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Bowling Manufacturing closing

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KCARC will be ceasing operation at Bowling Manufacturing in Loogootee after May 10. According to KCARC Marketing Coordinator Elizabeth Hardin, due to unforeseen business circumstances the company is facing a significant demand reduction, which has resulted in a reduced need for staff in the manufacturing areas. Bowling Manufacturing started operation in 2015, with KCARC purchasing the building in 2011 that used to house Perfect Fit. Perfect Fit closed in 2010 after 78 years in operation. Bowl-

ing Manufacturing employed around 20 people and made cold weather gear for the military. Martin County Alliance Director Jessica Potts said the building, which is 128,000 square feet, is a huge asset for Loogootee. She said they have entrepreneurs reach out to the Alliance every day looking for opportunities. The Alliance is planning to host a job fair in the Bowling Manufacturing building on May 29, from 2-5 p.m. Potts said outside of allowing businesses to recruit employees, she wants to do it in the Bowling Manufacturing building to showcase the size and scope of the location for potential businesses.

Resident questions county attorney's ethics

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The Martin County Commissioners were faced with several issues at their meeting Tuesday night, April 30.

Resident Jason McCoy told the commissioners that he has serious concerns about Dave Lett serving as county attorney. McCoy is an outspoken opposer of the Mid-States Corridor, and his belief is that German American Bancorp executives, including CEO Mark Schroeder, are some who are behind the idea of the corridor. McCoy told the commissioners that Lett has served on the German American Board of Directors and asked if it was legally ethical that Lett also serve as the attorney representing the county. He said he believes it is a conflict of interest and he finds it hard to believe Lett didn't know about the plans for the Mid-States Corridor when it was being discussed initially and didn't inform the county. He asked the commissioners to consider this and whether they want Lett to remain the county attorney.

Commissioner Aaron Summers told McCoy that he appreciates the work he has done doing research for the corridor. He said, however, Attorney Lett has always

done what the commissioners have requested regarding the Mid-States Corridor. Commissioner Paul George agreed.

Attorney Lett then asked the commissioners if he could respond. They told him he could. Lett told McCoy that he is either misadvised or misinformed. He said he did serve on the board of German American for 22 years but resigned the position two years ago. He said there was never discussion at the board meetings about the Mid-States Corridor, but he does know Schroeder informed the board he had accepted a position on the RDA (Regional Development Authority). He said the board never directed Schroeder to take this position nor did Schroeder's position on the RDA have anything to do with his job responsibilities at German American. He said German American did contribute money to the Mid-States Corridor association, along with other businesses in Dubois County. Lett said he, however, didn't have anything to do with it. He said he's only done what the commissioners have asked him to do relating to the Mid-States Corridor including recommending they hire USI Consultants to come up with a plan to help Martin County. "You should probably get all your facts together," he said to McCoy. "You have asserted things about me personally that I don't appreciate."

McCoy replied that he does have his facts together.

Lett replied, "As an attorney, all I have is my character, sir," noting that McCoy is questioning that. McCoy said the meeting was not the place to debate the issue.

McCoy then requested information on the county's steering committee that was formed a few months ago to help prepare for the Mid-States Corridor. The redevelopment (See 'COMMISSIONERS' on page 3)

Solid waste board to ask county council what tax rate they want for recycling center

BY COURTNEY HUGHETT
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The Martin County Solid Waste Board discussed moving back to the tax levy at their meeting last Thursday morning, April 25. Board Member Brian Ader said the recycling center is making nowhere near what it needs to with the current \$24 a year asset fee. He said doubling that fee could bring \$240,000 a year but that doesn't leave enough money left for any major expenses that may come up. He said they need to make sure they get enough money to take care of all expenses.

Auditor Michelle Norris provided numbers to the council pertaining to the tax rate. The rate would be charged on any property in Martin County. The lowest rate she figured was 0.0278 which was what the recycling center was collecting back in 2011 on the tax levy. At that rate, with the current total assessed value of Martin County properties, it would bring in \$152,674. The highest rate, which the recycling center was col-

lecting in 2009, was 0.0439. This would bring in \$241,094 for the recycling center based on today's property value in the county. The recycling center went off the tax levy in 2011 and changed to the asset fee of \$24, which was added to any property with a dwelling. At the time, the recycling center was making enough money to have a surplus, so they reduced the burden on the taxpayers by changing to an asset fee. The asset fee only applies to property with a dwelling and not empty lots or land.

At the lowest tax rate of 0.0439, a property owner with a net assessed value of \$151,200, would pay \$45.62 a year. The assessed value is not the same as the market value. Assessed value is what the county assesses the property.

Board Member Ader said the highest rate is where they need to be. Board Member Cody Roush said he doesn't think the county council would be in favor of that high of a rate. Ader replied that they won't know unless they ask. He added that something has to be done to (See 'RECYCLING' on page 2)



-Photo provided

Shown above are the seniors in the Class of 2024 who were honored on Sunday, April 21 at the Tri Kappa Top 10 Academic Dinner which was held at the Family Life Center of the Loogootee United Methodist Church. In the front row, from left to right, are Mackenzie Craney, Abigail Nonte, Madison Ramsey, Alivia Willis, and Sydnee Wittmer. In the back row, from left to right, are Luke Lengacher, Connor Swartzentruber, Andrew Walker, Reis Whitney, and Alex Adams.

Tri Kappa holds annual Top Ten Dinner

The 15th Annual Tri Kappa Top 10 Academic Dinner was held Sunday, April 21 in the Family Life Center of the United Methodist Church. Members of the local Tri Kappa chapter hosted the event to honor the top ten academic students in the Loogootee Junior/Senior High School Class of 2024. Also attending were the parents of the students as well as the mentor chosen by each student – someone who had greatly influenced them in their lives.

Audrey Robinson, co-chairman of the dinner, served as emcee. Vice-President Pam Loughmiller welcomed everyone. Robinson spoke of the work that Tri Kappa does promoting charity, culture and education. Donations are given annually to Riley Hospital for Children and in Martin County, especially to the school systems including a scholarship and valedictorian

and salutatorian awards. The funds for the donations are raised through the birthday calendar and assorted nut projects the chapter conducts each fall.

Following the blessing given by Jolene Miller, members served a meal of salad, rosemary chicken, roasted potatoes, green beans and a roll prepared by Co-Chairman Kathy Lingenfelter and her committee. An assortment of desserts, made by chapter members, was also served. Guests dined at decorated tables accented in black and gold balloons.

The honored students, their parents and their chosen mentors were, respectively, Reis Whitney, Brian and Audrey Whitney, Mentor Josh Jeffers; Mackenzie Craney, Eddie and Jennifer Craney, Mentor Rachel Tedrow; Luke Lengacher, Stacy and (See 'DINNER' on page 3)



Primary Election Day is next Tuesday, May 7. Polls are open from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. Unsure of your polling location? Contact the Martin County Clerk's Office at 812-247-3651.

RECYCLING CENTER

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bring in additional revenue to the recycling center or they are going to have to turn it over to the county. "Downsize," replied Roush. He said he believes this is what needs to be done.

Recycling Center Director Janell Freeman told Roush that she knows he has mentioned downsizing before, but she wanted him to know that most of the ma-

terial they get to sell comes from outside Martin County. Roush said he realizes that. He asked at what point they need to look at scaling back and operating within their means. "As a board, we need to decide when that is," he said.

Board Member Ader said scaling back means shutting down the center two days a week. He said the current workload and staff would not allow for that. Direc-

tor Freeman agreed saying they tried to close on Mondays, but they just got way behind in the workload. She added that she feels with the recent price increases she has implemented along with reducing staff, she now just needs to clean up the past expenses to see improvement. She noted she has applied for multiple grants to help replace some of the failing equipment so if they get those, that will help too.

Jenny Dearwester, who was in the audience, said based on the monthly figures provided at the last meeting, the center doesn't even make enough money to cover payroll, much less any other expense. Freeman said the markets are doing much better and they have increased truck loads of recyclables being sold every week. She said they can't operate without help from the taxpayers too, however, whether that be the tax levy or the asset fee. She added that replacing the baler a few years ago put them into a difficult financial situation. She said they are "crawling back" from that.

The board then moved back to discussing the levy and what rate to present to the county council. Board Member Ader again said they need to suggest the highest rate. "You are wanting to max it out?" asked Board Member Roush. Board Member Mike Engleman, who joined the meeting via telephone, said he isn't in favor of that at all. Roush replied that he wasn't either. Both noted they don't see the county council being in favor of it.

Board Member Ader said again that if they don't do something about bringing in more money, the county council will be left with running the center and having to figure out how to operate it.

In the end, the board voted to move forward with talking to the county council to see what rate they were comfortable with. Board Member Jim Hamby abstained from the vote since he serves on the county council. Board Member Roush said the way he's looking at it, property owners are going to be paying much more than they have been with the \$24 asset fee.

Auditor Norris noted they have been removing several asset fees from property tax statements because the owner was being charged when they shouldn't have been. She said some people were being charged for a lot with something as simple as a concrete pad, which wasn't how the asset fee was designed. She said the center will be lucky to get \$100,000 on the next payout because her office has removed many more people than have been added on. She said even adding apartments didn't make a difference.

Freeman provided the board with a breakdown of income and expenses for the recycling center for 2023. She said everything they collect is making money, except maybe glass. The recycling center's income for 2023 was \$463,115 with \$121,870 coming in from the asset fee and excise tax, \$19,760 coming from out-of-county recycling pickup fees, \$62,677 from items dropped off in the recycling drive through, \$75,000 in grants, \$179,789 from selling recyclables, \$2,859 from taking in hazardous waste materials, \$991 for selling reusable items, and \$167.60 in interest collected. The center had \$570,988.14 in expenses in 2023. Of that \$9,492 was utility costs, \$35,656 was for gas and diesel fuel, \$373,682 was for employees wages, benefits and insurance; \$43,083 was for dumpster pick up for garbage and construction materials, \$5,052 was paying shared portions of recyclables sold, \$6,372 was for parts and equipment supplies, \$28,259 was for maintenance expenses, \$50,304 was payments for the new baler, \$5,355 was for auto parts, \$1,584 was for office supplies, \$80 was for postage, \$3,313 was for uniforms, and \$8,649 was for Visa card payments.

Freeman was asked if the expenses included the \$65,000 balance of the loan with German American Bank. Freeman said it didn't. Based on the 2023 numbers, the center lost \$107,000 last year.

Freeman said they are going to end the uniform charges which will take that expense down to \$40 a month, or \$480. She said she had one employee opt out of insurance and one considering it which would put the center down to just two employees who receive insurance.

Dearwester, from the audience, asked if employees are paying anything from their paychecks for insurance. Freeman replied that they pay \$30 every two weeks. Dearwester asked where that money is going since the county has been paying the insurance premiums for the center. Freeman said Bookkeeper Eckerle would have to answer that question. Eckerle wasn't present for the meeting. Board Member George said the money is probably going to pay the other bills.

Freeman noted there is still a \$90,000 balance on the new baler. Ader said that needs to be paid off as soon as possible. The \$65,000 loan balance from German American, he said, should be pushed back if possible.

Board Member George said Freeman may think everything the recycling center is collecting is making money but it can't be since the center is losing money. Freeman said again that loads of recyclables they are selling have picked up. She said they are making a lot of money off clothing sales and aluminum cans are up to 85 cents a pound.

In other business, the board discussed the need to allow Bookkeeper June Eckerle to retire. Eckerle has been trying to retire for several years. Director Freeman said she has a potential employee interested in the position. After discussion, the board took Freeman's recommendation and hired Mykaela Rice as bookkeeper. Rice will work three days a week at \$15 per hour. They want her to get started training right away.

Ader brought up the possibility of the auditor taking over the recycling center's bookkeeping, as was discussed at the last meeting. Auditor Norris said again she is not comfortable with it due to the state of the recycling center's accounts. She said it was a possibility, but all the recycling center accounts would have to be combined with the county. Board Member Paul George said it was discussed at the last commissioners' meeting and they are not comfortable with it. Ader said that once the recycling center gets back into a better situation, the county may consider taking it over. He said the center definitely needs to change the way they are doing things.

In other business, Board Member Ader said they found a used transmission to use in the recycling center's broken-down semi truck. The transmission has 100,000 miles and is \$600. He said they are not sure if this transmission is going to work but installation was to start Monday. Ader said if the transmission doesn't work in the semi, they will take the current transmission and have it rebuilt for an estimated \$2,000. He said they plan to rebuild it anyway, even if the purchased transmission works because they can use it as backup or sell it. The recycling center is currently paying an independent semi driver \$300 per load of recyclables which is costing them a lot of money.


The board agreed to move forward with selling the Shoals recycling center property to the county. A lease will be drawn up for the center to continue to use the garage located in the parking lot to collect recyclables from Shoals residents. They agreed to the recycling center paying the county \$1 a year. Auditor Norris noted that the county council will have to approve the money for the purchase at their May 6 meeting.

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OBITUARIES

LOIS RICKMAN

Lois Ann Harrawood Rickman passed away at her home Saturday, April 27, 2024. A resident of O'Fallon, Missouri, she was 79.



She was born December 23, 1944, in Hazel Park, Michigan; daughter of the late Francis E. and Vivian E. (Morehead) Harrawood.

Lois was an active participant of Run for The Wall, an organization to honor our veterans, their families and recognize those still missing. The ride ends at the Vietnam Memorial Wall, where all four motorcycle routes come together. Lois also enjoyed volunteering for the USO. Lois loved to support and honor the United States military, veterans, and active duty.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Francis and Vivian E. Harrawood and siblings, Gayle Harrawood, Edward Arnold Harrawood, Tom Harrawood, and Jim Harrawood.

Lois is survived by her children, Katie (Greg) McKenzie of Jacksonville, Florida and Josh (Adrienne) Rickman of Appleton, Wisconsin; grandchildren, Kristin Misuraca Huffman, Sean McKenzie, Alex McKenzie, Lucas Rickman (Kelle Bohannon), Kathleen Rickman, Anderson Rickman, and Joshua Rickman; great-grandchildren, Alex Huffman, Iris Huffman and Logan Rickman; sister-in-law, Laura Harrawood, many loving nieces and nephews and her wonderful Indiana cousins.

Graveside services will be held at 1 p.m. Friday, May 3 at Bethany Cemetery in Washington. The family requests that

DINNER

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Shelly Lengacher, Mentor Ryan Kinnett; Sydnee Wittmer, Terry and Susan Wittmer, Mentor Emma Letterman; Abigail Nonte, Brent and Bobbi Nonte, Mentor Sandra Hunt; Alivia Willis, Trent and Rocio Willis, Mentor Andrea Sutton; Madison Ramsey Clayton and Lacey Ramsey, Mentor Lacey Ramsey; Andrew Walker, William and Jill Walker, Mentor William Walker; Alex Adams, Bryan and Julinda Adams, Mentor Bristol Yoder, and Connor Swartzentruber, Brian and Michelle Swartzentruber, Mentor Mike Tippery.

Loogootee High School Superintendent Dr. Brian Harmon, Principal Nancy Harrison, and Guidance Counselor Heather Hawkins attended the event. Dr. Harmon and Principal Walker both spoke to the students, their parents and mentors. They both thanked Tri Kappa for their continued support of this event and thanked the stu-

all in attendance wear denim in memory of Lois.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions can be made to: Run for the Wall Inc., 50 Fourth Ave Unit 1445, Dayton, NV 89403; Missouri's National Veterans Memorial, Perryville, MO <https://mnvmfund.org/>; or your local chapter of the USO.

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

Blake & Wagler Funeral Home is honored to serve the family of Lois Harrawood Rickman.

LOUIS VEILLEUX

Jesus Christ visited our home in Bowling Green Ohio and took Louis Veilleux with Him to heaven at 2:15 p.m. April 22, 2024. He was surrounded by loving family members in his death. Louis was greeted in heaven by his loving in-laws, Alvin and Gladys Glascock, formerly of Huntington.

Louis was born at home to his parents, Fernand and RoseAnge (Bellavance) Veilleux in Lac Etchemin du Ste Germaine Quebec Canada on June 2, 1948. They proudly named him, Joseph Honori Emilien Louis Nicol Veilleux. Louis was preceded in death by his father, his mother still resides in Lac Etchemin.

Louis married his sweetheart, Deborah (Glascock) Veilleux, on December 13, 1969. They recently moved to Ohio. Prior to that they resided for 24 years in Andrews, Indiana and were members of Bethel Assembly of God Church. Before that the lived in Loogootee. Travel was a big part of his life as a General Foreman with Asplundh Brush Control, where he had retired after nearly 46 years.

Louis leaves behind his wife, Debbie; two daughters and one son, 10 grandchildren, and 16 great-grandchildren. All

dents for their excellent academics.

Before Sunday's dinner, the students had been asked to write a letter to the person whom they had chosen as their mentor telling them why they had made a positive influence on them. The letter was included on a framed Certificate of Appreciation which was presented to the mentor as a gift after being read by the student at the dinner.

On behalf of the chapter, Vice President Pam Loughmiller and member Renee Street presented each of the students with a large, personalized laundry bag for college and a copy of the Certificate of Appreciation given to their mentor.

Audrey Robinson closed the dinner by congratulating the students on their academic achievements in high school and wishing them the best in the future from the members of the Loogootee-Shoals Delta Tau Chapter of Tri Kappa.



LOUIS VEILLEUX

of his grand and great-grandchildren were Louis's 'Kid-die-Cats,' prized and dearly loved. His eldest daughter Sallie Estes resides in Sturgis, Michigan, as well as her three daughters, one grandson and ten of Louis' great-grandchildren. Nikki (Estes- Mrs. Dale) Miller with their four children Levi, Masen, Lucas, and Sadie Miller; Jenna (Estes) Holley with her four children, Braillyn and Brooklyn Holley, Cameron and Cayden Eash; Alyssa (Estes) Arellano and Roberto Arellano with their sons Malachi and Demetrius Arellano.

A second daughter Jacquell (Mrs. Raymond) Klekamp with his granddaughter Kara all of Bowling Green Ohio. One grandson, Kyle (Sarah Keen) Klekamp with two grandchildren Abram and Eden Klekamp. Louis was eagerly expecting Kyle's twin girls arriving in August all from Fayetteville, North Carolina. Last but not least Joseph Klekamp of Sylvania, Ohio. Louis also leaves behind his son Courtney Veilleux, and daughter Caitlin Veilleux, both of Huntington; Skyler Veilleux (Hunter Crays) and their children, Madex, Kanan, and Millie Veilleux, Elijah Veilleux (Rose Clausen), all of Loogootee; and Tyler (Mavin Chaney) Veilleux and their son, Kopelin of Fort Wayne; three sisters, Reine Ange Veilleux Drummondville Quebec, Berengere Veilleux and Karence Veilleux, all of Lac Etchemin Quebec; and two brothers, Beal Veilleux of Lac Etchemin Quebec and Martel Veilleux St. Rose Station Quebec Canada.

A funeral service was held Saturday,

April 27 at the Myers Funeral Home, Huntington Chapel.

Interment took place at the Gardens of Memory Cemetery in rural Huntington County.

Memorial Contributions can be made out to either the American Center for Law & Justice or IMJ.org both sent in care of Myers Funeral Home, 2901 Guilford St., Huntington, IN 46750.

DONALD GAMMON

Donald Brent "Duckwood" Gammon passed away on Monday, April 29, 2024, at his home. A resident of Mitchell, he was 61.



DONALD GAMMON

He was born March 11, 1963, in Bedford; son of Robert Lee and Sue Jane (Baker) Gammon. He graduated from Shoals High School with the class of 1981 and was a veteran of the United States Army. He loved to build model military airplanes.

Surviving are his beloved dog, Bella; one sister, Renaudia White and her husband, Skip, who was Donald's caretaker and friend; one brother, Robert Gammon Jr.; one niece, Michelle Bush; and several cousins.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

Graveside services will be at 2 p.m. today, Wednesday, May 1 at the Spring Hill Cemetery, with Skip White officiating.

Pallbearers will be Skip White, Adam Bush, Pam Gammon, Larry Atkins, Kyle Bundy, and Gerald Gammon.

Online condolences may be made to the family at www.queenlee.com.

COMMISSIONERS

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opment commission and the City of Loogootee helped pay for USI Consultants to come up with a long-range plan regarding the corridor and how it could affect Loogootee and Martin County. McCoy asked who sits on that board. Commissioner Cody Roush said he serves as the commissioners' representative, but he can't name everyone on the committee off the top of his head. He did name Alliance Director Jessica Potts, Adam Greene, Pam and Jason Loughmiller, and Lance Mathies. McCoy asked him to please provide him with a list later along with meeting dates. Commissioner Roush said he believes the next meeting is on May 22 at the Alliance office in Loogootee, but he would have to verify that. McCoy asked Roush to send him the information.

In other business, Shoals resident Mary Smith read a statement she prepared regarding the county's veteran service officer (VSO). Smith said that while she has never served in the armed forces, she has relatives who have, including her father and son. She said the veteran service officer position is very important and a lot of work. She said the current salary for the VSO is \$13,000 a year which would mean if the VSO put in 24 hours a week, they are making \$10 an hour. She said the county is spending money in other areas and they need to show that veterans are worth the money too.

Clerk Julie Fithian asked about what the plans are for the Shoals recycling building that the commissioners recently agreed to purchase for \$100,000. Commissioner Paul George said they plan to put offices in it. Fithian asked about whether the county is paying to have the Patient First building, on Main Street in Shoals, remodeled and how much it will cost. It was noted that the county hasn't purchased that building yet nor decided who would be responsible for renovations. Commissioner George said they are hoping to receive grants for

the remodel. Fithian said she didn't understand why the county would put hundreds of thousands of dollars into that building when there is no available parking on Main Street. She said there is already a parking issue, and this would just make it worse. She told the commissioners she just wanted to point out this issue.

Auditor Norris reported the judge has asked the courtroom to be closed from July 29 to August 16 for renovations. The commissioners approved. Auditor Norris also questioned where the new courthouse server needs to go because the current room has ventilation issues causing the equipment to overheat. Norris asked if the veteran service officer office could be used. The commissioners agreed that wouldn't be a good idea because that office needs to be accessible to veterans. The commissioners decided they will need more time to figure something out with the server.

A resident in the audience said the original plan with the county buying the current courthouse building was to add another floor if space was needed. He said the county could do that instead of buying property all over. Commissioner George said they got a quote about 15 years ago and it would cost \$1.9 million to add a floor. Commissioner Summers said it would cost way more than that now. Commissioner George said they can certainly look into it, however.

The commissioners approved paying Ben Kent \$6,339.86 for the ladder on the side of the jail from ARPA funds. Commissioner Roush said he thought the project would be \$2,500. Auditor Norris said that is what it was at one time, but the sheriff added more to it.

The commissioners agreed to tear down the time and temperature sign out in front of the courthouse. Auditor Norris asked Johnny Signs to take a look at it to see if it could be repaired and it cannot. A replacement would be \$19,065.

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Martin County Sheriff's Department activity log

MONDAY, APRIL 22

12:05 a.m. - Received a report of water gushing from fire hydrant in Loogootee. Advised they are flushing hydrants this week.

9:48 a.m. - Received a call requesting a welfare check in Loogootee. Loogootee Chief Hunt responded.

12:14 p.m. - Received a call requesting a vehicle identification number check. Captain Gibson responded.

1:10 p.m. - Corporal Hawkins transported one inmate to court.

1:41 p.m. - Received a report of a possible scam in Loogootee. Chief Deputy Keller responded.

1:44 p.m. - Received a report of a neighbor dispute north of Shoals. Sergeant Wells responded.

2:01 p.m. - Corporal Hawkins transported one inmate to court.

3:16 p.m. - Received two 911 calls on Crane Base. Advised Crane Naval Base.

5:20 p.m. - Received a report of a street sign down in Shoals. A Town of Shoals worker responded.

6:43 p.m. - Received a request for a welfare check in Crane. Martin County Medic 1, Crane Fire Department, Sergeant Wells and Loogootee Reserve Officer Shaw responded. Medic 1 transported one patient to Green County Hospital.

8:51 p.m. - Received a 911 call from a Loogootee address with no one on the line. Loogootee Reserve Officer Shaw and Martin County Medic 1 responded. No one was transported.

TUESDAY, APRIL 23

12:19 a.m. - Received a call reporting water gushing from fire hydrants in Loogootee. Advised they are flushing hydrants.

7:59 a.m. - Received a 911 call on Crane Base. Transferred call to Crane 911.

8:00 p.m. - Received a report of a suspicious vehicle south of Loogootee. Chief Deputy Keller responded.

8:01 a.m. - Received a 911 call on Crane Base. Transferred call to Crane 911.

8:32 a.m. - Corporal Hawkins transported one inmate to court.

8:49 a.m. - Received a call from Duke Energy advising the power will be out east of Loogootee while they change a pole.

10:27 a.m. - Corporal Hawkins transported three inmates to court.

11:10 a.m. - Received a call requesting a vehicle unlock in Loogootee. Sergeant Wells responded.

12:17 p.m. - Received a call reporting possible trespassing east of Shoals. Sergeant Wells responded.

1:48 p.m. - Received an animal complaint southeast of Loogootee. Sergeant Wells responded.

2:24 p.m. - Received a call requesting a welfare check in Shoals. Deputy Doane responded.

4:10 p.m. - Received a call requesting to speak with a deputy. Sergeant Wells responded.

7:15 p.m. - Received a call requesting a welfare check north of Shoals. Deputy Doane responded.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 24

12:45 a.m. - Received a 911 call reporting a possible break in south of Loogootee. Deputy Erwin responded.

5:05 a.m. - Received a 911 call reporting an accident with no injuries east of Loogootee. Major Reed and Martin County Civil Defense responded.

5:09 a.m. - Received multiple calls reporting the same accident.

7:00 a.m. - Received an accidental 911 call.

7:12 a.m. - Received a call requesting a vehicle identification number check on a semi-trailer southwest of Shoals. Chief Deputy Keller responded.

9:24 a.m. - Received a report of suspicious person in Loogootee. Loogootee Assistant Chief Long responded.

9:28 a.m. - Received a 911 call requesting an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Medic 1 responded and transported one patient to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

9:53 a.m. - Corporal Hawkins transported one inmate to court.

10:40 a.m. - Received a call requesting a vehicle identification number check on an ATV northeast of Shoals. Sergeant Wells responded.

11:24 a.m. - Received a call requesting a vehicle identification number check west of Shoals. Sergeant Wells responded.

12:27 p.m. - Received a 911 call requesting an officer east of Shoals. Chief Deputy Keller and Sergeant Wells responded.

12:53 p.m. - Corporal Hawkins transported one inmate to court.

1:04 p.m. - Received a 911 call requesting an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Medic 1 and Loogootee Fire Department responded. No one was transported.

3:21 p.m. - Received a 911 call requesting an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Medic 1, Medic 3, Loogootee Assistant Chief Long, Chief Deputy Keller and Loogootee Fire Department responded. Medic 1 transported one patient to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

5:08 p.m. - Received a 911 call from Crane Base. Transferred call to Crane 911.

6:42 p.m. - Received a call requesting a vehicle identification number check on a boat and trailer. Deputy Shields responded.

6:52 p.m. - Received a 911 call requesting an ambulance south of Loogootee. Martin County Medic 1 responded and transported one patient to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

7:53 p.m. - Received a report of a controlled burn in Shoals.

10:02 p.m. - Received a 911 call requesting an ambulance east of Shoals. Martin County Medic 1 and Shoals Fire Department responded. Medic 1 transported one patient to Daviess Community Hospital.

11:18 p.m. - Received a call requesting a vehicle unlock east of Shoals. Major Reed responded.

THURSDAY, APRIL 25

3:12 a.m. - Received a call requesting an ambulance east of Shoals. Martin County Medic 1 and Shoals Fire Department responded. Medic 1 transported one patient to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

4:58 a.m. - Received a call reporting a possible prowler in Loogootee. Major Reed responded.

7:30 a.m. - Received a call from Lifeline advising of a medical alarm push south of Shoals. Martin County Medic 1 and Shoals Fire Department responded. No one was transported.

7:52 a.m. - Received a report of a possible scam in Loogootee. Loogootee Chief Hunt responded.

8:27 a.m. - Corporal Hawkins transported one inmate to court.

10:29 a.m. - Received a report of a vehicle repossession in Loogootee.

10:29 a.m. - Received a report of a controlled burn north of Loogootee.

10:43 a.m. - Corporal Hawkins transported one inmate to court.

10:45 a.m. - Received a call reporting a road closure today in Loogootee.

10:55 a.m. - Received a report of a reckless driver on US 50, traveling west. Loogootee Assistant Chief Long responded.

11:07 a.m. - Received a report of an accident with no injuries in Loogootee. Loogootee Assistant Chief Long responded.

11:55 a.m. - Received a report of a scam

in Shoals. Sheriff Greene was notified.

1:16 p.m. - Corporal Hawkins transported one inmate to court.

2:18 p.m. - Received a call requesting a vehicle identification number check on a mobile home in Shoals. Deputy Branham responded.

2:32 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance east of Shoals. Martin County Medic 2 responded and transported one patient to Bloomington Hospital.

3:45 p.m. - Received a call reporting a possible verbal dispute in Crane Village. Deputy Branham responded.

4:18 p.m. - Received a 911 call requesting an ambulance in Shoals. Martin County Medic 1 and Shoals Fire Department responded. No one was transported.

9:21 p.m. - Received an animal complaint in Loogootee. Loogootee Reserve Officer Shaw responded.

10:52 p.m. - Received a 911 call reporting a reckless driver in Loogootee. Loogootee Patrolman Floyd responded.

10:00 p.m. - Received a report of a vehicle repossession in Loogootee.

FRIDAY, APRIL 26

5:41 a.m. - Received a 911 call reporting possible trespasser in Loogootee. Deputy Baumgart responded.

8:36 a.m. - Received a report of a road closure in Shoals.

10:52 a.m. - Received a call requesting to speak with an officer. Deputy Branham responded.

10:56 a.m. - Received a call requesting an officer in Loogootee. Loogootee Assistant Chief Long responded.

11:29 a.m. - Received a call requesting a welfare check in Shoals. Chief Deputy Keller and Corporal Hawkins responded.

11:39 a.m. - Received a call requesting an officer in Loogootee. Loogootee Assistant Chief Long responded.

2:53 p.m. - Corporal Hawkins transported one inmate to court.

3:01 p.m. - Received a 911 call reporting an accident with no injuries north of Loogootee. Loogootee Chief Hunt, Loogootee Assistant Chief Long, Deputy Branham and Big John's Towing responded.

4:15 p.m. - Received a report of a controlled burn north of Loogootee.

4:52 p.m. - Received a call requesting an officer in Loogootee. Loogootee Reserve Officer Shaw responded.

6:13 p.m. - Received a call requesting an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Medic 1, Medic 3, Loogootee Fire Department and Loogootee Reserve Officer Shaw responded. Medic 1 transported one patient to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

6:51 p.m. - Received a 911 call reporting a reckless driver in Loogootee. Loogootee Reserve Officer Shaw responded.

8:07 p.m. - Received an animal complaint north of Loogootee. Loogootee Reserve Officer Shaw and Deputy Shields responded.

8:14 p.m. - Received a call from Orange County requesting an ambulance in Paoli. Medic 1 responded.

8:35 p.m. - Received a call reporting a suspicious object east of Loogootee. Deputy Baumgart responded.

11:17 p.m. - Received a call requesting an officer south of Shoals. Deputy Erwin responded.

11:29 p.m. - Received a call reporting a disturbance north of Loogootee. Deputy Baumgart responded. Daviess County was also notified.

SATURDAY, APRIL 27

12:18 a.m. - Received a 911 call requesting Knox County Sheriff. Gave caller information.

8:47 a.m. - Received a report of a traffic hazard south of Loogootee. ISP Trooper Nolan responded.

12:07 p.m. - Received a 911 call report-

ing an accident with no injuries in Loogootee. Deputy Branham responded.

12:22 p.m. - Received a call requesting to speak with an officer. Deputy Branham responded.

2:00 p.m. - Received a 911 call requesting to speak with an officer. Deputy Branham responded.

2:10 p.m. - Received a call reporting a domestic dispute southeast of Shoals. Deputy Branham and Deputy Shields responded.

4:24 p.m. - Received a call reporting an accident with no injuries in Loogootee. Deputy Branham and Deputy Shields responded.

5:32 p.m. - Received a report of a possible property damage accident in Shoals. Deputy Branham and Deputy Shields responded.

6:13 p.m. - Received a 911 call requesting an ambulance north of Shoals. Martin County Medic 1 and Shoals Fire Department responded. Medic 1 transported one patient to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

8:21 p.m. - Received a call requesting a welfare check in Shoals. Deputy Shields responded.

8:36 p.m. - Received a call requesting a welfare check in Loogootee. Deputy Baumgart responded.

9:23 p.m. - Received a 911 call from CVS Pharmacy phone. Deputy Shields and Deputy Baumgart responded.

9:24 p.m. - Received a report of an accident with no injuries in Loogootee. Deputy Baumgart responded.

9:30 p.m. - Received a 911 call requesting an ambulance northeast of Shoals. Martin County Medic 1 and Indian Creek Fire Department responded. No one was transported.

SUNDAY, APRIL 28

1:38 a.m. - Received a call requesting an ambulance in Shoals. Martin County Medic 1 responded and transported one patient to Daviess Community Hospital.

4:45 a.m. - Received a 911 call reporting an accident with no injuries north of Loogootee. Deputy Baumgart responded.

5:46 a.m. - Received an accidental 911 call.

9:54 a.m. - Received a call from Johnson Control advising of a commercial burglar alarm in Crane Village. Deputy Branham responded.

10:33 a.m. - Received a call requesting an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Medic 1 responded and transported one patient to Daviess Community Hospital.

10:34 a.m. - Received a 911 call requesting an officer in Loogootee. Deputy Branham and Indiana Conservation Officer Fuhrman responded.

12:15 p.m. - Received a call requesting an officer north of Shoals. Deputy Branham responded.

12:48 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Shoals. Martin County Medic 1 responded and transported one patient to Daviess Community Hospital.

1:14 p.m. - Received a 911 call reporting a tree down North of Shoals. INDOT responded.

3:13 p.m. - Received a call reporting a possible theft in Shoals. Deputy Branham responded.

4:36 p.m. - Received a 911 call requesting an ambulance in Shoals. Martin County Medic 1, Shoals Fire Department and Deputy Branham responded. Medic 1 transported one patient to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

6:34 p.m. - Received a call reporting a utility pole sparking in Shoals. Contacted Duke Energy.

11:24 p.m. - Received a call requesting an officer in Shoals. Major Reed responded.

COURT NEWS

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

CRIMINAL COURT New Charges Filed March 28

Jakob B. Graber, operating a vehicle while intoxicated endangering a person, a Class A Misdemeanor; operating a vehicle with an ACE of .15 or more, a Level 6 Felony.

April 1

Cain Joshua Sorensen, reckless driving, a Class C Misdemeanor.

Troy W. Arvin, refusal to submit to breath or chemical test, a Class C Infraction; operating a vehicle while intoxicated, a Class C Misdemeanor; operating a vehicle while intoxicated endangering a person, a Class A Misdemeanor.

Ronald Bannon, refusal to submit to breath or chemical test, a Class C Infraction; operating a vehicle while intoxicated, a Class C Misdemeanor; possession of methamphetamine, a Level 6 Felony.

Robert J. Hawkins, battery resulting in moderate bodily injury, a Level 6 Felony.

April 4

Damon B. Meek, dealing in methamphetamine, a Level 2 Felony; possession of methamphetamine, a Level 3 Felony; unlawful possession of a syringe, a Level 6 Felony; public intoxication, a Class B Misdemeanor.

Natalie Adams, possession of paraphernalia, a Class C Misdemeanor; possession of a narcotic drug, a Level 6 Felony; maintaining a common nuisance- controlled substances, a Level 6 Felony; possession of methamphetamine, a Level 6 Felony.

Dylan N. Adams, possession of paraphernalia, a Class C Misdemeanor; possession of a narcotic drug, a Level 6 Felony; maintaining a common nuisance- controlled substances, a Level 6 Felony; possession of methamphetamine, a Level 6 Felony.

April 5

Emily R. Osborne, visiting a common nuisance- controlled substances, a Class B Misdemeanor.

Rodney A. Bateman, possession of paraphernalia, a Class C Misdemeanor; possession of a controlled substance, a Class A Misdemeanor; unlawful possession of a syringe, a Level 6 Felony; maintaining a common nuisance- controlled substances, a Level 6 Felony; possession of marijuana, a Level 6 Felony; dealing in marijuana, a Level 6 Felony; possession of methamphetamine, a Level 5 Felony; dealing in methamphetamine, a Level 3 Felony.

Paula S. Mitchell, possession of paraphernalia, a Class C Misdemeanor; possession of a controlled substance, a Class A Misdemeanor; dealing in marijuana, a Level 6 Felony; possession of marijuana, a Level 6 Felony; unlawful possession of a syringe, a Level 6 Felony; maintaining a common nuisance- controlled substances, a Level 6 Felony; possession of methamphetamine, a Level 5 Felony; dealing in methamphetamine, a Level 3 Felony.

Guy C. Hazel, failure of sex/violent offender to possess identification, a Class A Misdemeanor; illegal sex offender residency, a Level 6 Felony; failure to register as a sex or violent offender, a Level 5 Felony.

April 10

Christina H. Lytton, possession of marijuana, a Class B Misdemeanor; visiting a common nuisance- controlled substances, a Class B Misdemeanor; possession of paraphernalia, a Class C Misdemeanor.

Deisy Sandoval, operating a vehicle while intoxicated, a Class C Misdemeanor.

Dustin A. Cramer, refusal to submit to breath or chemical test, a Class C Infraction; operating a vehicle while intoxicated, a Class C Misdemeanor.

Charles W. Chatman, Jr., operating a vehicle with a schedule I or II controlled substance or its metabolite in the body, a Class C Misdemeanor; driving while suspended,

a Class A Misdemeanor.

Mitchell J. Pfau, driving while suspended, a Class A Misdemeanor.

Joshua Winger, operating a vehicle while intoxicated, prior conviction within 7 years, a Level 6 Felony; operating a vehicle with a schedule I or II controlled substance or its metabolite in the body, a Class C Misdemeanor.

Michael Sherfick, operating a vehicle with an ACE of .15 or more, a Level 6 Felony; operating a vehicle while intoxicated endangering a person, a Class A Misdemeanor.

April 11

Waylon S. Winger, failure to register as a sex or violent offender, a Level 6 Felony.

April 12

William V. Ash, possession of paraphernalia, a Class C Misdemeanor; possession of methamphetamine, a Level 5 Felony.

Anthony Burns, strangulation, a Level 6 Felony.

Gregory S. Stroud, operating a vehicle while intoxicated, prior conviction within 7 years, a Level 6 Felony; operating a vehicle while intoxicated endangering a person, a Class A Misdemeanor.

April 15

Matthew R. Brown, knowingly or intentionally operating a motor vehicle without ever receiving a license, a Class C Misdemeanor; possession of marijuana, a Class B Misdemeanor; unlawful possession of a syringe, a Level 6 Felony; possession of methamphetamine, a Level 6 Felony.

Kelli Odell, possession of methamphetamine, a Level 6 Felony; possession of a narcotic drug, a Level 6 Felony; possession of a controlled substance, a Class A Misdemeanor; possession of paraphernalia, a Class C Misdemeanor.

Michael McLaughlin, Jr., possession of a narcotic drug, a Level 6 Felony; possession of marijuana, a Class B Misdemeanor; possession of paraphernalia, a Class C Misdemeanor.

April 16

Margarito G. Ramos, knowingly or intentionally operating a motor vehicle without ever receiving a license, a Class C Misdemeanor.

William T. Lucas, possession of paraphernalia, a Class C Misdemeanor; possession of marijuana, a Class B Misdemeanor; unlawful possession or use of a legend drug, a Level 6 Felony; possession of a narcotic drug, a Level 6 Felony; possession of methamphetamine, a Level 3 Felony; dealing in methamphetamine, a Level 2 Felony.

April 22

Jonathan H. Spurgeon, possession of marijuana, a Class B Misdemeanor.

John L. Jewell, reckless driving, a Class C Misdemeanor.

April 23

Christopher Monroe, possession of a controlled substance, a Class A Misdemeanor; possession of methamphetamine, a Level 6 Felony.

CRIMINAL CHARGES DISMISSED

April 17

Matthew R. Flynn, violation of driving conditions, a Class C Misdemeanor, dismissed.

April 18

Timothy S. Sterling, domestic battery, a Level 6 Felony, dismissed.

April 19

Kimberly A. Cook, theft, a Class A Misdemeanor, dismissed.

Alan D. Neeley, operating a vehicle while intoxicated endangering a person, 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.

April 23

Timothy L. Guy, three counts of possession of child pornography, Level 5 Felonies, dismissed.

Ryan P. Watkins, three counts of posses-

sion of child pornography, Level 5 Felonies, dismissed.

Marisa Lynnette Small, driving while suspended, a Class A Misdemeanor, dismissed.

CIVIL COURT New Suits Filed April 18

The Board of Commissioners of Martin County, Indiana vs. The Unknown Owners of 0.109 acres, civil plenary.

April 22

Synchrony Bank vs. Stephanie Ballinger, civil collection.

Emily A. Baxley vs. Richard C. Baxley, petition for dissolution of marriage.

April 23

Discover Bank vs. David Fewell, civil collection.

CIVIL COURT JUDGMENTS

April 17

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Portfolio Recovery Associates and against the defendant Theodore Bridgewater in the amount of \$2,215.95.

April 18

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Absolute Resolutions Investments, LLC and against the defendant Candace Clark in the amount of \$1,349.74.

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Discover Bank and against the defendant Jennifer Wagler in the amount of \$2,568.06.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Addison Paige Ainscough of Loogootee and Seth Daniel Blackwell of Loogootee.

Karrie Renea Deckard of Shoals and Anthony Manuel Burns of Shoals.

ARRESTS

MONDAY, APRIL 22

12:35 p.m. - Julia Earl, 40, of Shoals, was arrested by ISP Master Trooper Lents on a Martin County warrant. She is being held without bond.

3:26 p.m. - Chester Goldsberry, 49, of Evansville, was arrested on a Martin County warrant. He is being held without bond.

TUESDAY, APRIL 23

2:24 p.m. - Jakob Graber, 31, of Loogootee, was arrested by Corporal Hawkins on a Daviess County warrant. He is being held without bond for Daviess County.

11:24 p.m. - Erns Joseph, 40, of Sumner Illinois, was arrested by Loogootee Reserve Officer Shaw on a Knox County warrant. He is being held without bond for Knox County.

11:44 p.m. - Richard Ervin, 64, of Shoals, was arrested by Deputy Erwin on a Martin County warrant. He is being held

Loogootee Police Department log

MONDAY, APRIL 22

9:50 a.m. - Assistant Chief Long responded to a call on First Street.

10:45 a.m. - Assistant Chief Long responded to a call at Eagle Place Apartments.

10:51 a.m. - Assistant Chief Long responded to a medical call on Vine Street.

6:43 p.m. - Officer Shaw responded to a call on Stark Street.

8:51 p.m. - Officer Shaw responded to a call on Trimble Lane.

TUESDAY, APRIL 23

No calls to report.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 24

7:00 a.m. - Chief Hunt responded to a call on North Line Street.

9:24 a.m. - Assistant Chief Long responded to a call near the White River Co-Op.

1:04 p.m. - Loogootee Fire Department, Chief Hunt and Assistant Chief Long responded to a medical call on Cedar Street.

3:21 p.m. - Loogootee Fire Department and Assistant Chief Long responded to a medical call on Washington Street.

THURSDAY, APRIL 25

10:53 a.m. - Assistant Chief Long responded to a call near the 4-H Fairgrounds.

11:12 a.m. - Assistant Chief Long responded to a call at Nolan's Liquor Store.

without bond.

THURSDAY, APRIL 25

10:51 p.m. - Joshua West, 34, of Utica, Kentucky, was arrested by Deputy Shields and charged with possession of methamphetamine and possession of paraphernalia. He is being held on \$120,000 10% bond. Loogootee Reserve Officer Shaw assisted with the arrest.

FRIDAY, APRIL 26

6:27 a.m. - Rejan Allen, 49, of Loogootee, was arrested by Deputy Baumgart and charged with residential entry. She is being held on \$15,000 10% bond.

12:49 p.m. - Tony Boes, Jr., 42, of Salem, was arrested on a Martin County warrant. He is being held without bond.

11:49 p.m. - Justin Kiser, 26, of Odon, was arrested by Loogootee Reserve Officer Shaw and charged with disorderly conduct, public intoxication and interference with a traffic stop. He is being held on \$10,000 10% bond.

1:04 p.m. - Chief Hunt and Assistant Chief Long responded to a call on JFK Avenue.

1:52 p.m. - Assistant Chief Long responded to a call at J&R Fabricators.

9:21 p.m. - Officer Shaw responded to a call on North Line Street.

10:52 p.m. - Officer Floyd responded to a call on US Highway 50.

FRIDAY, APRIL 26

10:56 a.m. - Assistant Chief Long responded to a call at Big John's Towing.

11:39 a.m. - Assistant Chief Long responded to a call at Smoker's Host Discount Tobacco.

3:01 p.m. - Chief Hunt and Assistant Long responded to a call at Lakeview Golf Course.

4:52 p.m. - Officer Shaw responded to a call at the Loogootee Public Library.

6:13 p.m. - Loogootee Fire Department and Officer Shaw responded to a medical call on North Street.

6:51 p.m. - Officer Shaw responded to a call near Lee's Gym.

8:07 p.m. - Officer Shaw responded to a call on First Street.

SATURDAY, APRIL 27

No calls to report.

SUNDAY, APRIL 28

No calls to report.

Martin County real estate transfers

Kristi L. Wilson, Richard J. Taylor and Brandi R. Hennette and James Richard Taylor, of Martin County, Indiana to **Loogootee Community School Corporation**, of Martin County, Indiana. Tract I: All that part of the east half of the southwest quarter of the southwest quarter of Section 24, Township 3 North, Range 5 West, containing 2 1/4 acres, more or less, except a section containing 1.75 acre. Tract II: Lot Number 72 in Campbell and Breen's Addition to the Town, now City of Loogootee, Indiana. Tract III: Lot Number 35 in Campbell

and Breen's Addition to the Town, now City of Loogootee, Indiana. Tract IV: All of Lot Number 36 in Campbell and Breen's Addition to the Town, now City of Loogootee, Indiana, except a strip 50 feet in width off the south end thereof.

Marvin W. Bailey, Carroll D. Bailey, and Pamela J. Loughmiller, of Martin County, Indiana to **Richard Troy Wilson**, of Martin County, Indiana, a portion of the southeast quarter of Section 20, Township 3 North, Range 3 West, in Halbert Township, Martin County, Indiana, containing 1.21 acres, more or less.

More Neat Stuff



By Ann Ackerman



An old hillbilly farmer had a wife who nagged him unmercifully. From morning till night (and sometimes later), she was always complaining about something. The only time he got any relief was when he was out plowing with his old mule. He tried to plow a lot.

One day, when he was out plowing, his wife brought him lunch in the field. He drove the old mule into the shade, sat down on a stump, and began to eat his lunch.

Immediately, his wife began haranguing him again. Complain, nag, nag; it just went on and on.

All of a sudden, the old mule lashed out with both hind feet; caught her smack in the back of the head. Killed her dead on the spot.

At the funeral several days later, the minister noticed something rather odd.

When a woman mourner would approach the old farmer, he would listen for a minute, then nod his head in agreement; but when a man mourner approached him, he would listen for a minute, then shake his head in disagreement.

This was so consistent, the minister decided to ask the old farmer about it.

Following the funeral, the clergyman approached the elderly farmer and inquired why he nodded in accord with the

ANIMAL SHELTER Pet of the Week



LYLAH is a female lab mix, very sweet, loves people. She is not good with cats. She is spayed and up to date on shots. For more info or to apply to adopt, visit www.humanesociety-ofmartincounty.org.

women but consistently shook his head in disagreement with the men.

The old farmer said: "Well, the women would come up and say something about how nice my wife looked, or how pretty her dress was, so I'd nod my head in agreement."

"And what about the men?" the minister asked.

"They wanted to know if the mule was for sale."

1. What do bees use to fix their hair?
2. How can you tell if a plant is good at math?
3. How do penguins fix broken dishes?
4. What did the envelope say to the stamp?
5. How do you stop a bull from charging?
6. What did the ocean say to the beach?
7. Why did the boy throw a stick of margarine out the window?

THOUGHTS

*I got rid of my vacuum cleaner. It was gathering dust.

*My dog sat on a piece of sandpaper. It was ruff.

*Sorry I can't come by later. My dog expects me home at a certain time.

*I'm going to quit my job and travel the world until I run out of money. I should be back home later tonight.

ANSWERS

1. Honeycombs., 2. It has square roots., 3. With igloo., 4. "Stick with me and we'll go places." 5. Take away its credit card., 6. Nothing. It just waved., 7. He wanted to see a butterfly.

We all get heavier as we get older because there's a lot more information in our heads. So, I'm not fat, I'm just really intelligent and my head couldn't hold any more, so it started filling up the rest of me. That's my story and I'm sticking to it!

Make someone smile today!

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Joint meeting

The Martin County Council and Martin County Commissioners will meet in executive session this evening, Wednesday, May 1 at 5:30 p.m. in the courthouse. The purpose of the meeting is for discussion of records classified as confidential by state or federal statute pursuant to I.C. 5-14-1.5-6.1(b)(7). The meeting is closed to the public.

Loogootee City-Wide Yard Sales

Loogootee City-Wide Yard Sales, May 10 and 11. If you would like to be put on the list, contact Tracy Brown-Salsman 812-709-5772.

Dog/Cat Wellness Clinic

The next scheduled dog and cat wellness clinic at the Martin County Humane Society Spay/Neuter Clinic will be Friday, May 17 from 5-6 p.m. The clinic offers low-cost vaccines, testing, microchips, nail trims, etc. No appointment is required, first come first serve.

Celebrate Recovery meetings

Celebrate Recovery meetings will be held every Tuesday at 6 p.m. at The River Church in Shoals. This is a Christ-centered recovery program and anyone is welcome to attend.

St. Vincent Food Pantry

The St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry, on Park Street in Loogootee, is open the fourth Thursday of the month except November and December when they are open the third Thursday. The hours are 9 a.m.-noon and 1-3:30 p.m.

Free lunch for kids

New Beginnings Community Church will be offering a free lunch to all school age children every Saturday. Lunches can be picked up at the fellowship hall of the church, located at 105 Wood St, Loogootee no later than 10:30 a.m. Deliveries will begin between 10:30 and 11 a.m. Saturdays.

SOAR Tutoring

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

LUMC Food Pantry

The Loogootee United Methodist Church Food Pantry is open every Thursday (except the fourth Thursday) from 11 a.m.-1 p.m.

Solid waste board

The Martin County Solid Waste Board holds their monthly meetings on the third Wednesday of each month at 8:30 a.m. at the recycling center located at 500 Industrial Park Drive in Loogootee. The meet-

ings are open to the public and anyone is invited to attend.

Soil and Water meetings

The Martin County Soil & Water Conservation District (SWCD) meets the third Tuesday of the month at the SWCD office located at 404 JFK Avenue in Loogootee. The meetings are at 7:30 p.m. (April-October) and at 6:30 p.m. (November-March). Office hours are 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Thursday. Please call 812-295-3149 for assistance.



BY DARLA WAGLER

Librarian, Loogootee Public Library

May 4, at 10 a.m., there is a "May the 4th Be With You" program. There will be themed snacks, a trivia contest, and a costume contest (at 10:40). Come (Han) solo or bring a team of 2-3 people for the trivia contest. Please register to attend.

Carolyn's Book Club is Monday, May 6 at 6 p.m.

May 20 at 6 p.m., Mike Familant will be at the library with his Live: Searchin American Tour 2024. He has a lot of stories to share from his travels looking for America's favorite mythical creature (Big Foot). Registration is required to attend.

New Books:

Mystery: "Murder Inn" by James Patterson.

Fiction: "The Summer We Started Over" by Nancy Thayer, "The Auctioneer" by Joan Samson, "The Museum of Lost Quilts" by Jennifer Chiaverini, "Only the Brave" by Danielle Steel, "An Unfinished Murder" by Jude Deveraux.

Inspiration Fiction: "Midnight Harbor" by Davis Bunn, "The Italian Ballerina" by Kristy Cambron, "Within These Walls of Sorrow" by Amanda Barratt, and "Porch Music" by Kathy Maresca.

Nonfiction: "The Secret Lives of Booksellers and Librarians" by James Patterson.

Library hours: Monday 10-6, Tuesday 10-5, Closed on Wednesday, Thursday 10-6, Friday 10-5, and Saturday 9-1. The library phone number is 812-295-3713 and check out the website www.loogootee.lib.in.us or like us on Facebook. The library has free Wi-Fi service available for patrons.

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Upcoming Program

Navigating The Grocery Store With Ease



Kendra Allen
Registered Dietitian

Looking for ways to eat healthier that are also budget friendly? Memorial Hospital and Health Care Centers clinical registered dietitian, Kendra Allen will present "Navigating The Grocery Store with Ease".

Thursday, May 16, 2024
6:00 - 7:15 pm ET
Light Snack will be provided.

Martin County 4-H Fairgrounds & Events
Center Community Building
2668 US Hwy. 50
Loogootee, IN

Pre-registration is required.

To pre-register for this free event, visit www.mhcc.org and search for the program in "Classes & Events" or call 812-996-2352.
Deadline to register is May 13, 2024.

MEMORIAL HOSPITAL AND HEALTH CARE CENTER

In the Garden

By Ralph Purkhiser
Purdue University Master Gardener

The flower parade continues at Sandhill Gardens. While heavy rains beat the beautiful and sweet-scented tree peonies to shreds last week, the bearded irises showed up to delight the eye and the nose. Irises occur in so many different colors and variegation patterns that there is sure to be an iris to please any gardener. Even native plant purists will find irises to include in their gardens, even though the showy bearded irises are not native. At Sandhill Gardens, there are many different irises, so the bloom period will continue for a while. Some of the bearded irises will re-bloom later in the year. Following the bearded irises will be the Louisiana, Dutch, Siberian and Japanese irises.

I try to take a walk in the gardens every day to see what new plants have sprouted and what flowers have appeared. It changes daily. Visitors this week have been attracted to a rather small native flower in the shade gardens. With blooms only the size of a penny, one might not expect fire pinks to attract much attention. However, the deep red color is so unusual in the shade garden that they really do stand out from the purple, yellow and white flowers usually found in the shade. The "pinks" part of the common name has nothing to do with the flower color. Instead, it refers to the jagged edges on the five petals, as if the petals have been cut with pinking shears. Fire pinks are botanically known as *Silene virginica*, and are not closely related to the garden pinks, which are in the genus *Dianthus*. Other members of the *Silene* genus are commonly called catchfly and campion.

Several years ago, Indiana fourth graders voted that the fire pink should become Indiana's state flower, replacing the Asian peony. However, the legislature did not act on the request by the students, and the peony remains the state flower.

Fire pinks are pollinated mainly by the ruby-throated hummingbird, and the

blooms this week showed up just in time to provide food for a couple of hummingbirds that have visited. The hummers also have been visiting the many native columbines, American honeysuckle and weigela flowers.

The weigelas are really spectacular this year. I have bushes of white, red and pink blooms, and all are covered with blossoms this year. Weigelas are native to eastern Asia but have a long history of being grown in ornamental gardens. They have not proven invasive, but they are an easy shrub to grow and are a good nectar source for hummingbirds and butterflies. They make good specimen plants and may be used as foundation plants if you have enough room. While there are some dwarf cultivars, most weigelas will grow to be eight feet tall and wide. They bloom on old wood and pruning ruins the natural fountain shape of the plant. Rejuvenation pruning should be done by cutting the oldest stems to the ground, encouraging new growth. If a shrub gets damaged, you may cut the whole shrub to the ground and allow it to re-grow. My personal wish list for weigelas includes a cultivar called "Wine and Roses," which has pink flowers and deep burgundy foliage and a miniature variety called "My Monet".

A check of the weather forecast shows no late frost expected for the next couple of weeks. That will put us beyond the frost-free date for southern Indiana, so it should be safe to start planting tomatoes, peppers and other summer garden plants in the vegetable patch. I have been visiting some of the area greenhouses, and there appears to be no shortage of plants this year. While the big retailers will have the common hybrids and some heirloom plants, I recommend visiting some of the small family-owned establishments to find some unusual varieties. Try something new this year. You might just find a new favorite.

Natural Resources Commission seeks input on proposed deer hunting rule changes

Indiana's Natural Resources Commission (NRC) has opened a second public comment period for proposed changes to Indiana's deer hunting rules before it votes on final adoption of the proposed changes. Most proposed changes intend to simplify Indiana's deer hunting rules to make them easier to understand.

Public comments can be submitted online at IN.gov/nrc/rules/rulemaking-docket via the "Submit Comments Here" link in the Rulemaking Docket for the Deer Hunting Amendments. Comments can also be mailed to: Natural Resources Commission, Indiana Government Center North, 100 North Senate Ave., Room N103, Indianapolis, IN 46204

The deadline for submitting public comments is May 20. A public hearing will be held on May 20 from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. ET at Atterbury Fish & Wildlife Area, 7970 S. Rowe St., Edinburgh, IN 46124; you can attend in person or online during that timeframe. There will also be an in-person-only open house immediately before the hearing, from 4:30-5:30 p.m. ET at the same location. To attend the public hearing online, starting at 5:30 p.m. on May 20, go to Microsoft Teams and enter Meeting ID 213 479 076 835 and Passcode Ack2vu.

Sign up for updates online at wildlife.IN.gov/rule-regulation-changes.

Proposed changes include:

- A statewide bag limit of six antlerless deer as well as a newly created county antlerless bag limit instead of season antlerless bag limits. Because of this change, the bonus antlerless license would be the multiple-season antlerless license that could be used in the archery, muzzleloader, and firearms seasons.

- Hunters would not be able to harvest an antlerless deer on Fish & Wildlife properties with a firearm.

- The use of crossbow equipment would be allowed under the archery license.

- The minimum caliber for a muzzleloader would be reduced from 0.44 inches to 0.40 inches.

- If a deer is unfit for human consumption, DNR staff would be able to issue an authorization to take an antlerless deer in its place that will not count toward the statewide bag limit or county limit.

- Adding the deer reduction zones and county antlerless bag limits.

- Removing the special antlerless firearms season.

For more information on the proposed rule changes, visit wildlife.IN.gov/rule-regulation-changes/

Questions about the proposed deer regulation changes should be directed to 812-334-3795 or indeerhotline@dnr.IN.gov.



-Photo by Diane McFeaters

Shown above are Cisma members, ProTEQ volunteers, and DNR staff all geared up for a day of controlling invasives.

Weed Wrangle covers 8.5 acres at Glendale

Earlier this month, the Daviess-Martin Cooperative Invasive Species Management Area (CISMA) partnered for the second time with ProTEQ Pheasant Camp volunteers, and the Indiana DNR Division of Fish and Wildlife, to hold a Weed Wrangle at Glendale Fish & Wildlife Area.

A total of 14 volunteers and partners spent Saturday April 13 removing invasive honeysuckle, multiflora rose, and autumn olive from 8.5 acres on the property. New this year, in addition to volunteers cutting and stump treating invasive shrubs, they also helped the DNR to follow-up on previous work done with their Fecon forestry mulcher. The forestry mulcher is a highly effective method of brush mowing and works well to remove invasive shrubs from forest understories. However, if no follow-up is done invasive plants will quickly resprout and retake these areas. To prevent this, volunteers walked through cleared areas and spot sprayed resprouting invasives with herbicide.

According to Soil & Water Conservation District (SWCD) Invasive Specialist Emily Finch, this is a great example of

how invasive management can integrate mechanical and chemical control methods. By quickly following up mechanical control with targeted herbicide, it will also allow native plants in the area to grow back without the heavy invasive plant competition. The end goal is to help maintain and improve the wildlife habitat at Glendale.

Special thanks to Diane McFeaters for capturing photos of the event, more of which can be seen on the CISMA facebook page (www.facebook.com/DaviessMartinCISMA). Thanks also goes to the Martin and Daviess County SWCDs, whose Clean Water Indiana grant supports coordination of events like this; the State of Indiana Cooperative Invasives Management, whose Weed Wrangle Reimbursement money from last year was used to purchase some of the supplies; and Knepp's Amish Kountry Korner for providing lunch.

If have a group interested in volunteering to remove invasive plants, contact SWCD Invasive Specialist Emily Finch (Emily.Finch@in.nacdnet.net, 812-329-0048), or Glendale Property Manager Rob Sullender (812-674-0168).

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Throwback

By Dan Gregory

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This time of year, brings lots of graduations. For the students who are finishing their high school or college education, it means a time of great change and uncertainty. For college grads, new careers are about to be launched after nearly two decades of preparation. High school graduates may be facing the decision on where to attend college this fall, or maybe joining the work force or military is in their immediate future. For all concerned, decision time for the next step is front and center.

Forgotten sometimes in this critical decision-making time, is the people that made it possible for these choices to be made. I am talking about the teachers in a person's life. By the time one graduates from school, there have been several teachers of various types. Obviously, the classroom teachers are among the most important, as they are actually in charge of dispensing technical knowledge to the students. I remember all my teachers and am reminded regularly of how challenging the teaching profession must be. Others that teach us along the way share an important part of our education too. These "significant other teachers" come from everywhere and include bus drivers, Sunday school teachers, neighbors and countless others who teach, without realizing that is what they are doing.

Probably the single most important of all teachers are our parents. My parents were extremely good teachers, both in

terms of technical skills and life skills. Both my parents were gifted in math skills, and this was long before the use of calculators and computer spreadsheets even existed. We have hand-written farm records dating back to the 1950's and I have yet to find an error in the math. I don't recall them ever being too busy to explain what they were doing in a way that made sense.

I think the young people today are getting a bad rap from many of the older generation. This past week I was called as a reference from two potential employers about a young man that has worked on our farm for several years in the summer. He graduated from college last week and has begun his first real job search. I actually found myself enjoying talking with these "headhunters" and realized in the process how lucky we are to have produced such a fine and talented young man in this community, and through our local school system. A recurring question they asked was about his "work ethic". Without any hesitation I replied, "It would be hard to find anyone with more work ethic than he has, and that if they were lucky enough to get him, his intelligence and experience would make them money every day." I don't know the outcome yet of his job search. But success for him is not going to be a problem.

My point is that we have lots of young people like this young man in our community and country. They represent the future, and it's never been brighter.

Clock is ticking to control invasive Poison Hemlock

Has this spring seemed particularly mild? Well, you're not the only one who thinks so, and local Soil & Water Conservation Districts are concerned about the impact these mild temperatures are having on invasive and noxious weeds. In particular, Poison Hemlock appears to be already bolting and preparing to flower weeks ahead of schedule.

Poison Hemlock (*Conium maculatum*) is classified as an invasive plant and a noxious weed and poses a health threat to humans and livestock as all parts of the plant are highly toxic if ingested. In recent years Poison Hemlock has spread rapidly in southern Indiana, along field edges, roadways, and waterways.

According to Emily Finch (Invasive Species Specialist with the Martin, Daviess, and Orange County SWCDs), while several landowners try to manage Poison Hemlock, these efforts are only effective if they can kill the plant before it has time to produce seed. For most control efforts, that means spraying plants with herbicide before flowering, or just as flowering begins.

Poison Hemlock is a biennial, meaning it only lives for two years before producing seed and dying. Hemlock plants start as a short basal rosette with fern-like leaves. Then, in their second year of life, plants will send up a flowering stem, also called bolting, in spring/early summer. Usually plants don't start bolting until mid to late May, but Finch has already seen bolting plants several feet tall, meaning landowners should control them as soon as possible.

Once Poison Hemlock starts flowering, they can be quite large, anywhere from 3 to 10 feet tall. Because Hemlock is in the carrot family, it produces abundant umbrella-shaped clusters of white flowers, often compared to the flowers of Queen Anne's Lace, aka wild carrot. To help distinguish the plants, remember that Hemlock blooms before Queen Anne's lace, lacks any hairs on its stems/leaves (a common feature of Queen Anne's Lace), and has distinctive purple splotches on its stems and often the base of large leaves as well.

Small Poison Hemlock populations can be removed by hand, either digging the plants up or severing the root with a sharp shovel (wear gloves to avoid con-



Poison Hemlock leaves resemble fern leaves. Hemlock can be distinguished from Queen Anne's Lace by its larger size and lack of any hairs on the leaves or stems.

tact with plant toxins). Cutting/mowing the plants is NOT effective unless repeated regularly through the summer as plants will resprout readily. In fact, mowing after plants have produced seed is one way infestations have spread through the area. Herbicides are the most efficient way to control large areas, and several chemicals are effective, including glyphosate, or triclopyr and 2,4-D products (which unlike glyphosate have the benefit of not harming grasses). All these options also are available in aquatic safe formulations for use near open water creeks and ditches. Whatever product you choose, make sure to read and follow all label directions.

Ideally, Finch suggests spraying Hemlock plants as rosettes in early spring, around February and March. While plants can also be sprayed after bolting, according to resources from Purdue Extension landowners will need to use higher herbicide rates to kill bolting plants. If rates aren't increased when spraying these plants, they may only be knocked back or stunted temporarily.

According to Kenny Eck with Purdue Extension Dubois County, once Poison Hemlock plants flower there is no point in spraying them. "Spraying a flowering Hemlock plant is just a revenge killing. It makes you feel good, but it does nothing to control it as it will still go to seed," says Eck. He recommends checking out options in the Purdue Extension/SICW-MA publication "Poison Hemlock." This publication, along with more resources on identifying and controlling Hemlock, is available at www.duboisswcd.org.

Looking for support or technical assistance in controlling Poison Hemlock? Try contacting your local Soil & Water Conservation District (<https://wordpress.iaswcd.org/contact-your-local-swcd/>). Several area SWCDs have an Invasive Species or Resource Specialist that can provide free site visits and technical assistance about Poison Hemlock Control, and some also have financial assistance available. Landowners in Daviess, Martin, and Orange counties can contact Finch for assistance, 812-329-0048, Emily.Finch@in.nacdn.net.

Free Fishing Day on May 12

Indiana's first Free Fishing Day of the year is May 12.

On Free Fishing Days, Indiana residents do not need a fishing license or a trout/salmon stamp to fish on the state's public waters, so it's the perfect time to bring your family and friends along and have some fun outdoors.

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Loogootee's Guinn wins scholarship

Daviess/Pike County Right to Life has announced that Alex Guinn, a senior at Barr-Reeve High School, is the winner of the 2024 Donna Gentry Scholarship. Alex Guinn was selected from the entries received from area high school seniors in Daviess and Pike counties.

Alex Guinn is the son of Mark and Jennifer Guinn of Loogootee and plans to attend Notre Dame University in South Bend in the fall and major in theology/philosophy. Each applicant was to write a 500-word essay on "What is happening to America because of Abortion" along with what they have done to advocate a person's Right to Life.

This scholarship was named after Donna Gentry, a longtime advocate for the Right to Life in Daviess County. This was the 14th year of awarding the Donna Gentry Scholarship. The scholarship was open to seniors in Daviess and Pike County schools.

Crane Data Processing reunion

The Annual Crane Data Processing Reunion will be held Thursday, May 2 at 11:30 a.m. at Stoll's Lakeview Restaurant, north of Loogootee on Highway 231. This reunion is open to retirees who worked in the Data Processing Department or anyone who worked closely with the DP Department. This will be the 14th Annual Reunion. If you plan to attend, call Louis Kavanaugh Jr. for reservations at 812-486-3658 or email at louis Kavanaugh Jr@gmail.com.



~LETTER TO THE EDITOR~

'I was fretting about something I was capable of changing'

To the editor of the *Martin County Journal*,

The other evening Mr. Jason McCoy had an informative talk about the history of the Mid-States Corridor. He went into great detail about who, what, when, where and how we have arrived at the place we are at today. Mr. McCoy is not a politician he's "just a brick layer" who is concerned about what the future will be, for his children and the surrounding communities, if the Mid-States Corridor is allowed to come to fruition. He presented a way that those of us in the path of the Corridor can easily do, "just say no".

Mr. McCoy further stated that another way we can apply pressure on the cabal that is dead set to have the Corridor is to remove their incomes. No, we can't fire them, but we can not elect or re-elect them and we can not do business with them.

Now is the time for our city and county representatives to get onboard with the public opposition to the Corridor. In last week's issue of the *Martin County Journal*, "The Martin County Board of Finance held a contentious meeting Tuesday,

April 16. Last month, the redevelopment commission had requested Treasurer Rhonda Sanders take \$750,000 from one of their funds and move it to Springs Valley Bank in Jasper." The reason? To get a better a better deal than they were getting from Mark Schroeder's German American Bank. My question is why is Cody Roush so in favor of doing business with any bank in Jasper? Right here in Martin County we have a branch of Old National Bank. I'll bet ONB would love to have the county's accounts; and it's not connected to those who want to force the Mid-States Corridor through our homes.

An old mentor of mine used to tell me when I was fretting about something, something I was capable of changing, was "Don't be a victim!". What he meant was don't fret about it, go do something, something positive. When I took positive action, I would stop fretting and the actions led to success. Let's not be victims, let's tell our city and county representatives to move "our" money to Old National Bank and dump the German American Bank.

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