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Independence Day

-Photo by Tonya Sheetz

Another Independence Day has come and gone with dozens of fireworks displays around the county. The United States turned 241 years old. In the words of Ronald Reagan, "Freedom is never more than one generation away from extinction. We didn't pass it to our children in the bloodstream. It must be fought for, protected, and handed on for them to do the same."

Three counties join to offer for LAP training

Martin County, Owen County, and Greene County, in combination with the ICADV (Indiana Coalition Against Domestic Violence), are facilitating LAP (Lethality Assessment Program) training at Bloomfield Jr/Sr High School on Tuesday, July 18 to train anyone involved in helping in domestic violence situations, including law enforcement, EMTs, first responders, employees of the circuit court, etc.

They are offering the training twice in one day - a morning and afternoon training, with a meal included for free. The first training session will be from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. and the second one from 4 p.m.-8 p.m. at Bloomfield High School, 501 West Spring Street, Bloomfield. All participants can choose which training they want to attend.

The purpose of the training is to educate advocates and first responders on the lethality assessment protocol, examine the necessary collaborations involved in implementation of the LAP, discuss the necessary data sharing and reporting requirements involved in implementation of the LAP and examine challenges and victories of current-

ly active jurisdictions. Certificates of Completion will be provided to all attendees.

The Indiana Coalition Against Domestic Violence helps counties in Indiana implement the Lethality Assessment Program. The Lethality Assessment Program (LAP) represents a collaborative partnership where members of law enforcement use a research based lethality assessment screening tool with victims of domestic violence, and connect those individuals determined to be at high risk for lethal level violence with the domestic violence program serving their community. The goal of the LAP is to prevent domestic violence homicides, serious injury and reassault by encouraging more victims to use the shelter, counseling, advocacy and support services of domestic violence programs. The LAP was developed by the Maryland Network Against Domestic Violence based on the domestic violence danger assessment research of Dr. Jacquelyn Campbell from the Johns Hopkins school of Nursing.

The LAP protocol directs members of law enforcement responding on-scene (See 'TRAINING' continued on page 2)

Historical Society receives \$50,000 for museum

The Indiana Historical Society (IHS) proudly announces one of its largest Heritage Support Grants to date is being awarded to the Martin County Historical Society. The organization will receive \$50,000 to renovate the bell tower inside the Historical Society and Museum on Capital Avenue in Shoals.

The Martin County Museum is located inside the old Martin County Courthouse, which was built in 1876 and is on the National Register of Historic Places. The renovation of the bell tower is part of the work that's being done in preparation for Martin County's Bicentennial celebration in 2020.

Funding will be used strengthen the tower's super structure, as well as replace floor joists and flooring in the third level of the tower. It will also cover the cost of repairing water damage and building three replacement windows that will be installed during the second phase of the project.

The Martin County Historical Society

has grown its membership more than 300 percent in the past six months with the help of social media, news coverage and efforts to obtain grants to update the old Courthouse. Recently, the organization created a coloring book to help the county's fourth grade students learn about the area's rich and unique history.

The Historical Society is the first Martin County organization to receive one of HIS's Heritage Support Grants, made possible by a grant from Lilly Endowment Inc. Grant funds from the Endowment are allowing IHS to award a total of \$2.5 million to organizations across Indiana, in at least five cycles through 2019. There is still time to apply for the fourth round of awards, but deadlines are fast approaching. Applications for smaller awards of \$500 to \$4,999 and for Summary of Proposals for larger awards of \$5,000 to \$50,000 are due July 11, 2017.

For more information, guidelines and (See 'MUSEUM' continued on page 2)



-Photos provided

Those attending the LHS Beta trip are shown above. In the front row, from left to right, are Eden Jenkins, Jayleigh Wagoner, Madisyn Wade, Calli Winger, Katie Sims, Melaina Tipperly, Mallory Berry, Kasten Burch, and Victoria Ringgaard. In the back row, from left to right, are Jacob Hollihan, Shelley Christmas, Max Christmas, Dylan Arthur, Sheldan Christmas, Jayden Wagoner, Jake Carrico, Lane Keller, and Brandy Tipperly.

LHS Beta goes to Orlando

Sixteen members of Loogootee High School Beta Club traveled to Orlando, on Wednesday, June 28, and returned on Monday, July 3, for the 36th Annual Beta Club National Convention. This year's convention had four general morning sessions which showcased group talent, special talent, and show choir competitions, national officer candidate campaigns, and award ceremonies for the academic competitions, and in the evening, the convention held two dances. The



Swan and Dolphin Resort hosted this event, which was the largest attended convention held at this resort and the largest Beta convention to date. While at convention, students had the opportunity to visit the Magic Kingdom, Epcot, Hollywood Studios, Disney Springs, and were also able to spend some time at the pool.

Two students from Loogootee won competitions at the Indiana State Beta Convention last November and were able to then compete against (See 'BETA' continued on page 3)

Tylen Williams attends Touchstone Energy Camp

Daviess-Martin County REMC sponsored Tylen Williams, son of Clint and Amy Williams of Loogootee, at the annual Touchstone Energy Camp. The camp was held June 7-10, 2017, at Camp Tecumseh in Brookston, Indiana.

Students entering seventh grade this fall were eligible to attend and were selected by their local cooperative to participate in the three-day program. The students' agenda combined traditional outdoor camp activities with environmental education, electrical safety practices and cooperative business education.

"This is a great way for students to learn about the role of the electric cooperative in their community. On top of that, they get to experience all the fun of camp," said Janet Chestnut, member services representative at Daviess-Martin County REMC.

The Touchstone Energy Camp program was developed by a committee of electric cooperative employees from Indiana. The camp is funded in part by Indiana's electric cooperatives, Hoosier Energy, Wabash Valley Power, Indiana Electric Cooperatives, and other industry partners.

Daviess-Martin County REMC, located in Loogootee, is an electric utility cooperative serving over 6,600



-Photo provided
Daviess-Martin County REMC sent Tylen Williams to Touchstone Energy Camp.

members in Daviess, Martin and Lawrence counties and maintains over 1,300 miles of line. For more information about the cooperative, visit www.dmremc.com.

TRAINING

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to a domestic call to conduct an 11-item lethality screen with the victim. When the protocol indicates that the victim is at high risk of lethal level violence, the officer makes immediate contact with the domestic violence program. The victim is then encouraged, but not required, to speak with the domestic violence program representative. The responding officer and the domestic violence program representative work as partners to provide the victim with safety planning and resource information.

This collaboration is critical because domestic violence programs have been shown to be a strong protective factor in preventing domestic violence homicides, and yet, many victims haven't been connected with those supportive

services. An average of 1,500 domestic violence fatalities are documented each year in the United States. Research conducted by Dr. Jacquelyn Campbell demonstrated that only 4 percent of domestic violence fatality victims had any prior contact with a domestic violence program. Conversely, law enforcement had responded to domestic calls prior to the domestic violence homicide in about 50 percent of the national fatalities. Additionally, rates of reassault among high danger victims was reduced by 60 percent after a shelter stay. <http://www.icadvinc.org/homicide-reduction/initiatives/lethality-assessment-project/>

Those wishing to participate should RSVP by July 12 by contacting Samantha Edwards at 812-512-1088 or samantha@middlewayhouse.org.

MUSEUM

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applications, call (317) 232-1882 or visit www.indianahistory.org/grants.

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Wednesday, July 5, 2017

VIRGINIA CRANEY

Virginia Craney passed away at 10:56 p.m. Sunday, July 2, 2017 at Loogootee Healthcare and Rehabilitation Center. A resident of Loogootee, she was 80.



VIRGINIA CRANEY

She was born July 4, 1936 in Shoals; daughter of the late Richard and Eva (Johnson) Dwyer. She was a member of St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church and St. Joseph Altar Society. She led the Rosary at St. Martin Catholic Church.

She enjoyed quilting, sewing, crocheting and gardening. She deeply enjoyed spending time with her family and grandchildren. She retired from NSWC Crane after 20 years of employment. She was preceded in death by her husband, James E. "Ed" Craney; parents, Richard and Eva (Johnson) Dwyer; brother-in-law, Donald Stearns and several brothers-in-law and sisters-in-law.

She is survived by her children, Richard E. (Phyllis) Craney of Jasper, Larry W. (Toni L.) Craney and Jerome L. (Elizabeth S.) Craney, both of Loogootee; grandchildren, Wade (Angela) Buechlein, Clint (Katherine) Buechlein, Eddie (Jeni) Craney, Sarah (Jordan) Vanmeter, Rebecca (Tyson) Hilderbrand, Travis Craney, Corey Craney, Erin Craney and Kyle Craney; eight great-grandchildren; sisters, Helen Stearns of Ft. Wayne and Louise (Robert) Abel of Shoals; brother, Jack (Bonnie) Dwyer of Mooresville; sisters-in-law, Patricia Frye of Greenwood, Bernadette (George) Abel

of Washington and Deannie (Dean) Trowbridge of Washington.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated by Very Rev. J. Kenneth Walker at 10 a.m. Thursday, July 6 at St. Martin Catholic Church in Whitfield. Burial will follow in the church cemetery.

Visitation will be held this evening, Wednesday, July 5 from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. at Blake Funeral Home in Loogootee.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Catholic Charities or St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church for Masses.

Condolences may be made online at www.blakefuneralhomes.com.

BRUCE POINDEXTER

Bruce Poindexter passed away Thursday, June 29, 2017 at Millers Merry Manor in Wabash, Indiana. A resident of Shoals, he was 90.

He was born July 29, 1926 in Dover Hill; son of the late Samuel Wiley and Vivian (McPherson) Poindexter.

He was a member of the White River Masonic Lodge No. 332 and the Loogootee Christian Church.

He was a World War II Army veteran and served his country in the South Pacific.

Bruce loved gardening and enjoyed his life long career at Winkle's Chevylard.

He is survived by his children, Carol (Pat) Shoemaker of Wabash, Indiana, Jane Denny of Loogootee and Mike Poindexter and friend, Dooley Duvnjak of Maineville Ohio; grandchildren, Kristina Michelle Bruner (Pat), Patrick Ryan Denny, Courtney Poindexter, Kristin Poindexter, Alicia Shoemaker and Josh Shoemaker; great-grandchildren, Shalyn Bruner, Kaitlyn Bruner, Jocelyn Bruner, Caleb Denny, Evan Denny, Jonathan Denny, Lilly Denny, and Gabriel Heyne; sister-in-law Barb

Health department to hold back to school immunization clinics

The start of a new school year will be here before we know it. Kindergarten students, students in grade 6 and college students may need immunizations before they can begin classes this fall. The Martin County Health Department clinic is open on the following dates with extended summer hours:

- Wednesday, July 5
- Wednesday, July 12
- Wednesday, July 19
- Tuesday, July 25 (special clinic)
- Wednesday, July 26
- Wednesday, August 2

Clinic hours for the month of July will be 8:30 a.m.-noon and 12:30-6 p.m. Please note these are the only dates a nurse will be available for immunizations. The health department office is located in the Shoals Federal Building (Post Office). The Martin County Health Department is contracted with VaxCare and can bill most insurance companies that pay for vaccines. The patient must bring their insurance card or no vaccines can be given on that day. The health department can vaccinate children on Medicaid, the uninsured and those who have insurance that does not pay for vaccines through the Vaccines for Children (VFC) program. They also provide TB testing for a fee.

If you have questions about immunizations, you can contact your child's doctor or call the health department at 812-247-3303.



BRUCE POINDEXTER

Denny.

Funeral services were conducted Monday, July 3 at Blake Funeral Home. Burial followed in Spring Hill Cemetery in Shoals.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Loogootee Christian Church or American Diabetes Association.

Condolences may be made online at www.blakefuneralhomes.com.

LINDA TEDROW

Linda L. Tedrow passed away at 2:50 p.m. July 3, 2017 at Loogootee Healthcare and Rehabilitation Center. A resident of Loogootee, she was 75.

She was born August 29, 1941 in Concord, Ohio; daughter of the late Carl McDaniel and Betty Spears.

She was a member of the Shoals Christian Church, Jasper Moose Lodge, Fraternal Order of the Eagles and Loogootee American Legion.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Carl McDaniel and Betty (George) Spears; siblings, Max McDaniel, infant Sandy Spears and Carl

Goings, and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his wife of 64 years, Lillian Poindexter; parents, Samuel Wiley and Vivian (McPherson) Poindexter; and grandson, Dylan



LINDA TEDROW

“Buddy” McDaniel; son-in-law, Tony Waldrip. She is survived by her children, Cheryl Waldrip of Loogootee and Dan (Jodi) Tedrow of South Dakota; grandchildren, Amy (Pete) Seifried, Tricia Padgett, Daniel Tedrow III, Brooke Moore and Zack Moore; great-grandchildren, Dakota and Bella; siblings, Wanda (David) Stone of Shoals, George (Lana) Spears and Karlas (Sandy) Spears, both of Bedford.

Funeral services will be conducted at 1 p.m. Thursday, July 6 at Blake Funeral Home in Loogootee. Burial will follow in Spring Hill Cemetery.

Visitation will be held Thursday, July 6 from 11 a.m. until the time of service at the funeral home.

Condolences may be made online at www.blakefuneralhomes.com.

BETA

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other winners from other states. Dylan Arthur competed in the science competition and placed in the top ten, while Max Christmas competed in the poetry placing third and math placing in the top ten respectively at the national level.

A special thanks goes to Staci Foster who helped with the Disney and food planning for the trip.

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Martin County Sheriff's Department log

MONDAY, JUNE 26

1:08 a.m. - Received a report of a dog that has been hit on 231 North of Loogootee. Deputy Salmon responded.

2:57 a.m. - Received a report of a dog acting strange in Shoals. Sheriff Roush responded.

10:50 a.m. - Received a report of a controlled burn north of Loogootee.

12:47 p.m. - Received a report of a domestic in Shoals. Sergeant Keller responded.

1:37 p.m. - Received several calls about an accident in Shoals. Sheriff Roush, Sergeant Keller, Captain Dant and Shoals Fire responded.

1:45 p.m. - Received a call about a stray cat that is injured in Loogootee. Advised Animal Control Officer Joshua Hughtett.

2:31 p.m. - Received a report of a stolen side by side in Lost River. Sergeant Keller responded.

3:13 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Crane. Martin County Ambulance responded and transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

5:20 p.m. - Received a request for a welfare check in Shoals. Sergeant Keller responded.

9:41 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded and transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

TUESDAY, JUNE 27

6:28 a.m. - Received a report of an accident in Loogootee. Loogootee Chief Rayhill responded.

8:00 a.m. - Received a report of a truck in a ditch in Daviess County. Notified Daviess County.

8:04 a.m. - Received a request for assistance with a motorist that has run out of gas. Chief Deputy Greene responded.

8:10 a.m. - Received a report of a vehicle all over the road on Hwy. 231, north of Loogootee. Loogootee Chief Rayhill responded.

9:55 a.m. - Chief Deputy Greene transported four inmates to court.

9:57 a.m. - Received a request for a vehicle unlock in Shoals. Captain Dant responded.

10:08 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Shoals. Martin County Ambulance and Shoals Fire responded. No patient transport needed.

10:49 a.m. - Received a report of rock trucks speeding on Hwy. 450.

10:55 a.m. - Sergeant Keller transported two inmates to court.

12:50 p.m. - Received a report of an accident east of Shoals on Hwy 50. Captain Dant, Sheriff Roush, Chief Deputy Greene responded.

1:46 p.m. - Sergeant Keller transported three inmates to court.

2:55 p.m. - Sheriff Roush transported one inmate to court.

3:15 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded and transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

4:06 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Shoals. Shoals Fire and Martin County Ambulance responded and transported patient to Daviess Community Hospital.

8:30 p.m. - Received a request for a VIN check in Shoals. Deputy Salmon responded.

9:47 p.m. - Jail Commander Abel transported one inmate to the hospital.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 28

3:22 a.m. - Received a report of a car vs deer accident on US Hwy. 231 North. Deputy Salmon responded.

5:10 a.m. - Received a report of trespassing in Loogootee. Deputy Salmon responded.

8:56 a.m. - Received several calls reporting a disabled vehicle on Hwy. 231 North. Chief Deputy Greene and Loogootee Chief Rayhill responded.

10:30 a.m. - Received a request for traffic control in Loogootee. Chief Rayhill responded.

11:40 a.m. - Received a report of fraud and theft in Loogootee. Loogootee Chief Rayhill responded.

11:45 a.m. - Received a report of property damage in shoals.

12:08 p.m. - Received a request for a vehicle check in Shoals.

12:13 p.m. - Jail Officer Emmick transported one inmate to the doctor.

12:55 p.m. - Received a report of a reckless driver in Loogootee. Loogootee Chief Rayhill responded.

2:15 p.m. - Received a report of a suspicious person in Loogootee. Loogootee Chief Rayhill responded.

3:07 p.m. - Sheriff Roush transported one inmate to court.

4:45 p.m. - Received a report of a reckless driver in Shoals. Sheriff Roush responded.

8:20 p.m. - Received a report of a tree across Sherfick School Road. Shoals Fire responded.

11:33 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Shoals. Shoals Fire and Martin County Ambulance responded and transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

THURSDAY, JUNE 29

12:04 a.m. - Received a request for a welfare check in Shoals. Deputy Shinn responded.

12:32 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Loogootee Fire and Martin County Ambulance responded and transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital

12:45 a.m. - Received a report of property damage in Shoals. Shoals Town Marshal Eckert and Deputy Salmon responded.

5:27 a.m. - Received a report of a tree on a power line south of Shoals. Shoals Fire responded.

6:19 a.m. - Received a report of trucks speeding on Hwy 450. Chief Deputy Greene responded.

06:20 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded and transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

7:55 a.m. - Received a report of an alarm in Shoals. Sheriff Roush responded.

8:46 a.m. - Sheriff Roush transported one inmate to court.

9:23 a.m. - Sheriff Roush transported two inmates to court.

9:40 a.m. - Received a report of a truck broken down south of Loogootee. Chief Deputy Greene responded.

11:56 a.m. - Received a report of theft in Loogootee. Loogootee Chief Rayhill responded.

12:03 p.m. - Received a report of a property damage accident in Loogootee. Loogootee Chief Rayhill responded.

12:50 p.m. - Chief Deputy Greene transported three inmates to court.

1:03 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded and

transported to Daviess Community Hospital.

2:08 p.m. - Received a report of vandalism in Shoals. Sheriff Roush responded.

2:30 p.m. - Chief Deputy Greene transported three inmates to court.

4:16 p.m. - Chief Deputy Greene transported four inmates to court.

5:42 p.m. - Received a report of abandoned dogs in Shoals. Martin County Animal Control Officer Hughtett responded.

8:31 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Shoals. Shoals Fire and Martin County Ambulance responded and transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

9:10 p.m. - Received a report of an injured dog in Loogootee. Animal Control Officer Hughtett responded.

FRIDAY, JUNE 30

4:57 a.m. - Received a report of two suspicious males in Loogootee. Deputy Shinn responded.

8:43 a.m. - Received a report of a violation of a protective order. Chief Deputy Greene responded.

10:38 a.m. - Received a report of stalking in Shoals. Chief Deputy Greene responded.

12:12 p.m. - Received a report of a domestic dispute south of Loogootee. ISP and Loogootee Officer McBeth responded.

2:11 p.m. - Received a report of a vehicle speeding on Hwy. 231 South, near the Dubois County line. Advised Dubois County.

6:21 p.m. - Received a report of an accident in Shoals. Town Marshal Eckert responded.

6:37 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded and transported the subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

7:58 p.m. - Received a report of a tree down east of Shoals. Shoals Fire responded and removed the tree.

8:23 p.m. - Received a report of a tree down on US 231, south of Loogootee. Martin County Civil Defense responded and removed the tree.

11:26 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance north of Shoals. Martin County Ambulance and Martin County Civil Defense responded. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

SATURDAY, JULY 1

1:10 a.m. - Received a report of an assault in Loogootee. Loogootee Officer Floyd responded.

2:42 a.m. - Received a report of a break-in, in Loogootee. Loogootee Officer Floyd and Deputy Shinn responded.

11:02 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance and Loogootee Fire responded. The subject was transported to Daviess Community Hospital.

11:28 a.m. - Received a report of an

accident in Shoals. Sergeant Keller responded.

4:06 p.m. - Sergeant Keller assisted a motorist in Loogootee.

4:26 p.m. - Received a medical alarm near Shoals. Martin County Ambulance, Shoals Fire, and Sergeant Keller responded.

5:12 p.m. - Received a report of a tree down south of Shoals. Lost River Fire responded.

ARRESTS

TUESDAY, JUNE 27

1:08 p.m. - Kim Fisher, 40, of Shoals, was arrested by ISP Trooper Lents on a probation violation warrant. Assisting in the arrest were Sheriff Roush and Chief Deputy Greene.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 28

2:55 p.m. - Jesse Burton, 35, of Shoals, was arrested by ISP Trooper Lents on charges of obstruction of justice, maintaining a common nuisance, assisting a criminal, cultivating marijuana, possession of paraphernalia. Sheriff Roush, Chief Greene, ISP Troopers Qualkenbush, Sexton and K9 Magill assisted with the arrest. Bond set at \$25,000 10%.

2:55 p.m. - Miranda Case, 35, of Shoals, was arrested by ISP Trooper Lents on a Martin County warrant for escape, criminal mischief, and charges of visiting a common nuisance. Sheriff Roush and Chief Deputy Greene, ISP Troopers Qualkenbush and Sexton, and K9 Magill assisted with the arrest. No bond was set.

3:20 p.m. - Brandi Kidwell, 40, of Shoals, was arrested by ISP Trooper Lents and charged with maintaining a common nuisance, assisting a criminal, cultivating marijuana, possession of paraphernalia. Sheriff Roush, Chief Deputy Greene, ISP Troopers Qualkenbush, Sexton and K9 Magill assisted with the arrest. Bond set at \$25,000 10%.

5:50 p.m. - Jessica Hopper, 36, of Salem, was arrested by Deputy Shinn on a probation violation warrant. No bond was set.

THURSDAY, JUNE 29

1:48 a.m. - Joshua Davis, 30, of Shoals, was arrested by Deputy Salmon and charged with intimidation on a law enforcement officer, resisting law enforcement, and disorderly conduct. Shoals Town Marshal Eckert assisted with the arrest. No bond was set.


Friday, June 30

11:29 p.m. - Enoch Spaulding, 22, of Shoals, was arrested by Deputy Shinn and charged with operating a vehicle while intoxicated refusal. He is being held on a \$20,000 10% bond.

SATURDAY, JULY 1

9:13 p.m. - David Blackmer, 67, of Shoals, was arrested by ISP Trooper McBeth and charged with operating while intoxicated and is being held on a \$20,000 10% bond. Deputy Shinn assisted with the arrest.

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Martin County real estate transfers

Carolyn M. Wagler, of Martin County, Indiana to **Zachary Michael Wagler**, of Martin County, Indiana, a part of the northwest quarter of the southeast quarter of Section 8, Township 3 North, Range 4 West, Perry Township, Martin County, Indiana, containing 1.500 acres, more or less.

Steven Ragsdale and Mary Ragsdale, of Martin County, Indiana to **Raydies D. Thimling and Kyle McKibben**, of Martin County, Indiana, Lot Number 24 in the original plat of Memphis, now Shoals, Indiana.

Phyllis Perkins, n/k/a Phyllis A. Brinegar, of Martin County, Indiana to **Ronald Tavares**, of Martin County, Indiana, Lot #116 in the original town of Crane, Indiana.

Bernard F. Smith and Mary Ann Smith, of Martin County, Indiana to **Bruce Fithian and Julie Fithian**, of Martin County, Indiana, fractional Lot Number 47 in the town, now City of Loogootee, Indiana, except 96 feet of even with off of the west side thereof and the full width of said lot.

Gary L. Arvin and Lynette Arlene Arvin, of Martin County, Indiana to **Andrew Joseph Marks and Emily**

Marie Marks, of Martin County, Indiana, a portion of the northwest quarter of Section 24, Township 3 North, Range 5 West, City of Loogootee, Indiana.

Terry Cagle II, of Martin County, Indiana to **Angel L. Sanchez-Hernandez and Violet J. Sanchez**, of Martin County, Indiana, a part of Lot 62 in the original Town of Crane, Martin County, Indiana and containing 0.263 acres, more or less.

Martin Bailey and Norma Bailey, of Martin County, Indiana to **JAP Enterprises, LLC**, of Martin County, Indiana, Lot Number 11 in Block "F" in the Loogootee Land Company's Addition to Loogootee, Indiana, except 10 feet of even width off of the south side thereof. Also, Lot Number 12 in the Loogootee Land Company's Addition to the Loogootee, Indiana.

Mona Karen Goff, of Martin County, Indiana to **Loren G. Wagler Construction, LLC**, of Daviess County, Indiana, a portion of the southeast quarter of the northeast quarter of Section 24, Township 3 North, Range 5 West, in the City of Loogootee, Indiana, containing 0.79 acre,



Sons of the Revolution

-Photo provided

The Indiana Society Sons of the American Revolution Color Guard marched in the Summerfest Parade in Loogootee on Saturday, June 17. Shown above is the color guard prior to the start of the parade. From left to right are James Harvey, Ed Hitchcock, and John Sheets.

Loogootee Police log

MONDAY, JUNE 26

6:35 a.m. - Caller reported harassment.

12:30 p.m. - Caller reported a speeding vehicle on US 231. Chief Rayhill located the vehicle.

4:50 p.m. - Loogootee Fire was dispatched to a fire alarm on West Main Street. Everything was okay.

7:41 p.m. - Caller requested extra patrol.

7:58 p.m. - Received a report of reckless drivers on East Main Street.

8:04 p.m. - Caller reported a possible intoxicated driver on Hwy 50.

9:30 p.m. - A domestic dispute was reported on Church Street.

TUESDAY, JUNE 27

9:00 a.m. - Caller reported a reckless vehicle on US 231. Chief Rayhill located the vehicle.

4:00 p.m. - Caller requested a welfare check on a female.

8:30 p.m. - Male reported having problems with juveniles in Redwing Trailer Court.

8:54 p.m. - Caller reported a loose dog on South Kentucky Avenue.

9:35 p.m. - Female requested an officer conduct a security check at a local business.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 28

9:20 a.m. - County requested Chief Rayhill check on broken down vehicle on US 231.

11:02 a.m. - Chief Rayhill assisted with a funeral procession.

11:45 a.m. - Female reported a theft of a debit card.

1:05 p.m. - Caller reported a speeding vehicle on Hwy 50.

2:15 p.m. - Caller reported a suspicious person on Park Street. Officers were unable to locate.

6:03 p.m. - Caller requested a welfare check on a child.

8:13 p.m. - Caller requested extra patrol.

8:26 p.m. - Female reported ATVs on Poplar Street.

THURSDAY, JUNE 29

12:32 a.m. - First responders were requested on US 231 for a medical call.

10:20 a.m. - Male came on station to request a vehicle identification check.

11:15 a.m. - Male reported a reckless driver on SW 2nd Street.

11:50 a.m. - Female reported a shoplifter at Family Dollar. Male left the store and officers were unable to locate.

12:15 p.m. - Caller reported a golf cart had struck a camper on Cedar Street. Juvenile female was cited for operating a golf cart under the age limit.

12:30 p.m. - Caller requested a welfare check on children playing in the road on Park Street.

4:23 p.m. - Caller reported a male causing problems at the city pool.

Wanted Dubois County man found in woods in Martin County

The Martin County Sheriff's Office received a tip that 38-year-old Christopher Jones, wanted in Dubois County, was hiding in a heavily wooded area on Brooks Bridge Road near Hindostan Falls.

Jones was wanted on a Dubois County Circuit Court warrant for a Level 4 felony charge of possession of a firearm by a serious violent felon. Jones has been on the run since June 29th when he eluded officers in Dubois County and fled into a heavily wooded area.

Martin County Reserve Deputy Commander Gammon, Reserve Deputy Erwin along with Captain Dant, Major Burkhardt with K9 Asher and Chief Deputy Greene sur-



CHRISTOPHER JONES

rounded a one-fourth square mile area that Jones was believed to be hiding in. A short time later with the assistance of K9 Asher, Jones surrendered to the reserve deputies without incident.

Health screening in Martin County 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.

A 12-hour fast is required before the screening, however water and pre-

scription medications are allowed. The screening lasts approximately 15 minutes, and pre-registration is required.

To register for the health screening, or for more information, visit www.mhhcc.org and click on "Health Screenings." Enter the company name as "Martin Chamber" and enter "2017" as the password. You may also register by calling the Health and Wellness department at 812-996-2399, option 1.

Specials at The Lodge

Wednesday: Tenderloin Plate
Thursday: Braised Pork Chops
Friday: Beer Battered Fish Sandwich
Friday night: RIB NIGHT!
Saturday: Coney Dogs
Saturday night: Bruschetta Chicken
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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

More Neat Stuff



By Ann Ackerman



I used to read stories to my little brother and Winnie the Pooh and Piglet were his favorites. When I saw the following, I couldn't resist sharing.

20 THINGS WE HAVE LEARNED FROM WINNIE AND PIGLET

1. Piglet: "How do you spell 'love'?" Pooh: "You don't spell it... you feel it."
2. "You are braver than you believe. Stronger than you seem. And smarter than you think."
3. "The things that make me different are the things that make me."
4. "If the person you are talking to does not appear to be listening, be patient. It may simply be that he has a small piece of fluff in this ear."
5. "If there ever comes a day when we can't be together, keep me in your heart. I'll stay there forever."
6. "As soon as I saw you, I knew an adventure was going to happen."
7. "Sometimes the smallest things take the most room in your heart."
8. "Some people care too much. I think it's called love."
9. "Rivers know this: there is no hurry. We shall get there some day."
10. "If you live to be a hundred, I want to live to be a hundred minus one day so I never have to live without you."
11. "Weeds are flowers, too, once you get to know them."
12. "I think we dream so we don't have to be apart for so long. If we're in each other's dreams, we can be together all the time."
13. "You can't stay in your corner of the forest waiting for others to come to you. You have to go to them sometimes."
14. "Promise me you'll never forget me because if I thought you would, I'd never leave."
15. "A little consideration, a little thought for others, makes all the difference."
16. "A day without a friend is like a pot without a single drop of honey left inside."
17. "Love is taking a few steps backward, maybe even more... to give way to the happiness of the person you love."
18. "A day spent with you is my favourite day. So today is my new favourite day."
19. "No one can be sad when they have a balloon!"
20. "How lucky am I to have something that makes saying goodbye so hard."

Sniffer

A man had just settled into his seat next to the window on the plane when another man sat down in the aisle seat and put his black Labrador Retriever in the middle seat next to the man.

The first man looked very quizzically at the dog and asked, why the dog was allowed on the plane.

The second man explained that he was from the Police Drugs Enforcement Agency and that the dog was a "sniffing dog". "His name is Sniffer

and he's the best there is. I'll show you once we get airborne, when I put him to work."

The plane took off, and once it has levelled out, the Policeman said, "Watch this."

He told Sniffer to search. Sniffer jumped down, walked along the aisle, and finally sat very purposefully next to a woman for several seconds. Sniffer then returned to his seat and put one paw on the policeman's arm.

The Policeman said, "Good boy," and he turned to the man and said, "That woman is in possession of marijuana, I'm making a note of her seat number and the authorities will apprehend her when we land."

"Gee, that's pretty good," replied the first man.

Once again, the Policeman sent Sniffer to search the aisles. The Lab sniffed about, sat down beside a man for a few seconds, returned to its seat, and this time he placed two paws on the agent's arm. The Policeman said, "That man is carrying cocaine, so again, I'm making a note of his seat number for the police."

"I like it!" said his seat mate.

The Policeman then told Sniffer to search again. Sniffer walked up and down the aisles for a little while, sat down for a moment, and then came racing back to the agent, jumped into the middle seat and proceeded to poop all over the place.

The first man was really disgusted by this behavior and couldn't figure out how or why a well-trained dog would behave like that. So, he asked the Policeman, "What's going on?"

The Policeman nervously replied, "He's just found a bomb."

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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/7S0PWuPYsfQGcaGD2>. 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.

ANIMAL SHELTER Pets of the Week



Shown in the top photo is Hawaii, an adult female. Very sweet, fine with other cats. Adoption fee is \$40. In the photo at the bottom is Champ, a male basset hound/shepherd mix, a year old, very sweet and gets along with other dogs. Adoption fee is \$80. Both animals are fixed and up to date on shots. 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.

gootee. The meetings are open to the public and anyone is invited to attend.

Tourism meetings

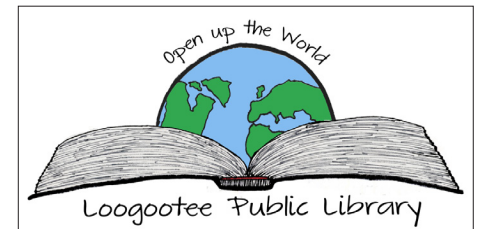
The MCCC Tourism Committee meets on the third Wednesday of each month at 7 p.m. at Loughmiller Machine, 12851 E 150 N, Loogootee. The public is invited to attend.

Soil and Water meetings

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

The summer reading program, Build a Better World, continues until July 21 but fun activities are scheduled throughout the month. On Monday 7/10, at 10:15 kids registered in the summer reading program can tour D.C. Metals, 7/11 at 6 and 6:30 p.m. kids will meet at the Martin County Humane Society for a game, snack and craft, 7/18 there will be a tour of German American Bank co-sponsor of the summer reading program, and Story Time on 7/18 will be at German American Bank. Tyler Walton's Art for kids ages 9 and up will be at the elementary art class until 7/13. CR Ryan and Braden Magician show will be held on Friday evening, 7/21 at German American Bank, all ages registered in summer reading program invited to attend.

June 1-30 total items checked out for the month


- 2010 - 296
- 2011 - 443
- 2012 - 491
- 2013 - 1,686
- 2014 - 2,906
- 2015 - 4,684
- 2016 - 4,391

Total eBooks downloaded for June 2017: 354

New Books:

DVDs: "Beauty and the Beast".

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.



Making A Difference
MARTIN COUNTY
COMMUNITY FOUNDATION
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 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.



On The Home Front
By Linda Evans-Dillon
Martin County Veteran Service Officer

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

During the month of June, the veteran service officer assisted two veterans, had one meeting, and visited the Legion's and VFW's in Crane, Loogootee and Shoals as well as attended a cook-out for veterans hosted by Crane. The veteran's van took three trips transporting three veterans to VA medical centers and clinics. There were several trips cancelled by veterans this month.

DRIVERS NEEDED for the veteran's van. I currently have only three drivers for the veteran's van. I am aware that we all have very busy lives and very little free time which is why I am looking for reliable drivers to add to my call list. I am looking for VOLUNTEERS that are willing to transport a veteran possibly one trip a week to

medical appointments at VA hospital and clinics in the surrounding area. This is not a paid position. You must have an Indiana license and a clean driving record. If interested, please contact me.

The veteran's van only transports to appointments at VA hospitals and clinics. You must contact me for transportation needs. Do NOT contact the driver's directly, they do not have the van schedule. The veteran's van is not a part of the DAV program. It is funded by Martin County taxpayers so we only transport Martin County residents.

Veterans impacted by delayed VA provider payments or received improper billing (or debt collection) from a provider under the CHOICE program. There is a hotline you can call to get these issues resolved, including getting any related negative credit reporting expunged from your credit report. It is 1-877-881-7618 (9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Eastern Time).

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

4-H NEWS

By Stacy Brown

Martin County Purdue Extension Educator



Area 4-Her's Enjoy Time at Purdue 4-H Round Up

Martin County 4-H members Sam Ausbrooks, Delani Bateman, and Rachel Robinson attended the 99th annual 4-H Round Up at Purdue University. During their three-day trip, they learned what it is like to live on a college campus and take college classes including nursing, renewable energy, and veterinary science. They also met new friends, 4-H alumni, and other 4-H staff and volunteers. Round Up is available to any available 4-Her grades 7-9.

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 2,000 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 Jug Rox—The last meeting will be Thursday, July 6. Meetings are at the Hindostan Church from 6-7 p.m. Please mark your calendars and see you at the meetings.

Dream Team—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

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



The Fourth of July is a garden holiday. Who can imagine staying inside for the day? It begs our participation in one of the area festivals or at least gathering with friends and family for a picnic. It is a chance to get out into the gardens and view the natural fireworks the plant world offers at this most American of holidays. I love this holiday and I love fireworks, many of which are made to look like giant flowers. However, I marvel at the show of color offered in the garden.

At Sandhill Gardens, the walk from my driveway to the porch is only about thirty feet. I recently counted the number of different flowers that I can see during that short walk. There were five varieties of coneflowers, hosta blooms in three different colors, not to mention the different leaf patterns. There are three types of black-eyed Susans and two kinds of heleniums. The hibiscus have just started blooming, with several shrubs and two potted tropical varieties along the path. One of the tropicals is actually three different colors which have been braided into a tree form. There are several daylilies, about a dozen Asiatic lilies and tiny orchid-like blackberry lilies. Three different colors of butterfly bush also perfume the air and bee balm attracts other pollinators. The tall bellflower, whose foliage supplied me with salads earlier in the year, now is covered with light blue to violet stars. I also see balloon flowers, impatiens, begonias, geraniums, cockscomb and heliotrope. Not all of the color comes from flowers. Caladiums, coleus and artemesia provide bold accents with colorful leaves. I stand back and look upon this garden with the same awe inspired by the fireworks. I know that the view will continue to change, as some flowers fail just in time for

others to reach their peak bloom times. From the vegetable patch, what Fourth of July picnic would be complete without fresh tomatoes for the hamburgers and fresh corn on the grill? Some years, that has been a struggle, but this has been a banner year for early vegetables.

I have had several people note that they have tomatoes turning brown and rotting on the bottom. This is not a disease, but is a condition known as blossom end rot, caused by a lack of calcium in the fruits. It does not affect the health of the plant, and usually will clear up in a couple of weeks. The lack of calcium in the fruits does not actually mean that there is a lack of calcium in the soil. In fact, with all of the limestone in the area, calcium in the stone is usually abundant. The problem is that plants do not always take up and distribute the calcium to the proper places. There may be several factors causing this. One of the most common culprits is the irregular moisture available to plants. When grounds become saturated, plants will shut down some of the tiny tubes through which water flows. The calcium is dissolved in water, so when the plant takes up less water, it takes up less calcium. The calcium that is taken up may go to the leaves and by-pass the fruit. Over fertilization is another culprit. The plant may put its energy into growing leaves and stems, and fruit production will suffer. Mulching around tomato plants will help in keeping the moisture levels at an even keel and avoid temperature fluctuations.

I hope everyone got a chance to enjoy the great outdoors and had a wonderful Fourth of July. Continue the celebrations by attending one of the county fairs getting under way over the next several weeks.

Hunters Helping Farmers application period opens

Landowners experiencing deer damage to crops, forested land or landscaping can get help from hunters through the DNR's Hunters Helping Farmers (HHF) program.

In order to minimize such damage, the DNR Division of Fish & Wildlife recommends that such landowners start a hunting program during the regular deer-hunting seasons.

Landowners and hunters interested in participating in HHF can apply now through Aug. 30 at wildlife.IN.gov/5452.htm.

Hunters can sign up to hunt in a maximum of two counties. Hunters' names will be added to a list of participating

deer hunters organized by county.

Participating landowners select hunters from that list based on criteria such as hunting preferences, availability, experience and equipment used.

The hunter list is available to landowners by contacting their district wildlife biologist. Contact information is at wildlife.IN.gov/2716.htm.

A Hunting Permission Form for landowners to use is available at wildlife.IN.gov/2343.htm by scrolling to General Hunting Regulations and clicking on "Trespassing" at the bottom of the page.

More information on managing deer is at hunting.IN.gov.

Indiana's oldest known wild bald eagle spotted again at Monroe Lake

A 29-year-old bald eagle, one of the original eagles brought to Indiana in the 1980s as part of a restoration program, has been spotted again at Monroe Lake.

Bald eagle C43 is the oldest known wild eagle in Indiana. She arrived in 1988 as a nestling from Whitestone Harbor, Alaska. Biologists brought C43 and 72 other eaglets to Indiana to start the bald eagle restoration program, which released young eagles at Monroe Lake with the hope that they would return to Indiana to nest.

C43 may still be nesting at Monroe Lake, according to Amy Kearns, assistant nongame bird biologist with the DNR Division of Fish & Wildlife. C43 is the number on a leg band that helps scientists and wildlife watchers identify the bird.

"This bird may be one of the top 10 oldest wild bald eagles in the United States, with only seven other banded eagles reported living to 29 years or more," Kearns said.

The latest sighting was on June 24 at Monroe Lake by Stuart Forsythe, who spotted C43 in the Middle Fork Wildlife Area. Stuart captured photos showing the C43 leg band by using a high-quality camera with a long lens.

Bald eagles were on the state and federal endangered species list when Indiana began its reintroduction program in 1985. By 2016, there were an estimated 250-300 eagle nesting territories in Indiana, with 179 bald eagle nests confirmed active.

The bald eagle reintroduction program was the first endangered species restoration project initiated by DNR nongame wildlife staff. This project and ongoing research is possible be-

cause of donations to the Indiana Nongame Fund, the main funding source of all nongame and endangered species research and management.

In 2016 and 2017, the Nongame Fund experienced a nearly 60 percent decline in donations compared to the long-term average. Hoosiers can help by donating a portion of their tax returns to the fund or by donating online. For every \$5 donated to the Nongame Fund, another \$9 is awarded through federal grants.

Donate online at endangeredwildlife.IN.gov. More information is at wildlife.IN.gov/3316.htm.

Dog Dayz of Summer at Patoka Lake, July 8

Spend the day with your canine companion at Dog Dayz of Summer on Saturday, July 8, at the Patoka Lake Nature Center. The event runs from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. EDT.


Activities include a Hike with your Hound, dog training sessions, a Tasty Treats program where you can learn to make dog treats, a toy-making session, and a pet parade/costume contest and talent show with prizes.

Pups also can romp in the Cool Canines Splash Park, and Glamfur Shots pictures with your pet will take place between activities.

All pets must be on a leash no longer than 6 feet. A food vendor offer lunch for the two-legged attendees.


The entrance fee of \$7 per in-state vehicle and \$9 per out-of-state vehicle applies for Newton-Stewart State Recreation Area on Patoka Lake.

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




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