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**Carter's Legacy, Family Fun Day this Saturday** 

ry of Carter Lee Kerns, son of Alyssa and Ed Kerns, will be held this Saturday, May 6. Carter died in a tragic accident the day before his first birthday.

Determined to bring good from tragedy, his parfounded ents the Carter Lee Kerns Memorial Fund, adminis-

tered by the Community Foundation Partnership, Inc. 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.

The day will start with Carter's Legacy 5K Run/Walk at 10 a.m. Registration begins at 8:30 a.m. Cost is \$25 for 16+, \$15 for 5-15, free for under 5. Paid participants will receive a shirt and goodie bag.

The day continues with the "Family Fun Day" starting around noon. And thanks to the generosity of West Boggs

The annual 5K Run/Walk, in memo- Park, there will be NO GATE FEES for the entire day. So, enter for free and enjoy these other free activities:

-A live DJ; -Free lunch of hot dogs, chips and

a drink courtesy of area churches; -Bouncy

houses for the kids; -Humane

society booth with information about the benefits they provide and photos of the shelter and animals;

-Police car tours;

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-K-9 units;

-Local law enforcement meet & greet.

There will also be a coffee and snack vendor to sell donuts, coffee and snacks. Come enjoy the day. Hear how you can help others. Or donate to one or more of the charities at the event.

You can sign up to run/walk the race via the website: www.wizathon.com/ carters-legacy-5k.

# **Highway department salaries** top council meeting agenda

### **BY COURTNEY HUGHETT** Martin County Journal Publisher

The Martin County Council spent some time at their meeting Monday night, May 1, discussing the highway department employees' salaries. Highway Superintendent Leo Padgett had told the county commissioners several weeks back that he was having trouble filling the mechanic position in his department because the salary was so low. The commissioners had discussed going to the county council to see if an increase could be made to help fill the position.

At Monday night's council meeting, Padgett said that he thought one of the commissioners was going to be present to discuss what they wanted to do with salaries however none were present. Council President Rich Summers said he had spoken to one of the commissioners and was confused about what they were proposing on the salaries. The proposals presented by the commissioners included raising the mechanic's hourly wage from \$16.37 to \$17.37, the operators with a CDL license from \$14.16 to \$15.76 and the operator's with CDL licenses from \$15.76 to \$16.26. Padgett said the other pay increases were to separate the workers who are willing to operate equipment from those who refuse to operate equipment. The council asked why an employee would refuse to do their job. Padgett replied that they are not qualified. Council Member Randy Wininger said it sounds like they need to put back in a wage for regular truck driver and Padgett said he agreed. The mechanic's salary was the main one discussed. Padgett said he can't get anyone to work for such low pay. He said the person he planned to hire turned

down the position on Monday and would not take the job even with the proposed increase because it was not enough.

The council then discussed possibly increasing the mechanic's hourly pay from \$16.37 per hour to \$18.75 per hour. Padgett balked at this saying that his mechanic would then make more money than he does. The council however, continued to discuss the increase. A motion was made by Council Member Warren Albright to increase the salary up to \$18.75 per hour and seconded by Council Member Buck Stiles but before a vote was made, Padgett again expressed his displeasure with having one of his employees making more money than him. He said he compared his salary to six other counties close to Martin County's size and his salary is the lowest of all superintendents. Padgett asked the council why, if his work load continued to increase due to the Community Crossing grant, they are not backing and supporting him and now putting his employees over him. Council Member Keith Gibson told Padgett that they needed to deal with one issue before they dealt with another and right now they needed to decide on the mechanic's pay. He said after that was decided, they could discuss Padgett's pay. Padgett went on to say that he was overlooked last time and was kicked out of an executive meeting. Council Member Albright said that the county let Padgett retire and then hired him back. Padgett said he is glad Warren brought that up and asked which one of the council members felt he didn't deserve retirement money after 34 years of putting in (See 'COUNCIL' cont. on page 2)



The American Goldfinch -Photo by Bill Whorrall, www.billwhorrall.com According to Allaboutbirds.com, American Goldfinches are among the strictest vegetarians in the bird world, selecting an entirely vegetable diet and only inadvertently swallowing an occasional insect.

### Investigation leads to multiple arrests for dealing methamphetamine

Undercover operation leads to arrest

Starting on the afternoon of Thurs- rants. The warrants were executed, siday, April 27, a two-day counter-narcotics operation led to the arrests of Hill, by the sheriff's office. As a result four Martin County residents. With the assistance of the Loogootee Police Department and the Indiana State Police, surveillance was conducted during a series of controlled buys of methamphetamine.

As a result of the investigation, Martin County Prosecutor Mike Steiner requested, and by the Honorable Lynne Ellis of the Martin County Circuit Court was granted, two search warmultaneously, in Loogootee and Dover of the searches, methamphetamine and other evidence was collected to further substantiate the probable cause for their arrests.

The following are those arrested and their charges:

Karl Young Jr, age 47, Loogootee

Count I - Dealing methamphetamine, a Level 5 Felony

Count II - Possession of metham-(See 'ARRESTS' on page 2)

In the late afternoon of Wednesday, April 26, an undercover buy for a controlled substance was staged in Loogootee by the Martin County Sheriff's Office. A female, from Orange County, agreed to meet Chief Deputy Josh Greene, who was posing as a drug user.

Sheriff Travis Roush and Reserve Deputy Jarrod Graves was nearby observing the dwelling in which Chief Greene was positioned. The female entered the dwelling Chief Greene was occupying. Unexpectedly, the female was accompanied by her toddler and another female. Shortly thereafter, one of the females and the toddler exited the dwelling and waited in a car. Soon a conversation transpired, which subsequently led to the woman receiving cash from Chief Greene with the intent of her retrieving a controlled substance for delivery.

The Chief Deputy was concerned for the toddler's safety and decided to ter-

minate the delivery portion of the transaction. After the female secured the money, but before her departure, Chief Greene signaled the Sheriff and Reserve Deputy to interdict her. The sheriff and reserve deputy responded and terminated her departure. The woman denied her intent to delivery, even after the sheriff informed her that Chief Greene, who was in plain clothes, was indeed a law enforcement officer, and he had recorded the entire incident.

The following are the charges Krystal Holt, age 22, of Orange County received:

Conspiracy to commit dealing in a controlled substance, a Level 5 Felony. Attempted dealing in a controlled substance, a Level 5 Felony

Neglect of a dependent, a Class 6 Felony

False informing, a Class B Misdemeanor

(See 'UNDERCOVER' on page 2)



### Financial advisors donate \$10,000 for school-based social work

Local Edward Jones Financial Advisors donated \$10,000 benefiting Youth First Social Work and Program services in Martin and Daviess county schools. Tara Brower, Sarah Browning, Alan Bubalo and Scott Cordova, of Washington, and Brent Courter, of Loogootee, combined efforts to meet the growing need for effective mental health and drug prevention services in schools.

"To be able to have a dedicated Youth First Social Worker in our schools to reach our young people at a crucial time in their lives is a sound investment," says Alan Bubalo.

"Our youth face so many more pressures today. Add to that the rise in drugs, pressure to grow up too quickly, social media, family issues, and it should come as no surprise that many children need help. They need Youth

First," said Brent Courter.

"We have many community partners," says Parri Black, Youth First President and CEO. "I'm glad the Financial Advisors at Edward Jones recognize the important role that Youth First Social Workers play in our community's schools. We appreciate their donation."

Each year, Youth First hosts its Passport to Adventure auction to help raise critical funds to support its mission-to strengthen youth and families through evidence-based programs that prevent substance abuse, promote healthy behaviors and maximize student success. The dollars raised from this event are critical to ensure the continuation of Youth First's free programs and services and to provide the support to youth, families and the community when needed most.

# Two arrested on meth charges

On April 26 at approximately 12:30 p.m., Martin County Sheriff's Office Sergeant Keith Keller was following up an investigation that he and Loogootee Police Department Captain Jason Hennette began on Monday involving possible drug activity at the Eldorado Motel.

At approximately 12:55 p.m., Sergeant Keller observed two females and watched each of the females get into separate vehicles. Both vehicles left the Eldorado Motel and turned south on JFK Avenue. Sergeant Keller followed a red Monte Carlo. The Monte Carlo committed two traffic infractions. Sergeant Keller conducted a traffic stop on the Monte Carlo.

The driver of the Monte Carlo was identified as Erin L. Baker. A Martin County Sheriff's Office K9 Officer was contacted for assistance. A short time later, other deputies arrived to assist along with the K9. K9 Virka conducted a free air sniff around the Monte Carlo. K9 Virka gave a positive indication at the driver's door. A search of the vehicle did not turn up any illegal substances.

During the search of the vehicle, an employee of the Eldorado called the Martin County Sheriff's Office and advised that a female carried a trash bag to the dumpster before the two vehicles left. Deputies went to the Eldorado and found the trash bag that contained a Styrofoam food container containing one syringe and a two-liter bottle of Wild Cherry Pepsi containing two sy-

(Continued from page one) the work. Or which one didn't think he deserved his current pay.

Albright replied that Padgett didn't have to retire, he could have stayed.

Padgett said that he had to retire or risk losing a big percentage of his retirement money. "It was kind of stupid to say here's my money and I'm not going to take it," he said.

Padgett went on to say that he went back through the application process and was rehired by the commissioners and that the council either believes he doesn't deserve his retirement or he doesn't deserve his pay now.

Albright said he was not saying either of those things.

The council then went back to the motion and second and voted. Albright, Stiles and Gibson voted in favor of the pay increases and Lynn Gee, Wininger, Barb McFeaters and Richard Summers voted against. The motion did not pass.

The council decided to request that the commissioners attend the next meeting

ringes. All the syringes tested positive for methamphetamine.

Martin County Sheriff's Office Captain Dant and Loogootee Police Chief Kelly Rayhill were able to stop the second vehicle, a black Toyota passenger car, that left the Eldorado Motel. The driver was identified as Brittany N. Andi. A Loogootee Police Department K9 was called to assist. K9 Roxy conducted a free air sniff around the Toyota. K9 Roxy gave a positive indication. A search of this vehicle did not turn up any illegal substances.

Both Baker and Andi were transported to Daviess Community Hospital for implied consent testing for operating while intoxicated. Baker and Andi were transported to the Martin County Security Center and are being held on the following charges:

Erin L. Baker, 32, Odon:

Count 1: Possession of methamphetamine, a Level 6 Felony

Count 2: Possession of a hypodermic syringe, a Level 6 Felony

Count 3: Maintaining a common nuisance, a Level 6 Felony

Count 4: Operating a vehicle while intoxicated, a Class C Misdemeanor

Brittany N. Andi, 24, Washington:

Count 1: Possession of methamphetamine, a Level 6 Felony

Count 2: Possession of a hypodermic syringe, a Level 6 Felony

Count 3: Visiting a common nuisance, a Class B Misdemeanor

Count 4: Operating a vehicle while intoxicated, a Class C Misdemeanor

The council heard from Community Corrections Director Kathy Collins on her department's annual report. The community corrections department operates on a different fiscal year than other government bodies. They operate from July to July. Collins said they have served 190 individuals through community corrections, to date, this fiscal year.

The council approved Betty Huelsman to serve on the Loogootee Public Library Board.

Tina Franklin requested an additional appropriation of \$375 to hire a deputy coroner for the rest of the year. One of their deputy coroners will be out for six months and they need to replace him. The council verbally agreed, however, the appropriation must be advertised before it can be officially approved.

Animal Control Officer Joshua Hughett reported that he has been on 36 animal-related calls since he started the position on April 3. He noted that some of those were follow-up calls.

At the end of the meeting, the council briefly discussed the proposed library building. Council Member Buck Stiles asked how the town hall meeting went. The council members present said they think the library will be going another route now instead of a new building. Stiles said he received multiple phone calls from his constituents and 90 percent were against raising taxes for the project. Other council members agreed. Council Member Lynn Gee said she would like to see the library add on to their current building.

### **Indiana State Police Drug Take Back results**

On Saturday, April 29, the Indiana State Police participated in the thirteenth nationwide "Prescription Drug Take Back" initiative sponsored by the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA.)

The "Take Back" initiative seeks to prevent prescription drug abuse and theft.

Collection sites were set up nationwide for expired, unused, and unwanted prescription drugs to be turned in for destruction.

This program is intended for liquid and pill medications.

The Indiana State Police set up collections sites at every post (except the Toll Road.)

The Indianapolis post collected 88 pounds of medications between the hours of 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. Saturday.

Statewide the Indiana State Police collected a total of 1,245 pounds of unused or expired medication. Below is a list of each locations results for Friday and Saturday, the district and the drugs, in pounds, collected: District 13 - 18 pounds District 14 – 120 pounds District 16 - 60 pounds District 22 - 250 pounds

District 33 - 140 pounds District 34 – 322 pounds (Jasper district) District 35-50 pounds District 42 - 60 pounds

District 24 - 12 pounds

District 45 – 90 pounds District 51 – 35 pounds District 52 – 88 pounds District 53 - 0 pounds District 99 (Friday) - 0 pounds Total - 1,245 pounds

### UNDERCOVER (Continued from page one)

phetamine, a Level 6 Felony Mark Stone, age 48, Loogootee Count I - Dealing Methamphetamine, a Level 5 Felony

Count II - Possession of Methamphetamine, a Level 6 Felony

Timothy Witt, age 48, Shoals

Count I - Dealing Methamphetamine, a Level 5 Felony

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Count II - Possession of Methamphetamine, a Level 6 Felony

Angie Killion, age 49, Loogootee Count I - Visiting a Common Nuisance, a Class B Misdemeanor All suspects are presumed innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

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before they discussed the highway salaries further.

In other business, Jim Stoughton, with the tourism council, talked to the council about a dip in sales tax. He said that over the years, since the 2009 recession, they have seen a steady increase in the sales tax the county receives however recently, those numbers have started to fall. He explained that one of the things the county needs most is hotels and lodging. The council agreed that this is something they would like to see.

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# **Obituaries** MARTIN COUNTY JOURNAL

### VIRGINIA PANKEY

Virginia Rose Pankey went to her heavenly home at 10:02 p.m. on Sat-



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urday, April 29, 2017. A resident of Loogootee, she was 93. She was born September 27, 1923 in Linton; daughter of the late James and (Lechien) Anna Haffley.

VIRGINIA PANKEY

attended She the Linton schools graduating in 1941.

On June 14, 1941, she married the love of her life Russell W. Pankey. To this union, five children were born, James E., Russell (Tick), Patrick Lee, Luanna Kay, and Sherry Ann.

She lived her first 37 years in Linton, moving to Loogootee in 1960, so her husband could be closer to his job at National Gypsum. She was a wonderfully dedicated daughter, sister, wife, mother, grandmother and friend. She enjoyed more than anything, working, cleaning, cooking, and maintaining her home for her family. She loved and enjoyed her children and grandchildren. At the age of 40, she started working at the Loogootee Textile, working there until she retired in 1992, just a couple months shy of 29 years. Virginia spent her retirement years doing what she truly enjoyed. That being taking care of her home and mowing her yard until three or four years ago she decided it was more than she could handle and let Jim doing the mowing. She was a faith filled woman with a kind, gentle heart of gold. She was an inspiration to us all. She had her work for the Lord that she did faithfully each week quilting with the ladies at the United Methodist Church with ladies she had worked with at the factory. She was a member of St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church. She was deeply loved and will be missed by many.

She was preceded by her husband, Russell; infant daughter, Luanna Kay Pankey; daughter, Sherry Ann Vogler; son, Patrick Lee Pankey; granddaughters, Mandy Pankey White and Debbie Bowers; brother, Jimmy Haffley; and parents, Anna and James Haffley.

She leaves behind to mourn her loss, sons, James (Waynette) Pankey and Russell(Tick) Pankey, both of Loogootee; daughter-in-law, Dianne McKibben Pankey of Edinburgh; son-in-law, Junie (Connie) Vogler of Jasper; grandchildren, Jim (Jeanette) Pankey, of Evansville, John Pankey of Oakland, California; Kimberly Varola of Rogue River, Oregon; Michael Pankey of Shelbyville and Karen (Joe) Sherfick, Ellettsville; great grandchildren, Briana Varola, Daniel Varola, Michael Pankey, Melissa (Tom) Shrout, Thomas Pankey, Noah Brooks White, Zachary Brooks White, Madeyson Pankey, Abbie Sherfick, A.J. Sherfick, Carissa King, Derrick King, Dustin King, Derrick King; her great-great-grandchildren, Hunter King, Makayla King, Matthew King, Tyler Varola, Neveah Shrout and Braxton Shrout. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated by Very Rev. J. Kenneth Walker at 10 a.m. on Friday, May 5 at St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church, Burial will follow in Fairview Cemetery in Linton.

Blake Funeral Home in Loogootee. Condolences may be made online www.blakefuneralhomes.com.

### NINA EMMONS

Nina Rose (Barnes) Emmons passed away at 1:10 p.m. Monday May 1, 2017 at the Loogootee Nursing Center. A resident of Shoals, she was 76.

She was born July 20, 1940 in Marion County; daughter of James A. and Roxie (Hatten) Barnes. She married Richard H. Emmons on November 26, 1955 in Shoals. She attended school in Martin County and was a homemaker.

She is survived by her husband, three children, Araminta (Ernie) Bauernfiend of Shoals, Chuck (Shelly) Emmons of Shoals, Carla (Bill) Kerns of Dubois, and one brother Carl (Patty) Barnes of Indianapolis; grandchildren, Tracy and Rick Spurgeon, Jerad and Toni Emmons, Tiffany and Adam Wittmer, Justin and Rachel Emmons, Erica and Clint Carrie, Andrew Kern, Lindsey and Ian McKeag, Luke Kern, Scott and Tori Kern; and great-grandchildren, Ryan, Nicklos and Hunter Spurgeon, Akela Neal and Eli Wittmer, Kaylei Carrie, Adrian and Haven Emmons, Tye Collins and Wesley Kern

She is preceded in death by her parents, two brothers, Leroy Barnes and Harley Barnes and five sisters, Doine Newman, Mary Mitchner, Anna Van-Hatala, Olive Bullock and Lela Leming.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday at the Queen-Lee Chapel of the Thorne-George Family Funeral Homes in Shoals with Matt Sullivan officiating. Burial will be in the Pleasant Valley Cemetery. Visitation will be from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Friday and until time of service on Saturday at the Queen-Lee Chapel.

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

#### **TANDY GIBSON**

Tandy Gibson passed away at 6:30 p.m. Saturday, April 29, 2017 in Bloomington, with his wife by his side. A resident of Loogootee, he was 67.

He was born in Kentucky on April 4, 1950; son of Green and Edith (Craft) Gibson.

He worked for Dana Corporation for 18 years. In his later years he liked to cook, and work in the garden. He was a handy man and could fix almost anything. He loved to spend time with his grandchildren and often traveled to South Carolina to visit.

He is survived by his wife, Helen Gibson of Loogootee; his children, Johnny Lee Gibson of Oolitic, Melissa Sue Gibson Muse and husband, Todd, of Liberty, South Carolina; his grandchildren, Brian Levi Gibson Muse, Alexis Joy Susanne Muse, Makenzie Sue Brianna Muse, Jacob Todd Andrew Muse; his sisters, Mary Tackett of Loogootee, Mabel Scarlett and husband, Mark, of Forest Grove, Oregon; Subrena Terril and husband, Kevin, of Williams; Susie Jameson and husband, Dustin, of Williams; and several nieces and nephews. He is preceded in death by his parents Green and Edith, and one brother Larry Gibson. Funeral services were conducted today, Wednesday May 3 at 10 a.m. at Blake Funeral Home in Loogootee. Burial followed at St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery.

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

### **DOUGLAS SHEETZ**

Douglas Eugene Sheetz, formerly of Trinity Springs, died Saturday, April

29, 2017, at Memorial Hospital and Healthcare Center in Jasper. A resident of Jasper, he was 75.

He was born in Martin County on October 31, 1941; son of Robert Leroy and Beulah May (Cundiff) Sheetz who pre-

**DOUGLAS** SHEETZ ceded him death. He married Judith Ellen Holt on March

26, 1965 in Loogootee. Doug was a devoted husband and brother. He enjoyed playing guitar and banjo, playing cards, and spending time with friends and family.

Surviving are his wife, Judith Ellen (Holt) Sheetz; step-son, Lowell Gene Holt and wife, Debra JoAnn (DePree) Holt, of Jasper; two granddaughters, Ansley Nicole (Holt) Jenkins of Jasper and Alexandra Danielle Holt of Cincinnati; one great-grandchild, Braylen Ruth Jenkins; two sisters, Ruth Ann (Charles) Brinson of Lebanon and Sherry Lee (Hendley) Diamond of Trinity Springs; and nieces and nephews.

The funeral will be at 1 p.m. Wednesday, May 3 at the Queen-Lee Chapel of the Thorne-George Family Funeral Homes, Shoals. The Reverend Charles Brinson will officiate. Burial will be in the Hickory Ridge Cemetery in Shoals.

Charitable contributions may be made to the Lange-Fuhs Cancer Center at Memorial Hospital in Jasper.

Queen-Lee Chapel of the Thorne Family Funeral Homes is in charge of the arrangements.

### **DENNIS HUFF**

Dennis Huff passed away at 10:10 a.m. April 29, 2017 at The Timbers of Jasper. A resident of Montgomery, he was 63.

He was born November 3, 1953 in Perry County; son of the late Victor and Frieda (Ader) Huff.

He loved fishing, hunting, and working on Mopars. He previously was employed by Jofco and United Minerals.

He is survived by his daughters,

#### Wednesday, May 3, 2017

Loogootee, she was 89. She was born February 10, 1928 in Pike County; daughter of William H. and Blanch (Groub) Gillie. She married

Leon Baker on March 25, 1946 and enjoyed

71 years together, they resided in Parkview Village Christian Care in Odon.

She was a member of Loogootee Christian Church. Ann was a secretary and retired from Prairie Farms Dairy.

She is survived by her husband, Leon Baker; her son, Van (Lynn) Baker of Loogootee, grandsons, Nathan (Maidie) Baker of Bradenton, Florida and Todd (Blair) Baker of Loogootee; great- grandchildren, Jared Baker, Samantha Baker, Evan Meckley, Morgan Meckley of Bradenton, Florida; and Burke Baker of Loogootee.

She was preceded in death by her parents, William and Blanch Gillie; her siblings, Armon, and Frances Gillie; and daughter, Jeanne Baker.

Funeral services were conducted Monday, May 1 at Loogootee Christian Church with Ed Frost officiating. Burial followed at Memorial Park Cemetery in Vincennes.

Memorial Contributions can be made to Loogootee Christian Church. Arrangements provided by Blake Funeral Home. Condolences may be made online at www.blakefuneralhomes.com.





ANNA BAKER

Visitation will be held Thursday, May 4 from 4 p.m. until 8 p.m. at

Arrangements provided by Blake

Lacy (Keith) Williams of Loogootee and Melinda Edwards of Montgomery; sons, Jason (Chris) Kunkler of Doo Little Mills, Toby Kunkler of Bristow and Rodney Edwards of Montgomery; 11 grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; sister, Lorene Henson of Bristow; sister-in-law, Teresa Huff of Bristow; significant other, Nancy Harper of Montgomery, and her daughter, Ree'Anna Perkins.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Jacqueline Sue (Emmick) Huff; brother, Earl Huff and his parents, Victor and Frieda (Ader) Huff.

Private family services will be held at a later date.

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

### **ANNA BAKER**

Anna L. Baker passed away Tuesday, April 25, 2017 at Ketcham Memorial Center in Odon. A resident of

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# Page 4 COPS&Court MARTIN COUNTY JOURNAL Wednesday, May 3, 2017 Martin County Sheriff's Department log

### **MONDAY, APRIL 24**

9:42 a.m. - Received a dog complaint in Crane. Animal Control Officer Hughett responded.

10:28 a.m. - Captain Dant assisted a motorist near Loogootee.

12:26 p.m. - Received a dog complaint in Loogootee. Loogootee Officer Hennette and Animal Control Officer Hughett responded.

2:42 p.m. - Jail Commander Abel took one inmate to the Orange County Jail.

4:20 p.m. - Jail Commander Abel on station with Anthony Richmond from Orange County Jail for court.

6:21 p.m. - Reserve Deputy Wright performed a vehicle identification check near Shoals.

10:43 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance east of Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded and transported the subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

### **TUESDAY, APRIL 25**

2:23 a.m. - Received a request for lift assistance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance, Deputy Reed, and Loogootee Officer Floyd responded.

6:40 a.m. - Received a report of a suspicious person north of Loogootee. Chief Deputy Greene and Captain Dant responded.

7:42 a.m. - Received a request for lift assistance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance, Loogootee Fire, Loogootee Chief Rayhill, and Captain Dant responded.

8:20 a.m. - Captain Dant took three inmates to court.

9:20 a.m. - Captain Dant took two inmates to court.

1:15 p.m. - Captain Dant took two inmates to court.

2:33 p.m. - Captain Dant took two inmates to court.

4:40 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Shoals. Shoals Fire and Martin County Ambulance responded. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

5:41 p.m. - Received a report of a tractor on fire near Loogootee. Loogootee Fire and Sergeant Keller responded.

6:36 p.m. - Received a report of a reckless driver in Shoals. Town Marshal Eckert responded.

7:11 p.m. - Received a request for a welfare check in Shoals. Town Marshal Eckert responded.

### WEDNEŜDAY, APRIL 26

6:31 a.m. - Received a report of a reckless driver on US 231 near Loogoo-tee. Captain Dant responded.

6:18 a.m. - Received a report of a tree down east of Shoals. Shoals Fire responded to remove the tree. 2:02 a.m.

2:20 p.m. - Received a request for a welfare check in Loogootee. Loogootee Chief Rayhill responded.

3:31 p.m. - Received a report of a reckless driver near Loogootee. Loo-gootee Captain Hennette responded.

8:48 p.m. - Received a report of a reckless driver near Shoals. Town Marshal Eckert responded.

### FRIDAY, APRIL 28

2:54 a.m. - Received a report of a domestic situation in Loogootee. Loogootee Officer Floyd, ISP Trooper Beaver, and Deputy Shinn responded.

6:25 a.m. - Received a report of horses out south of Loogootee. Deputy Shinn responded.

7:33 a.m. - Received a report of an accident in Loogootee. Loogootee Officer Dant responded.

8:26 a.m. - Received an alarm call in Loogootee. Loogootee Officer Dant responded and all was okay.

10:10 a.m. - Jail Commander Abel took one inmate to court.

1:00 p.m. - Chief Deputy Greene took two inmates to court.

2:00 p.m. - Major Burkhardt took three inmates to court.

3:36 p.m. - Received a report of an accident in Loogootee. Loogootee Fire and Loogootee Police Department responded.

5:52 p.m. - Received a dog complaint in Crane. Animal Control Officer Hughett responded.

10:33 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded and transported the subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

### SATURDAY, APRIL 29

12:10 a.m. - Received a request for a welfare check near Loogootee. Deputy Shinn and ISP Trooper Sexton responded.

6:05 a.m. - Received an alarm call in Loogootee. Loogootee Officer McBeth responded and all was okay.

8:56 a.m. - Received a report of flooding south of Shoals. Martin County Highway and Major Burkhardt responded.

11:30 a.m. - Major Burkhardt completed eight vehicle identification checks at various locations.

1:00 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Loogootee Officer McBeth and Martin County Ambulance responded.

### SUNDAY, APRIL 30

2:02 a.m. - Received an alarm call in Loogootee. Deputy Shinn responded and all was okay.

2:05 a.m. - Received an alarm call in Loogootee. Loogootee Sergeant Norris responded and all was okay.

3:34 a.m. - Received a report of an accident near Shoals. Deputy Shinn responded.

6:48 a.m. - Received a report of an accident near Loogootee. Deputy Shinn responded.

9:20 a.m. - Received a report of an accident east of Shoals. Captain Dant, Martin County Ambulance, and Shoals Fire responded.

12:51 p.m. - Received a report of an accident west of Shoals. Captain Dant responded.

3:41 p.m. - Received a report of an accident near Loogootee. Captain Dant responded.

5:13 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded and transported the subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

5:26 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Crane. Martin County Ambulance and Crane EMS responded. Crane EMS transported the subject.

5:43 p.m. - Received a report of a tree down, blocking the road, south of Loogootee. Haysville Fire removed the tree.

7:03 p.m. - Received a report of vandalism in Shoals. Deputy Reed responded.

8:29 p.m. - Received a report of a reckless driver in Crane. Deputy Reed responded.

## ARRESTS

### MONDAY, APRIL 24

1:51 p.m. - Melissa Conklin, of Loogootee, was arrested on a Greene County warrant and was transported to Greene County.

### WEDNESDAY, APRIL 26

4:21 p.m. - Brittany Andi, 23, of Washington, was arrested by Captain Dant and charged with operating while intoxicated with a controlled substance, possession of a syringe, possession of meth, and visiting a common nuisance. She is being held without bond

4:39 p.m. - Erin Baker, 32, of Odon, was arrested by Sergeant Keller and charged with operating while intoxicated, possession of meth, possession of a syringe, and maintain a common nuisance. She is being held without bond. Assisting with the above arrests were Loogootee Chief Rayhill, Loogootee Captain Hennette, K9 Officer Roxy, Sheriff Roush, Deputy Reed, K9 Officer Yirka, and Deputy Shinn.

6:20 p.m. - Krystal Holt, 22, of French Lick, was arrested by Chief Deputy Greene and charged with attempted dealing in a controlled substance, neglect of a dependent, and false informing. She is being held without bond. Assisting with the arrest were Sheriff Roush and Reserve Deputy Graves.

### **FRIDAY, APRIL 28**

4:00 a.m. - Darin Slaughter, 26, of Washington, was arrested by Loogootee Officer Floyd and charged with battery, battery on a minor, and false informing. He is being held on a \$25,000 10% bond. Assisting with the arrest was ISP Trooper Beaver and Deputy Shinn. 4:00 p.m. - Karl Young, 47, of Loogootee, was arrested by Sheriff Roush and charged with possession of meth and dealing meth. He is being held without bond. Assisting with the arrest were members of the Indiana State Police. 5:23 p.m. - Mark Stone, 48, of Loogootee, was arrested by Major Burkhardt and charged with possession of meth, possession of marijuana, and maintaining a common nuisance. He was arrested by Major Burkhardt and is being held without bond. Several officers from the Martin County Sheriff's Office, Indiana State Police, and Loogootee Police Department assisted with the arrests.

common nuisance. She is being held without bond. Several officers from the Martin County Sheriff's Office, Indiana State Police, and Loogootee Police Department assisted with the arrests.

5:40 p.m. - Tim Witt, 48, of Shoals, was arrested by Sheriff Roush for possession of meth and dealing meth. He is being held without bond. Assisting with the arrest were several officers from the Martin County Sheriff's Office, Loogootee Police Department, and the Indiana State Police.

10:00 p.m. - Ronald Frye, 63, of Loogootee, was arrested by Loogootee Officer Floyd on a warrant and is being held without bond.

### **Real estate transfers**

Judy A. Meade a/k/a Judy A. Wininger, of Martin County, Indiana to Brent A. Wessel, of Martin County, Indiana, real estate in Section 25, Township 3 North, Range 5 West, in the City of Loogootee, Indiana.

Linda K. Stiles to Jeffrey L. Asdell, the south half of the southeast quarter of Section 1 in Township 4 North, Range 5 West, containing 220 acres, more or less.

Arthur Calvin Evans and Cathy Lynn Evans, of Martin County, Indiana to Charles William Needs III, of Martin County, Indiana, Lot Number 86 in the original plat of Memphis, now Shoals, Indiana.

Terry G. Street, Marsha L. Lukomski, Rheta C. Divine, Philip Alan Street, and Robert F. Street, of Martin County, Indiana to Mark Wathen, of Martin County, Indiana, Lot Number One in Rolling Hills Subdivision in the City of Loogootee, Indiana. Ammon L. Hershberger and Deborah F. Hershberger, of Martin County, Indiana to Mark Allen Otto and Marjorie Joy Otto, of Daviess County, Indiana, a part of the southwest quarter of the southeast quarter of Section 12, Township 2 North, Range 5 West, containing 1 acre, more or less. Also, a part of the southwest quarter of the southeast quarter of Section 12, Township 2 North, Range 5 West, containing 5 acres, more or less. Jeffery Clem, of Marion County, Indiana to Gregory Scott Stroud, of Martin County, Indiana, a part of the southwest quarter of the northeast quarter of Section 24, Township 2 North, Range 4 West, Martin County, Indiana, containing 0.500 acres, more or less.

7:30 a.m. - Received a dog complaint near Loogootee. Animal Control Officer Hughett responded.

8:06 a.m. - Received a report of an accident north of Shoals. Captain Dant, Sheriff Roush, and ISP Trooper Lents responded. The semi, which left the scene, was stopped and summoned to court.

8:48 a.m. - Received a dog complaint in Loogootee. Loogootee Chief Rayhill responded.

3:03 p.m. - Jail Officer Emmick on station with one inmate from the Madison Correctional Facility.

### THURSDAY, APRIL 27

3:18 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance, Loogootee Officer Floyd, and Deputy Shinn responded. The subject was transported to Daviess Community Hospital.

6:12 a.m. - Received a report of an accident south of Loogootee. Deputy Shinn responded.

1:25 p.m. - Received a request for lift assistance near Loogootee. Loogootee Officer McBeth and Martin County Ambulance responded.

1:50 p.m. - Received a report of reckless driving in Loogootee. Loogootee Officer McBeth responded.

3:15 p.m. - Received a request for lift assistance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded.

5:31 p.m. - Received a dog complaint near Loogootee. Animal Control Officer Hughett responded.

5:53 p.m. - Received a dog complaint north of Loogootee. Animal Control Officer Hughett responded.

9:10 p.m. - Received a report of an assault near Shoals. Deputy Shinn and Martin County Ambulance responded. No one was transported.

9:59 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance, Deputy Shinn, Deputy Reed, and the Martin County Coroner

5:23 p.m. - Angie Killion, 49, of Loogootee, was arrested by Major Burkhardt and charged with visiting a

# COURT NEWS

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

### **CRIMINAL COURT New Charges Filed** April 3

Christine M. White, illegal possession of an alcoholic beverage.

Codey A. Andis, illegal possession of an alcoholic beverage.

Harmoney K. Pemberton, possession of marijuana; illegal consumption of an alcoholic beverage.

Richard L. Morris, maintaining a common nuisance - controlled substances; operating while intoxicated; operating a vehicle with a schedule I or II controlled substance or its metabolite in the body; possession of marijuana.

### April 6

Evan E. Wood, theft.

### April 10 Jeffrey W. Adams, maintaining a common nuisance - controlled substances; possession of marijuana; possession of paraphernalia.

Alexis L. Minnich, maintaining a common nuisance - controlled substances; possession of marijuana; possession of paraphernalia; operating a vehicle with a schedule I or II controlled substance or its metabolite in the body; two counts of driving while suspended.

Tiffany M. Allen, theft; maintaining a common nuisance - controlled substances; possession of marijuana; possession of paraphernalia.

Patric D. Guy, maintaining a common nuisance - controlled substances; possession of marijuana; possession of paraphernalia; operating a vehicle with a schedule I or II controlled substance or its metabolite in the body.

Tatiana F. O'Malley, maintaining a common nuisance - controlled substances; possession of marijuana; operating a vehicle with a schedule I or II controlled substance or its metabolite in the body.

Bryan L. Burris, theft; maintaining a common nuisance - controlled substances; possession of marijuana; possession of paraphernalia.

### April 11

Peggy R. Stoll, two counts of intimidation.

#### Connie E. Carlson, domestic battery. April 12

Jeffery L. Raisor, two counts of dealing in methamphetamine; possession of methamphetamine; possession of chemical reagents or precursors with intent to manufacture a controlled substance; maintaining a common nuisance controlled substances; possession of marijuana; possession of paraphernalia. Kaelyn M. Baldwin, two counts of dealing in methamphetamine; possession of methamphetamine; possession of chemical reagents or precursors with intent to manufacture a controlled substance; maintaining a common nuisance - controlled substances; possession of marijuana; possession of paraphernalia. Noah R. Peyton, two counts of dealing in methamphetamine; possession of methamphetamine; possession of chemical reagents or precursors with intent to manufacture a controlled substance; maintaining a common nuisance - controlled substances; possession of marijuana; possession of paraphernalia; resisting law enforcement. Anthony R. Lawson II, operating while intoxicated; operating a vehicle with an ACE of .15 or more; driving while suspended; operating while intoxicated with previous conviction

within 5 years; habitual vehicular substance offender sentence enhancement.

### April 20

Brandon S. Stone, dealing in methamphetamine; maintaining a common nuisance - controlled substance; neglect of a dependent; possession of marijuana.

Dustin R. Harris, two counts of intimidation.

Stacy M. Stone, maintaining a common nuisance – controlled substances; possession of a controlled substance; neglect of a dependent; possession of marijuana.

#### April 21

Enemesio Mora, driving while suspended.

Stephanie A. Renault, possession of marijuana; possession of paraphernalia. Shanda H. Haulk, possession of mar-

ijuana; possession of paraphernalia.

### April 25

Emily R. George, two counts of panhandling.

Charles W. Needs III, operating while intoxicated; operating a vehicle with an ACE of .08 or more.

Evin M. Richards, maintaining a common nuisance - controlled substances; possession of marijuana.

### **CRIMINAL CONVICTIONS &** SENTENCING

### March 23

Isabella E. Goodpaster, convicted of operating a vehicle while intoxicated, a Class A Misdemeanor and convicted of operating while intoxicated with previous conviction within five years, a Class 6 Felony. Sentenced to serve 547 days with 533 days suspended and credit for 7 actual days previously served plus 7 good time credit days. Defendant received 17 months of probation.

Jasmine N. Harner, convicted of operating a vehicle with an ACE of .15 or more, a Class A Misdemeanor. Sentenced to serve 365 days with 219 days suspended and credit for 2 actual days previously served plus 2 good time credit days and 142 days credit for pre-trial community corrections program. Defendant received 7 months of probation.

Donald G. Haulk, convicted of possession of methamphetamine, a Class 5 Felony. Sentenced to serve 1,095 days with 719 days suspended and credit for 209 actual days previously served plus 70 Class B credit days. Defendant received 18 months of probation.

Joshua C. Rasico, convicted of two counts of resisting law enforcement, Class 6 Felonies. Sentenced to serve 730 days with 176 days suspended and credit for 227 actual days previously served plus 227 good time credit days. Defendant received 6 months of probation.

a common nuisance - controlled substances, a Class 6 Felony, dismissed; operating a vehicle with a schedule I or II controlled substance or its metabolite in the body, a Class C Misdemeanor, dismissed; possession of marijuana, a Class B Misdemeanor, dismissed; operating while intoxicated with previous conviction within 5 years, a Class 6 Felony, dismissed.

Jasmine N. Harner, operating a vehicle while intoxicated, a Class A Misdemeanor, dismissed; leaving the scene of an accident, a Class B Misdemeanor, dismissed.

Donald G. Haulk, dealing in methamphetamine, a Class 3 Felony, dismissed; maintaining a common nuisance, a Class 6 Felony, dismissed; possession of paraphernalia, a Class C Misdemeanor, dismissed.

### March 30

Miranda L. Mitchell, corrupt business influence, a Class 5 Felony, dismissed; forgery, a Class 6 Felony, dismissed; two counts of theft, Class 6 Felonies, dismissed.

### April 13

Jesse L. Kane, possession of a narcotic drug, a Class 6 Felony, dismissed; maintaining a common nuisance - controlled substances, a Class 6 Felony, dismissed; possession of a controlled substance, a Class A Misdemeanor, dismissed; possession of paraphernalia, a Class C Misdemeanor, dismissed.

> **CIVIL COURT New Suits Filed** April 19

Midland Funding, LLC vs. Larry Peek, civil collection.

Midland Funding, LLC vs. Shelly Humbert, civil collection.

Midland Funding, LLC vs. Nicholas tee. Captain Hennette investigated.

# Loogootee Police log

#### **MONDAY, APRIL 24**

12:26 p.m. - Caller reported a dog complaint on East Main Street.

5:24 p.m. - Caller reported property damage.

8:28 p.m. - Caller reported a suspicious male on Broadway Street.

9:06 p.m. - Caller reported tanks leaking at the Co-Op.

9:12 p.m. - Captain Hennette and K-9 Roxy assisted ISP with a traffic stop. **TUESDAY, APRIL 25** 

2:23 a.m. - First responders were requested for lifting assistance.

7:42 a.m. - First responders were requested on Crane Street for lifting assistance.

11:28 a.m. - Caller reported a theft of

Kidwell, civil collection.

Midland Funding, LLC vs. Brian Asbell, civil collection.

April 21

Midland Funding, LLC vs. Heather Rayhill, civil collection.

Midland Funding, LLC vs. Gabriel Grace, civil collection.

Midland Funding, LLC vs. Robert Hert, civil collection.

Midland Funding, LLC vs. Randall Blackwell, civil collection.

April 24

LVNV Funding, LLC vs. Michael Spurgeon, civil collection.

### SMALL CLAIMS COURT **New Suits Filed**

### April 19 Alice A. Jones vs. Brandi Kidwell and Jesse Burton, complaint.

### SMALL CLAIMS JUDGMENTS April 17

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Personal Finance Company, LLC and against the defendant Deanna L. Holt in the amount of \$665.47.

#### April 25

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Larry Phillips and against the defendant Nathaniel L. McCloud in the amount of \$1,166.

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff David Harder and against the defendant Carolyn Shipp in the amount of \$121.

# Accident report

### **MONDAY, APRIL 24**

5:52 p.m. - Hannah M. Sitzman, of Ferdinand, was operating a 2014 GMC on Broadway Street when she changed lanes and struck a 2000 Toyota operated by Patricia P. Dobson, of Loogoo-

2:20 p.m. - Caller requested a wel-

fare check on a male. Officers were unable to locate the male.

3:31 p.m. - Received a report of a reckless vehicle on US 231. Captain Hennette located the vehicle and spoke with the driver.

8:27 p.m. - Male requested a vehicle identification check.

10:15 p.m. - Caller requested a welfare check on a female.

### **FRIDAY, APRIL 28**

7:33 a.m. - Caller reported property damage to a vehicle.

8:26 a.m. - Officer Dant responded to a residential alarm.

3:36 p.m. - Caller reported hitting a utility pole near Dairy Queen. Loogoo-

### March 30

Miranda L. Mitchell, convicted of forgery, a Class 6 Felony. Sentenced to serve 730 days with 548 suspended and credit for 91 actual days previously served plus 91 Class A credit days. Defendant received 18 months of probation.

### April 13

Jesse L. Kane, convicted of possession of methamphetamine, a Class 6 Felony. Sentenced to serve 730 days with 628 days suspended and credit for 51 actual days previously served plus 51 Class A credit days. Defendant received 18 months of probation.

#### **CRIMINAL CHARGES** DISMISSED March 23

Isabella E. Goodpaster, maintaining

fuel from Chuckles.

5:42 p.m. - Loogootee Fire was paged out to a tractor fire on US 231 South.

7:26 p.m. - Received a call from a local business regarding a possible fake ID

9:10 p.m. - Captain Hennette and K-9 Roxy assisted the county with a traffic stop.

### WEDNESDAY, APRIL 26

8:48 p.m. - Caller reported a dog complaint.

1:00 p.m. - Captain Hennette and K-9 Roxy assisted Chief Rayhill and the county with a traffic stop.

8:06 p.m. - Caller reported an unruly juvenile. Officer Floyd spoke with the juvenile.

8:14 p.m. - Officer Floyd responded to a business alarm.

### **THURSDAY, APRIL 27**

3:18 a.m. - First responders were requested on South Kentucky Avenue for a medical call.

#### tee Fire was dispatched. SATURDAY, APRIL 29

1:00 p.m. - Officer McBeth assisted the ambulance service.

1:15 p.m. - First responders were requested on SE 1st Street for lifting assistance.

9:48 p.m. - Caller reported a disturbance on SW 2<sup>nd</sup> Street.

9:57 p.m. - First responders were requested on SE 1st Street for a medical call.

### **SUNDAY, APRIL 30**

2:02 a.m. - Sgt. Norris responded to a business alarm.

3:34 a.m. - Sgt. Norris assisted the county with a hit-and-run accident.

1:35 p.m. - Caller reported suspicious persons near the Little League field.

6:35 p.m. - Caller reported a reckless driver on Hwy 50.

10:50 p.m. - Caller reported a power outage.

# Community & Entertainment MARTIN COUNTY JOURNAL Wednesday, May 3, 2017



Quiz: How Old Are You Really? From the following list of 25 items, count all the ones that you remember -not the ones you were told about! How to score yourself is at the end. (I confess – I remember ALL of them)

Blackjack chewing gum Wax Coke-shaped bottles with col-

ored sugar-water

Candy cigarettes

Soda-pop machines that dispensed bottles

- Coffee shops with tableside jukeboxes
- Home milk delivery in glass bottles with cardboard stoppers
- Party lines
- Newsreels before the movie

P. F. Flyers

- Butch wax
- Telephone numbers with a word prefix (e.g., Olive - 6933)
- Peashooters
- Howdy Doody

45-RPM records ... and 78-RPM re-

cords

S&H Green Stamps Hi-fi systems Metal ice trays with lever Mimeograph paper

# WestGate Dare to Dream CTE

WestGate Academy's Dare to Dream CTE (Career and Technology Education) and Career Fair will be held Thursday, May 4 from 5 to 8 p.m. at the WestGate Academy at 13598 WestGate Drive in Odon.

Attendees will get acquainted with career pathways, available educational opportunities, and network with employers hiring within these fields. In addition, attendees will have the opportunity to attend breakout sessions focused on Healthcare, Advanced Manufacturing & Engineering, and IT & Cyber Security.

There will be free pizza and door prizes.

Those interested in taking part should contact Kim Frazier at 812-863-2756 or contacting their local WorkOne office.



Blue flashbulb Packards Rollerskate keys Cork popguns Drive-in theaters Studebakers Washtub wringers If you remembered! 0 - 5 = You're still young 6 - 10 = You are getting older 11 - 15 = Don't tell your age 16 - 25 = You're older than you think! Be sure to pass this along -- especially to all your friends with really good memories.

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Noah Callahan, here are a few more riddles for you!

1. What did the grape say when the elephant sat on him? Nothing. He just let out a little wine.

2. Why couldn't the two elephants go swimming together? Because they only had one pair of trunks.

3. Why won't lifeguards allow elephants in public swimming pools? Because they might let down their trunks.

4. Which animals were the last to leave Noah's Ark? The elephants because they had such big trunks to pack.

5. Why do elephants have trunks? Because they would look pretty stupid with glove compartments or rear view mirrors.

6. What do you get when you cross an elephant with a rhinoceros? Elephino.

7. What do you call an elephant that doesn't matter? An irrelephant.

8. Why do the elephants have short tails? Because they can't remember long stories.

9. What do you get when you cross an elephant with a fish? Swimming trunks.

10.What do you get when you cross an elephant and a dairy cow? Peanut butter.

(True story!) One way to find out if you are old is to fall down in front of a lot of people. If they laugh, you're still young. If they panic and start running to you, you're old.

Make someone smile today!

# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sons of the Revolution meeting

Indiana Society Sons of the American Revolution, Daniel Guthrie Chapter will hold their quarterly meeting on Tuesday, May 16 at the Free Methodist Church on R Street in Bedford. Times are 6 p.m. for dinner and 7 p.m. for the meeting. They will be inducting new members into the Chapter.

### **Special services**

The Loogootee Revival Center Church, located at the corner of Wood and NW First streets, is celebrating 23 years this year. As part of the celebration, they will be having special services on Friday, May 5 at 7 p.m.; Saturday, May 6 at 6 p.m.; and Sunday, May 7 at 9:30 a.m. Pastor Mark Purl, of Evansville, will be special guest minister for these services. Pastor Debbie and the congregation invite you to come and join us as they celebrate.

### AL-ANON meetings

AL-ANON, a support group for those impacted by substance abuse, meets every Thursday at 8 p.m. at Loogootee Redemption Church.

### **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 requirments to participate. Seniors are also offered lunch at the Loogootee Senior Center every Monday and Thursday. A free-will donation is requested. Call 812-295-3130 to make a reservation, so enough food is prepared.

### Free lunch for kids

New Beginnings Community Church will be offering a free lunch to all schoolage children every Saturday from noon to 1 p.m. at the fellowship hall of the church, located at 200 West Main Street next to the post office. For more info, call 812-709-2525.

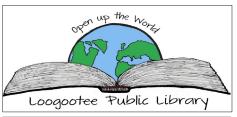
### **SOAR Tutoring**

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

### Humane society meetings

The Martin County Humane Society

p.m. weekdays except Thursdays when it is closed. Visit www.martinswcd. com or call at 295-3149.



### BY DARLA WAGLER Librarian, Loogootee Public Library

The library board is made up of seven members that are appointed. The Loogootee School Board appoints 3, The Martin County Commissioners appoints two, and the Martin County Council appoints two. Efforts are made to find library advocates in Rutherford Township and Perry 1-4 and 5-7 to appoint to the board. The members work countless hours without pay to provide a library that meets the community's needs. Here are the duties of the board:

a. Govern and set written policy for the library; b. Employ a competent and qualified library director to carry out its policies; c. Plan for the future of the library to meet the needs of the community; d. Monitor and evaluate the overall effectiveness of the library; e. Act as an advocate for the library in the community; f. Monitor financial affairs of the library by discussing and approving the proposed annual budget, studying monthly financial reports, and approving all claims lawfully incurred on behalf of the library; g. Set salaries.

Recently, a question was asked about when the land was deeded to the library from St. Vincent DePaul because it seems there was confusion about it. At a recent board meeting, the library board accepted the donation of land from St. Vincent DePaul. My board meets once a month and at the last board meeting we discussed the land being deeded over. The next step was to get a title search done on the property before it could be deeded to us. One board member, with experience in this area, agreed to get it done and it would only take a few days. In the meantime, Mike Carney expressed interest in the project and donated some land. It made more sense to halt the title search and land appraisal until all land was accepted at the next board meeting and have it all done at the same time saving time and money. The board members will be updated at the May 15 meeting on the findings. I could've requested a special meeting to update the board members but would have to get at least four members to have a quorum, advertise at least 48 hours before the meeting, and hope that four members would be available. In this day and age everyone is busy and these individuals already give a lot if their time without being paid. I didn't think it would hurt to wait to inform them on the change at the next meeting. So, if a board member answered your question wrong, forgive them, they were just sharing the information that was discussed in a recent board meeting. It seems like a lot of misinformation has been shared so I would like to invite individuals into the library and I will do my best to answer your questions. At the very least you can take a tour of the building and decide for yourself if we have outgrown it. We value your ideas and input plus if we work together we can solve our space and parking issues together as a community.

# **Specials at The Lodge**

Wednesday: Breaded or Grilled Tenderloin Plate with Fried Potatoes and Peas Thursday: Roast Beef or Beef Manhattan, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans Friday: Stromboli with Lattice Chips Friday night: Ribs Saturday: Chicken Salad Wraps Saturday night: Honey Pecan Chicken Sunday: Beef and Noodles



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Hours: Wed. & Thurs. 7 am to 9 pm; Fri.-Sat. 7 am to 10 pm; Sun. 8 am to 2 pm; Closed Monday & Tuesday

meets on the third Friday of the month at the animal shelter at 507 N Oak Street in Loogootee, at 5:30 p.m. Members of the humane society are invited to attend.

#### 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.

### **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.

### 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



"Guard well your spare moments. They are like uncut diamonds. Discard them and their value will never be known. Improve them and they will become the brightest gems in a useful life." – Ralph Waldo Emmerson

-- PRECIOUS TIME --

Ralph Waldo Emmerson was an American poet and philosopher from the 1800's who is particularly known for his essays and leading a change in the literature of that time. The essence of this quote is about time and how precious it is. "Precious time" was a big topic in the 1800's and it still is today. -- ALWAYS --

Today we hear those words and thoughts in numerous poems and songs. In fact, the words "precious time" can be found in 3,779 songs by 90+ artists (I looked that up because I couldn't remember the song I heard on the radio with those words). I even flipped through a sci-fi movie whose premise was that time is the most precious commodity above all others. Whether it was 150 years ago, in that latest song (that you can't remember the name of), or in the future from a sci-fi movie, time is always precious. -- UNCUT TO GEMS --

So how do you take your spare moments, that precious time, and turn them into something useful? From uncut diamonds to those gems that brighten life? Your priorities will define what you improve upon and your plans will get you there. Check out some of my previous columns for more about those thoughts... -- TIME MULTIPLIED –

Your time, as precious as it is, can mean even more when you give some of it back to your community. Your time, coupled with your unique talents, becomes important and valuable not only to you, but to any number of other people that you help. And some of those you help will in turn help others. Giving of your time to others multiplies its value beyond what you ever thought possible.

-- VALUE IT --

So, value your time. A moment of time lost will never be recovered; its value will never be known. Don't let that happen to you. Your time is precious. Don't wish later that you would've done something to improve your life or someone else's. Make your time count. Use those moments to make an improved future. Time, even in the smallest amount, is precious enough for you to easily start improving it for others. Value it.

Make that difference.

-- MORE INFORMATION --

And for more information about the MCCF, please contact the Executive Director, Curt Johnson, at 812-295-1022 or mccf@cfpartner.org.

You are also welcome to visit our webpage at www.cfpartner.org/mccf. htm, follow us on Twitter at www.twitter.com/MartinCountyCF, and "like" the MCCF Facebook page at www. facebook.com/mccommunityfoundation.

# CLASSIFIED ADS VARD SALES

**GARAGE SALE** Friday and Saturday, May 5th & 6th, 7:30-noon, 302 East Washington Street, Tell City Oak China Cabinet, furniture, Coke items, Christmas items, brand new life jackets, clothes for all ages, something for everyone.

**LOOGOOTEE TOWNWIDE YARD SALES!** 20+ sales. May 5-6. Map at IGA & www.gsalr.com

### HELP WANTED

### **Maintenance Technicians**



4-H Camp

This year's 4-H Camp will be June 12-14. Any 4-Her grades 3-8 are welcome. Applications have been sent out through the mail. You are also able to pick one up at the Extension Office. This year's theme is game boards. This is a great opportunity to meet new people from different counties, learn new things, and have lots of fun! Applications are accepted on a first come first served basis.

Club Meetings

Jolly Juniors—Thursday, May 18; Tuesday, June 6; Thursday, June 22; Thursday, and Thursday, June 29 all at 6 P.M. at Truelove Church.

Jolly Jug Rox—Monday, May 22; Thursday, June 6 and Monday, June19. The last meeting will be Thursday, July 6. All meetings are at the Hindostan Church from 6-7 p.m. Please mark your calendars and see you at the meetings.

### **Chamber holds monthly meeting**

The Martin County Chamber of Commerce met April 20 at Pizza Junction. Present for the meeting were representatives from the following businesses: Hollies Eats & Treats and Martin County Humane Society-Theresa Abney, City of Loogootee-Mayor Noel Harty, The Candy Mill-Carolyn Parsons-Downey, Maranatha Church-Duane Smith, Duke-Kurt Phegley, American Tree/Overlook Marie Hawkins Hoosier Uplands-Deb Terry, Martin County Community Foundation-Curt Johnson, Purdue Extension-Stacey Brown, Loogootee Public Library-Darla Wagler, Daviess Community Hospital-Angie Steiner and Jill Campbell, Servpro-Tammy May, German American Bank-Ann Wagler, Bowling Manufacturing-Keith Peacock, Martin County Alliance-Tim Kinder, NSA-Crane-CDR Craddock, Green's Body Shop-Adam Green, Kerns Insurance-Ed Kerns, Saltbox Lodge & Highland House B&B-Jim and Donna Stoughton, William Brother's-Carrie Lengacher and NSA Crane-Jeff Nagan.

The treasurer's report was given by Carolyn Parsons-Downey in the absence of Susan Arthur. The annual dinner financial is almost complete, the last check just came in after this month report was printed next month there will be a final dollar amount from the dinner. Nothing out of the ordinary was in the treasurer's report. Jim Stoughton made a motion to accept the treasurer's

Shooting Sports—Shooting Sports is becoming its own club. Please join us for meetings every 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Monday of the month at 6 p.m. at the Martin County Community Building starting January 9.

Upcoming Events

Livestock weigh-ins

Sheep & Goat: May 6, 2017, 9-11 a.m.

Swine: May 13, 2017, 9-11 a.m. Poultry: June 17, 2017, 9-11 a.m. Become a Volunteer

Volunteers for 4-H have the unique opportunity to grow true leaders in our community. Volunteering can be as active as leading a 4-H club or just helping out at fair time. Volunteers learn educational programs to take out to community youth. If you are interested in becoming a volunteer, please call the Purdue Extension Martin County office at (812) 295-2412.

come, development of young children
and promoting healthy family functioning. They have been helping families
for 25 years. They help prepare 3-5 year
old children for school. They also help
train parents and every other month
they have a fun family day for this families.
They hold home visits for families.
They do not have summer classes at this
time. Hoosier Upland Head Start is always looking for volunteers to come in
and read to the children. These services

are free for those families. New Chamber member for the month: Church of the Cross in Shoals.

Duke Energy – Kurt Phegly- Kurt gave information on The Smart Saver Rebate Program they have to offer. Kurt also informed us that in 2018 Martin County will be get the new auto grids, they will be changing the current meter with new ones that are self healing and all automated. This should help minimize the outages that sometimes occurs.

Loogootee Public Library - Darla Wagler- On Monday April 24 the Library will hold a Town Hall meeting for those who would like information on the expansion or building a new library in Loogootee. They do have a preliminary plan in the Library for anyone who would like to stop by and see it. In 2011, the state mandated standards for all Indiana libraries which they are required to follow, which included programs for all age groups. They are required to offer the use of their libraries for public use, which Loogootee cannot do, due to the lack of space. Martin County Humane Society -Theresa Abney, the humane society will hold their annual auction at the Loogootee United Methodist church on Saturday April 22. The money is used to pay bills, buy supplies for the shelter and food. Purdue Extensions-Stacey Brown, the Martin County Fair date for this year are July 14-18, they are making some changes this year. So, keep watching to see what they will have to offer this year. Shoals historical signs- Marie Hawkins, they are looking at signs to place in Shoals letting people know that their town is now listed as a historical community. Also, the bison has been damaged and some of the paint is running off, and this will need to be fixed.

# Manufacturing Positions Maintenance Clean-Up Metal Machinist

Jasper Rubber Products is a 100% employee-owned company providing steady employment for the employee owners. We currently have openings in our Maintenance department and manufacturing areas. We are offer work schedules with stable hours on the following shifts:

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report, seconded by Marie Hawkins, all were in favor.

The secretary's report was given by Carolyn Parsons-Downey. The report was emailed out after the February meeting, and there was one correction made on the new report presented, Marie Hawkins made a motion of accept the minutes, Theresa Abney seconded the motion, and all were in favor.

Daviess-Martin County Relay for Life – June 10, 11 a.m.-11 p.m. at Eastside Park in Washington.

William Brothers in Loogootee are doing matching funds this year, you can go in and donate to Relay for Life, until May 12.

May 6<sup>th</sup> is Carter's Legacy 5K and Family Fun Day at West Boggs Park, Kids & Cops Picnic at noon. Everyone is encouraged to attend.

Deb Terry, with Head Start, gave the program for April – Early Head Start Services-Promote healthy prenatal out-

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My recent South Carolina garden-theme trip was quite a frenzy, visiting as many gardens as I could in the four days I had in the state. Last week, I wrote about the Historic Homes and Gardens tour in Charleston. However, I saw a lot more in my short visit.

No trip to that part of the country would be complete without a visit to a historic plantation. At the recommendation of the staff at the resort where I was staying on Lake Marion, I chose to visit the Magnolia Plantation and Gardens just outside of Charleston. Founded in the late 1600's, the plantation thrived as a rice plantation in the pre-Civil War days. The original plantation house was burned during the war, but the gardens survived. Begun in the 1850's, the gardens are classified as a romantic garden. Instead of trying to manage and control nature, the gardens were designed to augment the natural landscape. The garden includes collections of magnolias, camellias and azaleas, all set in a wooded area. There is a Bible garden and a small conservatory, where a collection of orchids is the main focus. I also went on a boardwalk through a swamp, where I walked just inches away from an alligator. I would definitely recommend Magnolia Plantation and Gardens to anyone visiting the Charleston area. The basic ticket is affordable and boat rides, a tram tour, historic slave cabins tour and the house tour are available at additional costs. It took a full day to see everything, so it was definitely worth the ticket price.

The other three gardens I visited were all free. However, they were very nice, albeit small venues. The first was the Edisto Memorial Gardens in Orangeburg, South Carolina. This garden is owned and operated by the city or Orangeburg and includes an adjacent park. The American Rose Society has a trial garden there, and the roses were coming into an early prime when I visited. The garden includes the most complete collection of Noisette roses in the country. This is the only type of cultivated rose that has been developed using American native roses. The Noisette bed includes 47 cultivars, with the search for more of the historic roses continuing. Beyond the roses, Edisto Memorial Gardens include many landscaped areas, sculpture gardens, fountains and waterfalls. It was a beautiful my annual plant exchange at 10 a.m. I place to spend a warm evening.

I first learned about the Pearl Fryar Topiary Gardens from a television show I saw a few years ago called "A Man Named Pearl". I knew if I were ever anywhere close, I had to go see it in person. Topiary is the art of shaping plants into designs. Pearl Fryar had no formal training, but was not satisfied with the ordinary foundation plantings surrounding his house in Bishopville, South Carolina. After a short topiary lesson at a nursery, he began shaping the hedges on his property in the 1980's. He has since purchased a neighboring lot and has an impressive topiary collection. A group of gardeners has been organized to ensure that the gardens will continue to exist. It only takes a few minutes to see the garden, but if you are ever in the Bishopville area, I recommend stopping by.

The final garden destination in South Carolina was on my way out of the state, in Spartanburg, just a few blocks off of Interstate 26. The Hatcher Botanical Garden grew from the personal gardens of a couple who retired to South Carolina from Indianapolis. The Hatcher home now serves as the office and education building for a garden that includes several streams, ponds and copious walking paths through gardens and wooded areas. I spent a couple of hours wondering around the property and browsed the plant sale that was being held. I bought three new hostas for my collection and a variegated beauty berry shrub.

On my way back to Indiana, I spent a couple of days in the Smokies. The dogwoods and azaleas were beautiful in the park and the surrounding area. My wanderings took me by the Sevier County Fairgrounds, where a sign informed me that the Sevier County Area Master Gardeners were having their annual plant sale. Of course, I had to go. I received a couple of free plants for my three-dollar admission fee, but I had no room in my Fiat for any more plants.

When I returned to Sandhill Gardens, I was greeted by lush spring growth. There were more flowers in bloom in my own gardens than I had seen at any of the destinations I had visited during my trip. It changes almost daily this time of the year, but I welcome visitors. On Saturday, May 20, I will host

# **April barometer shows slight** uptick in producer sentiment

### **BY JENNIFER STEWART-BURTON** Purdue University News Service

Producer sentiment toward the agricultural economy inched up six points in April, according to the Purdue University/CME Group Ag Economy Barometer.

The barometer increased from 124 in March to 130 in April. The higher reading comes on the heels of two months of declines following January 2017's all-time high of 153.

April's 130-point reading represents a vast improvement in producer sentiment since the barometer launched at 106 in April 2016.

The increase is part of a recent trend of higher optimism among producers, said Jim Mintert, director of Purdue's Center for Commercial Agriculture and principal investigator for the barometer.

"Agricultural producer sentiment since December 2016 has been more positive than at any other time since data collection began, including the base period from October 2015 to March 2016," he said.

The barometer's two sub-indices also showed slight improvement with the Index of Current Conditions increasing from 120 in March to 127 in April, and the Index of Future Expectations improving from 126 to 132.

April's survey asked producers about their expectations for crop prices over the next year. While 54 percent said they expected prices to be about the same in 12 months, another 27 percent expected lower soybean prices. Only 17 percent said they expect soybean prices to be higher.

"This is quite different from a year earlier as the share of respondents expecting lower prices in the April 2017 survey was more than double the 13 percent of respondents expecting lower prices in the April 2016 survey," Mintert said.

Quarterly, the barometer also includes survey data from 100 industry thought leaders, such as agribusiness executives, agricultural lenders, commodity and farm organization leaders, as well as agricultural economists in the academic and government sectors.

Thought leaders' expectations for the health of the farm economy increased by 12 percent in April compared to January. But their optimism about the farm economy didn't carry over to commodity prices, said David Widmar, senior research associate for the Center for Commercial Agriculture and leader of the barometer's research activities.

"Despite the improvement in thought-leader sentiment from January to April, the group indicated they are less optimistic about both corn and soybean prices than they were back in January," he said.

Read the full April Ag Economy Barometer report at http://purdue.edu/ agbarometer. This month's report includes additional updates about commodity price expectations among producers and thought leaders, and looks at producers' willingness to make capital investments - another measure of their confidence.

The April release marks a year since the barometer launched. A supplemental year-in-review report also is available on the website. The report looks at trends in the barometer and supporting areas, such as farmland values and commodity prices.

The free quarterly Ag Economy Barometer webinar is 1:30 p.m. (EDT) Thursday (May 4). Register at https:// ag.purdue.edu/commercialag/ageconomybarometer/update/.

The Ag Economy Barometer, Index of Current Conditions and Index of Future Expectations are available on the Bloomberg Terminal under the following ticker symbols: AGECBA-RO, AGECCURC and AGECFTEX.



will have more on that next week.

# **Campers at DNR properties** should remember firewood rule

With the arrival of camping season, visitors to DNR properties should brush up on the DNR firewood rule.

The rule helps protect Indiana's trees from the 140 known pests and pathogens that currently affect forests as well as pests we don't know about yet. Several pests and pathogens are transported through firewood movement.

Under the rule, visitors to state parks, reservoirs, state forests and state fish & wildlife areas can bring firewood from home—as long as the bark has been removed. Removing the bark minimizes the risk of accidental infestation through firewood movement, because insect larvae live in sapwood under the bark.

Guests may also bring firewood into DNR properties, if it's:

- Kiln-dried scrap lumber.

- Purchased outside the property and bears either a USDA compliance stamp or a state compliance stamp.

- Purchased from the property camp store or on-site firewood vendor and has a state compliance stamp.

Regardless of where visitors get their firewood, they should burn it all at the campsite before they leave.

In short, the firewood rule means: "Buy it with a stamp, bring it debarked, burn it all."

For more about the rule see firewood. dnr.IN.gov.

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# **Grazing Bites** By Victor Shelton NRCS State Agronomist/Grazing Specialist

I can't believe how much forage growth we have already had this year. It seems early, but it is only about ten or twelve percent ahead of last year now. I've already heard from a few people asking the best way to try and keep it under control. My wife, who is a bit vertically challenged, already thinks it is getting tall when she has to move or put up a new stretch of temporary fence. With warmer days and certainly no shortage of water, forages are growing fast and do appear out of control!

You will probably note, as you walk or drive your ATV around the fields, that there may be differences in growth. The reasons for those differences can vary but include irregularities in fertility, last autumn's stop grazing heights, soils, compaction, rest after grazing, and the forages themselves. I don't have time to cover all of those today, but will cover what I can.

One of the problems, with quick early growth, if you want to consider it a problem, is competition. If you have over seeded or frost-seeded legumes into the pasture, you need to somewhat keep their competition at bay. Those fields need to be grazed enough to keep existing forages, mainly grass, from competing too much with the legume seedlings for light. All of this can be accomplished by keeping the livestock moving and not staying in any paddock too long. If the paddock was grazed down tighter last fall, especially pre dormancy, then that will help.

If you don't like weeds, and I'm not especially fond of some of them, competition is really a good thing and an excellent tool to help control them. The more you keep the ground covered and maintain enough growth to help prevent new weeds from emerging, the more control you will have on them. Good healthy growth and cover is always a good thing, so maintain that cover and don't overgraze. Keep at least three to four inches of growth at all times on most cool-season forages; that's the shortest height you leave behind, not the tallest!

Most forages have already surpassed normal start grazing heights (six to eight inches for most tall cool-season forages such as fescues and orchardgrass). Having a good root base, which starts the previous fall, and maintaining adequate residual is important to protect the soil from excessive compaction, especially when you are having as much rain as some areas have been getting lately. More growth and more residual, means more resilience. Dang, I've already gotten off on a tangent. Okay, getting back to controlling runaway grass! There is some advantage to grazing early as long as you use some "animal" control, especially in a rotated grazing system. Starting early and making sure to maintain minimum grazing heights for the forages is really the critical issue, but it also helps to keep the forages from getting too far ahead of you before you graze them again. Staging forages helps you keep more of the paddocks in better condition longer, with less need of having or clipping. Those fields that had more rest and more leftover forage will be ready earlier, and the tighter grazed fields will be ready later. I would still promote grazing for short periods, keeping the animals moving and never grazing closer than three to four inches whenever possible. If the forages start getting ahead of you, consider making the paddocks slightly larger and grazing the areas for shorter periods of time letting the animals top graze to help slow down seed head production some. The goal should be to maintain as much pasture as possible in what I've referred to in the past as "stage two" growth; quality vegetative leafy growth prior to seed head production. This quality forage with good intake will ensure good growth on growing animals, milk for lactating animals, and also help to flatten the growth curve some, providing quality forages a little longer into the season.

Any fields that have to be "skipped" can be clipped for later use, cut for hay or baleage, or left as is for maintenance animals. You need to try and keep the paddocks as vegetative as possible for growing animals. If you wait too long to re-graze them you may get frustrated quickly in trying to play catch-up. It's better to skip one and deal with it later. Not applying too much fertilizer, especially nitrogen, in the early spring will help keep this furious growth under a little more control.

Let's talk about those three options a little more. First, the forage could be clipped at early seed head and as high as needed to help maintain quality a little longer. This also satisfies those who don't like to deal with seed heads and certainly is aesthetically pleasing.

Second, they could also be mown for hay. Most producers do need some hay and certainly mowing it earlier rather than later means higher quality forage and probably more potential for increased regrowth. Producing high quality hay depends upon cutting the forage plant at a vegetative stage and then getting enough dry sunny days to allow the plants to dry. The frequent rains we have been receiving is good for forage growth, but they also hinder quality hay production. Too much hay is cut at full bloom or a mature stage of development. As any grass or legume plant matures, quality declines in terms of crude protein, energy and digestibility. Hay harvest also removes nutrients that will need to be replaced.

Third, those fields could also be left standing and allowed to mature, creating a good carbon base. Then, as needed, they can be strip grazed with maintenance animals, such as dry cows allowing them to graze the best and leave the rest. If grazed with high density for short periods, they will lay unconsumed forages on the ground which will help in the long run to improve soil health by feeding the microbes, and increasing diversity. Quite often there is no set ideal grazing pattern or set timeframe in trying to maintain quality forages. It is instead rather more of a game with changing rules, tactics, and plays to try and overcome the challenges of the season. Every year is different. We need to be prepared with more than one tool in the toolbox. When forages are growing fast, rotate fast. When forages are growing slower, graze slower. Maintain as much as possible in vegetative form and deal with the excess wisely. Keep on grazing!

# Six barn owl chicks hatch on southern Indiana nest cam

The barn owl pair on a southern Indiana nest cam have hatched six chicks.

Last week, the DNR Division of Fish & Wildlife (DFW) reported that five chicks had hatched. But the nest cam has now revealed a sixth chick also hatched. One unhatched egg remains. Having at least one infertile egg is common for a clutch of barn owl eggs.

The barn owl webcam is at wildlife. IN.gov/8183.htm. It can accommodate 20 viewers at a time.

All six owlets look healthy and are accepting food from their mother several times daily. The young owls will remain with the parents for three to five weeks after fledging.

On May 1, the owlets were scheduled to be banded, with a rain out day of May 2. Banding is important for biologists to be able to track the survival of these endangered birds.

Barn owls, once common in Indiana, email list at bit.ly/2j9hY0O.

### have declined due to loss of grassland habitat and suitable nesting locations. DNR biologists have placed more than 300 nest boxes to help improve nesting success. More information about nest boxes is at wildlife.IN.gov/3382.htm.

The barn owl is one of more than 750 animal species, including many rare and endangered animals, supported by the DNR's Wildlife Diversity Program. WDP depends on donations to the DNR Nongame Fund, and does not receive tax dollars. You can donate at EndangeredWildlife.IN.gov.

Donations were down more than 60 percent in 2016, most likely due to a more rigorous process for donating on state tax forms. Donation reports from 2017 are still well below the previous three-year average.

For updates on Indiana's nongame wildlife programs, subscribe to an email list at bit.ly/2j9hY0O.

## Indiana's trout stream season opened last Saturday

The 2017 Indiana trout stream season opened this past Saturday, April 29, at 6 a.m. local time and runs through December 31.

By Saturday morning, DNR fisheries personnel had stocked nearly 22,000 rainbow trout in 17 streams across the state. The trout are produced at DNR's Curtis Creek Trout Rearing Station in LaGrange County.

In addition to rainbows, brown trout raised at Wolf Creek National Fish Hatchery will be stocked in mid-May. However, anglers may catch holdover browns from prior stockings in streams such as the Brookville Lake tailwater on the Whitewater River, Little Elkhart River, Solomon Creek and Pigeon River.

Information about Indiana trout stocking sites and the respective number of trout stocked at each is at wild-life.IN.gov/5457.htm.

Anglers age 18 and older must have a trout stamp and valid fishing license to fish for trout. The daily bag limit is five trout, and no more than one can be a brown trout. The minimum size limit is 7 inches.

An 18-inch minimum size limit for brown trout exists at Oliver, Olin and Martin lakes in LaGrange County, and on Whitewater River below the Brookville Lake dam in Franklin County. Also, sections of the Little Elkhart River, Solomon Creek and Cobus Creek in Elkhart County are designated as catch-and-release and artificial lures or flies only. Before fishing, make sure you know the law, particularly at these special sites.

The Indiana Fishing Regulation Guide is available at most license retailers and online at wildlife.IN-.gov/2347.htm.



More pasture information and past issues of Grazing Bites are available at http://www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/ nrcs/main/in/technical/landuse/pasture/

FORMAT: 12 team limit, 6 people per team, A-F pl				yers per team	
	HANDICAP HOLES:	A & B players play #3	C & D players play #9	E & F players play #7	

### **2017 Loogootee Little League Golf Scramble Entry Form** (Please return this portion with payment, top portion is for your records)

NAME:		TELEPHO					
Team Members:							
Player A Name:		Player D Name:	:				
Player B Name:		Player E Name:					
Player C Name:		Player F Name:					
Loogootee Little League PO Box 19 Loogootee, IN 47553							
If you would like to sponsor or make a donation towards the Loogootee Little League Golf Scramble please contact one of the board members above or mail to the address on the form. Any donation is appreciated, donation ideas – gift certificate, hole sponsor, products, shirts, etc. Please include what the donation is for. Hole Sponsor Pricing:							
Bronze - \$25.00	Silver - \$50.00	Gold - \$100.00 Platinur	n - \$150.00	Titanium - \$200.00			

# School&Sports

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# Lady Lions send Lady **Rangers** camping

### **BY GREG CLARK** LHS Head Softball Coach

When Forest Park comes to town, you can always be assured that a good game will ensue, and this year was no exception, as the Loogootee Lady Lions came away with a 6-1 win against the always tough Lady Rangers. Sydney Davis scattered seven hits to pick up her 14<sup>th</sup> win against two losses and helped push the team record to 14 and 3. Davis struck out eight and issued one free pass in another strong performance in the circle.

Tyanna Graber led the Lions hitting attack with two doubles, scoring one run and four RBIs. Breigh La-Mar also doubled and scored a run. Julianne Bell had two base hits and scored twice, as Emily Brookshire, Mayson Riley, Emily Thomas and Calli Wininger all singled. Loogootee scored a single run in the first, four runs in the second and a run in the 6<sup>th</sup>.

Forest Park scored their run in the 7<sup>th</sup>, keeping Davis and company from picking up their 6<sup>th</sup> shutout of the season.

### Softball Lions take Jeeps in 5

Loogootee used four-run innings in the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2nd along with single runs in the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> to take a five-inning, 10-run rule game from the visiting NE Dubois Jeeps. Sydney Davis struck out seven Jeeps and only allowed four hits on her way to her 15th victory of the season, and 6th shutout, as the season long defensive prowess of the Lions was in full force one again.

Maelee Hawkins was 2 for 3 with two RBIs. Tyanna Graber was 3 for 3 with four RBIs, while Emily Brookshire, Sydney Davis, Breigh LaMar and Mayson Riley each drove in a run. Graber, Riley and Hawkins drove doubles, and Julianne Bell, Graber, Brookshire, Davis, LaMar, Riley, Hawkins and Calli Wininger each contributed singles.

NE Dubois did threaten in the 4<sup>th</sup> inning with 2 singles to start the inning, but a shallow fly ball, a strike out and a ground ball ended the threat quickly thanks to the tough Loogootee defense.

### Lions win at Wood

In a game that took over five days to complete the five innings needed because of the 10-run rule, Loogootee's Softball team completed what they started in convincing fashion with a 15-1 win over Wood Memorial of Oakland City. On Friday the 21<sup>st</sup>, the Lions scored four runs in the first inning along with single runs in the second and third innings before the rain came down even heavier and the "Blues" sent the Lions packing up 6-0 with 1 struck on the lead-off hitter for Wood in the bottom of the third.

her of her own. Davis twirled the win in the circle striking out six and scattering 6 hits, earning her 16th win of the season.

### Lions stun 'Hawks in five

While Springs Valley may be having a down year, at least according to coach Joe Crow, the Lady 'Hawks always seem to play the Lions very well. Although Sydney Davis only allowed one single to the Blackhawks, they held their own as Loogootee only scored 1 run in the first inning. Loogootee added three runs in the second as Tyanna Graber homered. Loogootee would not score in the third inning, but plated two in the fourth. The bottom of the fifth inning would be all the Lions would need to send the Blackhawks back to the Valley.

In the fifth, Calli Wininger drew a lead-off walk. Julianne Bell beat out a sac bunt attempt for a single. Additional walks to Tyanna Graber and Emily Brookshire forced home Wininger and earned Brookshire an RBI.

Loogootee pitcher Sydney Davis, was hit by a pitch and earned her RBI as Bell scored. Breigh LaMar hit a ball back up the middle the Valley pitcher knocked down, but could not find the handle as her toss went over the head of the Hawk first base man and allowed both Graber and Brookshire to score and seal the 10-run rule victory.

Bell, LaMar, Graber, and Brookshire all had multiple hits in the game. Sydney Davis picked up her 17th win of the season against two losses and took the team to 17 and 3 on the year. Davis struck out six and got the 7th shut-out of the season and just missed a perfect game, giving up a single with one out in the fifth inning.

### **Loogootee Junior High Track results**

The Loogootee Junior High Track team hosted a meet on April 27. For the boys, Vincennes Clark finished with 63 while Loogootee had 46. The girls came in third with 16. Vincennes Clark finished first with 74 and Barr-Reeve was second with 56.

### Boys' results

Levi Pendley: 1st in long jump, 1st in 100-meter, 1st in 200-meter, 1st in 400-meter

# Loogootee Girls' Tennis results

The Loogootee Lady Lions Tennis Team travelled to North Daviess on Monday, May 1. The varsity came away with shutout victory, 5-0 while the junior varsity also gained a win, 2-1.

Head Coach Mike Tippery said after the matches, "The singles players played well today under tough conditions. We have played 8 of our 12 matches on the road so far this year and haven't played a home match since April 20. It will be nice to get a chance to play in front of our home crowd."

Varsity results

#1 Singles Melaina Tippery (L) defeated Madison Bors 6-0, 6-1

#2 Singles Katie Sims (L) defeated Michelle Dinkins 6-0, 6-1

#3 Singles Emily Wade (L) defeated Lauren Kain 6-0. 6-2

#1 Doubles Eden Jenkins/Breanna Hollaway (L) defeated Madeline Riggins/Macie Kane 6-3, 6-4

#2 Doubles Kashten Burch/Madisyn Wade (L) defeated Abby Cecil/ Kaylee Wagler 6-4, 7-6 (3)

Junior varsity results

#1 Singles Leonna Hedrick (L) defeated Shae Knepp 9-7

#2 Singles Shae Knepp (ND) defeated Hope Fischer 6-1

#1 Doubles Abbie Williams/Brittany Potts (L) defeated Chavannah Chestnut/Shelby Taylor 6-0

Last Thursday, the teams played at Forest Park. Both the varsity and junior varsity teams defeated the Lady Rangers 3-2.

"There was much better execution today than earlier this week, but we still have some areas we need to improve upon," said Coach Tippery.

Varsity results

#1 Singles Paige Uebelhor (FP) defeated Melaina Tippery 6-1, 6-3

#2 Singles Katie Sims (L) defeated Emmy Miller 6-4, 6-4

#3 Singles Hailey Thayer (FP) defeated Emily Wade 4-6, 6-2, 6-2

#1 Doubles Eden Jenkins/Meghan Mathies (L) defeated Lauren Tretter/ Anna Becher 6-2, 6-3

#2 Doubles Kashten Burch/Madisyn Wade (L) defeated Kendyll Gaesser/Emily Nord 6-3, 3-6, 6-0

Junior varsity results

#1 Singles Faith Schmitt (FP) defeated Brittany Potts 8-6

#2 Singles Liv Brames (FP) defeated Victoria Ringgaard 8-5

#3 Singles Haylie Marks (FP) defeated Alijca Ackermann 9-7

#1 Doubles Breanna Hollaway/ Abbie Williams (L) defeated Abby Eckert/Lily Bell 8-1

#2 Doubles Claire Kunovich/ McKenzie White (L) defeated Sarah Buechler/Leah Wilmes 8-1

Last Tuesday, April 25, the teams travelled to Barr-Reeve. The varsity Lady Lions were defeated 0-5 while the junior varsity also took a loss 3-6.

"We just flat out didn't have it today. Barr-Reeve played well and we did not," said Coach Tippery.

Varsity results

#1 Singles Natalie Schultheis (BR) defeated Katie Sims 6-1, 6-4

#2 Singles Breanna Yoder (BR) defeated Melaina Tippery 6-4, 6-2

#3 Singles Annie Graber (BR) defeated Emily Wade 6-1, 6-2

#1 Doubles Leah Bullock/Bailey Graber (BR) defeated Eden Jenkins/ Meghan Mathies 6-1, 6-3

#2 Doubles Jayna Wagler/Peyton Lengacher (BR) defeated Abby Williams/Breanna Hollaway 6-3, 6-2

Junior varsity results

#1 Singles Moriah Bullock (BR) defeated Brittany Potts 4-2

#2 Singles Victoria Funk (BR) defeated Rachel Robinson 4-3

#3 Singles Moriah Bullock (BR) defeated Elly Wagler 4-0

#4 Singles Victoria Funk (BR) defeated Victoria Ringgaard 4-2

#1 Doubles Kashten Burch/Madisyn Wade (L) defeated Kaitlyn Mincey/Kadee Claridge 4-3

#2 Doubles Hope Fischer/Leonna Hedrick (L) defeated Akylah Knepp/ Kaitlyn Yoder 4-3

#3 Doubles Nina Bertelsen/Abrianna Gabrel (BR) defeated Brittany Potts/Rachel Robinson 4-2

#4 Doubles Kashten Burch/Madisyn Wade (L) defeated Akylah Knepp/Kaitlyn Yoder 4-0

#5 Doubles Kaitlyn Mincey/Kadee Claridge (BR) defeated Leonna Hedrick/Hope Fischer 4-0.

# **Forest Park defeats JV Lions**

**BY GREG CLARK** LHS Head Softball Coach Maddie Cropp, Kendall Berry, Mallory Berry, Shalyn Bruner and Halle Sheetz each contributed singles.

When the Lions returned five days later, the hit parade continued, except with perhaps even more of a fury as Loogootee scored nine runs in their half of the fourth inning.

Four of those runs came courtesy of Tyanna Graber who hit a grand slam in the inning. Julianne Bell and Emily Brookshire each tripled in the inning, with Brookshire also clubbing a double. Sydney Davis contributed two singles while Maelee Hawkins added

Lucas Brittain: 2nd in 110-meter hurdles, 1st in 1,600-meter, 2nd in 800 meter

Aragarn Ashby: 3rd in the long jump

Julius Castro: 3rd in the 200-meter Gage Kerns: 3rd in the 110-meter hurdles, 3rd in the 300-meter hurdles Jase Riley: 3rd in shotput

The 400-meter relay team placed 2nd (Ashby, Kerns, J. Venters, Castro) and first in the 1,600-meter relay (Castro, J. Venters, Zane Cropp, Brittain)

### Girls' results

India Arvin: 1st in the 100-meter, 1st in the 200-meter

Kaylee Auterson: 2nd in the 100-meter hurdles, 3rd in the 200-meter

Ashley Nail: 4th in the 100-meter hurdles

Last Monday night, the Lady Rangers took the win over the home standing JV Lions by a score of 11-1. Chelsei Sutton took the loss in the circle, but only gave up two earned runs. Mallory Berry drove in the Lions lone run with a single in 2<sup>nd</sup> inning. Jayleigh Wagoner, Sadie Welton Maelee Hawkins, Maddie Cropp, Kendall Berry and Shalyn Bruner all contributed hits for Loogootee.

### **NE Dubois downs JV Lions**

Last Tuesday night. NE Dubois outscored the JV Lions 13-6 in a five-inning matchup at Costello Field. Jayleigh Wagoner took the loss in the circle, but did not give up an earned run. Maddie Cropp drove in two runs for the young Lions, as did Shalyn Bruner. Chelsie Sutton and Mallory Berry each drove a run in each. Chelsie Sutton, Maddie Cropp and Kendra Lythgoe each doubled in the loss, while Emily Thomas,

### Valley Lady Blackhawks **buzz JV Lions**

This past Thursday, the Lady Blackhawks of Springs Valley High School came calling and took the win with them when they headed back to the Valley. With a final score of 14-0, the young Lions could not get a thing going offensively as each time Loogootee put the ball in play, a 'Hawk was there to make the play. Loogootee managed one hit on the night, a single off the bat of Chelsie Sutton. Sutton also took the loss for the Lions, only giving up 4 earned run in the loss.

### Pancake Breakfast

The Loogootee Lady Lions Softball Team will hold a pancake breakfast fundraiser this Saturday, May 6 from 7 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. in the high school cafeteria. The menu includes pancakes, sausage, orange juice, milk and coffee.

### Page 11 MARTIN CO Sorrells cages Cardinals

Kenyon Sorrells went six innings on the bump, claiming the Shoals Baseball win last Tuesday evening against Bloomfield by the final score of 7-2. The Cardinals got on top first via their only hit along with a couple of walks as well as two errors. The offense, though, countered the attack as JD Troutman ripped a single and double to go with three ribbies. Dylan Hembree had two base knocks and scored three times while Ryan Hawkins added a triple and run scored. Up just 4-2 to begin the top of the fifth, the Rox added two tallies and then their seventh run in the seventh frame to give themselves a five-run cushion. Dayson Wright came on and finished up with the last three outs, two via the K. The win propelled Shoals to 8-6.

### Shoals run-rules WRV

Freshman hurler Max Fischer went five innings and that was enough for a complete game as the Jug Rox jumped on the Wolverines and won via run-rule by the final of 16-6. Only half of WRV's six runs were earned. Meanwhile, the offense got a 3-4 night from Ryan Hawkins, which also included three RBI's. Kenyon Sorrells added two hits and touched the plate three times. Caleb Belcher finished 2-3 with two ribbies, and Fischer had a day also going 3-3 at the plate with a run and RBI. Another victory pushed the boys in blue to 9-6 overall. Their game at Cannelton was washed away on Saturday.

Jeeps grind Jug Rox 6-5

A chance to keep their Blue Chip Conference slate unbeaten slipped away early as the hosts fell behind 6-0 after just two innings of play and came up just short against visiting Northeast Dubois on Tuesday night, 6-5. Jace Erwin struggled early and, in three innings, was touched for seven hits and three walks. Dayson Wright pitched no-hit ball over the final four frames to keep Shoals within striking distance. Ryan Hawkins led with a 2-4 day at the plate, scoring twice. Dylan Hembree lined a double to score two as well. The offense stranded six runners in scoring position; three times Merkel in centerfield made catches to keep the Jug Rox from gaining any additional ground. The loss drops Shoals to 9-7 overall, 4-1 within the conference. They can still nab at least a piece of the spoils for the first time with a win at South Knox this Friday and a victory a week down the road with North Knox.

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## **Sign up now to be contestant for Miss Martin County**

Organizers are looking for applicants for the 2017 Miss Martin County Queen, crowned each year at the 4-H Fair. The Martin County 4-H Fair will be July 14-18. The pageant will be on Friday, July 14 at 6:30 p.m.

Contestants must:

-Be at least 18 years of age and cannot have had her 22nd birthday as of June 1, 2018.

-Be an Indiana resident, a U.S. citizen, and represent her home county. One of the contestant's parents or legal guardians must also be an Indiana resident. The only exception: the contestant may reside in an adjoining Indiana county if the majority of their activities are in the county in which they enter the contest.

-Must be an active member of at least one worthwhile organization in her community, such as church groups, Girl Scouts, 4-H, etc. Eligibility is not limited to 4-H membership.

-No professional model is eligible for the Martin County or State Fair Pageant. (A professional model is one who earns her livelihood by modeling.) A contestant who has had training or schooling in the modeling field, has been paid on occasion for modeling or works for a fashion board is not considered a professional model.

-Any contestant who has competed in the Indiana State Fair Queen Pag-

eant cannot compete again.

-Any county representative selected after the 2017 Indiana State Fair and meeting the above qualifications is eligible for the 2017 Queen Pageant.

Transportation for contestants and chaperones to and from the Indiana State Fair Queen Pageant will be the responsibility of each contestant. Each contestant and chaperone MUST stay in their assigned hotel room throughout the pageant.

There will be NO entry fee, and no sponsors this year. The candidate selected as the 2017 Miss Martin County will receive a scholarship.

Miss Martin County and the runners-up are expected to be in attendance during fair activities.

The first meeting with candidates and parents or guardians will be Thursday, May 18, at 6:30 p.m. in the Martin County Learning Center. Pizza & drinks will be provided at this informational meeting.

Practices will be June 1, June 8, June 15, June 22, and July 13 at the fairgrounds. The practice on July 13 is MANDATORY. Practices will start at 6:30 p.m.

Anyone interested in being a contestant should send their name, parent/guardian name, address, phone number, email and birthdate to Kindra Hovis 12492 S Pointe Dr., Loogootee, IN 47553. Deadline to sign up is May 18.



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