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## Young writers

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4th Grade Students in Mrs. Hawkins' Class, at Shoals Elementary, sent poems they had written to Creative Expression Poetry Contest in Utah. Out of the thousands of poems that were sent in, the following students found out at the end of school that they will have their poems published in the Creative Communication Poetry Book. In the front, from left to right, are Acelyn Braun and Chloe Holt. In the back, from left to right, are Katie Brett, Kendyll Moffitt, and Justice Watson.

## MCCF grant applications available

Grant applications are now available for local organizations serving Martin County residents.

The Martin County Community Foundation is accepting applications for the 2018 Impact Grant Cycle which funds charitable programs and projects that serve Martin County. Last year thirteen Martin County projects were funded through the grant cycle; the grants ranged from \$500 to \$3,000 each.

The 2018 grant cycle is funded by distributions from the following per-

manent endowment funds: Rich and Judy Kluesner Fund, John T. and Elizabeth J. Chattin Community Fund, Leo Harding Family Unrestricted Fund, Courter Family Fund, German American Bancorp Fund, Crane Family Fund for Martin County, Gregory Family Humanitarian Fund, Michael B. and Beth A. Lett Fund, Donald and Janett Walton Fund for the Betterment of Martin County, Tri-Kappa of Loogootee-Shoals Community Grants Fund, Wendell Bough Family Fund, Smith-

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## Crane giving back

-Photo provided

The Crane Credit Union LEAD team spent last Thursday morning working on the landscaping around the "Welcome to Loogootee" sign near the Loogootee Crane Bank branch. From left to right are Jenna White, Danielle Combs, Jill Spaulding, Lori Lundy, Marissa Lynch, Daniela Rumpel, Laurie Wagner, Stacia Crouch and Kari Gallagher.



-Photo by Courtney Hughett

The construction manager and the CEO of Hoosier Uplands provided a tour of the ongoing renovation of Eagle Place Apartments on Church Street in Loogootee last week, with local officials. Shown from left to right, are Martin County Economic Development Director Tim Kinder, former Loogootee Mayor and Hoosier Uplands Board Member Don Bowling, Derek Nail, construction manager; Loogootee Mayor Noel Harty, Hoosier Uplands Board Member Richard Beaty, Hoosier Uplands CEO David Miller and Martin County Commissioner Dan Gregory.

## Eagle Place Apartments set to open in October

BY COURTNEY HUGHETT  
Martin County Journal Publisher

Eagle Place Apartments, in the former Loogootee Elementary East building, are scheduled to start accepting tenants in October of this year. The 20 units, 10 downstairs and 10 upstairs, are an equal combination of one- and two-bedroom and range from 700 to 1,100 square feet.

Eagle Place Apartments are designed for senior citizens and are owned by Hoosier Uplands.

The building also had a community room, grandkids play room and gym on the first floor. There will not be an elevator installed so stairs will have to be utilized by upstairs residents.

The downstairs lockers and trophy case will be kept intact and the name "Loogootee Elementary East" out in front of the building will remain along with the cross on the left, front of the school.

On the back of the building, outside, will be a garden area and patio for residents. (See 'EAGLE PLACE' on page 2)



-Photo by Courtney Hughett

Shown is one of the apartments, under construction, in the former art room of Loogootee Elementary East building, now Eagle Place Apartments.

# Blue Chip Softball All-Conference

BY GREG CLARK  
LHS Head Softball Coach

The Blue Chip Conference has released the 2018 Softball All-Conference selections. The conference coaches met at Barr-Reeve High School and voted on each school's nominees to determine the players selected as All-Conference players and those players selected to be Honorable Mention All-Conference.

Loogootee won the conference with a 5-1 record, followed by North Knox, Wood Memorial and NE Dubois with 4-2 records, South Knox and Barr-Reeve finished at 2-4, while Shoals went 0-6.

Loogootee had four players named to the All-Conference team, Sydney Davis was selected as a pitcher, while

Julianne Bell, Tyanna Graber and Calli Winger were chosen as position players. North Knox had Cayman Strain selected as a pitcher with Phoebe Worstell and Madison Carpenter selected as position players. NE Dubois, South Knox and Wood Memorial each had two position players selected, Claire Mangin and Kyndal Green; Kyndall Elliott and Chase Keller; Kenzie Toolzey and Peyton Shoultz respectively. Barr-Reeve's Tracy Stoll was also selected as a position player.

Rounding out the Honorable Mention All-Conference squad were Becca Brosmer and Brooklyn Dodd of NE Dubois, Katie Kixmiller of North Knox, Madison Johnson of South Knox, Macey Way of Shoals, concluding with Lee Ann Melton and Emma Reel of Wood Memorial.

# MCCF Non-Traditional Scholarships available

The Martin County Community Foundation (MCCF) is pleased to announce it is accepting applications for two Non-Traditional Scholarships.

There are many paths to higher education... Many students choose to postpone college; many move directly into the workforce, bypassing a university education altogether; others put their college careers on hold, choosing the more difficult task of raising a family. It is only later that they decide to pursue a higher education, either to improve their personal and professional opportunities, or to expand their general knowledge. We are grateful for the donors in our community who have established non-traditional scholarships for returning students. These scholarships give preference to helping a student begin or return to college or trade school, years after leaving high school. The two scholarships and criteria are below.

Martin County Non-Traditional Scholarship

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 one year prior to applying for the scholarship

Must seek to further their education at an accredited college, university, vocational or trade school

Must 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.

Applications are available online at <http://www.cfpartner.org/mccfgrants.htm> or at the MCCF office located in the Community Learning Center on the Martin County 4-H fairgrounds, 2668 U.S. Highway 50, Loogootee.

Applications must be returned to the Community Foundation by 4:00 p.m. on Wednesday, July 11th by either hand-delivering to the MCCF office or by mailing to MCCF, PO Box 28, Loogootee, IN 47553. The MCCF office hours are Tuesdays and Wednesdays, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.; call ahead to be sure someone is in the office. If mailing, be sure to allow delivery time so that the application is received by the deadline in order to be considered for a scholarship.

If you have any questions, please e-mail the MCCF Executive Director, Curt Johnson, at [mccf@cfpartner.org](mailto:mccf@cfpartner.org) or call 812-295-1022.

## Election 2018

The following candidates have been appointed to fill vacancies in the General Election in November:

Dean Crandall (R) - County Council District 1

Aureola Wright (R) - Martin County Prosecutor

Democrat vacancies still open include Martin County Clerk, Martin County Assessor, County Council District 2, County Council District 3, Center Township Trustee, Halbert Township Trustee, Lost River Township Trustee and Crane Clerk-Treasurer.

Republican vacancies still open include Commissioner District 2, Perry Township Trustee, Rutherford Township Trustee and Shoals Clerk-Treasurer.

Candidates have until June 30 to contact their party chairman and fill vacancies on the ballot.

To find out more information, contact the Martin County Clerk's Office at 812-247-3651.

# EAGLE PLACE

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idents.

Each apartment is equipped with its own laundry area, kitchen (with energy efficient appliances), and closets. The floors will remain as they were in the school except for areas where the floor had to be dug out or leveled. Vinyl floor will be put down in those areas.

According to David Miller, Chief Executive Officer of Hoosier Uplands, they have already started receiving inquiries from senior citizens interested in leasing an apartment. Miller said that the monthly rent has not been decided however the rent amount is determined by the government, based on income. Each unit will have their own electric meter and residents will be responsible for utility bills.

Hoosier Uplands purchased Elementary East from the Loogootee School Corporation for \$110,000 in 2014. Hoosier Uplands did not receive the gymnasium in the sale and it will remain in possession of Loogootee Schools, to be used for school sports and activities. The renovations for Eagle Place Apartments will cost around \$2 million and is partially funded through a \$500,000 grant from the Federal Home Loan Bank of Indianapolis, received in 2015, with the remaining from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Investment Partnerships Program.

Hoosier Uplands, based in Mitchell, also owns Larkin Apartments in Loogootee along with apartments in Paoli,

Salem, Mitchell, Orleans, Campbellsburg, Bedford and Marengo.

Hoosier Uplands is a non-profit agency that serves as an Area Agency on Aging, Community Action Agency, licensed Home Health Care and Hospice agency, and Community Housing Development Organization.

# GRANTS

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ville Charitable Foundation Fund, Old National Fund, Al and Helen Friesenhengst Fund, and the MCCF Unrestricted Fund. The Sarah Bowling Fuhrman Fund for Youth, Expectant Mothers Assistance Fund, Loogootee Community Performing Arts & Cultural Events Fund, and the MCCF Education Fund provide additional funding.

Grant application packets are now available online at <http://www.cfpartner.org/mccfgrants.htm> or at the new Martin County Community Foundation office located in the Community Learning Center at 2668 U.S. Hwy. 50, Loogootee. Please call (812) 295-1022 to schedule a pick-up time. Completed applications must be returned to the Community Foundation by 4 p.m., July 25, 2018 to be considered for funding.

Non-profit organizations recognized by the IRS as having 501(c)(3) status, accredited educational institutions, and governmental entities are invited to submit applications. Awards will be announced at the MCCF Annual Dinner on November 5, 2018.

# CLASSIFIED ADS

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The Martin County Sheriff's Office has openings for full and part-time Jail Cooks. Applications may be picked up at the jail, at 318 Capital Avenue, from 7 a.m.-9 p.m.

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# Obituaries

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## ROSA GRABER

Rosa Graber passed away Tuesday, June 12, 2018 at Memorial Hospital and Healthcare Center in Jasper. A resident of Cannelburg, she was 87.



She was born December 16, 1930 in Montgomery; daughter of the late William and Anna (Miller) Wittmer.

She was member of the Providence Mennonite Church. She enjoyed working and was employed by O.D. Neff for 27 years and REMC for 10 years.

She treasured her family, especially her grandchildren and great-grandchildren. She loved people and never met a stranger.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Ervin Graber, who passed away February 5, 1994; father, William Wittmer; mother, Anna Wittmer; step-mother, Fannie Stauffer Wittmer; and siblings, Mary (Alvin) Wagler, Joe Wittmer and Amos Wittmer.

She is survived by her children, Roberta Graber of Cannelburg, Annetta Graber of Montgomery, Royden (Donna) Graber of Loogootee and Kenny (Connie) Graber of Cannelburg; grandchildren, Amber (Phillip) Smith, Adam (Allison) Graber, Kameran (Zac) Frantz and Kendra (Chad) Stoll; great-grandchildren, Jaxon and Emerson Smith, Elliot, Fallyn and Willow Graber, Kyah, Zane and Kade Frantz, and Keaton Stoll; siblings, Henry "Hank" (Martha) Wittmer of Montgomery and Wilmer (Dora) Wittmer of Evansville; sisters-in-law, Lily Mae Wittmer of Montgomery and Sue Torr Wittmer of Gainesville, Florida and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be conducted at 10 a.m. Friday, June 15 at Providence

Mennonite Church in Montgomery. Burial will follow in the church cemetery.

Visitation will be held Thursday, June 14 from 2 p.m. to 8 p.m. at Providence Mennonite Church and Friday, June 15 from 9 a.m. until the time of service at church.

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

Arrangements were provided by Blake & Wagler Funeral Home in Montgomery.

## IDA WAGLER

Ida Mai Wagler went to be with Jesus at 9 p.m. Sunday, June 10, 2018 at her home. A resident of Loogootee, she was 92.

She was born February 14, 1926 in Daviess County; daughter of the late Henry D. and Hannah (Overholt) Stoll. She married John E. Wagler on February 16, 1947 and he preceded her in death.

She was a member of the Old Order Amish Church.

She was preceded in death by her husband, John E. Wagler; her son, Norman Wagler; her great-grandsons, Dalton Knepp and Jeremy Wagler; her siblings, Harvey Stoll, Elmer Stoll, Rosanna Yoder, Alta Graber, Agnes Wagler and Roy Stoll.

She is survived by her children, Leonard (Alta) Wagler of Montgomery, Wanda (Dave) Knepp of Washington, Darrell (Wilma) Wagler of Washington, Linda (Norman) Stoll of Montgomery, Delbert (Marietta) Wagler of Montgomery, Galen (Barb) Wagler of Loogootee, Gene Wagler of Loogootee, John (Judy) Wagler of Loogootee, Rose (Steve) Graber of Montgomery and Joyce (Donnie) Graber of Montgomery; 38 grandchildren, 80 great-grandchildren and 2 great-great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be conducted at 9 a.m. Thursday, June 14 at the

Produce Building. Burial will follow in Stoll Cemetery.

Visitation was held Tuesday, June 12 and again today, Wednesday, June 13 from 2 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the Produce Building.

Arrangements were provided by Blake & Wagler Funeral Home in Montgomery.

## JAMES "ANDY" SMITH

James A. "Andy" Smith passed away at 1:25 p.m. June 5, 2018, at the Loogootee Health and Rehabilitation Center. A resident of Shoals, he was 67.

He was born October 6, 1950, in Vincennes; son of William Elmer and Maggie Laverne (Blake) Smith.

He graduated Shoals High School, was a mail carrier for the U.S. Postal Service in Shoals and held odd jobs in

the community. He was a veteran of the United States Army, serving as a paramedic during the Vietnam War.

Surviving are two sisters, Carolyn Kay Tello of Leslie, Michigan and Martha Jane Fisher of Charlotte, Michigan; four brothers, Cassius Lee Smith of Odon, Paul R. Smith of Loogootee, Mark R. Smith of Shoals and John H. Smith of Shoals.

He is preceded in death by his parents, two sisters, Anna Faye Smith and Hattie Lou Smith; and three brothers, George Ronald Smith, Richard Stanley Smith and Amos Joseph Smith.

A memorial service will be held at a later date with burial in the Trinity Springs Cemetery.

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

## LOOGOOTE VOLLEYBALL CAMP

As the Head Coach of the Loogootee Lions Volleyball Team, I want to extend an invitation to you for our first Lady Lions Volleyball Half Day Camp!

We are excited to offer an exciting new approach to summer camp.

Our camp is intended for all girls wishing to learn and improve their volleyball skills. Athletes will also gain valuable tools to become a better teammate and leader.

This one afternoon will be jam-packed with drills and activities ran by high school volleyball players and coaches in a fun-filled environment. Upon completion of camp, join us for a volleyball pool party at the Loogootee City Pool in the evening from 6-8.

Coach Tracie McAtee

Cost: \$25 per player /\$15 for additional siblings (includes t-shirt)

When: July 20th

Grades 2-3 11:30 am -1:30 pm

Grades 4-6 2-5 pm

Where: Jack Butcher Sports Arena

\*Lunch will be served free of charge in the cafeteria for students from 11-11:30.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Incoming Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

T-shirt size: YS YM AS AM SL SXL

Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell: \_\_\_\_\_

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## Martin County Sheriff's Department log

### MONDAY, JUNE 4

4:20 a.m. - Received a report of an accident on US Hwy 231, north of Loogootee. Deputy Reed, Loogootee Sergeant Norris, Martin County Ambulance, and Loogootee Fire Department responded. Martin County Ambulance transported one subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

5:44 a.m. - Received a report of an abandoned vehicle north of Shoals. Deputy Reed responded.

6:50 a.m. - Received an animal complaint in Loogootee. Loogootee Chief Rayhill responded.

8:00 a.m. - Received an animal complaint in Loogootee. Animal Control Officer Hughett responded.

8:50 a.m. - Received a report of trespassing in Loogootee. Loogootee Chief Rayhill responded.

12:29 p.m. - Captain Dant completed a vehicle identification check south of Loogootee.

12:37 p.m. - Received a report of harassment in Shoals. Reserve Deputy Kidwell responded.

12:55 p.m. - Received an animal complaint in Loogootee. Animal Control Officer Hughett responded.

1:31 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Shoals. Martin County Ambulance and Shoals Fire Department responded. Martin County Ambulance transported one subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

2:05 p.m. - Received a report of theft in Loogootee. Loogootee Chief Rayhill responded.

2:56 p.m. - Received a report of trespassing in Loogootee. Loogootee Chief Rayhill responded.

6:00 p.m. - Received a report of an accident, south of Loogootee. Reserve Deputy Kidwell responded.

6:12 p.m. - Received a report of domestic dispute in Shoals. Sheriff Roush and Sergeant Keller responded.

10:04 p.m. - Received a report of reckless driving in Loogootee. Loogootee Sergeant Norris responded.

11:50 p.m. - Received a report of harassment in Shoals. Deputy Reed responded.

11:58 p.m. - Received a request for extra patrols on US Hwy 550, east of Loogootee. Deputy Reed responded.

### TUESDAY, JUNE 5

6:21 a.m. - Received a request for ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded and transported one subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

7:19 a.m. - Received a report of a tree across Sherfick School Road. Chief Deputy Greene and Shoals Fire Department responded.

9:15 a.m. - Received a report of harassment in Shoals. Chief Deputy Greene responded.

9:52 a.m. - Received an animal complaint in Loogootee. Loogootee Chief Rayhill and Animal Control Officer Hughett responded.

10:00 a.m. - Received an animal complaint in Loogootee. Animal Control Officer Hughett responded.

10:28 a.m. - Sheriff Roush assisted a motorist with vehicle unlock in Loogootee.

10:40 a.m. - Received a request for a welfare check, north of Loogootee. ISP Trooper Beaver responded. Everything checked out okay.

12:20 p.m. - Received a report of reckless driving in Shoals. Major Burkhardt responded.

12:57 p.m. - Chief Deputy Greene took one inmate to court.

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

1:52 p.m. - Captain Dant and ISP Trooper Beaver assisted a motorist on US Hwy 231, south of Loogootee.

2:10 p.m. - Received a request for a vehicle identification check in Shoals. Major Burkhardt responded.

2:27 p.m. - Major Burkhardt took three inmates to court.

2:50 p.m. - Received a report of theft in Shoals. Chief Deputy Greene responded.

5:04 p.m. - Received a report of reckless driving, south of Shoals. Orange County responded.

5:25 p.m. - Received a report of residential burglar alarm in Shoals. Shoals Town Marshal Eckert responded.

5:51 p.m. - Received a report of runaway in Loogootee. Major Burkhardt and Loogootee Captain Hennette responded.

6:00 p.m. - Received an animal complaint in Loogootee. Animal Control Officer Hughett responded.

6:21 p.m. - Received a report of fawn found in Shoals. Animal Control Officer Hughett responded.

7:33 p.m. - Received an animal complaint in Loogootee. Animal Control Officer Hughett responded.

8:10 p.m. - Received an animal complaint in Loogootee. Animal Control Officer Hughett responded.

### WEDNESDAY, JUNE 6

5:53 a.m. - Received a report of reckless driving north of Shoals. Deputy Reed responded.

7:54 a.m. - Chief Deputy Greene took one inmate to court.

8:51 a.m. - Received a report of an accident on US Hwy 231, south of Loogootee. ISP Trooper Beaver, Loogootee Captain Hennette, Martin County Ambulance, and Loogootee Fire Department responded.

9:49 a.m. - Received an animal complaint in Loogootee. Loogootee Captain Hennette responded.

10:00 a.m. - Received an animal complaint in Loogootee. Animal Control Officer Hughett responded.

10:50 a.m. - Received a report of harassment in Shoals. Major Burkhardt responded.

11:45 a.m. - Received a request for vehicle identification check in Shoals. Major Burkhardt responded.

12:42 p.m. - Received a report of civil dispute in Crane. Major Burkhardt responded.

12:48 p.m. - Chief Deputy Greene took one inmate to court.

3:39 p.m. - Sheriff Roush took three inmates to court.

3:39 p.m. - Major Burkhardt took one inmate to court.

4:39 p.m. - Received a request for ambulance in Shoals. Martin County Ambulance responded and transported one subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

5:43 p.m. - Received a report of commercial burglar alarm east of Loogootee. ISP responded. Everything checked out okay.

5:48 p.m. - Received a noise complaint in Shoals. Major Burkhardt responded.

6:34 p.m. - Received a report of an accident in Shoals. Shoals Town Mar-

shal Eckert responded.

7:50 p.m. - Received a report of tree limbs down on US Hwy 150. Shoals Fire Department responded.

8:18 p.m. - Received a report of reckless driving on US Hwy 231, north of Loogootee. Major Burkhardt responded.

8:58 p.m. - Received an animal complaint in Loogootee. Animal Control Officer Hughett responded.

### THURSDAY, JUNE 7

4:45 a.m. - Received a request for ambulance in Shoals. Martin County Ambulance and Shoals Fire Department responded. Martin County Ambulance transported one subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

5:24 a.m. - Received a request for ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded.

7:48 a.m. - Captain Dant took one inmate to court.

9:00 a.m. - Received a noise complaint in Loogootee. Loogootee Chief Rayhill responded.

9:43 a.m. - Received an animal complaint in Loogootee. Animal Control Officer Hughett responded.

9:57 a.m. - Chief Deputy Greene assisted a motorist in Shoals.

10:23 a.m. - Received a report of abandoned vehicle on US Hwy 150 and suspicious person walking. Chief Deputy Greene and ISP Trooper Lents responded.

1:25 p.m. - Received a report of reckless driving in Loogootee. Loogootee Captain Hennette responded.

1:55 p.m. - Captain Dant took one inmate to court.

2:25 p.m. - Captain Dant took one inmate to court.

3:22 p.m. - Received a request for ambulance in Shoals. Martin County Ambulance responded and transported one subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

4:30 p.m. - Received a report of harassment in Shoals. Major Burkhardt responded.

6:20 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Shoals. Martin County Ambulance and Shoals Fire Department responded. Martin County Ambulance transported one subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

11:47 p.m. - Received a report of residential burglar alarm in Loogootee. Deputy Shinn responded. Everything checked out okay.

### FRIDAY, JUNE 8

12:33 a.m. - Received a report of car-deer accident on Hwy 550. Deputy Shinn responded.

12:59 a.m. - Received a report of car-deer accident on Hwy 450. Deputy Shinn responded.

3:36 a.m. - Received a report of car-deer accident on Hwy 450. Deputy Shinn responded.

6:05 a.m. - Received a request for ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded.

8:30 a.m. - Received a request for vehicle identification check, south of Loogootee. Major Burkhardt responded.

9:58 a.m. - Received a report of verbal dispute in Loogootee. Loogootee Officer McBeth responded.

12:00 p.m. - Received a report of theft in Loogootee. Major Burkhardt responded.

5:19 p.m. - Received a report of commercial burglar alarm in Loogootee. Loogootee Officer Floyd responded.

ed. Everything checked out okay.

6:21 p.m. - Received an animal complaint in Shoals. Animal Control Officer Hughett responded.

9:24 p.m. - Received a report of domestic dispute in Crane. Major Burkhardt, Deputy Shinn, ISP Trooper Watson and Martin County Ambulance responded.

### SATURDAY, JUNE 9

2:12 a.m. - Received a report of domestic dispute in Shoals. Deputy Shinn responded.

8:29 a.m. - Received a report of vehicle theft in Loogootee. Loogootee Officer McBeth responded.

8:57 a.m. - Received a report of check fraud in Loogootee. Loogootee Officer McBeth responded.

11:00 a.m. - Received a report of property dispute in Shoals. Sergeant Keller responded.

11:06 a.m. - Received a report of domestic dispute in Shoals. Sergeant Keller responded.

1:25 p.m. - Received a report of accident in Loogootee. Loogootee Officer McBeth responded.

1:33 p.m. - Received a report of controlled burn in Loogootee.

4:00 p.m. - Received a request for ambulance in Crane. Martin County Ambulance and Crane Fire Department responded.

4:27 p.m. - Received a report of tree across Chicken Farm Road. Shoals Fire Department responded.

5:10 p.m. - Received a report of tree across Hwy 550. Shoals Fire Department responded.

6:45 p.m. - Received a report of reckless driving on Hwy 50. Deputy Reed responded.

11:28 p.m. - Received a request for ambulance in Shoals. Martin County Ambulance, Shoals Fire Department, Deputy Reed, and Deputy Shinn responded. Martin County Ambulance transported one subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

### SUNDAY, JUNE 10

7:08 a.m. - Received an animal complaint in Shoals. Sergeant Keller and Animal Control Officer Hughett responded.

7:40 a.m. - Received a request for patient transport from Jasper Memorial Hospital. Sergeant Keller assisted.

9:00 a.m. - Received a report of tree in roadway on US Hwy 50. Sergeant Keller and Animal Control Officer Hughett responded.

10:00 a.m. - Received a report of tree down on Rama Dye Road. Shoals Fire Department responded.

10:24 a.m. - Received an animal complaint in Shoals. Animal Control Officer Hughett responded.

12:15 p.m. - Received a report of reckless driving in Loogootee. Loogootee Officer McBeth responded.

2:30 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. ISP Trooper Beaver and Martin County Ambulance responded.

3:43 p.m. - Received a report of reckless driving on US Hwy 50. Sergeant Keller responded.

8:00 p.m. - Received a report of tree down on Abel Hill Road. Shoals Fire Department responded.

11:21 p.m. - Received a report of commercial burglar alarm in Loogootee. Loogootee Sergeant Norris and Deputy Reed responded. Everything checked out okay.

# COURT NEWS

## CRIMINAL CONVICTIONS AND SENTENCINGS

**April 30**

Andrea M. Qualkenbush, convicted of maintaining a common nuisance – controlled substances, a Class A Misdemeanor, amended from a Class 6 Felony. Sentenced to serve 1 year with 365 days suspended and credit for 1 actual day previously served plus 1 Class A credit day. Defendant received 1 year of probation.

**May 2**

Jacob R. Nonte, convicted of operating a vehicle while intoxicated endangering a person, a Class A Misdemeanor. Sentenced to serve 60 days with 58 days suspended and credit for 1 actual day previously served plus 1 Class A credit day. Defendant received 11 months of probation.

## CRIMINAL CHARGES DISMISSED

**April 30**

Andrea M. Qualkenbush, possession of methamphetamine, a Class 6 Felony, dismissed; possession of marijuana, a Class B Misdemeanor, dismissed; possession of paraphernalia, a Class C Misdemeanor, dismissed.

**May 2**

Jacob R. Nonte, operating a vehicle with an ACE of .15 or more, a Class A Misdemeanor, dismissed; illegal consumption of an alcoholic beverage, a Class C Misdemeanor, dismissed.

## CIVIL COURT

### New Suits Filed

**May 30**

Capital One Bank vs. Joe Turano,

civil collection.

**May 31**

Cavalry SPV I, LLC vs. Kevin Gillick, civil collection.

**June 4**

Crane Credit Union vs. Jennifer Palacio, civil collection.

## SMALL CLAIMS COURT

### New Suits Filed

**May 30**

Katie R. Graber vs. Cindy Winger and Nick Clingerman, complaint.

**May 31**

Russell and Janet Qualkenbush vs. Melvin Graber, complaint.

**June 1**

Hoosier Accounts Service vs. Anthony S. Wilson, complaint.

Hoosier Accounts Service vs. Tara Cronin, complaint.

Hoosier Accounts Service vs. Brandon N. McKibben, complaint.

Hoosier Accounts Service vs. Makayla D. Hill, complaint.

**June 5**

Property Sure vs. Eric Henry, complaint.

Property Sure vs. Rusty Stinson, complaint.

## SMALL CLAIMS JUDGMENTS

**June 5**

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Crane Credit Union and against the defendant Bradly A. Dotterweich in the amount of \$1,601.83.

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Crane Credit Union and against the defendant Ashley N. Newkirk in the amount of \$984.40.

## MARRIAGE LICENSES

**June 7**

Raymond K. Chesser II of Loogootee and Tina M. Wilson of Loogootee.

**June 8**

Waylon W. McGuire of Loogootee and Shelly P. Petty of Loogootee.

# ARRESTS

**TUESDAY, JUNE 5**

7:40 p.m. - Anthony Wilson, 41, of Shoals, was arrested by Shoals Town Marshal Eckert and charged with invasion of privacy and is being held without bond. Major Burkhardt assisted with the arrest.

8:22 p.m. - Amanda Wilson, 41, of Shoals, was arrested by Shoals Town Marshal Eckert and charged with invasion of privacy. She is being held without bond. Major Burkhardt assisted with the arrest.

**WEDNESDAY, JUNE 6**

12:51 p.m. - Matthew Evans, 36, of Bedford, was arrested by ISP Trooper Lents on a Lawrence County warrant and charged with driving while suspended-prior. He is being held on a \$20,000 10% bond.

**THURSDAY, JUNE 7**

11:11 a.m. - Joseph Monsewicz, 31, of French Lick, was arrested by ISP Trooper Lents and charged with operating while intoxicated-refusal and leaving the scene of an accident. He is being held on a \$20,000 10% bond. Chief Deputy Greene assisted with the arrest.

1:53 p.m. - Robert Goldsberry, 48, of Shoals, was arrested by ISP Trooper Lents on a Martin County warrant and is being held without bond. Chief Deputy Greene assisted.

**FRIDAY, JUNE 8**

7:00 p.m. - Brittany Erwin, 31, of Shoals, was arrested by Major Burkhardt on a Martin County warrant and is being held without bond.

11:19 p.m. - Steven Craig, 45, of Crane, was arrested by ISP Trooper Watson and charged with domestic battery and resisting law enforcement. He is being held without bond. Major Burkhardt and Deputy Shinn assisted with the arrest.

# Loogootee Police log

**MONDAY, JUNE 4**

4:20 a.m. - Sgt. Norris assisted the county with a vehicle accident.

6:50 a.m. - Caller reported a loose dog on Cherry Street.

8:50 a.m. - Caller reported an alley being blocked near SE 1<sup>st</sup> Street.

10:20 a.m. - ATM towed an abandoned vehicle on Queen Street.

2:05 p.m. - Caller reported a civil complaint.

7:35 p.m. - Caller requested a welfare check on a male.

10:04 p.m. - Caller reported a possible intoxicated driver on Butcher Boulevard.

**TUESDAY, JUNE 5**

9:15 a.m. - Male requested a vehicle identification check.

10:05 a.m. - Caller reported a dog complaint on North Street. Animal Control was contacted.

11:59 a.m. - Female reported a juvenile complaint.

1:40 p.m. - Caller reported a dog complaint on North Line Street.

6:35 p.m. - Male reported a speeding vehicle on US231.

10:07 p.m. - Caller reported a suspicious vehicle on US 231.

**WEDNESDAY, JUNE 6**

8:51 a.m. - First responders were requested on US 231 for a one-vehicle accident.

9:49 a.m. - Caller reported an animal complaint on Wood Street.

2:53 p.m. - Caller requested a welfare check on a female.

5:55 p.m. - Male requested a vehicle identification check.

11:57 p.m. - Male reported harassing text messages.

**THURSDAY, JUNE 7**

9:02 a.m. - Male reported a loud noise on Cooper Street.

1:25 p.m. - Caller reported intoxicated males at a residence.

1:35 p.m. - Caller reported a parking complaint at a local business.

6:45 p.m. - Female reported a reckless driver on Hwy 50.

9:45 p.m. - Caller reported a possible intoxicated driver on US 231.

**FRIDAY, JUNE 8**

8:45 a.m. - Male reported an abandoned vehicle.

2:15 p.m. - Caller reported a speeding vehicle on Hwy 50.

5:24 p.m. - Officer McBeth responded to a business alarm.

7:15 p.m. - Female called and reported a reckless driver on Park Street.

10:24 p.m. - Male requested a welfare check on a female.

**SATURDAY, JUNE 9**

8:29 a.m. - Male reported his vehicle had been stolen from Walker Street.

1:25 p.m. - Caller reported a property damage accident in the Smith's dental office parking lot.

4:01 p.m. - First responders were requested on Stark Street for a medical call.

8:45 p.m. - Caller reported a reckless vehicle on US 231.

11:05 p.m. - Caller reported a suspicious vehicle on Hwy 50.

**SUNDAY, JUNE 10**

9:14 a.m. - Caller reported a 911 hang-up on East Broadway.

12:15 p.m. - Caller reported a reckless driver on Hwy 50.

1:06 p.m. - Caller reported an unlocked business.

1:20 p.m. - Female reported a civil complaint.

2:15 p.m. - Caller reported a 911 hang-up from Bowling Trailer Court.

2:30 p.m. - Officer McBeth assisted the ambulance service.

7:24 p.m. - Caller reported a hit-and-run accident in the Dairy Master parking lot.

10:05 p.m. - Caller reported a loud music complaint in Shaded Estates.

## Real estate transfers

**Larry W. Kemp and Norma R. Kemp**, of Martin County, Indiana to **Dennis Miller and Rosanna Miller**, of Martin County, Indiana, a portion of the southeast quarter of the southwest quarter of Section 8, Township 3 North, Range 4 West of the Second Principal Meridian, Perry Township, Martin County, Indiana, containing 0.859 acres, more or less.

**Linda Howe**, of Clinton County, Indiana to **Northern Property & Development, LLC**, of Martin County, Indiana, a part of the southeast quarter of the northeast quarter of Section 10 and the southwest quarter of the northwest quarter of Section 11, both in Township 2 North, Range 3 West, Halbert Township, Martin County, Indiana, containing 79.943 acres, more or less.

**Anthony W. Holt and Amy J. Holt**, of Cherokee County, North Carolina to **Larry R. Rainey and Terese A. Rainey**, of Daviess County, Indiana, a part of Section 10, Township 3 North, Range 4 West, Martin County, Indiana, containing 1.28 acres, more or less.

**Cameron S. Truelove and Krista S. Truelove**, of Martin County, Indiana to **Ryan J. Allen**, of Martin County, Indiana, approximately 1/5 of an acre, more or less, in Section 13, Township 3 North, Range 5 West, along the Daviess and Martin County Line.

**John Donald Hickman**, by Kelly S. Bridgewater, Power of Attorney, of Marion County, Indiana to **Aaron T. Bridgewater**, of Martin County, Indiana, Lot No. 73 in Keck's Addition to the Town, now City of Loogootee, Indiana. Also, 10 feet of even width off of the southside of Lot Number 74 in Keck's Addition to the Town, now City of Loogootee, Indiana.



The Martin County Veteran Service Officer has an office in the Martin County Courthouse. An appointment is necessary. For assistance, call 812-247-2210; transportation needs call 812-247-2450 and leave a message or e-mail martincountyvso2013@yahoo.com. Calls are returned on Tuesday and Thursday.

During the month of May, the veteran service officer assisted four veterans and had three meetings. The veterans' van took seven trips transporting seven veterans to VA medical centers and clinics.

**DRIVERS NEEDED** for the veterans' van. I am aware that we all have very busy lives and very little free time which is why I am looking for reliable drivers to add to my call list. I am looking for **VOLUNTEERS** that are willing to transport a veteran possibly one trip a week to medical appointments at VA hospital and clinics in the surrounding area. This is not a paid position. You must have an Indiana license and a clean driving record. If interested, please contact me.

The veterans' van only transports to appointments at VA hospitals and clinics. You must contact me for transportation needs. Do NOT contact the driver's directly, they do not have the

van schedule. The veterans' van is not a part of the DAV program, it is funded by Martin County taxpayers so we only transport Martin County residents.

The veterans' van will only transport to Indianapolis and Northern clinics on Tuesday and Thursday, Louisville and New Albany on Wednesday and Friday and Southern clinics on Monday's. The veterans' van will NOT leave the recycling center earlier than 7 a.m. Please schedule your appointments accordingly.

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

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## More Neat Stuff

By Ann Ackerman



They're Back! Those wonderful Church Bulletins! Thank God for the church ladies with typewriters. These sentences actually appeared in church bulletins or were announced at church services:

1. The Fasting & Prayer Conference includes meals.
2. Scouts are saving aluminum cans, bottles and other items to be recycled. Proceeds will be used to cripple children.
3. The sermon this morning: 'Jesus Walks on the Water.' The sermon tonight: 'Searching for Jesus.'
4. Ladies, don't forget the rummage sale. It's a chance to get rid of those things not worth keeping around the house. Bring your husbands.
5. Don't let worry kill you off - let the Church congregation.
6. For those of you who have children and don't know it, we have a nursery downstairs.
7. Next Thursday there will be try-outs for the choir. They need all the help they can get.
8. Irving Benson and Jessie Carter were married on October 24 in the church. So, ends a friendship that began in their school days.
9. A bean supper will be held on Tuesday evening in the church hall. Music will follow.
10. At the evening service tonight, the sermon topic will be 'What Is Hell?' Come early and listen to our choir practice.
11. Eight new choir robes are currently needed due to the addition of several new members and to the deterioration of some older ones.
12. Please place your donation in the envelope along with the deceased person you want remembered.
13. The church will host an evening of fine dining, super entertainment and gracious hostility.
14. Pot-luck supper Sunday at 5 p.m. - prayer and medication to follow.
15. The ladies of the Church have cast off clothing of every kind. They may be seen in the basement on Friday afternoon.
16. This evening at 7 p.m. there will be a hymn singing in the park across from the Church. Bring a blanket and come prepared to sin.
17. The pastor would appreciate it if the ladies of the Congregation would lend him their electric girdles for the pancake breakfast next Sunday.
18. Low Self Esteem Support Group will meet Thursday at 7 p.m. Please use the back door.
19. The eighth-graders will be presenting Shakespeare's Hamlet in the Church basement Friday at 7 p.m. The congregation is invited to attend this tragedy.
20. Weight Watchers will meet at 7 p.m. at the First Presbyterian Church. Please use large double door at the side entrance.
21. And this one just about sums them all up. The Associate Minister unveiled the church's new campaign slogan last Sunday: 'I Upped My Pledge - Up Yours.'

THOUGHTS:

\*Don't worry about the people who aren't happy for you. They probably aren't happy for themselves either.

\*How you make others feel about themselves says a lot about you.

### HMM THOUGHTS:

\*Dear Life, when I said, "Can this day get any worse?" that was a rhetorical question, not a challenge.

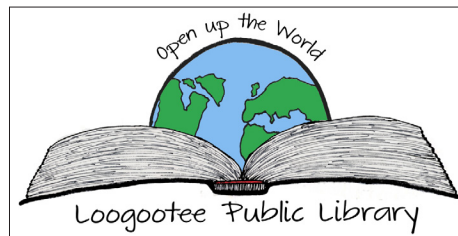
\*I wish everything in life was as easy as getting fat is.

\*Romaine lettuce is being recalled because it's causing E.Coli. And I can't say I'm surprised a salad is trying to kill us. All I'm saying is a donut would never pull this stunt.

\*I'm a multi-tasking procrastinator. I can put off a bunch of stuff all at the same time.

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

Make someone smile today!



### BY DARLA WAGLER

Librarian, Loogootee Public Library

During Summerfest, on Friday, June 15 and Saturday, June 16 from 5-8, Friends of Loogootee Library will have a strawberry shortcake fundraiser with all proceeds going toward the new library. Betty Huelsman is baking the shortcakes, homemade ice cream from Brusters in Bloomington, fresh strawberries and whipped cream all for a suggested donation of \$5. Stop by and support the library and enjoy some awesome strawberry shortcake.

### NEW BOOKS:

Mystery Fiction: "The Moscow Deception" by Karen Robards and "The Pharaoh Key" by Preston & Child.

Inspirational Fiction: "The Hawaiian Discovery" by Wanda Brunstetter, "Arms of Mercy" by Rith Reid, and "Hiding in Plain Sight" by Mary Ellis.

Non-Fiction: "Life After Darkness" by Michelle Knight.

DVDs: "I Can Only Imagine" and "Sherlock Gnomes"

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

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## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### Commissioners' executive meeting

The Martin County Board of Commissioners will meet in executive session on Wednesday, June 13 at 5:30 p.m. in the commissioners' room of the courthouse in Shoals. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss personnel records classified as confidential by state and federal statutes as authorized by I.C. 5-14-1.5-5.1 (b)(7). The meeting is closed to the public.

### Shoals School Board meeting

The Shoals School Board will meet Thursday, June 14 at 6 p.m. in the central administration office. The meeting is open to the public.

### Chamber meeting

The Martin County Chamber of Commerce will meet Wednesday, June 20 at noon at West Boggs Park in the activity building. They will have a guest speaker from the Purdue Center for Regional Development who will do a presentation on the broadband study. Anyone interested is invited to attend.

### St. Mary's Reunion

St. Mary's Barr Twp. Reunion this year is on Saturday, June 23 at the American Legion (Country Club). The country club is located next to the Martin County Recycle Center. Take Hwy. 231 east out of Loogootee, turn left across from the White River Co-op (was Farm Bureau). From there it's at the bottom of the hill on the right. The reunion will start at 11 a.m. and attendees can stay all day. Bring your own food, drinks, plates, and etc. Please bring photos of first communions, confirmation, weddings, etc. that took place at St. Mary's Church.

### Food pantry hours

The Loogootee United Methodist Food Pantry will be open the first, second, third and fifth Thursdays of the month from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. and also

## Notes from the WIC Nutritionist

### BY ELIZABETH WHITE

Martin County WIC Nutritionist and Breastfeeding Coordinator

Did you know that it is normal for infants to wake through the night? Babies have different sleep patterns than adults. When your baby wakes at night to eat or to be cuddled, it is not that they are being "bad" or "spoiled," they are behaving like a normal healthy baby. So, the next time someone asks you if your baby is sleeping all night say, "No, my baby is healthy and wakes when she needs something."

We hope to see you at our annual Martin County festivals. Look for our Lactation Station at both the Loogootee SummerFest and Shoals Catfish festivals. Kids can receive a beach ball after answering a simple nutrition question.

The WIC program provides supplemental nutritional foods, referrals, breastfeeding support, and nutrition education for pregnant women, nursing women, infants, and children 1-5 years. The Martin Co WIC clinic is open Monday and Friday 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and Tuesday 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Please call 247-3303 to make an appointment. To contact the Breastfeeding Peer Counselor, text or call 812-675-1083.

This institution is an equal opportunity provider.

the first Monday of the month from 5-6:30 p.m.

### Free lunch for kids

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

### SOAR Tutoring

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

### Tourism meetings

The MCCC Tourism Committee meets on the third Thursday of each month at 5:30 p.m. at Loughmiller Machine, 12851 E 150 N, Loogootee. The public is invited to attend.

### Humane society meetings

The Martin County Humane Society meets on the third Friday of the month at the animal shelter at 507 N Oak Street in Loogootee, at 5:30 p.m.

### Solid waste board

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

### Soil and Water meetings

The Martin County SWCD meets the third Monday of the month at the SWCD office located at Martin County Learning Center. Office hours are 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. weekdays except Thursdays when it is closed. Visit [www.martinswcd.com](http://www.martinswcd.com) or call at 295-3149.

### Attention Senior Citizens

The Loogootee Senior Citizen Center, located in the annex building attached to JFK Gym on JFK Avenue in Loogootee provides activities for seniors every Monday and Thursday from 8 a.m. to noon. For \$5 a year, seniors can participate in Euchre tournaments, games, puzzles, etc., with other local seniors. Anyone interested is welcome to stop by, there are no age or residency requirements to participate. Seniors are also offered lunch at the Loogootee Senior Center every Monday and Thursday. A freewill donation is requested. Call 812-295-3130 to make a reservation.

### Loogootee United Methodist Church to hold VBS June 18

The Loogootee United Methodist Church will be hosting a Vacation Bible School (VBS) program from Monday, June 18 to Friday, June 22 from 6 to 8:30 p.m. each evening. All children, from the age of 3 to those entering 7th grade, are invited to attend this program. They will hear Bible stories, do crafts, sing, have games and snacks, and have science experiments. All children attending the VBS program will receive a t-shirt. A light meal will be served each evening at 5:30 p.m. Registration forms can be found at the church office or the church website [loogooteeumc.org](http://loogooteeumc.org). All children who are registered by Friday, June 15, will receive a prize and their t-shirt will be ready on the first night of VBS. For more information, call the LUMC office at 812-295-3049.

## Extension food safety specialist: Consumers can be confident about Indiana melon crop

BY DARRIN PACK  
Purdue University News Service

Following the recall of pre-cut melon products sold in eight states - including Indiana - due to possible Salmonella contamination, Scott Monroe, Purdue Extension food safety educator, is reassuring consumers about the safety of the state's melon crop.

"The recalled melons were grown elsewhere," Monroe said. "The 2018 Indiana cantaloupe and watermelon crops are planted and growing in the southwestern part of the state, but are not yet ready for harvest."

Indiana producers take food safety very seriously, he added.

"There are a variety of practices that reduce the risk of contamination at the farm level," Monroe said. "Among these are testing irrigation water, use of sanitizers in wash water, and employee training programs."

Amanda Deering, clinical assistant professor in Purdue's Department of

Food Science, noted that most Indiana watermelons and cantaloupes are produced on farms where food safety practices are monitored by third-party audits.

"Growers are audited annually to ensure that they are implementing and maintaining aggressive food safety programs on their farms," she said. "In most cases, the requirements of the third-party audits are more stringent than current Food and Drug Administration guidelines."

Monroe said Hoosier melon producers were looking forward to safe, bountiful crop.

"Our Indiana growers are doing everything they can to reduce the risk of on-farm contamination by a foodborne pathogen to the lowest possible level," he said. "In spite of the recent recall, watermelon and cantaloupe lovers across the state will be able to purchase and enjoy Indiana melons with confidence once the 2018 crop is ready for harvest."

## Participants sought for DNR Community Hunting Access Program coordinator training

The DNR is seeking people to participate in training on July 11 to become a coordinator for the Community Hunting Access Program (CHAP).

CHAP is an initiative through the DNR Division of Fish & Wildlife to increase hunting opportunities for deer in urban and suburban areas. Doing so can help alleviate human-deer conflicts. CHAP provides community partners with financial and technical assistance to administer hunting programs in their communities.

As part of the program, managed hunts are administered by a certified CHAP coordinator trained in hunting safety, deer biology and public relations. The community partner determines when and where managed hunts occur, what hunters can participate, and which certified CHAP coordinator they use or contract.

Training for people interested in becoming a certified CHAP coordinator will take place on July 11. Before attending training, those interested in becoming a CHAP coordinator must complete the following prerequisites:

1) Any state-sponsored Hunter Education certification.

2) Any DFW-Approved Firearms In-

structor Training. Examples include: National Rifle Association (NRA) Firearm Instructor Training, Indiana Hunter Education Instructor Academy, 4-H Shooting Sports Instructor Certification, etc.

3) Any DFW-Approved Formal Deer Hunting Training. Examples include: NRA Hunter Clinic Instructor Program Certification, QDMA Deer Steward 1 Certification, etc.

4) Provide name and birthdate for routine DNR background check.

To sign up for coordinator training, or for questions regarding prerequisites, email south region urban biologist Megan Dillon at mdillon@dnr.IN.gov.

The community application deadline for 2018 CHAP funding and participation has passed (March 31, 2018). Communities interested in participating in 2019 should visit the CHAP webpage and contact their wildlife biologist.

For more information on CHAP, the grant application, and the current certified CHAP Coordinators list, see wildlife.IN.gov/9420.htm. Contact information for wildlife biologist by county is at wildlife.IN.gov/2716.htm.



Warning: This column contains information about sex and may not be appropriate for all readers.

June 18 to 24 has been proclaimed as Pollinator Week. The fact that pollinators get a whole week of recognition shows just how important they are. Many of our food crops and virtually all of the flowers we enjoy depend on pollinators to produce seed. In the past couple of years, there has been a lot of publicity about pollinators. Much of this publicity comes from various studies that indicate that the number of pollinators is in decline. That is of concern not only for gardeners, but for everyone who eats.

Pollination is the act of carrying the pollen from the anther or male part of a flower to the stigma or female part of another flower. The creator has encoded within every plant the goal of reproducing itself. Pollination is necessary to reach that goal, causing the plant to form seeds, which will germinate and result in the next generation of plants.

In some plants, the pollen is easily released into the air. The pollen is then carried on the wind and enough reaches the desired destination to complete the pollination process. This is the type of pollen that causes the runny noses and itchy eyes that many of us have been experiencing. In general, these plants do not have flowers that are showy. Many trees and all grasses and grain crops are pollinated in this way. That is why it is important to plant corn in blocks instead of one straight row. The block increases the likelihood that the pollen of one plant will reach the stigma of another.

Plants that have showy flowers do not normally release pollen into the air. The pollen of such plants is generally larger than that of wind-pollinated plants and is usually sticky, requiring a pollinator to carry it to another plant. Pollinators take many forms. When you walk through the garden, pollen may stick to you and you may unconsciously transfer it to another plant. Any animal that passes through the garden may do the same. However, the most common pollinators are birds and insects.

In general, plants are either monoecious or dioecious. On dioecious plants, all of the flowers are either male or female, so it is absolutely imperative that a pollinator carry the pollen from the male plant to the female to complete pollination.

## ANIMAL SHELTER Pet of the Week



**KITTENS!** The The Martin County Humane Society Animal Shelter is full of kittens! The shelter is located at 507 N. Oak Street in Loogootee. Shelter hours are Monday and Wednesday 5-7 p.m. and Saturday 11 a.m.-2 p.m. To see all available animals, visit [www.humanesociety-ofmartincounty.org](http://www.humanesociety-ofmartincounty.org).

plete pollination. The most known of these dioecious plants in southern Indiana are persimmons and all types of holly. To get fruit on the persimmons or berries on the female hollies, there must be a male plant in the vicinity. Fortunately, plants are not monogamous and a single male plant will produce enough pollen to pollinate several females. Since some pollinators travel relatively long distances, you may not need to have the male yourself as long as there is one in the neighborhood.

Monoecious plants produce both male and female flowers on the same plant or produce perfect flowers. Perfect flowers contain both anthers (male) and stigma (female) parts in a single flower. They are sometimes referred as bisexual flowers. Pollination in these flowers may occur within a single flower or within different flowers on the same plant. In perfect flowers, the anthers are usually longer than the stigma, which allows the pollen to drop down without the help of a pollinator. However, to keep a population healthy, it is necessary to have some inter-plant pollination. Some plants are choosy about the pollen they accept and will only complete pollination with other plants of the same species. Others are more promiscuous and will accept pollen from other related plants within the same genus or even from closely-related genera. This is important to plant breeders, who use this to create new and more showy plants for our gardens.

Next week, we will continue the discourse on pollination and the lesson about the birds and the bees.

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