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## Resident wants to close old county road, highway dept talks about bridges, grant

BY COURTNEY HUGHETT  
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The Martin County Commissioners met Tuesday, April 10

Kathy Lagenour came before the commissioners to discuss the closing of old county road that is also used as her driveway. She's lived there for 45 years. The old county road, off Emmons Ridge Road, is an unimproved county road with trees growing on it and an original name of the road was not found. Lagenour said she recently put her home on the market and the realtor has an issue with her driveway being a non-vacated county road because it will cause issues with anyone trying to get funding to purchase the property. She said there are no other landowners on the road and she is the only one who uses it however the road does go into Dubois County, where it is maintained and does have residents living on it. She only wants the Martin County portion closed. County Attorney Dave Lett will investigate the issue and follow the proper procedure to close a portion of the road.

Kevin Meyer, RQAW, came before the commissioners to introduce Randall Brooks and Lisa Casler, from the firm. Brooks and Casler informed the commissioners of their duties at RQAW and how they can assist the county in the future, if the commissioners are interested in their services. The commissioners

thanked RQAW for attending the meeting.

Highway Superintendent Leo Padgett asked if the commissioners were planning to do some roads and some bridges in the next round of the Community Crossings grant instead of just roads. Commissioner Paul George said he thought they would have to do it that way and not all blacktopping.

Tim Hunt, with HWC, talked about the changes coming to the grant. He said INDOT is refiguring the grant to be more like federal aid. New rules will apply to the next cycle and it will become more cumbersome, according to Hunt. The grant is still capped at \$1 million again and match money of 20 percent will be required.

It was discussed that the roads that were not funded this time, due to the county not getting the full amount of the grant they applied for, those roads will move to the top of the list for next cycle. The commissioners plan to work with Padgett to get a plan together.

Padgett also submitted pictures of several roads with culvert issues.

The highway department will seek quotes for bridge projects on Beard Road, Mt. Pleasant Road, Hindostan Road and Deep Cut Lake Road.

The department will also purchase ten high water signs. Discussion ensued on whether it is against the law for someone to drive through high  
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## Shoals School makes changes after 59 kindergarteners sign up

The Shoals School Board met April 12. Board members present were President Dianna Ragsdale, Vice President Eva George, Secretary Jenell Hoffman and members Bill Bauer and Drexel Turpin. Staff in attendance included High School Principal Kindra Hovis, Middle School Principal Austin Malone, Elementary Principal Shannon Waggoner, 5<sup>th</sup> grade teacher Becca Harmon, 2<sup>nd</sup> grade teacher Janie Johnson, Superintendent Dr. Roush and Corporation Secretary Miranda Beaver. Public in attendance included Angela Cook, Shane Sizemore and Joe Timbrook.

Patron Angela Cook spoke to say how thankful and wonderful that the e-learning day was. She felt it was a huge success. She asked the board to consider giving the students one more e-learning day this year.

The CEO of the Lawrence Economic Growth Council, Shane Sizemore, introduced Joe Timbrook as a guest presenter for the board. Joe Timbrook is the Director of Career Development for the Lawrence County Growth Council. He presented on three goals to increase the number of qualified workers to fill employment positions in the region. The new focus of the career center will be as follows: 1. Prepare all students for careers while in high school. 2. Increase post-secondary attainment. 3. Increase adult education and training programs, certifications and employment. There will be some surveys going out to local community members, students, parents and school staff, so please fill out the surveys if you see one come to you.

There were two fundraiser requests this month. Miranda Beaver presented a dance team request for a Mom's Night Out Fundraiser on May 19 and Audrey Gibson presented the Class of 2022 a Mums Sale from Zach Eichmiller starting September 24, 2018 and ending October 8, 2018. The board approved both fundraisers.

Donations were approved from Citizens Bank in the amount of \$200 to the Future Lego League and by Bill Whorral of his latest book to the senior class to be handed out at graduation.

Amber Campbell resigned from the first shift custodian position and Tracy Jones resigned from the swing shift custodian.

A recommendation of James Hardesty as the swing shift custodian was given by the Maintenance Director Doug Waggoner. The board approved.

The board approved summer cleaning recommendations for employment: Lead – Miranda Albright; Staff – Kelsey Sellers, Anita Letterman, Sabra Bough, Larry Jones, Josh Neideffer, James Hardesty, Pam McCarty; Subs – Louton Hager, Lexus Bussell, Tracy Jones, Jessica Ryan, Nici Key, Sam Hembree, Alisha Troutman, Ashley Albright, Lori Albright, Aaron Lents, and Dalton Parr.

The superintendent recommended a 1-6 grade volleyball club led by volunteers, Becca Harmon (1-6) and Alyssa

Fithian (1-3). The board approved.

Middle School Principal Austin Malone recommended Raysha Winger as the middle school Student Council sponsor. The board approved.

Mike Cooper submitted his resignation as the JBL Volunteer Coach for grades 1-4. A request for permission to post the volunteer position of JBL Coach for 1-4 grade was made by the athletic director. The board approved.

The board approved a request from Road Star Driving to conduct driver's education classes over the summer with Scott Fishback as the instructor was presented to the board.

Three policies had first readings and will have a second reading with vote at the May meeting. A two-hour minimum Bus Driver Policy, Revision of the 8000 series of School Board policy series and a reading of the new McKinney-Vento District Plan 2018 (Homeless Liaison Policy) were given.

A facility usage request was given by Church of the Cross to use the school parking lot and gym, if there is inclement weather, on Wednesdays starting April 11-May 16, 2018. A motion was made by Dianna Ragsdale to accept the request with the stipulations of; proper Certificate of Liability Insurance on file and a designated representative in charge of signing members in and out of the walking session if there is a need for use of the gym. A second was given by Drexel Turpin and a 3-0-2 vote was given. Jenell Hoffman and Bill Bauer abstained due to church membership.

The athletic director requested an All American Volleyball Camp on June 20-June 23. Bryson Abel, as head basketball coach, requested to host the Midwest Elite Basketball Camp from June 11-June 13. The board approved both requests.

A first reading of the updated job description for the cafeteria assistant manager was distributed to the board. A vote will be made on the changes in May.

The Shoals Parent Association (SPA) requested to hold a hobby/craft show on November 3, 2018. SPA requested facility usage of the high school gym, auxiliary gym, and concession stand as well on November 3, 2018. The board approved.

The reports from building principals started with High School Principal Kindra Hovis. Mrs. Hovis spoke highly of eight students that attended the Crane Science Fair on March 21 even though it was a snow day. Junior Olivia Stoll was presented a \$2,000 scholarship that day. Mrs. Hovis extends her thanks to the Band Boosters, community members, Mr. Weitkamp and the local businesses of Shoals for all of their help and financial support in making the band Florida trip a success. The students are still talking about it. The Culinary Arts teacher, Audrey Gibson, had students making homemade dog treats for the humane society this first part of April and this week they are baking potatoes for the senior citizens  
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## First hotel at WestGate@Crane Technology Park to break ground

Construction of a 72-unit hotel, the first at WestGate@Crane Technology Park, will get underway with a groundbreaking ceremony 2 p.m. Wednesday at Progress Pointe.

The hotel will combine both a Sleep Inn, which caters primarily to guests planning shorter stays, and a Mainstay for extended stay guests. The facility will be built at the intersection of U.S. 231 and County Road 800 South, directly west of Battery Innovation Center.

"We are thrilled to have Mike and Debbie Hicks establish the first hotel in WestGate@Crane Technology Park," says Brienne Jerrels, executive director for Greene County Economic Development Corporation. "This new hotel will serve the park, the tens of thousands of people that attend various events at WestGate Academy each year, the BIC's global clientele and initiatives, NSWC Crane and the greater southern Indiana region along the Interstate 69 Corridor."

Mike Hicks said the hotel will employ more than 20 people and will enhance tourism opportunities for sur-

rounding counties. He said combining both brands, part of the larger Choice Hotels brand, will satisfy the diverse, overnight accommodations needed for this location. Both will share common areas such as the parking lot, indoor pool, lobby and eating facility.

Both will feature meeting space, business center, free Wi-Fi, fitness center and complimentary hot breakfast.

"This hotel is conveniently located at WestGate and will also provide lodging for the community," Hicks said. "We'll be able to serve anyone from government employees to families traveling for local athletic tournaments."

Mike and Debbie Hicks also own the Comfort Suites in French Lick and Legend of French Lick.

The hotel at Westgate will be an integral part of the Greene County Redevelopment Commission project, including proposed sites for restaurants, office space and other businesses. There will be a reception at WestGate Academy following the groundbreaking.

# SHOALS

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center. Jeff Gee has a higher level English class that is working on a project entitled, The Life of a Teenager. This project is a book with each chapter written by a different student. Guidance Counselor Jessica Hert is pulling in all the students to individually put their own schedules together for the upcoming school year. There will be some shifting of teachers next year to help make the middle school and high school more established. Mr. Gee and Mr. Holt will be moving to the high school and Mrs. Flynn will be joining the middle school. The honors program was discussed and there will be a 9-11 awards program during the day and seniors will have their own honors night and a possible banquet. During the last day of school, the staff is currently working towards a Field Day for the high school-aged kids. Bill Willis will be coming to present the Liberty program once again. This is the 17<sup>th</sup> year for the program and Shoals has been a part of it every year. He will speak on the Declaration of Independence and the Constitution. Important days upcoming, April 18 Project Safe Prom, April 21 Prom, May 3 Spring Concert, May 3-4 Special Education Field Day and May 10 a Behind the Scenes Holiday World Experience.

Elementary Principal Shannon Waggoner reported a 97.92 percent attendance rate in the elementary. Kindergarten round up was a success with 57 students registering. This year, they held pre-K enrollment on the same day and have a full class of 20 students registered. The elementary book fair is in full swing, family night was Thursday night from 5:30-7:30 pm and the library has already raised a significant amount this year. Student Daigen McCarty approached the school nurse a few months ago about a possible fundraiser for the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation. The two ran with it and set

## RESIDENT

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water when a sign is posted and the road is temporarily closed. Attorney Lett said that the county doesn't have an ordinance in place to ticket for such an event. A member of the audience, who previously served as a county commissioner, said that they charged residents if emergency personnel were called out to help someone trapped in high water. The commissioners considered this but made no formal decision.

The commissioners told Highway Superintendent Padgett to pick a decal for the department's trucks and order the amount needed.

The commissioners voted to hire Jeremy Grogan as a full-time operator w/CDL for the highway department. Commissioner Kevin Boyd abstained from voting due to conflict of interest.

Attorney Lett opened the one bid received for the repair of bridge #58, on Brickyard Road, from CLR for \$42,325. The commissioners approved the bid contingent upon Attorney Lett and Superintendent Padgett approving the bid documents. The repairs to be done by CLR will extend the life of the bridge for a few more years until the county can apply for federal aid to have it replaced.

Steve McClure, with the Martin County Ambulance Service, informed the commissioners of cameras placed on all ambulances. McClure said insurance was the main reason behind the cameras being installed but it is

a goal of \$500. Daigen himself raised over \$500 and in total, the elementary students raised over \$2,000. Way to go Daigen! The Junior Lego League for 2<sup>nd</sup> grade has started meeting weekly with the Future Lego League. Field Trips for the end of the Year are as follows: 5<sup>th</sup> grade – The Warehouse April 13, 1<sup>st</sup> grade – Wonder Lab Museum of Science April 27, 3<sup>rd</sup> grade – Lincoln Boyhood National Memorial April 27, Special Track and Field Day May 3 – 4 and the Special Education Holiday World Trip May 9. The IREAD has been completed and ISTEP Part 2 will start on Monday April 16 and run to Friday May 4. Paper and Pencil ISTEP will close on May 2.

Middle School Principal Austin Malone reported a slight decrease in attendance, but all grade levels are hovering around 95 percent. Once again ISTEP will start on April 16. The schedules for ISTEP and the Quiet Please posters have been posted. IREAD 3 scores have been released to the school but are still embargoed. IREAD 3 Remediation will begin very soon and will end this summer. IREAD 3 summer testing begins June 4. Midterms for the 4<sup>th</sup> nine weeks will be May 4. A huge thanks goes to Dr. Roush for the opportunity to get to take the students to Loogootee for the Get Schooled presentation. The middle school will also have an awards day during the day with a 'Bon Voyage' type ceremony for the 8<sup>th</sup> graders. The LUNCHpreneurs and beyond have come up with the idea for middle school Student Council. Mr. Malone would like to extend a huge thank you to Mary Ellen Baker, Cassie Phillips, Sharon Garsnett and Heidi Hoffman for all of their ISTEP help. Also, a thank you to all the teachers for enduring his rookie season of being the testing coordinator.

Superintendent Dr. Candace Roush reported on the following. The e-learning day was successful and the school

also helps the ambulance service with potential theft and with patients who may have false allegations. The cameras are not wireless therefore preventing data from being hacked. The only way the cameras will be reviewed is if there is a complaint or accident involving the ambulance. McClure also noted that the ambulance service spoke with a lawyer and there is no HIPAA (patient privacy) violation. He wanted the public to be aware that the camera video will not be posted on the internet and he is the sole keyholder of the cameras.

Stacy Brown, Extension Educator, informed the commissioners that she had turned in her resignation to Purdue last week and that her last day would be Friday. She thanked the commissioners for all their support and their commitment to the 4-H program. Brown said that no interim educator has been named yet. The commissioners commented that they hope one is named prior to the fair.

Brown will be going to Indiana University to work in the Office of First Year Experience.

The commissioners approved Lois Brett, Kenneth Fuhrman and Larry Fellers to the PTABOA (Property Tax Assessment Board of Appeals).

Commissioner George reported that absentee voting began April 10 and will end on May 7.

The next commissioners' meeting will be held Tuesday, April 24 at 5:30 p.m.

had 98.4 percent of the elementary students complete their assignment as well as 96 percent of the 6<sup>th</sup> grade, 99 percent of the 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade, and 94 percent of the high school.

This summer they will be waxing the floors and painting in the primary classrooms.

The state is allowing schools to transition over to the new graduation pathways option which will allow a few of Shoals students to graduate with a diploma that would not have received a diploma under the old guidelines.

Mimi Hawkins will be moving to kindergarten next year because they have a large incoming class of kindergartners and they will need three sections. Rebecca Harmon will teach 4<sup>th</sup> grade and Jill Holt will teach 5<sup>th</sup> grade. They are looking at adding a new AP Government class, a new Project Lead the Way medical class, a new class that teaches students about adult roles and responsibilities, and a new technology class for students called the "Chromebook Hut" where students will learn how to offer Chromebook technical support. They are very excited about all of these new changes.

They have had some requests come in for the school to offer child care for preschool students next year since preschool is only a half-day program. The

## Martin County Sheriff's Office warns of distracted driving dangers, offers tips

April is National Distracted Driving Awareness Month, and the Martin County Sheriff's Office reminds everyone it is illegal to type, transmit or read e-mail or text messages on a communication device while driving. Police in most states may now write traffic tickets for texting while driving.

"Distraction is one of the most common, preventable causes of crashes," said Sergeant Keith Keller. "It takes your eyes, hands or focus away from the road, putting yourself and others in harm's way."

In 2016, an estimated 3,450 people were killed and 391,000 were injured in traffic crashes involving distraction. These injuries and deaths are preventable.

### Types of distraction

Distraction on our roads takes many forms. Distracted driving includes eating, reading, grooming, applying makeup, watching videos or interacting with passengers. Pedestrians and cyclists can be distracted too.

Mobile devices and in-car electronics can now do more than ever – make calls, exchange text messages, provide navigation and entertain passengers – but this complexity takes our eyes off the road for longer. This on-the-go access also causes some to expect quick responses to phone calls and text messages. Hands-free devices and car mounts are safer, but they still distract your eyes, hands or brain.

Sending or receiving one text message takes your eyes off the road a total of 4.6 seconds. At 55 mph, that's like driving the length of a football field blindfolded.

### Tips and advice

The Indiana Criminal Justice Institute offers the following tips:

-Keep your eyes and concentration on the road and both hands on the wheel.

-Watch for distracted drivers and anticipate they may stop or change lanes suddenly.

-Set a good example and make a public pledge to avoid distractions on the road.

childcare would allow the children to stay on campus for the full day which would help parents with transportation issues. The school is looking into that possibility for next year.

Some bus drivers have asked about the possibility of spreading their paychecks out over 26 pay periods so that they would receive a paycheck during the summer. The school is looking into that option for the 2018-2019 school year.

The old computer lab in the high school has been completely cleaned out and the weight room equipment has been moved in the room to offer a larger space for the students to lift weights.

The school resource officers have been working out really well for the school and they have not had any issues. Everyone seems really happy to have them in our school and the students are very welcoming toward them.

The school is looking into the possibility offering summer school during the 2019 summer. This summer will be used to gather information and visit other schools that offer summer school to see if it is a possibility for Shoals. It would be a great way to help offer struggling students more support before they move to the next grade level.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

-Before leaving, remove all temptations to check notifications or answer calls. Turn off your smartphone, put it out of reach and/or enable Do Not Disturb features.

-Record a custom voicemail greeting that says you do not answer calls or return messages while on the road.

-Give a trusted passenger access to your phone and ask him or her to be your "designated" texter, caller, navigator and DJ.

-If you must make or answer a call or text message while traveling, turn off the road at the first safe location.

-Wait to call or text someone you know is on the road.

-Speak up if the driver in your car is distracted.

-Share the statistics, dangers and your concerns with friends, family members and neighbors.

-Parents can sign a contract with their teen drivers defining rules and consequences.

-Employers may enact stronger policies involving company vehicles or company-issued smartphones.

## ANIMAL SHELTER Pet of the Week



**SOPHIE is a female hound mix, 2-3 years old, very sweet, up to date on shots and tested negative for heartworms. Adoption fee is \$40. 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](http://www.humanesocietyofmartincounty.org).**

# Obituaries

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## SUE GENSEMER

Sue Doane Gensemer passed away peacefully in her sleep during the early morning of April 13, following a battle with cancer and years of health issues. A resident of Shoals, she was 74.

Sue approached her illness the same way she approached life – with fire, fight and humor. She will be remembered for her fierce loyalty, staunch work ethic, resolute honesty, quick wit, warm smile and unstoppable spirit.

An intimate gathering of remembrance was held April 14, preceding a Celebration of Life to occur on what would have been her 75th birthday, in August.

Sue is survived by her longtime partner, Char Sandel; daughter, Donetta Ridge of Fountain Valley, California; son, Charles Gensemer IV of Mendota, California; granddaughter, Destiny Gensemer Sibert of Boston, Massachusetts; brother, Dee Doane of Bedford; and many loving, extended family members.

In lieu of flowers, her family asks memorial donations be made to SouthernCare Hospice Services or the Susan G Komen Foundation.

## DOROTHY LENGACHER

Dorothy Lengacher passed away at 12:49 p.m. Tuesday, April 10, 2018 at Good Samaritan Hospital. A resident of Montgomery, she was 86.

She was born October 18, 1931; daughter of the late Daniel and Elizabeth (Knepp) Swartzentruber.

She was a charter member of Bethel Mennonite Church. She was a loving wife, mother, grandmother and grand-

ma great.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Daniel and Elizabeth Swartzentruber; three great-grandchildren; brothers, Alvin Swartzentruber, Brian Joe Swartzentruber, and Abraham Swartzentruber, who passed in infancy.

She is survived by her husband of 67 years, Wilmer Lengacher, whom she married July 27, 1950; her children, Janet (Mervin) Swartzentruber of Cannelburg, Linda (Aaron) Swartzentruber of Odon, Sue (Darrell) Stoll, Terry (Sharon) Lengacher, Rick (Kathi) Lengacher, all of Montgomery, and Lori (Donald) Mann of Loogootee; 13 grandchildren and 20 great-grandchildren; siblings, Anna Marie Graber, Lillie Wagler, Melvin (Mary) Swartzentruber, Verda Stoll, Rose Kidwell, Dennie (Patsy) Swartzentruber, Herbert Swartzentruber, Jeanie Miller, Darrell (Melanie) Swartzentruber and Lorene (Willis) Wagler.

Funeral services were conducted Friday, April 13 at Bethel Mennonite Church. Burial followed in the church cemetery.

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

## MARCIA MATTINGLY

Marcia (Sutton) Mattingly passed away April 16, 2018. A resident of New Palestine, she was 74.



She was born November 22, 1943, in Loogootee; daughter of Luther Sutton and Oskell (Burris) Sutton. She later met and married her husband, Dale Mattingly on September 26, 1964, and they have been happily married

for many years. After completing her education, she worked as an import and export specialist for RCA, until the time of her retirement.

Marcia had many joys in life, she enjoyed crossword puzzles, watching NASCAR, sewing, knitting, crocheting, playing cards, and bowling with friends, she was considered by those who knew her as a gourmet cook, and found the most joy in the time she spent raising and caring for her family, especially her grandchildren who will all miss her very much.

In addition to her husband, Marcia is survived by her daughter, Denise (Charles) Snyder; son, Michael (Cathy) Mattingly; seven grandchildren, Sean, Heather, Mitchel, Emily, Allison, Max, and Marilyn; three sisters, Georgia

Harris, Nona Ann (Kenny) Bradley, and Nancy Lynn Sutton; as well as one brother, Mac (Laura) Sutton.

She was preceded in death by her parents; two sisters, Marilyn and Rosalie; her brother, Danny; sister-in-law, Margie Sutton; and brother-in-law, Dallas Harris.

Funeral services will be held Thursday, April 19 at 2 p.m. at Hendryx Mortuary- New Palestine Chapel, 19 East Main St., New Palestine, IN, 46163. Friends may visit from 1 p.m. until the time of service.

Memorial contributions may be made in Marcia's memory to the charitable organization of the donor's choice. Online condolences may be made to [www.hendryxmortuary.com](http://www.hendryxmortuary.com) or to the Hendryx Mortuaries' Facebook page.

## Spring Clean-up is May 4 and 5

The Martin County Solid Waste Management District will host the Spring Clean-up on Friday, May 4 and Saturday, May 5.

The hours for Friday, May 4 are 9 a.m.-5 p.m. and Saturday, May 5 from 8:30 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. This is an opportunity for all citizens in Martin County to clean out the house, garages, attics and yards of rubbish.

The recycling center will accept all of that stuff that cannot be picked up on the curb, such as mattresses, furniture, appliances, carpeting and other bulky items.

They will not accept yard waste and construction materials, such as dry-wall, bricks, blocks, trees and branches.

It is requested that items the center does accept for recycling be separated instead of disposing in the trash boxes. Items to separate for recycling are cardboard, newspaper, magazines and catalogues, all paper, tin and steel cans, metal clothes hangers, aluminum cans, all plastic bottles, plastic grocery

bags, hard back, paper back books and clean clothing and household textiles. They will also accept scrap metals such as fencing, satellite dishes, lawn mowers and bicycles. All scrap metals will be recycled.

The recycling center is located just off of Hwy. 50 East in Loogootee. For more information, you may call 295-4142.

The cost is \$10 per pick-up truck load. Extra charges are: Freon containing appliances \$25 each, tires, auto and small truck are \$4 each, if they are on a rim it is another dollar; farm tractor tires are \$80 each; paint and paint products are \$1 per can, up to a gallon size, over a gallon is \$1 per gallon. (A five-gallon can is \$5); electronics, anything that plugs into a wall for power, will be collected and sent out to be recycled. So please sort these items out from your trash. Monitors and televisions have an extra charge of .29 cents a pound. (this charge covers shipping)

Please bring your own help to unload your truck.

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## Martin County Sheriff's Department log

### MONDAY, APRIL 9

7:21 a.m. - Received a report of an accident south of Shoals. Captain Dant responded.

9:44 a.m. - Captain Dant assisted with a funeral procession in Loogootee.

10:25 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Shoals. Martin County Ambulance and Shoals Fire Department responded.

10:37 a.m. - Received a report of reckless driving on US Hwy 50, east of Shoals. Captain Dant responded.

11:30 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance and Loogootee Fire Department responded.

1:40 p.m. - Received a report of a missing dog west of Shoals.

2:29 p.m. - Received a report of a domestic dispute south of Shoals. Sergeant Keller responded.

4:39 p.m. - Received a report of reckless driving on US Hwy 50, east of Shoals. Sergeant Keller responded.

6:20 p.m. - Received a request for a welfare check in Shoals. Sergeant Keller responded. Everything checked out okay.

### TUESDAY, APRIL 10

3:12 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Shoals. Martin County Ambulance and Shoals Fire Department responded.

6:56 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Shoals. Martin County Ambulance responded.

8:52 a.m. - Captain Dant took two inmates to court.

9:10 a.m. - Received an animal complaint south of Loogootee. Animal Control Officer Hughett responded.

9:45 a.m. - Received a report of a suspicious person in Loogootee. Loogootee Chief Rayhill responded. Everything checked out okay.

9:47 a.m. - Received a request for officer assistance in Shoals. Chief Deputy Greene responded.

9:58 a.m. - Captain Dant took three inmates to court.

10:11 a.m. - Received a report of a theft in Shoals. Sheriff Roush responded.

10:53 a.m. - Captain Dant took two inmates to court.

12:17 p.m. - Received a report of reckless driving on US Hwy 231, south of Loogootee. Sergeant Keller and ISP Trooper Beaver responded.

12:30 p.m. - Received a report of vandalism north of Shoals. Sergeant Keller responded.

12:55 p.m. - Captain Dant took three inmates to court.

1:54 p.m. - Captain Dant took one inmate to court.

3:15 p.m. - Received an animal complaint in Loogootee. Animal Control Officer Hughett responded.

5:05 p.m. - Received an animal complaint in Shoals. Animal Control Officer Hughett responded.

6:26 p.m. - Received a request for lift assistance west of Shoals. Shoals Fire Department and Martin County Ambulance responded.

### WEDNESDAY, APRIL 11

8:08 a.m. - Received a racoon complaint west of Shoals. Indiana Conservation Officer Doane responded.

9:43 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance south of Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded.

10:40 a.m. - Received a report of a controlled burn in Shoals.

11:27 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance east of Shoals. Martin County Ambulance, Shoals Fire Department, and ISP Trooper Beaver responded.

11:29 a.m. - Received a report of a domestic dispute north of Loogootee. ISP Troopers Lents and Beaver responded.

12:55 p.m. - Received a report of reckless driving on US Hwy 231, south of Loogootee. Loogootee Chief Rayhill responded.

2:03 p.m. - Received a report of loose horses west of Shoals. Captain Dant and ISP Trooper Beaver responded.

2:58 p.m. - Received a request for a vehicle identification check in Shoals. Chief Deputy Greene responded.

3:30 p.m. - Received a request for a golf cart registration check in Loogootee. Loogootee Chief Rayhill responded.

4:54 p.m. - Major Burkhardt assisted a motorist in Loogootee.

5:35 p.m. - Received a report of a civil dispute in Loogootee. Major Burkhardt responded.

5:43 p.m. - Received an animal complaint in Loogootee. Animal Control Officer Hughett responded.

8:09 p.m. - Major Burkhardt assisted a motorist in Shoals.

8:34 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Shoals. Martin County Ambulance, Shoals Fire Department, and Major Burkhardt responded. Martin County Ambulance transported one subject to Daviess Community Hospital.

### THURSDAY, APRIL 12

12:03 a.m. - Received a report of a domestic dispute in Loogootee. Deputy Shinn, ISP Trooper McBeth, and Loogootee Officer McBeth responded.

7:29 a.m. - Received a report of a scheduled road closure in Loogootee.

7:41 a.m. - Received a report of a theft in Loogootee. Loogootee Captain Hennessee responded.

8:25 a.m. - Received a report of loose cattle south of Loogootee. Captain Dant responded.

8:40 a.m. - Received an animal complaint in Loogootee. Animal Control Officer Hughett responded.

11:17 a.m. - Sergeant Keller assisted a motorist on US Hwy 50, west of Shoals.

11:17 a.m. - Loogootee Chief Rayhill assisted a motorist in Loogootee.

2:15 p.m. - Received an animal complaint in Shoals. Animal Control Officer Hughett responded.

2:22 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded and transported one subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

3:12 p.m. - Received a report of hit-and-run in Shoals. Major Burkhardt, Captain Dant, Sheriff Roush, and Chief Deputy Greene responded.

3:18 p.m. - Captain Dant assisted a motorist in Loogootee.

6:06 p.m. - Received a report of downed power lines north of Shoals. Deputy Wright, Williams Fire Department, and Daviess-Martin REMC responded.

6:25 p.m. - Received a report of an accident in Shoals. Shoals Town Marshal Eckert responded.

8:20 p.m. - Received a request for a welfare check west of Shoals. Deputy Shinn responded. Everything checked out okay.

11:07 p.m. - Received a request for a welfare check in Loogootee. Loogootee Officer Floyd and Deputy Shinn responded. Everything checked out okay.

### FRIDAY, APRIL 13

2:34 a.m. - Received a report of a domestic dispute in Shoals. Deputy Shinn and Loogootee Officer Floyd responded.

5:38 a.m. - Received a report of a theft in Loogootee. Loogootee Officer Floyd, Loogootee Officer McBeth, and Deputy Shinn responded.

10:11 a.m. - Sheriff Roush unlocked a vehicle for a motorist in Shoals.

10:13 a.m. - Received a request for welfare check in Loogootee. Loogootee Officer McBeth responded. Everything checked out okay.

10:30 a.m. - Received a report of a metal in the roadway on US Hwy 231, south of Loogootee. Chief Deputy Greene, Indiana State Police, and Indiana Department of Transportation responded.

12:43 p.m. - Received a report of road closure in Loogootee.

12:47 p.m. - Received a report of a theft in Loogootee. Loogootee Officer McBeth responded.

12:56 p.m. - Received a report of an accident north of Shoals. Chief Deputy Greene responded.

1:22 p.m. - Sheriff Roush assisted a motorist north of Loogootee.

2:05 p.m. - Received a request for assistance from Shoals Fire Department in Mitchell. Shoals Fire Department responded.

2:24 p.m. - Major Burkhardt completed a vehicle identification check in Shoals.

2:55 p.m. - Loogootee Officer McBeth completed vehicle identification check in Loogootee.

4:00 p.m. - Received a report of a civil dispute in Crane. Deputy Shinn responded.

6:46 p.m. - Received an animal complaint in Loogootee. Animal Control Officer Hughett responded.

7:00 p.m. - Received a report of reckless driving on US Hwy 50, east of Shoals. Major Burkhardt responded.

8:36 p.m. - Received a noise complaint in Loogootee. Loogootee Officer Floyd responded.

9:35 p.m. - Received a report of a civil dispute in Loogootee. Major Burkhardt responded.

10:42 p.m. - Received a report of possible impaired driver in Shoals. Major Burkhardt, Deputy Shinn, ISP Trooper Miller, ISP Trooper McBeth, and Shoals Town Marshal Eckert responded.

### SATURDAY, APRIL 14

12:01 a.m. - Received a report of suspicious activity in Shoals. Shoals Town Marshal Eckert responded. Everything checked out okay.

12:14 a.m. - Received a report of domestic dispute in Loogootee. Loogootee Officer Floyd, Deputy Shinn, and Reserve Deputy Harmon responded.

5:00 a.m. - Received a noise complaint in Loogootee. Loogootee Officer Floyd responded.

9:10 a.m. - Received a report of a civil dispute in Loogootee. Sergeant Keller responded.

10:33 a.m. - Received a report of an accident on US Hwy 550, south of Shoals. Sergeant Keller responded.

11:29 a.m. - Received a report of suspicious vehicle in Shoals. Sergeant Keller responded.

12:19 p.m. - Sergeant Keller completed vehicle identification check north of Shoals.

2:56 p.m. - Received a report of a tree blocking US 231, north of Loogootee. Loogootee Fire, State Highway, REMC, Sergeant Keller, Reserve Deputy Kidwell, and Martin County Ambulance responded.

4:10 p.m. - Received a report of an accident in Shoals. Sergeant Keller, Reserve Deputy Kidwell, LPD Officer McBeth, and ISP Trooper Johnson responded.

4:15 p.m. - Received a report of a tree down on US 150, east of Shoals. Shoals Fire responded.

### SUNDAY, APRIL 15

1:43 a.m. - Received an alarm call in Loogootee. Loogootee Sergeant Norris responded and all was okay.

8:50 a.m. - Received a report that the road at McBride's Bluff had caved in. Sergeant Keller and County Highway Superintendent Padgett responded.

11:22 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance near Shoals. Shoals Fire and Martin County Ambulance responded. The subject was transported to Daviess Community Hospital.

1:40 p.m. - Received an animal complaint in Shoals. Animal Control Officer Hughett responded.

3:24 p.m. - Received an alarm call east of Loogootee. Sergeant Keller and Loogootee Officer McBeth responded. All was okay.

5:05 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance transported the subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

5:33 p.m. - Received an animal complaint in Shoals. Town Marshal Eckert and Animal Control Officer Hughett responded.

5:42 p.m. - Sergeant Keller and Loogootee Officer McBeth assisted the Daviess County Sheriff's Office on a detail involving a break-in.

6:58 p.m. - Deputy Reed assisted a motorist near Shoals.

7:53 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance near Shoals. Martin County Ambulance, Shoals Fire, Town Marshal Eckert, and Deputy Reed responded. No one was transported.

9:28 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Shoals. Martin County Ambulance responded but did not transport.

10:43 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Shoals. Martin County Ambulance transported the subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

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# COURT NEWS

## CRIMINAL CONVICTIONS AND SENTENCING

**March 12**

Sasha L. Pottorff, convicted of possession of methamphetamine, a Class 5 Felony. Sentenced to serve 2 years with 0 days suspended.

**March 13**

Charles W. Needs, III, convicted of operating a vehicle while intoxicated endangering a person, a Class A Misdemeanor and operating a vehicle while intoxicated, a Class 6 Felony. Sentenced to serve 730 days with 550 days suspended. Defendant received 18 months of probation.

Damien L. Payne, convicted of possession of marijuana, a Class B Misdemeanor. Sentenced to served 60 days with 0 days suspended and credit for 30 actual days previously served plus 30 Class A credit days.

Aaron W. Wheat, convicted of auto theft, a Class 6 Felony. Sentenced to serve 730 days with 404 days suspended and credit for 163 actual days previously served plus 163 Class A credit days. Defendant received 12 months of probation.

**March 19**

Rodney R. Miller, convicted of operating a vehicle while intoxicated endangering a person, a Class A Misdemeanor. Sentenced to serve 365 days with 359 days suspended and credit for 3 actual days previously served plus 3 Class A credit days. Defendant received 11 months of probation.

**March 20**

Grady E. Key, convicted of leaving the scene of an accident, a Class B Misdemeanor. Sentenced to serve 180 days with 176 days suspended and credit for 2 actual days previously served plus 2 Class A credit days. Defendant received 5 months of probation.

## CRIMINAL CHARGES DISMISSED

**March 12**

Sasha L. Pottorff, maintaining a common nuisance – controlled substances, a Class 6 Felony, dismissed; neglect of a dependent, a Class 6 Felony, dismissed; two counts of unlawful possession or use of a legend drug, Class 6 Felonies, dismissed; possession of marijuana, a Class B Misdemeanor, dismissed; possession of paraphernalia, a Class C Misdemeanor, dismissed; possessing unprocessed ginseng out of season, a Class B Misdemeanor, dismissed.

**March 13**

Damien L. Payne, maintaining a common nuisance – controlled substances, a Class 6 Felony, dismissed.

Aaron W. Wheat, auto theft, a Class 6 Felony, dismissed.

**MARCH 19**

Rodney R. Miller, operating a vehicle with an ACE of .15 or more, a Class A Misdemeanor, dismissed; operating a vehicle with a schedule I or II controlled substance or its metabolite in the body, a Class C Misdemeanor, dismissed.

**March 20**

Grady E. Key, operating a vehicle while intoxicated endangering a person, a Class A Misdemeanor, dismissed; operating a vehicle with an ACE of .15 or more, a Class A Misdemeanor, dismissed; illegal possession of an alcohol beverage, a Class C Misdemeanor, dismissed.

## CIVIL COURT New Suits Filed

**April 4**

Deangela Forbes vs. Jacob A. Harsha, petition for dissolution of marriage.

**April 6**

American Express Centurion Bank vs. Daniel J. Roush, civil collection.

Vicki L. Hakes vs. Edward S. Hakes, petition for dissolution of marriage.

## CIVIL COURT JUDGMENTS

**April 2**

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff OneMain Financial of IN, Inc. and against the defendant Clarence R. Brown in the amount of \$3,414.81.

**April 9**

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Hoosier Accounts Service and against the defendant Ricky Arthur in the amount of \$38,532.62.

**April 10**

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Crane Credit Union and against the defendant Terry Howard in the amount of \$35,777.07.

## SMALL CLAIMS COURT

### New Suits Filed

**April 5**

Medical of Dubois vs. Daniel Monaghan, complaint.

Medical of Dubois vs. Melissa Godfrey, complaint.

Medical of Dubois vs. Michael Kinison, complaint.

Medical of Dubois vs. Adam Williams, complaint.

Medical of Dubois vs. Logan Smith, complaint.

Medical of Dubois vs. Rowdy Grace, complaint.

Medical of Dubois vs. Kaylee R. Diamond, complaint.

Medical of Dubois vs. Lucas Richardson, complaint.

**April 10**

Hoosier Accounts Service vs. Kerry A. Tirey, complaint.

Hoosier Accounts Service vs. Andrew J. Ray, complaint.

Hoosier Accounts Service vs. Michael Brown, complaint.

Hoosier Accounts Service vs. Robert E. Bough, complaint.

Hoosier Accounts Service vs. Jonathan A. Barnes, complaint.

## SMALL CLAIMS JUDGMENTS

**April 5**

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Crane Credit Union and against the defendants Jessica Temme and Matthew Hildenbrand in the amount of \$1,315.51.

# Loogootee Police log

**MONDAY, APRIL 9**

9:44 a.m. - Chief Rayhill assisted with a funeral procession.

10:37 a.m. - Caller reported a reckless vehicle on Hwy 50. Chief Rayhill located the vehicle.

11:30 a.m. - First responders were requested on South Kentucky Avenue for a medical call.

4:30 p.m. - Caller requested a welfare check on a female.

10:35 p.m. - Caller reported a reckless driver on Hwy 50.

**TUESDAY, APRIL 10**

9:45 a.m. - Caller requested an officer check on a male on Sherman Street.

4:36 p.m. - Male on East Washington Street reported someone had been in his vehicle, but nothing was missing.

4:40 p.m. - Caller reported a suspicious vehicle near Country Court. Driver checked out okay.

9:45 p.m. - Female reported a civil complaint.

**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 11**

12:55 p.m. - Female reported a reckless driver on US 231. Vehicle was located.

2:03 p.m. - Chief Rayhill assisted the county with an animal complaint.

2:55 p.m. - Caller reported harassing messages.

4:56 p.m. - Caller reported suspicious persons on Church Street.

9:56 p.m. - Caller requested a welfare check on a male.

**THURSDAY, APRIL 12**

9:05 a.m. - Male reported a theft.

11:17 a.m. - Chief Rayhill located a broken-down vehicle on JFK Avenue.

5:20 p.m. - Caller reported a possible phone scam.

8:07 p.m. - Officer Floyd responded to a business alarm.

8:53 p.m. - Caller reported a low hanging utility line.

11:07 p.m. - Male caller requested a welfare check on a female.

**FRIDAY, APRIL 13**

2:35 a.m. - Officer Floyd assisted the county with a domestic dispute.

5:38 a.m. - Caller reported two subjects possibly breaking into vehicles around the North Line Street area.

10:13 a.m. - Caller requested a welfare check on a male.

12:47 p.m. - Caller reported his vehicle might have been stolen.

8:40 p.m. - Female reported loud music on Poplar Street.

**SATURDAY, APRIL 14**

12:14 a.m. - Caller reported a possible dispute at County Place Apartments. Everything checked okay.

5:00 a.m. - Caller reported a loud music complaint on Park Street.

1:57 p.m. - Officer McBeth located a broken-down vehicle in the city park.

2:56 p.m. - First responders were requested on US 231 for a down power line.

4:10 p.m. - Officer McBeth assisted the county with a traffic accident.

**SUNDAY, APRIL 15**

1:43 a.m. - Sgt. Norris responded to a business alarm.

3:10 a.m. - Caller reported a possible intoxicated driver on Broadway Street.

4:23 p.m. - Caller reported a civil complaint.

5:50 p.m. - Officer McBeth assisted Daviess County with a burglary call.

6:45 p.m. - Caller reported a child custody issue.

# Martin County real estate transfers

**James W. Todd**, of Martin County, Indiana to **Rebecca R. Gallagher and John T. Gallagher**, of Daviess County, Indiana, a part of the northeast quarter of the southwest quarter of Section 12, Township 2 North, Range 5 West, containing 2.471 acres, more or less.

**Edward C. Schnarr**, of Martin County, Indiana to **Brett Patrick Mattingly**, of Vanderburgh County, Indiana, a portion of the northwest quarter of Section 24, Township 3 North, Range 5 West, containing .40 acres, more or less.

**Andrew C. Arvin and Reba J. Arvin**, of Daviess County, Indiana to **Waylon James Matthews**, of Daviess County, Indiana, a part of Lot Number 25 in the Town, now City of Loogootee, Indiana.

tee, Indiana.

**Mary Louise McClure, Eddie Lin-genfelter, and Cameron Lee Sheetz**, of Martin County, Indiana to **Kenneth R. Cave II and Donna Cave**, of Martin County, Indiana, a part of the north half of the southwest quarter of Section 20, Township 2 North, Range 4 West, Rutherford Civil Township, Martin County, Indiana, containing 10.578 acres.

**Scott K. Schutte and Diana M. Schutte**, of Martin County, Indiana to **Ferman E. Miller and Katie K. Miller**, of Martin County, Indiana, a portion of the east half of Section 31, Township 3 North, Range 4 West, being also the previously platted Lots No. 63, 64, 85, 86, 91, 92, 117, and 118 and portion of Lots No. 62, 87, 90 and 119 in the Town of Mt. Pleasant, Perry Township, Martin County, Indiana, containing 2 acres.

**Gregory Scott Stroud**, of Martin County, Indiana to **Rodney E. Sipes and Anna Marie Sipes**, of Martin County, Indiana, Lot Number 39, Lot Number 40, Lot Number 45, Lot Number 46, Lot Number 47, and Lot Number 38, all of the lots being in Sim's Second Addition to the Town of Indian Springs, Indiana.

**Melba Jean Stuckey and Van Baker and Karen Lynn Baker**, of Martin County, Indiana to **Debra M. Dye**, of Martin County, Indiana, a part of Lots 8 and 9 in Risacher's Fourth Addition to the City of Loogootee, Perry Township, Martin County, Indiana, containing 0.154 acres, more or less.

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# ARRESTS

**MONDAY, APRIL 9**

10:45 a.m. - Jordan West, 24, of Bedford, was arrested by Loogootee Officer McBeth and charged with possession of marijuana and possession of paraphernalia. He was released on his own recognizance.

**TUESDAY, APRIL 10**

10:57 a.m. - Johnathon Graham, 27, of Loogootee, was arrested by Chief Deputy Greene on a Lawrence County warrant and is being held without bond. Sheriff Roush assisted with the arrest.

**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 11**

10:51 p.m. - Miranda Case, 31, of Shoals, was arrested by ISP Trooper McBeth and charged with possession of a legend drug and is being held without bond. Deputy Shinn assisted.

**THURSDAY, APRIL 12**

1:34 a.m. - Cody Carnegie, 27, of Odon, was arrested by ISP Trooper McBeth and charged with failure to stop after an accident. He is being held without bond. Loogootee Officer Mc-

Beth and Deputy Shinn assisted with the arrest.

**FRIDAY, APRIL 13**

11:30 p.m. - Julie Essick, 36, of Shoals, was arrested by ISP Trooper McBeth and charged with operating a vehicle while intoxicated, operating a vehicle while intoxicated over 0.15, operating a vehicle while intoxicated-endangerment, possession of marijuana, possession of paraphernalia, and leaving the scene of an accident. She is being held without bond. Major Burkhardt, Deputy Shinn, ISP Trooper Miller, and Shoals Town Marshal Eckert assisted.

**SATURDAY, APRIL 14**

7:20 p.m. - Jesse Royal, 19, of Avon, was arrested by ISP Trooper Johnson and charged with operating a vehicle while intoxicated endangerment, operating a vehicle while intoxicated controlled substance, and possession of paraphernalia. He is being held on a \$20,000 10% bond.



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By Curt Johnson  
MCCF Executive Director



-- BEQUESTS --

I've mentioned bequests lately, so now it's time to get a little deeper into just what a bequest is and the types of bequests. To start with, a bequest is simply an instruction in your written will that states how to distribute some or all of your estate. The simple "charitable bequest" is the most popular planned gift because it's an easy way to leave a lasting legacy. When you make a charitable bequest, you retain full use of your property during your life, so there is no disruption of your lifestyle and no immediate out-of-pocket cost. You simply direct that part of your estate go to one or more of your favorite charities.

-- TYPES OF BEQUESTS --

You have considerable flexibility since charitable bequests take several forms. You can leave: (1) a specific request which is a gift of a particular asset, such as 100 shares of XYZ Corporation; (2) a percentage request where some part of the value of the distributed estate is gifted; (3) a residual bequest that leaves a gift as the remainder of the estate after all taxes, expenses, and other bequests have been satisfied; or (4) a contingent bequest that is a gift that will be made to a second beneficiary in the event that the original beneficiary is deceased or does not accept the gift.

The type of bequest language that you choose should fit what you want to accomplish. You should think carefully about how your gift can help the person or organization when deciding what bequests to include.

-- WHY A BEQUEST? --

If you do not leave a will and do not make a bequest, you cannot be sure that your property will be distributed as you intend. Without a will, your property will be distributed by a pre-set formula according to government laws, and it is possible that family members, close friends, and worthwhile charities will receive no part of your estate.

Making a will is the only way to be sure that the people and causes you care for will receive your generous gifts. You can designate exactly how you want your charitable bequest to be used or you can leave it to the MCCF "unrestricted" funds so that we have the flexibility to meet our community's ever-changing needs.

While a charitable bequest offers no income tax benefits, it is fully deductible for estate tax purposes if you meet basic requirements. And keep in mind that for estates subject to estate tax, the tax rates are historically higher than income tax rates.

-- CHANGING A BEQUEST --

You can change any bequest provision during your life, which means you

stay in complete control of the process. You can amend your will with a codicil (the legal instrument to modify a will) or execute an entirely new will.

It's a good idea to update your will on a regular basis to keep up with changes in laws and your own objectives and concerns. Also, remember that if you decide to leave a specific asset such as a car or a vacation home to a beneficiary in your will, but later you decide to sell or otherwise dispose of the asset, the specific bequest will fail, and that beneficiary will receive nothing.

-- ALTERNATIVES --

There are other ways to make a "bequest" type of arrangement without a will. You can make similar beneficiary designations with a life insurance policy, revocable trust or retirement plan. Making a charitable organization the beneficiary of a retirement plan and leaving other assets to loved ones can provide income tax relief for your heirs in addition to other potential estate tax savings.

-- LET US KNOW --

If you wish to make a charitable bequest (or have already done so) to the MCCF, it's important to let us know. We want the opportunity to thank for you your commitment and generosity. And to invite you to join our "Legacy Society" to recognize you as a part of a key group of individuals showing concern for Martin County's future needs. We also want to offer our help as you plan your bequest so that you get the most satisfaction out of it. Good planning can magnify the impact of any gift.

-- MORE INFORMATION --

If you or someone you know is interested in a charitable bequest, please contact the MCCF Executive Director, Curt Johnson, at 812-295-1022 or [mccf@cfpartner.org](mailto:mccf@cfpartner.org).

You can receive a complimentary copy of "Planning for the Future: A Guide to Planning your Will & Trust". This document will help you prepare for your discussion with your attorney, tax and/or financial advisor.

There are also several online documents in the "Wills and Bequests" folder in the MCCF Resource Documents library. Other folders in the library can help you with estate planning, types of gifts, and retirement and personal planning. Contact Curt to find out what documents and information are available. He can either send you a copy or provide a link to the files.

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

# 4-H NEWS



By Stacy Brown

Martin County Purdue Extension Educator

## 4-H Camp

It's time to start thinking about 4-H Camp. This year's camp will be held in Santa Claus, IN from June 11 through 13. The theme this year is Around the World. We'll also include the Olympics within the theme. 4-H Camp is a great trip that teaches STEM, leadership, independence, and teamwork. It builds self-confidence and kids get the chance to meet other kids from surrounding counties.

Camp is open to all active 4-Hers in grades 3-6. Applications were mailed out along with more information about camp. If you did not receive yours, please call the Extension Office at 812-295-2412.

## 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.

Sheep & Goat Weigh-in: Saturday,

May 5 at the fairgrounds 9-11 a.m.

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

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

## Upcoming Events

Shooting Sports Meetings - April 23 at 6 p.m. at the Community Building

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

Jolly Jug Rox Meetings - May 1, May 22, June 11, June 26 all at 6 p.m. at Hindostan Church

Jolly Juniors Club Meetings - Monday, April 30, Thursday, May 3, Thursday, May 24, Thursday, June 14, Thursday June 28, Monday, July 2 (sign record books) all at Truelove Church at 6:30 p.m.

## Thank You

I would like to thank the people of Martin County for welcoming me into your community and being such strong supporters of 4-H. The children of this county are amazing, and I have truly enjoyed working with them, the 4-H volunteers, and other members of the community. This has been a wonderful experience and I will miss everyone. Thank you, Stacy.

## Avoid planting ornamental pear trees

Ornamental pear trees, most commonly known as Bradford pears, have been a popular landscaping tree in Indiana for decades. So popular that they are crowding out native Indiana trees.

For that reason, the Indiana Department of Natural Resources encourages homeowners and landscapers to avoid planting such trees and to replace them when possible.

"Over time different varieties of pear have cross pollinated in our urban areas, allowing them to rapidly spread into our natural resources," said Megan Abraham, director of the DNR Division of Entomology & Plant Pathology.

Cultivated forms of this invasive species are most accurately known as *Pyrus calleryana* or Callery pear tree. Commonly available ornamental pear cultivars, all of which are invasive and should be avoided, include Bradford, New Bradford®, Cleveland select, autumn blaze, Aristocrat®, capitol, Chanticleer®, and dozens more.

In addition to being invasive, these cultivars, which are known for their striking white flowers, typically don't last long. They are structurally weaker and more easily damaged by storms

than native trees.

Carrie Tauscher, urban forestry coordinator with the DNR Division of Forestry, says that evidence of the trees' rapid spread is easy to see.

"Just take a look for glossy leaved, egg-shaped trees in highway interchanges," Tauscher said. "It's common to find them in unmown areas under utility lines and in lots and fields initially cleared for construction that are then left fallow."

Stopping the spread of this invasive plant means selecting alternate trees for yards and forested property. The best tree to replace any invasive tree species is one that is native to a particular region.

If you are looking for an alternative flowering tree for Indiana, serviceberry trees, which have similar white blooms in the spring and fruits that attract wildlife, are one option. Eastern redbuds, which grow quickly, with eye-catching lavender flowers in the spring are another option.

To learn more about native trees that are great for landscaping, visit the Indiana Native Plant and Wildflower Society page at [inpaws.org/landscaping](http://inpaws.org/landscaping).

## Specials at The Lodge

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## Lady Lions Softball game recaps

BY GREG CLARK

Lady Lions Softball Head Coach

Lady Lions defeat Southridge  
Thanks to Loogootee Lady Lion Tyanna Graber's walk-off home run, the home standing Lady Lions defeated the Southridge Lady Raiders 6-4 in seven innings at Costello Field last Wednesday night.

Graber drove in four on the night, going 3-4 in the process. Loogootee led most of the game, when a single run in the top of the sixth inning by the Raiders tied the score, before Graber's heroics in the seventh.

Sydney Davis got the win in the circle, allowing six hits and striking out five. Julianne Bell and Graber had multiple hits in the win.

Lady Lions JV routs Raiders  
Maria Chestnut spun the win in the circle for the JV Lady Lions Wednesday night, allowing one hit, two runs, one walk, and struck out eight in the 15-2 win. The Lions collected 15 hits on the night with Brooklynn Jones, Jayleigh Wagoner, Kaitlyn Bruner, Jaelyn Walker and Sara Street each having a multiple hit game.

Lady Lions chop Hatchets

Sydney Davis spun a one hitter in the circle to lead the Lady Lions to five inning, 10-0, run rule game shortened win. Davis got her second win of the season, striking out eight and walking one.

Loogootee opened the scoring with six runs in the bottom of the first inning on six walks, an error and a Julianne Bell double. Loogootee played error free softball in the win.

Lady Lions JV drops the Hatchets

Isabelle Waggner got the win for the Lady Lions JV, striking out 5 and allowing just 1 run on 2 hits in her three innings of work. Makenzie VanHoy came in for two innings of relief work in the 17-1 victory.

The Lady Lions scored a single run in the first inning as Adie Nolley drew a walk and courtesy runner Asia Crim came in to score. The Lions tacked on 8 runs in the second and the rout was on. Brooklyn Jones, Isabelle Waggner, Maria Chestnut, Mallory Berry, and Sara Street each had multiple hits in the win. Loogootee also tore up the base paths, combining for 8 steals in the game.

## Loogootee Girls' Tennis results

The Loogootee Lady Lions Tennis Teams went up against Washington last Thursday, April 12. The varsity Lady Lions were defeated by the Lady Hatchets, 2-3 and the junior varsity also lost 0-4. Head Coach Mike Tippery said after the matches, "This was a great match to watch. Katie played well at #2 Singles and posted the first point for us. Stallman is a solid player at #1 Singles for Washington. She had an answer for everything we threw at her. The other three matches came down to just a few points. In the end, Washington just played a little better to get the victory."

Varsity results

#1 Singles Elizabeth Stallman (W) defeated Melaina Tippery 6-2, 6-1

#2 Singles Katie Sims (L) defeated Ali Barber 6-1, 6-2

#3 Singles Quincee Healy (W) defeated Emily Wade 7-5, 2-6, 7-5

#1 Doubles Lauren Boyd/Bella Thorne (W) defeated Jody Seals/Kashten Burch 4-6, 6-1, 7-5

#2 Doubles Leonna Hedrick/Madisyn Wade (L) defeated Ellie Theine/Sophia Davis 6-4, 7-6 (3)

Junior varsity results

#1 Singles Melida Ajradinoska (W) defeated Brittany Potts 6-2

#1 Doubles Faith Dalton/Addy McMurray (W) defeated Hope Fischer/Elly

Wagler 6-3

#2 Doubles Alex Allison/Makenzie Parsons (W) defeated Brittany Potts/Rachel Robinson 6-3

#3 Singles Kenzie Knepp/Sonja Mattingly (W) defeated Hope Fischer/Cindy Chen 6-0

Last Tuesday, April 10, the varsity-only match against Northeast Dubois gave a victory to the Lady Lions, 3-2.

"NE Dubois got the best of us twice last year including a 5-0 drubbing in the Sectional. The key to this match was a great start. After the first 30 minutes, we were either tied or leading on all courts. The players really started to believe we could win and it showed on the courts. NE Dubois made a run at us and we fell behind in the 2nd sets on several courts. Katie, Jody, and Kashten stepped up and showed their leadership by digging deep to come back in those sets to seal the victory," said Coach Tippery.

Varsity results

#1 Singles Chloe Terwiske (NED) defeated Melaina Tippery 7-5, 6-0

#2 Singles Katie Sims (L) defeated Taylor Dodd 6-1, 6-4

#3 Singles Emily Wade (L) defeated Cortney Vittitow 6-0, 6-0

#1 Doubles Jody Seals/Kashten Burch (L) defeated Paige Knies/Alexis Stafford 6-1, 7-5

#2 Doubles Olivia Schroering/Olivia Rasche (NED) defeated Madisyn Wade/Leonna Hedrick 5-7, 6-3, 6-2

## Registration open for Carter's Legacy 5k

The Carter's Legacy 5k is set for Saturday, May 19 at West Boggs Park. Thanks to the generosity of West Boggs Park, the gate fee will be waived for everyone on May 19. Registration begins at 9:30 a.m. and the 5k will start at 11 a.m. Entry fees are \$25 for 16 and older (includes shirt) and \$15 for ages 5-15 (includes shirt), children under 5 are free (shirts available for purchase, \$10). This year, a portion of the race fees (\$1 per adult registration and \$0.50 per child registration) will be donated to the Martin County Humane Society. The remainder of the proceeds will go to the Carter Lee Kerns Memorial Fund, a permanent endowment fund established at the Martin County Community Foundation. Annual payouts from this fund will go to support non-profit organizations that work to enhance the lives of children and families in Martin County.

This year, you will have the opportunity to honor your own loved ones by adding their names to the 2018 race shirt. You can submit names via the 5k sign-up sheets available at West Boggs Park gatehouse, Running With Scissors Salon or Kerns Insurance. You can also submit names via registration on the website: <https://runsignup.com/Race/IN/Loogootee/carterslegacy>. You may also contact Ed Kerns (812) 709-9737 or Alyssa Kerns (502) 640-4483. Names MUST be received no later than April 30, 2018 to get on the race shirt.

Carter's 5k is proud to be part of the 2nd annual Family Fun Day. The event is a partnership with the Martin County Humane Society, West Boggs Park, and the Cops and Kids program. The 5K will kick off an afternoon of free fun. Starting at noon, on May 19, there will be a bounce house, a DJ, free lunch for everyone, pet adoption information, touch-a-truck, meet law enforcement officers and K-9 demonstrations. This event will occur rain or shine.

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# 2018 Seniors



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# 2018 Senior SPOTLIGHTS



**BEN CLYMER**

Ben Clymer, son of Cindy and Todd Clymer, was born on September 30, 1999. Siblings include Brent and Brandon Clymer. Ben participated in Film Club and band while in high school. His favorite school memory was telling Mr. Macy, "Yes it is a man purse." Ben plans for the future are undecided.



**MITCH MCKIBBEN**

Mitch Dean McKibben, son of Beth and Shelby McKibben, was born on September 1, 1999. Siblings include Cody McKibben. Mitch participated in soccer, Spanish Club, and Chess Club while in high school. His favorite school memory was playing soccer. Mitch plans to attend Vincennes University for four years for a bachelor's in computer networking and security.



**SHALYN BRUNER**

Shalyn Brynnae Bruner is the daughter of Pat and Michelle Bruner. After graduation, Shalyn plans to attend Indiana State University. While in high school, she participated in Band (9-12), Beta Club (9-12), French Club (9-12), SADD (9,10,11), Cadet Teach (12), Intern (12), and Student Co. (9). Shalyn was also a Girls Basketball Manager (10,12) and a Cross-Country Manager (9,10), and a member of the Softball team (9-12).



**HALEY BURCH**

Haley Dawn Burch is the daughter of April and Jason Burch. After graduation, Haley plans to attend Vincennes University and then transfer to IUPUI to study Biomedical Engineering and Neuroscience. While attending Loogootee, Haley participated in Band (9-12), Beta Club (9,10), Musical (10,11,12), and Track (9-12).



**KAITLIN COOPER**

Kaitlin Renee Cooper, daughter of Jeff Cooper and Michelle King, was born on June 8, 2000. Siblings include Britney, Kyle, and Ryan Cooper, and Tarzana Sadler. Kaitlin participated in softball, basketball, SADD Club, Pep Club, Spanish Club, and Beta Club while in high school. Her favorite school memory was making it to the championship game in the girls' varsity basketball in her junior year. Kaitlin plans to attend Vincennes University for Pre-Law or Photography.



**KENDRA TROUTMAN**

Kendra Troutman is the daughter of Pat Troutman and Misty Campbell. She was born on May 6, 1999. Her siblings include Shana, Ashlyn, and Max Troutman, Kiersten Quinn, and Kamden Parrott. Her school activities include FFA. Her favorite school memory is moving to Shoals High School. Her future plans are attending Vincennes University for Ag-Business.



**ROSS ADAMS**

Ross Malcolm Adams is the son of Bryan and Julinda Adams. After graduation, Ross plans to attend Indiana University to study business. While in high school, Ross participated in the Science Academic Team (12), Intramural BB (10, 11, 12), Beta Club (9-12), French Club (10-12), and Spell Bowl (9-12).



**DYLAN ARTHUR**

Dylan Scott Arthur is the son of Scott and Marci Arthur. After graduation, Dylan plans to attend University of Evansville to study computer engineering. While in high school, he participated in Band (9-12), Spanish club (9-12), and Beta club (9-12). Dylan also participated in Baseball (9-12) and Basketball (9-12).



**COLE DIAMOND**

Cole Alan Diamond is the son of David and Angie Diamond. He was born on June 4, 1999. His siblings include Jackie, Tiffany, Dustin Holt, Kalee, Marina, and Evan Diamond. His favorite school memory is when Sammy hit him in his Dodge Avenger in the parking lot. His future plans are to go to college and start a business.



**BREONDA YARBERRY**

Breonda Mae Yarberry is the daughter of Alan and Desiree Yarberry. She was born on September 17, 1999. Her siblings include Brittany, Gabby, Kaitlyn, and Braden Yarberry. Her school activities include cheer, Pep Club, and SADD Club. Her future plans are finding a good job doing hair.



**CANDICE CLARK**

Candice Alana Clark is the daughter of Jeremy and Becky Clark. After graduation, Candice plans to attend the University of Southern Indiana for nursing. While in high school, Candice participated in Spanish Club (9,10,11), Beta Club (9), Choir (9-12), Lionettes (9-12), Musical (11,12), SADD (9-12), Cadet Teaching (12), FACS (9-12), Lion Pride (11,12), Show Choir (9-12), Student Council (9,10), and Volleyball (9).



**LUKE CALLISON**

Luke W. Callison is the son of Angie Brookshire and Scott Callison. After graduation, Luke plans to attend college but his school and course of study are still undecided. While attending Loogootee, Luke participated in Beta Club (9), Intramural Basketball (12), Lion Pride (9-12), Spanish Club (9,10,11), Student Council ((9,10, 11), Basketball (9,10,11), and was also class Secretary (10).





Friday, April 27 will be Arbor Day, a holiday dedicated to trees. Since the holiday was first observed in Nebraska in 1872, literally millions of trees have been planted to celebrate Arbor Day.

Planting a tree is an act of faith and love. To plant a tree is to believe in the future. When a person my age plants a tree, it is a demonstration of love for those who will be stewards of the land in the next generation. It is not likely that I will live to see a tree planted now become a mature specimen, but I hope to watch the trees I plant grow for many years.

Trees provide mankind many benefits. Trees provide fruits and nuts. Maples and some other trees have a sweet sap that is boiled down to make syrup and sugar. The roots of sassafras trees are boiled to make a famous tea. Trees provide us with building materials and wood for a variety of uses, including fuel. Of course, trees also make oxygen and help to clean the air. They shade our homes and yards and provide wind breaks. Trees are also a source of great beauty. There are many good reasons to plant a tree.

As with any plant, choosing a tree should involve some research. First, the tree should provide the product and esthetics desired. The tree should also fit the spot. It is important to remember that the seedling today will grow, and the mature size of the tree must be considered. The site must also provide the environment needed by the chosen tree. Getting the site right will prevent future problems.

When purchasing a tree, it will come in one of four ways. Seedlings, which are often given out on Arbor Day for planting, usually are bare root. They are usually small one or two-year-old plants and less than three feet in length. However, some nurseries do ship bare root trees of larger size. These trees are shipped early in the spring, before the plants have broken dormancy. When planting bare-root trees, I usually soak the roots in water for a couple of hours. I also like to put a few drops of a root-stimulator liquid fertilizer in the water. Dig the hole as deep as the roots on the tree. When planting the tree, some recommend amending the soil or even back-filling with bagged soil. However, Purdue research has shown that replacing the native soil sometimes results in the tree roots encircling the hole and not moving out into the surrounding native soil. Instead, I like to top-dress the area with some compost, allowing the worms to carry it down to the root zone. Water the transplant in

with water mixed with root-stimulating fertilizer. Surrounding the tree with a couple of inches of organic mulch will help keep the soil moist and will reduce competition from weeds for the nutrients the tree needs to get established. Do not allow the mulch to touch the bark of the young tree. Certainly, do not make a mulch volcano, piling mulch high on the tree. This invites mice and voles to gnaw on the tree's bark and may result in some disease problems. Make sure your new tree gets an inch of water per week for the first year to get it off to a good start.

Trees may also be purchased in containers and balled-and-burlapped. In either of these cases, dig the hole as deep as the root ball and twice as wide. Container-grown trees should be carefully removed from the container and eased into the hole. Back-fill the hole with the soil and top-dress with some compost and a two-inch layer of organic mulch. Balled-and-burlapped trees may be placed in the hole with the burlap intact. It will eventually decay, but I believe it should be cut away from the root ball. The roots need to extend out into the soil more quickly than the burlap will decay. The rest of the planting process is the same as with bare-root and potted plants.

The fourth way to plant a tree is to plant a seed. Anyone who wishes to plant a tree with a seed must be advised that plants grown from seed may not reproduce the exact characteristics of the parent tree. However, there is no greater way to demonstrate the miracles of nature to a child than to plant a seed to produce a tree that the child can watch mature for his or her lifetime.

## April showers bring wildflowers

Join Patoka River NWR wildflower enthusiasts Marietta Smith and Linda Wilcox and discover what is blooming on the Refuge on Saturday, April 21, (rain date April 28) at 9 am CST. Meet at the Boyds Trail parking lot and plan to drive or carpool to a designated location on the Refuge. Exploring will be off trail through the woods. Suitable clothing and shoes, as well as insect repellent, are suggested. To get to the Boyds Trail parking lot, head east on SR 64 through Oakland City. Just outside of the city, look for the brown Refuge sign and turn left on CR 1275E. In 1/2 mile, bear left on paved 1300 E which becomes gravel. Continue one mile to the parking lot located on the left side of the road. For more information call (812) 749-3272

## April 21 is a Free Fishing Day

Saturday, April 21, is the first of four Free Fishing Days in Indiana this year.

On these special days, Indiana residents can fish public waters without needing a fishing license or a trout stamp. Free Fishing Days are prime opportunities for families to learn to fish because adults do not need a fishing license on those days, and children ages 17 and younger do not need a license on any day.

A number of special events will be held on April 21.

-A Family Learn to Fish workshop will take place at Muscatatuck National Wildlife Refuge in Seymour from 9 a.m. to noon. Advance registration is required.

-More family fishing fun will happen at Salamonie Lake in Andrews,

Fort Harrison State Park and Krannert Park in Indianapolis, Clifty Falls State Park in Madison, Spring Mill State Park near Mitchell, Glen Miller Park in Richmond, St. Patrick's County Park in South Bend, Tri-County Fish & Wildlife Area (Wyland Pond) in Syracuse, and Prophetstown State Park in West Lafayette.

Specific information on these Free Fishing Day events is on the Free Fishing Days website at [dnr.IN.gov/fish-free](http://dnr.IN.gov/fish-free).

People interested in attending a Free Fishing Day event should contact the host property in advance because some activities, like the one at Muscatatuck NWR, may require registration.

The three other Free Fishing Days for 2018 are May 19 and June 2 and 3.

## Cold spring leaves some livestock producers facing hay shortage

BY DARRIN PACK  
Purdue University News Service

With unusually cold temperatures hindering the growth of cool-season pastures throughout the state, two Purdue Extension specialists are offering management tips to Hoosier livestock producers looking to conserve their dwindling hay supplies.

"When spring temperatures are too low to generate much forage growth in the pasture then more hay needs to be fed," said Keith Johnson, Purdue Extension forage specialist. "If pasture growth doesn't get started soon, some producers are going to start running out of hay."

Unseasonably cool temperatures in late March and April have delayed the development of pasture grasses and legumes - which are grazed by livestock - by as much as two weeks, Johnson noted.

"It is early spring and producers are tired of feeding hay to their animals. There have been reports of livestock producers running out of hay to feed. It is tempting to turn out on pasture even though the amount of growth is low yielding," Johnson said. "It is not in the best interest of the forage to graze too early as it can set back plant growth for the entire season. The soil has also been wet and hoof action while grazing could do even more damage."

Ron Lemenager, Purdue Extension beef nutrition management specialist, added that since early season forages are high in moisture content, the rate of passage through the animals' gastrointestinal system is very rapid, resulting in lower forage digestibility and less nutrients available to meet animal requirements.

Lemenager said producers running low on hay should consider three alternatives.

Purchasing hay from a reliable source is typically the easiest option, but could be expensive at this time of year, Lemenager said, especially when stored forage supplies are limited. Johnson recommended that producers carefully inspect purchased hay for signs of invasive plant material before putting it out in their fields.

"It could create a long-term weed problem you'll be dealing with for years," he said.

Lemenager said purchasing hay by the ton is typically the best deal for producers based on a nutrient analysis. Producers also need to factor in cost of transportation when purchasing hay.

Limiting hay feeding access time and supplementing the animals' diet with high-fiber feed such as pelleted soybean hulls, or a pelleted soybean hull-corn gluten combination, is another solution. Purdue studies have shown that reducing access time to eight hours a day could reduce hay inventory disappearance, in the form of hay wastage, by 17 to 18 percent, while still providing all the dry matter intake for a 24-hour period.

Reducing herd size is another option for producers who need to stretch their hay supplies.

"You can consider culling low-performing or unproductive animals," Lemenager said. "As the grass begins to green-up each spring, there is usually a good market for cow-calf pairs."

Johnson and Lemenager have produced a video addressing questions producers might have about the hay supply and pasture conditions. The video is available at <https://vimeo.com/264794213>.

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## More Neat Stuff



By Ann Ackerman



Kind of a long story but I dare you to read it without smiling (or even lol).  
**GARDEN SNAKES CAN BE DANGEROUS...**

Snakes also known as Garter Snakes (Thamnophis sirtalis) can be dangerous. Yes, grass snakes, not rattlesnakes. Here's why.

A couple in Sweetwater, Texas, had a lot of potted plants. During a recent cold spell, the wife was bringing a lot of them indoors to protect them from a possible freeze. It turned out that a little green garden grass snake was hidden in one of the plants. When it had warmed up, it slithered out and the wife saw it go under the sofa.

She let out a very loud scream.

The husband (who was taking a shower) ran out into the living room naked to see what the problem was. She told him there was a snake under the sofa.

He got down on the floor on his hands and knees to look for it. About that time the family dog came and cold-nosed him on the behind. He thought the snake had bitten him, so he screamed and fell over on the floor.

His wife thought he had had a heart attack, so she covered him up, told him to lie still and called an ambulance.

The attendants rushed in, would not listen to his protests, loaded him on the stretcher, and started carrying him out.

About that time, the snake came out from under the sofa and the Emergency Medical Technician saw it and dropped his end of the stretcher. That's when the man broke his leg and why he is still in the hospital.

The wife still had the problem of the snake in the house, so she called on a neighbor who volunteered to capture the snake. He armed himself with a rolled-up newspaper and began poking under the couch. Soon he decided it was gone and told the woman, who sat down on the sofa in relief.

But while relaxing, her hand dangled in between the cushions, where she felt the snake wriggling around. She screamed and fainted, the snake rushed back under the sofa.

The neighbor man, seeing her lying there passed out, tried to use CPR to revive her. The neighbor's wife, who had just returned from shopping at the grocery store, saw her husband's mouth on the woman's mouth and

slammed her husband in the back of the head with a bag of canned goods, knocking him out and cutting his scalp to a point where it needed stitches.

The noise woke the woman from her dead faint and she saw her neighbor lying on the floor with his wife bending over him, so she assumed that the snake had bitten him. She went to the kitchen and got a small bottle of whiskey and began pouring it down the man's throat. By now, the police had arrived.

Breathe here...

They saw the unconscious man, smelled the whiskey, and assumed that a drunken fight had occurred. They were about to arrest them all, when the women tried to explain how it all happened over a little garden snake!

The police called an ambulance, which took away the neighbor and his sobbing wife. Now, the little snake again crawled out from under the sofa and one of the policemen drew his gun and fired at it. He missed the snake and hit the leg of the end table. The table fell over, the lamp on it shattered and, as the bulb broke, it started a fire in the drapes.

The other policeman tried to beat out the flames and fell through the window into the yard on top of the family dog who, startled, jumped out and raced into the street, where an oncoming car swerved to avoid it and smashed into the parked police car.

Meanwhile, neighbors saw the burning drapes and called in the fire department. The firemen had started raising the fire ladder when they were halfway down the street. The rising ladder tore out the overhead wires, put out the power, and disconnected the telephones in a ten-square city block area (but they did get the house fire out).

Time passed! Both men were discharged from the hospital, the house was repaired, the dog came home, the police acquired a new car, and all was right with their world.

A while later they were watching TV and the weatherman announced a cold snap for that night. The wife asked her husband if he thought they should bring in their plants for the night.

And that's when he shot her.

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## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### Loogootee School Board meeting

The Loogootee School Board will meet Thursday, April 19 at 5 p.m. in the meeting room off the superintendent's office. The meeting is open to the public.

### Democrat meeting

The Martin County Democrat Party will meet Thursday, April 19 at 6 p.m. at the Martin County Courthouse in Shoals.

### 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.

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### 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

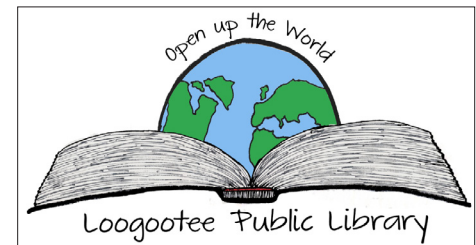
The Martin County Solid Waste Board holds their monthly meetings on the third Wednesday of each month at 6 p.m. at the recycling center located at 500 Industrial Park Drive in Loogootee. The meetings are open to the public and anyone is invited to attend.

### 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](http://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.



### BY DARLA WAGLER

Librarian, Loogootee Public Library

The next fundraiser will be Bling and Brunch at St. John's Upper Level on Saturday, April 21 from 10 a.m.-noon. Little girls are invited and encouraged to wear their best princess dress, tiara, and bling. There will be food and costume jewelry available for a donation. All proceeds go toward the new library.

I was notified that Loogootee United Methodist Church will be hosting a tenderloin dinner fundraiser and some of the proceeds will go toward the new library. I appreciate the support the community has shown and encourage everyone to stop by the church on Saturday evening, April 21, for a tenderloin.

On Saturday, May 12, from 5 p.m.-8 p.m., Friends of Loogootee Library (FOLL) will have a live auction at United Methodist Church in Loogootee. FOLL president Judy Yarnell has spent countless hours sending out donation requests and has items coming in daily. She is currently compiling a list of items and will post them soon.

### NEW BOOKS:

DVDs: "The Greatest Showman".

Non-Fiction: "The Plant Paradox Cookbook" by Steven R. Gundry, M.D.

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.

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## NSWC Crane experts equip Naval ships with 'greatest electronic warfare improvement in decades'

Engineers and technicians at Naval Surface Warfare Center, Crane Division (NSWC Crane) continued to make a significant impact and offer direct support to U.S. Warfighters in Fiscal Year 17 (FY17), completing installations that provide U.S. Naval ships with the most significant upgrade in Electronic Warfare (EW) capabilities in the last three decades.

During FY17, NSWC Crane Maritime Electronic Warfare Systems personnel were involved in numerous upgrades of AN/SLQ-32(V) EW systems on U.S. Naval ships around the world. NSWC Crane employees performed installations in San Diego, California; Pascagoula, Mississippi; Norfolk, Virginia; Mayport, Florida; and Rota, Spain.

"The NSWC Crane team has done a fantastic job installing the U.S. Navy's greatest Electronic Warfare improvement in decades," said Steve Showalter, a representative from the Program Executive Office for Integrated Warfare Systems. "Without the NSWC Crane team's dedication, the Fleet would not be able to take full advantage of these game-changing Electronic Warfare systems."

The AN/SLQ-32 EW system was originally introduced in the 1970s to provide ships with capabilities such as early detection, signal analysis, threat warning, and protection from anti-ship missiles. In 2002, the Navy established the Surface Electronic Warfare Improvement Program (SEWIP), an evolutionary development block upgrade program for the AN/SLQ-32(V) EW system that offers incremental enhancements in capability.

SEWIP Block 2 provides an enhanced Electronic Support (ES) capability by means of an upgraded ES antenna, ES receiver, and an open combat system interface for the AN/SLQ-32. These upgrades are necessary in order to keep pace with the threat and improve detection and accuracy capabilities of the AN/SLQ-32.

NSWC Crane engineers and technicians have been involved in the SEWIP since it was established, and they continue to play a critical role in the development and implementation of the program.

"The primary mission of the Surface EW System is Anti-Ship Missile Defense, which is all about the protection of the ships," said Bryan Fox, NSWC Crane's AN/SLQ-32(V)6 In-Service Engineering Agent Manager. "These installations take Electronic Warfare to the 21st Century. We are giving the Warfighter game-changing technologies so that current and future threats can be combated. This type of capability has not been seen in Surface EW in over three decades."

NSWC Crane provides technical expertise starting with the advanced installation planning stage and continuing through the installation of the system, which includes the review of Ship Installation Drawings, lab-based system integration testing, installation oversight aboard the ship, system operational verification testing, At-Sea Testing, and system familiarization training for the ship's crew. NSWC Crane is involved throughout the entire process, providing oversight to ensure the milestones defined by the Navy's Modernization Program are met.

NSWC Crane is a naval laboratory and a field activity of Naval Sea Systems Command (NAVSEA) with focus areas in Expeditionary Warfare, Strategic Missions and Electronic Warfare. NSWC Crane is responsible for multi-domain, multi-spectral, full life cycle support of technologies and systems enhancing capability to today's warfighter.

## Radius Indiana hosts Sen. Joe Donnelly and Sen. Jack Reed at Defense Industry Roundtable

Radius Indiana hosted its first Defense Industry Stakeholder Roundtable on Monday at WestGate Academy for U.S. Senator Joe Donnelly and U.S. Senator Jack Reed (R.I.) ranking member of the Senate Armed Services Committee.

Radius brought together more than 50 community leaders for the Roundtable, which included multiple briefings on the regional efforts underway to support the missions and workforce at Naval Support Activity Crane. The nationally recognized innovation ecosystem that surrounds Crane brings together government, the nonprofit community, industry and academia, and contributes to the regional economy that has attracted significant private and public investment in the region.

The Roundtable featured remarks from both Senators as well as Tina Peterson of Regional Opportunity Initiatives, Ben Wrightsman of the Battery Innovation Center, Dr. Jason Salstrom of Purdue@WestGate, Tim Hendrix of Science Application International Corporation, Bill Brown of Indiana University Center for Rural Engagement, Stacy Yike of Applied Research Center and Jeff Quyle of Radius Indiana.

"Radius appreciates Sen. Donnelly's continuing support for and attention to the unique entrepreneurial ecosystem that Crane and its many regional partners are cultivating in Southwest central Indiana. The collaboration among the scientists, businesses, and community leaders is developing opportunities for increasing success," said Quyle.

Prior to the Roundtable the Senators toured NSA Crane and saw firsthand Crane's cutting-edge work, including a microelectronics laboratory and exhibits featuring the crucial work being done in Crane's unique expeditionary, strategic missions, and electronic warfare laboratories.

"It was my honor to host Senator Reed at Crane today so that he could see firsthand the cutting-edge work being done by Hoosiers and spend time with key local stakeholders. I've worked tirelessly to support Crane's mission and efforts to expand - as well make sure it gets the recognition it deserves. As the nation faces difficult and complex global security challenges, Crane's work is as critical as ever, and that's why it was important to have one of the Senate's defense leaders visit."

## New law that includes DNA of arrested felony suspects results in matches to new and old criminal investigations

This week the Indiana State Police Laboratory completed compilation of information for the Indiana Legislature about SB322, which was passed in the 2017 legislative session and became law on January 1, 2018. The change in the law resulted in the expansion of samples that are entered into the Combined DNA Index System (CODIS). Prior to January 1, 2018, only DNA samples of convicted felons were entered into CODIS. With the change in the law any person arrested for an alleged felony offense has their DNA collected as part of the in-processing at a local county jail. These DNA samples are then forwarded to the ISP Indianapolis Regional Laboratory for analysis and subsequent entry into the CODIS database.

Now, with three months of data available since the inclusion of DNA samples from arrested persons, along with samples from convicted persons, the ISP Laboratory Division has compiled information on matches, that are referred to as 'hits'.

January-March 2018 CODIS Data:

Total Offender Samples Received, inclusive of both convicted offender and felony arrests: 12,705

Convicted Offender Samples: 3,330

-This number reflects samples of persons arrested prior to January 1, 2018 that have since been convicted of a felony offense through March 31, 2018

-While it cannot be stated with absolute certainty, it is anticipated this number will begin to decrease over future quarters as the number of cases of persons arrested prior to January 1, 2018 continue to process through the judicial system

Felony Arrest Samples: 9,375

-This number reflects the number of

samples submitted from persons arrested for suspected felony offenses since January 1, 2018 through March 31, 2018

Total CODIS Hits: 244

46 hits attributed to the 3,330 new convicted offender samples collected Jan. 1 to March 31, 2018

72 hits attributed to the 9,375 felony arrest samples collected Jan. 1 to March 31

126 hits attributed to recently completed unsolved crime scene samples

-Nine of the 126 hits are case to case matches

-Case to case means separate criminal investigations that may involve the same reporting police agency or different agencies

-The other 117 of the 126 are new case profiles that match offenders previously entered in CODIS

While the Indiana State Police is not able to share direct case information for other police agencies, we are able to share some general information from the first three months of 2018 data collection for CODIS:

The first arrestee hit was on January 14, 2018 and matched to an unsolved rape investigation that began in 2016

All county jails facilities are providing arrestee samples

44 different counties have been involved in hits in the first quarter of 2018

CODIS has generated hits between Indiana and 23 other states during the first quarter of 2018

Maj. Steve Holland, commander of the Indiana State Police Laboratory Division commented, "We are very pleased with the results seen thus far and are confident more and more crimes will be solved with the combination of convicted and arrested persons samples being matched in the CODIS program."

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## TENDERLOIN FUNDRAISER

Saturday, April 21

4:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Loogootee United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall

Menu: Tenderloin Sandwich, Cheesy Potatoes,  
Green Beans, Homemade Dessert, Drink

Proceeds go to the Loogootee Library and Local Missions