, North Carolina.

No service was held. Burial will be private in the Allbright Cemetery.

Queen-Lee Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements. Condolences may be made online to the family at [www.queenlee.com](http://www.queenlee.com).

## ETTA BATES

Etta Marie Bates, formerly of Shoals, passed away Friday, March 25, 2016 at IU Health Bedford. A resident of Mitchell, she was 78.

She was born September 15, 1937 in Shoals; the daughter of the late James V. and Irene (Gammon) Mattox.

She had worked as a home health aide and attended Fairview Church.

She is survived by daughter, Sharon Ruth Terry of Mitchell; sons, Samuel

Tuell of Williams; Charles Tuell of Mitchell; Kenneth Tuell of Seymour; Marvin Tuell of Shepherdsville, Kentucky; Paul Eric Tuell of Orleans; numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren; brothers, George Mattox of Orleans, James Mattox of Kentucky; sisters, Mary Graves of Mitchell; Susie Roach of Paoli; Virginia Chapland of West Baden; and Roma Troxel of Albany, Kentucky.

She is preceded in death by her par-



ETTA BATES

ents and sister, Frieda Troxel. A funeral service was held Monday, March 28 at Queen-Lee Funeral Home in Shoals. Burial followed in the Pleasant Valley Cemetery.

Condolences may be made to the family at [www.queenlee.com](http://www.queenlee.com).

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## INDIANA AT 200

**Indiana at 200: A Celebration of the Hoosier State is the official commemorative book for the 2016 State of Indiana Bicentennial Celebration. The hardback volume is a 248 page collection of photographs, prose and poetry incorporating a wide variety of Hoosier voices – business and community leaders, artists, athletes, writers, farmers, religious leaders, children and poets. The book is a portrait of who we are and aspire to be as Hoosiers.**

**It is available for sale by special arrangement with the publisher through the Martin County Bicentennial Coordinating Committee as a project to help raise funds for the local celebration.**

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## Martin County Sheriff's Department log

### MONDAY, MARCH 21

6:25 a.m. - Received a report of a reckless driver on US 231, south of Loogootee. Sergeant Keller stopped the vehicle and all was okay.

7:18 a.m. - Received a report of a reckless semi headed into Loogootee. Loogootee Chief Rayhill responded.

8:44 a.m. - Received a report of an accident south of Loogootee. Indiana State Police responded.

8:50 a.m. - Captain Dant transported two inmates to the department of corrections.

10:27 a.m. - Received a report of a domestic situation in Loogootee. Loogootee Chief Rayhill responded.

12:34 p.m. - Received a request for lift assistance near Shoals. Sheriff Roush responded.

1:00 p.m. - Sheriff Roush took one inmate to the prosecutor's office for depositions.

1:10 p.m. - Received a report of a theft in Loogootee. Loogootee Captain Hennette responded.

2:06 p.m. - Received a report of an altercation in Loogootee. Loogootee Captain Hennette responded.

4:14 p.m. - Sheriff Roush performed a vehicle identification check north of Shoals.

4:47 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance transported the subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

5:10 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Loogootee Fire and Martin County Ambulance responded. No one was transported.

8:27 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Shoals. Shoals Fire and Martin County Ambulance responded. No one was transported.

### TUESDAY, MARCH 22

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

10:00 a.m. - Captain Dant took two inmates to court.

10:50 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded but did not transport.

12:50 p.m. - Major Burkhardt transported one inmate from Orange County Jail to the Martin County Security Center.

1:00 p.m. - Captain Dant took three inmates to court.

2:30 p.m. - Major Burkhardt took one inmate to court.

2:40 p.m. - Received an alarm call in Loogootee. Loogootee Captain Hennette responded and all was okay.

4:25 p.m. - Received a report of a reckless driver on US 50, east of Loogootee. Loogootee Captain Hennette responded.

5:28 p.m. - Received a report of a reckless driver on US 231, south of Loogootee. Loogootee Captain Hennette responded.

6:24 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded and transported the subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

8:00 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance north of Loogootee. Crane Fire and Martin County Ambulance responded. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

10:11 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Shoals. Town Marshal Eckert, Martin County Ambulance, Shoals Fire, and Air Evac responded. The subject was transported by Air

Evac to the hospital.

11:51 p.m. - Received a report of a domestic situation in Loogootee. Sergeant Keller and Loogootee Sergeant Norris responded.

### WEDNESDAY, MARCH 23

7:25 a.m. - Loogootee Chief Rayhill assisted a homeowner with an alarm issue.

9:14 a.m. - Received a report of an accident in Loogootee. Loogootee Chief Rayhill responded.

7:20 p.m. - Major Burkhardt performed a vehicle identification check near Shoals.

8:43 p.m. - Received a report of a reckless driver near Loogootee. Major Burkhardt responded and checked the vehicle.

8:51 p.m. - Received a report of a domestic situation near Shoals. Major Burkhardt, Reserve Deputy Wright, and Town Marshal Eckert responded.

### THURSDAY, MARCH 24

1:23 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance transported the subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

8:57 a.m. - Received a report of cows out east of Shoals. Sheriff Roush and Captain Dant responded.

10:35 a.m. - Received a report of a theft in Loogootee. Loogootee Chief Rayhill responded.

1:00 p.m. - Captain Dant took two inmates to court.

1:10 p.m. - Received a report of a property dispute in Shoals. Sheriff Roush responded.

1:43 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance north of Shoals. Shoals Fire and Martin County Ambulance responded. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

3:46 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance south of Loogootee. Haysville Fire and Martin County Ambulance responded. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

5:16 p.m. - Sheriff Roush assisted a motorist west of Shoals.

6:04 p.m. - Received a report of illegal dumping near Loogootee. Deputy Reed responded and had the violator pick up their trash.

10:31 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance transported the subject to Daviess Community Hospital.

### FRIDAY, MARCH 25

3:58 a.m. - Received a report of an accident east of Shoals. Corporal Baker, Loogootee Officer Nolan, Shoals Fire, and Martin County Ambulance responded. No one was transported.

7:32 a.m. - Received a report of a domestic situation north of Shoals. Sheriff Roush responded.

10:13 a.m. - Received a dog complaint east of Shoals. Sheriff Roush responded.

10:24 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance transported the subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

1:31 p.m. - Sheriff Roush assisted the department of child services with a welfare check near Shoals.

6:45 p.m. - Received a report of a domestic complaint near Shoals. Corporal Baker and Deputy Reed responded.

8:38 p.m. - Received a report of a domestic situation in Loogootee. Loogootee Officer Nolan responded.

9:19 p.m. - Received a request for

an ambulance east of Shoals. Shoals Fire and Martin County Ambulance responded. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

10:03 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Loogootee Fire and Martin County Ambulance responded.

10:22 p.m. - Received a request for a welfare check in Shoals. Corporal Baker and Deputy Reed responded.

11:30 p.m. - Received a report of a domestic situation south of Loogootee. Corporal Baker, Deputy Reed, Loogootee Officer Nolan, and Deputy Salmon responded.

### SATURDAY, MARCH 26

10:21 a.m. - Sheriff Roush assisted a motorist west of Shoals.

1:42 p.m. - Received a report of vandalism near Shoals. Sheriff Roush responded.

2:29 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance north of Shoals. Martin County Ambulance and Williams Fire responded. The subject was transported to Dunn Memorial Hospital.

5:22 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Shoals. Shoals Fire and Martin County Ambulance responded. No one was transported.

### SUNDAY, MARCH 27

2:20 a.m. - Received a report of a domestic situation near Loogootee. Corporal Baker, Deputy Reed, Deputy Floyd, and Loogootee Sergeant Norris responded.

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

10:15 a.m. - Received a report of a suspicious vehicle north of Shoals. Sheriff Roush responded.

11:08 a.m. - Received a report of a

missing child near Loogootee. Sheriff Roush, Loogootee Captain Akles, and ISP Trooper Lents responded. The child was located.

12:40 p.m. - Received an alarm call in Loogootee. Loogootee Captain Akles responded. All was okay.

1:09 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded and transported the subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

1:55 p.m. - Received an alarm call in Loogootee. Loogootee Captain Akles responded and all was okay.

4:25 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Loogootee Fire and Martin County Ambulance responded. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

10:05 p.m. - Received a report of a tree across lines on US 231, south of Loogootee. Loogootee Fire responded.

10:22 p.m. - Received a report of a tree down on SR 450, north of Shoals. Shoals Fire responded and removed the tree.

## ARRESTS

### WEDNESDAY, MARCH 23

9:15 p.m. - Jason Clark, 34, of Mitchell, was arrested by Major Burkhardt on charges of possession of marijuana and Orange County warrants. He is being held on a \$20,000 10% bond. Assisting in the arrest was Reserve Deputy Wright, Town Marshal Eckert, and K9 Officer Asher.

### SATURDAY, MARCH 26

5:45 p.m. - Joshua Jones and Jessica Howard, both of Shoals, were arrested by Sheriff Roush on Orange County warrants and transported to Orange County Jail.

## Real estate transfers

**Thomas W. Seger and Cynthia J. Seger**, of Dubois County, Indiana to **Windom Acres, LLC**, of Dubois County, Indiana. Tract I: A part of the southeast quarter of the southwest quarter of Section 7, Township 1 North, Range 3 West, Martin County, Indiana, containing 2 acres, more or less. Tract II: All that part of the northeast quarter of the southeast quarter of Section 12, Township 1 North, Range 4 West, east of the Windom-Dubois Road, containing 8 acres, more or less. Tract III: 45.93 acres of wood in Martin County, with an exception of 5 acres, more or less.

**Janine Renne** to **Werner Woodlands, LLC**, a portion of Lot Number 16 which adjoins Lot Number 17 of the Thompson Woods Subdivision.

**Timothy J. Rincker**, of Martin County, Indiana to **Jonathan H. Heschel and Madonna R. Heschel**, of Daviess County, Indiana, a part of the northeast quarter of Section 24, Township 4 North, Range 5 West, Perry Township, Martin County, Indiana, containing 2.12 acres, more or less.

**Jerahn Tilford Kemp, III**, of Monroe County, Indiana to **Patricia King**, of Martin County, Indiana, Lot 77 in the original plat of Memphis, now Shoals, Indiana.

**Jeffrey D. Hough and Naomi C. Hough**, of Martin County, Indiana to **Gregory & Sons Properties, LLC**, of Martin County, Indiana, Lot Number 11 in the First North Addition to the Town, now City of Loogootee, Indiana.

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# Loogootee Police log

## MONDAY, MARCH 21

7:15 a.m. - Caller reported a semi all over the road on Hwy 50.

10:27 a.m. - Female reported a domestic dispute.

2:06 p.m. - Received a call from Chuckles. They advised someone was refusing to pay for fuel.

5:13 p.m. - First responders were requested for lifting assistance.

7:07 p.m. - Caller reported two juveniles fighting. Captain Hennette responded.

8:44 p.m. - Caller reported a domestic dispute on East Broadway Street.

9:22 p.m. - Caller requested a welfare check on a female.

## TUESDAY, MARCH 22

10:11 a.m. - Female caller reported her purse was stolen while at a residence on SW 1<sup>st</sup> Street.

2:40 p.m. - Captain Hennette responded to a residential alarm.

4:25 p.m. - Caller reported a reckless vehicle on Hwy 50.

5:28 p.m. - Received a report of a reckless driver on US 231.

11:51 p.m. - Received a report of a domestic dispute on Church Street.

## WEDNESDAY, MARCH 23

1:45 p.m. - Caller reported a vehicle parked in the middle of the road on West Main Street.

4:00 p.m. - Caller requested an officer for a civil matter.

5:40 p.m. - Caller reported suspicious persons near the skate park.

9:04 p.m. - Caller reported someone burning trash.

9:30 p.m. - Received a report of a reckless driver on Mulberry Street.

10:10 p.m. - Caller reported a loud noise on North Street.

## THURSDAY, MARCH 24

2:26 p.m. - Male came on station to report a theft of a license plate.

5:34 p.m. - Received a report of a domestic dispute on SW 3<sup>rd</sup> Street.

5:35 p.m. - Caller reported locating a handgun. The owner was later located.

10:33 p.m. - First responders were requested on Queen Street for a medical call.

11:15 p.m. - Caller reported property damage.

## FRIDAY, MARCH 25

8:37 p.m. - Caller reported a civil dispute.

10:15 p.m. - Caller reported a disturbance on West Washington Street.

10:17 p.m. - First responders were requested on SE 1<sup>st</sup> Street for a medical problem.

11:30 p.m. - Received a report of a domestic dispute on US 231.

## SATURDAY, MARCH 26

5:16 p.m. - Caller reported a controlled burn.

5:49 p.m. - Caller reported a disturbance on Park Street.

8:45 p.m. - Caller requested a welfare check on a female.

## SUNDAY, MARCH 27

2:20 a.m. - Received a report of a dispute on US 231.

11:08 a.m. - Caller reported a lost child. Child was later located.

12:40 p.m. - Captain Akles responded to a residential alarm.

1:55 p.m. - Captain Akles responded to a business alarm.

4:27 p.m. - First responders were requested to Nobles Court for a medical call.

6:43 p.m. - Caller reported a dispute in Bowling Trailer Court.

8:13 p.m. - Sgt. Norris responded to a business alarm.

8:14 p.m. - Loogootee Fire was paged out to US 231 for a tree over a power line.

## Loogootee woman arrested on possession charges

Story via News Now Dubois County  
A Martin County woman arrested Monday now faces several drug-related possession charges as well operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of a controlled substance.

Jasper police say a caller informed them of a vehicle that was reported to be weaving all over the road while traveling south on Newton Street (U.S. 231) at about 9:30 a.m. Monday, March 28.

Jasper Police Department said the vehicle was then spotted turning into

the Jasper Walmart store parking lot; striking a curb as it entered the lot.

The woman driver then left her vehicle and entered the store; that's where officers made contact with 30-year old Miranda Rehl, of Loogootee.

JPD says a field sobriety test was conducted of which police say she failed.

Officers also said they found Rehl in possession of a controlled substance, along with marijuana and paraphernalia.

She was taken into custody.

# COURT NEWS

## CRIMINAL JUDGMENTS AND SENTENCING

### March 8

Shelly A. Moser, convicted of operating a vehicle while intoxicated, a Class 6 Felony. Sentenced to serve 1 year with 359 days suspended and credit for 3 actual days previously served plus 3 Class A credit days. Defendant received 1 year of probation.

### March 10

Juan L. Terry, convicted of possession of methamphetamine, a Class 6 Felony and resisting law enforcement, a Class A Misdemeanor. Sentenced on the first count to serve 2 years at the Indiana Department of Corrections with 0 days suspended and credit for 323 actual days previously served plus 323 good time credit days. Sentenced on the second count to serve 1 year with 0 days suspended and credit for 182 actual days previously served plus 182 Class A credit days.

Carl E. Wiscaver, Jr., convicted of battery resulting in bodily injury, a Class A Misdemeanor and operating a vehicle while intoxicated endangering a person, a Class A Misdemeanor and operating while intoxicated with previous conviction within 5 years, a Class 6 Felony. Sentenced on first count to serve 2 years with 706 days suspended and credit for 12 actual days previously served plus 12 Class A credit days. Defendant received 2 years of probation. Sentenced on the next two counts to serve 2 years with 706 days suspended and credit for 12 actual days previously served plus 12 Class A credit days. Defendant received 2 years of probation.

## CRIMINAL CHARGES

### DISMISSED

### March 8

Shelly A. Moser, operating a vehicle with an ACE of .15 or more with a passenger less than 18 years of age, a Class 6 Felony, dismissed.

### March 10

Juan L. Terry, dealing in methamphetamine, a Class 5 Felony, dismissed; obstruction of justice, a Class 6 Felony, dismissed; maintaining a common nuisance, a Class 6 Felony, dismissed.

## CIVIL COURT

### New Suits Filed

### March 16

Tina M. Wilson vs. Timothy M. Wilson, petition for dissolution of marriage.

### March 21

WebBank vs. Connie Pursley, civil collection.

Cach, LLC vs. Derek A. Gilbertson, civil collection.

David Whorrall vs. Jessica N. Whorrall, petition for dissolution of marriage.

## CIVIL COURT JUDGMENTS

### March 16

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Bank of New York Melon Trust Co. and against the defendant Michael T. Cox for mortgage foreclosure in the amount of \$109,182.62.

## SMALL CLAIMS COURT

### New Suits Filed

### March 16

Crane Federal Credit Union vs. David M. Wence, complaint.

Crane Federal Credit Union vs. Kimberly Hines, complaint.

Crane Federal Credit Union vs. Misty D. Hart, complaint.

Crane Federal Credit Union vs. Tracee Smith, complaint.

Crane Federal Credit Union vs. Anita L. Schneider, complaint.

Crane Federal Credit Union vs. Ashley N. Allison, complaint.

Crane Federal Credit Union vs. Johnathan Davila, complaint.

Midland Funding, LLC vs. Stephen Hammack, complaint.

Medical of Dubois vs. Charles D. Hembree, complaint.

Medical of Dubois vs. Kevin L. Stewart, complaint.

Medical of Dubois vs. Samantha R. Wells, complaint.

Medical of Dubois vs. Dane S. Barber, complaint.

## MARRIAGE LICENSES

### March 21

Kevin M. Haviland of Shoals and Nian Young of Shoals.

## Accident report

### WEDNESDAY, MARCH 23

9:00 a.m. - Landon T. Brock, of Williams, was operating a 1998 International behind Circle K. The vehicle was too tall and brought down a utility line. Chief Rayhill investigated.

5:20 p.m. - Troy Denniston, of Henryville, was operating a 2009 International in the Jones Oil parking lot. At this time, the trailer struck a concrete pole. Captain Hennette investigated.

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## More Neat Stuff



By Ann Ackerman



My neighbor was working in his yard when he was startled by a late model car that came crashing through his hedge and ended up in his front lawn.

He rushed to help an elderly lady driver out of the car and sat her down on a lawn chair.

He said with excitement, "You appear quite elderly to be driving."

"Well, yes, I am," she replied proudly. "I'll be 97 next month, and I am now old enough that I don't even need a driver's license anymore."

"The last time I went to my doctor, he examined me and asked if I had a driver's license. I told him yes and handed it to him. He took scissors out of the drawer, cut the license into pieces, and threw them in the waste basket, saying, 'You won't need this anymore,' so I thanked him and left!"

DiETING is something that is on people's mind a lot, mine included. I figure that over the past 50 years I have lost close to 500 pounds but I've probably gained 550. That's not really the point. Here are some thoughts about eating, dieting, and weight loss/gain. Can you relate?

1. I didn't mean to gain weight. It happened by snackident.

2. If you had to choose between losing weight or chocolate, would you like dark, white, or with milk?

3. Some days you eat salads and go to the gym. Some days you eat cupcakes and refuse to put on pants. It's called balance.

4. I wish we could donate body fat to those in need.

5. Chocolate is the answer. Who cares what the question is?

6. I try to avoid things that make me fat . . . like scales, mirrors and photo-

graphs.

7. If life's a journey, mine is between the fridge and the computer.

8. I had Greek yogurt this morning, then a salad for lunch, then I came home and ate the entire kitchen.

9. We've been through thick and thin together. You do remember thin don't you?

10. I didn't make it to the gym today. That makes five years in a row.

11. I decided to change calling the bathroom the John and renamed it the Jim. I feel so much better saying I went to the Jim this morning.

12. I ate four cans of alphabet soup, and took probably the biggest vowel movement ever.

13. I wish I could lose weight as easily as I lose my patience!

14. I wish everything was as easy as getting fat.

15. I'm not skinny but I'm not fat either. I'm just at that awkward middle where I have a double chin when I'm texting.

16. Saw some idiot at the gym put a water bottle where the Pringles can goes on the treadmill.

17. You either love Reese's peanut butter eggs or you're wrong.

18. I always offer two dinner choices (a) take it, or (b) leave it.

19. My book club only reads wine labels.

20. Why do croutons come in airtight packages? Aren't they just stale bread?

**SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT:**

If your coach pushes you,

If your coach disciplines you,

If your coach demands the best from you ALL the time,

Then he or she truly cares.

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Make someone smile today!



BY DARLA WAGLER  
Librarian, Loogootee Public Library

FOLL (Friends of the Loogootee Library) will be having a huge book sale on Saturday, April 16 from 9-12. There are several gently used hardbacks, paperbacks, audiobooks, DVDs, and magazines for sale. The book sale proceeds go to support library programs.

Kenny Frye, German American Bank President handed me a \$500 cash donation from a former Loogootee resident that wanted to remain anonymous. The individual stated that many hours were spent at the Loogootee Public Library as a child. I am both humbled and thankful for the kind generosity of current and former patrons, various nonprofits, local businesses, and Mayor Noel Harty. The continued public support of this library is appreciated

and the charitable contributions we receive from supporters like you make our mission achievable.

New Books:

Mystery: "Darkness" by Karen Robards.

Fiction: "No Safe Secret" by Fern Michaels.

Inspirational Fiction: "The Atonement" by Beverly Lewis and "Brush of Wings" by Karen Kingsbury.

DVDs: "Daddy's Home", "Mockingjay Part 2", "Monuments Men", and "Little Charmers".

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

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### Mustering Elm Park meeting

The Mustering Elm Park Group will have its first meeting of the year on Monday, April 4 at 7 p.m. at the Park. The events for this year will be discussed. Anyone interested is welcome to attend. The group is looking for area musicians willing to volunteer their talents during their events. If you have questions, please call Rowena Tripp at 812-388-6649.

### Martin County Beekeepers meeting

Martin County Beekeepers Association's first meeting will be Thursday April 14 at 7 p.m. at the American Legion Country Club. Slated meetings will be the second Thursday of the month at 7 p.m. at the American Legion Country Club. Come out and see what's buzzing in Martin County.

### Loogootee School Board meetings

The Loogootee School Board will hold four executive meetings next week, all for the purpose of receiving information about and interviewing prospective employees. The first meeting will be Monday, April 4 at 4:45 p.m. and will be held in the Martin County Community Building on the fairgrounds. The second meeting is Wednesday, April 6 at 3:45 p.m. also in the community building. The third meeting will be Thursday, April 7 at 4:45 p.m. again at the community building. The fourth meeting will be held Saturday, April 9 at 9:45 a.m. in the meeting room off the superintendent's office. All four meetings are closed to the public.

### 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

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### 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.

### 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 7 p.m. Members of the humane society are invited to attend.

### Tourism meetings

The MCCC Tourism Committee meets on the third Wednesday of each month at 7 p.m. in the basement of the Shoals Public Library. The public is invited to attend.

### Soil and Water meetings

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

### Seeking yard sale participants

The Great U.S. 50 Yard Sale comes to Martin County.

This is the 17<sup>th</sup> sale held annually, the weekend before Memorial Day weekend. The sale started in 2000, stretching across most of Indiana. There are currently twelve states with various sales and activities planned.

Do you have items to sell and need a visible, accessible venue? Locally, the Shoals High School parking lot will be a host site for the Great U.S. 50 Yard Sale, on Saturday, May 21, 2016.

The sale will run from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., rain or shine. Space rental is \$10. For one parking space, and \$5. for each additional space. All proceeds from space rental will benefit a mural art project, being planned for the Shoals Community Schools.

With plenty of free parking and visibility, this will be the perfect time to sell those spring cleaning items: household, crafts, toys, clothing, etc. Persons or parties interested in participating, or requesting more information, should contact Linda Sherfick, 812-247-3060.



## Easter Egg Hunt

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Loogootee Nursing Center held their Annual Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday March 26. Shown are the prize egg winners with the Easter Bunny.

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While the early daffodils have faded away, the mid and late season blooms are still hanging on. As the flowers fade, I always get questions about the foliage. I realize that the foliage will soon begin to turn yellow and droop, but it is important to allow this to happen. Photosynthesis being performed in the foliage is feeding the bulbs for future flowers. Braiding or tying the foliage is also not a good idea, as those actions limit the surface area that collects the sunlight for photosynthesis. You may hide the foliage with pots of pansies or other flowers. You may wish to plant hostas, daylilies or other later-blooming perennials near the daffodil bulbs. The emerging foliage will hide the dying foliage of the daffodils and other early spring bulb flowers.

Meanwhile, the hellebores continue to thrive and anchor the shade garden. New blooms this week at Sandhill Gardens include woods poppies, grape hyacinths and violets. The bridal wreath spirea is nearing full bloom and the first of the lilacs buds are swelling. Pieris shrubs are also in bloom, with their tiny clusters of bells, resembling the blooms of lily of the valley. New this year at Sandhill Gardens is a pearl bush. The buds resemble strings of white pearls, which open to white flowers. I think it will become a beautiful bush in a few years.

I have had several people ask about the red-orange flowers on shrubs seen around the area. These are flowering quince bushes. At Sandhill Gardens, three old quince shrubs have cherry-red blossoms, but newer cultivars offer different colors, including the red-orange, pink and white. While the flowers are beautiful, the shrubs may actually set fruit that may be used for preserves and jelly.

Several flowering trees are in full

bloom. One could hardly miss the profusion of pink flowers on the saucer magnolias. Peach and plum trees, both fruiting and ornamental, are also in bloom. I cut branches from an American plum that I am espaliering against a building and shared them with the residents of Springs Valley Meadows this week. They were a big hit.

Also in bloom are the ornamental pear trees. The best known of these pears is the Bradford Pear. Although beautiful in bloom, I would never recommend planting one. They are notoriously weak at the branch crotches, and often split in heavy winds. They are also very invasive. There are areas where these ornamentals have escaped cultivation and have essentially wiped out all native plant life. The Cleveland Select pear is a stronger tree and does not appear to be as invasive, but is still not a tree that naturalist like to see.

If you plan to raise tomatoes from seed and have not yet planted them, now is the time to do so. In about six weeks, we will reach the frost-free date for southern Indiana and the transplants will be near optimum size if seeds are planted now.

It is also time to plant squash, melon, cucumber and eggplant seeds if you want transplants when the soil is warm enough to support growth. These are all warm-season crops and planting them too soon could result in the plants' being stunted.

I have been picking some kale, lettuce and other leafy greens. You may continue planting greens for the next six weeks to ensure a continual harvest of fresh greens. Add some pansy, viola or violet blooms to your salads this week for a real treat.

Take time for a garden stroll this week. There is a lot of action in the garden at this time of the year.

## 4-H NEWS

By Stacy Brown  
Martin County Purdue  
Extension Educator

### Upcoming Events

Livestock weigh-ins for the fair have been set for the spring. They will take place at the fairgrounds.

Sheep & Goat-April 30, 9-11 a.m.

Swine-May 7, 9-11 a.m.

Poultry-June 18, 9-11 a.m.

4-H News

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We need volunteers! If you are interested in becoming a volunteer with 4-H, please call or stop by the office.

Jolly Jug Rox 4-H Club Meetings are on the following dates: April 11, May 16, June 7, June 20, and July 7

The meetings are at Hindostan Methodist Church from 6 to 7 p.m.

### Camps and Programs

The following camps, tours, and programs are available for 4-H members. For more information, please call or stop by the office.

4-H Camp – June 6-8. Applications will be available in April. This is for 4-H members in grades 3-8.

4-H Sheep members ages 9-18 can apply to the 2016 Youth Conservation Program. The deadline is April 1. The YCP's goal is to encourage youth to raise breeds of sheep that are not common here in the states, the breeders donate a yearling ewe and promise to mentor the youth for at least one year.

The youth are required to write an essay, the breeders chose the youth from the essay, we all meet at the Maryland Sheep and Wool Festival the first Sunday in May

Perry County Beekeepers to Offer Hive Opening Demonstration

New to beekeeping and want to learn more about how to work a hive? Need tips on identifying the queen and different types of cells? Join Purdue Extension, Perry County and the Perry County Beekeepers for a beekeeping workshop on Tuesday, April 12. The program will begin at 4 p.m. with a hive opening demonstration.

Bill Gibson and other experienced beekeepers will perform a hive opening demonstration at 19680 Old State Road 37 Branchville, 47514 (1.5 miles north of Perry Central High School on old 37). Bring your bee coat and gloves and wear long pants for the hive demonstration. This will include opening a live beehive to see what you should be looking for in your hives.

The hive opening demonstration will be followed by a Q & A session at 6 p.m. at Perry Central School in the FFA building (located next to the baseball field). Please bring a snack to share.

This meeting is free and open to the public. Anyone who has bees or is interested in beekeeping is invited to attend. Please RSVP by April 11 via email to [sdzimian@purdue.edu](mailto:sdzimian@purdue.edu) or call the Purdue Extension Office at 812-547-7084.

## Purdue specialist: Get farm equipment ready for planting

BY EMMA HOPKINS  
Purdue University News Service

To ensure the safest, most efficient planting season possible, tuning up farm machinery can be as important as scouting for weeds, tilling the soil or other spring field operations, a Purdue Extension specialist says.

Robert Stwalley, assistant clinical professor of agricultural and biological engineering, urged producers to get a jump start on vehicle maintenance.

"Early preparation for spring planting is time well-invested," he said. "Instead of wishing for sunnier days and warmer weather, the wise farmer uses the gray and cold times to be ready to hit the fields running when the seasons change."

Well-maintained equipment is also much safer than equipment in disrepair. Stwalley offered these tips for keeping farm machinery in good working order:

\* Clean the equipment: Wash machinery thoroughly with soap and water to remove dirt, chemical build-up, excess grease and plant material. Stwalley noted that some experts even recommend washing machinery between operations in different fields to reduce the chance of chemical or biological contamination from one field to the next. While washing the equipment, farmers should note any necessary repairs or parts that need

to be replaced.

\* Verify functionality: Stwalley said producers should disassemble, clean, inspect and refurbish all seed distribution components on their equipment. He advised making sure each assembly is functioning properly before re-installing it on the planter.

"Seed delivery mechanisms, fertilizer applicators, herbicide nozzles and insecticide distributors are delicate pieces of equipment that perform critical operations during planting season," Stwalley said. "Work across each row and through all applicators on the planter, and treat seed metering and dispensing assemblies as if they were a high-performance carburetor or delicate pocket watch."

\* Calibrate the machine: Each dispensing apparatus on each row must be calibrated. To do this, producers will need to engage all of the distribution mechanisms and run the machine through a calibration course at operational speed. The next step is to count the number of seeds dropped or measure the weight of the dispensed material. This process will help producers determine how to adjust the machine to achieve proper distribution during planting.

\* Verify the correct operation of all planter sensors: Stwalley recommends verifying the proper operation of each row's monitoring system and replacing any malfunctioning components.



### Martin County farm receives distinguished award

State Rep. Mike Braun (R-Jasper) congratulates the Klingle-Doty Farm in Martin County for their designation as a Hoosier Homestead award recipient for 100 years of family farm ownership.

"Indiana agriculture supports nearly 190,000 jobs and contributes more than \$44 billion to the Hoosier economy," Braun said. "Their hard work and dedication in supporting the agriculture industry is greatly appreciated by our community. The Klingle-Doty Farm deserves this recognition."

The Hoosier Homestead Award Program recognizes farms that have been

owned and maintained by the same family for 100 years or more. The Klingle-Doty Farm has been in operation since 1888.

Two awards ceremonies are held each year, in the spring and summer, to commemorate the achievements of farmers across the state. For more information on the Hoosier Homestead Award Program, visit [www.in.gov/isda/2337.htm](http://www.in.gov/isda/2337.htm).

Rep. Braun represents portions of Daviess, Dubois, Pike and Martin counties. Braun serves on the Ways and Means, Roads and Transportation, and Education committees.





By Curt Johnson  
MCCF Executive Director

#### -- FUND TYPES --

In some previous columns I have talked about the five fund types available for MCCF endowments. Can you name them yet? As a refresher, they are (1) the unrestricted funds that address the changing and emerging needs of Martin County, (2) the scholarships for a wide variety of educational choices, (3) the designated funds to provide support to specific charitable organizations, (4) the field of interest funds that address broadly defined areas of concern, and (5) the donor advised funds that allow donors to recommend grants that address those changing and emerging needs in the community.

#### -- MCCF MISSIONS --

In addition to making grants to improve the quality of life for our community, the MCCF missions are to provide a philanthropic vehicle for local donors to help Martin County and to convene resources to find creative solutions to community issues.

#### -- STOP BULLYING FUND --

The "Stop Bullying Fund" is a good example of working with donors to find a way to fund a solution to a community issue. Because the solution required paying for project expenses as they occurred, an endowment fund was not the right answer. So a non-permanent fund was established to enable the payments and successful completion of the DVDs.

#### -- OTHER FUNDING SOURCES --

At the MCCF we also work to stay aware of initiatives and funds available around the state. Oftentimes we can supplement local donations (such as with the recent Lilly Endowment GIFT VI Match program) or bring in funds from outside our County.

By taking advantage of various initiatives and responsibly manag-

ing our endowments, since 1999 the MCCF has secured more than \$10.4 million in benefits to Martin County. The funding sources have been the Lilly Endowment Giving Indiana Funds for Tomorrow (GIFT) programs, the Community Alliance to Promote Education (CAPE) program, the Lilly Endowment Community Scholarship (LECS) program, and the Office of Community and Rural Affairs (OCRA).

#### -- THE IMPACTS --

So apart from the grants and scholarships that are awarded from the local MCCF endowments, these other initiatives have funded such projects as the Martin County Community Building, the renovation of the dilapidated 4-H building in the Martin County Community Learning Center that we have today, the institution of a confidential adult and literacy program called Success and Opportunity at Reading (SOAR), improvement opportunities for our local libraries and schools, and the implementation of K-12 professional development projects in our schools.

Through involvement with our community and developing and maintaining an awareness of local needs, we strive to find initiatives like these that can provide a beneficial impact to Martin County and our quality of life.

#### -- MORE INFORMATION --

For more information about how the MCCF can help meet your philanthropic interests, please contact the MCCF Executive Director, Curt Johnson, at 812-295-1022 or [mccf@cfpartner.org](mailto:mccf@cfpartner.org).

Information is also on our website at [www.cfpartner.org/mccf.htm](http://www.cfpartner.org/mccf.htm) or "liking" the MCCF at [www.facebook.com/mcccommunityfoundation](http://www.facebook.com/mcccommunityfoundation) on Facebook.



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Pictured above is John Lannan, representing the South Central Education Association (SCEA), receiving a check from Curt Johnson (MCCF Executive Director) to support the "Stop Bullying Fund." These funds resulted from a generous donation to the MCCF for a project to address the bullying problems in our local schools. The end result will be professionally developed DVDs, with inspiring and convincing presentations, designed to reduce bullying problems. The DVDs will be provided to local schools at no cost.

## NEWS FROM New Beginnings Community Church By Shirley Canell

Have you heard?

Big GOD things are happening at New Beginnings Community Church, at Maranatha Tabernacle Church and in the town of Loogootee. God is touching hearts and creating a big movement. Many people have felt it. Take a minute to stop and just listen and feel God moving in you.

A couple years ago New Beginnings decided we need to be a church on mission. With that decision the church has gone to Bluefield, Virginia, helped a church there with their back to school backpack ministry; a homeless shelter in Louisville, served lunch to over 100 people, painted walls and shared Jesus; and shared Jesus without fear in Ecuador twice. A third trip to Ecuador is being planned for June. We have seen hearts and lives changed.

Currently, New Beginnings has a ministry in Loogootee to Feed the Children. Every Saturday we make peanut butter and jelly sandwiches, bag them up with chips, a snack cake, a juice box/drink and a piece of fresh fruit. We also include a Bible Story/lesson in each lunch bag. We not only are feeding them physically but spiritually as well. We started the first Saturday of the new school year in 2015. We initially started with 20 lunches, we are currently up to 84 lunches made and delivered. Yes we deliver to the kids. We always talk to the parents first, explain who we are and why we are doing this. Do you know why we do this? Because God told us to. We have received an outpouring of appreciation from the kids, donations from different people. Stores are donating, the delivery guys to local stores when they have extra have donated. Just to name a few first names I know, I can't get them all, Ina, Matt, Monty, Jim, Shirley, Sheila, Barney, Dinkys, random people drop money off at the Print Shop with Ernie: Belinda, Justin, DeAnna, Brooklynn, Phoenix, Teresa, Joe, Penny, Marilyn, IGA, Ruler, Walmart, etc. This ministry is totally nonprofit and 100% of donations go back out to the kids. Donations can be dropped off at the church or with Ernie at Printing Express.

We don't care what their parents may have done in the past, we don't care what their parents may be doing now or not doing now. We are feeding the kids. We welcome any and all donations. I will say jam is easier and more time efficient than jelly. You don't realize the difference that can make until you are making 84 of them. We plan to make more lunches and feed more kids. God is Good. All the Time. God is Good.

Another local ministry we have started since first of the year is a church service in Odon at the Capeheart Manor. Pastor Ernie received a phone call and was told he would have an open door there to share Jesus with the residents. So again we go out to share Jesus without fear. We have this service with them every Sunday at 2 p.m. We have been so welcomed there and loved. We do a praise and worship time, a sermon and snacks after. We have met some great people at Capeheart. The service is open to the public so anyone who wants to attend is very welcome. Second floor community room.

New Beginnings and Maranatha are currently planning a community service on Sunday evenings at 6 p.m. with New

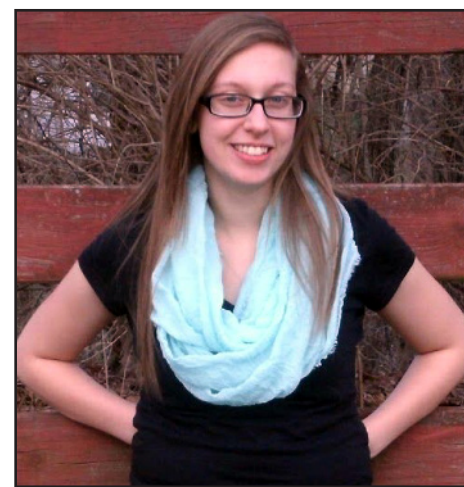
Beginnings praise team leading the worship service. Pastor Duane and Pastor Ernie together sharing Jesus is not something you would want to miss. The Holy Spirit is so present at this service you can feel it. The atmosphere is filled with a continual and constant feeling of God's power. Thank you Maranatha for inviting us and joining with us in our quest to Share Jesus with the world.

If you have any questions concerning any of our ministries please give Pastor Ernie a call at 812-709-0258 or Shirley at 812-709-2525.

Sunday Service at New Beginnings Community Church starts at 10:30 a.m. Sunday morning with awesome Praise and Worship, followed by God's word.

### LOGOOTEER HIGH SCHOOL

### 2016 Senior SPOTLIGHTS



KATLYN ROGERS

Katlyn Rose Rogers is the daughter of Rebecca Nance and Timothy Rogers. While in high school she was in chorus (grades 9-11), did job shadowing (grades 10-11) and was in show choir and was a cadet teacher her senior year. Katlyn plans to attend VU and study social services.



TYLER SIMMONS

Tyler Wayne Simmons is the son of Wesley Simmons. While in high school he was in band all four years, played intramural basketball (grades 10-12), did job shadowing (grade 11) and was an intern (grade 12). He played baseball his senior year. Tyler plans to attend Ivy Tech and major in cyber security.

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## Deadline for May 2015 flooding loan is April 12

The Indiana Department of Homeland Security (IDHS) is reminding Hoosiers that April 12, 2016, is the deadline to apply for a working capital disaster loan. The loans are being offered as a

### Governor signs BMV overhaul bill

Governor Mike Pence last Thursday signed House Enrolled Act (HEA) 1087, which brings consistency and predictability to the Bureau of Motor Vehicles' (BMV) procedures and transactions. The governor signed the bill in a public ceremony at the Greenwood BMV.

"I challenged the Bureau of Motor Vehicles to ensure the back office works as well as the front office, and today we've made great progress in doing just that as we sign into law House Enrolled Act 1087," said Governor Pence. "My administration has always made cutting red tape and improving government efficiency a priority. True to that mission, I'm proud to sign this bill into law today to cut 163 user fees and streamline operations to better serve Hoosiers across the state. Today, we're turning a new corner at the Indiana Bureau of Motor Vehicles."

This legislation simplifies the provisions of Indiana Code that govern the BMV, streamlines registrations and driver's licenses and reduces complexity within the overall fee structure.

When these laws go into effect on Jan-

uary 1, customers will notice the following changes, among others:

The U.S. Small Business Administration's (SBA) disaster declaration includes the following counties: Adams,

Allen, Bartholomew, Benton, Black-

ford, Boone, Brown, Carroll, Cass, Clark, Clay, Clinton, Crawford, Daviess, Dearborn, Decatur, DeKalb, Delaware, Dubois, Elkhart, Fayette, Floyd, Fountain, Franklin, Fulton, Gibson, Grant, Greene, Hamilton, Hancock, Harrison, Hendricks, Henry, Howard, Huntington, Jackson, Jasper, Jay, Jefferson, Jennings, Johnson, Knox, Kosciusko, Lake, LaPorte, Lawrence, Madison, Marion, Martin, Marshall, Miami, Monroe, Montgomery, Morgan, Newton, Noble, Ohio, Orange, Owen, Parke, Pike, Porter, Posey, Pulaski, Putnam, Randolph, Ripley, Rush, Scott, Shelby, St. Joseph, Starke, Sullivan, Switzerland, Tippecanoe, Tipton, Union, Vanderburgh, Vermillion, Vigo, Wabash, Warren, Warrick, Washington, Wayne, Wells, White and Whitley in Indiana.

-Reduction or elimination of 163 fees

-Reduction of ways to register a vehicle from 191 to 23.

-A consolidation of vehicle-related weight classes from 21 to 8.

-Establishment of a one-time fee for a motorcycle endorsement that never has to be renewed, saving Hoosier riders money.

"This is a historically significant step towards transformational change at the BMV and fundamentally changes how our agency conducts transactions for customers," said BMV Commissioner Kent Abernathy. "Work on this bill was a tremendous bipartisan effort. I would like to thank Governor Mike Pence and his staff, Rep. Ed Soliday, Sen. Carlin Yoder, and Sen. Jim Arnold for their leadership and for giving the BMV the statutory tools needed to make the back office run as well as the front office."

More information about HEA 1087 and the changes taking at the BMV can be found on the "BMV Improvement Page" at [www.myBMV.com](http://www.myBMV.com).

Severe weather and flooding devastated many parts of the state in May 2015 and Hoosiers are encouraged to apply for the working capital disaster loan if the flooding caused any damages.

Under this declaration, the SBA's Economic Injury Disaster Loan program is available to eligible farm-related and non-farm-related entities that suffered financial losses as a direct result of this disaster. With the exception of aquaculture enterprises, SBA cannot provide disaster loans to agricultural producers, farmers or ranchers.

The loan amount can be up to \$2 million with interest rates of 2.625 percent for private nonprofit organizations and 4 percent for small businesses, with terms up to 30 years. The SBA determines eligibility based on the size of the applicant, type of activity and its financial resources. Loan amounts and terms are set by the SBA and are based on each applicant's financial condition. These working capital loans may be used to pay fixed debts, payroll, accounts payable, and other bills that could have been paid had the disaster not occurred. The loans are not intended to replace lost sales or profits.

Applicants may apply online using the Electronic Loan Application (ELA) via SBA's secure website at <https://disasterloan.sba.gov/ela>.

Disaster loan information and application forms may also be obtained by calling the SBA's Customer Service Center at 800-659-2955 (800-877-8339 for the deaf and hard-of-hearing) or by sending an email to [disastercustomer-service@sba.gov](mailto:disastercustomer-service@sba.gov). Loan applications can be downloaded from [www.sba.gov/disaster](http://www.sba.gov/disaster). Completed applications should be mailed to: U.S. Small Business Administration, Processing and Disbursement Center, 14925 Kingsport Road, Fort Worth, TX 76155. Completed loan applications must be returned to SBA no later than April 12, 2016.

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