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## Commissioners discuss bridge inspection contract, dust control

BY COURTNEY HUGHETT  
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The Martin County Commissioners discussed the next four years of bridge inspections at their meeting Tuesday night, June 20. Brent Roberts, with BF&S, explained his firm's next four-year contract and what changes were included. He said the cost of the next four years of inspections will be \$272,467. The last contract was for \$253,649. Roberts explained that the county is only responsible for paying 20 percent of the contract and INDOT pays the other 80 percent.

Commissioner Dan Gregory asked if the bridge inspections are no longer put out for bids. Roberts said that the commissioners chose based on the qualifications of the firm, who are rated by INDOT. He said that if they are unhappy with the contract presented,

they could go through negotiations with the firm. If negotiations didn't work out, the county could then go with the next best qualified firm for bridge inspections.

INDOT does have to approve the contract and will notify the firm if they feel it is overpriced.

Gregory said he felt the competitive pricing element was missing going this route.

County Attorney Dave Lett said he would like the opportunity to review the contract prior to it being sent to INDOT for approval. The commissioners agreed.

County resident Dale Tedrow asked whether some of the grant money the county is applying for was going to be used for dust control. He explained that the area in front of his home was badly in need of it. He also (See 'COMMISSIONERS' on page 2)

## Martin County's unemployment rate at 2.4 percent for May

BY COURTNEY HUGHETT  
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Martin County's unemployment rate went down just a bit in May to 2.4 percent, from 2.5 percent in April. The county had the 17<sup>th</sup> lowest jobless rate of the 92 Indiana counties for May, tied with 10 other counties.

In May, the county had 5,190 residents in the workforce and 127 of them were unemployed. In April, there were 5,047 residents able to work and 125 of them were without jobs. In May of last year, Martin County's jobless rate was 3.9 percent with 5,277 residents in the workforce and 208 of them without jobs.

Dubois County's unemployment rate went up just a bit to 2 percent in May, from 1.9 percent the month before. The county held on to the top spot in the state for the lowest unemployment, tied with Adams and LaGrange counties.

In May, the county had 23,790 residents in the workforce and 483 of them were without jobs. In April, there were 23,249 residents able to work and 437 of them were unemployed. In May of 2016, Dubois County's unemployment rate was 2.9 percent with 23,854 residents in the workforce and 702 of them without jobs.

Daviess County's unemployment rate also went up, from 2 percent in April to 2.1 percent in May. The county had the fourth lowest jobless rate in the state in May, tied with Elkhart County.

In May, the county had 16,264 residents in the workforce with 335 of them without jobs. In April, there were 15,812 residents able to work and 309 of them were unemployed. In May of last year, Daviess County's unemploy-

ment rate was 3.3 percent with 16,387 residents in the workforce and 547 of them without jobs.

Greene County's unemployment rate edged up to 3.8 percent in May, from 3.7 percent the month before. The county had the fourth highest unemployment rate in the state for May.

In May, the county had 13,610 residents in the workforce with 517 of them without jobs. In April, there were 13,611 residents able to work and 506 of them unemployed. In May of 2016, Greene County's jobless rate was 6.2 percent with 13,880 residents in the workforce and 858 of them unemployed.

The top ten spots in the state for the lowest jobless rate for May were LaGrange, Dubois, and Adams counties at 2 percent; Daviess and Elkhart counties at 2.1 percent; and Wells, Kosciusko, Hamilton, Boone, and Bartholomew counties at 2.2 percent.

The top ten spots in the state for the highest jobless rate for May were Vermillion County at 4.2 percent, Fayette and Lake counties at 4 percent, Greene County at 3.8 percent, Newton County at 3.7 percent, Lawrence County at 3.6 percent, LaPorte and Owen counties at 3.5 percent; Delaware County at 3.4 percent, and Crawford, Sullivan and Vigo counties at 3.3 percent.

Indiana's unemployment rate stands at 3.2 percent for May and remains lower than the national rate of 4.3 percent. The unemployment rate is a U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) indicator that reflects the number of unemployed people as a percentage of the labor force.

Indiana's labor force decreased by 2,062 over the previous month with an 8,946 increase in employment and an (See 'RATE' continued on page 2)



## Summerfest 2017

-Photo by Joshua Hughett

Summerfest Royalty was crowned last Thursday night, on the opening night of the festival. From left to right are Tiny Tot Aubri Gilbertson, Little Miss Montana Shultz, Junior Miss Cammie Sanders and Queen Mallory Berry.



-Photo by Susan Wittmer

Carolyn and Ira Clark served as this year's Grand Marshals for the Summerfest Parade last Saturday evening.



-Photo by Courtney Hughett

Martin County Sheriff's Deputy Josh Harmon took on the bite of Virka, the K9 partner of Deputy Tyler Reed at a demonstration at the Summerfest on Saturday evening. Virka showed the crowd how she takes down the bad guys and how she helps in vehicle stops.

MORE SUMMERFEST PHOTOS ON PAGE 10

# RATE

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11,008 decrease in unemployment. Indiana's total labor force stands at more than 3.33 million, and the state's 64.5 percent labor force participation rate remains above the national rate of 62.7 percent.

"Indiana continues to see its unemployment rate remain at levels not seen for nearly two decades. The state's strong economy and the growing workforce needs of businesses are the main drivers of this," said Steven J. Braun, Commissioner of the Indiana Department of Workforce Development (DWD). "Those who are unemployed or feel they are underemployed are urged to stay positive and take advantage of the resources and job assistance programs offered by their local WorkOne Career Centers."

Braun added that Indiana continues to see a decline in unemployment insurance claims, which he believes is directly related to a constricting labor market. Meeting employer demand of the more than one million jobs that are projected to be filled over the next 10 years presents both an opportunity and a challenge in developing the state's workforce, he noted.

Employment by Sector  
Private sector employment has grown by more than 36,100 over the year, and has increased by 2,500 over the previous month, primarily due to gains in the Private Educational & Health Services (3,100) and the Construction (2,100) sectors. Gains were

partially offset by losses in the Transportation, Trade and Utilities (-4,100) and the Manufacturing (-2,500) sectors. Total private employment stands at 2,680,800 and is 3,900 above the November 2016 peak.

## Loogootee Elementary Term Four Honor Roll THIRD GRADE

High Honors: Paxton Arvin, Mason Britton, Cami Crays, Brody Gilbertson, Joe Graber, Olivia Nonte, and Owen Tompkins.

Honor Roll: Anderson Aiman, Chloe Allen, Julianna Baker, Carson Brown, Brooklyn Carrico, Riley Jones, Colt Kerns, Brooklyn Knepp, Macy Knepp, Chloe Lawson, Dax Lee, Marley McAtee, Madison Nail, Chloe Ramsey, Montana Scales, Savanna Sitzman, Noah Smith, Libby Taylor, Declan Todd, Bailee VanMeter, and Evan Williams.

FOURTH GRADE  
High Honors: Ryken Chandler, Brianna Eckerle, Ashley Green, Luke Guy, Kennedy Huff, Judith Park, Ella Parker, and Koen Waggner.

Honor Roll: Anistyn Aiman, Britta Browder, Amber Cagle, Landon Campbell, Abigail Chapman, Olivia Christmas, Breanna Courter, Noah Esch, AJ Foster, Gunner Fox, Ava Fuhrman, Kayden Honeycutt, Kendall Kemp, Emma Lingenfelter, Dylan Norris, Spencer Stevens, Isaac Tarr, Madison Wagoner, Maren Walters, Wade Walton, Macey Wathen, Ruger Wathen, Cacia Wilcoxon, and Donna Yang.

# COMMISSIONERS

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asked Commissioner Kevin Boyd if it was his company's big trash truck that went down Powell Valley once a week. Boyd replied that he does not have a big trash truck that goes out that way. Tedrow said the truck speeds by and blows up a lot of dust. He added that he hasn't got any dust control done on his road since Boyd has been commissioner in his district. Commissioner Paul George said they do not provide dust control to residents.

Highway Superintendent Leo Padgett said they had chip and sealed the road at one point but much of it is gone. It was mentioned that the road was paved at one time also.

Tedrow said he knows where he can get used motor oil if he is allowed to put that down but he doesn't want to get arrested for putting motor oil on the roads. Commissioner George said he's seen it done in Daviess County but Padgett chimed in that he believes it is highly against the law to use used motor oil and said it is a specific kind of oil that is used in Daviess County. George told Padgett to look into what kind of oil they are using in Daviess County and report back.

Bobbie Abel, serving as the note taker for the meeting in place of the auditor, explained that the courthouse has been having issues with their internet for about six months. Their IT person said the problem is insufficient bandwidth.

The courthouse currently has 15 mb download speed and 2 mb upload speed through NewWave. Abel explained all the plans NewWave offers and the commissioners decided to go with the maximum plan at 100 mb download and 8 mb upload. The courthouse currently pays \$110 a month for internet and the upgrade will increase their bill by another \$110 per month.

Kathy Collins, community corrections director, introduced to the commissioners, Dylan Erwin, a new part-time field officer with her department. Collins said Erwin will be visiting people on home detention. He is currently attending college, majoring in homeland security.

She said Erwin is also working with the reserve deputy program at the sheriff's department.

Collins also gave the commissioners information on a free training workshop on trauma informed care with a doctor, Sandy Washburn, from Indiana University. The workshop will be held July 28 from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the WestGate Academy.

Collins said anyone who works with people in the aftermath of any kind of trauma is encouraged to sign up for the workshop.

The link to register online at <https://goo.gl/forms/7S0PWuPYsfQG-caGD2>.

Anyone with questions can call 812-295-4911 or email [amoney@martincounty.in.gov](mailto:amoney@martincounty.in.gov).

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# Obituaries

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## KATIE STOLL

Katie Stoll passed away at 1:58 a.m. Tuesday, June 20, 2017 at Daviess Community Hospital. A resident of Loogootee, she was 96.



She was born June 1, 1921 in Daviess County; daughter of the late Simon and Lena (Wagler) Kemp.

Katie was a member of First Mennonite Church. She was a lifelong caregiver to her family and foster children. She enjoyed quilting and sewing.

She is survived by her daughter, Cheryl Bland of Odon; step-daughter, Norma Jean (Fred) Lengacher of Loogootee and Ada (Gary) Graber of Montgomery; foster daughter, Patti (Wayne) Young of Odon; foster son, Paul Dale Ervin; one grandchild, six great-grandchildren and three great-great-grandchildren; six step-grandchildren, 14 great-step-grandchildren and three great-great-step-grandchildren; sister, Rosa Miller of Montgomery; brother-in-law, Eli Slaubaugh of Pennsylvania and sister-in-law, Miriam Kemp of Costa Rica.

She was preceded in death by her first husband, Henry Stoll; second husband, Jake Stoll; sisters, Edith (Eli) Wagler and Adeline Slaubaugh; brothers, Leroy Kemp and Dave Kemp; son-in-law, Charles Gilbert; brother-in-law, Amos Miller.

Funeral services will be conducted at 10 a.m. Thursday, June 22 at First Mennonite Church in Montgomery. Burial will follow in Bethel Mennonite Church Cemetery.

Visitation will be held Wednesday, June 21 from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. and 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. at First Mennonite Church.

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

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

## ROSA TEDROW

Rosa Marie Tedrow age 94, passed away at 5:50 p.m. June 17, 2017, at the Loogootee Nursing Center in Loogootee. A resident of Loogootee, she was 94.

She was born January 8, 1923 in Dubois County; daughter of Robert and Maggie (Wininger) Tabor. She attended Crystal Junior High School. She married Leland John Neukam on August 9, 1937 in Paoli and he passed away November 7, 1978, they had six children together. She was baptized on November 7, 1996 at the Loogootee Christian

Church in Loogootee. She was a homemaker most of her life and in earlier years she had worked at Textile, Medco Nursing Center, Arrow Café, Star Tavern, Homestead Restaurant, and cleaned homes for several senior citizens. She enjoyed spending time with family and friends.

Survivors include two daughters, Beverly Meehan of Paoli and Linda Thomas of Loogootee; one son, Gary Neukam of Loogootee; 10 grandchildren, and 19 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents, three sons, Harold Neukam, Donald Neukam, and Roger Neukam; and two sisters, Roma Nail and Daisy Taylor.

A private funeral service will be held today, Wednesday, June 21 at the Queen-Lee Chapel of the Thorne-George Family Funeral Homes and burial will follow immediately afterward in Pleasant Valley Cemetery, Shoals.

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

## PHYLLIS NORRIS

Phyllis A. Norris passed away at Loogootee Healthcare and Rehabilitation Center on Sunday, June 18, 2017 at 5:10 a.m. A resident of Loogootee, she was 81.



She was born in Washington on January 23, 1936; daughter of Carl and Irma (Wuertz) Alberti. She graduated from Washington Catholic High School in 1954. She was a member of Our Lady of Hope Catholic Church.

She is survived by two daughters, Julia (Jerry) Cooper of Charlestown, Indiana and Denise (BJ Baumert) Parsons of Washington; two sons, Jeffrey (Gaye) Norris of Washington and Kent (Darla) Norris of Plainville; sister, Norma VanLue of Washington; seven grandchildren, Kendra Norris, Kendal Norris, Angela (Parsons) Richardson, Makenzie Parsons, Norbert Rehm IV, Catherine England, Jerry Cooper, Jr.; six great grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband, Ernest R. Norris on February 17, 1986, whom she married July 26, 1958; sister, Barbara Hart; brother, Carl Philip Alberti, Jr. and son-in-law, Roger D. Parsons

Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated this morning, Wednesday, June 21 at Our Lady of Hope Catholic Church with Father Paul Ferguson as celebrant. Burial followed in St John Cemetery in Loogootee.

Memorial donations may be made

to Washington Catholic Education Endowment, P.O. Box 916, Washington, Indiana 47501 or the Alzheimers Association, 50 E 91st Street 100, Indianapolis, Indiana 46209-4830.

Condolences may be sent to the family online at [www.edleemortuary.com](http://www.edleemortuary.com).

## JUDITH COCHRAN

Judith Ruth Cochran passed away surrounded by family and friends on June 13, 2017. A resident of The Villages in Florida, she was 90.

Ruth was a long-time resident of Crane and moved to Florida in 2000. She was born in Isabel, Illinois; daughter of the late Grover and Hazel (Jones) Ogden she later married the late George B. Cochran on July 19, 1945.

She was employed by the Crane Elementary School and subsequently retired from the Naval Weapons Support Center after working there 20 years. She was a lifetime member of the VFW Ladies Auxiliary and enjoyed bowling, traveling, watching Orlando Magic & Indiana University basketball games, and loved being with family and friends.

She is survived by her sons, George W. (Mary) Cochran of The Villages,



JUDITH COCHRAN

Florida; Rod (Pat) Cochran also of The Villages, Florida; five grandchildren, Brian (Karen) Cochran of The Hague, Netherlands; Corey Cochran of Dallas, Texas; Wayne (Kerstin) Cochran of Tampa, Florida; Cara (Jaimon) Farchione of Tampa, Florida and Kimberly (Geoff) Hoesch of Alexandria, Virginia, as well as nine great grandchildren. In addition, she is survived by her sister, Irene Wright of Brocton, Illinois and brother, David Ogden of Indian Harbor Beach, Florida.

She was preceded in death by five brothers and one sister.

Graveside services were held Saturday, June 17 at Goodwill Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, please donate to Hospice in your local community.

Condolences may be made online at [www.blakefuneralhomes.com](http://www.blakefuneralhomes.com). Arrangements were provided by Blake Funeral Home in Loogootee.



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## Martin County Sheriff's Department log

### MONDAY, JUNE 12

2:26 a.m. - Received a report of a tree down south of Shoals. Lost River Fire removed the tree.

8:15 a.m. - Captain Dant performed a vehicle identification check north of Shoals.

12:35 p.m. - Captain Dant took one inmate to the Orange County Jail.

2:36 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Crane. Crane Fire, Martin County Ambulance, and Sergeant Keller responded. The subject was transported to Bloomington Hospital.

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

4:58 p.m. - Sergeant Keller assisted the department of child services with a welfare check near Shoals.

6:20 p.m. - Received a dog complaint near Shoals. Animal Control Officer Hughett responded.

6:51 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance near Shoals. Shoals Fire and Martin County Ambulance responded. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

### TUESDAY, JUNE 13

12:32 a.m. - Received a request for lift assistance in Loogootee. Loogootee Fire and Martin County Ambulance responded. No one was transported.

3:26 a.m. - Received a report of vandalism near Loogootee. Deputy Salmon and ISP Trooper Beaver responded.

7:54 a.m. - Received a report of a theft near Shoals. Captain Dant responded.

8:55 a.m. - Captain Dant took two inmates to court.

10:25 a.m. - Captain Dant took one inmate to court.

10:30 a.m. - Received a report of an accident near Loogootee. Loogootee Chief Rayhill responded.

1:30 p.m. - Captain Dant took two inmates to court.

2:16 p.m. - Sergeant Keller took two inmates to court.

2:25 p.m. - Captain Dant took two inmates to court.

4:22 p.m. - Received a report of a domestic situation near Loogootee. Sergeant Keller and Reserve Deputy Harmon responded.

6:59 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance transported the subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

9:13 p.m. - Received a report of tree limbs on SR 150, east of Shoals. Shoals Fire responded.

### WEDNESDAY, JUNE 14

12:46 a.m. - Received a request for a welfare check in Loogootee. Loogootee Officer Floyd, ISP Trooper Beaver, and Reserve Deputy Harmon responded.

1:10 a.m. - Received a report of a tree down near Shoals. Shoals Fire removed the tree.

3:59 a.m. - Received a request for a welfare check in Loogootee. Loogootee Officer Floyd and Deputy Salmon responded.

8:20 a.m. - Received a dog complaint in Shoals. Animal Control Officer Hughett responded.

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

11:32 a.m. - Received an alarm call in Loogootee. Loogootee Chief Rayhill and Captain Dant responded.

11:58 a.m. - Received a dog com-

plaint east of Loogootee. Animal Control Officer Hughett responded.

12:24 p.m. - Received a report of an accident in Loogootee. Loogootee Chief Rayhill responded.

12:50 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance east of Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance transported the subject to Daviess Community Hospital.

3:45 p.m. - Received a report of a theft near Shoals. Captain Dant responded.

4:22 p.m. - Received a report of vandalism north of Loogootee. Major Burkhardt responded.

5:53 p.m. - Deputy Shinn performed a vehicle identification check near Loogootee.

8:32 p.m. - Received a report of mischief north of Shoals. Major Burkhardt, Deputy Shinn, and ISP Trooper Beaver responded.

8:24 p.m. - Received a report of a tree down north of Shoals. Martin County Civil Defense removed the tree.

10:03 p.m. - Received a report of a reckless driver near Loogootee. Loogootee Officer McBeth and ISP Trooper Beaver responded.

### THURSDAY, JUNE 15

1:36 a.m. - Received an alarm call in Loogootee. ISP Trooper Beaver and Deputy Salmon responded. All was okay.

1:44 a.m. - Received a report of a tree down on US 50, west of Shoals. Martin County Civil Defense removed the tree.

1:48 a.m. - Received a report of a tree down near Whitfield. Martin County Civil Defense removed the tree.

3:58 a.m. - Received an alarm call in Shoals. Deputy Salmon responded and all was okay.

4:39 a.m. - Received reports of trees down near Loogootee. Martin County Civil Defense removed the trees.

4:56 a.m. - Received a report of a large tree down near Loogootee. The Martin County Highway Department responded.

5:30 a.m. - Received a report of a tree down near Shoals. Shoals Fire removed the tree.

6:32 a.m. - Received a report of an accident near Loogootee. Deputy Salmon, Martin County Ambulance, and Loogootee Fire responded.

8:30 a.m. - Received a dog complaint in Shoals. Major Burkhardt responded. Animal Control Officer Hughett also responded.

11:30 a.m. - Received a dog complaint north of Shoals. Major Burkhardt and Animal Control Officer Hughett responded.

1:00 p.m. - Received a dog complaint in Loogootee. Animal Control Officer Hughett responded.

2:20 p.m. - Received a report of a tree down in Loogootee. The Loogootee Street Department responded.

3:00 p.m. - Major Burkhardt performed a vehicle identification check south of Loogootee.

4:26 p.m. - Major Burkhardt assisted a motorist in Shoals.

7:14 p.m. - Received a request for assistance north of Shoals. Town Marshal Eckert and ISP Trooper Beaver responded.

10:51 p.m. - Received a report of a domestic in Shoals. Town Marshal Eckert responded.

### FRIDAY, JUNE 16

5:54 a.m. - Received a report of a

stolen vehicle in Shoals. Captain Dant and Deputy Shinn responded.

8:18 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance near Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded and transported the subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

8:22 a.m. - Received a report of a tree on fire east of Loogootee. Shoals Fire responded.

9:08 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded and transported the subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

10:03 a.m. - Received a report of a car-deer accident east of Shoals. Captain Dant responded.

10:39 a.m. - Received a request for a welfare check in Loogootee. Captain Dant, Loogootee Officer McBeth, and Martin County Ambulance responded. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

12:00 p.m. - Received a report of a domestic in Loogootee. Captain Dant and Loogootee Officer McBeth responded.

12:45 p.m. - Received a report of a disturbance in Shoals. ISP Trooper Lents responded.

1:15 p.m. - Received a report of an accident in Loogootee. Loogootee Officer McBeth responded.

10:27 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance east of Loogootee. Loogootee Fire and Martin County Ambulance responded. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

11:29 p.m. - Received a report of a reckless driver near Loogootee. Deputy Shinn, Reserve Deputy Harmon, and Loogootee Officer Floyd responded.

## Martin County real estate transfers

**Ashton R. Stutzman, n/k/a Ashton R. Wagler, Bonita E. Knepp and Freddie L. Knepp**, of Martin County, Indiana to **Franklin D. Cobb**, of Pinellas County, Florida, a part of the southwest quarter of the northeast quarter of the southwest quarter of Section 1, Township 3 North, Range 4 West, containing one acre, more or less.

**Matthews Wagler, LLC**, of Martin County, Indiana to **LH & JM Enterprises, Inc.**, of Martin County, Indiana, a portion of the northwest quarter of Section 25, Township 3 North, Range 5 West, Perry Township, Martin County, Indiana, located within the city limits of Loogootee, Indiana, containing 5.25 acres, more or less, except a section containing .22 acres, more or less.

**Douglas R. Strange and Gayle A. Strange**, of Martin County, Indiana to **Michael D. Elliott and Vonda M. Elliott**, 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 0.50 acres, more or less. Being Lot 16 in Country Court Tract IV, an unrecorded plat)

### SATURDAY, JUNE 17

12:13 a.m. - Received a report of a fight in Loogootee. Deputy Shinn, Reserve Deputy Harmon, and Loogootee Officer Floyd responded.

1:42 a.m. - Received a report of a break-in in Loogootee. Deputy Shinn, Town Marshal Eckert, and Loogootee Officer Floyd responded.

7:55 a.m. - Sergeant Keller performed a vehicle identification check near Shoals.

2:01 p.m. - Received report of a hit-and-run accident in Loogootee. Loogootee Officer McBeth and Sergeant Keller responded.

5:04 p.m. - Received a dog complaint north of Loogootee. Animal Control Officer Hughett responded.

8:18 p.m. - Received an alarm call in Loogootee. Deputy Reed responded and all was okay.

8:31 p.m. - Received a report of reckless drivers south of Loogootee. Deputy Reed, Deputy Shinn, and Reserve Deputy Harmon responded.

11:18 p.m. - Received a request for a welfare check in Loogootee. Loogootee Officer Floyd and Reserve Deputy Harmon responded.

### SUNDAY, JUNE 18

2:05 a.m. - Received a report of a prowler near Shoals. Deputy Reed and Deputy Shinn responded.

7:27 a.m. - Received a report of a tree down south of Loogootee. Martin County Highway removed the tree.


10:16 p.m. - Received an alarm call in Shoals. Town Marshal Eckert responded and all was okay.

10:30 p.m. - Received a request for a welfare check near Shoals. Deputy Salmon responded and all was okay.

**Tony E. Sanders, Jeffrey W. Sanders, Cynthia J. Clymer, formerly Cynthia J. Sanders; John D. Sanders and James A. Sanders to Norman D. Raber and Lydia Raber and Mervin J. Raber and Verna Raber**, the southeast quarter of the southeast quarter of Section 35, Township 4 North, Range 3 West, Martin County, Indiana, except 10 acres of even width off the west side thereof and containing, after said exception, 30 acres, more or less. Also, part of the northeast quarter of the northeast quarter of Section 2, Township 3 North, Range 3 West, Second Principal Meridian, Martin County, Indiana, containing 0.482 acre, more or less.

**Howard Reed to James W. Fritz**. Tract I: Part of the west half of the northeast quarter of the northwest quarter of Section 36, Township 2 North, Range 3 West, Martin County, Indiana, containing 5 acres, more or less. Tract II: Part of the west half of the northeast quarter of the northwest quarter of Section 36, Township 2 North, Range 3 West, Martin County, Indiana, containing 0.54 acres, more or less.

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# COURT NEWS

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

## CRIMINAL CONVICTIONS AND SENTENCING

April 25

Dylan J. Day, convicted of possession of a narcotic drug, a Class 6 Felony; operating a vehicle with a schedule I or II controlled substance or its metabolite in the body, a Class C Misdemeanor; possession of methamphetamine, a Class 6 Felony; and battery resulting in bodily injury a Class D Felony, amended from child molesting, a Class B Felony. Sentenced on the first two counts to serve 2.5 years with 2.5 years suspended and 2.5 years of probation. Sentenced on the next count to serve 2.5 years with 2.5 years suspended and 2.5 years of probation. Sentenced on the final count to serve 3 years with 1.5 years suspended and credit for 90 actual days previously served plus 90 Class A credit days. Defendant received 1.5 years of probation.

May 25

Alex D. Flynn, convicted of operating a vehicle while intoxicated, a Class A Misdemeanor and operating while intoxicated with previous conviction within five years, a Class 6 Felony. Sentenced to serve 730 days with 444 days suspended and credit for 143 actual days previously served plus 143 Class A credit days. Defendant received 16 months of probation.

Gregory M. Tolbert, convicted of possession of a narcotic drug, a Class 6 Felony. Sentenced to serve 547 days with 501 days suspended and credit for 23 actual days previously served plus 23 Class A credit days. Defendant received 15 months of probation.

## CRIMINAL CHARGES DISMISSED

April 25

Dylan J. Day, neglect of a dependent, a Class 6 Felony, dismissed; unlawful possession or use of a legend drug, a Class 6 Felony, dismissed; driving while suspended, a Class A Misdemeanor, dismissed; sexual misconduct with a minor, a Class C Felony, dismissed.

May 25

Alex D. Flynn, escape, a Class 5 Felony, dismissed; leaving the scene of an accident, a Class B Misdemeanor, dismissed; false informing, a Class B Misdemeanor, dismissed.

Gregory M. Tolbert, maintaining a common nuisance, a Class 6 Felony, dismissed; possession of paraphernalia, a Class C Misdemeanor, dismissed.

## CIVIL COURT New Suits Filed

June 7

Portfolio Recovery Associates, LLC vs. Caleb Sanders, civil collection.

Arvest Central Mortgage Company vs. Laura L. Stidham, Kirby J. McGuire, James H. McGuire, Kenneth J. McGuire, Martin County Treasurer, Hoosier Accounts Service, State of Indiana Attorney General and State of Indiana Department of Revenue, mortgage foreclosure.

June 8

Crane Credit Union vs. Richard D. Barber, civil collection.

June 9

Jason Pfladderer vs. Joy E. Speer and Elizabeth Hickman, civil plenary.

June 12

Mary Jane Isaacs vs. Billy Ray Isaacs, petition for dissolution of

marriage.

## CIVIL COURT JUDGMENTS

June 12

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff LVNV Funding, LLC and against the defendant Kristi Walker a/k/a Kristi L. Heichelbech in the amount of \$1,061.93.

## SMALL CLAIMS COURT

June 8

Crane Credit Union vs. Billie J. Baize, complaint.

Crane Credit Union vs. Krista D. Fields, complaint.

Crane Credit Union vs. Linda R. Gunn, complaint.

Personal Finance Company, LLC vs. Brittany Bauer, complaint.

June 12

Family Dental Care vs. Travis Campbell, complaint.

## SMALL CLAIMS JUDGMENTS

June 15

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff White River Cooperative, Inc. and against the defendant Joe Gerkin in the amount of \$386.66.

## MARRIAGE LICENSES

June 19

Aaron D. Syfert of Shoals and Shannon N. Montgomery of Shoals.

June 20

Kyle J. Tufts of Loogootee and Tiffany L. Richter of Loogootee.

## Accident reports

MONDAY, JUNE 12

10:40 a.m. - Mary E. Norris, of Loogootee, was operating a 2002 Buick on Mt. Calvary Road when she ran off the road and struck a utility box. Chief Rayhill investigated.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 14

12:20 p.m. - Mary Jo Delong, of Loogootee, was operating a 2014 Dodge in the Ruler parking lot when she struck a 2004 Buick owned by Robert and Virginia Bateman, of Shoals. Chief Rayhill investigated.

## ARRESTS

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 14

10:53 p.m. - David Brinker, 57, of Mitchell, was arrested by Loogootee Officer McBeth and charged with possession of meth, possession of paraphernalia, and maintaining a common nuisance. He is being held without bond. Assisting with the arrest was Deputy Shinn.

10:54 p.m. - Rita Pulley, 56, of Mitchell, was arrested by ISP Trooper Beaver and charged with possession of meth, possession of a controlled substance, and visiting a common nuisance. She is being held without bond.

THURSDAY, JUNE 15

8:00 p.m. - Rory Browder, of Loogootee, was arrested by Town Marshal Eckert and charged with intimidation and criminal recklessness. His bond has been set at \$25,000 10%.

FRIDAY, JUNE 16

9:18 a.m. - Kelvin Arnold, 32, of Indianapolis, was arrested by Deputy Shinn and charged with vehicle theft and three Marion County warrants. He is being held without bond. Assisting with the arrest were ISP Trooper Lents, Captain Dant and officers from Lawrence and Orange County.

2:46 p.m. - Joseph Jones, 35, of Shoals, was arrested by Sheriff Roush and charged with operating a vehicle while intoxicated resulting in death and neglect of a dependent resulting in death. He is being held without bond.

# Loogootee Police log

MONDAY, JUNE 12

9:45 a.m. - Received a 911 hang-up call from the city park.

1:22 p.m. - Caller reported a possible intoxicated driver on Dewey Street.

4:52 p.m. - Caller reported a domestic dispute on John C. Strange Street.

5:27 p.m. - Caller reported a broken-down vehicle on Broadway Street.

9:45 p.m. - Caller reported a child custody issue.

TUESDAY, JUNE 13

12:32 a.m. - First responders were requested on Crane Street for lifting assistance.

9:18 a.m. - Captain Hennette assisted the county with an emergency detention.

10:55 a.m. - An employee at Chuckles reported a theft of fuel.

5:36 p.m. - Officer Floyd assisted child protective services.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 14

12:46 a.m. - Caller reported suspicious activity on Walnut Street.

9:00 a.m. - Male came on station to report a violation of a protective order.

10:00 a.m. - Chief Rayhill transported a female in reference to an emergency detention.

11:50 a.m. - Chief Rayhill responded to a business alarm.

5:03 p.m. - Caller reported a domestic dispute on Bowling Trailer Court.

THURSDAY, JUNE 15

1:00 p.m. - Caller reported a controlled burn.

5:37 p.m. - Caller requested a welfare check on a male.

9:27 p.m. - Caller reported a barking

dog.

10:01 p.m. - Caller reported a hit-and-run accident.

10:07 p.m. - Caller requested a welfare check on a male.

FRIDAY, JUNE 16

10:39 a.m. - Officer Floyd assisted the ambulance service.

12:01 p.m. - Caller reported a domestic dispute on Redbud Street.

1:15 p.m. - Caller reported a property damage accident on Broadway Street.

7:23 p.m. - Caller reported a loose dog on Sycamore Street.

10:32 p.m. - First responders were requested on Dover Hill Road for a medical call.

11:29 p.m. - Caller reported a reckless vehicle on 550.

11:59 p.m. - Caller reported a dispute in Redwing Trailer Court.

SATURDAY, JUNE 17

12:32 a.m. - Caller reported harassment.

2:15 p.m. - Caller reported someone had been in his vehicle.

8:01 p.m. - Caller reported harassing phone calls.

11:18 p.m. - Caller requested a welfare check on a male.

SUNDAY, JUNE 18

11:28 a.m. - Caller reported a reckless vehicle on Hwy 50.

12:15 p.m. - Caller requested a vehicle identification check.

3:15 p.m. - Caller reported a broken-down vehicle on JFK Avenue.

8:10 p.m. - Caller reported a reckless driver in the high school parking lot.

## State health officials urge Hoosiers to take precautions against mosquitoes as West Nile virus activity increases

The first 2017 cases of West Nile virus in humans have occurred in Indiana, and state health officials are urging Indiana residents to take steps to protect themselves from mosquito bites.

As of June 14, two human cases of West Nile virus have been documented in Hamilton and Lake counties, and mosquitoes in Morgan and Tippecanoe counties have tested positive for West Nile virus. The Indiana State Department of Health (ISDH) expects to continue to see increased West Nile activity throughout the state as the mosquito season progresses.

"Unfortunately, West Nile disease is a common occurrence in Indiana during mosquito season," said State Health Commissioner Jerome Adams, M.D., M.P.H. "When we find evidence of the virus in multiple counties, that means the risk is starting to increase statewide. Protecting yourself from mosquito bites and eliminating breeding grounds are the best ways to prevent mosquito-borne illnesses."

State health officials recommend the following preventive measures:

Avoid being outdoors when mosquitoes are active (especially late afternoon, dusk to dawn and early morning).

Apply an EPA-registered insect repellent containing DEET, picaridin, IR3535, oil of lemon eucalyptus or para-menthane-diol to clothes and exposed skin.

Cover exposed skin by wearing a hat, long sleeves and long pants in places where mosquitoes are especially active, such as wooded areas.

Install or repair screens on win-

dows and doors to keep mosquitoes out of the home.

Mosquitoes breed in standing water. Even a container as small as a bottle cap can become a breeding ground, so residents should take the following steps:

Discard old tires, tin cans, ceramic pots or other containers that can hold water.

Repair failed septic systems.

Drill holes in the bottom of recycling containers left outdoors.

Keep grass cut short and shrubbery trimmed.

Clean clogged roof gutters, particularly if leaves tend to plug up the drains.

Frequently replace the water in pet bowls.

Flush ornamental fountains and birdbaths periodically.

Aerate ornamental pools, or stock them with predatory fish

West Nile virus can cause West Nile fever, a mild form of the illness, which can include fever, headache, body aches, swollen lymph glands or a rash. Some people will develop a more severe form of the disease affecting the nervous system, including inflammation in the brain and spinal cord, muscle paralysis or death. People who think they may have West Nile virus should see a healthcare provider.

To see the latest results of ISDH's mosquito surveillance, go to <https://gis.in.gov/apps/ISDH/Arbo/>. To learn more about West Nile virus, visit [www.StateHealth.in.gov](http://www.StateHealth.in.gov). For important health updates, follow the Indiana State Department of Health on Twitter at @StateHealthIN and on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/isdh1](http://www.facebook.com/isdh1).

## More Neat Stuff

By Ann Ackerman



The following is a repeat from a couple of years ago but my computer corrupted my files yesterday and even Jay couldn't recover them (if Jay can't fix it, it can't be fixed).

Bear with me. I will work hard to rebuild my files.

**A FIVE-HOUR WALK TURNS BAD.**

The Doctor is a Bit Worried: During my physical examination, my doctor asked me about my physical activity level. I described a typical day, "Well, yesterday afternoon, I took a five-hour walk about seven miles through some pretty rough terrain. I waded along the edge of a lake. I pushed my way through brambles. I got sand in my shoes and my eyes. I avoided standing on a snake. I climbed several rocky hills. I took a few 'leaks' behind some big trees. The mental stress of it all left me shattered. At the end of it all I drank eight beers."

Inspired by the story, the doctor said, "You must be one heck of an outdoors man!"

"No," I replied, "I'm just a crappy golfer."

The Washington Post's Mensa Invitational once again invited readers to take any word from the dictionary, alter it by adding, subtracting, or changing one letter, and supply a new definition.

Here are the winners:

1. Cashtration (n.): The act of buying a house, which renders the subject financially impotent for an indefinite period of time.

2. Ignoranus: A person who's both stupid and a butthole.

3. Intoxicaton: Euphoria at getting a tax refund, which lasts until you realize it was your money to start with.

4. Reintarnation: Coming back to life as a hillbilly.

5. Bozone (n.): The substance surrounding stupid people that stops bright ideas from penetrating. The bozone layer, unfortunately, shows little sign of breaking down in the near future.

6. Giraffiti: Vandalism spray-painted very, very high.

7. Sarchasm: The gulf between the author of sarcastic wit and the person who doesn't get it.

8. Inoculatte: To take coffee intravenously when you are running late.

9. Osteopornosis: A degenerate disease.

10. Karmageddon: It's like, when everybody is sending off all these really bad vibes, right? And then, like, the Earth explodes and it's like, a serious bummer.

11. Decafalon (n): The grueling event of getting through the day consuming only things that are good for you.

12. Dopeler Effect: The tendency of stupid ideas to seem smarter when they come at you rapidly.

13. Arachnoleptic Fit (n.): The frantic dance performed just after you've accidentally walked through a spider web.

14. Beelzebug (n.): Satan in the form of a mosquito, that gets into your bedroom at three in the morning and cannot be cast out.

15. Caterpallor (n.): The color you turn after finding half a worm in the fruit you're eating.

### DIETING THOUGHTS:

1. I exercised once, but found out I was allergic to it! My skin flushed and my heart raced. I got sweaty and short of breath. Very dangerous!

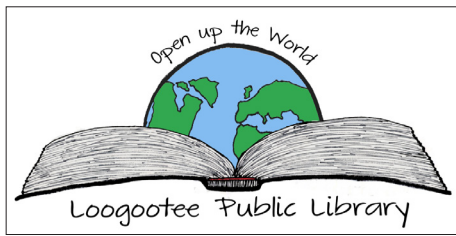
2. Ate salad for dinner! Mostly croutons and tomatoes. Really, just one big, round crouton covered with tomato sauce. . . and cheese. Fine. It was pizza. I ate a pizza.

3. I was supposed to have a nice body for people to look at this summer, but there is one small problem . . . I love food more than I love people.

4. Double stuff Oreos should just be called Oreos, and regular Oreos should be called diet Oreos.

5. I want a hot body but I also want to put bacon on everything. Why is life so hard?

Make someone smile today!



**BY DARLA WAGLER**  
Librarian, Loogootee Public Library

Friends of Loogootee Public Library (FOLL) are selling "Behind Every Great Community is a Great Library" tee-shirts to raise money for a new library. The FOLL members raised several thousand dollars toward the existing building in 2002 thru 2005. Please buy a shirt and support the FOLL members and their efforts.

The library board is still searching for ways to solve our space and parking issues. Currently, the school is graciously allowing us the use of their classrooms in the elementary building. We continue to improve our services and programs resulting in more people using the library. My library board and I along with my staff are individuals that live in this community and support local businesses, nonprofits, and service organizations. It was brought to my attention that some in the community felt we were taking the city lots near the pool away from the fire department and that could not be further from the truth. The city lots were suggested by several community members as a potential building site and we felt that we needed to investigate the possibility. We are interested in working together to improve our community.

The library board is still interested in doing the income survey for the OCRA grant so if you would like to volunteer, please contact me.

New Books:

Mystery Fiction: "Dangerous Minds" by Janet Evanovich and "The Silent Corner" by Dean Koontz.

Fiction: "Kiss Carlo" by Adriana Trigiani.

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 visit [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.

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### Domestic Violence Task Force

Middle Way House will hold its next Domestic Violence Task Force Meeting at Martin County Community Corrections, 211 SE 1st St, Loogootee, on Wednesday, June 21, from 4:30 to 6 p.m.

### Loogootee School Board meeting

The Loogootee School Board will meet Thursday, June 22 at 5 p.m. in the high school library. The meeting is open to the public.

### Democratic Party meeting

The Martin County Democratic Party will meet Monday, June 26 at 6 p.m. in the council meeting room of the municipal building in Loogootee. They will be appointing a position in Crane. Anyone living in Crane interested in the position, should contact Roger Downey at 812-639-8106 within 72 hours of the meeting.

### LUMC Vacation Bible School

Loogootee United Methodist Church will hold their vacation bible school from June 26-30, from 6-8:30 p.m. each night. The theme this year is "Hero Central". They will also be offering a meal first for all participants starting at 5:15 p.m. Children will hear the bible stories of Samuel, Abigail, Jesus in the temple and teaching by the Sea of Galilee, then Pentecost. The recreation, craft, and science demonstration all relate to these stories. Any donations given this year will go to support the local humane society. Loogootee United Methodist church is located at 208 W. Main Street. If you have any questions, please call the church secretary at (812) 295-3049.

### AL-ANON meetings

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

### 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!

## ANIMAL SHELTER Pet of the Week



The Martin County Humane Society Animal Shelter has a bunch of kittens waiting to be adopted! All colors and sizes! The animal shelter is open Monday and Wednesday 5-7 p.m. and Saturday 11 a.m.-2 p.m. The shelter is located at 507 N. Oak Street in Loogootee. To see all available animals, visit [www.humanesocietyofmartincounty.org](http://www.humanesocietyofmartincounty.org).

### Humane society meetings

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

### Solid waste board

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

### Tourism meetings

The MCCC Tourism Committee meets on the third Wednesday of each month at 7 p.m. at Loughmiller Machine, 12851 E 150 N, Loogootee. The public is invited to attend.

### Soil and Water meetings

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

### 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 free-will donation is requested. Call 812-295-3130 to make a reservation, so enough food is prepared.

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# 4-H NEWS

By Stacy Brown  
 Martin County Purdue Extension Educator



-- GIFTS IN A WILL --

Last week I talked about bequests, particularly charitable bequests. Gifts like these made through a will are an extremely popular way of providing long-term support for the charitable organizations that mean the most to us.

There are many reasons donors choose to make these gifts: the opportunity to make a statement about personal values, the satisfaction of supporting an important cause to benefit future generations, or the chance to honor a loved one or provide a gift that inspires others to give.

-- PLANNING YOUR GIFT --

Tax planning can be an important factor in this decision. With some foresight, you can make a gift in your will that helps you meet specific planning goals.

Every gift in your will should accomplish these important objectives: provide personal satisfaction; complement important personal goals as an integral part of an estate plan; and enjoy tax and financial rewards for your family or other beneficiaries.

-- FLEXIBLE PLANNING --

Gifts in your will can take different forms, so it is important to plan your gift in a way that will accomplish all of your estate objectives.

Your gift can be outright or deferred. It can be absolute or contingent upon certain events. It can honor a beloved family member or cherished friend. It can provide general support to the charity or be restricted to a purpose you feel is especially important.

When you make a gift in your will, you retain full use of your property during life, so there is no immediate out-of-pocket cost, reduction in net worth, or disruption of cash flow. What's more, you can change your gift at a later time, which means you remain in complete control of the process.

-- TYPES OF GIFTS --

Typically, when we think of a gift made through a will, we see it as a direction to distribute a specific asset or to pay a certain sum of money to a designated charitable beneficiary. This is an outright gift and is the most popular method of benefiting a charity.

You can make an outright gift in your will simply by indicating a specific sum of money or a specific asset

(for instance, 100 shares of stock) be used to make your gift.

Alternatively, your gift can be a specified percentage of the value of your estate. Because the value of an estate can change up or down quickly and dramatically, a percentage gift is often the best way to accomplish your personal objectives.

You could also decide that a residual gift to charity will best accomplish your objectives. The residue of an estate is the amount remaining after all costs, debts and taxes have been paid and all monetary and specific bequests have been satisfied. This form of charitable bequest can be especially appropriate if you want other bequests in your will to have priority.

-- YOUR CHOICE --

In planning your outright gift in your will, you have several basic options. Your personal objectives should determine the exact form of your gift. Consult your attorney for advice on your situation. And, of course, we will be pleased to provide any assistance you or your attorney may need in planning your gift.

-- MORE INFORMATION --

For more information about how to meet your charitable goals with a will, please contact the MCCF Executive Director, Curt Johnson, at 812-295-1022 or [mccf@cfpartner.org](mailto:mccf@cfpartner.org).

You can also receive a complimentary copy of "Planning for the Future: A Guide to Planning your Will & Trust". This document will help you prepare for your discussion with your attorney, tax and/or financial advisor.

And we have several online documents in the MCCF Resource Documents library to help with this topic and others. There are folders that can help you with wills and bequests, estate planning, types of gifts, and retirement and personal planning. These are available by clicking "MCCF Guides, Booklets and Other Documents" on our webpage "News & Events" link.

We encourage you to check out other information on our webpage at [www.cfpartner.org/mccf.htm](http://www.cfpartner.org/mccf.htm). And you're invited to follow us on Twitter at [www.twitter.com/MartinCountyCF](http://www.twitter.com/MartinCountyCF), and to "like" the MCCF Facebook page at [www.facebook.com/mcccommunity-foundation](http://www.facebook.com/mcccommunity-foundation).

Drive your 4-H Pride!

Choosing a 4-H license plate for your vehicle is an easy way to show your 4-H pride and support the 4-H program. Every branch of the BMV carries the \$40 plate, and \$25 of your purchase goes directly back to 4-H. The county where you purchase your plate will get \$10 for its 4-H programs. The remaining \$15 will help the Indiana 4-H Foundation provide scholarships for 4-H youth across the state and grants for county programs. Over the years, these funds have helped purchase robotics kits, support Junior Leader activities, and send young 4-H youth to Round-Up. Last year, the 4-H license plate program brought in \$46,000, with just under 2000 plates sold.

The 4-H plate, which displays the green clover, can be purchased for passenger cars, trucks up to 11,000 pounds, motorcycles, and even recreational vehicles. So, go for the clover! Show your 4-H pride by supporting the leadership program that made a difference in your life. Buy your 4-H license plate directly from the BMV or online today.

Club Meetings

Jolly Juniors—Thursday, June 22 and Thursday, June 29, all at 6 p.m. at True-love Church.

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

Dream Team—Saturday, June 24 at 10 a.m., Sunday, July 2 at 7 p.m., Saturday, July 8 at 10 a.m., Monday, July 10 time TBD. All meetings are at the Loogootee City Park except July 10. It will be held at the Martin County Fairgrounds. Books will be signed at the July 10 meeting.

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

Upcoming Events

- June 23 - Fair Entry closes
- July 10 - 4-Her mandatory fair clean-up day
- July 11 - Non-perishable projects judged 5-8 p.m.
- July 12 - Perishable projects judged 5-8 p.m.
- July 13 - Livestock move in day
- The 2017 Martin County Fair Schedule has been announced.
- Saturday, July 8

9 a.m. – Ag Tractor Driving Contest Monday, July 10

Mandatory Fair Clean-Up—All 4-Hers required to help.

Friday, July 14

9 a.m. - Horse & Pony judging in the horse arena

5 p.m. – Building open to public

5 p.m. – Color Me Green Run, sponsored by Martin County Jr. Leaders

5 p.m.-7 p.m. – Sign up for silent auction items

6 p.m.-10 p.m. – Dino's Amusement Rides

6:30 p.m. – Queen Contest at free stage; Public Dress Revue during queen contest; entertainment from the Performing Arts winner

7 p.m. – Antique Tractor Pulls and Truck Pulls; general admission: \$5, children under 5 free. Pits: \$15. Hillside seating, bring lawn chairs or blankets. Contact Dan Wagler @ 812-617-5286.

Saturday, July 15

9 a.m. – Building open to public

9 a.m. – Antique Tractor show

9 a.m. – Beef show in livestock arena (old time showmanship after show)

11 a.m. – Cookie Walk in the 4-H Food Stand

11 a.m. – Robotics Demonstration on free stage

1 p.m. – Rabbit show in livestock arena

4 p.m. – Lawn tractor driving contest

5 p.m.-7 p.m. – sign up for silent auction items

6 p.m.-10 p.m. – Dino's Amusement Rides

7 p.m. – Sheep show in livestock arena (old time showmanship after show)

7 p.m. – Farm tractor pulls; general admission: \$5, children under 5 free. Pits: \$15. Hillside seating, bring lawn chairs or blankets. Contact Dan Wagler @ 812-617-5286.

Sunday, July 16

Noon – Building open to public

1 p.m. – Farm Bureau Games in livestock arena, sponsored by Martin County Farm Bureau, Inc.

2 p.m. - Poultry show

2 p.m. - Eddie Eagle (gun safety demonstration), sponsored by 4-H Shooting Club

2 p.m.-5 p.m. – Health Fair

3 p.m. – Robotics Demonstration on free stage

3 p.m. – Kiddie Tractor Pull registration

4 p.m. – Kiddie Tractor Pull, sponsored by Martin County Jr. Leaders

## Specials at The Lodge

Wednesday: Chicken Salad Wrap with Chips  
 Thursday: Braised Pork Chops  
 Friday: Baked Chicken Pesto Tortellini Pasta  
 Friday night: Deep Fried Blue Gill  
 Saturday: Baked Chili Cheese Dogs  
 Saturday night: Marinated Turkey Strips  
 Sunday: Pepper Steak



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On June 8, a 4-H Genealogy workshop was held at the Shoals Public Library. In the front row, from left to right, are Lillie Bauer, Ella Parker, Joshua Gardiner, and Makenzie Mauder. In the second row, from left to right are Rachel Robinson and Larry Craney.

## The Mayor's Den

By Loogootee Mayor Noel Harty

May began with a meeting with Richard Burch of Midwestern Engineers, Rhonda Rumble of SDIC (Southern Indiana Development Commission), and Public Works Superintendent Bo Wilson to discuss the possibility of applying for a storm water grant. (We are currently working in an income survey to determine if the city would qualify for such a grant.) In the evening, I went to the LHS Library for a meeting regarding the great success our school system has had in its counseling department. Other topics included discussions of what the next steps are to assure the growth of the counseling programs and what grant funds are available to schools across the board for additional programs.

Tuesday the 2<sup>nd</sup> was our parks and recreation department meeting. Main topics of discussion were the soon-to-be opening of the pool for the 2017 season and the variety show for Summerfest. Wednesday the 3<sup>rd</sup> the Summerfest planning committee met to go over event plans, including the queen contest and music entertainment. Thursday the 4<sup>th</sup> I headed to Four Rivers Red Door in Washington to read to Mrs. Craney and Ms. Wilson's pre-school classes. That evening, I attended a National Day of Prayer Service, hosted by the local Ministerial Association at the Loogootee Christian Church. Friday the 5<sup>th</sup> I enjoyed the privilege of driving students from Mrs. Bough's 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> Grade Spanish Classes to Mi Pueblo Authentic Mexican Restaurant. Saturday the 6<sup>th</sup> was the Carter Kerns 5k Walk and Run at West Boggs Park, which is a yearly opportunity for those who enjoy running and walking to give back to our community. Following that, I went to Shoals for the ribbon-cutting of Spring Water Soaps and Crafts, LLC owned by Joyce Chambers Foerster. The shop is right on Main Street in Shoals and they would love to assist you with all of your soap and candle wants and needs.

Monday the 8<sup>th</sup> was the monthly board of works and public safety and common council meetings. Tuesday the 9<sup>th</sup> I met with LHS student Ross Adams who proposed completing an Eagle Scout Service Project right here in our community. More details will be coming soon! Wednesday the 10<sup>th</sup> I read to the 2<sup>nd</sup> grade as a part of the SOAR program created to put your "Nose in A Book". As always, the students were very attentive and respectful and I enjoyed it as much as I hope they did. Following reading to the students, I was given the privilege of driving elementary students as a part of "Pay Day" to Eastside Park for lunch and then to the Washington Bowling Alley for some fun. Saturday the 13<sup>th</sup> I attended the Hawkins Healthcare Center take off of the 5k Walk and Run. All the proceeds went to the LHS Cross Country team. Additionally, Matthew 5:16 Day, headed up by Christine Walker, was in full motion with many of our local residents performing projects in our community that wouldn't ordinarily have taken place without their perseverance.

Monday the 15<sup>th</sup> my mother and I headed to Loogootee Nursing Center for "National Nursing Home Week." We were greeted with cookies, punch, and a balloon lift-off as I read a proclamation to kick off the week. In the evening was the monthly land use planning commission meeting. At the meeting, John Stoll was elected president. Wednesday the 17<sup>th</sup> was the monthly Martin County Chamber of Commerce meeting, this month at the Martin County Courthouse. Special appreciation to Auditor January Roush for allowing us to use the commissioners' room for our meeting and deliver-

ing lunch from Bo Mac's. The morning of Thursday the 18<sup>th</sup> began at the LHS cafeteria for a breakfast for all of the contracted bus drivers for the school corporation. Later in the morning, I went to Shoals High School for the Mayor's Youth Council monthly meeting. Special thanks to Shoals High School and their culinary arts program for preparing lunch and hosting the meeting. The main topic for discussion centered around what the council hoped to accomplish in the next few months to come. Friday the 19<sup>th</sup> Founders Day, the Catholic War Veterans Post held a commemoration service at our American Legion recognizing its one year anniversary in existence. Special acknowledgments to both our local State Representatives Mike Braun and Jeff Ellington, both our area State Senators Mark Messmer and Eric Bassler, Brenda Goff with Senator Todd Young's Office, Allison Johnston with Congressman Larry Buschon's Office and County Councilwoman Barb McFeaters for attending. The Catholic War Veterans Post is the only one of its kind in the state. In the evening, I went to the Ochs-Tetrich Funeral Home in Orleans for the visitation of my longtime friend's father, Charles Hounshell, and then back again the next day for the funeral service. Mr. Hounshell worked most of his career in the excavation business and in later years worked for an area farmer completing most any task he was asked to. Most of all, he was a family man who had a great faith.

Sunday the 21<sup>st</sup> was the Senior Awards Program at the LHS Auditorium. I was honored to be asked to emcee this year's program and was impressed with our class of 2017! In the evening of Monday the 22<sup>nd</sup> was the first round of the 2017 IHSAA Softball Sectional at Costello Field. Our Loogootee Lady Lions squared off in the second game with the Vikings of Barr-Reeve and we came out on top with a wide margin. Tuesday the 23<sup>rd</sup> began with a follow-up meeting with Rhonda Rumble of SIDC to discuss an upcoming grant the city is working on for its storm water utility. In the evening, I was back at Costello Field where the Lady Lions would take on the Cougars of North Daviess in the final round of sectional tournament play. Although our Lady Lions did not prevail in the game, they left an outstanding record for the season. The Summerfest Planning Committee met again that evening to finalize their plans. Thursday the 25<sup>th</sup> Clerk-Treasurer Nancy Jones, Public Works Superintendent Bo Wilson, and Chief of Police Kelly Rayhill and I met with Kristen Deutsch of New Focus HR, LLC to update the city's policies and procedures manual. Friday the 26<sup>th</sup> was the much-anticipated commencement exercises at Jack Butcher Arena. Congratulations to all of our graduates and may they all obtain their goals and live a very blessed life. Monday the 29<sup>th</sup> was the special Memorial Day Ceremony recognizing and honoring all those buried in the cemetery who served our country. In the afternoon, I spent a few hours at the pool, and in the evening, I headed to Wayne Evans Field at North Daviess High School for the final round of the 2017 IHSAA Baseball Sectional. Our Lions came to play, winning the 2017 Sectional Title over the Cougars 3-1. Tuesday the 30<sup>th</sup>, Public Works Superintendent Bo Wilson and I met with Clint Rose of Midwestern Engineers to discuss points of interest in the city in which the storm project would make the largest impact. I would like to take this opportunity to wish each and every one of you a most blessed June!

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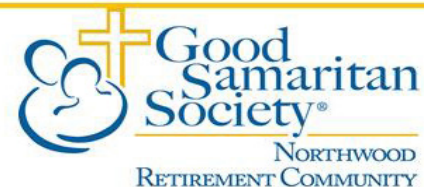
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## I LEAD program held for 23rd year

The Loogootee fifth graders recently concluded their participation in ILEAD (formerly known as Project L.E.A.D.) by participating in a mock trial held in the courtroom of the Martin Circuit Court. Judge Lynne Ellis presided over the events of the day. In conjunction with the mock trial, the students toured the Martin County Security Center. I LEAD is a special curriculum sponsored by the Martin County Probation Department with assistance from Purdue University Cooperative Service. This was the twenty-third year the program has been taught to Martin County youth. This year's program was conducted by Chief Probation Officer Lisa Brittain with assistance from Probation Officer Melissa Lottes and the Purdue Cooperative Extension Service Extension Educator, Stacy Brown, along with fifth-grade teachers, Mrs. Hart, Mrs. Knepp, and Mrs. Brookshire.

The program was designed to teach fifth graders about the law, the need for laws, and the legal system with emphasis on the juvenile justice system. In addition, the program emphasized decision-making and the consequences of their actions.

The program combined classroom work, hands-on experiences, and speakers from various agencies. The following persons volunteered their time by speaking with the students about various law enforcement-related topics: Judge Lynne Ellis, Sheriff Travis Roush, Prosecutor Michael Steiner, Gunner with Southwest Indiana Regional Youth Village, State Trooper Robbie Lambert, K-9 Officer Diesel, State Trooper Ross Johnson, Excise Police Officer Brian Stewart, Loss Prevention Officer Gary Sprinkle, and Director Kathy Collins with Martin County Community Corrections.

As a part of the program, students were asked to submit drawings/logos for a new I LEAD

t-shirt. Each student was provided a t-shirt with the winning logo. This year's design winner was Carlton Combs. In addition, each student was required to submit an essay regarding their I LEAD experience. The essay winners are as follows: Luke Lengacher, 1<sup>st</sup> place; Alaina Hedrick 2<sup>nd</sup> place; Luke Venters, 3<sup>rd</sup> place; and Drew Walker, 4th place. Chief Probation Officer Lisa Brittain presented the winners with a certificate and prize sponsored by the program's financial supporter.

Project L.E.A.D. received financial support the Martin County Probation Department. They would like to take this opportunity to thank all of the students for their participation as well as the speakers and fifth grade teachers for their help in administering this program.

### I LEAD essay winners

1st Place

By Luke Lengacher

How the "I LEAD" Program Has Influenced My Life

"I Lead" is a program that taught me about leadership and making good decisions. It influenced me to always make the best decision possible. It taught me how to handle tricky and tough situations and to always try to make the right choice.

There were a lot of great, talented, and hard-working guest speakers. They all influenced me greatly to think be-

fore I act and to make the right choice.

My favorite guest speaker was Gary Sprinkles. Gary told some cool and awesome stories of how he caught burglars and thieves. It was hilarious how some shoplifters spent so much time and energy plotting their crimes. Gary is with loss prevention, which helps catch some of these burglars and thieves. He told us not to steal because you might get by without getting caught the first time, but you will eventually end up getting caught. Once people know that you can't be trusted, your future plans could be destroyed; especially when it comes to colleges and jobs. Now those are some very good reasons to always make the right choice!

I think it is important to think before you act! It is important to consider the kind of person you want to be and future that you want to have!

The messages "I LEAD" were always trying to get across was to hang around a good circle of friends. If you hang out with the wrong people, you will most likely get into trouble. They told us to never fold under peer pressure. Don't do something bad that someone tells you to do, even if it's very convincing and sounds like fun at the time!

They taught us that more than likely, good choices lead to a good life and bad choices lead to a bad life. While they were teaching us about this, they also talked about the legal system.

The Judge came in and talked to us about her job and how she became a Judge. She told us she hoped to never see us in her courtroom.

Mike Steiner, a prosecuting attorney, came to talk to us about his job and how sad it is to see lives ruined from bad choices.

Everybody told us the importance of making good decisions now, because if you make bad decisions, you could make more bad decisions and then you might not be able to achieve your dreams.

I want to thank "I LEAD" for coming and influencing me to become more kind, compassionate, respectful, and to always try to make the right choice!

2<sup>nd</sup> Place

By Alana Hedrick

How the "I LEAD" Program Has Influenced My Life

The "I LEAD" Program has changed my life in so many ways.

Every week I couldn't wait for Friday because I knew the guest speakers were going to be top notch. One top notch guest speaker was Officer Lampert. He came to our school to teach us about his dog Diesel. One of Diesel's skills was he found a container that once had marijuana in it. He also listened to his owner very obediently. Trooper Ross Johnson helped too.

Another guest speaker I enjoyed was Gary Sprinkles. His stories were incredible! Mr. Sprinkles made it clear that if you shoplift, you will eventually get caught!

I haven't talked about all of the guest speakers, but I learned something from everyone.

The "I LEAD" Program has taught me about making good choices, and how important it is to think before I act! I learned to be kind to everyone. If you make a mistake, there is usually a way to fix it. Don't be ashamed to ask for help.



-Photo provided

Shown above are the Loogootee I LEAD Essay and Logo Contest winners. In the front row, from left to right, are Alana Hedrick, Judge Lynne E. Ellis, and Carlton Combs. In the second row, from left to right, are Luke Venters, Luke Lengacher, and Drew Walker.

You should know that if you have dreams and goals for when you get older, one bad decision could crush your dreams just like that.

So, the "I LEAD" Program has taught me to think about the kind of person I want to be. I will make good decisions, be kind, compassionate, and be a LEADER!

Thank you to Lisa Brittain and guest speaker for making this happen and putting all your time in just to teach us to be kind, make good decisions, be compassionate, and be a LEADER!

3<sup>rd</sup> Place

By Luke Venters

How the "I LEAD" Program Has Influenced My Life

"I LEAD" was an informative and inspirational program my class had this semester Lisa Brittain brought in a lot of guest speakers.

I learned something from all of the speakers, but my personal favorite was Michael Steiner. When he spoke, well, I thought it was fantastic. He taught me that my life isn't just something that no one cares about. My life and everyone's life matters. We should all have hope, happiness, and meaningful future. We should encourage others to make good choices and do their best!

I learned that all it takes is one person to do something stupid and boom; the next thing you know you've killed people from drinking and driving and you have to live with that for the rest of your life! I know that people make mistakes, it happens all the time. But, when it is you drinking the alcohol, and you deciding to drive; now there's the problem.

Life is about making good choices! Life is about maturity and responsibility. I will think before I act! Actions have consequences!

The one thing that influenced me the most was his story. I'm going to tell you why so that you understand why it impacted me so much. A family: grandpa, grandma, granddaughter, granddaughter's friend - a happy family on an outing. They were coming home from Holiday World and a drunk driver hit them head on. No more happy family. No more dreams of playing volleyball professionally. No more

goals of college and then medical school. No more happy anything. Now it's a fight to stay alive. It's a fight to see, to walk, and even to live.

I would hate to be that drunk driver because I would have to live with that mistake for the rest of my life. That is the sad story that made me cry so much that I could fill an ocean with my tears.

"I LEAD" changed me. I will now always think before I make a decision. Now I know that life is more precious than having a good time. Now I know it's not all about me. I need to be compassionate and caring for others more than I am now. I want to help others and me a positive influence.

I would like to thank "I LEAD" and all of the guest speakers for helping us find our place in the world.

4<sup>th</sup> Place

By Drew Walker

How the "I LEAD" Program Has Influenced My Life

Each year 1.2 million students drop out of school every year. Students who make better choices are less likely to drop out of school. Students who make bad choices are less likely to finish school. What was I LEAD? I LEAD is a program where live speakers come in and tell real life experiences that have happened to them.

Two people that I feel that have influenced me the most were Gary Sprinkle and Gunner Stiles. Gary Sprinkle impacted my choices in life because he told us that even if you cover your tracks you will still end up getting caught. Gunner Stiles impacted my choices in life because early in his life he made a lot of bad decisions then he enlisted in the army and that taught him discipline and he started hanging out with better friends. He got his degree and he lives a good life now.

I will use the things I learned from I LEAD by thinking of the consequences that might happen if I do this. My biggest take away is that even if you mess up a lot in your life you can still get your life back on track. I don't think the program needs anymore improvements.

Thank you everybody for spending all the money, time, and effort you put into this program for us.



**Summerfest Wiffle Ball** *-Photos by Dawn Wagoner*

This year's Loogootee Summerfest welcomed the First Annual Wiffle Ball Tournament. Seven teams competed and the championship team, "Wake And Rake" took the title. They are shown above. Below is the runner-up team, "The No Name". The Wiffle Ball Tourney is planned for next year's Summerfest also.



*-Photo provided*

Shown above are members of the Catholic War Veterans Post 1976 leading the Loogootee Summerfest Parade on Saturday. Holding the front banner, are Terry Lamar, Post First Vice-Commander and Chuck Buxton, Post Treasurer. Holding the back banner are Bud Erler, Post Commander and James Bateman, Post Scholarship Committee Chairman.

**Senate bill modernizes the document recording process**

Senate Bill 505 was recently passed by both the Indiana Senate and the House of Representatives, and signed into law by Governor Eric Holcomb on April 21, 2017, taking effect on July 1, 2017.

This legislation modernizes the document recording process and fee structures making it easier for Hoosiers to record public documents, while also reflecting the increased costs incurred to satisfy this public service. County recorders' offices hope to make this transition for their submitters and other interested parties as smooth as possible with the goal of consistency amount the 92 counties.

SB 505 specifically addresses the following:

- Replaces the current confusing fee structure with a more predictable and transparent "flat" fee for documents filed with the county recorder.
- Modernizes the bulk user statute to reflect changes in the industry while ensuring the preservation of the public record.
- Allows for the electronic recording of public documents to increase efficiencies.

More details of SB 505 can be found by visiting the Indiana Recorder's Association website at [www.indianarecorders.org/resources/SB505-summary](http://www.indianarecorders.org/resources/SB505-summary).

**Health screening available in Martin County**

The Martin Chamber of Commerce, in partnership with Memorial Hospital and Health Care Center, is sponsoring a public health screening on Tuesday, July 11 from 5:30-8:30 a.m. St. John's Church Family Center, 408 Church St., Loogootee, IN 47553. The cost of the screening is \$39, and is offered to board members and the general public.

Participants must be 18 years of age or older and will have the following screenings: height and weight, body mass index, waist circumference, blood pressure, cholesterol (including total cholesterol, HDL, LDL, and triglycerides, cholesterol/hdl ratio), blood glucose, and a chemistry panel and tobacco status. A 12-hour fast is required before the screening, however water and prescription medications are allowed. The screening lasts approx-

imately 15 minutes, and pre-registration is required.

Optional services available during this screening include take-home colon cancer screening kits and PSA screening (optional for men 50 and older or those with a risk for prostate cancer) and Health Risk Assessment. Colon cancer screening kits are \$8, and PSAs are \$20 for men choosing this optional test, and Health Risk Assessments are \$20.

To register for the health screening, or for more information, please visit Memorial Hospital's website at [www.mhhcc.org](http://www.mhhcc.org) and click on "Health Screenings." Enter the company name as "Martin Chamber" and enter "2017" as the password. You may also register by calling the Health and Wellness department at 812-996-2399, option 1 or toll-free at 800-852-7279, ext. 2399, option 1.

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**June 24th, 2017**

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