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County funding for pool project still up in the air

BY COURTNEY HUGHETT Martin County Journal Publisher

Members of the Loogootee Park Board and supporters of the re-building of the city pool attended the Martin County Commissioners' meeting last night, Tuesday, June 24 to find out if the commissioners would approve the county council spending \$150,000 over a five-year period to go toward the pool project. The county council had originally approved pledging the money however County Attorney David Lett informed them at their last meeting that when using EDIT (Economic Development Income Tax) funds, the commissioners must first approve it. So, what was considered a done deal fell into the hands of the three commissioners.

At last night's meeting, Loogootee Mayor Noel Harty recapped the project and what has been done thus far. He explained that through pledges and fundraisers, \$100,000 has been raised. The city has also pledged \$150,000 in EDIT funds. The total estimated cost of the project, according to the mayor, is between \$550,000 and \$600,000.

Commissioner Kevin Boyd asked the mayor how he knew how much the project was going to cost. The mayor replied that they currently have two quotes but he wasn't going to reveal what those were because the project will eventually be put out for bid. He didn't want to reveal what other companies have quoted, to keep the bidding process fair.

After more discussion, Commissioner Paul George asked if the issue could be tabled until the next meeting so they had more time to think about it. "Well, I don't know how to answer that Paul," replied Mayor Harty. Commissioner Boyd stated that he would like to get input from the public before he made his decision. Commissioner Dan Gregory asked that the pool supporters give the other two commissioners time to make a decision and noted that two weeks is not a long time to wait.

More candidates on ballot for the General Election

Political parties have an option to put a candidate into a race for the General Election if there was no candidate from their party in that race in the Primary Election.

In the race for Martin County Sheriff, J. Travis Roush (R) has been nominated by his party to run against Robert F. "Rob" Street (D).

In the race for Martin County Council District One, Bruce Fithian (R) has been chosen by his party to run against incumbent Randy Wininger (D).

Also, three republicans have been added to the race for Perry Township Advisory Board: Jasen Riggens, Charles Blanton, and Paul Crew.

For residents planning to run for school board in Loogootee or Shoals, the first day to file for candidacy is Wednesday, July 23 and the last day is Friday, August 22, by noon.

"I'm definitely leaning toward it, I have to tell you," Commissioner George said to the pool supporters.

Mayor Harty told the commissioners that he understands what they are going through and he also understands that some people are trying to make this a Loogootee, Shoals, or Crane project. He said he disagrees with that.

Commissioner Boyd replied that he has intentionally asked more Loogootee people their opinion and he has not been met with the most favorable response regarding the project.

Samantha Nelson, with the park board, replied to that saying that \$100,000 raised in fundraisers over the past 12 months, at \$20 at a time, equates to her a lot of support for the project in a short period of time.

Anyone wishing to speak in favor or against the county giving the money to the pool can call the commissioners at the following: Paul George: 812-653-2771, Kevin Boyd: 812-247-3604 or email kevinbyd@frontier.com, or Dan Gregory: 812-631-2635 or email dgregory60@frontier.com.

The commissioners promised the pool supporters they would have an answer by their next meeting in two weeks.

In other business, the commissioners approved purchasing a 2012 Gradall for the highway department at a cost of \$280,000. The Gradall will be purchased from Southeastern and be financed for five years through Old National Bank with a 2.09 percent interest rate.

Josh and Courtney Hughett with the Martin County Humane Society presented their quarterly report to the commissioners. Courtney explained that adoptions were down in the second quarter but noted that in a county our size, she felt 54 adoptions in six months was pretty good. Commissioner Dan Gregory asked if the shelter was full to which Courtney replied, "always".

Courtney also explained that the shelter has hired two part-time workers this year so the amount the humane society was requesting for 2015 will increase from \$4,800 to \$6,000. Courtney said the shelter would like to increase employee hours to alleviate the need for constant volunteers. The shelter averages 46 dogs and cats at a time.

Commissioner Gregory asked Sheriff Rob Street if his department has seen a difference or a help in the humane society over the past few years. Street replied, "Oh definitely so, no doubt about that. Before if we got a call there was nothing to do but explain to the people we have to put the animal down if we respond, we had nowhere to take them. At least now we have a place to take them rather than put them down."

Commissioner Gregory told the Hughetts that they will put in for an increase for the humane society in their budget but the county council will ultimately decide if it is cut. Courtney said she plans to report to the county council as well with budget numbers and what the shelter has accomplished so

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-Top photo by Bill Whorrall, side photo by Courtney Hughett

Another Loogootee Summerfest came and went and this year's event offered more entertainment than any in the past. Through periods of rain showers and storms, festival goers still braved the weather to enjoy the music, booths, rides, parade, 5k run/walk, and the queen competition. In the photo above, Sissy Woody (at left) and Christine Walker (at right) served as grand marshals of the parade held Saturday afternoon. Sissy and Christine are well-known throughout the community as Christine saved Sissy's life by donating a kidney. In the photo to the right, Emily Bateman was named the 2014 Miss Summerfest Queen. She is being crowned by last year's queen, Jurnee Davis. More photos on page 2.



Martin in 10th place in the state for jobless rate for May

BY COURTNEY HUGHETT Martin County Journal Publisher

Martin County's jobless rate went unchanged from April to May sticking at 4.7 percent. The county did bump from having the 23rd lowest jobless rate in the state to having the 10th, tied with Jackson and Knox counties.

In May, Martin County had 5,277 residents in the workforce with 249 of them without jobs. In April, there were 5,181 residents able to work and 246 of them were unemployed.

In May of last year, the county's jobless rate stood at 6.1 percent with 5,240 resident in the workforce and 319 of them without jobs

Daviess County's unemployment rate rose slightly from 3.8 percent in April to 4.3 percent in May. The county still had the third lowest jobless rate in the state for May, tied with Kosciusko and Bartholomew counties.

In May, Daviess County had 15,148 residents in the workforce with 646 of them without jobs. In April, there were 14,983 residents able to work with 564 of them unemployed.

In May of last year, Daviess County's unemployment rate was 5.6 percent with 15,090 residents in the workforce and 849 of them without jobs.

Dubois County also saw a slight increase in their unemployment rate from April to May, moving from 3.5 percent to 3.9 percent. The county held the top spot in the state for lowest jobless rate for May.

In May, Dubois County had 21,769 residents in the workforce and 843 of them were without jobs. In April, there were 21,506 residents able to work and 763 of them were unemployed.

In May of last year, Dubois County had an unemployment rate of 5.3 percent with 21,634 residents in the workforce and 1,141 of them unemployed.

Orange County's jobless rate barely moved from April to May but did go from 6.1 percent to 6.2 percent. The county had the 23rd highest jobless rate in the state for May tied with Blackford, Fulton, Jennings, and Washington counties.

In May, Orange County had 10,148 residents in the workforce and 627 of them without jobs. In April, there were 9,955 residents able to work with 609 of them unemployed.

In May of last year, the county had a jobless rate of 8.2 percent with 10,120 residents in the workforce and 827 of them

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Daviess-Martin Joint County Parks & Recreation Dept.



Another Loogootee Summerfest in the books



-Photo by Joshua Hughett

The crowd started to pick up early Saturday afternoon for Summerfest. By almost dark, hundreds of people lined the downtown street.



-Photo by Bill Whorrall

Summerfest Queen Emily Bateman made her way through the downtown streets for the parade Saturday afternoon.



-Photos by Bill Whorrall

Shown above is Little Miss Summerfest Zoey Brassine waving to the parade goers and below is Junior Miss Summerfest Jayleigh Wagoner during the parade.







-Photos by Courtney Hughett
On the left, Little Miss Summerfest
Zoey Brassine posed with the shelter dog
that was the honored guest for the humane society's Puppy Poop Bingo Saturday evening. In the photo above is the
Summerfest Tiny Tot winner Ajada Car-



-Photo by Courtney Hughett

Dark clouds rolled in Friday evening and the downpour sent festival goers seeking cover for about 30 minutes. The storm eventually passed and didn't return.



-Photo by Courtney Hughett

Cheerleaders with Full Out Tumble and Cheer, of Jasper, performed for the crowd Saturday afternoon.

BITUARIES

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EDWARD CARITHERS

Edward Joseph Carithers went home to be with the Lord June 18, 2014. He died at home with his wife, Cynthia and other family at his side. A resident of Shoals, he was

He was born October 29, 1949; the son of James and Florence (Crinshaw) Carithers of Princeton.

He graduated from Booneville High School in 1968 and entered the United States Navy from 1968 to 1974 serving his country during the Vietnam War. He was an Ensign and trained as an electrical engineer carrying out his duties in a role of leadership in maintenance on different military vessels. Upon completing his tour of service, Ed trained and worked for Peabody Coal Company 28 years as safety instructor/supervisor; then went to work for Conex as a certified blaster doing controlled shooting in their mines for the last 12 years.

He had a real love for life and nature. He lived every day to the fullest, as if it was his last, always having a smile and kind word for everyone.

He is survived by his wife, two sons, Andy Carithers of Nevada and Toby Carithers and wife, Chevenne, of Spencer County; one daughter, Libby Wooman, and husband, Brad, of Nevada, two step-sons, Trevor Keller and wife, Lynn, of Mariah Hills, Indiana and Ryan Keller of Winslow;

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12 grandchildren, one great grandchild; three sisters, Virginia Whitinghill of Louisville, Kentucky; Nancy Lauderdale and husband, George, of Winslow; and Lynn Hendrickson of Booneville.

He was preceded in death by both mother and father, a brother, Jerry Carithers; a sister, Mary Barr; and one grandchild, Dalton

A funeral service was held Monday, June 23 at Queen-Lee Funeral Home in Shoals. Burial followed in Waggoner Chapel Cemetery. Shoals American Legion Post #61 accorded military graveside rites.

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

RONALD KAISER

Ronald J. Kaiser died at 6:50 p.m. Wednesday, June 18, 2014 at his home. A resident of Odon, he was 63.

He was born March 5, 1951, in Daviess County; the son of John T. and Jessie (Hamilton) Kaiser.

A 1969 graduate of North Daviess High School, he worked at farming and general labor. He was a member of White River Valley Antique Association.

He is survived by a daughter, Rhonda Rumble of Loogootee; a son, J. Aaron Kaiser of Loogootee; eight grandchildren; longtime companion and special friend, Nancy Nolan; five sisters, Anna Laura Fields, Alice Mattingly, Connie Ash, all of

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Larry Sutton, with the health department, told the commissioners that the state is recommending that all health departments get accredited. He said it is voluntary right now and costs \$5,000 every three to five years. He added that the state gives the health department \$33,000 in grants and his fear is that if the health department doesn't go through the accreditation process, the grants may eventually stop when accreditation is required.

Kathy Collins, community corrections director, reported to the commissioners that she is currently advertising for part-time road crew and field service officers. She thanked former road crew supervisor, Gerald Harner, for his service for two years.



812-295-3926 219 N JFK Avenue, Loogootee



Loogootee, Naomi Summers of Greenwood, and Norma Fox of Washington; and one brother, Tom Kaiser of Glendale.

He is preceded in death by a daughter, Alisha Dee Kaiser; a sister, Mary Lundy; and a brother, John M. Kaiser.

The funeral was held Monday, June 23 at Poindexter-McClure Funeral Home. Odon Chapel, with Bro. Steve Sims officiating. Burial followed in Walnut Hill Cemetery.

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without jobs.

Lawrence County's jobless rate moved from 7.2 percent in April to 7.5 percent in May putting them in fifth place in the state for the highest jobless rate.

In May, Lawrence County had 21,235 residents in the workforce with 1,584 of them without jobs. In April, there were 21,456 residents able to work and 1,542 of them unemployed.

In May of 2013, Lawrence County had a jobless rate of 9.7 percent with 21,159 residents in the workforce and 2,056 of them without jobs.

The top ten spots in the state with the highest jobless rate for May were: Fayette at 8 percent, Vermillion and Vigo at 7.8 percent, Lake at 7.7 percent, Lawrence at 7.5 percent, Sullivan at 7.4 percent, LaPorte at 7.3 percent, Delaware and Fountain at 7.2 percent, and Miami and Owen at 7.1 per-

The top ten spots in the state with the lowest jobless rate for May were: Dubois at 3.9 percent, Hamilton at 4 percent, Kosciusko, Daviess, and Bartholomew at 4.3 percent; LaGrange and Boone at 4.5 percent, Wells and Hendricks at 4.6 percent, and Martin, Knox, and Jackson at 4.7 percent.

Indiana's seasonally-adjusted unemployment rate held steady in May at 5.7 percent, mainly due to approximately 2,000 unemployed Hoosiers returning to the labor force to look for work. Indiana's rate of unemployment remains more than one-half of a percentage point below the national rate. Indiana's labor force gains also continue to outpace the national rate, as the Hoosier labor force has grown by more than 46,000 over the past year, while U.S. increases have been minimal.

Indiana added 4,800 private sector jobs in May, led by the Private Educational & Health Services (+2,100) and Professional

& Business Services Sectors (+1.000). Since July of 2009, the low point of employment in the state, Indiana has added nearly 223,000 private sector jobs.

"The Hoosier labor force has grown significantly for the past eight months in a row," said Scott B. Sanders, Commissioner of the Indiana Department of Workforce Development. "This is not the case with some of our neighboring states who have experienced unemployment rate declines due to decreases in their labor force. It is clear that Hoosiers are going back to work and that good jobs are available."

Sanders also noted claims for state unemployment insurance in May were more than 10,000 below May 2013 levels. Initial claims and continued claims remain at levels not seen since 2000.

Employment by Sector

Sectors showing gains in May include: Private Educational & Health Services (2.100). Professional & Business Services (1,000), Leisure and Hospitality (800), Construction (800), and Manufacturing (300). The Trade, Transportation & Utilities (-1,100) and Financial Activities (-700) sectors declined in May. Total non-farm employment increased in May (5,000).



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- Oversee Maintenance of Road Crew Equipment (mowers, weed eaters, etc.)
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Cops&Court

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Martin County Sheriff's Department log

MONDAY, JUNE 16

Various time - Received several reports of mailbox vandalism on SR 450 and the Hickory Ridge area. Chief Deputy Dant is working the case.

TUESDAY, JUNE 17

1:35 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance on Boat Club Road. Martin County Ambulance transported subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

3:51 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Crane. Martin County Ambulance transported subject to IU Health.

5:17 a.m. - Received a report of a car-deer

accident on US 231. Deputy Harmon took

9:13 a.m. - Received a report of a commercial fire alarm at Shopko. Loogootee

10:0 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance on Cedar Street in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded.

11:14 a.m. - Received a report of a twovehicle accident at the 50/150 intersection. Indiana State Police were dispatched.

11:50 a.m. - Received a report of a cardeer accident on Truelove Church Road.

Loogootee Police Department log

MONDAY, JUNE 16

12:03 a.m. - Caller requested a welfare check on a female.

12:18 a.m. - Caller reported juveniles causing problems on East Broadway Street. 10:05 a.m. - Female came on station with

a civil complaint. 11:00 a.m. - Caller reported a theft of a license plate.

11:55 a.m. - Male came on station to report identity theft.

7:45 p.m. - Caller requested assistance with a civil complaint.

TUESDAY, JUNE 17

12:29 p.m. - Caller reported property damage on Park Street.

3:05 p.m. - Caller requested a welfare check on a female.

3:35 p.m. - Caller requested an officer tag two abandoned vehicles on East Broadway Street.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 18

7:05 a.m. - Caller reported a theft of fuel. 9:55 a.m. - Caller reported a male causing problems on SE 1st Street.

10:54 a.m. - Caller reported a truck with a leaky load on Hwy 50.

1:30 p.m. - Caller reported a theft of fuel

ISP stresses safety with fireworks during 4th of July Holiday.

The Indiana State Police would like all Hoosiers to have a safe Fourth of July holiday. Due to many Hoosiers celebrating our nation's independence, with the use of fireworks, the Indiana State Police would like to inform citizens of the Indiana fireworks law which is in place for the safety of every-

• Only individuals over the age of 18 can purchase fireworks.

• A person 18 years of age or older has to be present when anyone younger than 18 is using or possessing fireworks.

• Fireworks can only be used on the user's property, the property of someone who granted permission for fireworks to be discharged, or a place designated by the Indiana State Fire Marshal for the discharge of consumer fireworks.

• Fireworks can only be discharged between the hours of 9 a.m. to 11 p.m. any day except on Memorial Day, Fourth of July, Labor Day, and New Years Eve when the times are 9 a.m. to midnight. It is important to check with local officials, as local ordinances may restrict the use of fireworks.

A person who violates this law can be charged with a class "C" infraction.

If a person recklessly, knowingly, or intentionally uses fireworks and the violation causes property damage, they can be charged with a class A misdemeanor. If there is bodily injury it is enhanced to a class "D" felony, and if there is death a class "C" felony.

Adults are encouraged to constantly monitor children who use fireworks. In the past, children have suffered burns on their arms and hands because of improperly using bottle rockets, firecrackers, and sparklers. All fireworks have the potential to be dangerous the call.

Fire Department was dispatched.

Chief Deputy Dant responded.

from Chuckles.

1:45 p.m. - Caller reported a male refusing to leave a local business.

8:32 p.m. - Caller reported a hole in the road on North Street.

THURSDAY, JUNE 19

2:00 p.m. - Caller reported a 911 hang-up on NW 1st Street.

2:30 p.m. - Loogootee officers assisted the Martin County Sheriff's Department with a domestic dispute on US 231.

9:55 p.m. - Caller reported a violation of a protective order.

FRIDAY, JUNE 20

11:00 a.m. - Caller reported a 911 hangup on John C. Strange Street.

11:10 a.m. - Caller reported a suspicious male on US 231.

5:38 p.m. - Caller reported juveniles causing problems on JFK Avenue.

SATURDAY, JUNE 21

5:50 a.m. - Caller requested a welfare check on a male on North Street.

8:26 a.m. - Caller requested a welfare check on a female.

1:48 p.m. - Caller reported a domestic dispute on Mill Street.

6:21 p.m. - Female caller reported a theft of a bike.

to North Line Street for a possible gas leak. **SUNDAY, JUNE 22**

7:32 p.m. - Loogootee Fire was paged out

4:19 p.m. - Caller reported a suspicious female on US 231.

5:20 p.m. - Caller reported a theft.

6:58 p.m. - Caller reported a reckless vehicle on US 231.

10:09 p.m. - Caller reported subjects being loud on Park Street.

Jail bookings

TUESDAY, JUNE 17

12:16 a.m. - Robert Kirk was arrested on preliminary charge of operating a vehicle while intoxicated. ISP Trooper Beaver was the arresting officer.

1:23 p.m. - Vincent Toy was arrested on several Martin County warrants.

THURSDAY, JUNE 19

Unknown time - Corey Jones, of Shoals, was arrested on the preliminary charge of operating a vehicle while intoxicated re-

FRIDAY, JUNE 20

12:33 p.m. - Jessica Martin, of Shoals, was arrested on an Orange County warrant. **SATURDAY, JUNE 21**

9:06 a.m. - Gregory Tincher, of Washington County, was arrested on the preliminary charges of resisting law enforcement. ISP Troopers Lents and Qualkenbush assisted.

12:30 p.m. - Received a report of a twocar accident in Loogootee. Loogootee Officer Hennette responded.

3:10 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Sunset Trailer Court Loogootee First Responders and Martin County Ambulance responded. Subject was transported to Daviess Community Hospital.

4:35 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Subject transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital by Martin County Ambulance.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 18

9:20 a.m. - Received a report of a theft on Capital Avenue. Deputy Keller responded.

9:55 a.m. - Received a report of a menacing individual in Loogootee. A Loogootee officer responded.

10:54 a.m. - Received a report of explosive containers on Highway 50 just west of fairgrounds. Loogootee Fire Department, Martin County Sheriff's Department, and Loogootee Police Department all responded. Containers were found to be empty.

1:45 p.m. - Received a report of an individual refusing to leave a business in Loogootee. Loogootee Officer Nolan and Deputy Burkhardt responded.

6:50 p.m. - Received a report of a commercial alarm in Shoals. Marshal Eckert responded.

9:26 p.m. - Received a report of a car-deer accident on US 231. Loogootee Officer Akles responded.

THURSDAY, JUNE 19

3:03 a.m. - Received a report of a 15year-old female run away from the northern area of the county. Deputy Greene and ISP Trooper Beaver responded.

7:05 a.m. - Received several reports of cows out on US 50. Deputy Greene responded. Owners were contacted.

2:30 p.m. - Received a report of a domestic disturbance in the Bramble area. Deputy Keller and Loogootee Police Chief Rayhill responded.

FRIDAY, JUNE 20

7:50 a.m. - Received a report of harassment on West River Road. Deputy Burkhardt took the call.

8:18 a.m. - Received a request for lift assistance on William Dailey Drive. Martin County Ambulance responded.

11:09 a.m. - Received a report of a semi responded.

with a leaky load on Hwy 50 coming into Shoals. Deputy Burkhardt located the vehi-

11:10 a.m. - Received a report of a menacing individual on US 231 N. Loogootee Officer Akles and Deputy Burkhardt responded.

11:53 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance on North Oak Street. Martin County Ambulance transported subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

11:54 a.m. - Received a report of an accident on Hwy 50. Loogootee Officer Akles responded.

SATURDAY, JUNE 21

9:06 a.m. - Received a report of a vehicle sitting in the roadway on Possum Hollow Road. Deputy Baker responded. A pursuit ensued and Gregory Tincher, of Washington County, was arrested on the preliminary charges of resisting law enforcement. ISP Troopers Lents and Qualkenbush assisted.

1:48 p.m. - Received a report of a fight on Mill Street in Loogootee. Martin County Deputy Baker, LPD Officer, Conservation Officer Mann, and Trooper Lents responded.

3:38 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance on E Washington Street. Martin County Ambulance transported subject to Jasper Memorial.

5:30 p.m. - Received a report of an accident on Beard Road. Deputy Harmon responded.

7:56 p.m. - Received a report of a two-vehicle personal injury accident on Dover Hill Road. Martin County Ambulance, Shoals Fire, Air Evac, and Deputy Harmon responded.

7:59 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance on Nolley Lane.

SUNDAY, JUNE 22

2:08 p.m. - Received a report of a fire on Williams Road. Shoals Fire, Martin County Civil Defense, Martin County Ambulance, Deputy Baker, And ISP Trooper Lents responded.

3:30 p.m. - Received a report of a breakin on Doe Run Lane. Deputy Baker re-

6:29 p.m. - Received a report of a theft in Loogootee. Loogootee Police responded.

10:30 p.m. - Received a report of a theft on Progress School Road. Deputy Harmon

Two Indiana Conservation Officers receive promotions

Two Indiana Conservation Officers were honored in a promotion ceremony last Thursday morning at the DNR Central Office in Indianapolis.

Bill Beville, who joined the DNR Division of Law Enforcement in 1985, was promoted to Lieutenant for District 9, an 11-county area of southeast Indiana.

Gary Pennington, who joined the Department in 1990, was promoted to Detective Sergeant in the Law Enforcement Investigations Section.

"We are proud to promote Bill Beville and Gary Pennington, who each have demonstrated that they are prepared for their roles in leadership for our agency," said Danny East, Law Enforcement Direc-

Beville has been acting commander of District 9 since January and assistant commander since 2008. A graduate of the Vincennes University conservation law enforcement program, he originally was stationed as an Indiana Conservation Officer in Fayette County before moving to Jennings County in 1990.

He is a former director of the Law Enforcement division's Karl E. Kelley Youth Camp, serves as an instructor for the Law Enforcement division and an instructor trainer for the National Archery in the Schools Program. Beville was selected District 9 officer of the year by his peers in

Pennington began his career as an Indiana Conservation Officer in Daviess County and transferred to Floyd County in 1997. He has been a defensive tactics instructor, a K-9 officer, boat accident investigator, side-scan sonar operator and a member of the cave rescue team.

He is a past "officer of the year" recipient in Districts 7 and 8, and also is a past recipient of officer of the year honors from the Indiana Bowhunters Association, Indiana Hunter Education Association, and Indiana chapter of the National Wild Turkey Federation.

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Indiana State Police unveil clan lab address website

Last Tuesday, in conjunction with Governor Pence's ceremonial signing of House Bill 1141 the Indiana State Police unveiled a new link on the meth website. The link lists properties that have previously been identified by law enforcement as the location of a clandestine lab.

This site provides the user with the date of seizure, county, street address, type of lab and location of the lab on the property listed. In addition, labs seized in vehicles will have the vehicle identification number listed if the lab was seized after December 31, 2012. Only labs that have been reported to the Indiana State Police either through an ISP criminal incident report or via EPIC 143 report submission by another police agency will be listed on the website. The address lists have specific timelines and delisting requirements under HB 1141. If the address fits within the statutory timelines, users will be able to download the ISP Occurrence Report and the Indiana Department of Environmental Management's Certificate of Illegal Drug Lab Cleanup submitted for a particular property.

If it has been disclosed through a real estate transaction that a clan lab was on the property for sale but it is not listed on the website, contact the ISP Meth Suppression Section at 317-234-4591 or within Indiana 1-877-MSS-METH. ISP can determine if the property was delisted after cleanup or if a lab was never reported to the Indiana State Police for that location. Occurrence Reports will be available from ISP and Cleanup Certificates will still be available from IDEM for those delisted properties.

"This project has been over a year in the making, and we are pleased that Representative Wendy McNamara and Senator Randy Head worked with us and the other entities involved to pass this legislation that protects Hoosiers from the dangers posed by meth lab contamination." stated ISP Meth Suppression Commander F/Sgt. Niki Crawford. "This is a victory for everyone involved."

There are 55 total labs listed for Martin County. Labs reported for Martin County through 2013 and 2014 include:

-On February 5, 2013 at Brooksbride Road and Elliott Lane in Loogootee. A dumpsite only, no dwelling. Found were lithium/ammonia reaction(s), flammable solvents, water reactive metal (lithium), hydrochloric acid gas generator(s), anhydrous ammonia, and corrosive acid and base.

Real estate transfers

Edith M. Sergent, of Howard County, Indiana to Willard J. Wagler and Naomi Wagler, of Martin County, Indiana, the northeast half of all that part of the west half of the northwest quarter of fractional Section 17, Township 3 North, Range 3 West, lying and being south of White River in Halbert Township, Martin County, Indiana containing 37.67 acres, more or less, except 12.77 acres.

Elizabeth Jane Crowe, of Orange County, Indiana to Elizabeth Jane Crowe, Roger Dean Crowe, and Jeremy Dean Crowe, of Orange County, Indiana, one acre in the east half of the southeast quarter of Section 5, Township 2 North, Range 3 West.

James Hunt, of Martin County, Indiana to Sharon Craft, of Martin County, Indiana, Lot Number 23 in Doe Run Subdivision to Halbert Township, Martin County, Indiana.

Accident reports

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 18

9:30 p.m. - Matthew Martin, of Seymour, was northbound on US 231. Martin stated that a deer ran into his path. Damage was reported to his 2005 Ford. Captain Akles investigated.

FRIDAY, JUNE 20

12:30 p.m. - Mila Dill, of Columbus, was backing a 2007 Chevy from the T and R parking lot when she backed into a 2001 Chevy owned by Jana Ferguson, of Loogootee. Captain Akles investigated.

-On February 6, 2013 on Poplar Street in Shoals. An operational lab in a vehicle after a traffic stop with no children present. Found were flammable solvents and water reactive metal (lithium).

-On February 6, 2013 on Second Street in Shoals. A dumpsite only in the open, no dwellings. Found was corrosive acid.

-On March 16, 2013 at High Street and Hill Street in Loogootee. This was a dump-site only, no dwellings. Found were flammable solvents and corrosive acids.

-On March 16, 2013 at 401 JFK Avenue in Loogootee. Chemical/glassware/equipment only in the open, no dwellings. Found were lithium/ammonia reaction(s), flammable solvents, water reactive metal (lithium), and corrosive acid.

-On April 23, 2013 at 15510 N State Road 450. An operational lab in a residence with no children present. Found were a one pot or birch reaction(s) and corrosive acid and base in the residence and hydrochloric acid gas generator(s) and flammable solvents in a burn pile.

-On May 3, 2013 on Gun Shop Road in Shoals. A dumpsite only, no dwellings. Found were corrosive acid and base in a ditch.

-On June 21, 2013 at SE 3rd and Church Streets in a vehicle. List of found items unavailable.

-On July 11, 2013 at 304 Sheridan Street in Loogootee. An operational lab in a residence with one child under the age of 18. Found on the back porch was one pot or birch reaction(s), a hydrochloric acid gas generator, flammable solvents, and corrosive acid in the bedroom, and water reactive metal (lithium) in reaction.

-On September 4, 2013 on Sherfick School Road in Shoals. Chemical/glass-ware/equipment only in the open, no dwelling. Found were flammable solvents, water reactive metal (lithium), and corrosive acid and base.

-On November 4, 2013 on West River Road in Shoals. A dumpsite only in the open, no dwelling. Found were hydrochloric acid gas generator(s) and corrosive acid.

-On December 23, 2013 at 7811 US 150 in Shoals. An operational lab in a residence with no children present. Found were one pot or birch reaction(s) burned up in a woodstove and flammable solvents and corrosive acids in the kitchen cabinet

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State police obtain warrant for murder in Paoli shooting

The Indiana State Police has obtained an



arrest warrant for a suspect believed to be involved with Monday's shooting north of Paoli.

Investigators are actively looking for John Robert Carpenter, 35. Carpenter, a 35-year-old white male, is six feet tall and weighs 175 pounds,

CARPENTER has blue eyes and is listed as brown hair; however, is believed to currently have a shaved head. Photographs of Carpenter last indicate that he has facial hair. Carpenter was last seen driving a red and grey 1991 Dodge Ram 150, single cab, two wheel drive pick-up truck with Indiana registration TK913LGC.

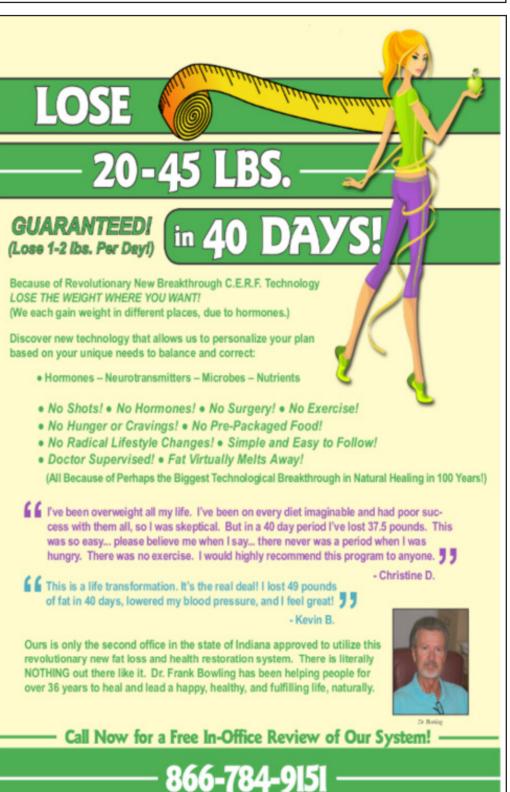
Carpenter is believed to be the gunman involved in the shooting Monday that



Shown is a 1991 Dodge truck similar to that of the vehicle Carpenter was last seen driving. The quality of the paint job on Carpenter's truck is in poor condition compared to the photograph.

claimed the life of Nicholas Fields and Cory Michael Harris, and injured Daniel Smitson. Carpenter is considered armed and dangerous. Investigators ask that anyone who observes Carpenter not approach him; rather, dial 911 immediately and inform dispatchers of your information.





FARMING&OUTDOORS

Wednesday, June 25, 2014 ~ Martin County Journal

SCOUTING MATTER By Mike Leighty - Odon Troop 481 Scoutmaster

SOME Thoughts On - FRIENDLY

Sorry I missed you last month. Having a senior in high school will consume a household in the month of May. Warning... if you have a senior the month of May can become overwhelming if you do not plan effectively. I recommend you - Be Prepared! Needless to say there just wasn't enough time to pen the May addition. But perhaps it was the break in my publication cycle that served as an object lesson for my thoughts on "friendly." So continuing with the series of breaking down the Scout Law and how it really applies to ALL of us... the fourth point of the Scout Law... A Scout is Friendly.

The Scout Law's intent is to mold what kind of person a scout should be. This doesn't happen overnight, however, the first four points of the Law paint a fairly specific picture of the attitude and behavior every scout should possess; trustworthy, loyal, helpful and friendly. A trustworthy person is one upon whom you can rely. He is true to his word and can be counted on to follow through on any commitments. Someone who is loyal will never betray that which they believe in. A loyal person will have your back at all times. When someone is helpful, he or she do their best to make life easier for others and to ensure the world they live in is the best possible version of itself. Friendly people make others feel comfortable and welcome in any situation.

So I guess it was high school graduation that allowed me to see "friendly" come alive in this little community. Not that the community isn't friendly but it seems to take on a whole different relevance and meaning at the end of the school year. Reflecting back a few decades I can see how graduation has changed over the years. It's far more of an extravaganza than it was in 1973. It seems to last for weeks opposed to my only other experience which was to dawn the cap and gown – get in and get out. But it was a very different world then. These days it's a community event and I would have to say that is where exercising point number four, "friendly" comes in.

After the official graduation ceremony is when it all begins with the individual graduation parties. Some happen before graduation, most happen after. Some are individual settings, some group gatherings. Regardless of the setting; an atmosphere of friendly prevails. I had the opportunity to attend a dozen or more of these parties in the past few weeks and help host one. Seniors standing at their tables, well dressed, mannerly, with a hint of relief on their face. Behind them, picture boards of pride representing the first segment of their lives before moving to the next adventure. Accompanying the student, proud parents greeting family and friends. Helpful adults in the background manning the kitchen and grills because as with any friendly gathering, food is always something that enhances a spirit of friendly.

So what does all this have to do with the scouting movement you ask? Well through other activities and responsibilities I maintain outside of scouting I pretty much stayed connected with this senior class. I would see them in the hallways and on the street and we would always exchange pleasantries. As for a sustained connection with their parents, not so much. But when you are grabbed by the arm of a proud parent and they take you to the picture board, pointing out specific pictures of Cub Scout or Boy Scout activities their son was a part of, you quickly discover Scouting Matters.

These were special and touching moments for me personally. While the majority of these fine young men had interests that took them down a different path away from scouting at one point of their young life it mattered

to them and their parents and left an obvious positive impression if for only a moment. I listened to several what I call, "remember when" stories as a parent would point out a picture as evidence of a special time we all had. Because another thing that enhances friendly are positive lasting memories. Most of these I recalled, some I did not but in every case this friendly - reminiscent environment brought excitement, friendly smiles, and an occasional tear to the eye. There was even a suggestion for a "Cub Scout Campout Reunion" before everyone heads off to college which I would be proud to host.

I'll have to say May into early June is very hectic for the household of a senior but it was worth it and there is a lesson in all this. In 2014 all our lives are just to rush – rush. It will consume the spirit of "friendly" and erase lasting memories because we are always moving at digital speed forward. It shouldn't take a single community event such graduation to generate a broad spirit of friendliness and reconnection. My suggestion, next time you are feeling overwhelmed by rush - rush. Pause - recall one of those "remember when" stories and in a spirit of friendliness reconnect with an old friend and bless their life by slowing down and looking backwards. I did it and discovered there is a little bit of scout in all of us and it has left a lasting impression and a positive life lesson.

If you would like to learn more about the scouting opportunities in your local area, give me call (812) 295-8417 and I will help you make contact with a local scouting unit.

Yours in Scouting, Scoutmaster Mike



Summer has officially arrived and the solstice came with the heat and humidity for which the Ohio Valley is known. While we may find that combination uncomfortable, most of the plants thrive under such conditions, as long as there is sufficient moisture. We have seen lush growth in plants, making up for the late start caused by the cool weather in early spring.

Heat and humidity are also the perfect conditions for fungal diseases. I have noticed powdery mildew, a common fungal disease on plant leaves. While the powdery white film on leaves of several types of plants may not be attractive, it is rarely fatal for the plant. Sometimes, the leaves may wither and fall off, but they may be replaced by secondary leaves, so the plant survives.

Fungicides are a little misleading. They really do not kill existing fungus, but they will protect plants from fungal diseases if applied early enough and re-applied after each rainfall. Once infected, there is little one can do about a fungus disease short of removing the parts of the plant affected and hoping the plant is otherwise healthy enough to regenerate.

The warm weather has brought on a variety of summer blooms. Various rudbeckias or black-eyed Susans have burst into bloom. Coneflowers of many hues have begun blooming and the wild geraniums continue to produce blooms. All of these plants will continue to bloom until frost if the flowers are dead-headed after they fade or if the plants are cut back and allowed to regener-

Oriental and Asiatic lilies have been adding their spectacular trumpets to the symphony of color. Daylilies are also beginning to bloom, tempting the eye and the taste buds. All parts of the daylily are edible. Add the blooms to salads or batter and fry them for a treat.

Purple spires are plentiful right now from sages, veronicas, lambs ears, liatras and pickeral rushes. Soon the tall bellflowers will add their blue and lavender blooms to the mix.

Several varieties and colors of varrow are adding umbrels of white and various shades of pink to the garden. The yellow and red varieties have yet to bloom at Sandhill Gardens, but should be showing up soon. The yarrows make wonderful cut flowers and while they rarely play the starring role in an arrangement, they are very good in their supporting roles.

It is time for some major cuts in the garden. Many of our favorite fall flowers need a haircut now to be at their best in the fall. Sedums, mums and asters will benefit from being cut back now. These plants have a tendency of flopping over just as they reach peak bloom, but cutting them back now will result in stronger stems that will remain upright. It may delay the bloom time by a couple of weeks, but that means the blooms will last longer into the fall. Do not throw away the cutting. Stick them into some soil and they will grow into new plants for the

As summer continues, more flowers will keep the garden interesting. Do not be afraid to cut some to share with others and to take into your own home. In most cases, cutting will just cause the plant to produce more flowers and extend the bloom sea-

Thousand Cankers Disease detected in Indiana

The fungus that causes Thousand Cankers Disease in walnut trees has been detected for the first time in Indiana.

The discovery of the fungus, Geosmithia morbida, on small weevils, Stenomimus pallidus, that emerged from two stressed trees in a black walnut plantation in Yellowwood State Forest in Brown County also marked another first. It was the first time the fungus was detected on an insect other than the walnut twig beetle.

The fungus was discovered as a result of a survey for insect pests and fungi in Indiana and Missouri. The U.S. Forest Service-led survey was a cooperative effort with scientists at the University of Missouri and Purdue University. The survey did not detect the fungus, walnut twig beetle or the weevil in Missouri. Neither this survey nor any other previous surveys have detected the walnut twig beetle in Indiana. Originally found in New Mexico, TCD affects many types of walnut trees to varying degrees but is lethal to black walnuts, which often are grown in plantations in Indiana but are also common in the state's urban and rural forests. Indiana joins Maryland, North Carolina, Ohio, Pennsylvania Tennessee, Virginia and eight western states with the disease.

State Entomologist Phil Marshall, director of DNR Division of Entomology & Plant Pathology, has ordered the plantation guarantined. The DNR Division of Entomology & Plant Pathology, DNR Division of Forestry, U.S. Forest Service and Purdue University are conducting additional studies in the plantation to better understand the disease and insects there. The quarantine only restricts movement of black walnut out of the plantation. Movement of black walnut from other areas of Brown County is not restricted.

The trees in the plantation do not currently show symptoms of the disease, according to Marshall. Should the disease status in the plantation change, the trees can be cut and destroyed to prevent spread out of the planta-

"We have much to lose from the spread of

TCD," Marshall said. "It is important that we repeat the study to understand the role of the weevil and occurrence of the fungus in the

Walnut twig beetles that typically carry the fungus are smaller than a pinhead. They bore into walnut branches, feeding on the tree's tissues and depositing the fungus that creates a canker, or dead area, under the bark. Multiple feedings cause the formation of thousands of cankers under the bark and destroys the tree's ability to transport water and nutrients. Gradually branches die, and then the entire tree eventually dies. Walnut trees affected by the disease typically die within two to three years after symptoms are noticed.

Black walnut is the most valuable tree in Indiana based on the dollar value of wood produced, mainly as walnut veneer but including timber and nuts.

There are an estimated 31.5 million walnut trees in Indiana. Approximately 17.7 million board feet of black walnut is harvested annually with a value of \$21.4 million. If all forest walnuts in Indiana were lost because of TCD. it would represent a \$1.7 billion loss. State Forester John Seifert, director of the DNR Division of Forestry, said the estimates do not include the value of urban trees and investments landowners have made for black walnut plantations and tree improvement over the past 30 years.

This detection does not change or eliminate the current TCD quarantine that restricts movement of walnut into Indiana from other infested states. Indiana sawmills, veneer mills and log buyers must still comply with Indiana's TCD quarantine before they bring walnut from infested states into their location.

Forest landowners do not need to harvest their black walnut trees as a result of this detection. If you notice a suspicious decline in black walnut trees or otherwise suspect an infestation of TCD, call the DNR toll-free at 1-866-663-9684. If approached by someone offering to remove black walnut trees because of the disease, notify the DNR or a consulting forester to have the tree checked.

Outdoor Indiana features Indiana Dunes State Park's Sand Sculpture Contest

Outdoor Indiana magazine's July-August issue features Indiana Dunes State Park's annual Sand Sculpture Contest.

The article is a look back at last year's event in words and photos. This year's event is July 12. To view a video about the event go to voutube com/idnryideos and select the State Parks and Reservoirs tab.

Outdoor Indiana is available now at most DNR properties and Barnes & Noble stores in Indiana for \$4. Subscriptions are \$15 for one year (six issues, a 38 percent savings off cover) and \$28 for two years (12 issues. a 42 percent savings off cover).

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Tomato growers get quick, expert help from 'Doctor' app

BY KEITH ROBINSON Purdue University News Service

Home gardeners needing some quick, expert advice about their tomato plants will find it right in their pockets with Purdue Extension's Tomato Doctor mobile app.

The app will help gardeners diagnose problems and offer solutions to get their plants back to a healthy condition, said Janna Beckerman, a Purdue Extension plant disease specialist and content specialist for the

"Even people who don't consider themselves gardeners grow tomatoes," Beckerman noted. "And every year, all of us tomato growers confront different problems. This app is designed to help home tomato growers identify problems and find a useful solution so they can thoroughly enjoy more tomatoes."

The Tomato Doctor covers more than 80 common - and not so common - insect, disease and environmental problems that occur throughout the United States and around the world. It includes nearly 500 high-quality images to help users identify problems involving their plants.

Correctly identifying problems will help gardeners avoid using pesticides on their plants unnecessarily, Beckerman said.



A screen shot from the Tomato Doctor app shows users the brown marmorated stink bug, a pest, on a tomato. (Purdue **Agricultural Communication graphic**

"Not every problem needs a pesticide to manage it," she said. "But when they are needed, we always start with the least toxic approach, and we try to recommend com-

mon varieties that are more resistant to certain problems. Sometimes, switching varieties is all that is needed. But for some people, they have to grow Brandywine or Speckled Roman, which may require a bit more protection."

Beckerman also pointed out that not all insects are bad and need to be eliminated. The app makes that distinction.

"We included some common beneficial insects so growers don't mistake a helpful insect for a harmful one," she said.

The app is available for 99 cents at these

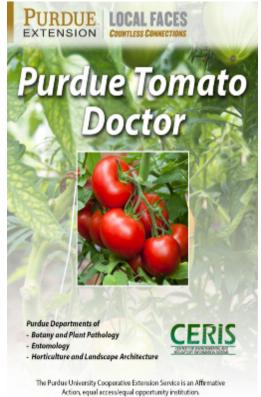
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The device is the fourth "Doctor" app developed by Purdue Extension specialists. Preceding it were the Tree Doctor, Annual Flower Doctor and Perennial Flower Doctor

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The cover of Purdue Extension's Tomato Doctor, an app that helps gardeners identify and diagnose problems with their tomato plant and offers solutions. (Purdue Agricultural Communication graphic)

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~LETTERS TO THE EDITOR~

'Screaming sirens do not really say "parade."

To the editor of the Martin County Jour-

Is it possible to have a parade without possible ear damage? I see parents parking their little ones on the curb every year. The sounds of the fire engines, police cars, etc. are too loud. Screaming sirens do not really say "parade." A band, floats, trucks, tractors, motorcycles, clowns, cars, acts, costumes, etc. are a lot more interesting and do say, "parade." Can our leaders practice a little wisdom here?

> Bill Whorrall Shoals, Indiana

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To the editor of the Martin County Jour-

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The Loogootee Lady Lions Volleyball Team

Deadline approaching for field trip grants to state parks, reservoirs

Educators interested in taking students, grades K-12, on field trips to an Indiana state park or reservoir in the 2014-2015 school year should act quickly to receive financial help through the Indiana Natural Resources Foundation.

Applications for the Discovering the Outdoors Field Trip Grant Program must be postmarked no later than June 30.

The program is for public, private, parochial or home-school educators. In 2013, 18 grants benefited more than 1,400 K-12 students from 16 schools.

"We are proud to be a partner in improv-

ing school access to our state's natural and cultural resources through field trip grants for all types of educators and students across Indiana," INRF director Bourke Patton said.

The program has been a hit with both students and educators. Teacher Cory Groover of South Newton Elementary took students to Turkey Run State Park last year.

"This field trip has been many students" favorite field trip," Grover said. "Many students have never been to Turkey Run and this is a great opportunity for them to see Indiana."

Indiana has 24 state parks and eight reservoirs eligible for field trip funding that will engage students in learning about Indiana's fish, forest, wildlife, natural habitats and conservation.

"Field trips to our state parks and reservoirs give children a sense of place," said Ginger Murphy, assistant director for stewardship for the DNR Division of State Parks & Reservoirs. "These trips let them understand how previous generations viewed the significance of Indiana's natural and cultural resources, and at the same time let them make great memories that they will carry into adulthood."

The maximum grant award is \$250 per application. Applicants will be notified by August I regarding potential grant awards.

The grant application is at IN.gov/inrf/educate.html.

The INRF is accepting donations to the fund from individuals, businesses or anyone who supports the idea of getting kids out-

The fund was established in memory of Tom Huck, a longtime DNR employee who was an ardent supporter of outdoor experiences for children.

For further information, including how to donate. DiscoverOutdoorsGrants@dnr.IN.gov.



The Messmer Report By District 63 State Representative

Mark Messmer



Insurance changes coming July 1

Unless you work in the insurance industry, or know it very well, chances are the word insurance is enough to make your eyes glaze over. There is no denying that it can be a dry, tedious topic. However, you may be surprised to know that there are a couple insurance changes going into effect soon that may directly impact you, and in fact, are pretty interesting!

The first change is found in House Enrolled Act (HEA) 1058. As you may know, insurance companies are currently required to deliver certain documents via first class or certified mail. However starting July 1, this legislation will allow Hoosiers to have the option to receive notices or documents via email. With 85 percent of Americans now using the Internet, this provides Hoosier consumers with another option to receive notices or documents, with the consumer's consent, and allows them to withdraw their consent at any time. Additionally, Hoosiers will still be able to receive additional hard copies of notices and documents if they wish.

As a father, husband, legislator and small business owner, I understand the importance of convenience. Like many Hoosier families, I know it can be difficult to balance a hectic schedule. As someone who values convenience, I supported this effort to make it easier for consumers to quickly obtain the important documents they need. It is also my hope that providing documents electronically will result in savings for insurers which will allow for savings for consumers as well.

The second change comes in the form of Senate Enrolled Act (SEA) 220 which seeks to prevent insurance providers from engaging in unfair or deceptive practices. Essentially, this bill requires insurers to take counties.

proactive steps in finding the beneficiary of a life insurance policy, annuity contract or retained asset.

In order to put more property in the hands of the entitled beneficiaries, this new law requires insurance companies to match the Social Security Administration's death master file to a list of their policy holders twice a year. To encourage insurers to thoroughly search for beneficiaries, the Department of Insurance can now enforce civil penalties on the insurers if their actions are found to be unfair or deceptive. If a policy holder has died, the insurers must take steps to pay the designated beneficiary. If the beneficiary cannot be found, the benefits would then roll over to the state under the unclaimed property law.

Since many beneficiaries are often unaware that they have been named as such and as a result don't think to look at the Indiana Unclaimed website to see if they have inherited property, policies are left to go unclaimed and unpaid by insurers. This new law aims to put more unclaimed property in the hands of the rightful owners and ensures that the wishes of deceased Hoosiers are carried out.

Both of these new laws not only bring greater efficiency to the insurance industry but also directly benefit Hoosiers. Whether we are driving our car, taking our little ones to the doctor or making repairs to our home after a hail storm, insurance plays a large role in each of our lives.

If you have questions about these laws, or any others going into effect July 1, and are curious how they will impact you, please do not hesitate to contact my office at 317-232-

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

Indiana receives more than \$4 million in federal grant money for workforce development initiatives

The Indiana Department of Workforce Quality Initiative grant money. The Hoosier Development (DWD) has received more than \$4 million over the past two weeks in federal grant dollars for significant workforce development initiatives. Yesterday, DWD was notified by the United States Department of Labor (USDOL) it was awarded \$3.2 million in federal grant dollars to bolster reemployment assistance activities, which Indiana will utilize to help unemployed Hoosiers return to work sooner. Indiana's share of the nearly \$69 million was the fifth largest out of the 40 grants awarded.

On Friday, June 13, DWD was notified by the USDOL that Indiana was awarded a federal grant in the amount of \$1,089,913 as a part of the federal Workforce Data Quality Initiative program. Indiana will use these funds to make beneficial improvements to the existing statewide database of education and workforce information. Indiana was one of eight states who received Workforce Data state's share of the nearly \$6 million grant was the second largest. Both grant awards represent key pieces of DWD's ongoing strategy to assist out of work Hoosiers in finding good paying jobs efficiently and effectively.

"The most important function of this agency is the continued development of a well-qualified and effective Hoosier workforce," said Scott B. Sanders, Commissioner of the Indiana Department of Workforce Development. "These dollars are crucial to our goal of helping Hoosiers find well-paying jobs as quickly and efficiently as possible."

More information about both the Workforce Data Quality Initiative grant can be found at www.dol.gov/opa/media/press/eta /ETA20141130.htm. Reemployment and Eligibility Assessment Grant information is located at www.dol.gov/opa/media/press/eta/ ETA20141212.htm.



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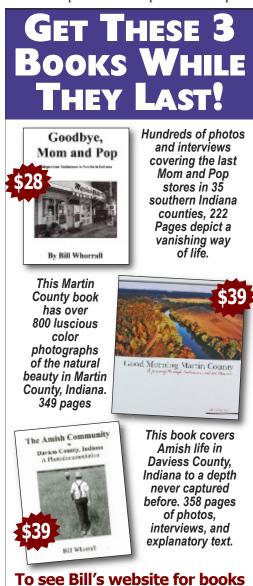
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Calendar of Events

Shoals Alumni Banquet

The Shoals High School Alumni Banquet is Saturday, June 28 at the Shoals High School Gym. Doors open at 4 p.m. The dinner starts at 6 p.m. If you would like a reserved table, call Norma Baker at 812-388-6641.

Talk to a lawyer clinic

The next talk to a lawyer telephone clinic will take place on Thursday, July 3 from 4:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. CST and 5:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. EST. Volunteer attorneys will be available to take your calls and answer general legal questions regarding Indiana law. This is FREE! To access talk to a lawyer, call (812) 618-4845 and (888) 594-3449. Talk to a Lawyer is co-sponsored by the Volunteer Lawyer Program of Southwestern Indiana, Inc., Evansville Bar Foundation and Indiana Bar Foundation.

Foster care seminar

The River Church in Shoals will host "Fostering Hope" Tuesday, July 8 from 6 to 8 p.m. This is an informational event for anyone interested in fostering children or finding out how to help others who foster. Childcare will be provided for the discussion and refreshments will be served.

Loogootee Class of 1999 reunion

The Loogootee Class of 1999 will celebrate their 15-year reunion on July 26, 2014. The day will start with a family picnic at the Loogootee City Park at noon. Those attending are asked to bring a covered dish and drinks. For class members and a guest, there is a room reserved at the French Lick Springs Hotel from 6 p.m.-10 p.m. Dinner will be served at 6:30 p.m. The cost is \$45 per person. Make checks payable and send to Mandy Fee, 1525 Westminster Rd., Evansville, IN 47725 by July 1, 2014. Overnight rooms are available at the hotel for \$189 plus tax. You must use the code 0714LOO to get the discounted room and book by June 26, 2014. Any questions can be emailed to mandyfee@rocketmail.com.

Head Start preschool classes

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

Boy Scouts

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

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Solid waste board

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

Humane society meetings

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

Tourism meetings

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

Soil and Water meetings

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

Humane Society featured pet



The sweet girl shown above is a terrier mix. She has been with the shelter for a long time. She is very sweet, gets along well with other dogs and is around 2 years old. She is spayed and up to date on her shots. If interested in this girl, stop by the shelter at 507 N. Oak Street in Loogootee. Shelter hours are Monday and Wednesday from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. and Saturday 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. or by appt. any day except Sunday.

Now playing: "The Music Man" at OTP

The iconic All-American musical "The Music Man" will be presented for three final performances June 27-28-29 at the Old Town Players Theatre and Arts Center, 432 Broadway Street. This family-friendly musical is presented with support from corporate sponsor Vincennes University.

The talented cast features Allyson Ariel, Mary K. Bahr, Alycia Bickel, Gabe Clark, Max Colston, Evelyn Crowley, Jay Dunlap, Craig Johnson (Westphalia), Susan Johnson (Westphalia), Anastasia Keller, Jason Keller, Jack Mahoney, Shar Mahoney, Kathy Mooney, Darby O'Flannery (Bicknell), Heavan Rall, Rick Ruff, Bill Simmons, Andrew Smith, Roseanne Smith (Bicknell), Sofia Solis-Bandino, Katie Stone, Dylan Tussey, Amanda Whitson (Bicknell), Rachelle Williams, Darrell Wolven (Washington), and Phyllis Workman.

ABOUT THE SHOW

By turns funny, warm, romantic, wicked, and touching, "The Music Man" is family entertainment at its best.

This affectionate nod to a bygone era and the ideal of Smalltown, USA, follows fasttalking traveling salesman Harold Hill as he cons the people of River City, Iowa, into buying instruments and uniforms for a boys? band he vows to organize - despite the fact he doesn't know a trombone from a treble

Loogootee Revival Center Church celebrates 20 years

The Loogootee Revival Center Church will celebrate 20 years with special services on Friday, June 27 at 7 p.m., Saturday, June 28 at 6 p.m., and Sunday, June 29 at 9:30 a.m. Guest minister will be Pastor Mark Purl of Oasis Church, of Evansville. The LRC Church came about as Pastor Debbie Davis began holding weekly meetings in Loogootee in 1994 under Debbie Davis Ministries. With the help of her husband, Greg, and family; Cam and Rev. Jessica (Davis) Sheetz, and Assistant Pastors Sonny and Cassie (Davis) Flock, the church continues to thrive. The church is a Word and Spirit, nondenominational church with a vision of harvest and is located on Wood Street, north of the post office.



This award-winning, critically acclaimed Broadway classic is an All-American institution thanks to is quirky characters, charming situations, and one-of-a-kind, nostalgic score of rousing marches, barbershop numbers, and sentimental ballads which have become popular standards. Among the featured songs are such notable titles as "Ya Got Trouble," "Seventy-Six Trombones," "Goodnight, Ladies," "Shipoopi,", "Pickalittle (Talk-A-Little)," and "Till There Was You."

Health department hours change

The Martin County Health Department, WIC and Hoosier Uplands will be closed on Thursday July 3 and Friday July 4. The Martin County Health Department Immunization Clinic will close at 4:30 p.m. on Wednesday, July 2. The clinic will not be open until 6 p.m. that evening due to Catfish Festival set up blocking off the streets around the office. Regular hours will resume on Monday, July 7. The next shot clinic date will be Wednesday, July 9 from 8:30-noon and 12:30-4:30 p.m. If you have any questions, please call 247-3303.

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