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Bell named South All-Star

BY GREG CLARK
LHS Head Softball Coach

In late May, the District 5 softball coaches met at Bloomington High School South and voted on those players nominated for All-State consideration. In 1A/2A Julianne Bell, along with teammate Tyanna Graber, was chosen First Team All-State. Bell, being a Senior per the voting regulations, was also chosen to represent District 5 on the South All-Star team.

On Friday, June 22, Julianne traveled to Bloomington and the Indiana University campus, to meet up with her South All-Star teammates and have a short practice, pick up her uniform and get her room assignment. Following this, she went to her hotel room and prepared for the banquet that night at Edgewood High School. The banquet was held in the honor of the North and South All-Star teams, and the Indiana Softball Hall of Fame inductees.

Saturday, June 23 was game day, and the teams would be playing two, seven inning games. Each player was escorted onto the field by their high school coach, and Loogootee coach Greg Clark was proudly on hand to escort Julianne onto the field for player introductions.

Julianne used her speed in both games as she was used to run for several of the players during both games as well play all three positions in the outfield, third base and short stop at various times during the games. Bell played



JULIANNE BELL

very well on the day, scoring multiple runs for the South, while reaching base 3 of the 5 times she batted. The South prevailed in both games, winning game one, 5-3 and game two, 9-3.

During the intermission between games, Ashley Prange of New Palestine High School was named Miss Softball for the State of Indiana, while Davis Lauck of Roncolli High School was named the Coach of the year.

Commissioners give statement on departure of Auditor Roush

The Martin County Commissioners met Tuesday, June 19. Commissioners present were Paul R. George, Dan J. Gregory and Kevin R. Boyd. Also attending was Auditor January Roush, Deputy Auditor Bobbie Abel; County Attorney J. David Lett, Highway Superintendent Leo Padgett, Terri Alcorn, Highway Clerk; Brent Roberts, BF&S; Kathy Collins, Community Corrections Director; David Welch, German American; Alan Goodwin, Hoosier Insurance and Tim Kinder, Martin County Alliance.

Kathy Collins, Community Corrections Director, submitted a PBIS Coach Contract for approval. The contract would run August 1, 2018 thru July 31, 2019. Commissioner Gregory made a motion to approve the PBIS Coach contract for Erica Bratton for \$15,000. Commissioner Boyd made the second. All were in favor and the motion passed.

Commissioner Boyd made a motion to approve the Oracle Elevator agreement for \$2,087 to repair the elevator. Commissioner Gregory made the second. All were in favor and the motion passed.

Commissioner Gregory made a motion to approve the building of an 8x12 enclosure inside the vault in the basement to house election recording information. Commissioner Boyd made the second. All were in favor and the

motion passed. Community Corrections Director Collins suggested using the storage room at the bottom of the stairs. President George will inform Clerk Gerald Montgomery of the possibility.

The commissioners met in executive session to interview candidates for new agent of record for the workman's compensation insurance. Commissioner Boyd made a motion to approve David Welch, German American Bank, as the new agent of record for workman's compensation. Commissioner Gregory abstained due to conflict of interest with German American Bank. President George had to also abstain due to conflict of interest with Farm Bureau Insurance. Farm Bureau Insurance was one of the agents the commissioners interviewed. Attorney Lett informed them that with these circumstances, the one vote from Commissioner Boyd was adequate.

Leo Padgett, highway superintendent, submitted his two-week work schedule. He updated the commissioners on several road projects. They will begin blacktopping from Rama Dye Road to State Highway 450 this week. Bridge #58 is complete. Superintendent Padgett submitted a possible list of projects for the next round of Community Crossings Grant. A discussion followed on the highway budget. Com- (See 'COMMISSIONERS' on page 2)

NSWC Crane and Indiana Innovation Institute sign CRADA with Purdue University and Indiana University

The Indiana Innovation Institute (IN3) and Naval Surface Warfare Center, Crane Division (NSWC Crane) have joined forces with Purdue University and Indiana University in a cooperative research and development agreement (CRADA) to develop trusted microelectronics, that are counterfeit resistant and immune to a wide variety of attacks. Securing the nation's semiconductor supply chain has national security implications and affects many Indiana companies which use microelectronics in their products.

The CRADA allows the four entities to work collaboratively and ensures open communication of technical requirements, research results and the sharing of intellectual property between the parties.

"Partnerships like these leverage our state's strongest assets to help Indiana emerge as a global leader in cutting edge fields like trusted microelectronics," Gov. Eric Holcomb said.

The four entities are partnering to combine their complementary

strengths in science, engineering and mission focus to address gaps in microelectronic integrity in three critical areas:

-Inherently secure and adaptable hardware and software

-Ultra-reliable hardware under extreme conditions

-Counterfeit prevention and detection

"The military and industry rely on the security of the microelectronics they use every day whether it is the warfighter on a mission or the patient who has a pacemaker," said General Gene Renuart USAF (Ret.), chairman and CEO, Indiana Innovation Institute. "That is why investing in these types of advanced technologies, combined with the deep technical capabilities and expertise of Indiana's top research universities and NSWC Crane, is of the utmost importance."

NSWC Crane has been intentional about working with regional stakeholders in the development of a defense innovation ecosystem. The (See 'CRADA' on page 2)

Office of Naval Research invests in Purdue battery safety technology

BY KAYLA WILES
Purdue University News Service

Fundamental Purdue University research on making batteries safer has been targeted by the U.S. Office of Naval Research for translation into prototypes of larger batteries used in technologies such as submarines and naval missile systems.

The prototype development process, supported by a \$2 million grant for three years, is a team effort across Purdue's schools of Chemical Engineering, Aeronautics and Astronautics and Mechanical Engineering, as well as two research centers in Indiana: the Naval Surface Warfare Center, Crane Division and the Battery Innovation Center. This collaboration with industry partners and research organizations feeds into a larger Purdue effort to establish an ecosystem of Indiana startups for energy storage technologies. Funds will also support Purdue initiatives to interest high school (See 'BATTERY' on page 2)



Personnel are assembling next generation cell technology at the Battery Innovation Center in Newberry, Indiana, where batteries made using Purdue research will also be tested for safety. (Battery Innovation Center image/Thabani Matshazi)

Bobbie Abel to take over as auditor

In a caucus held by the Democrat Party on Tuesday, June 26, Bobbie Abel was chosen to replace January Roush as Martin County Auditor. Roush's last day is June 30. Abel will serve out Roush's term, which is up for reelection in 2020. Abel currently serves as the Deputy Auditor and started working in the auditor's office in 2016.

Abel said she will see how the next two years goes before deciding if she wants to try to be elected to the position in 2020. She said

she knows she has big shoes to fill to replace Roush.

Abel was previously registered as a Republican, voting as a Democrat in the Primary this year, making her eligible for the auditor position. Abel said she plans to run as a Democrat if she seeks the office in two years.

Abel was the only person who submitted candidacy for the auditor position.

January Roush accepted a position with Radius Indiana early this year.



ABEL

BATTERY

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students, undergraduates, graduates, veterans and members of the U.S. Naval Academy in STEM (science, technology, engineering and mathematics) careers, particularly those in the manufacturing of batteries.

Most of today's electronics run on a lithium-ion battery, which is known to overheat as it is charged and discharged over time. Purdue researchers have already innovated several methods proven to solve these problems in small lithium-ion battery coin cells – the kind found in watches and other small gadgets. The next step is making sure that these methods are scalable and still work for the larger pouch and cylindrical batteries of electronics used in naval strategic systems, expeditionary warfare and many other military and commercial technologies.

The ultimate goal of the grant is to commercialize and work toward the adoption of such methods for making batteries safer at the small-, medium-, and micro-enterprise level for local development in Indiana. The grant also calls for incorporating these safety measures into the up-and-coming lithium-sulfur technology that could be the next generation of batteries due to their higher energy density than lithium-ion ones.

"We want to sense generated heat in advance for safer lithium-ion batteries and put these sensors into lithium-sulfur ones that we are working to make even more energy dense," said Vilas Pol, the lead principal investigator of the grant and Purdue associate professor of chemical engineering. "Both of these things together would make batteries two to three times safer than today and able to hold more charge."

Pol has worked with Vikas Tomar, Purdue professor of aeronautics and astronautics, on ways to implement both current miniature sensors and a new class of sensors they developed into industrial battery designs, preventing thermal runaway that leads to overheating and eventual failure.

One problem is that electronic circuits and sensors for heat are currently just on top of a lithium-ion battery. Pol's and

Tomar's labs through past collaborations have discovered that by putting a sensor within a battery, there is an efficient way to detect heat generated on an electrode surface during charging and discharging. In an extreme scenario, this sensor technology will cut off electrical current to a battery when it detects heat that could result in a shorted circuit or explosion.

Purdue researchers in Tomar's lab have also been training sensors under intense operating conditions typical to naval and civil transportation environments using the Purdue-patented technology, Nano-mechanical Raman Spectroscopy. By exposing and training a range of sensors to chemical and thermal changes under dynamic loading, batteries are less likely to overheat and fail.

As part of the commercialization and safety assessment efforts, these sensors will be implemented into bigger pouch cells tested in battery abuse facilities by James Fleetwood, director of research and development, and his group at the Battery Innovation Center, and by research engineer Thomas Adams and the Energy Systems Specialized Test and Evaluation group at the Naval Surface Warfare Center, Crane Division.

"We focus on the rapid development, testing and commercialization of safe energy storage systems for defense and commercial customers. Purdue's research shows promise for these outcomes," said Ben Wrightsman, president and CEO of the Battery Innovation Center, which is endorsed by the Indiana Economic Development Corporation for its startup creation potential and collaboration with both Indiana and global industries.

Partha Mukherjee, an associate professor in Purdue's School of Mechanical Engineering, is also developing high-throughput, physics-based computational modeling tools that can screen electrode architectures for enhanced safety and performance in lithium-ion and lithium-sulfur advanced battery chemistries. This computational effort will act as a catalyst for rapid assessment of battery safety scenarios under operational extremes as well as serve as a bridge between the two project thrust areas.

The safer sensors, as part of the Office of Naval Research grant, will be incorporated into lithium-sulfur batteries. To make these batteries hold more charge, improvements must be made to both the metallic lithium and non-conducting sulfur cathode. Lithium molecules tend to attack a "separator" in the middle of the battery as they migrate to opposite ends during repeated charging and discharging, stacking on top of each other into so-called "dendrites" that penetrate the separator connecting both terminals of the battery. Pol's lab modified the separator with inorganic and organic layers that evenly distribute lithium ions to avoid dendritic growth. With the addition of better sensors, lithium-sulfur batteries will be both safer and more energy-dense.

The collaborative effort contributes to an overarching goal of increased reliance on safer battery technologies customized for the Navy's missions and advancements. At the same time, these partnerships can lead to startups that make safer batteries and other energy storage technologies.

Recruiting a younger workforce accelerates this process. "The Navy needs this workforce to be technologically competent," said Pankaj Sharma, managing director of Purdue's Energy Center at Discovery Park. "We have many Purdue programs to inspire and train them to work in battery research and technology."

COMMISSIONERS

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missioner Gregory suggested moving the highway health insurance premiums to the general fund.

Due to the courthouse being closed Friday, June 29 because of the Catfish Festival and the highway department is closed on Fridays, Commissioner Gregory made a motion to close the highway department on Thursday, July 5 instead. Commissioner Boyd made the second. All were in favor and the motion passed.

Attorney Lett is in process of assisting a taxpayer in closing a road on their property.

President George read the following letter:

Statement to the Martin County community from the commissioners:

Our current Auditor, January Roush, is ending her role as the Martin County Auditor. She has served in a difficult job with integrity and honor. It is our loss that she is leaving.

January served for six-and-a-half years as auditor, but before that served as the deputy auditor when we really needed her. We could always depend on her to have the facts and figures when making decisions. At budget time she guided the commissioners and council as well as the other departments through what can be a confusing process. All through the years she kept her finger on the pulse of the budget and never let us get into trouble. If we wanted to do something, she could tell us how and from where we could pay for it.

January always had the budgets into the state on time and Martin County

was one of the first in Indiana to receive its budget approval, year after year.

I think her staff would say that January was a great leader of the auditor's office. She trained them well but was also their friend.

As for the commissioners, we depended on her a lot more than people would realize. No question went unanswered and the answers came swift and accurate.

January has chosen a different path for her time and expertise. It's good to see people move up in the world. Yes, it is our loss she is leaving, but we certainly wish her well.

January, you're a Home Run Hitter, and you batted a 1,000. Keep Swinging.

Commissioner Gregory made a motion to make the above letter part of the minutes and the letter be sent to all local newspapers. Commissioner Boyd made the second. All were in favor and the motion passed.

The courthouse will be closed Friday, June 29 and Wednesday, July 4. The next redevelopment commission meeting will be Tuesday, July 31.

President George informed those in attendance that the remainder of the meeting will be used to go through their budgets.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:50 p.m. with a motion made by Commissioner Boyd and seconded by Commissioner Gregory. All were in favor and the motion passed. The next commissioner meeting will be held Tuesday, July 3 at 5:30 p.m.

CRADA

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effort makes extensive use of technology transfer (T2) mechanisms, such as CRADAs, to link NSWC Crane's research and development to innovation ecosystem partner organizations. "This agreement exemplifies our growing innovation ecosystem, made possible by our regional T2 efforts," said Dr. Brett Seidle, NSWC Crane Technical Director.

The path a new technology faces in evolving from initial idea to useful product or capability often requires multiple transitions and partners. IN3, the region's new applied research institute, serves a critical role in this technology evolution.

"The state of Indiana has long had a need for applied research activities that bridge the gap between university research and practical implementation and productization of the technology" said Purdue President Mitch Daniels. "This CRADA creates the collaborations required to support these product development processes and Purdue is very excited to partner with the Indiana Innovation Institute on this important initiative."

The relationships formally established under this CRADA are a critical source of technology that IN3 is using to build their pipeline and establishes a critical mass of regional partners dedicated to bringing the next generation of new systems and products to the De-

partment of Defense.

"This CRADA highlights Indiana University's longstanding partnership with NSWC Crane and its developing relationship with the Indiana Innovation Institute," said Michael McRobbie, president of Indiana University. "It is also emblematic of how IU works to bring its resources to bear to help strengthen national security. This agreement is powerful, in that IU and Purdue will partner with IN3 and Crane in a four-way agreement to allow IU, IN3, and its research partners to collaborate on the mutual research and technology of trusted microelectronics."

The CRADA supports a recent \$2.3 million contract awarded by IN3 to Purdue University that focuses on developing technologies that address liability, security and anti-counterfeiting in the supply of semiconductors to the U.S. Department of Defense (DoD). Indiana University and the University of Notre Dame are subcontractors on the research contract and the work is in support of NSWC Crane.

The program, called ASSURE (Achieving Scientifically Secured User Reassurance in Electronics), will address vulnerabilities in military electronics, will create a national research center of excellence in trusted and reliable military electronics and will establish partnerships that will drive research, workforce training and economic development in Indiana.

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RICHARD HOFFMAN

Richard W. Hoffmann passed away at 8:47 p.m. Saturday, June 23, 2018, at St. Vincent's Medical Center in Evansville. A resident of Loogootee, he was 76.



He was born in Loogootee on August 8, 1941; son of Luther J. and Amanda (Himself) Hoffmann. He married Barbara Mann on July 30, 1966, in St. John's Lutheran Church in Boone Township.

He was a 1959 graduate of Loogootee High School.

He was a lifelong farmer, receiving the Master Farm Conservation Award in 2005-2006. His family was awarded the Farm Family of the Year award in 2014, and the Conservation Family of the Year in 1992. He was a partner in Otwell Farm Service and served on the advisory board of the Dubois County Bank.

He was an active member of Christ Lutheran Church in Haysville where he served on and was past member of the church council.

He enjoyed spending time with his granddaughter, teaching her how to drive the four wheeler and fish.

Surviving are his wife, Barbara Hoffmann of Loogootee; one daughter, Sonia (Charlie) Simmons of Indianapolis; one son, Byron Hoffmann of Loogootee; one granddaughter, Jessica Simmons, two sisters, Margaret Bosley McGiveney, and Doraetha Roberts, both of Louisville, Kentucky; and one brother, Karl E. (Becky) Hoffman of Loogootee.

Preceding him in death besides his parents, are one brother, Al-fred Hoffmann, and three brothers-in-law, William Bosley, Paul McGiveney, and Howard Roberts.

A funeral service will be held at 11 a.m. Thursday, June 28, at Christ Lutheran Church in Haysville, with burial to follow in Haysville Community Cemetery. Pastor Timothy Kraemer will officiate.

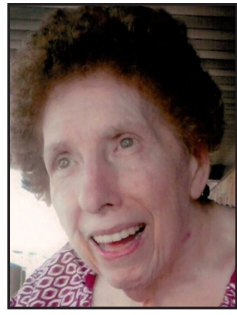
A visitation will be held from 3-8 p.m. Wednesday, June 27, at the Becher-Kluesner North Chapel in Jasper.

Memorial contributions may be made to Christ Lutheran Church or to

a favorite charity. Online condolences may be made at www.becherkluesner.com.

BONNIE HEMBREE

Bonnie Sue Hembree passed away Monday June 18, 2018 at Paoli Health and Living in Paoli. A resident of Shoals, she was 79.



She was born on December 15, 1938 in French Lick; daughter of Roy O. Mosson and Hazel Jane (Crutcher) Mosson.

She was a homemaker and she enjoyed gardening, volunteering at church and helping others who couldn't help themselves. She was a member of the Hilltop Chapel Assembly of God in Shoals.

She was preceded in death by her parents, three brothers, Charles, Winston and Walter Mosson; five sisters, Pauline, Alice, Virginia, Mary Lou, and Elizabeth; one son, Michael Pottorff and one daughter, Missy Hamblin.

Survivors include two sons, Timothy Pottorff and wife, Bonnie, of Shoals and Jeffrey Pottorff of Shoals; one daughter, Kelly Lynn Jones and husband, Tommy, of Paoli; one sister, Betty Judd of Indianapolis; one brother, Donald Mosson of Albion, Illinois; 10 grandchildren, 16 great-grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held Friday June 22 at the Dillman-Scott Funeral Home with Larry Downs officiating. Interment followed in the Mt. Olive Cemetery in Williams.

Arrangements made by Dillman-Scott Funeral Home, 226 W. Campbell Street, Paoli, IN 47454.

Online condolences may be made at www.Dillman-ScottFuneralHome.com.

WILLIAM "BURRELL" JONES

William "Burrell" Jones passed away at the Loogootee Nursing Center on June 21, 2018 at 3 a.m. Formerly of Shoals, he was 94.

He was born February 29, 1924 in Martin County; son of Edward and Margaret (Hart) Jones.

He attended Martin County Schools and was employed by the railroad. He

loved to mine creeks for field stones and was an avid outdoorsman. He attended a non-denominational fellowship.

Survivors include one daughter, Naomi Fenley of Mitchell; three sons, William "Bill" Jones of Mitchell, John Paul Jones of Shoals, Dale Jones of Shoals; sisters, Reva Jo Szabo of Ft. Wayne, Mary Bridges of Mitchell, Edda Lou Smith of Mitchell, Carol Baker of Trinity Springs, Rosalie Bateman of Shoals, Janet Jones of Paoli; brothers, Brad Jones of Whiteland, Claude Jones of Paoli, Edward Jones of Washington and Luther Jones of Paoli; several grandchildren, great-grandchildren, and nieces and nephews.

He is preceded in death by his parents, four sisters, Sharon Stewart, Naomi Jones, Ruth Tow and Jean Byers; and two brothers, Jake Jones and George Jones.

Funeral services were held Monday, June 25 at the Queen-Lee Chapel in Shoals with burial in the Spring Hill Cemetery.

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

RICHARD KLUESNER

Richard Kluesner passed away at 5:45 a.m. Monday, June 25, 2018 at the Linda E. White Hospice House. A resident of Loogootee, he was 71.

He was born August 13, 1946 in Jasper; son of the late Anthony and Bernadine (Schroering) Kluesner.

He retired from NSWC Crane after 31 years of employment. He was a member of St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church and various organizations.

He received the Simon Brute Award from the Diocese of Evansville and was the Martin County Community Foundation 2015 Philanthropist of the Year.

Richard was preceded in death by his parents, Anthony and Bernadine Kluesner and his siblings, Margaret Ann (Tom) Lents and Victor B. "Sonny" Kluesner.

He is survived by his wife, Judy Kluesner of Loogootee; children, Jennifer Kluesner of Clarksville and Andrew (Emily) Kluesner of Loogootee; grandchildren, Grayson, Liam and Hattie Kluesner.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated by Very Rev. J. Kenneth Walker at 10 a.m. Friday, June 29 at St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church in Loogootee. Burial will follow in St. John Catholic Cemetery.

Visitation will be held Thursday, June 28 from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. at Blake Funeral Home in Loogootee.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church or the Martin County Community Foundation - Rich and Judy Kluesner Fund.

Condolences may be made online at www.blakefuneralhomes.com. Arrangements were provided by Blake Funeral Home in Loogootee.



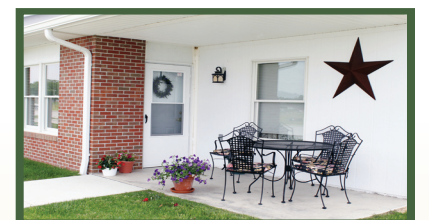
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Martin County Sheriff's Department log

MONDAY, JUNE 18

7:52 a.m. - Captain Dant took one inmate to court.

10:51 a.m. - Received a report of a stalled semi on US 231, south of Loogootee. Loogootee Chief Rayhill and Haysville Fire responded.

11:45 a.m. - Received a report of a suspicious vehicle near the Haysville Bridge. Sergeant Keller, Deputy Reed, K9 Officer Virka, Sheriff Roush, and ICO Hembree responded. After a search of the area, ICO Hembree launched his boat at the Portersville landing. While searching the river, the subject was located and rescued.

2:40 p.m. - Received a report of a tree down north of Shoals. Martin County Highway responded.

3:37 p.m. - Captain Dant took one inmate to court.

8:40 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance transported the subject to Daviess Community Hospital.

9:58 p.m. - Received a request for lift assistance south of Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded.

11:23 p.m. - Received a request for lift assistance near Shoals. Shoals Fire and Martin County Ambulance responded. No one was transported.

TUESDAY, JUNE 19

5:48 a.m. - Received a report of a domestic dispute in Crane. Deputy Reed and the Greene County Sheriff's Office responded.

8:45 a.m. - Captain Dant performed a vehicle identification check north of Shoals.

8:54 a.m. - Captain Dant took three inmates to court.

10:29 a.m. - Received a report of an accident in Loogootee. Loogootee Chief Rayhill and Sergeant Keller responded.

10:31 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance transported the subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

11:17 a.m. - Jail commander took one inmate to court.

11:40 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance transported the subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

12:35 p.m. - Sergeant Keller assisted a motorist east of Loogootee.

1:03 p.m. - Captain Dant took three inmates to court.

1:55 p.m. - Captain Dant took two inmates to court.

2:42 p.m. - Received a report of

an accident west of Shoals. Sergeant Keller, Sheriff Roush, Major Burkhardt, Shoals Fire, and Martin County Ambulance responded. One subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

8:30 p.m. - Received a report of a reckless driver on SR 450. Major Burkhardt responded.

8:34 p.m. - Major Burkhardt assisted a motorist on US 50, west of Shoals.

8:50 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance near Loogootee. Loogootee Fire and Martin County Ambulance responded. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

8:58 p.m. - Received an alarm call near Shoals. Major Burkhardt and Deputy Reed responded. All was okay.

10:22 p.m. - Received a report of a reckless driver on US 50, east of Shoals. Town Marshall Eckert, Major Burkhardt, and Deputy Reed responded.

10:46 p.m. - Received a report of a prowler near Loogootee. Major Burkhardt and Deputy Reed responded.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 20

5:06 a.m. - Received a medical alarm call in Loogootee. Loogootee Officer McBeth, Deputy Reed, and Martin County Ambulance responded. No one was transported.

8:58 a.m. - Received a report of a reckless semi on SR 450. Captain Dant responded.

10:03 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance transported the subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

3:06 p.m. - Jail Commander Abel took one inmate to the hospital.

11:05 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Shoals.

THURSDAY, JUNE 21

12:21 a.m. - Jail Commander Abel took one inmate to the hospital.

4:37 a.m. - Received a report of a suspicious male in Loogootee. Loogootee Officer McBeth responded.

11:14 a.m. - Received a request for a welfare check in Loogootee. Loogootee Chief Rayhill and Captain Hennette responded.

11:14 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance near Shoals. Shoals Fire and Martin County Ambulance responded. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

12:06 p.m. - Chief Deputy Greene assisted a motorist with a vehicle unlock in Loogootee.

4:50 p.m. - Chief Deputy Greene assisted a motorist with a vehicle unlock

north of Loogootee.

10:53 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance north of Loogootee. Crane Fire and Martin County Ambulance responded.

FRIDAY, JUNE 22

11:35 a.m. - Received a dog complaint in Loogootee. Loogootee Officer McBeth responded.

12:58 p.m. - Received a report of vandalism north of Shoals. Chief Deputy Greene responded.

7:02 p.m. - Received a report of a kid playing in the highway in Loogootee. Loogootee Police Department responded.

SATURDAY, JUNE 23

9:37 a.m. - Received a request for lift assistance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded but did not transport.

10:32 a.m. - Received a report of a blown transformer near Shoals. Chief Deputy Greene responded.

11:35 a.m. - Received a dog complaint in Loogootee. Loogootee Officer McBeth responded.

11:48 a.m. - Received a report of a possible break-in, in Loogootee. Loogootee Officer McBeth responded.

12:29 p.m. - Received a report of a reckless driver on US 50, east of Loogootee. Chief Deputy Greene responded.

2:55 p.m. - Received a report of a theft in Loogootee. Loogootee Officer McBeth responded.

8:52 p.m. - Received a noise complaint near Shoals. Deputy Wright responded.

9:47 p.m. - Received a report of harassment in Shoals. Deputy Wright responded.

SUNDAY, JUNE 24

8:45 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Shoals. Martin County Ambulance responded but did not transport.

8:53 a.m. - Received a report of a tree down near Shoals. Martin County Highway responded.

12:04 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance near Shoals. Martin County Ambulance and Lost River Fire responded. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

2:09 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded but did not transport.



Making A Difference

By Curt Johnson
MCCF Executive Director



-- INDEPENDENCE DAY --

Independence Day. Such a great day in our history. Over 240 years ago, 13 American colonies, as a new nation, declared independence from the British Empire. We all celebrate this very important day on July 4th. But did you know that we actually (and legally) became separated from Great Britain on July 2nd when Congress voted to approve the resolution of independence? Two days later they then approved and adopted the Declaration of Independence, which was an explanation of the decision to separate from Great Britain.

-- OUR INDEPENDENCE --

The actions by those people so long ago set the stage for our great county to grow and prosper as it has. Each of us are very fortunate to live here. Just ask anyone who has traveled abroad. Here we can voice our opinions and make our own decisions. We are free and independent to make our own choices, hopefully within the laws established by this great county.

-- OUR CHOICES --

When we make our choices and decisions, we typically do it to better ourselves, help someone else, or in some way improve something. Even though we do occasionally see that some people sometimes make decisions and choices that cause harm or don't do good. Our country's laws, set in motion over 240 years ago, deal with those instances.

-- DOING GOOD --

So, when you decide to do something good, you can choose your time, your talent, or your treasure to meet your goals. If you choose your treasure (your money) to improve the quality of life in your community, the Martin County Community Foundation is always here to provide a way to do that. There are

other ways and organizations to donate to a charity or to help a good cause, but with the MCCF, your choice will have an impact and make a difference for many, many years to come, for another 240 years and more.

-- BECAUSE WE CAN --

So, with our independence, we can choose what or who we can help, decide why we do it, choose how we do it, and choose when we do it. You can do it now, do it later, or do it with a will or bequest when you're gone. Remember the MCCF when making your decisions and your choices. We offer some unique alternatives to help you help others. You are free to help others any way you can because of some actions by a few men those many years ago.

-- CELEBRATE --

Celebrate that freedom every day, not just once a year on July 4th. There is no reason not to be thankful for living in these United States of America. Each of us is fortunate to live here. Be thankful for what you have been given. Not just for an opportunity to do good, but the ability and freedom to actually take some actions and improve the quality of life around you and in your community. Give back for what you have been given. So many years ago...

-- MORE INFORMATION --

For more information about the MCCF and how we can help you accomplish your charitable goals, please contact the Executive Director, Curt Johnson, at 812-295-1022 or mccf@cfpartner.org.

You are also welcome to visit our webpage at www.cfpartner.org/mccf.htm, follow us on Twitter at www.twitter.com/MartinCountyCF, and "like" the MCCF Facebook page at www.facebook.com/mcccommunityfoundation.

Specials at The Lodge

Wednesday: Tuna Melt

Thursday: Roast Beef or Beef Manhattans

Friday: Fish and Chips

Friday night: Blue Gill

Saturday: Sloppy Grilled Cheese

Saturday night: Prime Rib

Sunday: Country Fried Steak



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Martin County real estate transfers

Michael D. Elliott and Vonda M. Elliott, of Martin County, Indiana to **Kevin J. Bateman**, of Martin County, Indiana, a part of the southwest quarter of the southeast quarter of Section 12, Township 2 North, Range 5 West, containing approximately one acre, more or less. Also, parts of the southeast quarter of Section 12, Township 2 North, Range 5 West, Perry Township, Martin County, Indiana, containing 0.011 acres, 0.012 acres and 4.162 acres, more or less.

Brittney E. Bateman, of Martin County, Indiana to **Tyler M. Trambaugh**, of Martin County, Indiana, Lots Number 8 and the north half of Lot Number 7 in Belair Village in the City of Loogootee, Indiana.

Minnie E. Baker, of Martin County, Indiana to **Lisa J. Baker**, of Martin County, Indiana, Lot Number One of Pruet Subdivision.

Delmar Knepp and Ida Mae Knepp, of Daviess County, Indiana to **Monroe Graber and Laura Mae Graber**, of Daviess County, Indiana, part of the northeast quarter of the northwest quarter of Section 12, Township 1 North, Range 3 West, situated in Lost River Township, Martin County, Indiana, containing 12 acres, more or less. Also, part of the northeast quarter of the northwest quarter of Section 12, Township 1 North, Range 3 West, situated in Lost River Township, Martin County, Indiana, containing 14 acres, more or less. Also, part of the northeast quarter of the northwest quarter and part of the northwest quar-

ter of the northeast quarter, all being in Section 12, Township 1 North, Range 3 West, situated in Lost River Township, Martin County, Indiana, containing 6.17 acres, more or less. Also, part of the northwest quarter of the northeast quarter of Section 12, Township 1 North, Range 3 West, situated in Lost River Township, Martin County, Indiana, containing 5.08 acres, more or less.

Joseph M. Qualkenbush to Tyson K. Hilderbrand and Rebecca L. Hilderbrand, the northeast quarter of the northeast quarter of Section 8, Township 2 North, Range 3 West, Martin County, Indiana.

Lucinda Grimes, trustee of the Irrevocable Income-Only Trust of Donna Braun, of Martin County, Indiana to **Chrystal Braun**, of Martin County, Indiana, a portion of the north half of the northeast quarter of the northeast quarter of Section 13, Township 1 North, Range 5 West, of the Second Principal Meridian lying in Rutherford Township, Martin County, Indiana, containing 3 acres, more or less.

Lucinda Grimes, trustee of the Irrevocable Income-Only Trust of Donna Braun, of Martin County, Indiana to **Norman Braun**, of Martin County, Indiana, a portion of the north half of the northeast quarter of the northeast quarter of Section 13, Township 1 North, Range 5 West, of the Second Principal Meridian lying in Rutherford Township, Martin County, Indiana, containing 3 acres, more or less.

Lucinda Grimes, trustee of the Irrevocable Income-Only Trust of Donna Braun, of Martin County, Indiana to **Cassandra Foster**, of Pike County, Indiana, a portion of the north half of the northeast quarter of the northeast quarter of Section 13, Township 1 North, Range 5 West, of the Second Principal Meridian lying in Rutherford Township, Martin County, Indiana, containing 3.043 acres, more or less.

Lucinda Grimes, trustee of the Irrevocable Income-Only Trust of Donna Braun, of Martin County, Indiana to **Kenneth Braun**, of Martin County, Indiana, a portion of the north half of the northeast quarter of the northeast quarter of Section 13, Township 1 North, Range 5 West, of the Second Principal Meridian lying in Rutherford Township, Martin County, Indiana, containing 3 acres, more or less.

Lucinda Grimes, trustee of the Irrevocable Income-Only Trust of Donna Braun, of Martin County, Indiana to **Lucinda Grimes**, of Martin County, Indiana, a portion of the north half of the northeast quarter of the northeast quarter of Section 13, Township 1 North, Range 5 West, of the Second Principal Meridian lying in Rutherford Township, Martin County, Indiana, containing 3.022 acres, more or less.

Lucinda Grimes, trustee of the Irrevocable Income-Only Trust of Donna Braun, of Martin County, Indiana to **Corinna Cox**, of Martin County, Indiana, a portion of the north half of the northeast quarter of the northeast quar-

ter of Section 13, Township 1 North, Range 5 West, of the Second Principal Meridian lying in Rutherford Township, Martin County, Indiana, containing 3.753 acres, more or less.

Kelly B. Rayhill, of Martin County, Indiana to **Cameron S. Truelove and Krista S. Truelove**, of Martin County, Indiana, Lot Number 3 in Belair Village in the City of Loogootee, Indiana.

Ryan E. Lengacher and Tara J. Lengacher, of Martin County, Indiana to **Raygan Lee Roach**, of Martin County, Indiana, the southeast part of the southeast quarter of the northeast quarter of Section 24, Township 3 North, Range 5 West, containing fifty hundredths of an acre in the City of Loogootee, Martin County, Indiana.

Martin County Chamber of Commerce, of Martin County, Indiana to **BKB Real Estate, LLC**, of Martin County, Indiana, part of Lot Number 34 in the original Town, now City of Loogootee, Indiana.

Jeffery Bledsoe and Lori L. Bledsoe, of Martin County, Indiana to **Kelly B. Rayhill and Autumn C. Aiman**, of Martin County, Indiana, Lot Number One and a strip of ground nine feet wide off of the west side of Lot Number 2 in Houghton's Addition to the City of Loogootee, Indiana.

George W. Payne, of Martin County, Indiana to **WBC Properties, LLC**, of Daviess County, Indiana, the west 40 feet of Lots Numbered 31 and 32 in Keck's Addition to the City of Loogootee, Indiana.

COURT NEWS

CIVIL COURT New Suits Filed

June 6

American Builders & Contractors vs. Kaleb P. Connell, civil collection.

Tamara Albright vs. Cary Albright, petition for dissolution of marriage.

June 7

Elisa Hernandez Osuna vs. Brien F. Lable, petition for dissolution of marriage.

June 8

Personal Finance Company vs. Gina L. Divine, civil collection.

Capital One Bank vs. Viola R. Embree, civil collection.

Capital One Bank vs. Evan B. Mooneyhan, civil collection.

June 12

Arvest Central Mortgage Company vs. James H. McGuire, Hoosier Accounts Service and Nancy Jones, solely in her capacity, mortgage foreclosure.

June 14

James S. Mundy, Jr. vs. Regina F. Mundy, petition for dissolution of marriage.

June 15

Jefferson Capital Systems, LLC vs. Paul Davis, civil collection.

Crown Asset Management, LLC vs. Roger Robinson, civil collection.

June 19

Christina Parcels vs. Charles Parcels, Jr., petition for dissolution of marriage.

SMALL CLAIMS COURT

New Suits Filed

June 6

Medical of Dubois vs. Marisa M. Rosemeyer, complaint.

Medical of Dubois vs. Amy Mattingly and Don Mattingly, complaint.

Medical of Dubois vs. Tiffany Gilbert, complaint.

Medical of Dubois vs. James C. Mesarosh, complaint.

Medical of Dubois vs. Heather D. Campbell, complaint.

Medical of Dubois vs. Larry S. Quinn, complaint.

Medical of Dubois vs. Travis Trout-

man, complaint.

Jessica Lampert vs. John Fraley and Jennifer Fraley, complaint.

June 12

Crane Credit Union vs. Demetrius T. May, complaint.

Crane Credit Union vs. William L. Flanders, complaint.

June 13

Crane Credit Union vs. Gear Works, Angela M. Jackson and Wesley G. Jackson, complaint.

June 14

Allen Grau vs. Brian Brown, complaint.

June 15

Lorrie Brosmer vs. Thomas Turner, complaint.

June 18

Family Dental Care vs. Dustin Fox, complaint.

June 19

White River Cooperative, Inc. vs. Andrew W. Chandler, complaint.

White River Cooperative, Inc. vs. Michael A. Campbell and Melanie Campbell, complaint.

White River Cooperative, Inc. vs. Michael J. Baynes, complaint.

White River Cooperative, Inc. vs. Derek D. Holt, complaint.

White River Cooperative, Inc. vs. William F. Estep, complaint.

White River Cooperative, Inc. vs. Randall J. Bedwell, complaint.

White River Cooperative, Inc. vs. Joe A. Bradley, complaint.

Loogootee Police log

MONDAY, JUNE 18

10:51 a.m. - Chief Rayhill assisted the county with a broken-down semi on US 231.

3:10 p.m. - Caller reported someone burning brush on John C. Strange Street.

8:38 p.m. - First responders were requested on SW 3rd Street for a medical call.

10:15 p.m. - Caller reported a reckless driver on Hwy 50.

11:14 p.m. - Officer McBeth assisted the county with a traffic stop.

TUESDAY, JUNE 19

11:03 a.m. - Caller requested a welfare check on a female.

11:05 a.m. - Caller reported a property damage accident on West Broadway Street.

5:10 p.m. - Caller reported a suspicious vehicle on Park Street.

7:19 p.m. - Caller reported a reckless vehicle on Hwy 50.

8:30 p.m. - Female reported a controlled burn.

8:58 p.m. - First responders were requested on Mt. Calvary Road for a medical call.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 20

5:06 a.m. - Officer McBeth responded to a business alarm.

2:35 p.m. - Caller reported a speeding vehicle on US 231.

3:05 p.m. - Female requested assistance in removing a male from her res-

idence.

7:18 p.m. - Officer McBeth responded to a business alarm.

7:43 p.m. - Officer McBeth cited a male into court for driving while suspended.

THURSDAY, JUNE 21

4:37 a.m. - Male reported a suspicious vehicle on JFK Avenue.

11:14 a.m. - Captain Hennette assisted child protective services.

5:15 p.m. - Female reported a violation of a protective order.

9:43 p.m. - Male reported a reckless driver on Hwy 50.

FRIDAY, JUNE 22

3:13 a.m. - Male reported a possible intoxicated driver.

11:35 a.m. - Female reported a loose dog. Animal Control was contacted.

7:04 p.m. - Caller reported a male jumping in front of vehicle on West Broadway Street.

9:45 p.m. - Caller requested a welfare check on a male.

SATURDAY, JUNE 23

11:35 a.m. - Caller reported a loose dog on SW 1st Street.

11:48 a.m. - Female reported a sound system stolen from the city pool.

2:55 p.m. - Caller reported a theft from a vehicle on Walker Street.

9:15 p.m. - Caller reported a possible intoxicated driver on US 231.

SUNDAY, JUNE 24

9:45 a.m. - Female reported a child custody issue.

12:35 p.m. - Male requested to speak with an officer regarding an issue.

7:30 p.m. - Male reported a child custody complaint.

9:56 p.m. - Caller reported a suspicious vehicle on JFK Avenue.

The Loogootee Police Department would like to remind citizens to lock their vehicles and report any suspicious activity. We have had recent reports of vehicles being entered and items taken from vehicles.

ARRESTS

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 20

1:19 a.m. - Christopher Hupp, 36, of Loogootee, was arrested by Sheriff Roush and charged with burglary and is being held without bond. Assisting with the arrest was Deputy Reed.

THURSDAY, JUNE 21

3:05 p.m. - Miles Holler, 20, of Bedford, was arrested by ISP Trooper Lents on a Martin County warrant and

is being held without bond.

SUNDAY, JUNE 24

8:28 p.m. - Charles Jones, 52, of Shoals, was arrested by ISP Trooper Nolan and charged with operating a vehicle while intoxicated controlled substance, operating a vehicle while intoxicated endangerment, possession of marijuana, and possession of paraphernalia. He is being held without bond.

More Neat Stuff



One night, four college students were out partying late night and didn't study for the test which was scheduled for the next day.

In the morning, they thought of a plan. They made themselves look dirty with grease and dirt. Then they went to the Dean and said they had gone out to a wedding last night and on their way back the tire of their car burst, and they had to push the car all the way back. So, they were in no condition to take the test.

The Dean thought for a minute and said they can have the re-test after three days. They thanked him and said they will be ready by that time.

On the third day, they appeared before the Dean. The Dean said that as this was a Special Condition Test: all four were required to sit in separate classrooms for the test. They all agreed as they had prepared well in the last 3 days.

The test consisted of only 2 questions with the total of 100 Points.

- 1) Your Name _____ (1 Points)
- 2) Which tire burst? _____ (99 Points)

THOUGHTS

*Sometimes I wish I could be the load of laundry in the dryer, so I could sit in a dark, quiet space and everyone would ignore me for at least a week.

*What is special about these words: job, polish, herb? They are pronounced differently when the first letter is capitalized.

*Never lose sight of the fact that the most important yardstick of your success will be how you treat other people – your family, friends, and coworkers, and even strangers you meet along the way. -Barbara Bush

*When tempted to fight fire with fire, remember that the fire department usually uses water.

*You either get better or you get bitter. It's that simple. You either take what has been dealt to you and allow it to make you a better person, or you allow it to tear you down. The choice does not belong to fate, it belongs to you.

*Butterflies cannot see their wings, but the rest of the world can. - You. You are beautiful and while you may not see it, we can.

*I don't know what's worse: People who lie or people who think I am stupid enough to believe their lies.

MORE THOUGHTS:

*I need a six-month vacation twice a year! Anyone with me on this?

*I always mean what I say. Sometimes I don't mean to say it out loud.

*I may look like I'm having deep thoughts but 99% of the time I'm just thinking about what I'm going to eat later.

*I went for a run but came back home after two minutes because I forgot something. I forgot that I'm fat and can't run for more than two minutes.

*I'm doing crunches twice a day now: Captain in the morning, Nestle in the afternoon.

*Getting old sucks. I used to wake up

feeling like a million bucks . . . Now I feel like a bounced check.

*Hard to believe I once had a phone attached to a wall. When it rang, I'd pick it up without knowing who was calling. Amazing I'm still alive.

*Smart cars, smart TVs, and smart phones . . . When are they going to make smart people?

*A man stands on one side of a river, his dog on the other. The man calls his dog, who immediately crosses the river without using a bridge or a boat and without getting wet. How did the dog do it? The river was frozen

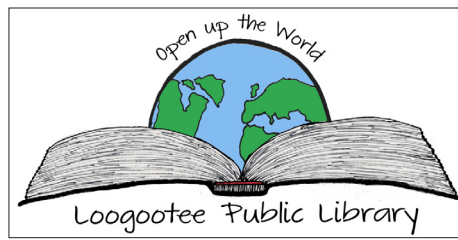
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Husband and wife had a tiff.

Wife called up her mom and said, "He fought with me again and I'm coming to live with you."

Mom said, "No darling, he must pay for his mistake. I am coming to live with you!"

Make someone smile today!



BY DARLA WAGLER
Librarian, Loogootee Public Library

One Monday, July 2, from 10:30-11:15 a.m., at the Loogootee Elementary Cafeteria, The Rope Warrior will be showing off his greatest tricks and promoting reading. He holds the title of "World's Greatest Rope Jumper" by Ripley's Believe It or Not! He has been featured on The Today Show, Good Morning America, and America's Got Talent plus Guinness World Record Holder. All kids registered in the 2018 Libraries Rock summer reading program can attend. It is not too late to register for the reading program. Grandparents and parents are invited too! This is a free program. Sponsors are German American Bank and Friends of Loogootee Library.

NEW BOOKS:

Mystery: "Murder in Paradise" by James Patterson and "Liar, Liar" by Lisa Jackson.

Fiction: "Before and Again" by Barbara Delinsky, "The Fallen" by David Baldacci, and "Between You and Me" by Susan Wiggs.

DVDs: "A Wrinkle in Time", "Pacific Rim", "Paul: Apostle of Christ", and "Midnight Sun".

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

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Food pantry hours

The Loogootee United Methodist Food Pantry will be open the first, second, third and fifth Thursdays of the month from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. and also the first Monday of the month from 5-6:30 p.m.

Free lunch for kids

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

SOAR Tutoring

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

Tourism meetings

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

Humane society meetings

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

Solid waste board

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

Soil and Water meetings

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

Attention Senior Citizens

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

Chamber of Commerce holds meeting

The Martin County Chamber of Commerce met Wednesday, June 20 at West Boggs Park Activity Center. Present for the meeting were representatives from the following businesses: City of Loogootee-Mayor Noel Harty, The Candy Mill-Carolyn Parsons-Downey, Martin County Alliance-Tim Kinder, Highland House & Saltbox Lodge-Donna and James Stoughton, Maranatha Tabernacle-Duane Smith, Martin County Community Foundation-Curt Johnson, SOAR-Vernita Williams, Serv-Pro-Tammy May, Overlook Rental & American Tree Expert-Marie Hawkins, Loogootee City Council-Roger Downey, Hoosier Uplands Head Start-Deb Terry, Bowling Manufacturing-Keith Peacock, Regional Opportunity Initiatives-Lauren Travis, West Boggs Park-Jameson Hibbs and Elaine Taylor and REMC-Mike Arvin.

The treasurer's report was given by Carolyn Parsons-Downey in the absence of Susan Arthur. We have had membership renewal coming in the past two months, plus the sale of the building is in the balance at this time. Marie Hawkins made motion to approve the report, Curt Johnson seconded the motion, and all were in favor.

The secretary's report was given by Carolyn Parsons-Downey, no corrections were made. Duane Smith made a motion to accept the minutes, Jim Stoughton seconded the motion, and all were in favor.

Roberto Gallardo, Ph. D., Southern Indiana Development Commission, gave a very informative update of the study done by Purdue University, Center for Regional Development on the state of broadband internet access. Anyone interested in learning more can go on the Martin County Alliance web page to get more information on this study. Tim also has the slideshow available for viewing. Please contact Tim Kinder with the Martin County Alliance for more information.

Jameson Hibbs, West Boggs Park, gave an update on the new playground and information on upcoming events this summer.

Membership renewals are due by July 1. Reminders were sent out in the last newsletter. If you need an invoice, please contact the Chamber office.

The Chamber had some volunteers help out on the Scholarship Committee - Curt Johnson, Jameson Hibbs and Duane Smith. The Chamber Office will be closed July 2-6.

Keith Peacock, with Bowling Manufacturing, said they are still in need of help. They are looking for about five more employees.

Shoals Business - Jim Stoughton, with the Shoals Business Association, reported that they have put new pictures up on the old Dime Store building.

Duane Smith made a motion to adjourn, Jim Stoughton seconded, and all were in favor.

The next Chamber meeting will be July 18 at noon at Hoosier Upland Head Start, 401 S Oak St. Loogootee.

ANIMAL SHELTER Pet of the Week



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

In the Garden

By Ralph Purkhiser
Purdue University Master Gardener

The pink powder-puff trees are in bloom! I have had several calls about the mimosa or silk trees. There is no denying that they make quite a spectacle when in bloom and the bloom period will last for several weeks. However, the mimosa tree, while undeniably beautiful, is not a tree I would recommend planting in a landscape.

The mimosa is native to Asia but was first brought to North America more than two hundred years ago. Since then, it has been admired and hated by many. The trees are fast-growing, going from seedling to twenty feet in just a few years. As with most fast-growing trees, they also die quickly. It is rare to find a mimosa more than 15 years old. The wood is brittle, and the trees are prone to breaking, opening them for all sorts of disease and insect damage. This creates a problem for companion plants. The fast-growing tree will turn a sunny spot into a shady spot quickly, and just as quickly will be gone and the spot will again be sunny.

While growing, the tree is quite messy. The flowers fade and drop to the ground, making quite a mess on surrounding plants and on the hardscape. The flowers are followed by seed pods, which also can be messy. The pods release seeds everywhere, and they germinate readily. One tree can quickly become a hundred. This means that the trees have the potential to become invasive. That has happened farther south, but the fact that the mimosa is marginally hardy here has prevented it from establishing dense stands and crowding out all native plants. When we get a hard winter, the trees often die to the ground, but the roots persist and will send up new growth. However,

that new growth tends to be even more brittle than the original tree and the trees usually split within a couple of years.

The tree roots are also invasive. The root system spreads out larger than the canopy and may break concrete, so one should never plant a mimosa near the foundation of a house. Seedlings which come up in the cracks of sidewalks can quickly result in that sidewalk's being destroyed. However, since the mimosa is actually a legume, related to peas and beans, the roots do fix nitrogen in the soil, improving the soil for surrounding plants.

At Sandhill Gardens, a family member planted a mimosa several years ago. That tree has died, but the seedlings persist. I have allowed some of the seedlings to grow, but the love-hate relationship continues. Presently, a tree that has beautiful blooms also has a bad split in the trunk. I pull seedlings by the hundreds and have other areas where I constantly have to cut off shoots that continue to sprout from persistent roots.

A couple of years ago, a new cultivar of mimosa was introduced. The tree has dark burgundy leaves, which make the puffy pink flowers stand out even more. The tree was priced so high that it was not a real temptation to me. I suspect that within a few years it will become quite common.

Therefore, I leave it to you to decide on whether to plant a mimosa in your landscape. I caution you to site it carefully and be prepared for the changes that will come. Still, the flowers are beautiful, and the scent is wonderful. The butterflies and hummingbirds certainly seem to appreciate the mimosa.

Watch fireworks at several Indiana State Park properties

The public can watch fireworks at seven Indiana State Park properties between June 30 and July 7.

July 4 falls on a Wednesday in 2018. As a result, properties are hosting fireworks shows before and after the holiday. Personal fireworks are prohibited at Indiana State Parks.

Properties hosting fireworks shows are:

On June 30:

Patoka Lake: The 11th annual Thunder over Patoka show will take place at the beach. Fireworks will begin at 10 p.m. Concessions will be available. Gate fees apply.

Pokagon State Park: The annual Lake James Association fireworks show will start at 10 p.m. Fireworks will launch from barges in the lake's Lower Basin. Gate fees apply.

On July 2:

Indiana Dunes State Park: The Dunesland Chamber of Commerce will host the ninth annual Fireworks on the Lakefront beginning at 9:15 p.m. The

public can watch from the state park. Gate fees apply.

On July 7:

Clifty Falls State Park: The annual Clifty Falls Independence Day Celebration will feature free music from 7 to 10:30 p.m. Enjoy Madison's fireworks, which will start between 9 and 9:15 p.m. Food will be available for purchase at the grill or buffet from 7 to 10 p.m.

Raccoon State Recreation Area: Beach Bash and Fireworks festivities begin at 10 a.m. with a "craft blast" for children. Beach games begin at 2 p.m. At 5 p.m., the third annual Big Bang Cornhole Tournament starts at the beach hill parking lot. Music runs from 8 to 10 p.m. at the beach house. Fireworks will start at 10 p.m. Donations will be accepted at the gate.

Versailles State Park: Fireworks are scheduled to begin at dusk at Versailles Lake. Gate fees will apply until 7 p.m. After this time, donations will be accepted.

Learn to paint at Paynetown SRA

Park visitors can learn to paint from an expert at Paynetown State Recreation Area on Saturday, July 21.

Charlene Marsh, a plein air oil painter, will host a demonstration and public painting opportunity.

The public can stop by the swimming beach area to watch her paint from noon to 1:30 p.m. After the demo, Marsh will supply materials and instruction for visitors to complete their own plein air painting between 1:30 and 3 p.m.

The event is free after paying the property entrance fee of \$7 per in-state-vehicle and \$9 per out-of-state vehicle.

Based in Brown County, Charlene

Marsh is an award-winning artist with paintings that hang in thousands of private, corporate, and museum collections throughout the world.

To complement the afternoon demo and workshop, a naturalist will offer gyotaku fish printing at the campground playground the same day from 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. Gyotaku is a traditional art form used by Japanese anglers to create a record of their catch. Instead of using real fish, participants will create their painted prints from realistic fish models. Participants can bring their own cotton clothing items to print on or use a provided fabric square.

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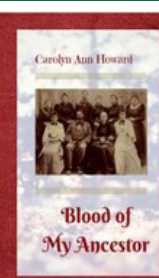
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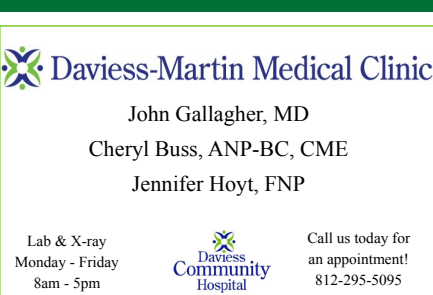


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