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## Solar field continues, animal control discussed

BY COURTNEY HUGHETT  
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Todd Woods, Community Planning Liaison with NSWC Crane, and Kurt Phegley, with Duke Energy, attended the Martin County Commissioners' meeting Tuesday night, June 7 to give an update on the Burns City solar energy project.

Woods told commissioners that the project is progressing but they are waiting for approval from the Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission of the current stage of the project before they proceed. They are expecting that approval this month with construction starting around July 6.

The project came about when Congress mandated that a quarter of government energy consumption come from renewable sources by 2025. Then in 2012, President Obama mandated that government establish at least three gigawatts of power, enough for three million homes.

About a year and a half ago, plans began to build a solar energy field on 145 acres on the western edge of the Crane base, south of the Burns City gate near the Eagle View Golf Course. This would require the golf course to decrease from 18 holes to nine. The solar field will contain 76,000 solar panels which will produce 17 megawatts of power.

The solar field will be owned and operated by Duke Energy and will be connected to the electric grid at the

Duke Energy-owned substation located on NSA Crane property. The power generated by the solar field will be available to Duke Energy customers and the Navy will continue to purchase power from Duke Energy Indiana.

Woods said that during construction, starting in July, they will be increasing the hours the Crane gate is open. Right now, he said, the gate is open during peak hours only but that would change to being open throughout the day until December, when construction is complete.

Commissioner Dan Gregory asked Phegley if they planned to seek tax abatement for the project. Phegley said it was discussed but they decided that they would not be requesting one. He said the main reason is because there will not be a need for employees at this site. The cost of the project is estimated at \$41.3 million and that tax base will benefit Martin County. The project is expected to be completely done by March of next year.

In other business, Josh and Courtney Hughett, with the Martin County Humane Society, approached the commissioners regarding the need to update the county's animal control ordinance and the need for Martin County to consider establishing the position of animal control officer.

Courtney provided the commissioners with listings from the police logs that showed every animal complaint call in 2015 and so far in 2016. There were 220 dog or cat complaint calls

to the police departments in 2015 and there have been 78 so far this year. Courtney told the commissioners that she did not include the calls about other animals such as cows, horses, raccoons, etc., and they were numerous as well. She also did not include all the calls that come into the animal shelter.

She added that doing a quick search, she could only find four other Indiana counties that do not have some form of animal control, whether it be through the county's government or through contract with a private organization. She explained that since the animal shelter has been built, issues with animal neglect, hoarding, nuisance, etc., have been a constant and the police departments are getting bogged down with responding to these calls. She said she feels that the law enforcement officers' time could be better well spent battling against drug dealers, etc.

She also noted that since the people who operate the animal shelter are just volunteers, regular people, they do not have the authority to deal with complaints, therefore causing residents to become frustrated and sometimes angry.

Sheriff Travis Roush, who was in the audience, agreed saying, for example, that officers spent three hours that day dealing with loose cows and trying to track down the owner. He said this took his officers away from other work that needed to be done. He agreed that there was a need for someone to be dedicated to resolving ani-

mal issues.

The commissioners asked if Courtney was looking for this to be a part-time or full-time position. Courtney replied that she felt the job could be easily done as part-time however it is never clear when an animal control officer would be needed on a call. She estimated it as a possible 15-hour a week job. Sheriff Roush spoke up saying that the officer would have to be on call.

Courtney also told commissioners that she and her husband, Josh, had met with Sheriff Roush several months ago about Josh possibly becoming a reserve deputy that dealt with animal complaints only. She said that after discussing it, it was decided that between Josh's paid job and the countless hours he spends volunteering at and on behalf of the animal shelter, the volunteer time he has available is maxed out.

Auditor January Roush asked if Courtney had someone in mind for the animal control officer position. Courtney replied that she did not.

When asked how to fund the position, Auditor Roush said that she has a line item in the budget that could cover the cost.

Commissioner Dan Gregory requested that Courtney put together a spreadsheet with a timeline of animal calls, how many per day and also get ordinances from other counties regarding the animal control officer, along with a job description, if possible. (See 'CONTROL' continued on page 2)



## Paint Your World Purple at Relay this Saturday

Martin County will hold their Relay for Life on Saturday, June 11 at the Martin County 4-H Fairgrounds and Community Building. The hours of this year's Relay are 3 p.m. till 11 p.m.

They will have introductions of committee members, teams and begin walking at 3 p.m. Between 3-6 p.m. teams will have food booths, games and music. Some of those include walking tacos and homemade ice cream. Clara Smith, local beautician, will be cutting hair for donations to the wig bank; this program is called "Beautiful Links". She will be onsite the whole evening if you want to come out to make that donation. She will answer any questions about making hair donations.

Ader's Inflatables have donated a bounce house for the young kids to enjoy. Another onsite fundraiser is called "Why I Relay". You can have a bracelet made with beads to make words like, mom, dad, sis or friend or however you want it worded. You just need to come

out and see what Relay is all about.

There will be an opening ceremony at 6 p.m. Survivors and caregivers will walk together on a dedicated lap around 6:15. Teams and sponsors will be recognized at that time as well. Dinner will follow. If you are not a registered participant or survivor/caregiver, you can partake in the dinner, but are asked to give a free will donation to go towards Relay.

7:30 p.m. will bring the live auction which will be called by longtime Relay supporter, Mayor Noel Harty. The luminaria ceremony will begin at 9 p.m. Organizers will be taking donations for Luminaria until about 8:30 p.m.

Relay 2016 will finish at 11 p.m. with the grand total of fundraising efforts. Organizers ask that you join them to help finish this fight against this dreaded disease and Paint our World Purple.

Any questions, please contact Carolyn Parsons-Downey at 812-259-5760.



## Fireworks donations

-Photos provided

Old National Bank, the Martin County Chamber of Commerce, and First Federal Savings Bank recently donated toward the purchase of fireworks for the end of the Loogootee Summerfest. Shown above, from left to right, are Jolene McAtee, Summerfest Committee member; Loogootee Mayor Noel Harty, Susan Arthur, with Old National Bank; and Carolyn Parsons-Downey, with the Martin County Chamber. In the photo on the left, from left to right, are Shannon Yoder and Jennifer Wittmer with First Federal and Mayor Harty.

# Pence announces distribution of \$505 million to local governments

Governor Mike Pence announced that county auditors have distributed \$505 million to local government units, including \$435 million that can be used for transportation infrastructure maintenance for counties, cities, and towns as part of Senate Enrolled Act (SEA) 67, which was signed into law on March 23, 2016.

“Early this year, we committed to investing significant new funding in state and local infrastructure maintenance to preserve the Crossroads of America,” said Governor Pence. “Today, we make good on that promise with the distribution of funds to local governments to further improve infrastructure and spur economic development and quality of life in communities across Indiana.”

On April 22, the state made a one-time, special distribution to counties for distribution to other local units using excess Local Option Income Tax (LOIT) reserve funds. SEA 67 required county auditors to distribute all funds to local government units before June 1 in the amounts determined by the Department of Local Government Finance. As part of the distribution, counties, cities, and towns received \$435 million that can be used for transportation infrastructure maintenance. Other local government units received \$70 million for deposit in their rainy day funds.

In his State of the State Address, Governor Pence outlined a plan to provide more than \$1 billion in new funding to preserve and maintain state and local infrastructure, without raising taxes. In addition to SEA 67, Governor Pence also signed into law House Enrolled Act 1001, which provides for additional state infrastructure maintenance funds, while also fully funding the Regional Cities Initiative.

## CONTROL \_\_\_\_\_

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sible. Courtney said she will provide that information at the next meeting.

Courtney also told commissioners that back when she wrote the animal control ordinance and the commissioners approved it, in 2011, she had somehow left out a section on animal neglect/abuse. She asked permission to add that now. The commissioners agreed and told her to provide a proposed ordinance to the county attorney and he would go over it, make any corrections and then present to them for approval.

Justin Dorsey, came before the commissioners for an update on Davis Lane. Dorsey wanted to restore the historic road to an 80-acre parcel, at his own expense, and then have the highway department maintain it after that.

At the last commissioners’ meeting County Attorney Dave Lett had advised the commissioners not to take any action until he has spoken to the adjacent property owner. Dorsey had told the commissioners that if he has to take them to court to get the road opened he would and it will be the county’s responsibility to restore the road.

Since the last meeting, Attorney Lett had sent letters to adjacent property owners notifying them that if they had issue with the road being restored, they should contact him or come to the meeting Tuesday night. Lett said that since he didn’t hear from anyone, and no one was present at the meeting, he assumed there was no objection.

After discussion, the commissioners voted to approve Dorsey’s request.

STATE OF INDIANA  
INDIANA DEPARTMENT OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT FINANCE

SEA 67-2016 Distributions  
Martin County

CAGIT Balance: \$0.00      COIT Balance: \$160,607.19      CEDIT Balance: \$7,631.07

Unit	CAGIT Distribution	COIT Distribution	CEDIT Distribution	Total Distribution
0000 MARTIN COUNTY	\$0.00	\$109,044.12	\$5,815.53	\$114,859.65
0001 CENTER TOWNSHIP	\$0.00	\$1,190.95	\$0.00	\$1,190.95
0002 HALBERT TOWNSHIP	\$0.00	\$2,053.97	\$0.00	\$2,053.97
0003 LOST RIVER TOWNSHIP	\$0.00	\$1,129.01	\$0.00	\$1,129.01
0004 MITCHELTREE TOWNSHIP	\$0.00	\$1,115.10	\$0.00	\$1,115.10
0005 PERRY TOWNSHIP	\$0.00	\$3,198.13	\$0.00	\$3,198.13
0006 RUTHERFORD TOWNSHIP	\$0.00	\$1,102.58	\$0.00	\$1,102.58
0454 LOOGOOTE CIVIL CITY	\$0.00	\$25,045.70	\$1,338.30	\$26,384.00
0780 CRANE CIVIL TOWN	\$0.00	\$595.54	\$0.00	\$595.54
0781 SHOALS CIVIL TOWN	\$0.00	\$8,927.52	\$477.24	\$9,404.76
5520 SHOALS COMMUNITY SCHOOL CORPORATION	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
5525 LOOGOOTE COMMUNITY SCHOOL CORPORATION	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
0150 LOOGOOTE PUBLIC LIBRARY	\$0.00	\$6,051.06	\$0.00	\$6,051.06
0151 SHOALS PUBLIC LIBRARY	\$0.00	\$1,153.51	\$0.00	\$1,153.51
1059 MARTIN COUNTY SOLID WASTE MGMT DIST	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$160,607.19</b>	<b>\$7,631.07</b>	<b>\$168,238.26</b>

Shown above is Martin County’s allocations from the \$505 million distribution provided by the state as part of Senate Enrolled Act 67 signed into law on March 23 of this year.

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# Obituaries

## KEITH LOWRY

Fredrick "Keith" Lowry passed away at 9:20 a.m. Sunday, June 5, 2016 at his home surrounded by his family. A resident of Shoals, he was 69.



He was born May 10, 1947 in Centerton, Indiana; son of the late Earl Frances and Edith (Arnold) Lowry.

**KEITH LOWRY** He enjoyed the simple country life. He worked as a Union Carpenter for 34 years and at Co-op for four years.

He is survived by his wife of 36 years, Brenda (Allbright) Lowry of Shoals; children, Jennifer Lowry of Plainfield and Brian Lowry of Shoals; five grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren and one more great-grandchild due in September; sister, Lois Brock of Martinsville and Joann Shrake of Centerton.

He was preceded in death by his daughter, Sonya Armitage; parents, Earl Frances and Edith (Arnold) Lowry; brother, Earl "Bud" Lowry; two sisters, infant Clair Lowry and Fran Powell.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. on Friday, June 10 at Carlisle-Branson Funeral Service and Crematory in Mooresville.

Visitation will be held from 4 p.m.

until 8 p.m. on Wednesday, June 8 at Blake Funeral Home in Loogootee.

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

## DEBI MARDIS

Debi Jean Albright Mardis, age 60, of Washington, left this earth on Saturday, May 28, 2016 at 12:25 a.m. A resident of Washington, she was 60.



**DEBI MARDIS** At her passing she was surrounded by her family who had supported and cared for her during her 15-month long battle with cancer.

She was born in Indianapolis, Indiana on July 21, 1955; the daughter of Clarence and Helen (Shaw) Albright. Her husband Rex Mardis preceded her in death in 2010.

She graduated from Greenwood High School. She was a very industrious lady who worked as an E.M.T., held a realtor's license, was well-known as a union painter and professional wall papering hanger. She loved horseback riding, fishing, canoeing, camping, traveling and was an avid Harley rider. One of her greatest joys was rescuing and loving Boxer dogs.

She is survived by her mother, Helen May Moore of Washington; son, Seth

Adam Sanders of Washington; daughter, Dawn Albright Wade of Washington; two granddaughters, Kayla (John) Coulter and Taylor Danielle Smith; one grandson, Daylan Albright; two brothers, Dallas Albright and Stan Clifton, both of Washington; one sister, Dorothy Harder of Brown County; and several nieces, nephews, and cousins.

She is preceded in death by her father, Clarence Albright; and three brothers, Floyd, Fred and Donald Clifton.

Debi's wishes were honored and she will be cremated. A memorial service will be announced at a later date.

Queen-Lee Funeral Home in Shoals entrusted with the final arrangements, and condolences may be made to the family at [www.queenlee.com](http://www.queenlee.com).

## KENT FELLERS

Kent Lee Fellers passed away at 9:18 p.m. Wednesday, June 1, 2016 at his home. A resident of Loogootee, he was 53.

He was born October 27, 1962 in Jasper; son of Delbert and Shirley (Norris) Fellers.

He was a school bus driver for 16 years for the Loogootee School Corporation. He was employed by Perry Water since 1982 and was currently serving as superintendent.

He was a member of St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church. He loved Ford tractors, restoring tractors and chain saws.

He is survived by his wife, Terria



**KENT FELLERS** (Roy) Templin of Florida and Brent (Amy) Fellers of Loogootee.

He was preceded in death by his twin brother, Kevin Fellers.

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated by Very Rev. J. Kenneth Walker and concelebrant Rev. Joseph Erbacher Monday, June 6 at St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church. Burial followed in Goodwill Cemetery.

Blake Funeral Home in Loogootee was in charge of arrangements.

In lieu of flowers memorial contributions may be made to Camp Iliana. Condolences may be made online at [www.blakefuneralhomes.com](http://www.blakefuneralhomes.com).

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## Martin County Sheriff's Department log

### MONDAY, MAY 30

1:18 a.m. - Received a report of an unsecured building in Loogootee. Loogootee Captain Akles responded.

2:24 a.m. - Received a report of an accident south of Loogootee on US 231. Deputy Reed, Reserve Deputy Gammon, Martin County Ambulance, and Haysville Fire responded. No one was transported.

9:15 a.m. - Received a report of a situation in Loogootee. Corporal Baker and Loogootee Chief Rayhill responded.

11:24 a.m. - Received a report of vandalism in Loogootee. Loogootee Chief Rayhill responded.

2:15 p.m. - Received an alarm call near Loogootee. Corporal Baker and Captain Dant responded. All was okay.

5:40 p.m. - Received a report of a domestic situation near Loogootee. Chief Deputy Greene responded.

9:15 p.m. - Received a request for a welfare check in Loogootee. Chief Deputy Greene and ISP Trooper Beaver responded.

11:20 p.m. - Received a report of a suspicious vehicle north of Loogootee. Deputy Reed responded.

### TUESDAY, MAY 31

7:36 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance north of Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded and transported the subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

7:55 a.m. - Deputy Floyd took one inmate to the doctor.

8:03 a.m. - Received a report of harassment near Loogootee. Captain Dant responded.

8:15 a.m. - Received a report of a broken down vehicle near Loogootee. Captain Dant responded.

8:20 a.m. - Received a report of a tree limb blocking the road near Shoals. Martin County Highway responded.

12:15 p.m. - Received a call of a disabled semi on US 231, north of Loogootee. Captain Dant and Loogootee Chief Rayhill responded.

3:00 p.m. - Sheriff Roush took three inmates to court.

6:20 p.m. - Loogootee Police responded to a loud noise complaint in Loogootee.

6:37 p.m. - Chief Deputy Greene assisted a motorist in Crane.

10:08 p.m. - Received a report of a disabled vehicle on US 50, west of Shoals. Chief Deputy Greene and Town Marshal Eckert responded.

9:00 p.m. - Received a complaint of unruly fans at the softball field in Loogootee. Chief Deputy Greene and Loogootee Officer Keller responded.

### WEDNESDAY, JUNE 1

1:17 a.m. - Received a report of a person walking along US 231, south of Loogootee. Deputy Salmon and Loogootee Sergeant responded. The subject checked out okay.

5:47 a.m. - Received a report of an accident in Loogootee. Loogootee Sergeant Norris responded.

8:03 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance north of Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance transported the subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

9:50 a.m. - Received a request for a welfare check north of Shoals. Chief Deputy Greene responded. All was okay.

10:00 a.m. - Captain Dant took one inmate to court.

10:36 a.m. - Received a report of an accident in Loogootee. Loogootee

Chief Rayhill responded.

11:30 a.m. - Received a report of a disturbance in Loogootee. Loogootee Chief Rayhill responded.

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

3:25 p.m. - Received a dog complaint in Loogootee. Loogootee Chief Rayhill responded and talked with the owner.

7:10 p.m. - Received a report of a reckless driver on US 50, west of Shoals. Deputy Salmon responded and checked the vehicle.

8:50 p.m. - Received a report of a domestic disturbance east of Shoals. Sergeant Keller and Deputy Salmon responded.

### THURSDAY, JUNE 2

1:35 a.m. - Deputy Salmon assisted a motorist on US 50, east of Loogootee.

9:00 a.m. - Sheriff Roush took one inmate to court.

10:15 a.m. - Received a dog complaint in Loogootee. Loogootee Chief Rayhill responded.

11:00 a.m. - Chief Deputy Greene took two inmates to court.

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

1:00 p.m. - Received a report of an accident near Shoals. Sheriff Roush and Martin County Ambulance responded. No one was transported.

2:00 p.m. - Corporal Baker took one inmate to court.

2:27 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded but did not transport.

3:07 p.m. - Sheriff Roush assisted a motorist in Shoals.

6:08 p.m. - Corporal Baker assisted a homeowner with an animal complaint near Loogootee.

7:27 p.m. - Received a report of a property line dispute near Shoals. Corporal Baker, Deputy Salmon, and ISP Trooper Beaver responded.

8:25 p.m. - Received a report of a theft in Shoals. Deputy Salmon responded.

9:18 p.m. - Received a report of a problem with an electric transformer in Shoals. Deputy Salmon responded. Duke Energy was notified.

10:25 p.m. - Received a report of cows on US 50, west of Shoals. Deputy Salmon responded. The owner was contacted.

11:35 p.m. - Received a report of a reckless driver in Loogootee. All area law enforcement were contacted.

### FRIDAY, JUNE 3

2:34 a.m. - Received a request for a welfare check in Loogootee. Loogootee Captain Hennette and Deputy Salmon responded. All was okay.

2:43 a.m. - Received a report of a horse out east of Shoals. Deputy Salmon responded.

4:54 a.m. - Received a report of a tree limb on US 231, south of Loogootee. The state highway department was notified.

6:55 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Crane. Crane Fire and Martin County Ambulance responded. No one was transported.

9:09 a.m. - Received a report of a tree across US 50, east of Shoals. Major Burkhardt and the state highway department responded.

9:25 a.m. - Received a report of a tree across the road north of Shoals. The county highway department responded.

9:51 a.m. - Major Burkhardt performed a vehicle identification check

north of Shoals.

10:09 a.m. - Received a report of vandalism south of Shoals. Major Burkhardt responded.

12:15 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Shoals. Martin County Ambulance and Shoals Fire responded. The subject was transported to IU Health in Bedford.

12:37 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Loogootee Fire and Dubois County Ambulance responded. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

12:42 p.m. - Received an alarm call in Loogootee. Loogootee Captain Akles responded.

1:18 p.m. - Received a report of an accident east of Shoals. Sheriff Roush, Major Burkhardt, and ISP Trooper Lents responded.

2:00 p.m. - Sheriff Roush took two inmates to court.

2:45 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance transported the subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

2:46 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Shoals. Crane Fire and Crane Ambulance responded.

3:48 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded and transported the subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

6:50 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance near Shoals. Martin County Ambulance responded but did not transport.

### SATURDAY, JUNE 4

7:09 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance north of Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded.

10:41 a.m. - Major Burkhardt assisted a motorist in Shoals.

8:20 p.m. - Received a report of a reckless driver near Loogootee. Deputy Floyd responded and checked the driver.

10:02 p.m. - Received a request for a welfare check in Shoals. Town Marshal Eckert responded and all was okay.

### SUNDAY, JUNE 5

12:23 a.m. - Received a noise complaint in Loogootee. Loogootee Captain Akles responded.

3:11 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded and transported the subject to Daviess Community Hospital.

11:20 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance near Shoals. Shoals Fire and Martin County Ambulance responded. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

11:23 a.m. - Received an alarm call in Loogootee. Sergeant Keller responded and all was okay.

12:42 p.m. - Received an alarm call in Loogootee. Loogootee Captain Hen-

### Real estate transfers

**Bradley S. Mathias**, of Martin County, Indiana to **Mark A. Potts and Jessica R. Potts**, of Martin County, Indiana, a part of the north half of the southwest quarter of Section 10, Township 3 North, Range 4 West, Center Township, Martin County, Indiana, containing 8.662 acres, more or less.

**Audie R. Crosby**, of Daviess County, Indiana to **Georgia Warne**, of Martin County, Indiana, a part of the northeast quarter of the southeast quarter of Section 31, Township 3 North, Range 4 West.

nette responded and all was okay.

1:26 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Loogootee Fire and Martin County Ambulance responded. Assisting with this detail was Corporal Baker and K9 Officer Virka.

4:28 p.m. - Received a report of a domestic situation in Shoals. Sergeant Keller responded.

5:42 p.m. - Received a report of a reckless driver near Shoals. Sergeant Keller responded.

7:47 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Loogootee Captain Akles and Martin County Ambulance responded. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

9:24 p.m. - Received a report of a break-in and theft in Crane. Deputy Reed responded.

9:54 p.m. - Received a request for a welfare check near Shoals. Town Marshal Eckert responded and all was okay.

11:15 p.m. - Deputy Reed assisted a motorist near Loogootee.

## ARRESTS

### MONDAY, MAY 30

7:18 p.m. - Steven Davidson, 27, of Loogootee, was arrested by Chief Deputy Greene and charged with public intoxication and is being held without bond.

9:01 p.m. - Candace Hawkins, 50, of Shoals, was arrested by Loogootee Captain Hennette for possession of a controlled substance. She is being held without bond. Assisting with the arrest were ISP Trooper Beaver, Chief Deputy Greene, and K9 Officer Roxy.

10:05 p.m. - Lacey Hawkins, 25, of Loogootee, was arrested by Loogootee Captain Hennette for possession of controlled substance. She is being held without bond. Assisting with the arrest were Chief Deputy Greene, ISP Trooper Beaver and K9 Officer Roxy.

### WEDNESDAY, JUNE 1

12:05 p.m. - Danny Bruner, 42, of Loogootee, was arrested by Loogootee Chief Rayhill for public intoxication and is being held on a \$10,000 10% bond.

### FRIDAY, JUNE 3

4:35 p.m. - Samantha Sizemore was arrested by ISP Trooper Johnson on a warrant from Scott County. Deputy Floyd and Dispatcher Abel transported the subject to Scott County Jail.

### SATURDAY, JUNE 4

3:44 a.m. - Matthew Lark, 22, of Bloomington, was arrested by Loogootee Captain Hennette for operating while intoxicated and is being held on a \$10,000 10% bond. Assisting with the arrest were Deputy Reed and Deputy Floyd. A female passenger, Hannah T. Parsons, was cited into court for minor consumption.

11:48 a.m. - Nicolas Twigg, 23, of Loogootee, was arrested by ISP Trooper Lents on a Knox County warrant and invasion of privacy. He is being held on a \$20,000 10% warrant.

## Accident reports

### WEDNESDAY, JUNE 1

10:35 a.m. - Frank M. Matthews, of Loogootee, was backing his 1999 Olds from a parking spot at Dollar General when he backed into a 2013 Toyota operated by Rosanna Truex, of Loogootee. Chief Rayhill was the investigating officer.

# Loogootee Police log

## MONDAY, MAY 30

11:00 a.m. - Caller requested an officer on SE 1<sup>st</sup> Street for removal of a vehicle on private property.

11:30 a.m. - Received a call of vandalism at McDonald's.

7:45 p.m. - First responders were requested on Bridgewater Street for a medical call.

8:09 p.m. - First responders were requested on Wood School Road for a medical call.

9:19 p.m. - Caller reported vehicles blocking the exit to the high school parking lot.

## TUESDAY, MAY 31

11:30 a.m. - Caller reported a phone scam. Caller stated he received a call from a person claiming to be his grandson and was wanting money wired for an attorney. Scammer asked the person for his date of birth and the caller hung up.

12:30 p.m. - Chief Rayhill assisted the sheriff's department with a broken down semi on US 231.

6:00 p.m. - Received a call of loud music near Cedar Street.

7:55 p.m. - Caller reported harassing text messages.

8:54 p.m. - Caller reported a dog complaint.

9:14 p.m. - Received a call of a drive off at Chuckles.

## WEDNESDAY, JUNE 1

1:17 a.m. - Received a call of a male with dark clothing walking on US 231. Male checked out okay.

5:47 a.m. - Edith Rehl reported property damage to her Dodge Caravan.

1:45 p.m. - Caller reported having problems with her daughter.

3:25 p.m. - Caller reported a dog in a vehicle parked outside of the IGA with the engine off and the windows up. Chief Rayhill responded and spoke with the owner.

## THURSDAY, JUNE 2

9:25 a.m. - Chief Rayhill assisted with a funeral procession.

10:15 a.m. - Caller reported a dog

complaint.

12:30 p.m. - Received a call of a reckless driver on JFK Avenue. Officer Floyd located the vehicle and spoke with the driver.

4:20 p.m. - Caller reported two dogs running loose on North Oak Street.

## FRIDAY, JUNE 3

12:37 p.m. - First responders were requested on Queen Street for a medical call.

12:42 p.m. - Captain Akles responded to a business alarm.

4:40 p.m. - Caller reported property damage at Hoosier Auto.

9:18 p.m. - Received a report of a possible intoxicated driver on US 231. Officers were unable to locate.

## SATURDAY, JUNE 4

8:30 a.m. - Caller reported a speeding vehicle on Park Street.

12:03 p.m. - Caller reported a deer had been struck on US 231. Caller stated the deer was still alive. Officer Floyd responded.

8:21 p.m. - Received a call of a reckless driver on US 231.

8:47 p.m. - Caller reported a theft of medication.

11:07 p.m. - Caller reported a traffic complaint.

## SUNDAY, JUNE 5

12:42 p.m. - Captain Hennette responded to a business alarm.

1:26 p.m. - First responders were requested on Bloomfield Road for a medical call.

7:41 p.m. - First responders were requested on NW 1<sup>st</sup> Street for a medical call.

8:50 p.m. - Received a report of property damage.



## New city officer

-Photos provided

New Loogootee Police Officer Jim Floyd was sworn in by Loogootee Mayor Noel Harty last Thursday, shown above. Below, from left to right, are Loogootee Chief of Police Kelly Rayhill, Floyd, and Mayor Harty.



## Removing your vehicle from the roadway after crash will be law once again

A law that had been on the Indiana books as a misdemeanor, and was inadvertently removed, has been reinstated as a class "C" infraction.

Beginning July 1, 2016, IC 9-26-1-1.2 is added to the Indiana Code as a new section and states, "If, after an operator of a motor vehicle is involved in an accident, the operator's motor vehicle comes to a stop in the traveled portion of the highway, the operator shall, as soon as safely possible, move the motor vehicle off the traveled portion of the highway and to a location as close to the accident as possible. However, the operator of the motor vehicle shall not move the motor vehicle if the accident involves the transportation of hazardous materials or results in the injury or death of a person or the entrapment of a person in a vehicle." The previous law only applied to interstate highways. The reinstated law applies to all government maintained roadways.

The intent of the law is to safely remove traffic hazards from the roadway so as to reduce secondary crashes, especially on multi lane highways, that are often more severe and result in more injuries than the original crash. Also, this law ensures that motorists have statutory backing when they move their vehicles. Many times insurance companies tell their clients not to move their vehicle after it has been involved in a crash, even if it's only a property damage crash, until law enforcement arrives.

Information from IN-Time, Indiana's Traffic Incident Management Effort, states that for every minute that a freeway travel is blocked during a peak travel period, four minutes of travel delay results after the incident is cleared. Their statistics reveal the following:

Crashes that result from other incidents (secondary) are estimated to be 22 percent of all crashes.

Chances of a secondary crash in-

crease by 2.8 percent for each minute the primary incident is not cleared.

These secondary crashes are estimated to cause 18 percent of deaths on freeways.

In 2008, 21 percent on Indiana's crashes showed vehicles "slowed or stopped" in traffic, secondary crash.

Past records indicate neither a ticket nor arrest was issued while the law was a misdemeanor and authorities do not anticipate tickets being issued under the reinstated law, except in rare circumstances.

"Our intent is to educate the public that if they are involved in a property damage crash, they have a statutory requirement to remove their vehicles from the roadway," stated Indiana State Police Superintendent Doug Carter. "The Indiana State Police will utilize traditional media and social media to inform the public of this reinstated law which is designed to remove hazards and keep traffic moving safely on Indiana highways."

Included below is the reinstated statute IC- 9-26-1-1.2.

SECTION 2. IC 9-26-1-1.2 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2016]: Sec. 1.2. (a) If, after an operator of a motor vehicle is involved in an accident, the operator's motor vehicle comes to a stop in the traveled portion of a highway, the operator shall, as soon as safely possible, move the motor vehicle off the traveled portion of the highway and to a location as close to the accident as possible. However, the operator shall not move the motor vehicle if the accident: (1) involves the transportation of hazardous materials; or (2) results in injury or death of a person or the entrapment of a person in a vehicle.

A person who violates this subsection commits a Class C infraction.



The Martin County Veteran Service Officer has an office in the Martin County Courthouse. An appointment isn't required but suggested as most of the time I am out of the office transporting veterans to medical appointments, meeting with or visiting veterans in the community.

During the month of May, the veteran service officer assisted five veterans, had seven meetings, visited the Legion's and VFW's in Crane, Loogootee and Shoals, participated in the Memorial Program at the Museum and attended the CVSO Conference at Camp Atterbury. The veterans van took eight trips transporting nine veterans to VA medical centers and clinics.

DRIVERS NEEDED for the veteran's van. I am aware that we all have very busy lives and very little free time which is why I am looking for reliable drivers to add to my call list. I am looking for VOLUNTEERS that are willing to transport a veteran possibly one trip a week to medical appointments in the surrounding area. This is not a paid position but I am able to provide \$10 a trip as long as there is money in the "Thank the Driver Fund". You must have an Indiana license and a clean driving record. If interested, please contact me.

The Veterans Crisis Line provides confidential help for veterans and their families. Call at 1-800-273-8255 (PRESS 1) for help.

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## National unemployment rate at 4.7 percent for May

The unemployment rate declined by 0.3 percentage point to 4.7 percent in May, and nonfarm payroll employment changed little (+38,000), the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics reported last week. Employment increased in health care. Mining continued to lose jobs, and employment in information decreased due to a strike.

### Household Survey Data

In May, the unemployment rate declined by 0.3 percentage point to 4.7 percent, and the number of unemployed persons declined by 484,000 to 7.4 million. Both measures had shown little movement from August to April.

Among the major worker groups, the unemployment rates for adult men (4.3 percent), adult women (4.2 percent), Whites (4.1 percent), and Hispanics (5.6 percent) declined in May. The rates for teenagers (16.0 percent), Blacks (8.2 percent), and Asians (4.1 percent) showed little or no change.

The number of long-term unemployed (those jobless for 27 weeks or more) declined by 178,000 to 1.9 million in May. These individuals accounted for 25.1 percent of the unemployed. The number of persons unemployed less than 5 weeks decreased by 338,000 to 2.2 million.

The number of job losers and persons who completed temporary jobs declined by 282,000 over the month to 3.6 million.

In May, the civilian labor force participation rate decreased by 0.2 percentage point to 62.6 percent. The rate has declined by 0.4 percentage point over the past 2 months, offsetting gains in the first quarter. The employment-population ratio, at 59.7 percent, was unchanged in May.

The number of persons employed part time for economic reasons (also referred to as involuntary part-time workers) increased by 468,000 to 6.4 million in May, after showing little movement since November. These individuals, who would have preferred full-time employment, were working part time because their hours had been cut back or because they were unable to find a full-time job.

In May, 1.7 million persons were marginally attached to the labor force, little changed from a year earlier. (The data are not seasonally adjusted.) These individuals were not in the labor force, wanted and were available for work, and had looked for a job sometime in the prior 12 months. They were not counted as unemployed because they had not searched for work in the 4 weeks preceding the survey.

Among the marginally attached, there were 538,000 discouraged workers in May, essentially unchanged from a year earlier. (The data are not seasonally adjusted.)

Discouraged workers are persons not currently looking for work because they believe no jobs are available for them. The remaining 1.2 million persons marginally attached to the labor force in May had not searched for work for reasons such as school attendance or family responsibilities.

### Establishment Survey Data

Total nonfarm payroll employment changed little in May (+38,000). Job growth occurred in health care. Mining continued to lose jobs, and a strike re-

sulted in job losses in information.

Health care added 46,000 jobs in May, with increases occurring in ambulatory health care services (+24,000), hospitals (+17,000), and nursing care facilities (+5,000). Over the year, health care employment has increased by 487,000.

In May, mining employment continued to decline (-10,000). Since reaching a peak in September 2014, mining has lost 207,000 jobs. Support activities for mining accounted for three-fourths of the jobs lost during this period, including 6,000 in May.

Employment in information declined by 34,000 in May. About 35,000 workers in the telecommunications industry were on strike and not on company payrolls during the survey reference period.

Within manufacturing, employment in durable goods declined by 18,000 in May, with job losses of 7,000 in machinery and 3,000 in furniture and related products.

Employment in professional and business services changed little in May (+10,000), after increasing by 55,000 in April. Within the industry, professional and technical services added 26,000 jobs in May, in line with average monthly gains over the prior 12 months. Employment in temporary help services was little changed over the month (-21,000) but is down by 64,000 thus far this year.

Employment in other major industries, including construction, wholesale trade, retail trade, transportation and warehousing, financial activities, leisure and hospitality, and government, changed little over the month.

The average workweek for all employees on private nonfarm payrolls was unchanged at 34.4 hours in May. The manufacturing workweek increased by 0.1 hour to 40.8 hours, and manufacturing overtime was unchanged at 3.2 hours. The average workweek for production and non-supervisory employees on private nonfarm payrolls was unchanged at 33.6 hours.

In May, average hourly earnings for all employees on private nonfarm payrolls increased by 5 cents to \$25.59, following an increase of 9 cents in April. Over the year, average hourly earnings have risen by 2.5 percent. Average hourly earnings of private-sector production and nonsupervisory employees increased by 3 cents to \$21.49 in May.

The change in total nonfarm payroll employment for March was revised from +208,000 to +186,000, and the change for April was revised from +160,000 to +123,000. With these revisions, employment gains in March and April combined were 59,000 less than previously reported. Over the past 3 months, job gains have averaged 116,000 per month.

## Wide field of view night vision goggles transition to the fleet

NAVSEA Expeditionary Missions Program Office (PMS 408), Visual Augmentation Systems (VAS) program began to transition Wide Field of View (WFOV) night vision goggles (NVGs) to the Naval Expeditionary Combat Command (NECC) warfighters in May.

The WFOV NVG doubles the view field of traditional night vision goggles. The benefits are greater combat efficiency, depth perception, enhanced situational awareness and increased movement speed. The WFOV NVG has an 80-degree field of view, an increase in the viewable area 5.3 times greater than the current 40-degree systems.

“The Wide Field of View High-Resolution Night Vision Goggle provides additional situational awareness during mission critical responses,” said Brenda Flanagan, assistant program manager for Visual Augmentation Systems.

Naval Surface Warfare Center (NSWC) Crane optical scientists measured the WFOV NVG and found combat efficiency improvements ranging from a typical 19.8 percent to a maximum improvement of 33.9 percent. Additional, measured movement speed improvements ranged from a typical 35.2 percent, to a maximum improvement of 63.7 percent.

The WFOV NVG system was developed as part of the DoD Rapid Innovation Fund Program, and NSWC Crane began implementing a cost effective upgrade to existing night field goggles in fiscal year 2009.

A contract is currently in place to retrofit existing night field goggles with WFOV optics. The contract saves an estimated \$32,000 per com-

Traditional 40-degree view



New and improved 80-degree view



parable system and millions more in logistics and sustainment costs. The total savings and cost avoidance is greater than \$39 million.

In a 5-year contract with \$48 million ceiling, NAVSEA is already beginning to see those cost avoidances in the first year.

In a recent deployment with two Navy Expeditionary Combat Command (NECC) Explosives Ordnance Disposal (EOD) teams, who engaged in combat operations, WFOV NVGs increased operator situation awareness across 90 percent of EOD operations.

Further testing was conducted at an Army Technical Support & Operational Analysis (TSOA) event, which supported previous combat effectiveness findings.

According to the TSOA results, “Warfighters strongly supported the WFOV F-NVG’s 80-degree field of vision and nominated this technology as a technology of Warfighter interest in terms of Warfighter utility.”

Baseline WFOV NVGs are ready for procurement with options to conduct warfighter community focused customization.

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## In the Garden

By Ralph Purkhiser  
Purdue University Master Gardener

It has been a beautiful spring for the flowing trees. The redbuds and dogwoods were exceptional this year and flowering crabapples and other trees in the fruit group also had great blooms that lasted longer than normal. However, three of my favorite trees have just come in to flower in the last week.

The catalpa may actually be my favorite native flowering tree. They remind me of the large catalpa trees that used to grow in my grandparents' yard. The long panicles of flowers come just when other flowering trees have finished their shows. The large heart-shaped leaves are also attractive and provide good cover for the birds. The birds also like the catalpa for another reason. It is the sole host plant for the catalpa sphinx moth caterpillars and the trees often host literally thousands of the catalpa worms. The worms are also a favorite bait of many fishermen. While they sometimes come in numbers sufficient to defoliate a tree, the tree will usually respond with new leaves. If this occurs repeatedly, the tree may die, but that is a rare occurrence. The flowers are a food source for bees, butterflies and hummingbirds.

I do not believe that the catalpa is used much in landscaping because of the large bean-like pods that litter the ground after the winged seeds scatter. The pods give rise to two of the common names for the tree—cigar tree and Indian bean tree. Although the pods resemble huge green beans, they have no human food value.

The wood of the catalpa tree is soft and rot-resistant. It was once used for railroad ties. It is favored by wood carvers and is sometimes used as tone-wood in guitars.

Because of their messy nature, I have placed a new catalpa tree at the edge

of my yard, where the debris should not be a problem. If you wish to plant a catalpa, you will likely have trouble finding one at a nursery. However, they may be found growing around mature trees and they transplant well.

Another tree now in full bloom at Sandhill Gardens is the kousa dogwood. This tree comes from Asia, but is related to our native dogwoods. However, it will take more sun than the native variety and has proven more resistant to some disease problems that have plagued the native dogwood trees in recent years. Unlike the native dogwood, the kousa flowers after setting leaves. The small, insignificant flower is surrounded by showy bracts. The bracts are pointed, while the native dogwoods have rounded bracts. I have both a pink and a white kousa dogwood, but the white is the one that really attracts attention, when the large white bracts sit above the dark green leaves.

The third tree now in bloom at Sandhill Gardens actually is a treat for the nose. The cream-colored flowers of the sweet bay magnolia give off a strong scent, variously described as the scent of vanilla or baby powder. The sweet bay is an evergreen in warmer climates and holds onto some leaves here during mild winters. The leaves are waxy and deep green, giving the blooms a wonderful background. The sweet bay at Sandhill Gardens is along the walk between the driveway and the house, which allows the sweet smell to greet visitors to the gardens.

Flowering trees are a great way to fill space in a large garden and even a small garden should have room for at least one flowering tree. Just do some research to find the perfect tree for your landscape.

## Indiana State Department of Agriculture Photo Contest

The Indiana State Department of Agriculture (ISDA) is now accepting submissions for the 9th annual photo contest, which was created to showcase the hard work and contributions made by Hoosier farmers. The contest is open to the general public, and winning photographs will be featured at this year's state fair.

Contestants are able to submit up to five photos in digital form (horizontal or vertical) and each photo must be accompanied by an entry form. Entries must be submitted no later than June 30, 2016.

Participants are encouraged to submit photos that reflect the wide array of agriculture, and the categories they

can be entered under include: Conservation, Agritourism, Faces of Agriculture and On the Farm. All photos must be taken in the state by current Indiana residents.

Contest winners will have their photographs featured in the Offices of the Lt. Governor's Family of Business in Indianapolis.

Winners will also be special guests during the Celebration of Agriculture taking place on Wednesday, August 17, 2016 from 3:30 p.m. to 5 p.m. in the Normandy Barn during the Indiana State Fair. For entry and release forms, guidelines and criteria, please visit [www.in.gov/isda/2468.htm](http://www.in.gov/isda/2468.htm).

## Grazing Bites

By Victor Shelton  
NRCS State Agronomist/Grazing Specialist

It would be nice some year to have an average spring; trouble is, I'm not sure what that is anymore. I've seen a fair amount of hay being cut; some has gone through several wash cycles. I think every producer stresses over making hay, at least part of the time. I'd rather leave the forage standing than have poor quality hay.

Let's ponder two questions in this issue, "To bale or not bale?" and "Should I put up hay or just buy what I need?" I think everyone, no matter how efficient or type of grazing system, should have some hay on hand. It is your insurance plan; one of your contingency plans. Feeding less hay is a good thing though, at least it should be – meaning that you are hopefully grazing more.

Smaller operations, especially ones with less than 15 cows or equivalents would have difficult time justifying owning hay equipment. That depreciating investment would probably be best spent on improving the grazing efficiency of the farm or on fertility. I have to be careful here not to step on toes, but I've seen people buying a lot of hay equipment so they can stop buying hay and perhaps even "sell" some hay. While they really could have gotten away from using very little hay, they have spent their money on iron and then often mine their soils to help pay for that equipment...can you really sell that hay for enough to replace the nutrients and pay for labor and equipment? Not likely.

If you are in what I will refer to as a "building" stage of soil fertility – in other words, it still needs some, then you would be better off bringing in fertility, i.e., hay, than to remove it. This is true even if you are not selling it and utilizing it yourself. You are still most likely removing nutrients from where they are needed and moving them to a "feeding" area where they are already high. Moving those "feeding" areas around some will certainly help, but still the more you can graze, the better.

If fields are in that "building" stage, it is counterproductive to cut hay off it – no question. You are just removing and moving needed nutrients – especially phosphorus. Let's look at the cost for just a moment and compare it to grazing. If you look at nutrient removal between the two scenarios – grazing an orchardgrass/clover mix pasture or haying this same field...assuming the nutrients are actually present; the grazing cost of nutrient removal is about \$2.50 per ton dry matter produced. Hay cost from nutrient removal with the same nutrient values is about \$40 per ton assuming that no or minimal nitrogen was applied and most nitrogen was supplied by the legume. So my question is, do you still want to cut hay off that field? Smaller operations are almost always better off buying what hay they need. You don't have to fight the weather and you can actually shop around and buy good quality hay – often cheaper than you can raise it.

Except for some drought years, there is usually hay around to be bought. Plan ahead if you are going to be buying and if possible, visit the hayfield from which your hay will come ahead of time so you have a better idea of the quality. If purchasing hay already baled or sight unseen, request a hay analysis to make

sure it is the quality needed to meet your livestock's nutritional needs just to make sure it really will beat "snowballs." If you are cutting hay, don't forget to get a soil test at least every 2-3 years and re-apply needed nutrients to grow more quality forage.

That's enough on hay.

I've had several questions on mowing heights or clipping heights for pasture. Most tall cool-season grasses like tall fescues and orchardgrass would ideally be clipped right at leaf height removing present or emerging seed stems. If these have been grazed in a manner where the stand is very uneven, then mowing slightly lower might in order to help to even out the stand and encourage under-grazed areas. Perennial ryegrass and bluegrass would benefit from similar conditions, but of course will be shorter than the previously mentioned species to be best. Warm season grasses such as switchgrass or big bluestem should not need to be clipped this time of year.

I have to ask the question though, what is the reason for your mowing? If it is to improve or maintain quality – have at it – just don't mow any shorter than necessary. If it is purely for aesthetics – you might be better off leaving it alone. Taller forages produce more live roots providing some drought insurance; can help to shade out some weeds; can provide for slightly cooler soils and maintain moisture which can promote more growth from cool season forages instead of less desirable plants and then the added benefit of some wildlife habitat.

Fast grazing over a paddock while the seed heads are still in the milk stage or at least still green can top these paddocks just about as good and if you tread some forage into the ground in the process, that's okay too, it will be used to grow more and adds carbon to the soil. Quality is lost as the plant matures, but a few seed heads are not that bad; cutting too short and then having the weather turn hot and dry is typically worse. If you are going to clip, clip early and as high as possible! You mainly want to just remove seed heads and leave the solar panel (leaves). There are certainly more benefits gained from clipping early than later.

Recently, my wife and I went through a major life altering event. It has really made me stop and think about time lost over the years doing things that I thought were important at the moment, but could have waited or totally been ignored. We sometimes work harder than we need to. Hay, quite often, falls into this category. Cows have four feet drive, a built in harvester and manure spreader; we need to take more advantage of this.

If you have any comments on the newsletter I'd love to hear from you. You can email me at [victor.shelton@in.usda.gov](mailto:victor.shelton@in.usda.gov).

Don't get carried away with the hay, and keep on grazing!

Reminders & Opportunities

Howard County Pasture Walk – June 7 – Contact the Howard County SWCD for more information.

Pasture Plant ID & Grazing Management Workshop – June 28 - 9:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. EDT, Feldun Purdue Agricultural Center, Registration and Information: <http://pastureandgrazingworkshop.eventbrite.com>

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# 4-H NEWS

By Stacy Brown  
Martin County Purdue  
Extension Educator



## Upcoming Events

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

Poultry - June 18, 2016, 9-11 a.m.

2016 Fair Activities

Friday, July 15

10 a.m. Sheep show in Livestock Arena

5 p.m. Building Open to Public

5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Sign up for Silent Auction items

5 p.m. to 9 p.m. Laser Tag

6 p.m. to 10 p.m. Ader's Inflatables

6:30 p.m. Queen Contest at Fairgrounds free stage

Public Dress Revue during Queen Contest

Music by Judith Montgomery

7 p.m. Farm Tractor Pulls

General Admission \$8, Children under 5 free

Pits \$10.00

Hillside seating, bring blankets or lawn chairs

Contact: Dan Wagler @ 812-617-5286

Parking for the night is \$1 per vehicle after 4:00 pm.

Saturday, July 16

9 a.m. Building Open to Public

9 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. Tea with the Queen - \$5 per child

Contact Jenny Hembree @ 812-631-0231

9 a.m. Beef Show in Livestock Arena

11 a.m. Tug of War at the Free Stage

Noon Horse & Pony show in Horse Arena

1 p.m. Rabbit Show in Livestock Arena

4 p.m. Lawn Tractor Driving Contest

4 p.m. Old Time Showmanship in Livestock Arena

5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Sign up for Silent Auction items

5 p.m. to 9 p.m. Laser Tag

6 p.m. to 10 p.m. Ader's Inflatables

7 p.m. Antique Tractor Pulls/Truck Pulls at Grandstands

General Admission \$8, Children under 5 free

Pits \$10

Hillside seating, bring blankets or lawn chairs

Contact: Dan Wagler @ 812-617-5286

Parking for the night is \$1 per vehicle after 2 p.m.

Sunday, July 17

Noon Building Open to Public

1 p.m. Farm Bureau Games in Livestock Arena

Sponsored by Martin County Farm Bureau, Inc.

2 p.m. Kiddie Rodeo

4 p.m. Goat show in Livestock Arena

3 p.m. Kiddie Tractor Pull registration

5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Sign up for Silent Auction items

5 p.m. to 9 p.m. Laser Tag

4 p.m. Kiddie Tractor Pull

Sponsored by Martin County Jr. Leaders

6 p.m. Horse & Pony show in Horse Arena

6 p.m. to 10 p.m. Ader's Inflatables

Free admission today

Monday, July 18

10 a.m. Poultry show

5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Sign up for Silent Auction items

5 p.m. to 8 p.m. – Tethered Hot Air Balloon rides

5 p.m. Building Open to Public

5 p.m. Defenders of the Faith demonstration at the Fire Station

5 p.m. Cookie Stacking Contest

Sponsored by Martin County Jr. Leaders

5 p.m. Watermelon Seed Spitting Contest

Sponsored by Martin County Jr. Leaders

6 p.m. to 10 p.m. Ader's Inflatables

6 p.m. Caricature Drawing

Sponsored by Kountry Kids Daycare

6 p.m. Swine Show in Livestock Arena

Free admission today

Tuesday, July 19

5 p.m. Building Open to Public

5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Sign up for Silent Auction items

5:30 p.m. Supreme Showmanship in Livestock Arena

7 p.m. Auction in Livestock Arena

8-10 p.m. Release of Projects

Free admission today

New Open Class Young Children Division at Fair

This year we will have a new open class young children division at the fair. This is open to children ages 3-12. Any preschools, youth camps, or youth organizations can participate. Projects are arts and crafts based and should be turned in as a group by the organization leader. Please call Stacy at 812-295-2412 for more details and project options.

## 4-H News

Martin County Junior Leaders Day Camp will take place June 13-15 from 12:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. each day. Our theme this year is Space, so come learn about the final frontier and have fun with us. This camp is open to any child ages K-4th grade. The cost will be \$20 per child. If you have more than one child in your immediate family, the cost will be \$15 for each additional child. Registration forms will be available beginning Friday, May 20 at the Extension office. The deadline to register is Wednesday, June 8. Register early because space is limited. Walk-ins the day camp starts WILL NOT be accepted this year.

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We are also adding new things to our webpage, visit us at <https://extension.purdue.edu/Martin/Pages/default.aspx>

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

Jolly Jug Rox 4-H Club Meetings are on the following dates: June 20 and July 7

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

Jolly Juniors Club Meetings are on the following dates: June 9, June 30, and July 7

The meetings are held at Truelove Church at 6:30 p.m.

Dream Team Club Meetings are on the following dates: June 18 at 10 a.m., June 26 at 4 p.m., July 2 at 10 a.m., July 10 at 4 p.m., and July 11 one-half hour before fairgrounds cleanup

The meetings are held at Loogootee City Park. If raining, call club leader Jacqueline Esch.

## Seedling blight possible in young Indiana soybean plants

BY KEITH ROBINSON  
Purdue University News Service

Soybean farmers with plants that have emergence issues should consider that seedling blight diseases might be the cause, a Purdue Extension field crops pathologist says.

This would especially be the case in fields that were planted before the cool, wet conditions that persisted across Indiana in recent weeks, Kiersten Wise said.

"Several different organisms can cause seedling blight diseases under a range of environmental conditions," she said. "There are several different seedling blights that can occur in soybean, and, unfortunately, they are difficult to diagnose in a field."

Symptoms include wilting or discolored seedlings, poor stand establishment and seedlings with discolored or rotted roots.

Wise said farmers who suspect that their plants have seedling blight should submit samples to a diagnostic laboratory such as the Purdue Plant and Pest Diagnostic Laboratory for testing. That would either confirm the disease or determine that the problem might be the result of herbicide injury or simply too much moisture.

## USDA unveils new improvement to streamline crop reporting

U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) last Tuesday announced that farmers and ranchers filing crop acreage reports with the Farm Service Agency (FSA) and participating insurance providers approved by the Risk Management Agency (RMA) now can provide the common information from their acreage reports at one office and the information will be electronically shared with the other location.

This new process is part of the USDA Acreage Crop Reporting Streamlining Initiative (ACRSI). This interagency collaboration also includes participating private crop insurance agents and insurance companies, all working to streamline the information collected from farmers and ranchers who participate in USDA programs.

"If you file your report at one location, the data that's important to both FSA and RMA will be securely and electronically shared with the other location," said FSA Administrator Val Dolcini. "This will avoid redundant and duplicative reporting, and we expect this to save farmers and ranchers time."

"Accuracy in crop reporting is a key component for crop insurance, because an error in this information can affect premiums or claims. This is going to greatly improve efficiencies and reduce mistakes," said RMA Administrator Brandon Willis.

Since 2009, USDA has been working to streamline the crop reporting process for agricultural producers, who have expressed concerns with providing the same basic common information for multiple locations. In 2013, USDA consolidated the deadlines to 15 dates for submitting these reports, down from the previous 54 dates at RMA and 17 dates for FSA. USDA representatives believe farmers and ranchers will experience a notable improvement in the coming weeks as they approach the peak season for crop reporting later this summer.

More than 93 percent of all annual



A field of young soybean plants with poor stand establishment. (Purdue Botany and Plant Pathology photo/Kiersten Wise)

A video with Wise and Gail Ruhl, senior plant disease diagnostician at PPDL, showing farmers how to properly take samples from their field and submit them for testing is available at <https://extension.entm.purdue.edu/pestcrop/2016/issue6/>.

The website includes links to publications, sponsored by the North Central Soybean Research Program and United Soybean Board, that can help farmers and agribusiness staff understand and manage soybean seedling diseases.

More information about the Purdue PPDL is available at [www.ppd.purdue.edu](http://www.ppd.purdue.edu).

reported acres to FSA and RMA now are eligible for the common data reporting, and USDA is exploring adding more crops. Producers must still visit both locations to validate and sign acreage reports, complete maps or provide program-specific information. The common data from the first-filed acreage report will now be available to pre-populate and accelerate completion of the second report. Plans are underway at USDA to continue building upon the framework with additional efficiencies at a future date.

Dolcini also reminded farmers and ranchers that they can now access their FSA farm information from the convenience of their home computer. "You can see your field boundaries, images of your farm, conservation status, operator and owner information and much more," said Dolcini.

The new customer self-service portal, known as FSAFarm+, gives farmers and ranchers online access to securely view, print or export their personal farm data. To enroll in the online service, producers are encouraged to contact their local FSA office for details. To find a local FSA office in your area, visit <http://offices.usda.gov>.

Since 2009, USDA has worked to strengthen and support American agriculture, an industry that supports one in 11 American jobs, provides American consumers with more than 80 percent of the food we consume, ensures that Americans spend less of their paychecks at the grocery store than most people in other countries, and supports markets for homegrown renewable energy and materials. USDA has developed new markets for rural-made products, including more than 2,500 biobased products through USDA's BioPreferred program; and invested \$64 billion in infrastructure and community facilities to help improve the quality of life in rural America. For more information, visit [www.usda.gov/results](http://www.usda.gov/results).



## Softball season comes to a close

The Loogootee Lady Lions softball season came to close last Tuesday night as they fell to Tecumseh in IHSAA Regional action, 6 to 5. Maddie Duncan pitched the Braves to the win, while Sydney Davis took the loss for the Lions.

The Lady Braves opened the top of the first inning by scoring two runs, but the first defensive play of the night for the Lions was a diamond gem, as Breigh LaMar laid out for a spectacular catch in the left field foul area that had fans from both sides cheering. But then the Braves number two batter, Ruppel, put down a bunt and reached 2nd base as the Lions first baseman could not put a glove on the throw to her and then the ball eluded the Lions right fielder as she was backing up the play. Davis got the Braves 3rd place hitter to pop up to second base for the second out of the inning, but the cleanup hitter for the Braves, Flowers, drove a double to left center that scored Ruppel. Schoenbackler, the Braves 5th place hitter, then drove the first pitch she saw to right center for a double, scoring Flowers. Davis got the Braves catcher, Pride, to fly out to the Lions right fielder, Mayson Riley, for the third out of the inning.

Trailing 2 to 0 heading into the bottom of the first, the Lions could only muster a walk to Tyanna Graber before recording their 3 outs on the inning and sending the Braves back to the plate. Loogootee fared much better in the second inning as Davis got the Braves to ground into an out, hit a fly ball out, and then another ground ball out to bring the Lions back to bat in the bottom of the second inning. This time the Lions got a single up the middle from Paige Walton before making the third out of the inning.

The third inning for the Braves saw them score three runs, and take a 5 to 0 lead, on a leadoff walk, an error, a single, a sac bunt, and a single before two fly balls ended the top of the third. Loogootee would manage two singles in the bottom of the third, as they continued to peck away and look for ways to score some runs. The Braves got two runners on in the top of the fourth, but did not score a run. Loogootee got a runner to second, Mayson Riley, as she drew a leadoff walk, and was sacrificed bunted to second base for out number two, after a failed bunt attempt and then a ground out to end the inning.

The Braves 5th inning saw them go down 1, 2, 3 on a strike out, and two fly outs. Loogootee got on the board in the fifth, trailing 5 to 0, with three runs. Calli Winger got things started by reaching first on a catcher's interference. Julianne Bell then singled. A wild pitch moved both Winger and Bell up

a base, and before the Tecumseh bench could signal in to walk Tyanna Graber, she doubled to right center scoring both Winger and Bell. Bailey Davis then singled to right, and the throw in from the outfield was over the head of the second baseman, and that allowed Graber to score. Three fly outs then ended the Loogootee threat.

The Braves got their 6th, and winning run, in the 6th inning when Pride singled through the left side and was sacrificed to second base. The Braves Alicia Webb came to the plate and smacked a double to left center that scored Pride from second base. Loogootee went down 1, 2, 3 in the bottom of the sixth. Tecumseh tried to rally with two outs in the top of the 7th as the Braves catcher lifted a single just out of reach of the Lions second baseman, and then Patterson reached on a Loogootee throwing error. Sydney Davis got the next batter to pop up to the Loogootee shortstop for the final out for the Braves.

Loogootee started the top of the seventh with their Leadoff hitter, Julianne Bell at the plate, and she delivered a double that scattered chalk down the left field line. Tyanna Graber was hit by a pitch to put Lions at first and second with no outs. The next Lion batter grounded out to first, but did move the runners up 60 feet. But that led to the most exciting play in softball, as Julianne Bell, the Loogootee runner on third, noticed that both the Tecumseh pitcher and catcher were not paying attention to her and Bell stole home! Following a ground out for the 2nd out in the seventh, Mayson Riley singled up the middle, scoring Graber to make it 6-5 with the tying run on first, and the winning run at the plate! But it was not to be on this night for the Lions, as the Braves shortstop handled the sharp one hopper hit right at her and threw over to first for the third and final out of not only the game, but the great season for the Loogootee Lady Lions.

Finishing 17 and 6 (they lost 6 games to the weather this season) these ladies showed time and again that they are and will be a force to be reckoned with for the next few years. Pride 21 has made their mark in Loogootee softball lore, winning the Blue Chip Conference outright, winning a Sectional, and finding their way into the Loogootee High School softball record book 97 times. While Seniors, Paige Walton, Renee Whitman and Bailey Davis will be missed, this group of Juniors, Sophomores and Freshmen have shown that Pride 22 will be a fun, and exciting, group to watch. See you all next season, until then, may all your hits be where they ain't, and may all the calls go your way!

## VU approves room and board rate increase

The Vincennes University Board of Trustees has approved a \$600 annual increase in room and board rates for the 2016-17 academic year.

Additional utility costs and on-going major maintenance projects were cited among the reasons for the increase.

VU will continue to be the lowest cost residential college in Indiana after the increase, according to Phil Rath, vice president for Financial Services and Governmental Affairs.

"I remind everyone that last year VU had no housing rate increase," Rath said.

The room and board increase was approved unanimously by the Board's Finance Committee on June 3. The

Committee had been given authority to set the increase at the Board's May 26 meeting.

Based on the increased rate, Rath said housing is projected to have an annual operating reserve of \$2.1 million. He noted that some of VU's residence halls are 40 years old and that major investments in renovations will need to be made in the future, in addition to the regular repair and rehabilitation programs scheduled each summer.

"The bottom line is that when we combine our tuition and room and board rates, VU continues to be the lowest cost residential college in the state, so we are affordable," Rath said.

## Health department reminds parents about required vaccinations for school

Summer break is here but school will be back in session before we know it. Now is the perfect time to think about the shots your student may need before they go back to school in the fall. Kindergarten or first time first grade students, 6<sup>th</sup> grade students, high school seniors and college students may need immunizations before they can begin classes this fall.

The Martin County Health Department conducts immunization clinics every Wednesday from 8:30 a.m. to 12 p.m. and from 12:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. On the first Wednesday of each month the clinic remains open until 6 p.m. Please note that Wednesday is the only day a nurse is available for immunizations. The health department office is located in the Shoals Federal Building (Post Office). The Martin County Health Department is contracted with VaxCare to bill most insurance companies that pay for vaccines. The patient must bring their insurance card at every visit or no vaccines can be given on that day. The health department can vaccinate children on Medicaid, the uninsured and those who have insurance that does not pay for vaccines through the Vaccines for Children (VFC) program. They also provide Tetanus vaccine; Hepatitis A and B vaccine and TB testing to those age 19 and older without insurance for a fee. Adults with insurance that will pay for vaccines may be able to receive certain vaccines and have VaxCare bill their insurance.

Kindergarten or first grade this fall (less than seven years of age) the immunization requirements are as follows:

- 5 doses of DTaP, DTP, or pediatric diphtheria-tetanus vaccine (DT)
- 4 doses Polio
- 2 doses of MMR
- 3 doses of hepatitis B vaccine, and
- 2 doses of Varicella (Chicken Pox) or record of disease. (Physician documentation of disease history, including month and year, is needed for proof of immunity)

Sixth grade students are required to receive a Tdap (Tetanus & Pertussis) vaccine and a Meningococcal vaccine.

Twelfth grade students are required to have a Meningitis booster after their 16<sup>th</sup> birthday and before the start of their senior year of high school.

College students should receive information from their school concerning the required vaccines for incoming students. Most require a TB test within 6 months of the start of classes, a Tetanus booster (if the child has not received within the last 10 years). Also, proof of childhood vaccines for MMR and polio are often needed. The Hepatitis B series is recommended for students in health care fields or similar studies. The meningitis vaccine is recommended for students who will be living in dorms.

If you have questions about immunizations, you can contact your child's doctor or call the health department at 812-247-3303.

## VU Dean's List for Spring Semester

The Vincennes University Dean's List for Spring 2016 includes students from the Vincennes campus, Jasper campus, Aviation Technology Center in Indianapolis, military bases, and other extended sites. To qualify for the Dean's List, a student must complete at least 12 credit hours and achieve a grade point index of 3.5 or better on a 4.0 scale.

Below are the names of honor students from Martin County.

Crane - Kaitlyn N. Bell, Physical Therapist Assistant

Loogootee - Michelle L. Ash, Nursing RN-BSN Completion; John M. Cangelosi, Liberal Arts; Jonathan A. Cowell, General Studies; Rebecca L. Craney, Physical Therapist Assistant; Angel M. Crist, Nursing, Associate of Science; Shayne A. Crist, Computer Programming Tech; Ronald T. Divine, Agribusiness; Amanda D. Dorsey, Business Management; Scott R. Duzan, Surveying Technology; Jennifer D. Graber, Nursing RN-BSN Completion; Robin M. Graber, History; Brandon J. Partin, Computer Programming Tech; Anna R. Schuetter, General Studies; Mary E. Sutton, Nursing RN-BSN

Completion; Rachel S. Walls, Culinary Arts; Timothy E. Yoder, Business Administration

Shoals - Tabatha S. Davis, Gen Stud-AD Nursing; Megan N. Sanders, Surgical Technology; Holly M. Self, General Studies; Alexa R. Shaw, Nursing RN-BSN Completion; Summer V. Shaw, Accounting; Haylee M. SurVance, Nursing RN-BSN Completion

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## More Neat Stuff



By Ann Ackerman



As we say goodbye to our younger years, we must also wave goodbye to some of the fads we lived. The following combinations DO NOT go together and should be avoided:

- \*nose ring and bifocals
- \*spiked hair and bald spots
- \*pierced tongue and dentures
- \*mini-skirts and support hose
- \*ankle bracelets and corn pads
- \*Speedos and cellulite
- \*belly button rings and gall bladder surgery scars
- \*unbuttoned disco shirts and heart monitors
- \*midriff shirts and midriff bulge
- \*bikinis and liver spots
- \*short shorts and varicose veins
- \*in-line skates and a walker
- \*thongs and Depends

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A man brings his best buddy home for dinner . . . unannounced at 7:30 p.m. after work.

His wife begins screaming at him and his friend just sits and listens in.

Wife: My hair and makeup are not done, the house is a mess, the dishes are not done, I'm still in my pajamas and I can't be bothered with cooking tonight! Why the heck did you bring him home?

Husband: Because he's thinking of getting married and I promised him a demo!

### THINGS TO PONDER:

\*I changed my car horn to gunshot sounds. People move out of the way much faster now!

\*You can tell a lot about a woman's mood just by her hands. If she is holding a gun, she's probably angry.

\*Gone are the days when girls used to cook like their mothers. Now they drink like their fathers.

\*You know that tingly little feeling you get when you really like someone?

That's common sense leaving your body.

\*I don't like making plans for the day because then the word "premeditated" gets thrown around in the courtroom.

\*I don't need anger management. I need people to stop ticking me off.

\*Old age is coming at a really bad time.

\*When I was a child I thought Nap Time was a punishment...now, as a grown up, it just feels like a small vacation.

\*The good thing about science is that it's true whether or not you believe in it.

\*You know you're really stressed when you start getting on your own nerves.

\*My mind is all, "Let's get this house clean!" My body is like, "Oh, this couch is so comfy!"

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

\*Every day I arrive at work with good intentions and a great attitude. . .Then idiots happen.

\*Instead of cleaning the house, I just turn off the lights.

\*I drink coffee for your protection.

\*When I was your age I had to walk to the TV to change the channel.

\*A man is recovering from surgery when the surgical nurse appears and asks him how he is feeling. "I'm O. K. but I didn't like the four-letter-word the doctor used in surgery," he answered. "What did he say?" asked the nurse. "OOPS."

\*A father of five children won a toy at a raffle. He called his kids together to ask which one should have the present. "Who never talks back to mommy?" he asked. "Who does everything she says?" Five small voices answered in unison. "OK, Daddy, you get the toy."

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Make someone smile today!

## Martin County Health Screening

The Martin County Chamber of Commerce, in partnership with Memorial Hospital and Health Care Center in Jasper, is sponsoring a public health screening on Friday, June 10 from 5:30-8:30 a.m. at St. John's Family Center, located at 408 Church Street in Loogootee. The screening is open to those who live or work in the Martin County area.

Participants must be 18 years of age or older and will have the following screenings: height and weight, body mass index, blood pressure, cholesterol (including total cholesterol, HDL, LDL, and triglycerides), blood glucose, and a chemistry panel. A 12-hour fast is required before the screening appointment time, however water and prescription medication is allowed.

The cost of the screening is \$38. PSA (optional for men 50 and older or those with a risk for prostate cancer), Colon Cancer Screening Kits, and health risk assessments will be available for an additional fee. PSAs are \$20 for all men choosing this optional test and Colon Cancer Screening Kits are \$8. The

cost of the optional written health risk assessment is \$20. The screening lasts approximately 15 minutes, and pre-registration is required.

To register for the screening, or for more information, please visit Memorial Hospital's website at [www.mhhcc.org](http://www.mhhcc.org) and click on "Health Screenings." Enter the company name as "Martin County Chamber" and enter "2016" as the password. You may also register by calling Kelsey Messmer, Memorial Hospital Health Educator, at 812-996-2439 or toll-free at 800-852-7279, ext. 2439.

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## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### Shoals School Board meeting

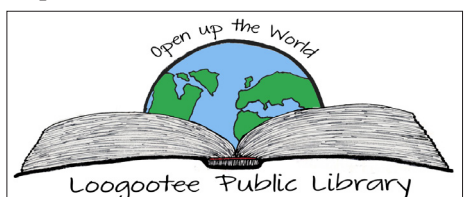
The Shoals School Board will meet this Thursday, June 9 at 6 p.m. in the central administration office. Some items on the agenda include textbook rental fees for the 2016-17 school year and breakfast lunch prices for next school year. The meeting is open to the public.

### Free lunch for kids

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

### SOAR Tutoring

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



BY DARLA WAGLER  
Librarian, Loogootee Public Library

On Thursday, kids can make Father's Day cards and All Star posters will be available for kids ages 7-12.

On June 10, from 11:30 to 3:30, we will provide transportation (via Terria's school bus) to the Westgate Academy's Get Outdoors Day at the Westgate Technology Park.

On June 14, from 10-12, the Loogootee Pool will provide a pool safety program for kids ages 6-12 registered in summer reading program; younger siblings may attend with a parent. Please pre-register.

Saturday, June 18 at 9 a.m., Friesian Stallion Keegan from Grace & Beauty Farms will be here.

### New Books:

Mystery Fiction: "The House of Secrets" by Brad Meltzer, "Haunted Destiny" by Heather Graham, and "Melody of Murder" by Stella Cameron.

Fiction: "The Cavedon Luck" by Barbara Taylor Bradford.

DVDs: "Race".

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

### Looking for entries for Summerfest Parade

"Happy Birthday Indiana" is the theme for this year's Loogootee Summerfest Parade to be held Saturday, June 18 at 6:30 p.m. Line-up is at the high school parking lot between 5-6 p.m.

The parade committee would like to honor the city's older/wiser citizens as we celebrate our states Bi-Centennial year. They would love to honor citizens born 1926 and before. If you have a family member who fits this age group, please contact the mayor's office at 812-295-4770 to make plans for parade day.

For any parade entries please stop in the mayor's office for entry form or call 812-295-4770.

### Humane society meetings

The Martin County Humane Society meets on the third Friday of the month at the animal shelter at 507 N Oak Street in Loogootee, at 5:30 p.m. 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 p.m. weekdays except Thursdays when it is closed. Visit [www.martinswcd.com](http://www.martinswcd.com) or call at 295-3149.

## Annual Heartland Half Marathon awarding cash prizes

This year's Heartland Half Marathon preparations are underway as the fifth annual event is scheduled to take place during Labor Day Weekend on Saturday, September 3. The events will once again include a half marathon, 5K, and team challenge along with something new for 2016 – cash prizes for the top three finishers in both male and female divisions for the half marathon.

The races will begin at 7:30 a.m. ET in the shadow of the Jasper Train Depot in Jasper, along the banks of the Patoka River and will finish in the shade along the same river just a stone's throw away. This scenic course takes half marathon runners along a hilly route through commercial and residential neighborhoods with challenging peaks midway through the race. The 5K starts and ends in the same location as the half marathon, but splits to take a different course close to the start of the race. The routes once again merge during the last leg of the race, which take runners along the scenic Jasper Riverwalk.

The team challenge is a relay comprised of a four-person team, and follows the same course as the Heartland Half Marathon. The first runner in the relay will travel 4.2 miles then pass along his/her timing chip to the second runner. The second runner will then run 3.6 miles and pass along the chip. The third runner will run 2.5 miles, and final runner finishes off with the remaining 2.75 miles.

The registration fee for the half marathon is \$50 if registered by June 19, increasing to \$60 between June 20 and August 14. After August 14, cost for the half marathon is \$70. The 5K and team challenge registration fee is \$20 per person by June 19, increasing to \$25 thereafter. Pre-registrants will receive a technical shirt, and the first 500 half marathoners to preregister will also receive a special race gift. Registration can be completed online at [raceroster.com](http://raceroster.com) or at [heartlandhalfmarathon.com](http://heartlandhalfmarathon.com).

For more information, visit [www.heartlandhalfmarathon.com](http://www.heartlandhalfmarathon.com) or call Du Bois County Visitors Center at 800/968-4578.



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# Making A Difference



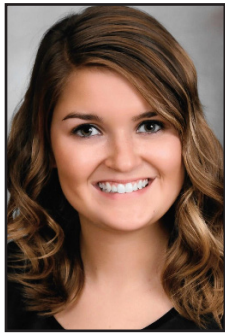
The scholarships offered by the MCCF are one of the five types of funds we manage: (1) Unrestricted, (2) Designated, (3) Field of Interest, (4) Donor Advised, and (5) Scholarships. A total of eleven scholarships were given to Martin County students who are pursuing higher education.

-- LOOGOOTE SCHOLARSHIPS --

On May 11, 2016, the MCCF had the privilege of presenting scholarships to Loogootee graduating seniors. Eight scholarships were awarded to the following students.

-- EMILY BATEMAN --

Emily Bateman was awarded the Loogootee Alumni Scholarship that is reserved for a senior who has been an excellent role model for their peers and embodies the characteristics of good citizenship, gentleness and belief in others.



Emily is the daughter of Mykle and Chris Bateman. After graduation, Emily plans to attend IUPUI to study physical therapy. While in high school, Emily participated in Beta Club, Beta Club Vice President, cadet, FACS, Fellowship of Christian Athletes, French Club, intern, job shadow, Lion Pride, Peers, SADD, Student Council, basketball, tennis, and volleyball. Emily also served as Class Vice President and President.

-- JACOB BLACKWELL --

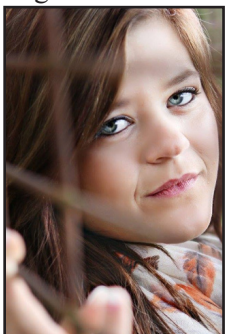
Jacob Blackwell was awarded the Coach Butcher's Players Scholarship that is given to a senior who has participated in sports and/or other extracurricular activities and demonstrated a good attitude and work ethic.



Jacob is the son of Rob and Martha Blackwell. After graduation, Jake plans to attend the University of Evansville to study electrical engineering. While in high school, Jake participated in intern, Spanish Club, Beta Club, Pep Club, SADD, FACS, Student Council, baseball, and basketball.

-- RENEE BURCH --

Renee Burch was awarded the Terri Sullivan Callaway Scholarship which is given to a student who is a member of a Christian faith church and is pursuing the field of nursing.



Renee is the daughter of Tracy and the late Paul Burch. After graduation, Renee plans to attend USI to study nursing. While in high school, Renee participated in band, intern, Right to Life, Spanish Club, Beta Club, Lion Pride, Pep Club, SADD, SADD Club Secretary, cadet teach-

ing, FACS, job shadow, Peers, Student Council, softball, volleyball manager, Class Secretary, and Class Treasurer.

-- TARA PENNINGTON --

Tara Pennington was awarded the Saint Vincent De Paul Scholarship which is given to a worthy senior with a good all-around work ethic.



Tara is the daughter of Tiffany Heichelbech Pennington and Scott Pennington. After graduation, Tara plans to attend USI to major in elementary education. While in high school, Tara participated in cheerleading, intern, Spanish Club, Pep Club, SADD Club, SADD President, SADD Representative, cadet teaching, FACS, job shadowing, Peers, Student Council, and tennis. Tara was also Class Secretary her senior year.

-- KENDALL RILEY --

Kendall Riley was awarded the Gordon Jones Scholarship. This scholarship is presented to a student athlete who displays extraordinary positive mental attitude.



Kendall is the daughter of Ron and Trudy Riley. After graduation, Kendall plans to attend IU to study neuroscience. While in high school, Kendall participated in band, Beta Club, SADD, Spell Bowl, French Club, basketball, softball, volleyball, and tennis.

-- PAIGE WALTON --

Paige Walton was awarded three scholarships: (1) the Ben Trout Memorial Scholarship which is given to a student athlete who displays extraordinary team spirit and sportsmanship; (2) the Rita and Jack Butcher Loogootee Basketball Family Scholarship that is given to a senior who has participated in sports and/or other extracurricular activities and demonstrated a good attitude and work ethic; and (3) the Carter Lee Kerns Memorial Scholarship which is given to a senior who was involved in community service and demonstrated a good work ethic.



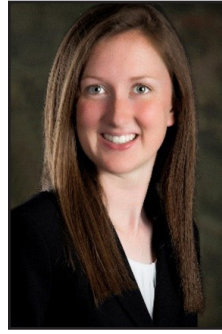
Paige is the daughter of Adam and Julie Walton. After graduation, Paige plans to attend Butler University to study marketing. While in high school, Paige participated in Lionettes, Lionettes Co-Captain, Spanish Club, Beta Club, Pep Club, Pep Club Representative, SADD, cadet teaching, FACS, job shadow, Student Council, softball, softball captain, and volleyball.

-- SHOALS SCHOLARSHIPS --

On May 27, 2016, the MCCF had the privilege of presenting scholarships to Shoals graduating seniors. Three scholarships were awarded to the following students.

-- MEGAN HAWKINS --

Megan Hawkins received the Lilly Endowment Community Scholarship this is awarded to a senior exhibiting commitment to the community, dedication to their education and pursuit of excellence in all they do. The recipient is one of three nominated by a local committee and then selected by the Independent Colleges of Indiana (ICI).



Megan is the daughter of Rodney and Mimi Hawkins. After graduation, Megan plans to attend the University of Evansville to major in exercise science then continue her education to become a physical therapist. While in high school, Megan was active in Academic Team, BETA Club, President of BETA Club, cadet teaching, IMPACCT Club, Pep Club, SADD Club, Spanish Club, Spell Bowl, Student Council Steering Committee, helper with Special Olympics, volleyball, basketball, track, yearbook editor, Class Secretary, Drama Club, and prom and homecoming royalties.

-- TIANNA SANDERS --

Tianna Sanders was awarded the Saint Vincent De Paul Scholarship which is given to a worthy senior with a good all-around work ethic.



Tianna is the daughter of Brian and Theresa George and Joe Akles. Tianna plans to attend USI and pursue a career in the medical field. While in high school, Tianna was active in SADD Club, IMPACCT Club, Spanish Club, Pep Club, Pathfinder, Chess Club, and library aide.

-- DANIELLE WHALEY --

Danielle Whaley was awarded the Faye Shobe Memorial Scholarship that is given to a senior who is pursuing a degree in the field of elementary education.



Danielle is the daughter of B.J. and Ruth Whaley. Danielle plans to go to college to study early childhood education and later become a teacher. While in high school, Danielle was active in SADD Club, media, and cadet teaching.

-- MORE INFORMATION --

For more information about MCCF scholarships or other endowments, please contact the MCCF Executive Director, Curt Johnson, at 812-295-1022 or [mccf@cfpartner.org](mailto:mccf@cfpartner.org). You are also welcome to visit our website at [www.cfpartner.org/mccf.htm](http://www.cfpartner.org/mccf.htm) or to "like" the MCCF Facebook page at [www.facebook.com/mcccommunity-foundation](http://www.facebook.com/mcccommunity-foundation).

## Tri Kappa holds monthly meeting

On Tuesday, May 24 a meeting of the Delta Tau Chapter of Tri Kappa was held at the Loogootee United Methodist Church. Hostesses for the evening were Karla Eckerle, Tonya Mathies, and Nancy Whitman. The theme for the meeting was Indianapolis. The little kindness for the month was supplies for the Martin County Humane Society.

President Barb McFeaters called the meeting to order. Roll call was read with members responding with their favorite race car driver. April's minutes were read and approved. The following correspondence was read by Brittany Lyons: a thank you from Indianapolis Symphony Orchestra, award nomination form from Riley Cheer Guild, and Riley Cheer Guild 2016 Chapter & Member Day Luncheon invitation. Dena Lyon read the financial report.

The Chapter have been assigned Friday, July 15 to work at the fair food stand.

Shoals Catfish Festival Kids in Chalk contest is set for Thursday, June 30 at 6 p.m., Loogootee Summerfest Kids in Chalk contest is set for Saturday, June 18 at 4 p.m.

Maggie Schnarr discussed the importance of wearing sunscreen and getting suspicious spots checked out. It saves lives.

Peggy Mattingly mailed five birthday cards. Brenda Strange led rituals for pledging of new members.

Allison Albright, of Shoals High School, and Paige Walton, of Loogootee High School, were the Delta Tau Chapter of Tri Kappa Academic Scholarship recipients. Congratulations to these girls!

Barb McFeaters represented Tri Kappa and presented the Loogootee High School Academic Award to Paige Walton on May 11, 2016. On May 27, the valedictorian award was presented to Kendall Riley and co-valedictorian awards were presented to Nicole Ader and Grant Carrico.

Larry Sherfick represented Tri Kappa at the Shoals High School Academic Awards on May 27 and presented the academic award to Allison Albright, the valedictorian award to Reva Troutman and the salutatorian award to Allison Albright.

The 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary planning committee is still planning the celebration for this fall. Kristi Ausbrooks showed the design for the shirts and passed around an order from.

Barb passed out the committee sign-up sheets for 2016-17.

The meeting was adjourned. The next meeting will be held June 28 at 7 p.m. in the Loogootee United Methodist Church.

## McCormick's Creek SP hosts Arts in the Park

Art, music and nature will highlight the 11th annual Arts in the Park festival on Saturday, June 11, at McCormick's Creek State Park. The festival runs from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and features more than 20 local and regional artists and craftspeople with original work for display and sale. Traditional Arts Indiana is sponsoring demonstrations of limestone carving, hoop net making, decoy carving, rosemaking, blacksmithing, basket making, rail splitting and more.

Musical performances include Nate Johnson Group at 11 a.m., Jeff Kelly at 12:15 p.m., Jack Whittle Band at 1:30 p.m. and Jack Legg at 2:45 p.m. The Blue Bistro will serve as the food vendor.

Standard entrance fees of \$7 per in-state vehicle and \$9 per out-of-state vehicle apply. For more information, call (812) 829-4344.