

Bradley's Bar & Grill opens Tuesday

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What do you get when you combine foodies, artists, musicians, and a love of Martin County? In Loogootee, you get Bradley's Bar and Grill which is set to open to the public next Tuesday, June 17 at 6:30 a.m. Business partners Brad Williams and Matt Bradley have worked tirelessly the last several weeks remodeling and re-vamping The Junction restaurant at the corner of US 50 and US 231 in Loogootee, transforming it into their own unique vision. As Williams will tell you, the bar and grill is not just about the food, there will be a lot more to offer.

The idea began when Williams and Bradley purchased a building on East Main Street in Loogootee with plans to open a small pub and grill. Soon after, the owners of The Junction offered them the opportu-

nity to take over their restaurant. Williams said taking over The Junction was the better option for them because it was an existing business with a solid foundation of loyal customers and happened to be in a great location in Loogootee, at the crossroads to Washington and Jasper.

Bradley's Bar & Grill is a part of Bradley Hospitality Group, Inc. and includes investors Collin Padgett and Franz Degas. Brad and Matt will be the operating partners and will be running the day-to-day operations. "Collin has been very involved in getting this place completed this past week," said Williams.

Williams graduated from Loogootee High School in 1988. His mom, Vicki Williams, lives in Shoals and his father, Bernie Williams, lives in Velpen. He has two sisters, Lynnell (Williams) Rudell and Susan (Williams) Roark and two brothers, Robert (See 'BRADLEY'S continued on page 2)



-Photo provided

Shown above are the owners and staff members of the new Bradley's Bar & Grill scheduled to be open at 6:30 a.m. next Tuesday. In the front row, from left to right, are Michelle Epperson, Angel Hoshaw, Tamara Dunn and Alyssa Mathies. In the second row, from left to right, are Kellie Graves, Brittany Parker, and Hannah Lewis. In the back row, from left to right, are Collin Padgett, Dustin Williams, Brad Williams, and Sammi Wells.



The graduates

-Photo by Jennifer Randolph

Shoals High School graduated 42 seniors last Saturday afternoon. Nicole Harder was this year's class valedictorian and Robin Hamby was the salutatorian.

Parade to reenact Civil War soldiers' homecoming

The Revolutionary War created the United States of America, but the Civil War formed the basis for how the United States was to grow over the next 150 years. Rapid advances in medicine, communications, production, commerce, weapons research and development, mass production, and many other technical and scientific efforts were begun during the Lincoln administration. This was the time of the first attempt at civil rights, although it took another one hundred

years to get the necessary laws for equality.

Hundreds of thousands of men fought and died in the military during the Civil War, including hundreds from Martin County. Almost all county residents can count a Civil War Veteran in their ancestry, either serving in the Army or Navy. Most from Martin County were infantry or artillery, many serving in the front lines of combat, although some were in support roles or in the U.S. Navy. Civil War Veterans are interred in almost every cemetery in the county, with many cemeteries having multiple veterans from the same family.

During the Loogootee Summerfest, current residents have a unique opportunity to re-visit 1863, and to demonstrate our appreciation to our ancestors for their sacrifice and duty. One hundred and fifty years after (See 'PARADE' continued on page 2)

No public comment on Shoals superintendent contract

The Shoals School Board held a public hearing Saturday, June 7 to hear public comment on the proposed superintendent contract. Board members Tony Cundiff and Lorna Troutman were not present at the meeting. According to the contract, the new superintendent will receive a base salary of \$88,000 per year from a period beginning July 1, 2014 and ending June 30, 2017. The superintendent is required to work 260 days per year with 20 paid vacation days per year, 14 paid sick leave days (accumulation to 185 days), four personal days per year, and nine paid holidays.

The contract also provides \$9,240 going into a retirement fund annually, \$6,732 a year toward Social Security, \$440 a year to a voluntary employee beneficiary association plan, \$880 a year to a 401(a), \$12,000

a year toward health insurance, \$1,592.64 a year for dental insurance, \$272.52 for vision insurance, \$177.12 per year for life insurance, and \$272.80 per year for long-term disability.

The school board has already publicly announced that they plan to hire current high school principal and assistant superintendent Candace Roush as the new superintendent replacing Joan Keller who was recently hired as the superintendent at Loogootee Schools.

Mary Lou Billings, Board President, opened the floor for questions or comments concerning the proposed Superintendent contract. There were no questions or comments made by those in attendance.

The public hearing was adjourned at 12:32 p.m.

Father and son dispute in Shoals turned deadly

A day-long argument this past Sunday between a father and son ended with the death of one. Preliminary investigation shows that at approximately 9:55 p.m., Martin County Dispatch received a 911 call from John Bruce Tow, 60, of Shoals, informing the dispatch operator that his son, Jonathan Tow, 32, Shoals, was bleeding to death.

Indiana State Troopers and Martin County Deputies arrived at the residence on Doane Lane in Shoals moments later to find Jonathan Tow lying outside the doorway of the trailer with a knife wound to his neck. EMS and medical

first responders attempted to render care to Jonathan; however, he did not survive. John Bruce Tow was transported to the Martin County Jail, where he has been held on preliminary charges of criminal recklessness with a deadly weapon. Investigation by Indiana State Police detectives and crime scene technicians continues and is ongoing.

An autopsy was scheduled Monday for Jonathan Tow. Further information will be released after results are official and discussions have been made with investigators and Martin County Prosecutor Mike Steiner.



BRUCE TOW

~CORRECTION~

Lucas Brittain was inadvertently left off of the third grade honor roll list for Loogootee Elementary in last week's Martin County Journal. I apologize to Lucas and his mom and dad, Eric and Lisa Brittain, for this error.

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BRADLEY'S

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and Jeff Williams.

Bradley is a 2001 graduate of Loogootee High School and is the son of Nona and Kenny Bradley, of Loogootee. He has one daughter, Tessa, who attends Loogootee Schools.

As far as the menu, Brad said it will look very similar to what the previous owners offered but they will put their own spin on everything. They have added appetizers such as wings, artisan pizzas, and fresh-cut French fries including sweet potato, garlic, parmesan, and poutine (gravy and fries).

The restaurant will also add homemade biscuits, pizza dough and breads and buns, including home-style white and wheat, rye bread, traditional buns, a brioche bun and a pretzel bun.

Weekend menus will change continuously. Brad said that one weekend they may have scallops, linguini with clam sauce and fried clam strips and the next they may have wild game such as moose steak, bison burgers and reindeer sausage. "We will also occasionally smoke various meats for our customers to enjoy," he said. He added that every weekend they will have a revolving variety of steaks as well. "They will be prepared with cutting-edge technology and our special blend of spices for a delicious and tender cut of beef," he said. "We believe that our method of cooking steaks, pork chops and such will be new and exciting to the people who come in to try them."

The restaurant's dining room will be open from 6:30 a.m. to 9 p.m. Sunday through Thursday and 6:30 a.m. to 10 p.m. on Fridays and Saturdays. The bar will be open at 10 a.m. Monday through Saturday and according to Williams, will stay open as long as customers keep coming in, but not to exceed 3 a.m. He added, "On Sunday, in deference to the good people who come in before and/or after church, the bar will open at 1 p.m. and we will stay open until midnight." Diners must be 21 or older to enter the building but carry out is always available.

Williams said the staff of Bradley's were directly sought out and the owners are very proud of those they have recruited. Tamara Dunn will serve as head cook. "She is a super person and one of the smartest people I know," said Williams. "Luckily for us, she can also run a kitchen with the best of them."

Sammi Wells will be in charge of all kitchen sanitation while she finishes up one more semester in the culinary program at Vincennes University. Jeff Hamilton will concentrate on the restaurant's homemade BBQ sauces, jalepeno ketchup, salsas and jellies that will be available for the public to purchase. Williams said Jeff has abundant experience with food canning and preservation and will soon complete culinary training at the Indiana Institute of the Arts in Indianapolis. Angel Holshaw will serve as the full-time breakfast cook and morning assistant manager when Brad or

Matt are not there. She has served as evening dinner waitress at The Junction. She has also worked in and managed kitchens in Georgia.

"Our waitstaff is friendly, experienced, smart, and attentive," said Williams. He doted on head waitress Kellie Graves as "the resident clean freak and Afghanistan veteran." Michelle Epperson will serve as the full-time breakfast waitress. "You can always count on Michelle to be at work every morning with a smile on her face," said Williams. The other staff will include Hannah Lewis, Alyssa Mathies-Bledsoe, Liza Denson, Angie Masterson, and Audrey Sorrels. Williams said that Brittany Parker has also agreed to help out on busy nights or to fill in when needed. "The part-time waitresses' work ethic shows in that they all have other jobs and have chosen to do this because they genuinely like working with the public and being a part of something that makes people happy," said Williams.

Along with the canned sauces and jellies made by Jeff Hamilton, the retail section of the restaurant will feature books by Martin County Author Bill Whorrall and homemade soaps and candles by Ruth Smith.

Williams said that he and his partner have had a vision of promoting local artists and culture including musicians, painters, sculptors, and photographers. "We hope the atmosphere and ambiance of the restaurant and bar will be augmented by the artwork prominently displayed around the premises." There will be artwork from Bill Whorrall, Rick Graves and North Daviess High School Art Teacher Matt Fitzpatrick who has also agreed to paint a mural behind the stage in the bar. Local photographer Kyla Greene will display her work and Candy Taylor, who does furniture restoration, has been commissioned to provide tables and signage and also display some of her pieces for sale.

Along with all of the above, the bar will also host live music events. On nights without live music, Williams said all of those night will be "open mic night". He encourages anyone who plays music to stop by and perform. The stage will be equipped with a PA system, electric and acoustic guitars, a bango, a ukulele, a keyboard, African drums, and according to Williams, whatever else they can come up with. Joby Jeffers and Chris Bledsoe, who operate Bottoms Up Bartending, will serve drinks at the bar on the weekends.

To stay up-to-date on specials, weekend dinner menus, upcoming live music events, etc. Bradley's Bar & Grill can be found on facebook at www.facebook.com/bradleysbarandgrill8122953600. To place a carry-out order, call 812-295-3600.

Williams said that their main goal is to honestly and sincerely take personal value from helping others have a wonderful experience. "Be it dining or laughing with friends or listening to awesome music in the bar, please come out and see what we have to offer," he said.

PARADE

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the fact, re-enactors of the 14th Indiana Volunteers will be returning to Loogootee to march in a "welcome home" parade, to present the City of Loogootee and Martin County with a replica regimental flag, and an exhibit on the downtown square recognizing the 14th IN for their duty and achievements. The 14th IN, as well as all Civil War military, will be honored at ceremonies on the stage on West Main Street following the parade at 10 a.m. on June 21. This is truly a unique peek back at history for everyone, young and old alike, and an opportunity to recognize our ancestors' accomplishments.

Event itinerary:

10 a.m. - Commencement of the grand parade at Loogootee High School led by reenactors portraying the Indiana 14th commanded by Sgt. Dan Bryan. Also representatives of Sons of Union Veterans - Civil War and other guests will participate. One of our honored guests (Nancy Niblock Baxter) will be at a table near the speaker's podium for a book signing of a special book on the Martin County Guards she wrote and

published for this event.

10:45 a.m. - Arrival at the ceremony area located at the Summerfest main stage. Period music to be playing.

11 a.m. - Program Speakers
-Invocation and singing of America the Beautiful.

-James P. Houghton - Welcome and introductory remarks.

-Mayor Harty - Mayor of the City of Loogootee

-Nancy Niblock Baxter, author of The Story of Indiana Infantry Regiment - the Gallant 14th

-Gib Young, state commander of the Sons of Union Veterans - Civil War

-James P. Houghton - closing remarks

12 p.m. - Reenactor salute in honor of the Martin County Guards

12:15 p.m. - Farewell Address by the Commander of the Indiana 14th Reenactor Unit to his troops

-Mustering out of Company

12:30 p.m. - Closing music and interaction of the visitors with the reenactors, speakers, historians and others.

1 p.m. - Ceremony concluded

Commissioners discuss CDL physical exam requirements

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Highway Superintendent Leo Padgett told the Martin County Commissioners at their meeting Tuesday night, June 10, that there are new health guidelines from the state department of transportation to receive a CDL license. Drivers must now past a stricter physical examination. Padgett asked the commissioners if they were still going to pay for the employees' CDL physical exam which may now include a sleep apnea test for some people. He also wanted to know if one the employees does not pass the physical and retakes it, would the commissioners pay for that second test.

Highway Department Secretary Terri Alcorn explained that if a driver does not pass a specific part of the physical, they would be required to go on and do other tests, such as the sleep apnea. She said she has heard that the cost of the basic physical is \$125 to \$175.

Monte Wolf, who was in the audience, said he has done a sleep apnea test and it requires an overnight stay at the clinic and he believes it costs around \$1,000. He said his insurance did cover his test.

Padgett said under the new law, some drivers may be unable to ever pass which would mean they would lose their jobs.

The commissioners requested that Padgett put together a price list and come back before a decision could be made on what the county would pay for.

Padgett also reported to the commissioners at some of his equipment at the highway department is broken down. He explained that he is working to get them back in operation.

Judge Lynne Ellis updated the commissioners on the status of revamping courthouse security. She explained that she had approached the county council about hiring a security guard for the front doors but the council did not make a decision about it at their last meeting. She also told the commissioners that the council requested she get quotes on the cost to combine the panic buttons with the smoke alarms and she is currently working on that.

Community Corrections Director Kathy Collins told commissioners that her field officer has given his notice and she will be advertising for that position. She also told the board that she believes her department has received a \$25,000 family court grant to continue the CASS (Court Assisted School Suspension) program at both Martin County Schools but she hasn't received official paperwork yet confirming the money. She said \$20,000 of it will go toward the CASS program and this will be an annual disbursement each year.

Steve Stacksteder, with Four River Resource Services, came forward with their 2015 budget request for The Red Door. He explained the mission of the Red Door and the services they provide to residents with disabilities. The Red Door has requested \$3,000 which is the amount they were given this year. Becky Guthrie, with Ride Solutions, requested \$1,000 which is what was approved for them this year. Ride Solutions provides transportation to all Martin County residents.

In a final order of business, County Attorney Dave Lett asked the commissioners for permission to pursue legal action on a company in Canada. He explained that the health department ordered an immunization station from them and paid for it but it was never delivered and he has tried to get in contact with the company multiple times with no response. The commissioners gave permission.

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CARL TRAMBAUGH

Carl F. Trambaugh died at 12:46 p.m. Tuesday, June 10, 2014 at Amber Manor Nursing Home in Petersburg. A resident of Loogootee, he was 84.

He was born December 13, 1929 in Loogootee; the son of John and Mary (Harder) Trambaugh. On June 4, 1955 he married Margaret A. (Greenwell) Trambaugh and she preceded him in death on January 11, 2013.

He retired from Jasper Seating and he enjoyed woodworking, working on cars and following Indiana University and Loogootee High School Basketball.

He was a Korean War veteran where he earned the following decorations: Korean Service Medal with two Bronze Service Stars, the United Nations Service Medal and a Combat Infantry Badge. He was a member of the Loogootee American Legion and VFW.

He is survived by three daughters, Sylvia Trambaugh of Cincinnati, Ohio; Carla Beasley of Winslow; and Brenda Bruner of Hendersonville, Tennessee; four grandchildren and two great grandchildren.

He is preceded in death by his parents, John and Mary (Harder) Trambaugh; four brothers, Howard, Ed, Willard and Art Trambaugh; and two sisters, Helen Vest and Irene Brown.

Funeral services will be conducted at 1 p.m. Friday, June 13 at Brocksmitth-Blake Funeral Home in Loogootee. Burial will follow in St. John Catholic Cemetery in Loogootee. Military graveside rites will be conducted by the Loogootee American Legion and VFW.

Visitation will be from 4 p.m. until 8 p.m. on Thursday, June 13 at the Brocksmitth-Blake Funeral Home in Loogootee.

Online condolences may be made at www.brocksmitthblakefuneralhomes.com.

CARL "BUS" MORGAN

Carl "Bus" Morgan died at 2:30 a.m. Monday, June 9, 2014 at Community Hospital South in Indianapolis. A resident of that city, he was 75.

He was born June 17, 1938 in Loogootee; the son of Glen and Helen (Soeder) Morgan. On June 14, 1969 he married Sandra (Stuffle) Morgan and she survives.

In 1956, he graduated from St. John's High School in Loogootee. He was a U.S. Air Force veteran and was a retired trucking dispatcher. He enjoyed fishing, gardening and following Indiana University Basketball. He attended St. Jude Catholic Church in Indianapolis.

He is survived by his wife, Sandra Morgan; one son, Joe Morgan of Indianapolis; one daughter, Jenny Welch of Indianapolis; five sisters, Mary Kay Patterson of Loogootee, Ruth Dupps of Oakland City, Jane Hedrick of Martinsville, Mona Harrison of Mason, Ohio and Tana Porter of Hammond; one brother, Ted Morgan of Jasper; and five grandchildren.

He is preceded in death by his parents, Glen and Helen (Soeder) Morgan.

There will be a Mass of Christian Burial celebrated at 10 a.m. Thursday, June 12 at St. John Catholic Church in Loogootee with

the Very Rev. J. Kenneth Walker as celebrant. Burial will follow in St. John Catholic Cemetery in Loogootee. There will be military graveside rites conducted by the Loogootee American Legion and VFW.

Visitation will be from 4 p.m. until 8 p.m. tonight, Wednesday, June 11 at the Brocksmitth-Blake Funeral Home in Loogootee.

Online condolences may be made at www.brocksmitthblakefuneralhomes.com.

CAROL KEYES

Carol M. Keyes, formerly of Missouri, went to her eternal home at 7 p.m. June 7, 2014 at IU Health Bloomington. A resident of Shoals, she was 80. She was born March 25, 1934 in Marion, Ohio; the daughter of Theodore C. and Bessie (Swank) Van Dyke. She married the love of her life, Murray A. Keyes on September 5, 1954 at the Broadway United Methodist Church in Kansas City, Missouri.

She graduated from high school and then attended Kansas University where she was a member of the Alpha Phi Sorority. She was an extremely talented artist, who used her artistic skills to broaden her career in drafting and as a lighting consultant. She was a longstanding member of the Federated Garden Clubs of America, and was recognized as a master gardener. She traced her family genealogy to the Brewster family lineage, passengers on the Mayflower Voyage to America. She was also a member of the St. Louis Regional Artist Guild and a chapter member of the Daughters of the American Revolution.

She is survived by her husband of 59 years, Murray A. Keyes of Shoals; one son, Brian Peter and Martha Luz Keyes of Key West, Florida; two daughters, Michelle and Terry Quinn of Shoals and Kirsten and Kenneth Benson of Wentzville, Missouri; five grandchildren, Blake Benson, Mikalia and Liam Greene, Chris and Stephanie Janssen.

She is preceded in death by her parents and one brother in infancy.

A funeral service was held this morning, Wednesday, June 11 at Queen-Lee Funeral Home in Shoals. Burial followed in Emmons Ridge Cemetery.

Online condolences may be made at www.queenlee.com.

CYNTHIA PRUESZ

Cynthia Norene Pruesz died January 13, 2014 in Mesa, Arizona. A resident of that city, she was 67.

She was born February 28, 1948 in Danville, Illinois; the daughter of Berndene Edward and Gloria Jean (DeMoss) Pruesz.

She was a very generous and compassionate woman with a spontaneous and compulsive soul (she and first husband Hector were married during a lunch break not long after they met). Always witty, smart and social, she loved to laugh and had a real flair for fashion. She had a lifelong passion for gardening and was a gifted chef in the kitchen.

She is survived by one son, Bill Munoz of Easton, Pennsylvania; one daughter, Heather Munoz of Chicago, Illinois; one sister, Carol Tipton of Livingston, Texas; longtime friend, Tom Ives of Mesa, Arizona; her first husband, Hector Munoz of Burr Ridge, Illi-

nois; and two grandchildren, Annabelle and Elise Munoz of Easton, Pennsylvania.

She is preceded in death by her parents, Berndene Edward and Gloria Jean (DeMoss) Pruesz.

Graveside memorial services will be conducted at 10:30 a.m. on Saturday, June 21 at South Martin Cemetery in Rutherford Township in Martin County. Brocksmitth-Blake Funeral Home in Loogootee is in charge of arrangements.

Online condolences may be made at www.brocksmitthblakefuneralhomes.com.

LAWRENCE BRIDGEWATER

Graveside funeral services for Lawrence E. "Ted" Bridgewater who died May 28, 2014 will be conducted at 10 a.m. on Saturday, June 14 at Goodwill Cemetery in Loogootee. There will be military graveside rites conducted by the Loogootee American Legion and VFW. Brocksmitth-Blake Funeral Home in Loogootee is in charge of arrangements. Online condolences may be made at www.brocksmitthblakefuneralhomes.com

E. MARLIN SIMMONS

E. Marlin Simmons, 82, of Orleans, formerly of Shoals, passed away on June 4, 2014 at 6:46 p.m. at Kindred Hospital South in Greenwood. He was born on October 7, 1931 in French Lick, Indiana to Frank and* Fammie (Byers) Simmons.

Marlin graduated from Springs Valley High School and then married Donna June Sermersheim on June 30, 1956 and she preceded him in death on May 12, 2007. He was a Veteran of the United States Army, having served in the Korean War. He retired from the National Gypsum and was a member of the Shoals American Legion Post #61.

He is survived by two daughters, Lois and Terry Singer of Jasper and Amanda and Jeremiah Stevens of Odenton, Maryland; one son, Kenneth and Karen Simmons of Orleans; seven grandchildren, Chris and Matthew Simmons, Lisa and Randy Johnson, Christian and Hannah Stevens and Joshua Simmons; six great-grandchildren; and one niece, Karen Fuhman of Haysville.

He is preceded in death by his wife, one son, David Simmons; and a sister, Ermil Fuhman.

A funeral service was held Saturday, June 7 at Queen-Lee Funeral Home in Shoals. Burial followed in Spring Hill Cemetery.

Condolences may be made to the family at www.queenlee.com.

STEPHEN COSTELLO

Stephen A. Costello passed away at the Daviess Community Hospital on Friday evening, June 6, 2014. A resident of Washington, he was 62.

He was born July 23, 1951 in Erie County, New York; the son of Delbert and Helen (Benedict) Costello. He married Rebecca Rutledge on March 18, 2004 and she survives. He retired as a deputy for the Erie County New York Sheriff's Department. He enjoyed volunteering at the Daviess County Historical Museum.

He is also survived by a daughter, grandson, four step-children, 10 step-grandchildren, one brother, and one sister.

A private graveside service and burial is planned. He will be laid to rest in Spring Hill Cemetery in Shoals.

Queen-Lee Funeral Home in Shoals entrusted with the arrangements. Online condolences may be made to the family at www.queenlee.com.

Classified ADS

YARD SALES

YARD SALE: Lori Butler Family and Carlye Crim. Saturday, 8-1 at 104 High Street Shoals. Women's / jr., men's, and children clothes of all sizes; baby clothes, newborn -18 months. Gap, Abercrombie, American Eagle, Silver jeans, Victoria Secret, maternity clothes, lots of shoes and misc.

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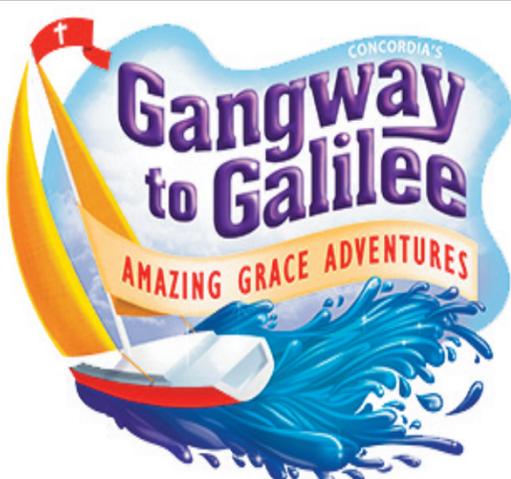
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Martin County Sheriff's Department log

MONDAY, JUNE 2

1:30 p.m. - Received a report of a domestic dispute in Shoals.

2:07 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee.

4:55 p.m. - Received report of a dog bite.

5:58 p.m. - Received a report of a domestic dispute in Shoals.

8:53 p.m. - Received a report of a tree down and across the roadway on U.S. 50, west of Shoals. Shoals Volunteer Fire Department responded and removed the debris from the roadway.

TUESDAY, JUNE 3

4:46 a.m. - Received a report of a property damage accident on Dover Hill Road.

7:45 a.m. - Received a report of a civil dispute in Loogootee.

9:55 p.m. - Received a report of a theft in Shoals.

10:18 p.m. - Received a report of a tree down and across the roadway on U.S. 231, north of Loogootee. Martin County Civil Defense responded and removed the debris from the roadway.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 4

3:12 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee.

5:55 a.m. - Received a report of vandalism in Loogootee.

6:14 a.m. - Received a report of vandalism in Loogootee.

7:24 a.m. - Received a report of vandal-

ism in Loogootee.

7:54 a.m. - Received a report of vandalism in Loogootee.

8:40 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee.

10:51 p.m. - Received a report of a domestic dispute in Shoals.

11:00 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee.

THURSDAY, JUNE 5

3:09 a.m. - Received a report of a cat bite.

9:00 a.m. - Received a report of a domestic dispute in Shoals.

3:43 p.m. - Received a report of a property damage accident on Deep Cut Lake Road.

5:33 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee.

FRIDAY, JUNE 6

12:43 a.m. - Received a report of a property damage accident on U.S. 231 North.

11:37 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Shoals.

1:56 p.m. - Received a report of a raccoon in a dumpster in Shoals.

4:50 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee.

SATURDAY, JUNE 7

12:17 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Burns City.

5:00 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Shoals.

8:23 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Shoals.

9:48 p.m. - Received a report of a property damage accident on U.S. 231 North.

9:55 p.m. - Received a report of domestic dispute in Shoals.

11:00 a.m. - Received a report of an accident with injuries on U.S. 50, east of Loogootee.

3:04 p.m. - Received report of an accident on US 150 near Mill Road. Martin County Ambulance, Shoals Fire, and Deputy Keller responded. Martin County Ambulance transported subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

4:23 p.m. - Received a report of an accident on US 50 near the Lawrence County line. Chief Deputy Dant responded. Martin County Ambulance transported subject to IU Health.

SUNDAY, JUNE 8

7:38 a.m. - Received a report of an accident on Highway 550 near Houghton Bridge. Martin County Ambulance, Loogootee Fire Department, Deputy Keller, and ISP Lents responded. Cory Christmas was arrested for leaving the scene of an accident.

10:28 a.m. - Received a report of a theft on Park Street in Loogootee. Loogootee Officer Akles responded.

12:34 p.m. - Received a report of a tree down on Coal Hollow Road. Shoals Fire Department removed the tree.

9:15 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance on Doane Lane in Shoals. Shoals First Responders and Martin County Ambulance responded.

MONDAY, JUNE 9

12:38 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance on Doe Run Lane. Martin County Ambulance and Shoals Fire responded.

5:35 a.m. - Received a report of a car/deer accident on US 231.

Court News

CRIMINAL CHARGES DISMISSED May 25

Ashley Miller, neglect of a dependent, a Class D Felony, dismissed; maintaining a common nuisance, a Class D Felony, dismissed; possession of marijuana, a Class A Misdemeanor, dismissed.

Michael Sluder, check fraud, a Class D Felony, dismissed.

CIVIL COURT New Suits Filed

May 30

Crane Federal Credit Union vs. Brandon M Kidwell and Jillian D. Grubbs, civil collection.

June 2

Green Tree Servicing, LLC vs. Victoria L. Sipes, Neal J. Sipes, occupants, Citifinancial Services, Inc.; GE Money Bank and Onemain Financial, LLC, mortgage foreclosure.

US Bank National Association vs. James D. Walls and State of Indiana, mortgage foreclosure.

SMALL CLAIMS COURT New Suits Filed

May 30

White River Co-Op vs. Chris Meehan, complaint.

White River Co-Op vs. James Tincher, complaint.

Sharon Craft vs. Richard Smith, Jr., complaint.

Loogootee Police Department log

SUNDAY, JUNE 1

4:44 p.m. - Loogootee Fire was paged out to West Washington Street for a possible gas leak.

10:21 p.m. - Male caller requested an officer be present during a property exchange.

MONDAY, JUNE 2

8:30 a.m. - Caller reported possible drug activity.

9:25 a.m. - Caller reported a dog complaint.

9:30 a.m. - Caller reported a dog complaint.

12:10 p.m. - Captain Hennette transported a male for a mental evaluation.

11:17 p.m. - Caller reported suspicious males on Broadway Street.

TUESDAY, JUNE 3

8:00 a.m. - Caller reported a civil violation.

8:18 p.m. - Male caller reported a battery.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 4

7:35 a.m. - Caller reported property damage on Cedar Street.

7:40 a.m. - Female caller reported a theft.

11:55 a.m. - Chief Rayhill assisted with a funeral detail.

1:10 p.m. - Caller reported having problems with someone in her business. Chief Rayhill responded.

4:30 p.m. - Caller reported a dog complaint.

6:18 p.m. - Caller reported a reckless driver on US 231.

8:49 p.m. - First responders were re-

quested in Shaded Estates for a medical call.

11:01 p.m. - Caller requested a welfare check on a female.

THURSDAY, JUNE 5

7:05 a.m. - Caller reported a male causing problems in McDonalds.

4:22 p.m. - Caller reported a dog complaint.

5:24 p.m. - Caller reported a fight involving juveniles.

5:58 p.m. - A male came on station requesting transient assistance.

6:24 p.m. - Caller reported a disturbance on Lincoln Avenue.

6:58 p.m. - Female caller reported property damage to her vehicle.

7:03 p.m. - Caller reported a reckless driver on US 231.

FRIDAY, JUNE 6

10:00 a.m. - Caller reported a dog complaint.

SATURDAY, JUNE 7

9:48 a.m. - Loogootee Fire was paged out to a vehicle accident on US 231.

11:00 a.m. - Loogootee Fire was paged out to a vehicle accident on US 50.

11:50 a.m. - Caller reported a verbal argument on Ackerman Drive.

2:25 p.m. - Caller requested an officer regarding a civil complaint.

8:44 p.m. - Caller requested a welfare check on a male.

10:07 p.m. - Caller requested an officer do a welfare check on her mother.

Jail bookings

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 4

11:09 p.m. - Nathan Leistner, of Jasper, was arrested by Indiana Conservation Officer Watkins on preliminary charge of operating while intoxicated.

Martin County real estate transfers

Charles R. Lyon, of Martin County, Indiana to Charles R. Lyon and Peggy J. Lyon, of Martin County, Indiana. Tract I:

The northeast quarter of the northeast quarter of the northeast quarter of Section 32, Township 4 North, Range 4 West containing 10 acres, more or less. Tract II:

The northwest one-fourth of the northeast one-fourth of the northeast one-fourth of Section 32, Township 4 North, Range 4 West, of the 2nd P.M. containing 10 acres, more or less. Tract III:

Located on the north half of the northwest quarter of Section 33, Township 4 North, Range 4 West of the second principal meridian, Martin County, Indiana containing 66.7 acres, more or less. Tract IV:

A part of the north half of Section 32, Township 4 North, Range 4 West, Martin County, Indiana containing 26.5 acres, more or less. Martin Bradley and Mary Bradley, of Martin County, Indiana to Donald R. Norris and Connie L. Norris, of Martin County, Indiana, Lot Number 13 Block H in Loogootee Land Company Addition in the City of Loogootee, Indiana.

Allan L. Bradley, of Martin County, Indiana to Richard A. Burch and Ann J. Burch, of Martin County, Indiana, Lot Number 11 in the original town, now City of Loogootee, Indiana.

Jordan Hawkins and Leslie Brooke Hawkins, of Martin County, Indiana to Jonathan Cropp and Leslie Cropp, of Martin County, Indiana, Lots Numbered 3 and 4 in Eastgate Terrace Addition to the City of Loogootee, Indiana. Part of Lot Number 2 in Eastgate Terrace Addition to the City of Loogootee, Indiana.

Kenneth E. and Nancy J. Davis, of Martin County, Indiana to Randall L. Davis, Gwyn E. Blandford, and Brett A. Davis, of Martin County, Indiana, part of the northeast quarter of the northwest quarter of Section 29, Township 2 North, Range 3 West containing 12 acres, more or less. Also, the northwest quarter of the northeast quarter of

Section 29, Township 2 North, Range 3 West containing 40 acres, more or less.

Paul G. Moffitt, of Martin County, Indiana to Patrick Moffitt, of Martin County, Indiana, a part of the northeast quarter of Section 9, Township 2 North, Range 3 West, Halbert Township, Martin County, Indiana containing 20.24 acres, more or less.

Joshua D. Huff and Andrea D. Huff, of Martin County, Indiana to Sarah M. Allen, of Martin County, Indiana, Lot Number 35 in Walker's Addition to the City of Loogootee, Indiana. Also, 40 feet off of the south side of Lot Number 34 in Walker's Addition to the City of Loogootee, Indiana.

Nicholas W. Conner and Melissa A. Conner, of Martin County, Indiana to Joshua D. Huff and Andrea Diana Huff, of Martin County, Indiana, a part of the northwest quarter of Section 24, Township 3 North, Range 5 West, Perry Township, Martin County, Indiana containing 0.59 acre, more or less. Being Tract 20 in Country Court IV.

Beryl D. Dickens and Brenda Kay Dickens, of Martin County, Indiana to Donovan Scott Dickens, Mark Allen Dickens, and Melissa Dawn Dickens, of Martin County, Indiana, 1.32 acres in the northwest quarter of the northwest quarter of Section 29 and the southwest quarter of the southwest quarter of Section 20, all in Township 3 North, Range 3 West in Halbert Township, Martin County, Indiana.

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In an effort to keep our children safer, the Indiana State Police would like to offer residential summer safety tips concerning driveways. With summer upon us, our most valuable resource will be outside enjoying the weather, playing in the yard and in our driveways. Tragically, over 2,400 driveway accidents involving young children happen each year in the United States. The Indiana State Police would like to offer the following tips to help avoid unnecessary tragedy.

1) Set the rules with your children. As with any safety issue (firearms in the house, swimming pools, stairways, household cleaners) no matter what their age, designate steadfast rules without options. Tell your children when they see a car approaching the driveway that they all have to meet up in the yard or when a car is moving in the driveway, "your feet are touching the grass!" Teach your children to watch for the white rear lights that illuminate when a car is in reverse.

2) Listen – Before entering your driveway, roll down your windows and turn your radio off. A radio playing too loud can make for a distraction and cause the driver not to

hear a child coming to welcome you home. Cell phone usage can provide that same distraction. Being able to hear someone yell or scream to you could save a child's life.

3) Count Heads – How many children are supposed to be in your driveway? Don't neglect the possibility that other children may be playing in the area that you are not aware of.

4) Communicate – Stop your car before you completely roll in to back the car into its parking place. Talk to the children! "Is everybody on the grass?" "How many children are outside?" Tell them what you are about to do and not to move until you do it.

Remember, young children are short and they like to play! If they are in very close to your vehicle, you won't be able to see them. They may think it would be a fun game to "hide" from you by sneaking up and covering themselves from sight by way of the front or back of your car. Talk to them about this version of "hide and seek".

Don't let your summer fun turn into tragedy.

For summer travel safety tips, visit <http://www.in.gov/isp/2968.htm>.

Martin County Community Corrections recognized for 25-year membership of IACCAC

Community Corrections began to emerge as a statewide priority in Indiana in the late 1970s when the Indiana Lawyers Commission, key legislators, and representatives of the academic community began a collaboration which was to result in Indiana's Community Corrections Grant Act. These concerns resulted in the passage of the Community Corrections Act by the Indiana General Assembly in 1979, under I.C. 11-21-1-1.

To ensure that community corrections programs would be community-based, the legislation mandated that advisory boards be formed which would have representation from government and lay persons in the community. In 1981, three pioneering programs were funded at a total amount of \$250,000.

During the early years of community corrections, the funded counties expressed an interest in creating a state association. On June 23, 1984, those interested in forming an association met and established a planning committee to discuss the final steps in organizing the Indiana Association of Community Corrections Act Counties (IACCAC).

Throughout the years, Indiana Association of Community Corrections Act Counties' goal has been devoted to implementing legislation which strengthens community corrections. Through the efforts of community corrections directors, the advisory board statute IC 11-12-2-2 was amended to include a victim representative. Included in other legislation was the addition of the "Direct Commitment Provision." This provision enables the offender to serve under an executed sentence through a community corrections agency.

Presently, there are 84 out of 92 counties that receive funding through IC 11-12-2-4. Indiana Association of Community Corrections Act counties and its members are always aware of and strive to maintain its mission to promote and facilitate the professional identity, development and enhancement of community-based corrections.

In September 2013, Martin County Community Corrections (MCCC) was acknowledged with a plaque by IACCAC President, William Watson, for participating in IACCAC for 25 years. Director Kathy Collins and Administrative Assistant Patricia King attended the awards ceremony at IACCAC's Fall Conference. Director Collins states, "Along with the current employees of Martin County Community Corrections

and Advisory Board members, a special thanks goes to those individuals who have previously served in our shoes. We all celebrate the achievements that make it possible to receive this plaque."

According to Collins, MCCC is funded each year through an Indiana Department of Corrections (IDOC) grant process. The current budget of MCCC is over \$220,000. Only 48 percent of that budget is covered by the Indiana Department of Corrections Grant. The remainder of the budget must be met with project income funds, which comes from electronic monitoring equipment and administrative fees. Only eight percent of the budget is funded by Martin County in support of the community service restitution program (road crew).

Martin County Community Corrections (MCCC) has received an extra \$13,815.24, thanks to a "Performance Bonus" from the Indiana Department of Corrections. The bonus was awarded to counties for being top performers in the State of Indiana. This award was based on three specific categories: (1) MCCC's use of evidence-based practices, as determined by an annual site assessment, (2) MCCC's written grant review meeting, and (3) the agency's percentage of D-felons served at the local level. The performance pool for this year was \$750,000.

"I am so proud," Collins said, "We have pushed ourselves to meet the expectations set by the IDOC, and it is rewarding to be acknowledged for our efforts. Martin County is one of the smallest agencies in the State of Indiana and to know we are equally achieving with only a staff of two full-time and three part-time employees is saying a lot." At the March advisory board meeting, Collins recommended \$3,000 of the bonus be ear-marked for the Court Assisted School Suspension Program (CASS) for the Loogootee and Shoals School Corporations. In addition to the advisory board's unanimous approval for the \$3,000, there has been good news for more CASS funding. Martin Circuit Court Judge Ellis reapplied for The Family Court Grant, the major funding source for the CASS Program, and received notice Martin County will be among 20 applicants requesting a total of nearly \$400,000. Martin County has received a grant award of \$7,500 this year to help sustain the CASS Program.

Efforts continue to insure the longevity of the much needed alternative to out-of-school suspensions for Martin County students.



-Photo provided

Terry Walker, 66, of French Lick was critically injured in the above crash on US 50 between Loogootee and Shoals last Saturday.

French Lick man critically injured in rollover crash on US 50

A French Lick man was critically injured last Saturday morning in a single-vehicle crash on US 50 near Loogootee.

Trooper Jarrod Lents reports that at approximately 11 a.m. Saturday morning, Terry L. Walker, 66, of French Lick, was westbound on US 50 east of Dover Hill Road. For an unknown reason, Walker traveled left of center and overcorrected, traveling into the ditch line on the north side of the roadway. Walker's 2014 Toyota sedan then rolled multiple times.

Walker was transported to Memorial Hos-

pital in Jasper, having suffered 11 broken ribs and a collapsed lung. He was later transported to St. Mary's Hospital in Evansville. Walker's Toyota was a total loss.

Walker was not wearing a seatbelt at the time of the crash.

The Indiana State Police wants to remind motorists that wearing a seatbelt can greatly reduce or prevent injuries sustained in an automobile crash.

ISP was assisted on scene by the Martin County Sheriff's Department, Martin County Fire Department, and EMS.



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Loogootee fifth-twelfth grade honor roll

Term Four

FIFTH GRADE

High honors: Shealyn Arthur, Marie Chestnut, Asia Crim, Bryant Eckerle, Macy McAtee, Madde Miller, Adie Nolley, Daniel Park, Sara Street, Karoline Tedrow, Kallin Trambaugh, Isabelle Wagoner, Brittany Walker, Jaelyn Walker, and Conner Wilcoxon

Honor roll: Delani Bateman, Seth Blackwell, Haley Bohnert, Austin Brittain, Cody Carrico, Caden Chandler, Trenton Clark,

Zane Cropp, Aaron Dant, Emily Gingerich, Ashlyn Holt, Mattie Milligan, Matthew Poole, Jared Sullivan, Jasye Thompson, Philip Wagler, Jalen Wildman, Jordan Wildman, and Anna Wilson

Perfect attendance: Shealyn Arthur, Caden Chandler, Maria Chestnut, Trenton Clark, Zane Cropp, Bryant Eckerle, Mikel Flanagan, Trey Fuhs, Emily Gingerich, Macy McAtee, Jatelin Nicholson, Adie Nolley, Matthew Poole, Haileigh Suheski, Tatiana Stinson, Jared Sullivan, Karoline Tedrow,

Kallin Trambaugh, Philip Wagler, Stanley Wagler, Conner Wilcoxon, Jalen Wildman, and Jordan Wildman

SIXTH GRADE

High honors: Kaitlyn Bruner, Cassidy Esch, Jack Fellers, Landon Harder, Christopher Jones, Logan Keller, Jayden Leatherman, Wyatt Street, Chelsie Sutton, Melaina Tippery, Emily Wade, Elly Wagler, Sarah Wagler, Makenzie Wagoner, and Garrett Williams

Honor roll: Jarrett Arvin, Hannah Bailey, Max Blackwell, Alex C. Bowling, Liz Burch, Aspyn Carrico, Kayden Fuhrman, Katherine Gilbert, Maura Gregory, Tyler Harbison, Conner Hedrick, Trinity Howell, Kendra Lythgoe, Lawson McCloskey, Britany Potts, Lindsey Robinson, Rachel Robinson, Nathan Seals, Jayden Sheetz, Jessie Stoll, Emily Thomas, Sebastian Toy, Madison Wagoner, Bethany Welker, and McKenzie White

Perfect attendance: Emily Crane, Trevor Guy, Tyler Harbison, Landon Harder, Logan Jacobs, Christopher Jones, Rachel Robinson, Wyatt Street, Melaina Tippery, and Emily Wade

SEVENTH GRADE

High honors: Kirk Bratton, Kashten Burch, Jacob Carrico, Max Christmas, Sheldon Christmas, Hope Fischer, Rebecca Hollaway, Jacob Hollihan, Amber Page, Madeline Strange, Austin Taylor, Madisyn Wade, Calli Winger, and Olivia Winger

Honor roll: Ayden Aiman, Nicole Arvin, Zachary Arvin, Kendall Berry, Mallory Berry, Nicholas Bowman, Kalli Britton, Courtney Burch, Sarah Bussinger, Chloe Carrico, Richelle Cox, Maddie Cropp, Collin Dant, Sydney Davis, Bailey Dearwester, Ethan Farmer, Daniel Gingerich, Grace Hadley, Maelee Hawkins, Leonna Hedrick, Chase Hembree, Katelyn Hupp, Sydney Stahl, Crystal Tolbert, Alex Wagler, Roseann Wagler, Jaycobson Wagoner, Jayleigh Wagoner, and John Wagoner

EIGHTH GRADE

High honors: Ross Adams, Dylan Arthur, Julianne Bell, Monica Cowin, Cora Hedrick, Marina Lents, Zachary Lythgoe, Kristin Norris, Carson Rayhill, Kenadi Rumble, Jody Seals, Elizabeth Stoll, Jayden Wagoner, and Emily Whitworth

Honor roll: Kevin Armstrong, Taiya Armstrong, Shalyn Bruner, Haley Burch, Anaya Carrico, Keyosha Cathy, Candice Clark, Joshua Cook, Joshua Daniels, Christopher Hager, Heather Harshaw, Jamison Hennette, Corbin Henninger, Logan Randolph, Halle Sheetz, Kaitlin Sims, Kayla Taylor, Taylin Trambaugh, and Karika Young

NINTH GRADE

High honors: Eden Jenkins, Tristan Jones, Mayson Riley, Jake Simmons, Shania Swigler, Justin Wagler, and Xiao Yang

Honor roll: Sara Bailey, Landon Bell, Sydney Blakenbaker, Chase Carrico, Sarina Elliott, Shelby Graber, Mya Hedrick, Breanna Hollaway, Matty Jones, Nolan Lottes, Kaleb Lyon, Meghan Mathies, Kirsten Spears, Clayton Thomas, and Abbie Williams

TENTH GRADE

High honors: Nicole Ader, Jake Blackwell, Kendall Burch, Renee Burch, Grant Carrico, Taylor Hardwick, Justin Horney, Jonathan Krzesniak, Jordan Mann, Kendall Riley, Paige Walton, Renee Whitman, and Joey Wilson

Honor roll: Emily Bateman, Macey Baxter, Trysten Booker, Kim Bough, Nick Bowling, Logan Carrico, Bailey Davis, Jess Divine, Nate Duvall, Alex Graber, Rielley Graber, Ian Huelsman, Brandon Lindsey, Erin Nelson, Shane Perry, Lindsay Potts, Brett Robinson, Shayna Stuffle, Seth Wagler, Emma Walters, Gavin Wittmer, and Landon Wittmer

ELEVENTH GRADE

High honors: Connor Bailey, Kayetlyn Carter, and Allie Walker

Honor roll: Addyson Aiman, Tanner Akles, Patrick Allbright, Addy Arvin, Hay-

den Bell, Frank Bratton, Kendall Bratton, Chassidy Bridges, Travis Craney, Aspen Crim, Eli Fleace, Tyra Fuhs, Emily Gillick, Kylie Leonhard, Ashley Lindauer, Whitney Pendleton, Faith Perry, Kailye Robbins, Anna Schuetter, Janson Sherer, Dylan Street, Waylee Wagoner, and Chase Wilcoxon

TWELFTH GRADE

High honors: Emma Graber and Kenedi Rohlman

Honor roll: Cheyenne Axsom, Jaleena Graber, Kasie Graber, Gage Harder, Kelsy Seals, Liz Truelove, Hannah Walters, and Christina Ziegler

Second semester

SEVENTH GRADE

High honors: Kirk Bratton, Kashten Burch, Jacob Carrico, Max Christmas, Sheldon Christmas, Hope Fischer, Jacob Hollihan, Amber Page, Madeline Strange, Alex Wagler, Calli Winger, and Olivia Winger

Honor roll: Nicole Arvin, Mallory Berry, Nicholas Bowman, Kalli Bratton, Courtney Burch, Sarah Bussinger, Chloe Carrico, Richelle Cox, Maddie Cropp, Collin Dant, Sydney Davis, Bailey Dearwester, Ethan Farmer, Daniel Gingerich, Grace Hadley, Maelee Hawkins, Leonna Hedrick, Rebecca Hollaway, Katelyn Hupp, Konner Lyon, Austin Taylor, Crystal Tolbert, Madisyn Wade, Jaycobson Wagoner, Jayleigh Wagoner, and John Wagoner

EIGHTH GRADE

High honors: Ross Adams, Dylan Arthur, Joshua Cook, Monica Cowin, Lane Keller, Marina Lents, Zachary Lythgoe, Kristin Norris, Carson Rayhill, Kenadi Rumble, Jody Seals, Elizabeth Stoll, Taylin Trambaugh, Emily Whitworth, and Cade Wilcoxon

Honor roll: Taiya Armstrong, Julianne Bell, Shalyn Bruner, Haley Burch, Luke Callison, Anaya Carrico, Keyosha Cathy, Candice Clark, Joshua Daniels, Colie Farmer, Christopher Hager, Heather Harshaw, Cora Hedrick, Corbin Henninger, Savannah McAtee, Logan Randolph, Halle Sheetz, Kaitlin Sims, Kayla Taylor, Jayden Wagoner, and Karika Young

NINTH GRADE

High honors: Sara Bailey, Eden Jenkins, Tristan Jones, Nolan Lottes, Meghan Mathies, Mayson Riley, Jake Simmons, Shania Swigler, and Justin Wagler

Honor roll: Landon Bell, Sarina Elliott, Shelby Graber, Mya Hedrick, Breanna Hollaway, Matty Jones, Kaleb Lyon, Wyatt Nonte, Kirsten Spears, Clayton Thomas, Abbie Williams, and Xiao Yang

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ELEVENTH GRADE

High honors: Conner Bailey, Chassidy Bridges, Julie Coleman, Faith Perry, and Waylee Wagoner

Honor roll: Addyson Aiman, Addy Arvin, Frank Bratton, Kendall Bratton, Kayetlyn Carter, Travis Craney, Eli Fleace, Tyra Fuhs, Kylie Leonhard, Ashley Lindauer, Whitney Pendleton, Kailye Robbins, Anna Schuetter, Dylan Street, Jayce Wagoner, Allie Walker, and Chase Wilcoxon

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Pence announces more than \$9 million to help schools improve safety

Governor Mike Pence last Wednesday announced more than \$9 million in grant funding to more than 250 local schools and school corporations across Indiana through the Secured School Safety Grant Program. The Indiana Secured School Safety Board approved the grants.

"It's a great honor to announce the continuation of these grants to our local schools across the state. All of Indiana's students deserve to learn and grow in a safe environment," said Governor Pence. "This is a large step in our partnership with Hoosier families and the local schools to help protect Indiana's students."

Locally, the following schools received funding:

MARTIN

- Loogootee Community Schools was awarded \$4,201.46 for equipment.
- Shoals Community School Corporation was awarded \$33,603 for equipment

DAVIESS

- Washington Community Schools was awarded \$50,000 to employ an SRO.

DUBOIS

- Greater Jasper Consolidated Schools was awarded \$25,000 to employ an SRO.
- Northeast Dubois County School Corporation was awarded \$35,000 for equipment.
- Southeast Dubois County School Corporation was awarded \$23,373.50 for equipment.
- Southwest Dubois County School Corporation was awarded \$50,000 to employ an SRO and for equipment.

This is the second time Secured School Safety grants have been awarded. The first awards, announced November 1, 2013, also

totalled more than \$9 million.

The Secured School Safety Grant program is a dedicated state grant fund that provides matching grants to school corporations, charter schools, or coalitions of school corporations and/or charter schools applying jointly to:

- Conduct a threat assessment;
- Purchase equipment to restrict access to the school or expedite the notification of first responders; and/or
- Employ a school resource officer (SRO).

Of the awarded funding, nearly \$5 million will be used to purchase equipment and more than \$4 million will go to employ school resource officers. Additionally, nearly \$32,000 has been awarded to conduct four threat assessments.

School corporations, charter schools, or coalitions with an average daily membership (ADM) of at least 1,000 students applied for grants of up to \$50,000. Eligible entities with an ADM of less than 1,000 students applied for grants of up to \$35,000. During the 2014 legislative session, the pool of eligible recipients was expanded to include cooperative career and technical education centers.

The members of the Secured School Safety Grant Program are: Mary Allen, Director of the Indiana Criminal Justice Institute; Eric Bowlen, Principal at Ronald K. Bell East-Middle School of Martinsville; Doug Carter, Superintendent of the Indiana State Police; Mike Eslinger, Sheriff of Parke County; John Hill, Director of the Indiana Department of Homeland Security; Scott Reske, Executive Director of Public and Governmental Affairs for the Indiana Department of Education; and Greg Zoeller, Attorney General.

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FSSA announces 18 counties as pre-qualified finalists in pre-K pilot program

The Indiana Family and Social Services Administration ("FSSA") last Wednesday announced the selection of 18 counties as finalists for the five-county early learning pilot grant program established by the 2014 General Assembly. The pilot program provides funding for pre-kindergarten for low income four-year-olds in five counties, with services delivered via public schools, accredited private schools, and providers who have achieved Level 3 or Level 4 in Paths to QUALITY™, Indiana's voluntary child care quality rating and improvement system.

The pre-qualified counties represent 12 urban and six rural counties from all geographic regions of the state (Northeast, Northwest, Central, Southeast and Southwest) and have an estimated 17,000 eligible four-year-olds who are not currently receiving early learning services. The 18 counties are Allen, Bartholomew, Delaware, Elkhart, Grant, Howard, Jackson, Kosciusko, Lake, Lawrence, Madison, Marion, Noble, St. Joseph, Tippecanoe, Vanderburgh, Vigo and Wayne.

"We're on track and working to design a program that will be successful and will help the children who participate in it be successful as well," said Debra Minot, Secretary of Family and Social Services Administration. "We look forward to partnering with the counties to assess their readiness and implement a strong program."

In narrowing down the list of eligible counties to 18, FSSA, with the assistance of its advisory work group, examined more than a dozen objective measures of suitability including the estimated number of children not currently receiving early learning services, the number of eligible providers, and the percentage of children living in poverty in each county. The advisory group, composed of early education experts, included academic researchers from Ball State, Notre Dame and Indiana University; staff representatives from FSSA, State Budget Agency, the Indiana Department of Education and the Center for Education and Career Innovation; members of the Early Learning Advisory Committee (ELAC); and external organizations including the Indiana Philanthropy Alliance and the Indiana Association for the Education of Young Children.

Interested parties from each county are invited to submit a written Statement of County Readiness addressing certain county readiness measures, including the county's ability to assist with meeting the financial match, participation of current and new providers, community and family engagement, and county readiness for early launch in January 2015. The written statements are due June 30, 2014, and will be reviewed and scored by a panel of experts.

FSSA will host two webinars to explain the application and selection process to interested parties in each county. The first webinar is scheduled for June 12 at 9:30 a.m. EST. A second webinar will be held a week before the final submissions are due, to address any last-minute questions or concerns.

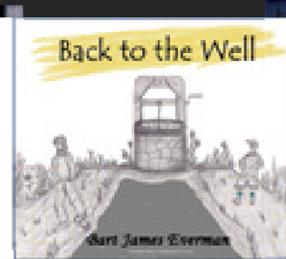
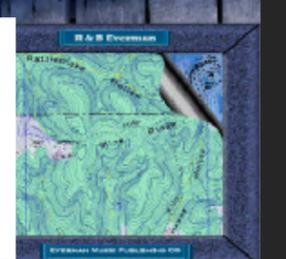
In conjunction with the selection of the five pilot counties, FSSA continues to work through the major design phases of the program, which include devising plans for the longitudinal study for students, monitoring the design and implementation of a new kindergarten readiness assessment and the program accountability system, establishing guidelines and activation of fundraising activities, and making modifications to inter-agency IT and staffing infrastructure to support the pilot program.

In addition, HEA 1004, which establishes this program, requires a report from the prekindergarten and early learning study commission due to the Legislative Council November 1, 2014. The data collected in that report will further guide the design of the program and the implementation process.

The \$10 million pilot will be funded by reversions from FSSA's budget, with an opportunity for private dollar matching funds of up to \$5 million to further expand the program to additional students in the pilot counties.

At the request of the State Board of Education, FSSA presented an update on the pilot program and timeline at last week's board meeting. Information and updates are available at www.in.gov/fssa/4899.htm.

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Butterflies

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This are Great Spangled Fritillary butterflies. They prefer marshes and damp meadows. Here they are feeding on Astilbe. The underside of their wings display silvery spots.

Hoosiers encouraged to protect against ticks

As Hoosiers continue to take advantage of the warm weather by spending more time outdoors, state health officials urge Hoosiers to be aware and protect themselves from ticks.

Ticks are small, insect-like creatures that are often found in naturally vegetated areas or woodlands throughout Indiana. Ticks can transmit illnesses, such as Lyme disease and Rocky Mountain spotted fever. Last year, Indiana confirmed 101 cases of Lyme disease, two cases of Rocky Mountain spotted fever and 22 cases of Ehrlichiosis.

"When the weather stays warm, as it is in the summer, ticks are more active," said State Health Commissioner William VanNess, M.D. "It's important to know that ticks are carriers of a number of diseases and that all ticks should be considered infectious and capable of transmitting diseases."

When entering a grassy or wooded area where ticks are often present, the best way to prevent tick-transmitted diseases is to wear a long-sleeved shirt and light-colored pants, with the shirt tucked in at the waist and the pants tucked into socks. The use of repellents provides even more protection.

Insect repellents containing DEET or picaridin can be sprayed on both skin and clothing to repel ticks and other insects. People who expect to be exposed to ticks for extended periods of time should use products containing permethrin on their clothing, but not on bare skin. Permethrin is an insecticide that kills ticks and other insects on contact.

After leaving a grassy or wooded area, people should check for ticks on clothing and skin. Ticks need to be attached for several hours to a couple of days before they can infect an individual.

"Ticks can be safely removed even if they are attached to your skin," said Dr. VanNess. "Ticks can be removed with either tweezers or forceps by grasping the tick as close to the skin as possible and then pull

upward with steady and even pressure without squeezing the tick. It's not a good idea to remove ticks with fingers, but if tweezers or forceps are not available, you can use tissue paper or a paper towel to prevent the passing of any possible infection."

If a person does become ill after finding an attached tick, they should see a medical provider immediately. Tick-borne diseases can all be successfully treated with antibiotics and prompt diagnosis can help prevent complications.

Common tick-related illnesses include Lyme disease, Rocky Mountain spotted fever and Ehrlichiosis. Lyme disease is often associated with a persistent, slowly expanding blotchy red rash which is usually fainter at the center than at the edges. Other signs and symptoms include joint pain, especially in the knees or weakness of the facial muscles. The symptoms of Rocky Mountain spotted fever and Ehrlichiosis are similar. They include a moderate-to-high fever, coupled with fatigue, muscle aches and pains, severe headaches and chills. A rash may also develop shortly after disease onset, first appearing on the arms, legs, palms of the hand and soles of the feet before spreading to other parts of the body. The rash is not present in all cases.

Visit the Indiana State Department of Health at www.StateHealth.in.gov for important health and safety information, or follow us on Twitter at @StateHealthIN and on Facebook at www.facebook.com/isdh1.



In the Garden

By Ralph Purkhiser
Purdue University Master Gardener

Getting a plant in the right place is probably greatest part of horticultural success. There are no green thumbs, just people who know where and when to plant. With the availability of information on the internet, there really is no excuse for anybody to be a complete failure at gardening.

The internet has information about almost any plant one can name, and it is readily available at a variety of sites, such as the American Horticultural Society site or Purdue University's Horticulture Department site. The tags on plants purchased at garden centers often have links that will also give the prospective purchaser expanded information about the plant and its cultural needs. The key is to choose plants that match the sites you have, not to choose plants because you like the way they look. Planting the most beautiful, healthy hosta plant in a sunny, dry location is just asking to fail. It does not matter if you think the plant would look wonderful there; if its needs are not met, it will not thrive and will most likely die.

The most obvious plant requirement is sun. All plants need some light to carry out photosynthesis. However, the amount of light varies greatly. Some plants, including most vegetables and herbs, thrive in full sun, while other plants need protection from the sun, especially in the afternoon. Some plants require full to partial shade, getting the light they need from the diffused sunlight that comes through the forest canopy. If you are not sure about the sunlight in various areas of your landscape, you need to do a survey. While trees and structures may create obvious shade at certain times of the day, there may still be times when a plant under a tree is in direct sunlight for an extended time. Check locations several times during the day to determine if the area meets the sunlight requirement of a plant. To be considered full sun, most experts say the area needs to be in full sun at least six hours a day. If you do not have time to do a survey, you may buy a device that you place in an area and it records the amount of sunlight in the area in a day.

Plant hardiness is another important consideration. Tags or internet information on plants should give the temperature extremes at which the particular plant may be grown. Many plants are available in nurseries in Indiana that are intended for use as annuals

here, but may be perennial in warmer climates. This last winter has shown that we are still in zone 5, and while plants that will tolerate temperatures below freezing may live some years, hardiness needs to be rated to about 20 degrees below zero to ensure the plant will survive winters in the Hoosier Hills.

Moisture is another component in plant requirements. Few plants thrive in either extreme-dry soil or saturated soil. Most plants need areas where the moisture is available, but standing water is not a problem. Of course, moisture can be supplied, through irrigation or hand watering when needed, but the gardener must ask himself if he will be available to do the watering when needed or if he will pay for the installation and operation of an irrigation system.

Related to moisture requirement is soil type. Soils may range from heavy clay to sand. In between, we find various levels of loam, mostly based upon the amount of organic material present. Soils may be amended with compost to improve the conditions, and the organic matter will help heavy soils to drain better and will enable sandy soils to retain more moisture. I firmly believe that adding compost is one of the most important steps to gardening success.

Finally, the use of an area determines what plants are appropriate. One would not want to plant silver maples, which produce many surface roots, in an area where one plans to have a lawn-bowling court. One also needs to be aware of the mature size of plants to see if they will fit into an area when the plant matures. While some plants may be moved when they out-grow a space, others are more difficult to relocate and may have to be torn out

Even with planning and study, mistakes occur. I have a tree planted at Sandhill Gardens that is becoming a problem. I had purchased the Bridal Veil Elm to plant in a location near a power line because that plant does not grow high enough to cause problems. However, after several years, it has become apparent that the plant was mislabeled at the nursery, and I have a winged-bark elm, that has soared to near the power lines and shows no sign of stopping growth. I have to make a decision on what to do with this plant before it becomes a real liability. Next week, we will take a look at some of the options one has for misplaced plants in the landscape.

Deer fawns: If you care, leave it there

This is peak season for encountering white-tailed deer fawns. If you come across one that appears to be abandoned, the best thing to do is leave it alone.

It's common to see fawns by themselves. A mother deer will leave a fawn during the day, both to look for food and so her scent doesn't attract predators to the fawn, which is nearly scentless. People often mistake a fawn as abandoned when, in fact, it is being properly cared for by its mother.

If you care, leave it there. In almost all cases that is the best thing for the animal.

If you find a fawn, give the animal distance. The mother will not return if you are present, which may delay nursing for a hungry fawn. Most often the mother will return at night or when no predators are nearby. White-tailed deer view humans as predators.

Even if you think the animal is injured, you still should leave it be. It's best to let nature take its course. Wild animals are not pets. They may carry diseases and are not suited for captivity.

If you feel compelled to intervene, call a licensed wildlife rehabilitator. Keeping a wild animal without the proper permits is il-

legal. Most people are not trained in animal nutrition and do not know how to raise a wild animal without it developing a dependence on humans. The result is an animal that cannot survive in the wild.

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Grazing Bites

By Victor Shelton

NRCS State Agronomist/Grazing Specialist

It is probably not possible to have perfect weather here in Indiana. Like most have heard, "if you don't like Indiana weather, wait five minutes and it will change." The weather that is good for one person or situation is most likely not good for another. Wet springs and dry summers are starting to feel somewhat normal but very hard to adjust to. Forages started off slow, but with more than adequate rainfall and some heat units they exploded overnight!

It is raining as I write this. I had aimed to cut some hay last weekend on a piece of land that can't be grazed but was quickly stopped by pop-up storms. Hay fields will just have to wait for a better day, at least moisture wise. The worse thing is watching quality slowly decrease as the plants mature. Most of our cool season grasses are the best quality for the quantity when cut by early boot stage. That early boot stage is from stem elongation to very early seed head formation; you can't see the seed head much. Just past that is early seed head formation to milk stage. The seed heads have a slightly white, liquidity substance to them if pinched. Animals often like to eat the seed heads in this milk stage up to dough stage, probably because the plant is putting energy there for seed production. Sadly, that redirected energy starts lowering plant quality. This downhill slide in quality continues as the grass finishes maturing.

Unfortunately, it is often at this "dry seed head" stage that a lot of hay is cut. This is especially true if you are also a row crop farmer whose first priority is getting the corn and soybeans planted. Rain, timely or ill-timed as it might be, makes all of this even more challenging. If it is too wet to be in the fields, then it is too wet to be trying to make dry hay. I know of one individual who doesn't worry about getting it cut prior to dry seed head and is convinced that regrowth and new growth in the understory eventually makes up the difference in quality. I've not found this to be totally true. Eventually, forage quality increases after maturity because of secondary growth, but it does not come close to its original potential and overall yield is also reduced.

The struggle with making dry hay in weather like we have had this spring, certainly makes you think a little more about making balage instead. This baled grass silage, requires a higher moisture range of 40 to 60 percent instead of the ideal dry hay percentage of 15 percent, which fits our wet spring weather patterns much better. Balage also works well with the harvesting of small grain crops for forage which are often very hard to dry sufficiently. High moisture is required, ideally about 50-55 percent. Balage though has to be wrapped and wrapped well. You want it to ferment, which adds some lactic acid that prevents microbial activity which would make it start to rot. Wet hay, that is supposed to be dry hay, quickly heats up and soon starts growing molds, some of which can be very toxic. Spoiled hay is such a waste; poor to feed, high in waste, and nutrients moved off site with no benefit. For quality feed, it has to be either "dry" hay or balage, there is no in between! Balage may require some adjustments to your large baler, possibly handling equipment, and requires a wrapper. More moisture equals much more weight!

I'm starting to talk about hay and balage way too much here. After all, this is "grazing" bites. What do we do to try and keep forage under control and maintain quality when it is growing like crazy? The first approach should be rotating the livestock a little faster trying to take off the top 1/3 of the plant which will slow down the maturing growth some; we are past this stage (needs to be done pre-boot). As the forage continues to try and set seed, you can slow the rotation and let them consume more of the plant, choosing the best, leaving the rest and



Note the increased seed head production in the compacted walking path in the center of the picture. Observe what is going on around you and underfoot!

taking about half of the growth before moving. There will be more seed heads in milk or dough stage and you will usually notice more seed head consumption during this timeframe.

Hopefully you are able to stay ahead of some of the forage. This is the time of year that you should have more forage than you can keep ahead of. If you are already short of forage and it is not getting ahead of you, then you need to be looking at fertility levels and/or the number of livestock you are trying to keep. Not enough now? It won't get any better as it heats up and dries down, which is coming.

Mowing or clipping is the next option. Mowing for hay should only be done if you need the hay. Hay removal means nutrient removal; nutrients that will need to be replaced. Haying also opens up the sward, allows the soil to dry out more and increases soil temperature; both can reduce regrowth potential and potentially decrease soil organic matter and water holding capacity. Forage is not wasted if left in the field. It can still be grazed and what is not grazed returns to the soil to help maintain nutrients, moisture, and organic matter...that is why I always say, maintain cover!

Clipping or bush-hogging done early enough can do a lot to maintain quality, remove and reduce seed head production and still maintain cover. Don't wait too late. If the seed heads on the grasses are already turning brown when you mow it, you are doing more for aesthetics than forage quality. Clipping it prior to seed maturity helps to maintain forage quality because energy that would have gone to seed production is reduced and it is used for more vegetative growth. This is not always true though. A grass plant that is totally stressed out is going to do everything it can to produce seed. It feels threatened. That is really obvious on a compacted site. I believe the weather the past couple years has pushed seed head production. I've seen stands of grass, as late as July with only 15 percent seed head production that had not yet been touched for the year. There is a lot of good stuff going on in such a situation; that plant is happy.

Keep on grazing!

Reminders and opportunities

Purdue Forage Workshop – September 4, 2014 – Purdue Agronomy Farm – details soon.

Pasture Walks & Field Days – Watch your local newspapers and Soil & Water Conservation District newsletters for upcoming pasture walks and field days in your area.

As of September 7, 2013, the Grazing Lands Conservation Initiative (GLCI) is now the National Grazing Lands Coalition (GLC).



Some soybean farmers might have to revise planting plans

BY KEITH ROBINSON
Purdue University News Service

Some Indiana soybean farmers are now facing crucial decisions on how to recover from erratic weather that is either delaying their plantings or forcing them to replant, Purdue Extension soybean specialist Shaun Casteel says.

Farmers in many areas still needed to plant soybeans as of the first week of June because of large amounts of rain, while others may need to replant. Casteel likened the spring warm-up and field dry-out conditions to a roller coaster.

"Just like any good roller coaster, the rise of temperatures peaked so it could plummet downward while the intensity and frequency of rain skyrocketed," Casteel said. "All this occurred in our typically prime planting weeks."

He noted that only a third of Indiana's soybean crop was planted by May 18. But farmers caught up over the following two weeks by getting nearly half of the crop in the ground. As of June 1, they had planted 81 percent of it. There were late plantings in three of the past five years.

The need for planting adjustments is greatest for farmers in the central and northern parts of the state. Farmers in the southern half generally have more time because of the longer growing season there.

Casteel said farmers still planting soybeans in June need to consider seeding rates, row width and the maturity group of seeds.

"We need to set the stage for the best possible return on late plantings," he said.

He offered this guidance:

* Seeding rate: Planting in the first half of June requires increasing seeding rates 10-20 percent to foster quicker row closure and higher pod height with fewer days to flowering. Increased seeding rates will also be needed in those fields that have heavy corn residue, which has been prevalent this plant-

ing season because of limited breakdown over the winter.

Farmers who typically plant 140,000 seeds per acre in 15-inch rows should increase the rate to about 170,000 seeds per acre in the second week of June; 185,000 in the third week; and 200,000 in the fourth week. Soybeans will produce fewer main-stem nodes (attachment points of trifoliates and ultimately pods) as planting is delayed, so the increased seeding rates will also help to overcome the shortage in node production.

* Row width: Farmers planting 30-inch rows should consider planting narrower rows with the limited time to flowering. Soybeans typically have a yield advantage of 5-10 percent for soybeans planted in narrow rows (15 inches or less) compared with wide, 30-inch rows.

"This difference will be even more prominent in late-planting situations," Casteel said.

Wide rows take nearly 25 days longer to canopy compared with 15-inch rows and 40 days longer than 7.5-inch rows.

* Maturity group: Full-season varieties should be planted until June 15 for the northern quarter of the state, June 20 for the central half and June 25 for the southern quarter. Varieties should be dropped by one-half maturity group from the full-season variety for the area, such as from 3.5 to 3.0, after those dates and planted for another two weeks before farmers consider other alternatives. The lower the maturity group the faster the plant will develop flowers, pods and seeds.

"If you are in a very late planting situation, I suggest back-dating 90 days from the typical fall freeze in your region to determine if you have enough growing season to mature a soybean crop," Casteel said. "My hope is that you will not need to make that determination."

More information about late planting of soybeans is available at Purdue Pest & Crop newsletter at <http://extension.entm.purdue.edu/pestcrop/2014/issue9/index.html>.

Pets need special care for summer

BY GREG MCCLURE
Purdue University News Service

Pet owners should begin now to prepare their animals for summer before the hot weather arrives. Steve Thompson, veterinarian and director of the Pet Wellness Clinic at Purdue University's College of Veterinary Medicine, says now is the time to think about parasite control, heat stroke, noise phobia from storms and fireworks, and travel arrangements for cats and dogs.

"In April, May and June there is more of a tick problem, primarily in dogs," Thompson says. "People are outside more and they see more ticks on dogs. There's also a new awareness of dogs as sentinels, particularly with Lyme disease. When testing for heartworms, a test for exposure to the bacteria that causes Lyme disease, Borrelia, also can be done. If dogs are going into an area where there are ticks that means people in the dog's family risk exposure to Lyme disease from these same ticks."

Flea prevention could be easier for both cats and dogs, Thompson says. Fleas can transmit tapeworms to dogs and cats, as well as bartonella – cat scratch fever – to cats.

"A new product, an oral tablet, can kill ticks and fleas in dogs for at least one month," Thompson says. "There's also been a big improvement in products like collars for flea prevention. Collars, in general, used to be poor for controlling fleas and a bit better for ticks, but technology has improved. One new collar lasts many months, so even if you have a dog that swims a lot or is outside all the time, the collar or oral tablet can still be effective for one to six months."

Other issues for pet owners to consider:

* Heartworm prevention. Dogs and cats are both susceptible to heartworm, which can be prevented with medication that kills the worm under the skin after a mosquito bite, Thompson says. No products for pets or people have long-term protection to eliminate

mosquito bites.

"Sometimes cat owners believe if their cat is inside all the time there is no exposure to insects, but they can still encounter mosquitoes that come through the doors after us or other insects that get into the house," Thompson says. "Many of the parasites that affect cats, including fleas, can be controlled by the same heartworm products."

* Heat. "The morning is better to exercise dogs during hot and humid weather, but not everyone is a morning person. If you walk your dog in the evening, it should be after dark," Thompson says. "Dogs don't dissipate heat well by sweating like we can, so they must pant to cool off."

"Short-faced and darker-colored dogs are at higher risk for heat stroke. Short-nosed and snub-nosed dogs have more trouble panting, particularly in high heat and humidity, and darker-colored dogs absorb heat more quickly and have more difficulty getting rid of it."

Thompson reminds owners not to leave pets waiting in cars and to make sure that if a pet is left outside during warm weather it has access to shade and water.

* Noise phobias. Summer can be a stressful time for dogs that have anxieties about loud noises, including thunderstorms and fireworks. Thompson says some dogs may try to escape, injuring themselves by breaking teeth or nails during a panic attack.

"It's difficult to do desensitization training during the summer because storms are more frequent, so we often use anti-panic drugs," Thompson says. "There also are some non-medication methods. Snug-fitting shirts and wraps can make the dog feel safe and like a human is holding them. There also are relaxing collars that contain a dog-appealing pheromone chemical. They make some dogs with mild anxiety feel happy and content. The collars help with low-level anxiety, so it's important to put the collar on the dog before a storm hits or before they get into a full panic."

Calendar of Events

St. John's Murder Mystery party

Something's afoot at St. John's Lutheran Church - the youth invite all 7th to 12th graders to join us for a murder mystery party to celebrate the end of the school year! The party will be Saturday, June 14 at 4 p.m., across from the post office in Loogootee.

Shoals School Board meeting

The Shoals School Board will meet Thursday, June 12 at 5 p.m. in the central administration office. Some items on the agenda include the second reading of the student handbooks and the non-teaching handbook and job descriptions, summer custodial help, personnel actions, and approval of textbook rental fees. The meeting is open to the public.

Loogootee School Board meeting

The Loogootee School Board will meet Tuesday, June 17 at 5:30 p.m. in the meeting room off the superintendent's office. Some items on the agenda include recommendations for action on the proposal for Elementary East, corporation/school profile amendment, and school book lists and fees. The meeting is open to the public.

LUMC Bible School

All preschoolers through those done with 6th grade should make their way to Loogootee United Methodist Church June 23-27 for Vacation Bible School from 6-8:30 p.m. Participants will "travel" around the Sea of Galilee learning of Jesus' ministry. Call the church today at 295-3049 to get registered.

Shoals Alumni Banquet

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Loogootee Class of 1999 reunion

The Loogootee Class of 1999 will cele-

brate their 15-year reunion on July 26, 2014. The day will start with a family picnic at the Loogootee City Park at noon. Those attending are asked to bring a covered dish and drinks. For class members and a guest, there is a room reserved at the French Lick Springs Hotel from 6 p.m.-10 p.m. Dinner will be served at 6:30 p.m. The cost is \$45 per person. Make checks payable and send to Mandy Fee, 1525 Westminster Rd., Evansville, IN 47725 by July 1, 2014. Overnight rooms are available at the hotel for \$189 plus tax. You must use the code 0714LOO to get the discounted room and book by June 26, 2014. Any questions can be emailed to mandyfee@rocketmail.com.

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Head Start is now taking applications for the fall preschool classes. Head Start is a kindergarten readiness program at no-cost for qualifying families. Please call 812-295-4700 to enroll your child.

Boy Scouts

Boys interested in Boy Scouts, call 295-6652 or 854-7837 for information on joining.

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!

Solid waste board

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

Humane society meetings

The Martin County Humane Society meets on the third Friday of the month at the animal shelter at 507 N Oak Street in Loogootee, at 7 p.m. Members of the humane society are invited to attend. To find out how to become a member, call the shelter at 812-295-5900 or email mchs@frontier.com.

Tourism meetings

The MCCC Tourism Committee meets on the second Wednesday of each month at 7 p.m. in the Martin County Community Learning Center on the fairgrounds.

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 or call at 295-3149.

Humane Society featured pet



The sweet girl shown above is a terrier mix. She is very sweet and very loyal, will stay right with you. She is spayed and up to date on her shots. Adoption fee is \$60. If interested in this girl, or one of the other shelter dogs or cats, stop by the shelter at 507 N. Oak Street in Loogootee. Shelter hours are Monday and Wednesday from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. and Saturday 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. or by appt. any day except Sunday. For information, call the shelter at 812-295-5900 or email mchs@frontier.com.

On the Home Front

By Linda Evans-Dillon
Martin County Veteran Service Officer

The veteran service officer now has an office in the Martin County Courthouse. The summer hours are Monday through Thursday from 12 p.m. to 4 p.m. An appointment isn't needed but suggested due the possibility I am meeting with or visiting veterans in the community. The office will be closed June 12, 16, 17 and 18.

Drivers are needed for the veteran van. I am aware that we all have very busy lives and very little free time which is why I am looking for 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 office numbers are phone 812-247-2210 and fax 812-247-2216.

Scholarships available through MCCF

The Martin County Community Foundation is pleased to announce it is accepting applications for the two non-traditional scholarships.

The Martin County Non-Traditional Scholarship is available to a student who:

- Is a resident of Martin County
- Has been out of high school at least one year
- Seeks to further their education at an accredited college, university, vocational, or trade school
- Is able to demonstrate a need for assistance

The Second Door Scholarship is named after the saying "When one door closes, another one opens." This scholarship is for non-traditional students who meet the following criteria:

- Must be a resident of Martin County
- Must have graduated or left high school

at least two years prior to applying for the scholarship

-Must demonstrate a financial need
-The scholarship cannot be used for GED test fees

-The scholarship cannot exceed the cost of course and course materials
-Applicant must provide evidence of program acceptance

-Program must be administered by a qualified institution/organization

A simple one-page application (for each scholarship) is available at the MCCC Office located at the west door of the Martin County 4-H Community Building at the Martin County 4-H Fairgrounds or online at www.cfpartner.org.

Applications are due in the MCCC office on July 7. They can be mailed to MCCC, PO Box 28 Loogootee, IN 47553. For more information, call 812-295-1022.

State officials to discuss Healthy Indiana Plan expansion in Jasper

Officials from Governor Mike Pence's administration will be in Jasper on Monday, June 16 to detail the governor's plan to expand the Healthy Indiana Plan (HIP) to cover approximately 350,000 more Hoosiers. Memorial Hospital and Health Care Center will host "a conversation about the future of health care in Indiana" featuring State Health Commissioner, William VanNess, M.D., and Indiana Medicaid Director, Joe Moser. The event is open to the public and will take place at the Memorial Lodge (2590 S. Newton Street) in Jasper.

On May 15, Governor Pence announced his plans to advance private, market-based Medicaid reforms in Indiana by expanding

the current Healthy Indiana Plan. Pence unveiled HIP 2.0, a consumer-driven health care coverage program for low-income adults that builds on Indiana's history of consumer-driven health care while providing new incentives for members to take personal responsibility for their health.

"We are happy to host a community discussion by Dr. VanNess and Joe Moser at the Memorial Lodge in Jasper," said Ray Snowden, Memorial Hospital and Health Care Center President and Chief Executive Officer. "We look forward to learning more about Governor Pence's proposal and how it will address health care access in the communities we serve."

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Ten-digit dialing in 812 area code will be mandatory in September

If you live in Indiana's 812 telephone area code and have not started using ten digits, rather than seven, to make local phone calls (for example, "812-555-5555" instead of "555-5555"), now is the time to get in the habit.

The "permissive dialing" or grace period in which local calls made with either seven or ten digits will work is more than halfway complete. The six-month transition period is designed to give consumers ample time to adjust to the changes.

Starting September 6, 2014, consumers with 812 telephone numbers will be required to use ten-digit dialing for all local calls. If you forget and do not use the new dialing procedures after that date, your call will not be completed and a recording will instruct you to hang up and dial again.

The change in dialing patterns is necessary for the introduction of the new 930 area code, which will be implemented this fall. The new code is being added through the "overlay" method, which has been used for all new area code additions in the United States since 2008. An overlay is the addition of another area code (930) to the same geographic region as an existing area code (812). An overlay does not require customers to change their existing phone numbers.

The new area code is being implemented due to projections that all numbering supplies for 812 will be exhausted in 2015. To ensure a continuing supply of telephone numbers, the new 930 area code will be added to (or superimposed over) the entire 812 region which has covered southern, south-central, and parts of west-central Indiana since 1947, including Bloomington, Columbus, Evansville, New Albany, Terre Haute, and other cities. The Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission (IURC) ordered the overlay in July 2013, following a year-long case. The proceeding included numerous opportunities for public input and testimony supporting the overlay method from the Indiana Office of Utility Consumer Counselor (OUCC) and the telecommunications industry.

Starting October 6, 2014, new telephone

lines or services may be assigned numbers using the new 930 area code. In some cases, a customer with an 812 landline number who moves to a new location may be assigned a 930 number.

The most important facts for residential consumers and businesses in the 812 area to know are:

Your telephone number, including current area code, will not change.

You will need to dial area code + telephone number for all local calls.

You will continue to dial 1 + area code + telephone number for all long distance calls.

What is a local call now will remain a local call.

The price of a call, coverage area, or other rates and services will not change due to the overlay.

You can still dial just three digits to reach 211, 411, 811, or 911. The same applies to 311 service where applicable.

Consumers should identify their telephone numbers as a ten digit number (Area Code + 7 digit local number), and include the area code when giving the number to their friends, family, business associates and customers, etc.

Consumers should also ensure that all services, automatic dialing equipment, applications, software, or other types of equipment recognize the new 930 area code as a valid area code. You should also make sure that all pre-programmed numbers for local calls are set to include the area code. Some examples are life safety systems, fax machines, Internet dial-up numbers, alarm and security systems, gates, speed dialers, mobile phone contact lists, call forwarding settings, voicemail services, and similar functions. Business stationery, advertising materials, personal checks, and personal or pet ID tags and microchips should also be checked to ensure that the phone number includes the 812 area code.

More information is available from your local telephone company. You can also learn more from the OUCC's website at www.in.gov/oucc/2718.htm or the IURC's website at www.in.gov/iurc/2703.htm.

The Messmer Report

By District 63 State Representative
Mark Messmer



Making a difference in the community Area schools are beginning to let out, and the warmer weather finally looks like it is here to stay. Between outdoor activities, lounging at the pool and family vacations, it is certainly easy to fill those long summer days; however, the summer is still an excellent opportunity for young Hoosiers to learn. Not necessarily in the academic sense, but rather, it provides an opportunity for us as parents to teach our children the value of giving back.

If you don't have experience with volunteering, it can be intimidating trying to find a place to start. Many people have very conventional ideas of what it means to volunteer. One thing that probably comes to mind first is serving food at a local soup kitchen, but volunteering can also mean reading to young children at the library, peer tutoring or even coaching a little league team.

In fact, it is easier than you might think to get started. There are several organizations in our area that are a wonderful way for people in the community to get involved. Today, I would like to highlight Volunteer Dubois County.

Volunteer Dubois County is your go-to source for volunteer information throughout the county, which includes the towns of Jasper, Huntingburg, Ferdinand and the areas in between. To make it as convenient as possible, their website allows you to search for opportunities for service and allows non-profit organizations to post their volunteer needs to better connect with those willing to help.

A quick visit to their website shows opportunities to volunteer at Gentiva Hospice in Jasper. Specifically, they are looking for someone to provide office support through clerical duties such as data entry, filing, making phone calls and other general office work.

Crisis Connection has also recently posted that they are looking for people to

help sort and inventory donations and oversee their warehouse. They especially need help around the holidays, but since they receive items like personal care products, school supplies, housewares and furniture all year long, they could certainly use your help anytime.

They also provide another way to help the community by posting a community wish list. Instead of asking for money, local nonprofits specifically list the items they need to continue to fulfill their mission and serve the community. Anyone can support these organizations and needs range from puppy food for the humane society to iPads for retirement communities. If you would like to learn more, please visit www.volunteer-duboiscounty.org/.

By encouraging our children to volunteer just a few hours a month, they will not only be making our community a better place, but will also be learning invaluable life lessons. While volunteering is important, so is practicing what we preach. Last week, I had the pleasure of attending a Catholic Heart Work Camp with my son and his youth group. This week long camp was held in Atlanta, Georgia and was attended by youth ministers and teens from across the country.

Every summer, multiple camps are held throughout the country to challenge young Americans to put themselves aside and work together to restore homes, feed the hungry, work with young children and the disabled and also provide help through partnerships with social agencies. I found this to be an eye opening experience for my own children, and with the countless opportunities to get involved close to home, I encourage everyone to volunteer at least once this summer. Organizations are always looking for more volunteers to help out and even the smallest amount of time truly makes a difference.

Rep. Messmer (R-Jasper) represents portions of Daviess, Dubois, Pike and Martin counties.

Indiana to receive \$2.1 million in consumer settlement with GSK

Indiana is set to receive nearly \$2.1 million as a result of a multi-state settlement Attorney General Greg Zoeller entered into with drugmaker GlaxoSmithKline, LLC. The terms of the settlement require that the funds be used for consumer education related purposes.

The monies stem from a \$105 million consumer settlement Zoeller joined with 44 other attorneys general and GSK today to resolve allegations that GlaxoSmithKline unlawfully promoted its asthma drug, Advair®, and antidepressant drugs, Paxil® and Wellbutrin®. The Complaint and Consent Judgment filed today alleges that GlaxoSmithKline violated state consumer protection laws by misrepresenting the uses and qualities of these drugs.

"Pharmaceutical companies are required to only promote a prescription drug for uses that have been approved by the FDA," Zoeller said. "Off-label marketing can put patients unnecessarily at risk, which is why those decisions are best left to the treating physician and not the pharmaceutical companies."

The Consent Judgment also requires GlaxoSmithKline to reform its marketing and promotional practices. Specifically, GSK shall not:

- Make, or cause to be made, any written or oral claim that is false, misleading, or deceptive about any GSK product;
- Make promotional claims, not approved or permitted by the FDA that a GSK product is better, more effective, safer, or has

less serious side effects or contraindications than has been demonstrated by substantial evidence or substantial clinical experience;

- Present favorable information or conclusions from a study that is inadequate in design, scope, or conduct to furnish significant support for such information or conclusions, when presenting information about a clinical study regarding GSK products in any promotional materials;
- Provide samples of GSK products to those health care professionals who are not expected to prescribe the sampled GSK products for an approved use, but who would be expected to prescribe the sampled product for an off-label use; or
- Disseminate information describing any off-label use of a GSK product, unless such information and materials are consistent with applicable FDA regulations and FDA Guidelines for Industry.

The Consent Judgment also requires GSK to continue its Patient First Program at least through March 2019. The Patient First Program reduces financial incentives for sales representatives to engage in deceptive marketing. In addition, the Judgment requires scientifically trained personnel to be ultimately responsible for developing and approving responses to health care provider questions and for these responses to be unbiased and non-promotional.

There are 45 other states in the settle-

Loogootee Summerfest Auction

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 18TH

Loogootee United Methodist Family Life Center
6 p.m. start time

The Loogootee Summerfest Committee would like to extend an invitation to each and every one of you to attend the 1st Annual Loogootee Summerfest Auction. This year all auction proceeds will be going to support the Swimming Pool Project currently going on right here in the city. Many items are coming in each day so it is impossible to list all items to be offered at the auction but here is just a sampling of what you might find.

Pool Slide & Diving Board: The pool slide and diving board used at the Loogootee City Pool will be offered up for auction to the highest bidder! Come out and place your bid!!!

Autographed Memorabilia: A signed basketball by all three of the Zellers, one autographed John Michael Montgomery photo, one autographed John Tavolta Autograph picture, Verdell Jones among others.

Large Picture & Handmade Quilt: Deer picture donated by Englerts, very nice a must see!!! And the quilt in the photo to the right that was made in 1976 by Loogootee grade school students and donated by Barb Boyd.

Gift Certificates: China Wok, Dairy Queen, Dairy Master, The Corner Café, Buffalo Wings, Azura, His and Hers Beauty Shop, Richards Barber Shop, Pure Elegance Salon, Elements, Ben Franklin, Jasper Embroidery, Disinger Jewelers, Olinger Jewelers, Rosie's Shirt Shop, Laurie's Flowers, Williams Bros Pharmacy, Uebelhor and Sons, Muffler Menders oil change, Big O Tires, Gudorf Supply, Simple Soap, Jasper Garage Door, Tom's Lawn and Garden, Home Depot, one year subscription to the Loogootee Tribune, 4 tickets to the Indiana Basketball Hall of Fame, 4 tickets to Indiana Beach, 4 tickets to Indiana University Baseball game, 4 tickets to Cincinnati Reds game, 2 tickets to the Indiana State Museum, 2 tickets to the Indianapolis Zoo plus free parking, 2 tickets to Marengo Cave and much much more!!!

Auctioneers Note: Many items are coming in daily so it is impossible to list everything there is something for everyone at this auction!

COME OUT FOR A FUN AND EXCITING EVENING!

Auction will start promptly at 6 p.m. and will more than likely last one to one-and-a-half hours. Lemon Shakeups to be sold to support the Loogootee United Methodist Church Youth Group!!!

Auction to be conducted by Mike Akles and Noel Harty.



The Mayor's Den

By Loogootee Mayor Noel Harty



This month's feature employee is Nancy Spaulding. Nancy has been with the city since August of 1987. For much of her nearly 27 years, she has worked with the water and sewer department, attending to customer service, billing, and handling most all financial details for the department. Nancy does it all with a smile. It is the hard work and dedication of people like her which make our city a great place to live!

The month of May started with the National Day of Prayer and a service sponsored by the Loogootee Ministerial Association on the square. Many churches were represented. I spent much of the day, Friday the 2nd, with Jim Houghton who is in charge of bringing the reenactment of the Civil War soldiers returning home to their families to Martin County. In the evening, I headed to Les Page Field to watch the varsity boys' baseball team play the Pike Central Chargers. It was a real nail biter; the score was tied most of the game, and our Lions fell short by one in the end. In the early morning of Saturday the 3rd, I went to Country Oaks Golf Course where Kevin Johnson chaired a golf scramble for the pool fund. Fourteen teams participated in the event which brought in \$2,700! In the evening, I watched the 2014 Grand March at Jack Butcher Arena. Everyone looked dapper in their tuxedos and evening gowns. Later, I headed over to Lee Kavanaugh Gym to draw out the names for the door prize winners at this annual post prom event.

Monday the 5th, the pool committee, volunteers and members of the community, and I attended the Martin County Council meeting to discuss the possibility of the county financially assisting with this most worthwhile venture. After much debate, the council decided to pledge \$150,000 to the project over a five-year period of time based on the city matching the same proposed pledge. We very much appreciate the Martin County Council's support and pledge.

Tuesday the 6th, Election Day, I was called to help work one of the polls, St. Mary's Church in Shoals. Wednesday the 7th, I spent the day mostly in the office handling day-to-day operations. Thursday the 8th, Jason Jones, with the Martin County Community Foundation, and I met to discuss the possibility of starting an endowment the community foundation would administrate for the city. Surrounding communities have this type of scenario and it is working well. My vision for the endowment is that it would be called "The City of Loogootee Betterment Fund"; and ultimately one day the fund would grow so it could be used for just that. The downside is that the endowment would have to start out with a balance of \$10,000; and would need to grow to \$25,000 within two years. There are many details to work out before the fund becomes a reality; but we are working on it and are hopeful it can be accomplished.

Friday the 9th, I attended the last band concert under the direction of Mrs. Betsy Graves. After the concert, a reception was held to recognize Mrs. Graves' many years of service – 20 years as LHS Band Director and nine at Shoals – almost 30 years tenure in Martin County. Saturday the 10th was Matthew 5:16 Day. This was the 4th year for this event and the turn-out to perform various activities throughout the morning grows every year. A special thank you to Chris Walker and all who make Matthew 5:16 Day possible and successful. That afternoon, I attended the wedding of Ryan Johnson and Molly Jones at St. John's. The service was very beautiful as they both expressed their love for one another. Best wishes and congratulations to them both. Sunday the 11th, I attended church services and then celebrated Mother's Day with my parents. Monday the 12th was "National Nursing Home Week" and I visited both the local nursing homes for their balloon lift-offs and celebrations. I always enjoy visiting with the residents and celebrating with them. That evening, I attended a special school board meeting to discuss the contract of the new superintendent. Highlights of the

contract were salary, accrued time off and insurance. Following the meeting, I went back to city hall for the monthly board of works and city council meetings. The main topics included the pledge of EDIT funds to the pool project and the purchase of a new tractor to replace the current one which is 30-years old and hard to find parts for.

Tuesday the 13th, I started the day at Loogootee Elementary doing my volunteer preparing document duplication and then back to city hall for the rest of the day. That evening, I attended the caucus of the Democrat Central Committee to determine who would be filling the district three city council seat. Carroll Rayhill was named to fill the seat. Wednesday the 14th, I spent the day in the office and then started the evening off with the bi-weekly Summerfest meeting, followed by the park and recreation meeting. Then it was off to the LHS Auditorium for senior awards night to watch the presentation of scholarships and awards to seniors moving on to the next chapter of their lives. Thursday the 15th, I attended the Purdue University Cooperative Education, sponsored by Radius and at the French Lick Springs Resort Event Center. The purpose of the event was for local leaders in both industry and education to discuss the needs and economic impact for our area. Friday the 16th, the new tractor was delivered to the city by Hoefling Equipment. Saying goodbye to the former tractor (which we traded in) was bittersweet - the old tractor brought back many fond memories and served us well. After the delivery, Superintendent Bo Wilson; Clerk-Treasurer Nancy Jones; Richard Burch, President of Midwestern Engineers; and I sat down to discuss the pool project. After that meeting, I went to Loogootee Nursing Center for the yard sale and cookout they had to raise funds for the pool project. A special thank you to them! After visiting the sale, I headed to Biggin's for a special recognition luncheon for Tyler Stoll. Tyler has been with the city for over six years; and to our misfortune, he is leaving the city for advancement. We all wish Tyler the best of luck in all that he does in the future and thank him for his service. He was a pleasure to work with; and will leave a big hole to fill for the city.

That evening was the last choral concert of the 2013-14 school year at LHS. A good crowd turned out and the performances were very entertaining. Kuddos to the director and all who work hard to make this event happen. Saturday the 17th was the yard sale for the pool project, held at the old facility. We appreciate everyone who came out to find bargains and support the cause. And a special thank you to Don Greene and all who donated items and/or volunteered their time to work with Don to make this event such a success! Before the sale was over, I left to go to Washington for their First Annual Spring Festival. I was asked to assist in judging "The Battle of the Bands" sponsored by our own WRZR Radio Station. Five bands from all over Southern Indiana competed for the first place title. Sunday the 18th was a special day as during Sunday services at St. John, graduating seniors were honored for all of their hard work and effort throughout their school years. Congratulations to all the seniors of the 2014 class. In the evening, I was assigned the task of getting one of our friends to Biggin's for a surprise birthday party. Don and Donna Greene had set it up, saying they were going to make a big announcement and wanted friends to hear it all at once. The announcement was "SURPRISE!" and a great time was had by all. ("Happy 42nd!")

Monday the 19th was the bi-monthly meeting of the Martin County Alliance for Economic Development with many issues discussed and acted upon. Tuesday the 20th began at German American Bank where local leaders met to discuss the development of new business in the area. That evening was the regular monthly meeting of the Loogootee School Board at LHS. Highlights were the hiring of Dr. Joan Keller as the

school corporation's superintendent, Mrs. Terri Smith as elementary principal, and Mr. Josh Mullis as the athletic director. Other topics of discussion were the choral director and the program as a whole. After the meeting I went to the auditorium to watch the kindergarten "Musical Adventures of a Kindergarten Year" which was a great program with loads of participation by the students. Thank you to all who made the concert possible.

Wednesday the 21st the Friends of the Pool and I met at the Corner Café for their bi-weekly meeting. This new group of enthused volunteers consists of Charlotte Meyer, Ruth Smith, Paula Ringwald, and Laura Albertson; and they are hoping more people will join their group and help get the new pool built! In the evening, I took part in the 2014 IHSAA Tennis Sectional Opener at LHS. Unfortunately, I was not able to stay for the whole match as I needed to leave early to attend the monthly solid waste meeting at the Martin County Recycling Center. Thursday, the 22nd was first day for Andy Kyger, who will intern with us two to three days a week. Andy is a former classmate of mine who is currently in the SPEA program at Indiana University. Later that day, Carroll Rayhill was sworn in as the newest city councilman for the City of Loogootee. A special thanks to Julie Fithian for coming to city hall to perform the ceremony. That evening, I headed to Les Page field for the last home game of the varsity boy' baseball team. It was a great evening honoring seniors Casey Miller, Branden Wilz, Trevor Resler, and Gage Harder. Friday the 23rd, I attended the Class of 2014's commencement exercises at Jack Butcher Arena. Saturday the 24th, I watched Lady Lions Softball team play their last home game for the season at Costello Field. Seniors recognized were Emma Graber, Kelsey Seals, MacKenzie Walker, Madison Zins and Taylor Hayes. In addition to recognizing our own seniors, Coach Clark also recognized seniors on the Evansville Bosse Team. All three seniors of the visiting team received a game ball and rose. What a great way to show Lion Class!!! Our Lady Lions won 11-1 in five innings.

Sunday the 25th, many mourners paid respect to Carter Lee Kerns and attended the funeral services at St. John's Lutheran Church. Carter Lee will always be remembered for his love of water!!! Monday the 26th was Memorial Day, and I attended services at St. John's Cemetery for to honor and remember those who served in our armed forces. A good crowd attended and I am told this was the case for all services for the day! I started the day, Tuesday the 27th at the LHS track for "Relay for Life Field Day" put on by the 5th and 6th grade at Loogootee Intermediate. I want to commend both students

SOS launches summer reading program

On Monday, Secretary of State Connie Lawson launched the Indiana Secretary of State Summer Reading Program. This program is part of her office's efforts to teach Hoosiers the importance of financial literacy and smart money management.

"As students leave the classroom behind for summer break, it's time to start thinking about how to maximize the long days," said Secretary Lawson. "This summer, I encourage students to participate in my summer reading program, geared around the important topic of financial literacy. You are never too young to learn how money and smart decisions affect you. I hope Hoosier students will learn about smart money management skills and how to apply them to their own lives."

This summer reading program is available at all public libraries and on the Secretary of State website. While completing the program, students will learn how money works, the importance of saving and how to earn money. Students are provided a list of books by topic and a list of activities to complete once they have read the required number of

and teachers who made this event possible and thank them for allowing me to be a part of the opening ceremonies. After that event, I went back to city hall to meet with Julie Berry, of Midwestern Engineers. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the ongoing comprehensive plan process in place and introduce her to Andy. After the meeting with Julie, Tim Kinder, with the Martin County Alliance for Economic Development, came to the city hall to spend time with Andy and explain the Alliance's role in economic development and goals the organization has for the future.

In the evening, I attended the opening round of the 2014 IHSAA Softball Sectional at North Daviess High School Softball Field. In the first round, our Lady Lions took on the Bloomfield Cardinals. With seven innings of play, the Lions fell 4-0 despite the score not telling the great effort put forth by the Lady Lions. Wednesday the 28th, I attended the bi-monthly meeting of the Martin County Chamber of Commerce, this month at Pizza Junction. The primary topics of the meeting included the positive effects the SOAR program has had on the county and the upcoming Relay for Life, Summerfest, and the Shoals Catfish Festival. In the afternoon, I headed to the LHS track for a check presentation for the "Color Wars." This year, the group chose the City Of Loogootee Pool Fund as their benefactor from the project! That evening was the bi-weekly Summerfest planning meeting. Friday the 30th, I had the privilege of going with the senior class to Jasper 8 Cinema and Great Wall restaurant - a great day at the movies! In the evening, I went to Jack Butcher Arena for the opening ceremonies of the "2014 Martin County Relay for Life." This was the first time to have the event indoors and I think most people agreed doing so was a plus. I also had the honor of conducting the always favorite cake auction which I was told brought in record numbers. A special thank you to all who donated and bid on items for the event. Saturday the 31st, I watched the second round of sectional tournament play at Les Page Field. In the first game, our Lions squared off against the ranked Rivet Patriots. Our Lions played hard but the Patriots prevailed. I want to take this opportunity to commend both the coaches and players for a great season! The second game was the North Daviess Cougars vs. the Barr-Reeve Vikings. After 11 innings, the Vikings won by a score of 7-6. In the evening, it was back to the field once again to watch the Patriots and Vikings in the final game for the 2014 IHSAA Sectional Title. After the first eight innings remained scoreless, the Patriots won catching a run in the top of the 9th. I wish each and every one of you a warm and sunny June!!!

books.

To complete the program, students are asked to read the assigned number of books and complete one craft for each topic. Upon completion, students are asked to submit their book list and completed activities that demonstrate growth in financial literacy. Students who complete the Secretary of State Summer Reading Program will receive a piggy bank and an Honorary Secretary of State certificate signed by Secretary Lawson. All submissions must be received by August 1, 2014. Secretary Lawson will then post copies of the students' projects and crafts to her website and social media pages.

Information about the program can be found at the Indiana Secretary of State's website at in.gov/sos/summerreadingprogram.

This program is part of Secretary Lawson's enhanced focus on financial literacy outreach. Secretary Lawson works to increase financial literacy in Hoosiers and to educate them about the various types of securities fraud. The program is funded primarily by fines imposed on violators of securities laws.