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One year old fights to live after multiple transplants

Lawson Riley, son of Brian and Megan (Arvin) Riley, of Washington, was born in April 2016 at 26 weeks and 5 days gestation, weighing 1lb. 11oz. and measuring only 13 inches in length. Lawson proved his strength from the beginning and fought to gain weight and overcome many obstacles. Lawson's mom, Megan, was raised in Loogootee, and is a 2005 graduate of Loogootee High School

In June of last year, Lawson was diagnosed with Necrotizing enterocolitis (NEC) and was transferred to Riley Children's Hospital, most commonly known as Riley (not to be confused with the family's last name.) NEC is a serious disease that occurs when the intestinal tissue becomes damaged and begins to die. It most often affects premature infants. Surgeons had to remove 99 percent of his intestines, so a central line and Gtube were placed for him to receive and excrete nutrients, fluids and medications. The road ahead seemed very long.

By mid-July, Lawson had progressed enough to wear clothing, be moved to an open crib, experience laying in a swing, and even be weaned off of his oxygen support. By the end of the month, he weighed 5lb. 7oz., but signs of infection put him back on oxygen and medications.

In August, his parents were trained in Gtube care, emergency Gtube replacement, and how to change his central line dressing. His liver started showing signs of damage from the TPN lipid nutrients, so alternatives were discussed, but he was progressing in the right direction.

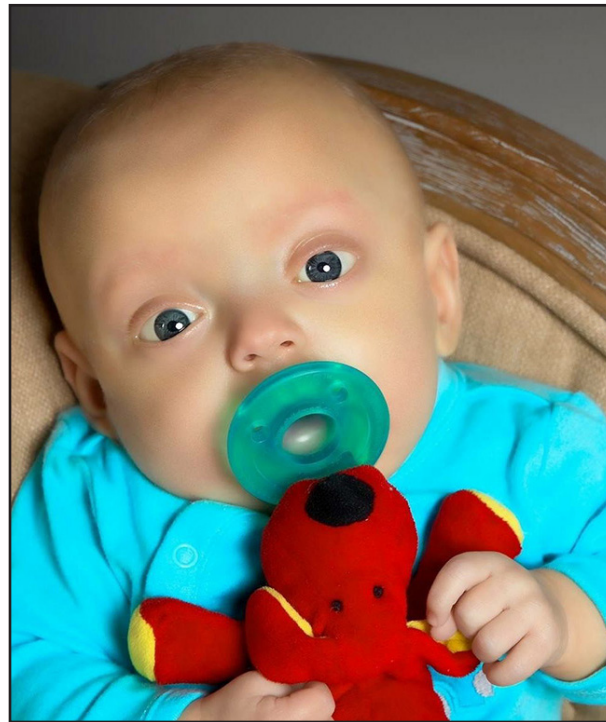
On September 9, an eight-pound Lawson had passed enough tests that he was finally ready to leave the hospital. After four and a half months of hospital rooms, monitors, nurses and ev-

erything else that comes with a NICU experience, his parents finally had their little boy at home. Medications, oxygen tanks, weekly blood draws/labs, and a nurse/therapy schedule were attached, but they were home. Due to the possibility of infection, Lawson wasn't able to attend public events or be in large crowds, meaning that simple outings such as eating out or shopping for groceries became a scheduled task for his parents.

For several months, he continued to grow and progress and had a few trips back to Riley to fix complications to his central line. On December 22, a fever sent Lawson to the emergency room and a fear of infection admitted him back to Riley Children's Hospital. Soon after, Lawson tested positive for RSV type B and pneumonia which kept him and his parents in the hospital until Christmas Day. Around this time, iron transfusions were started to help with his hemoglobin count.

Evaluations for transplant started in January 2017 and February brought a diagnosis of parafu, ebola virus, and thrombocytopenia that put the family back in the hospital. The Riley family received a call on March 15 that Lawson had officially been listed on the transplant list with a 1A priority listing to transplant his stomach, pancreas, small intestines, liver, and colon. Shortly after listing, Lawson had to have his central line replaced again, and continued the frequent lab work and testing to monitor his levels.

At the end of March, at 11 months old, his bilirubin count and lab results indicated that he needed to up his iron transfusions and could possibly be impacted even after the transplant. As Lawson approached his first birthday, he developed a central line infection that left him spending several days, in-



LAWSON RILEY

-Photo by Christmas Photography

cluding his first Easter, in Riley.

On April 29, 2017, a smiling Lawson celebrated his first birthday with his family. While waiting for the transplant, Lawson still receives weekly iron transfusions and blood draws/labs and is dealing with effects of thrombocytopenia which causes bleeding into the tissues, bruising, and slow blood clotting after injury.

Lawson's family received the call on the evening of June 7 that a donor was in the same hospital and that while it wasn't a perfect match, the doctors felt that it was a good choice for Lawson to receive the organs. The next day, June 8, around lunch time, Lawson went into surgery to transplant his stomach, colon, liver, intestines and pancreas. While in surgery, the surgeon also made the decision to remove his spleen. Since the surgery, Lawson's new organs have been functioning well, however, his lungs developed issues during the process so he needed a little more support. He remained on the ventilator a little longer than anticipated.

Approximately two weeks later, on June 26, Lawson was able to be weaned off the ventilator and his mommy was able to hold him for the first time since his surgery. Although Lawson seems to be adjusting well, he and his family still have a long road ahead of them.

Volunteers are raising an estimated \$40,000. All fundraising proceeds will benefit COTA in honor of Lawson to (See 'LAWSON' continued on page 2)

MCHS Animal Shelter nears 1,000 animals saved in four years

Tomorrow is the four-year anniversary of the day the Martin County Humane Society Animal Shelter opened its door. On June 29, 2013, 31 dogs and 19 cats were moved from the foster home of humane society volunteers, Josh and Courtney Hughett, and into the animal shelter that was far from complete. The goal, at the time, was to get the 50 dogs and cats out of the elements, including the scorching heat of summer and the blistering cold of winter and into a building with a roof over their heads and a safe, dry place to lay their heads. The shelter was a work in progress and still is in many ways.

In four years, the shelter has taken in 934 dogs and cats. By the end of 2017, that number will be well over 1,000. The shelter has also worked to reduce the feral cat population and volunteers have trapped more than 50. The feral cats are fixed, tamed if possible or released to properties where the property owner will care for them. The feral cat overpopulation in Martin County is something the current board of directors take very seriously and want to correct.

The shelter is 2,400 square feet and has enough kennels/cages for 14 dogs and 24 cats. One of the biggest obstacles the shelter faces is during the spring and fall months when so many people want to bring in kittens and puppies. It causes major overcrowding and

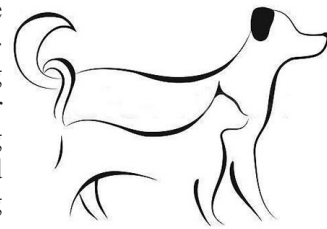
oftentimes, the public gets angry when they can't have their "problem" remedied immediately. This is the reason why the shelter advocates for spaying and neutering.

Joshua Hughett took over as president of the humane society in late 2012. The then-board of directors voted to make the humane society (and eventually the animal shelter) no kill. Dogs and cats would no longer be euthanized due to lack of space or amount of time with the organization. The board has held to that promise and has never euthanized a single animal for those reasons. The shelter has lost dogs

and cats over the past four years due to illness but those cases are few and far between. "Every dog or cat earns the right to find a forever family, instead of being put down, they did not ask to be brought into this world," said Board Member Theresa Abney.

"We don't feel that it is fair to us volunteers to have to decide whether dogs and cats live or die. It's not their fault they ended up in the shelter," added Board Member Courtney Hughett. "If a new board of directors takes over down the road, they can change this policy but we won't do it."

Since the shelter opened four years ago, the animals started receiving more and more by way of medical care. Partnering with Pets Alive Non-Profit Spay/Neuter Clinic, in Bloomington, made much of that possible. Pets Alive offered to add MCHS to their rotation (See 'MCHS' continued on page 2)



4-H Queen candidates

-Photo provided

Shown above are the five ladies vying for the title of Miss Martin County at this year's 4-H Fair. The queen contest will be held Friday, July 13 at 6:30 p.m. on the main stage of the fairgrounds. From left to right are Kayla Abel, Brittany James, Hope Self, Emily Bateman, and Lindsey Lukens.

MCHS

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where they come to Loogootee once a month and pick up dogs and cats that are in need of spaying and neutering, take them to their clinic, alter them, and bring them back the next day. This service is for public animals and shelter animals at just \$30 for cats and \$60 for dogs. Pets Alive operates on grants and donations/fundraisers, as does the Martin County Humane Society.

The animal shelter now spays and neuters all age-appropriate animals prior to adoption. Any adopted puppy or kitten that is too small to be fixed must be returned to the shelter for a future transport. The dogs and cats also receive their annual booster shot, rabies shot and dogs seven months and older are tested for heartworms and treated if they test positive. To reimburse some of the costs involved, the shelter

charges \$80 to adopt a dog and \$40 to adopt a cat. This does not cover all the expenses involved with the care of each animal but the remainder is made up through fundraisers and donations from the public.

The shelter operates with unpaid volunteers. The seven-member board of directors, along with a few non-board members, take turns, seven days a week, running the shelter and caring for the dogs and cats. The current board includes Joshua Hughett, Courtney Hughett, Susan Wittmer, Levi Motyka, Theresa Abney, Sheila Timmons and Tracy Senne. The animal shelter has seen dozens and dozens of volunteers come and go over the years. Anyone can volunteer as long as they are 13 years of age and older. Anyone age 13 to 15 must have a parent with them at all times in the shelter. Anyone 16 and

over can volunteer without parent supervision.

The humane society applies for grants whenever they become available. Three have been received so far this year including \$5,000 from the Banfield Foundation to help Martin County residents, who need help, pay their vet bills. Anyone needing help should contact the animal shelter at 812-295-5900 or email mchs@frontier.com. The grant funds cannot be used for spay and neuter surgeries and cannot be used for shelter dogs and cats, only those owned by the public.

The animal shelter operates on roughly \$40,000 a year – more than half of which goes to paying veterinarian bills for the hundreds of dogs and cats that come in each year. The remainder of the budget goes toward utility bills, dog and cat food, supplies, insurance, etc. Donations and fundraisers are crucial to the continued operation of the shelter. Without community support, the shelter could not continue.

Over the past four years, the shelter has seen a lot when it comes to dogs and cats. There have been numerous animals that have been the victim of neglect and abuse, sometimes coming in almost starved to death or so scared of human touch they cower in a corner. Volunteers spend months rehabilitating some of the worst cases, getting the animal back to “adoptable” status. Former Board Member Jennifer Randolph said, “One of the hardest parts of being a volunteer is seeing first hand just how

cruel people can be to animals.”

Newest Board Member Tracy Senne said about volunteering, “It’s so difficult not to fall in love with all the cats and dogs, and then you have to watch them leave -- it’s bittersweet.” She added that the work is rough but incredibly rewarding. Tracy has adopted three cats from the shelter.

Some animals at the shelter spend more time in the shelter than volunteers would like. They are overlooked due to their breed, their energy level or a variety of reasons. Board Vice President Susan Wittmer said, “Sometimes, when people come to adopt, they overlook some of the best animals because that animal isn’t the one they ‘pictured’ in their mind. Animals have different personalities just like people do. Imagine yourself being locked up in a small area and only getting to see other humans for a few hours a day and only personal interaction for 15-20 minutes per day. How would you react when you finally get to see someone? Do you always show your true self when you first meet someone or are you a little reserved, maybe a little nervous? You have to give an animal the same patience and respect you would give another person.” Wittmer said she wishes people were not so quick to judge.

The shelter is open to the public Monday and Wednesday 5-7 p.m., Saturday 11 a.m.-2 p.m. and by appointment on other days. The shelter is located at 507 N Oak Street in Loogootee and online at www.humanesocietyofmartincounty.org.

LAWSON

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assist with transplant-related expenses. COTA is a national charity dedicated to helping children and young adults who need a life-saving transplant by providing fundraising assistance and family support.

The current fundraiser is a raffle for a St. Louis Cardinals gift basket valued at \$550 and includes Cardinals tickets, Visa gift cards, and tons of Cardinals memorabilia. Tickets are one for \$10 or three for \$25. For more information on how to purchase tickets, visit the

Lawsonstrong facebook page at www.facebook.com/lawsonstrong1 or email cotaforlawsonr@gmail.com.

A pool party, sponsored by Loogootee Mayor Noel Harty, is planned at the Loogootee City Pool on July 13 from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

Monetary donations may be made online to COTA on behalf of Lawson at <https://cota.donorpages.com/PatientOnlineDonation/COTAforLawsonR/>.

Updates on Lawson’s recovery can also be found on the Lawsonstrong facebook page.

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ROSABELLE QUEEN

Rosabelle Queen, formerly of Shoals and Loogootee, passed away at 4:25 p.m. Sunday, June 25, 2017 at Loogootee Nursing Center. A resident of Bloomington, she was 94.

She was born March 25, 1923 in Lost River Township; daughter of the late Thurman and Pearl (Songer) Jones.

Rose retired from NSWC Crane and worked in Human Resources for 39 years.

She was a former member of St. Mary Catholic Church in Shoals and a current member of St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church in Loogootee. She also was a member of the Knights of Columbus Ladies Auxiliary.

She loved life and deeply loved her grandsons and great-grandsons.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Sidney P. Queen; parents, Thurman and Pearl (Songer) Jones and sisters, Alberta (Wayne) Dillman and Carrie (Winston) Troutman.

She is survived by her daughter, Lori (Merce) Thornberry of North Ft. Myers, Florida; grandsons, Craig (Leigh Ann) Bauer of Bloomington and Mark Bauer of Loogootee; great-grandsons, Elijah and Maxwell Bauer; sister-in-law, Inez (Lawrence) Queen Sorrells; special friend, Rick (Becky) Bauer of Loogootee.

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated by Very Rev. J. Kenneth Walker at 10 a.m. this morning, Wednesday, June 28, at St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church. Burial followed in

Spring Hill Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers memorial contributions may be made to Heart to Heart Hospice.

Blake Funeral Home in Loogootee was in charge of arrangements. Condolences may be made online at www.blakefuneralhomes.com.

MARY ALICE MILLER

Mary Alice (Milligan) Miller passed away on Thursday, May 26, 2017. She was 75 years old.



She was born in Martin County on July 17, 1941; daughter of Richard C. and Vangie (Lyon) Milligan. She graduated from Loogootee High School, and attended Evansville College. She and husband Albert Miller raised their family in Ireland, Indiana. They were blessed with three sons, Terry, Bob, Rodney and one daughter, Kimberly.

Mary worked and retired as the Dubois County Emergency Management Director. She loved the outdoors and traveling, she also enjoyed "picking" yard sales and auctions for antiques and collectibles.

She was preceded in death by her parents, daughter, Kimberly Miller and husband, Al Miller.

She will be sadly missed by her family and friends.

BRUCE BERRY

Bruce Berry passed away Sunday, June 25, 2017 at Daviess Community Hospital. A resident of Speedway, he was 59.

He was born August 9, 1957 in Washington; son of the late Raymond and Margaret (Hand) Berry.

He enjoyed hunting, fishing, racing and playing with his grandchildren. He was employed by the State of Indiana and was IT Support for the Lafayette State Police Post.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Raymond and Margaret (Hand) Berry and brother-in-law, Greg Maman.

He is survived by his fiancée, Julie Gottsche of Speedway; children, A.J. (Gretchen) Berry of Washington, Janell Berry (fiancé, Jim Floyd) of Loogootee.

New agreements build on Purdue, NSWC Crane strategic partnership

Brian L. Huchel

Saving lives through improved communications and defense of U.S. Navy fleets and eliminating dangerous counterfeit laptops and other electronics are the goal of two new cooperative agreements between Purdue University researchers and the Naval Surface Warfare Center Crane Division (NSWC Crane).

Purdue continues its tradition of research that supports the armed forces with the agreements, which take on costly issues and lay the foundation for growing collaboration with the Indiana naval installation.

The cooperative agreements through Purdue Discovery Park involve research by R. Graham Cooks, the Henry B. Hass Distinguished Professor in Analytical Chemistry, and Daniel DeLaurentis, interim director of the Institute for Global Security and Defense Innovation (i-GSDI) and an aeronautics and astronautics professor.

DeLaurentis said the cooperative agreements represent the work spearheaded most recently by Discovery Park's i-GSDI to create a more strategic partnership with NSWC Crane.

"The cooperative agreements with Purdue are another sign of how Crane recognizes the importance of Purdue research in directly augmenting and improving Crane's mission," he said. "These are the first examples of contact mechanisms that allow Purdue and Crane to easily work together and increase the research that we work together on going forward."

The agreements follow the June 12 announcement of a new partnership between WestGate Authority, Naval Surface Warfare Center Crane Division (NSWC Crane), Purdue University and Purdue Research Foundation. The collaboration establishes amenities at WestGate@Crane Technology Park, adjacent to NSWC Crane, and Purdue Discovery Park and will advance educational, research and development, and technology commercialization both statewide and beyond.

Tomás Díaz de la Rubia, chief scientist and executive director of Purdue's Discovery Park, said: "These cooperative agreements exemplify the growing strategic research relationship with NSWC Crane and will be an additional ingredient to success of the new WestGate collaboration among Purdue University, NSWC Crane, and the Purdue Research Foundation."

"Discovery Park's Institute for Global Security and Defense Innovation (i-GSDI) has been leading these

tee, Julie Berry of Washington and Jeffrey Berry of Pendleton; grandchildren, Carter and Brynlee Berry; sisters, Cheryl Maman and Alicia (Marshall) Schnarr of Montgomery; nephews, Logan Schnarr and Gregory Maman; niece, Stephanie Maman; great-niece, Eleanor Maman.

Funeral services will be conducted 10 a.m. Friday, June 30, 2017 at Blake Funeral Home. Burial will follow at St. John Catholic Cemetery.

Visitation will be held Thursday, June 29 from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. at Blake Funeral Home.

In lieu of flowers memorial contributions may be made to the Loogootee Volunteer Fire Department.

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strategic developments with NSWC Crane and will work side-by-side with all the WestGate partners for mutual benefit," he said.

Brett Seidle, NSWC Crane technical director, said: "These cooperative agreements are truly exciting opportunities and exemplify the growing strategic relationship between NSWC Crane and Purdue University. NSWC Crane is committed to partnering with the academic community for research in support of our nation's defense and we appreciate our continued association with Purdue University."

The burgeoning relationship between Purdue and NSWC Crane was facilitated by U.S. Sen. Joseph Donnelly.

Donnelly, a member of the Senate Armed Services Committee, said: "These agreements are bringing two great Hoosier institutions together to support our national defense and the safety and security of our service members. It has been my honor to help bring Purdue and Crane together and enhance their collaboration because we know that we get the best, most innovative solutions by working in tandem."

Each cooperative agreement entails a multi-year effort with the potential for increased scope and funding levels.

Cooks said his research is in the interest of public safety by working to detect and discriminate between counterfeit and authentic electronic components. The project will use mass spectrometry to examine the surface of materials and then filter out the potential counterfeit electronics using statistical methods.

The DeLaurentis project researches building computer models for a system of systems that can help coordinate information and communication between the Navy's various sections, including ship radar and aircraft and satellite sensors, each trying to detect possible threats. His partners include Shimon Nof and Seokcheon Lee, professors in the School of Industrial Engineering.

"The ability to link all of that info together and understand all the complex meanings in that data so the commanders can understand how to defend the fleet appropriately is an example of a mission the Navy does every day," DeLaurentis said.

These cooperative agreements are not the first time NSWC Crane and Purdue professors have worked together. Previous agreements, however, were focused on specific issues without recognizing the benefit to work together continuously.

Boom! Fireworks can take toll on hearing in children, adults

BY AMY PATTERSON NEUBERT
Purdue University News Service

Admiring fireworks from afar sounds like the best plan, according to a Purdue audiologist.

"Distance is your friend," says Shannon Van Hyfte, clinical associate professor of audiology and director of the M.D. Steer Audiology Clinic. "When it comes to fireworks, the volume is so great that it doesn't take a long time of exposure to sustain harm. Less time is needed to cause damage."

A normal conversation is measured at 60 decibels. Occupational Safety and Health Administration safety standards cap the level of safety at 85 decibels. Fireworks' volume ranges from 120 to 170 decibels, and the threshold of pain is 140 decibels.

"Whether it's a professional or personal fireworks show, you are better off further away. If you can't secure distance, use earmuff headphones or foam ear plugs," Van Hyfte says.

Van Hyfte also suggests parents take note of young children's reactions. If they are crying or covering their ears, it could be a sign that the noise is painful. Adults also should take note if they hear a muffled sound or ringing in the ears. If these sensations persist, then they should talk to their doctor.

"Hearing loss due to noise exposure does not hurt and you don't know you are doing damage," she says. "Hearing loss is something most people don't re-

alize until it's too late. It's not reversible, but it is something you can prevent."

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Martin County Sheriff's Department log

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2:13 a.m. - Received a report of a tree down east of Shoals. Shoals Fire removed the tree.

8:01 a.m. - Received a report of an accident in Loogootee. Loogootee Chief Rayhill responded.

9:53 a.m. - Captain Dant and Sergeant Keller assisted a motorist near Crane.

10:00 a.m. - Sheriff Roush held a tour for students at the security center.

10:33 a.m. - Received a dog complaint in Loogootee. Loogootee Chief Rayhill responded.

12:14 p.m. - Received a report of a break-in near Shoals. Sergeant Keller and Captain Dant responded.

1:35 p.m. - Received a cat complaint near Shoals. Animal Control Officer Hughett responded.

1:51 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance transported the subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

2:31 p.m. - Received an alarm call in Loogootee. Loogootee Chief Rayhill responded and all was okay.

4:30 p.m. - Received a report of an accident on US 50, just west of Shoals. Martin County Sheriff's Office as well as Shoals Fire and Martin County Ambulance responded.

5:30 p.m. - Received a report of a theft in Shoals. Sheriff Roush and Captain Dant responded.

9:16 p.m. - Received a report of an altercation near Loogootee. Deputy Salmon and Loogootee Officer McBeth responded.

10:24 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance near Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance transported the subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

10:51 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance transported the subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

TUESDAY, JUNE 20

8:19 a.m. - Captain Dant took one inmate to the doctor.

8:31 a.m. - Sheriff Roush took one inmate to court.

8:37 a.m. - Sergeant Keller took three inmates to court.

9:35 a.m. - Sergeant Keller took two inmates to court.

9:53 a.m. - Sergeant Keller assisted a motorist east of Loogootee.

9:55 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance at a vehicle on US 50. Shoals Fire, Martin County Ambulance, and Sheriff Roush responded. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

10:12 a.m. - Captain Dant took three inmates to court.

11:03 a.m. - Sergeant Keller assisted a motorist east of Loogootee.

1:00 p.m. - Sheriff Roush took one inmate to court.

1:35 p.m. - Received a noise complaint in Loogootee. Loogootee Chief Rayhill responded.

1:40 p.m. - Captain Dant took one inmate to court.

2:23 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance transported the subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

2:28 p.m. - Received a report of an accident on SR 450, just north of Loogootee. Captain Dant, Shoals Fire, and Martin County Ambulance responded.

4:50 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance and Loogootee Fire re-

sponded. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

11:39 p.m. - Received a report of a person causing a disturbance in Loogootee. Deputy Salmon, Reserve Deputy Harmon, and Loogootee Captain Hennette responded.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 21

3:10 a.m. - Received a request for a welfare check in Loogootee. Loogootee Captain Hennette responded.

8:27 a.m. - Received a cat complaint in Shoals. Animal Control Officer Hughett responded.

10:25 a.m. - Captain Dant took four inmates to court.

11:10 a.m. - Sheriff Roush took two inmates to court.

11:39 a.m. - Received an alarm call near Shoals. Sergeant Keller responded and all was okay.

12:30 p.m. - Received a report of a hit-and-run accident in Loogootee. Loogootee Chief Rayhill responded.

5:17 p.m. - Received a dog complaint in Loogootee. Animal Control Officer Hughett responded.

5:45 p.m. - Received a four-wheeler complaint in Crane. Major Burkhardt responded.

6:20 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance north of Shoals. Shoals Fire and Martin County Ambulance responded. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

6:35 p.m. - Received a report of an elderly female walking along US 50, east of Loogootee. Major Burkhardt responded and assisted the female.

7:56 p.m. - Received a request for lift assistance near Loogootee. Loogootee Fire and Martin County Ambulance responded.

THURSDAY, JUNE 22

7:00 a.m. - Received a report of a domestic in Loogootee. Loogootee Chief Rayhill, Deputy Salmon, and ISP Trooper Lents responded.

9:25 a.m. - Chief Deputy Greene took three inmates to court.

10:55 a.m. - Chief Deputy Greene took one inmate to court.

12:30 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance south of Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance transported the subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

12:56 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded but no one was transported.

1:02 p.m. - Received a report of an abandoned vehicle in Shoals. Major Burkhardt responded.

1:25 p.m. - Chief Deputy Greene took two inmates to court.

2:34 p.m. - Received a report of an accident east of Shoals on US 150. Major Burkhardt, Shoals Fire, and Martin County Ambulance responded.

5:56 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Shoals. Martin County Ambulance responded but did not transport.

8:11 p.m. - Received a report of a theft in Shoals. Major Burkhardt and Town Marshal Eckert responded.

FRIDAY, JUNE 23

2:45 a.m. - Received a report of a tree down east of Shoals. Shoals Fire removed the tree.

3:25 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Shoals. Martin County Ambulance transported the subject to Daviess Community Hospital.

6:46 a.m. - Jail Commander Abel on station with one inmate from the hos-

pital.

7:00 a.m. - Received a report of a business alarm in Loogootee. Loogootee Officer McBeth and Deputy Shinn responded.

10:05 a.m. - Received a report of an abandoned vehicle in Loogootee. Loogootee Officer McBeth responded.

1:57 p.m. - Received a report of a tree across Hwy. 150. Advised state highway department.

2:40 p.m. - Received a report of harassment in Crane. Sheriff Roush responded.

4:38 p.m. - Received a report of a semi all over the road. Chief Deputy Greene responded.

5:40 p.m. - Received a report of a tree down across the road in the state forest. Shoals Fire responded.

6:01 p.m. - Received a request for a welfare check in Loogootee. Deputy Reed and ISP Trooper Johnson responded.

7:09 p.m. - Received a report of animal neglect. Animal Control Officer Hughett responded.

8:28 p.m. - Received a report of a stray dog in Shoals. Notified Animal Control Officer Hughett.

9:00 p.m. - Received a report of a dog bite in Shoals. Shoals Town Marshal Eckert, Deputy Shinn, Deputy Reed, Martin County Ambulance, Shoals Fire and Animal Control Officer Hughett responded.

9:54 p.m. - Received a report of harassment in Loogootee. Deputy Shinn responded.

9:55 p.m. - Received a report of harassment in Shoals. Shoals Town Marshal Eckert responded.

9:57 p.m. - Received a report of harassment in Shoals. Shoals Town Marshal Eckert responded.

10:20 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded and transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

11:32 p.m. - Received a report of a suspicious vehicle in Loogootee. Loogootee Officer Floyd responded.

SATURDAY, JUNE 24

12:26 a.m. - Received a report of a suspicious male in Loogootee. Loogootee Officer Floyd responded.

3:27 a.m. - Received a report of harassment in Loogootee. Loogootee Officer Floyd, Deputy Shinn, Deputy Reed and ISP Nolan responded.

7:45 a.m. - Received a report of a tree across county farm road. Captain Dant responded and County Highway Department was notified.

8:10 a.m. - Received a report of low hanging branches on Hwy. 150. Advised the state highway department and Captain Dant responded.

12:20 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Shoals. Martin County Ambulance responded and no transport was needed.

1:09 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded and

transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

2:00 p.m. - Received a report of a theft in Loogootee. Captain Dant responded.

9:21 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Shoals. Martin County Ambulance responded and transported to Daviess Community Hospital

11:15 p.m. - Received a report of a large tree across the road in Lost River. Lost River Fire responded.

SUNDAY, JUNE 25

9:00 a.m. - Received a request for a vehicle unlock in Loogootee. Captain Dant responded.

9:34 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded and transported to Daviess Community Hospital.

11:25 a.m. - Received a report of a car-deer accident in Buffalo Bottoms. Captain Dant responded.

11:25 a.m. - Received a request for a vehicle unlock in Shoals. Captain Dant responded.

12:00 p.m. - Received a request for a welfare check in Loogootee. Loogootee Officer McBeth responded.

12:40 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded and transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

2:20 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded and no transport needed.

4:54 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Shoals. Martin County Ambulance responded and transported to Daviess Community Hospital. Shoals Fire assisted.

6:24 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded and transported to Daviess Community Hospital

8:53 p.m. - Received a report of an abandoned vehicle in Dover Hill. Deputy Salmon responded.

Accident reports

MONDAY, JUNE 19


Tara J. Cronin, of Loogootee, was pulling her 2010 Dodge out of a parking spot at Builders Best when she backed into a 1996 GMC operated by Bret D. Chesnut, of Shoals. Chief Rayhill investigated.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 21

12:35 p.m. - Lester Payne, of Washington, was operating a 2010 Mazda on Broadway Street. Payne stated a semi struck the passenger side of his vehicle and the semi left the scene. Chief Rayhill investigated.

6:15 p.m. - Kaitlin C. Sims, of Loogootee, was backing her 2014 Toyota out of a parking spot at the city pool when she backed into 2015 Chrysler owned by Christopher and Lisa Reed, of Loogootee. Captain Hennette investigated.

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COURT NEWS

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

CRIMINAL CONVICTIONS AND SENTENCING

June 1

Ricky J. Lind, convicted of pointing a firearm, a Class 6 Felony. Sentenced to serve 547 days with 541 days suspended and credit for 3 actual days previously served plus 3 Class A credit days. Defendant received 17 months of probation.

June 7

Jason E. Craft, convicted of pointing a firearm, a Class 6 Felony. Sentenced to serve 547 days with 415 days suspended and credit for 66 actual days previously served plus 66 Class A credit days. Defendant received 14 months of probation.

CRIMINAL CHARGES DISMISSED

June 1

Ricky J. Lind, intimidation, a Class 5 Felony, dismissed.

June 6

Jason M. Oliver, driving while suspended, a Class A Misdemeanor, dismissed.

CIVIL COURT New Suits Filed

June 19

Cavalry SPV I, LLC vs. Lori D. Carri-
co, civil collection.

SMALL CLAIMS COURT

June 19

White River Cooperative, Inc. vs. Daniel L. Harder, complaint.

June 12

Family Dental Care vs. Travis Campbell, complaint.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

June 21

Nicole M. Day of Shoals and Steven Ryan Thomas of Washington.

June 23

Scott W. Pennington of Shoals and Katherine G. Harner of Shoals.

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ARRESTS

MONDAY, JUNE 19

2:35 p.m. - Sharon Zins, 63, of Mitchell, was arrested by Deputy Shinn and Reserve Deputy Graves and charged with theft and is being held on a \$25,000 10% bond.

6:55 p.m. - Beau Russell, 24, of Loogootee, was arrested by Sergeant Keller and charged with operating while intoxicated prior and is being held without bond.

TUESDAY, JUNE 20

1:03 a.m. - Larry Holt, 41, of Shoals, was arrested by Deputy Salmon and charged with theft, resisting, and two Martin County warrants. He is being held without bond. Assisting with the arrest were Town Marshal Eckert, Loogootee Officer McBeth, ISP Troopers Johnson and Brummett, and Daviess County units.

3:00 p.m. - David Jones, 60, of Washington, was arrested by Sergeant Keller and charged with operating a vehicle while intoxicated endangering a minor. He is being held without bond.

5:45 p.m. - Dustin Sipes, 31, of Shoals, was arrested by Captain Dant and charged with operating a vehicle while intoxicated prior and is being held without bond.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 21

12:16 a.m. - Charles O'Connor, 53, of Loogootee, was arrested by Loogootee Captain Hennette and charged with public intoxication and is being held without bond. Assisting with the arrest were Deputy Salmon and Reserve Deputy Harmon.

FRIDAY, JUNE 23

12:30 p.m. - Edward Pournier, 34, of Clarksville, Tennessee, was arrested by Sheriff Roush on a failure to appear warrant.

SATURDAY, JUNE 24

1:33 a.m. - Deangela Forbes, 30, of Loogootee, was arrested by Deputy Shinn and charged with possession of marijuana, possession of paraphernalia, neglect of a dependent, maintaining a common nuisance. Bond set at \$25,000 10%. ISP Trooper Nolan assisted.

1:33 a.m. - Michael Bakerian, 41, of Loogootee, was arrested by Deputy Shinn and charged with possession of paraphernalia, possession of marijuana, and visiting a common nuisance. Bond set at \$25,000 10%. ISP Trooper Nolan assisted.

4:18 a.m. - Nathan Ohmer, 39, of Indianapolis, was arrested by ISP Trooper Nolan and charged with criminal trespass and public intoxication. Bond set at \$25,000 10%.

Loogootee Police log

MONDAY, JUNE 19

10:05 a.m. - Caller reported a barking dog complaint on Lincoln Avenue.

12:08 p.m. - Caller requested extra patrol.

4:38 p.m. - Caller reported a phone scam.

6:10 p.m. - Caller requested a welfare check on a dog. Information was given to animal control.

7:04 p.m. - Caller reported a reckless vehicle on Hwy 50.

8:05 p.m. - Received a report of a theft at the Little League field.

8:15 p.m. - Caller reported a barking dog.

9:20 p.m. - Officer McBeth assisted the county with a domestic dispute on Hwy 50.

11:35 p.m. - Officer McBeth assisted the county with a stolen ATV.

TUESDAY, JUNE 20

9:15 a.m. - Male came on station to report a violation of a protective order.

11:30 a.m. - Chief Rayhill assisted the county with a traffic stop.

1:30 p.m. - Caller reported a fireworks complaint.

2:10 p.m. - Received a report of a reckless vehicle on US 231.

2:30 p.m. - Caller requested extra patrol.

2:40 p.m. - Caller reported a violation of a protective order.

4:52 p.m. - First responders were requested on NW 1st Street for a medical call.

5:25 p.m. - Caller requested an officer assist him with getting some personal property.

8:40 p.m. - Caller reported a vehicle illegally parked on private property.

11:39 p.m. - Male reported a person refusing to leave private property.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 21

10:45 a.m. - Male reported a harassment complaint.

11:45 a.m. - Chief Rayhill assisted with a funeral procession.

1:30 p.m. - Male requested transient assistance.

1:45 p.m. - Caller reported a suspicious person on American Legion Ave.

4:44 p.m. - Female caller reported a shoplifter at Dollar General.

7:56 p.m. - First responders were

requested on Mt. Pleasant Road for a medical call.

THURSDAY, JUNE 22

7:00 a.m. - Caller reported a domestic dispute at Larkin Apartments.

10:00 a.m. - Male came on station to report a violation of a protective order.

10:15 a.m. - Caller reported several stray cats on East Broadway Street. Animal control was notified.

12:15 p.m. - Female requested an officer regarding getting some personal property.

12:45 p.m. - Male came on station to report a parking complaint.

4:18 p.m. - Caller reported a traffic complaint.

6:45 p.m. - Male requested an officer assist in getting some personal property out of a residence.

FRIDAY, JUNE 23

7:00 a.m. - Officer McBeth responded to a business alarm.

10:05 a.m. - Caller reported an abandoned vehicle on US 231.

5:02 p.m. - Caller reported a suspicious vehicle.

5:29 p.m. - Caller reported a parking complaint.

7:30 p.m. - Caller reported vehicles racing in the high school parking lot. Vehicles were located and the drivers were cited into court.

SATURDAY, JUNE 24

3:05 a.m. - Caller reported loud noises on Broadway Street.

10:15 a.m. - Officer McBeth responded to a business alarm.

6:40 p.m. - Caller reported a reckless vehicle on US 231.

10:05 p.m. - Caller requested a welfare check on a female.

SUNDAY, JUNE 25

12:01 p.m. - Caller requested a welfare check on a child.

1:05 p.m. - Officer Floyd assisted the county with a domestic dispute.

1:10 p.m. - Caller reported a reckless vehicle on US 231.

6:33 p.m. - Sgt. Norris responded to a residential alarm.

7:49 p.m. - Caller reported a possible intoxicated driver. Vehicle was located and the driver checked okay.

7:58 p.m. - Caller reported loud music on Poplar Street.

Martin County real estate transfers

Phillip T. Norris, of Martin County, Indiana to Donald Richard Norris, Mary Beth Norris Ranard and Michael L. Norris, of Martin County, Indiana, Lot Number 34 in Ackerman's Addition, City of Loogootee, Martin County, Indiana. Also, Lot Number 35 in Ackerman's Addition, City of Loogootee, Martin County, Indiana.

Jeremy Branham and Kayla E. Branham to Ciara J. Hornaday, Lot Number 26 in Roger's Addition to Loogootee, Indiana.

Travis J. Bullock, of Martin County, Indiana to Brandon M. Ivey, of Martin County, Indiana, a portion of the north half of Section 16, Township 3 North,

Range 4 West, in Perry Township, Martin County, Indiana. More commonly known as 13929 Dover Hill Road, Loogootee, Indiana.

Terri L. Gammon to Janice K. Horney, Trustee of the Wanda L. Harding Revocable Trust. Tract I: A part of the northeast quarter of Section 4, Township 2 North, Range 3 West, Halbert Township, Martin County, Indiana, containing 0.294 acres, more or less.

Terri L. Gammon to Vicki J. Wininger and Terri Hovis, a part of the northeast quarter of Section 4, Township 2 North, Range 3 West, Halbert Township, Martin County, Indiana, containing 1.077 acres, more or less.

Specials at The Lodge

Wednesday: BBQ Chicken

Thursday: Roast Beef or Beef Manhattan

Friday: Baked Spaghetti

Friday night: Stuffed Chicken

Saturday: Tuna Melt

Saturday night: Prime Rib

Sunday: County Fried Steak



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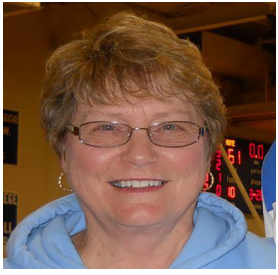
YARD SALES

MULTI-FAMILY YARD SALE, 128 Church Street, Loogootee (directly behind Marathon), Saturday, July 1, 8:00 to 12:00. There is something for everyone!

DONATE YOUR leftover yard sale items to the Martin County Humane Society, for their annual sale to be held in September. If you have leftover items to donate or any items to donate, contact the animal shelter at 812-295-5900 or email mchs@frontier.com. You can also drop items off at the shelter.

More Neat Stuff

By Ann Ackerman



ADVICE FROM AN OLD FARMER:

Your fences need to be horse-high, pig-tight and bull-strong.

Keep skunks and bankers at a distance.

Life is simpler when you plow around the stump.

A bumble bee is considerably faster than a John Deere tractor.

Words that soak into your ears are whispered... not yelled.

Meanness don't jes' happen overnight.

Forgive your enemies; it messes up their heads.

Do not corner something that you know is meaner than you.

It don't take a very big person to carry a grudge.

You cannot unsay a cruel word.

Every path has a few puddles.

When you wallow with pigs, expect to get dirty.

The best sermons are lived, not preached.

Most of the stuff people worry about ain't never gonna happen anyway.

Don't judge folks by their relatives.

Remember that silence is sometimes the best answer.

Live a good, honorable life... Then when you get older and think back, you'll enjoy it a second time.

Don't interfere with somethin' that ain't bothering you none.

Timing has a lot to do with the outcome of a Rain dance.

If you find yourself in a hole, the first thing to do is stop diggin'.

Sometimes you get, and sometimes you get got.

The biggest troublemaker you'll probably ever have to deal with, watches you from the mirror every mornin'.

Always drink upstream from the herd.

Good judgment comes from experience, and a lotta that comes from bad judgment.

Lettin' the cat outta the bag is a whole lot easier than puttin' it back in.

If you get to thinkin' you're a person of some influence, try orderin' somebody else's dog around.

Live simply. Love generously. Care deeply. Speak kindly. Leave the rest to God.

Don't pick a fight with an old man. If he is too old to fight, he'll just kill you.

Most times, it just gets down to common sense.

MORE PUNS (some new, some old)

1. The fattest knight at King Arthur's round table was Sir Cumference. He acquired his size from too much pi.

2. I thought I saw an eye doctor on an Alaskan island, but it turned out to be an optical Aleutian.

3. She was only a whiskey maker, but he loved her still.

4. A rubber band pistol was confiscated from algebra class, because it was a weapon of math disruption.

5. No matter how much you push the envelope, it'll still be stationery.

6. A dog gave birth to puppies near the road and was cited for littering.

7. A grenade thrown into a kitchen in France would result in Linoleum Blownapart

8. Two silk worms had a race. They ended up in a tie.

9. A hole has been found in the nudist camp wall. The police are looking into it.

10. Time flies like an arrow. Fruit flies like a banana.

11. Atheism is a non-prophet organization.

12. Two hats were hanging on a hat rack in the hallway. One hat said to the other: 'You stay here; I'll go on a head.'

13. I wondered why the baseball kept getting bigger. Then it hit me.

14. A sign on the lawn at a drug rehab center said: 'Keep off the Grass.'

15. The midget fortune-teller who escaped from prison was a small medium at large.

16. The soldier who survived mustard gas and pepper spray is now a seasoned veteran.

17. A backward poet writes inverse.

18. In a democracy it's your vote that counts. In feudalism it's your count that votes.

19. When cannibals ate a missionary, they got a taste of religion.

20. If you jumped off the bridge in Paris, you'd be in Seine.

21. A vulture boards an airplane, carrying two dead raccoons. The stewardess looks at him and says, "I'm sorry, sir, only one carrion allowed per passenger."

22. Two fish swim into a concrete wall. One turns to the other and says 'Dam!'

23. Two Eskimos sitting in a kayak were chilly, so they lit a fire in the craft. Unsurprisingly it sank, proving once again that you can't have your kayak and heat it too.

24. Two hydrogen atoms meet. One says, "I've lost my electron." The other says "Are you sure?" The first replies, "Yes, I'm positive."

25. Did you hear about the Buddhist who refused Novocain during a root canal? His goal: transcendental medication.

26. There was the person who sent ten puns to friends, with the hope that at least one of the puns would make them laugh. No pun in ten did.

Make someone smile today!

ANIMAL SHELTER Pet of the Week



Jack is a male terrier/lab mix, very sweet, full of energy. He is neutered and up to date on shots. His adoption fee was paid by a shelter supporter. The animal shelter is open Monday and Wednesday 5-7 p.m. and Saturday 11 a.m.-2 p.m. The shelter is located at 507 N. Oak Street in Loogootee. To see all available animals, visit www.humanesocietyofmartincounty.org.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Trauma workshop

Martin County Community Corrections is offering a free training workshop on trauma informed care with a doctor, Sandy Washburn, from Indiana University. The workshop will be held July 28 from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the WestGate Academy. Anyone who works with people in the aftermath of any kind of trauma is encouraged to sign up for the workshop. The link to register online at <https://goo.gl/forms/7S0PWuPYsYsQGcaGD2>. Anyone with questions can call 812-295-4911 or email amoney@martincounty.in.gov.

AL-ANON meetings

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

Free lunch for kids

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

SOAR Tutoring

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

Humane society meetings

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

Solid waste board

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

Tourism meetings

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

Soil and Water meetings

The Martin County SWCD meets the third Monday of the month at the SWCD office located at Martin Coun-

Blood drive is July 5 at Vincennes University

The American Red Cross reports that every two seconds, someone in the United States needs blood, and that approximately 36,000 units of red blood cells are needed every day to help meet this need.

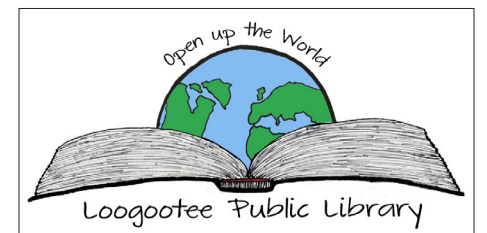
The Vincennes University Police Department and Indiana Fallen Officers will co-sponsor a Red Cross Blood Drive on July 5, 1-5 p.m. (EDT), in memory of those who died while serving and protecting in Knox County and in honor of those who continue to serve.

To schedule a donation time, use the Red Cross app or visit www.redcrossblood.org and enter the sponsor keyword, VUPD. Participants should bring a driver's license or two other forms of identification and a list of current medications.

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



BY DARLA WAGLER

Librarian, Loogootee Public Library

Recently, it was reported that the Vigo County Public Library in Terre Haute is adding another entrance area to their existing building. The director explained that 1,100 visitors stop by the library daily and access to the library has its challenges. They will add 40 more parking spaces with some of those being handicapped parking according to the Tribune Star (http://www.tribstar.com/news/local_news/vigo-library-to-add-new-accessible-entrance/article_4c0b-fc09-42b6-5763-b29b-09cb36f1a5aa.html).

Libraries are continually being reinvented to meet the community needs, people still seek out the free services; space plus parking are challenges faced by both large and small libraries. Libraries are not going away and some thrifty-minded consumers view them as the best kept secret because you can check out books, download eBooks, check out movies, magazines, audios, and read newspapers, access genealogy sites, and attend programs for free.

New Books:

Mystery Fiction: "Murder Games" by James Patterson and "Unsub" by Meg Gardiner.

Fiction: "Use of Force" by Brad Thor and "Duchess" by Danielle Steel.

Insp. Fiction: "Gladden Heart" by Olivia Newport, "My Daughter's Legacy" by Mindy Starns Clark, and "Light of Dawn" by Vannetta Chapman.

DVDs: "Lion".

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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4-H NEWS

By Stacy Brown

Martin County Purdue Extension Educator



-- THE DECISION TO GIVE --

Okay, so you've read my columns and hopefully understand that giving back to your community is a personal decision. It is a decision to which you should give some good thought. It is one that should be based on a passion for something you care about. It is about you as much as it is about the cause you are contributing toward. It can be framed up in the "who, what, where, when, why and how" of it all. So, think about it that way.

-- THE FRAMEWORK --

The "who" is someone or a cause that you want your giving to help.

The "what" is the amount are giving; any amount is great.

The "where" is which organization is going to be your vehicle to help you accomplish your goal.

The "when" is just that; do it now or do it later.

The "why" is that part that reaches into your heart and compels you to do something.

The "how" is the instrument or method that makes it happen; it can be an immediate donation, giving of your time, or as a bequest of some fashion, all of which can be realized in many ways.

-- WE ARE HERE --

Your community foundation, the MCCF, can help you find your way through this process. Our mission is to provide you a service to meet your charitable goals in a way tailored to your financial interests. We have a host of funds that serve many causes to benefit our community. With those, and new funds, we can help provide most of the framework you need; you only have to provide the "what and the when".

-- WHAT WE HAVE --

So, what causes are available to donate toward? Our funds are dedicated to helping many non-profit organizations and the people they serve. Some current beneficiaries are libraries, maintenance of cemeteries, 4-H, food pantry support, schools, sports complexes, educational projects, churches,

the Historical Society, expectant mothers, performing arts, and scholarships covering a variety of educational pursuits.

If there is something near and dear to your heart this is not currently covered, then we can help find a way to take care of it. And if you don't know exactly what to donate toward, we have unrestricted funds designed for that too; these will allow us to respond to changing and emergent needs of the community.

-- AN EMERGENT NEED --

The St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry serves many people but they found it had outgrown the current facility. And just as important, some food that they could get and provide was perishable, but they didn't have a large walk-in type cooler to store it. So, an opportunity to provide vegetables and other perishable foods was lost. All while the needs of the community were growing.

-- FOOD PANTRY --

The MCCF was able to apply some of our "unrestricted" funds to help meet this emergent need. The food pantry found cost efficient ways to add a large cooler to the building as well as more storage space to handle the growing need. As Steve Schnaus, a St. Vincent de Paul Conference member, said, "When you see the tears of someone crying because they're thankful, then you know you're doing the right thing." It is through service organizations like this that the MCCF can be an instrumental part of improving the quality of life in our community.

-- MORE INFORMATION --

For more information about the MCCF and how we can help you complete your giving plans, 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.



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Pictured in the new St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry cooler are, left to right, Curt Johnson (MCCF Executive Director), Steve Schnaus and Dan Gregory (St. Vincent de Paul Conference members), as Hope Flores (Community Foundation Partnership CEO) looks on.

Drive your 4-H Pride!

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

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

Club Meetings

Jolly Juniors— Thursday, June 29 at 6 p.m. at Truelove Church.

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

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

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

Upcoming Events

June 29 - Martin County 4-H Council Meeting 6:30 p.m. @ Learning Center

July 10 - 4-Her mandatory fair clean-up day

July 11 - Non-perishable projects judged 5-8 p.m.

July 12 - Perishable projects judged 5-8 p.m.

July 13 - Livestock move in day

Fair Schedule

The 2017 Martin County Fair Schedule has been announced.

Saturday, July 8

9 a.m. - Ag Tractor Driving Contest

Monday, July 10

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

Friday, July 14

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

5 p.m. - Building open to public

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

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

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

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

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

5286.

Saturday, July 15

9 a.m. - Building open to public

9 a.m. - Antique Tractor show

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

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

11 a.m. - Robotics Demonstration on free stage

1 p.m. - Rabbit show in livestock arena

4 p.m. - Lawn tractor driving contest

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

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

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

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

Sunday, July 16

Noon - Building open to public

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

2 p.m. - Poultry show

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

2 p.m.-5 p.m. - Health Fair

3 p.m. - Robotics Demonstration on free stage

3 p.m. - Kiddie Tractor Pull registration

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

5 p.m. - Goat show in the livestock arena (old time showmanship after show)

6 p.m. - Baby Show on free stage

Monday, July 17

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

5 p.m. - Building open to public

5 p.m. - Cookie Stacking Contest, sponsored by Martin County Jr. Leaders

5 p.m. - Watermelon Seed Spitting Contest, sponsored by Martin County Jr. Leaders

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

6 p.m. - Swine show in the livestock arena (old time showmanship after show)

6 p.m. - Caricature Drawing, sponsored by Kountry Kids Daycare

Tuesday, July 18

5 p.m. - Building open to public

5 p.m.-6:30 p.m. - Sign up for silent auction items

5:30 p.m. - Supreme Showmanship in livestock arena

6:45 p.m. - Silent auction winners announced

7 p.m. - Auction in livestock arena

8 p.m.-10 p.m. - Release of projects

Wednesday, July 19

Mandatory Clean-Up - All 4-Hers required to help

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With perfect gardening weather, gardeners were able to get a lot of work done last weekend. At Sandhill Gardens, I had the help of two great nephews, Guy and Augie. Teaching children to garden may be the most important thing I do. It is not just that they are learning about horticulture. The garden offers many opportunities to teach them about more important things.

It appears that gardeners throughout the Hoosier Hills are having a banner year. Dennis Weikert called me to tell me about his vegetable garden, where he has already picked beans and tomatoes and has corn ready to eat. The produce at area farmers' markets also demonstrates that gardens are early and doing well this year.

Flowers are also ahead of the normal schedule. I stopped in Orleans Saturday to see the Browns and their daylilies. Mrs. Brown says the blooms are about two weeks earlier than last year. The blooms are at peak now, so if you happen to be in the Orleans area, take a drive down Roosevelt Street to see the flowers. At Sandhill Gardens, I have tall bellflowers in bloom, well before normal. The flower show has been spectacular.

One of my most enjoyable tasks is judging at county and state fairs. I had my first fair of the season this week. The Harrison County Fair in Corydon has moved from their traditional late July slot in a very early June date. I feared that this move would greatly affect the number of exhibits in the open-class flowers, but I had nothing to fear. There were some different flowers, but

the quality of the exhibits were generally good, making my job of judging a little more difficult. Many other county fairs will be coming up. I urge everyone to get out and support the 4-H programs and also to participate in open-class competitions.

Early gardens mean that this should be a good year for some succession planting. Succession planting is planting a second crop in the same spot where an early crop has finished. My spring greens and peas have been removed and I may now plant something else in those places. I have some tomato and pepper plants that will fill the spots and should mature for a late crop. Of course, in a few more weeks, one may start to plant for a fall garden, planting many of those same greens and peas that made the spring garden so productive.

The key to successful successive gardening is counting the days until our first frost to see what will mature in time to get a crop. In southern Indiana, the safe date is considered to be October 10. In reality, recent years have been frost-free much later in October. Almost all seed packets will have a notation of days needed for a crop to mature. Count the days until mid-October and if that number is greater than the number of days to maturity, that crop may be planted. In some cases, even if there are not enough days for a mature crop, one may harvest "baby" crops. There is a bit of a gamble involved, as we could get an early frost, but the odds are with us and it is worth risking the price of a few seeds.

Heritage Days returns to Paynetown SRA

Wander through encampments of historic re-enactors, portraying periods from 1745 to the 1890s, during Heritage Days at Paynetown State Recreation Area on Monroe Lake, July 7-9.

Re-enactors will create a "Heritage Village" in Lakeview picnic area, next to the swimming beach. The village will be open from 4 to 8 p.m. on Friday, July 7; 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. on Saturday, July 8; and 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. on Sunday, July 9.

Naturalist staff also will offer history programs throughout the weekend.

Attendees can learn a basic basket

weaving technique, make a quill pen, complete a leathercrafting project, turn plant material into cordage, and learn about the importance of furs to early settlers.

For event details and program times, go to the DNR web calendar at calendar.dnr.IN.gov and search for July 7 to 9 at Monroe Lake.

Admission is \$7 per in-state vehicle and \$9 per out-of-state vehicle.

Paynetown State Recreation Area on Monroe Lake (stateparks.IN.gov/2954.htm) is at 4850 South State Road 446, Bloomington, 47401.

Spotty weather has Indiana grain crops off to an uneven start

BY DARRIN PACK
Purdue University News Service

Bob Nielsen, Purdue Extension corn specialist, says he has never seen a growing season get off to such an uneven start as this one. Heavy rains in April and May delayed planting and left standing water in many parts of Indiana while other areas baked in unusually hot and dry conditions.

As a result, conditions of the state's grain crops vary significantly from one region to another. Farm fields are a patchwork pattern of robust, vibrant green plants in a few places and wilted, pale yellow ones elsewhere - often within a few miles of each other and sometimes on the same property. Replanting due to poor germination and ponding has been common.

"It's hard to get a fix on the whole state," Nielsen admits.

Purdue Extension soybean specialist and associate professor of agronomy Shaun Casteel says the state's other major grain crop is also a mixed bag.

"It's not outstanding, by any means," Casteel said. "Many of the soybean fields experienced the same wet and cold soils as the corn did early on whereas other soybean fields were delayed in planting as farmers were replanting the corn. The final string of fields were delayed in establishment and development as the weather pendulum swung to the hot and dry conditions in the first weeks of June."

Due to the inconsistent spring weather, many crops never had a chance to get well established.

According to the latest U.S. Department of Agriculture weekly Crop Progress report, issued June 19, only 45 percent of the Indiana corn crop was in "good" or "excellent" condition, compared with 72 percent at the same time last year. Soybeans fare only a little better - 52 percent are rated "good" or "excellent" compared with 72 percent in 2016.

The good news is that it is possible for crops to recover from a bad start.

Since the USDA began issuing its weekly crop condition reports in 1986, Indiana has experienced five other years when conditions at this point in the growing season were as bad or worse than this year - 1988, 1990, 1996, 2007 and 2012. Discounting the drought years of 1988 and 2012 when yields were down significantly, results have been mixed.

"This year more resembles 1990, 1996 and 2007," said Chris Hurt, Extension agricultural economist. "In 1990, we ended up 6 percent above trend-line yield. In 1996, we were down 7 percent and in 2007 we finished right at the trend-line yield."

Hurt urged producers to be patient and hope for better weather.

"Give this crop some time," he said. "Much of the yield is still to be determined. We've gotten off to a tough start but the rest of the season is what's important."

Although the weekly crop condition reports have been discouraging so far this year - Indiana ranks near the bottom of all major grain-producing states in the condition of its corn and soybeans - both Nielsen and Casteel said it is still too soon to forecast below-average yields. Even hard-hit crops have time to recover if the weather cooper-

ates.

"Things are turning around for those in dry areas who did get rain over the past couple of weeks," Casteel said.

Purdue Extension educators give vivid accounts of crop conditions in their areas.

"I'm in a field where there is some standing water and just a quarter-mile down the road, the ground is cracked," said Daniel Gabbard, Purdue Extension-Shelby County director. Educators in Steuben, Jay and Adams counties in northeast Indiana reported very dry soil conditions while David Osborne, Purdue Extension-Ripley County director, said his county in southeastern Indiana had up to 7 inches of rain in the past week.

"We have folks that are in a pretty tough situation," Osborne said. "Some fields will not be planted."

Purdue Extension offers a number of resources to help farmers facing difficult crop management decisions:

* Nielsen's Chat 'n Chew Café website is regularly updated with current news and information on a variety of topics, including nitrogen management for Indiana corn, corn replant considerations, hybrid maturities for delayed planting and avoiding soil compaction in wet fields. To access the site, go to www.kingcorn.org/cafe.

* Nielsen also provides up-to-date information on his Twitter feed at @PurdueCornGuy.

* Nielsen and Jim Camberato, agronomy professor and Purdue Extension soil fertility specialist, co-authored an article on "Soil Sampling to Assess Current Soil Nitrogen" for Purdue's *Pest & Crop* online newsletter. According to Camberato, heavy rainfall and flooding often result in the loss of applied and soil-derived nitrogen. Plants without enough nitrogen become wilted and discolored. Testing is the best way to determine how much nitrogen a crop needs to stay healthy. The article is available at <https://extension.entm.purdue.edu/pestcrop/2017/Issue11/>.

* Nielsen discusses how the timing of stress factors - including excessive drying of the upper soil profile - can affect plant development in the article "Rootless' or 'Floppy' Corn Syndrome," available at <https://extension.entm.purdue.edu/pestcrop/2017/Issue12/>.

* Casteel's article "Late Soybean Planting Considerations" also appeared in *Pest & Crop* and provides practical guidance on seeding rate, row width and maturity group. It is available at <https://extension.entm.purdue.edu/pestcrop/2017/Issue10/>.

* Lyndon Kelley, irrigation specialist for Purdue and Michigan State University Extension services, has compiled a series of informational resources on irrigation. These are available at <http://msue.anr.msu.edu/program/info/irrigation>. An irrigation scheduling fact sheet is available at http://msue.anr.msu.edu/uploads/235/67987/factsheets/3_IrrigationSchedulingTools-June2016.pdf.

For more information on local conditions throughout Indiana, farmers are urged to contact their county Purdue Extension office. A directory of county offices is available at <https://extension.purdue.edu/pages/County-Offices.aspx>.

**Sonbeams Christian
Preschool**
Classes starting
August 15 & 16!

Classes are: Pre-K ages 4-5 Tues.-Fri. 12-3 pm
and morning class ages 2-3 Wed. and
Fri. 8:30-10:30 am

Registration is July 6 & August 1
6-8 p.m. at Loogootee United Methodist Church
208 West Main Street, Loogootee

**For more information call the church office at
812-295-3049 or Laura Jean Gilbert,
Teacher, at 812-247-0696**



Summerfest 5K

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At the recent Loogootee Summerfest 5K, the overall female and male award winners were Natalie Wagler and Walter Henrichsen, shown above. Below are all the age division award winners of the event.



Patoka Lake hosts "Cruise-In with a View" car show

Display your own vehicle or just gaze at classic cars and trucks during Patoka Lake's inaugural "Cruise-In with a View" car show on July 22.

"Shine those bumpers, wash the windows and get ready to pop those hoods," said Patoka Lake interpretive naturalist Dana Reckelhoff.

The show will run from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. EDT in the upper beach parking lot overlooking the lake.

Vehicle registration costs \$15 now through July 15 or \$20 the day of the show. Day-of registration will begin at 9 a.m. at the event site. The first 50 registered vehicles will receive a dash plaque.

To register, and for more information, call (812) 267-7460.

The entrance fee to Newton-Stewart State Recreation Area on Patoka Lake will be waived for participating vehicle owners.

Trophies will be awarded. The show will include music, food, door prizes and a 50/50 raffle. All proceeds will support the educational birds of prey at the nature center.

The Patoka Lake volunteer group is organizing the car show. A rain date has been set for July 29.

The entrance fee to Newton-Stewart SRA is \$7 per in-state vehicle and \$9 per out-of-state vehicle.

Patoka Lake (stateparks.IN.gov/2953.htm) is at 3084 N. Dillard Road, Birdseye, IN 47513.



Youth First donation

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St. Vincent DePaul Loogootee has also renewed their commitment to support Youth First social work in the Loogootee schools for \$8,000 for another three consecutive years. Youth First said they are extremely grateful for this continued support to help carry out their mission of strengthening youth and families in the Martin County community. St. Vincent DePaul has been instrumental in funding this work since it began in 2015. Shown, from left to right, are Youth First Social Worker Elizabeth Christmas, Melissa Courter, Joe Williams, Joe Lannan, Ellie Meade, Beth Lett and Sarah Spaulding.

Health screening available in Martin County on July 11

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

Participants must be 18 years of age or older and will have the following screenings: height and weight, body mass index, waist circumference, blood pressure, cholesterol, blood glucose, and a chemistry panel and tobacco status. A 12-hour fast is required before the screening, however water and prescription medications are allowed. The screening lasts approximately 15 minutes, and pre-registration is required.

To register for the health screening, visit Memorial Hospital's website at www.mhhcc.org and click on "Health Screenings." Enter the company name as "Martin Chamber" and enter "2017" as the password. You may also register by 812-996-2399, option 1 or toll-free at 800-852-7279, ext. 2399, option 1.

Blue Chip All-Conference Softball announced

BY GREG CLARK
LHS Head Softball Coach

The Blue Chip All-Conference Softball selections were recently voted on by the coaches. Chosen as pitchers were Sydney Davis of Loogootee and Katie Keller of South Knox. Position players chosen were Macin Graber of Barr-Reeve, Julianne Bell, Emily Brookshire, and Tyanna Graber of Loogootee. Brooklyn Dodd, Claire Mangin and Carly Terwiske of NE Dubois were selected as were Kendall Rogers, Tessa Tapiaguilar and Alyssa Turner of North Knox. South Knox is represented by Chase Keller, with Sydney Day and Breanna Maikranz from Wood Memorial rounding out the coaches' choices.

Making the All-Conference Honorable mention team were pitcher Kenzie Tooley of Wood Memorial, with position players Mayson Riley of Loogootee, Bailey Jones of North Knox, Madison Johnson of South Knox and Gretchen Reel of Wood Memorial rounding out the selections.

~LETTER TO THE EDITOR~

'Accept others for what they are'

To the editor of the *Martin County Journal* and fellow Hoosiers,

Our teenagers in Indiana desperately require attention, from what I conclude regarding "Indiana being the 3rd-highest state in our nation for teenage deaths by suicide," (The Indiana Youth Institute Youth Worker Café Workshop, June 6, 2017). I consider the overall matter being a naturally-occurring personal choice between Hope versus Hatred. This oppositional feature in all human beings essentially bears-down upon each one of us, all the time, both in small matters, as well as, the crises of our major awareness. Many times, the choice for Hatred is irrevocable, when we lack both a support network coming from the outside of ourselves, such as a wisdom-filled mentor, for instance, and furthered by a lack of introspective-understanding of ourselves, imperatively required to buttress a choice for Hope. This latter element of introspective-understanding is basically "Taking a Stand, or Standing One's Ground," recalling the verse in The Scriptural Book of Ephesians, Chapter 6, "The Battle Against Evil."

I believe the foregoing gets to the heart of what we mean by morality and

building of ones-character. My parents reminded me to "carry my cross", a major childhood learning experience, and I began to see Hope as a young altar server, paper route delivery, sports involvement, and accepting my elders as mentors. I learned to serve rather than being served, transposing this early behavior into secondary and university educational occupations wearing The Roman Collar, reciprocating with others in their own life-dilemmas, and manifesting a steadfast loyalty to my Faith amidst Secular Humanism, prevalent falsehoods in both military and civilian cultures, constantly belaboring all of us, regardless of age. My uncle, U.S. Marine, later joining the U.S. Air Force, Otto C. Erler, Jr., brought the importance of "carrying one's cross" back to Dallas following his WWII ordeal aboard a Japanese Hellship, Prisoner-of-War in Manchuria, and slave labor in a salt mine. I believe he experienced a living example of what the New Testament gospel writers quoted from Our Lord concerning "carrying one's cross" as an unequivocal condition for being His disciple. The "cross," of course, cannot be understood correctly without Hope, also, in Our Lord's Promise at His Second Coming, we being "raised from the dead with glorified bodies, reunited

with our Souls," conditional upon having carried Our Own Cross(es) in our earthly journey, ending in heaven. Essentially, as we struggle with our battle between Hope or Hatred, we begin to see and grow stronger, in correctly choosing Hope, that all of Life Meaning is Living in Service to God and To Our Neighbor. This is essentially how we find ourselves.

Additional to the scriptural understanding of "cross," I was blessed with a lifelong-mentor, founder of Logical Learning Theory, a predicational view of The Human Being vis-a-vis traditional mediational thinking viewing the human person solely determined by biological, environmental, and other efficient-cause conceptions, disregarding final-cause conceptions emphasizing the purposive, intentional, creative and oppositional capacities of what I absolutely know about people. I have fought a neurological handicap all my life, silently disagreeing with all professional diagnoses (labels) of a psychiatric nature, a fight which enlightens me both as a proud American and the realization that this neurological-handicap is my "cross." In this latter respect, which I would most assuredly like to share with all troubled Hoosier Youth, especially, I quote the following epithet from my deceased lifelong

mentor, whose renowned reputation I am always admirably conscious of: "To My Good Friend, George Erler, a person of Scholarship To Be Admired, and Morality To Be Emulated. Joseph F. Rychlak, Ph.D., The Human Image In Postmodern America, February 12, 2003."

And, a treasured wisdom from Professor Rychlak, pending a job-firing crisis some years ago: "We must, through introspective understanding of ourselves, through reflexive examination, define the grounds for the sake of which we would be judged. Do not let people define you. Accept others for what they are, but do not let them 'grind you down,' as the old saying goes."

Please offer your comments, advice, or other suggestions relevant to The Crisis of Teenage Suicide, and/or my Thoughts presented in this Letter To The Editor, both within Indiana, and all over our country.

Thank You
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