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Martin County Solid Waste Management Director Laura Albertson sits at her desk at the recycling center working to come up with more ways to make the center a success. Laura has been with the recycling center for 14 years.

Laura Albertson - making a difference in Martin County

BY COURTNEY HUGHETT Martin County Journal Publisher

Many residents of Martin County do not really know who runs certain areas of the county. That's why, starting this week, the Martin County Journal will introduce you to these people who make a difference in our community – in all areas.

This week, get to know Laura Albertson, your Martin County Solid Waste Management District Director. Laura was suggested by several members of the community as someone who makes a difference and should be featured.

The Martin County Recycling Center celebrated their 14th Anniversary last year with Albertson at the helm. Laura said she plans to serve as director of the Solid Waste Management District as long as the board of directors wants her to.

Laura was born in Tacoma, Washington;

the second of six children. She grew up in a military family, often referred to as an Army Brat, and her family moved to a new location every three years. "I've been to castles in Bavaria, the Berlin Wall, I rode the trolleys in San Francisco, living beside the redwood forest, and attended an 'all white' high school in Louisiana, when integration started. I've lived in the shadow of NORAD and looked across the countryside from Pikes Peak. I would not trade my life for anyone else," she said. Her family still lives in Tacoma, except a brother, Steven, who lives in Huntsville, Alabama, Both of her parents are deceased.

Laura graduated from high school in Colorado, the same year her dad retired from the Army. Her family moved back to Tacoma and she moved to Washington D.C. and worked for the F.B.I. and attended a local college. "I was privileged to work on ('ALBERTSON' continued on page 2)



Celebrating the 4th

Lampert's Photography

The annual fireworks show at West Boggs Park Saturday night, July 3, offered spectators with a beautiful light show as in the photo above. Many Martin County residents heard the familiar sounds of pyrotechnics throughout the entire Fourth of July weekend.

2010 Martin County 4-H Fair starts tomorrow night with queen contest

BY COURTNEY HUGHETT Martin County Journal Publisher

The Martin County 4-H Fair will officially begin tomorrow night, Thursday, July 8 and last until Tuesday, July 13. Gates open at 5 p.m. on Friday, noon on Saturday and Sunday, and 5 p.m. on Monday. The cost is \$3 per car load. There is free gate admission on Thursday and Tuesday.

The first night of the 2010 fair, Thursday, from 5 p.m. to 10 p.m. all livestock, poultry, and rabbits must be checked in. At 7 p.m. the 2010 Miss Martin County will be crowned on the main stage. Also at 7 p.m., the Pie Baking Contest judging will be held in the community building.

Friday, July 9 begins with 4-H Projects open for public viewing in the community building at 5 p.m. Carnival rides by All

American Rides and Shows will be open from 6 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. and horse and pony rides, sponsored by the Martin County 4-H Horse and Pony Club will be available also between 6 and 10:30 p.m.

At 6 p.m. the Hot Dog Eating Contest will be held on the free stage. The contest is sponsored by Buehler's Buy Low. At 7 p.m. the Demolition Derby will take place in the grandstand. Admission is \$8 for anyone age five and older. The pit opens at 3 p.m. and pit passes are \$15. You must be 16 and older to be allowed in the pit.

Kicking off Saturday, July 10, at 9 a.m., the Martin County 4-H Goat and Sheep Show will be held in the livestock barn. From 9 a.m. to noon, will be horse check-in inside the horse and

> pony barn. At 1 p.m. on Saturday, the Cornhole Tournament will be held. The cost is \$20 per twoperson team. At 2 p.m. the Wii Bowling Contest will be held with a \$5 entry fee. The

Wii Guitar Hero Con-18 USC 707 test will begin at 5 p.m. Both contests have a \$5

entry fee and are sponsored by Prairie Vil-

lage Nursing Center. Carnival Rides will again be available from 6 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. along with horse and pony rides during the same time. At 6 p.m. the Tractor Pull will be held at the grandstand. Gates open at 5 p.m. and admission is \$5 for anyone five years of age and older. Pit passes are \$10.

At 7 p.m. the Martin County 4-H Swine Judging will take place in the livestock

At 9 a.m. on Sunday, July 11, the Martin County 4-H Poultry judging will be held in the poultry barn. Also at 9 a.m. the Martin County 4-H Rabbit judging will be held in the livestock barn. Carnival rides will be open from 1 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. on Sunday. At 2 p.m. the Mud Hog Wrestling Contest will take place in the grandstand. The cost is \$20 per four-person team. Admission is

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ALBERTSON

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a famous case known as 'Watergate'," she said. Laura then met her husband-to-be, Mike, who was the navigator for the president's yacht, the Sequoia, under President Nixon. Mike was originally from Jasper, Indiana where they moved after getting mar-

The Albertson's ended up buying the Wilson farm in Martin County, just outside of Loogootee, in 1978. Mike managed a feed mill in Bramble. "It was no big deal for me to move - but it was a big deal for Mike, he loved 'his hometown' of Jasper, and the high school classmates that he had bonded with for many years. I actually had lived in one place a little too long already," Laura

Laura said that they still live in the country on that little farm and she no longer gets the urge to pack up and move, although she would like to move into town.

Mike and Laura have three daughters: Carrie, Brooke, and Kelly, now grown and off living their own lives.

Her career path started in 1991 when the State of Indiana passed a bill, HEA 1240, which tasked counties to manage their solid waste, by reduction of what went into landfills. Laura was asked to serve on a citizens' advisory committee being formed to assist in designing a program for Martin County to satisfy the HEA 1240 requirements, and later if she was interested in overseeing the state approved 20-year plan. "My children were all in school and this program seemed to be perfect for me; I was very interested," she said. The new Martin County Solid Waste Management District board of directors established a tax levy, which would help with funding the programs mandated by the state. She set up an office at her house and started a small collection route using her car and storing materials in her garage, which would last two years, until the tax levy actually generated money for the solid waste district and the recycling center was built.

Laura said the type of building they needed they could not afford and she heard about the Federal Surplus program that had a long list of items for sale and she was interested in the wood. Members could load up trucks and trailers full of wood and purchase it for next to nothing. "We could build what we needed with that used wood, so I signed up," she said. The center was built using the wood from bomb crates that were coming back from the Desert Storm War. Ernie Mathies, a board member, and Laura would go to Crane every week and load the scrap wood into Ernie's truck and a borrowed trailer and bring it back to Loogootee. The final bill for purchasing all the

wood needed other than the trusses and support beams came to \$80. D.C. Metal agreed to build the center using the scrap wood that had the nails pulled out. They recycled 15 five-gallon buckets of nails.

The closest place that was processing collected materials for recycling was Bloomington, but they would not pay anything for their materials. To have a program, the county needed money to at least cover collection expenses. The Martin County Recycling Center would collect, process, and market their own materials, but due to Martin County's sparse population, they would need materials from outside of the county. The share program was then created. The center would collect what they could and purchase materials from anyone willing to deliver materials, based on the market pricing. From that, the program has grown and evolved into what it is today.

Laura said that she feels like Martin County is a cleaner place to live, and the citizens are making a positive impact on the environment by participating in the recycling program. "I love Martin County, it is a safe place to live and send our children to school. Loogootee has that small town charm; people here care about each other and their families. I read a saying someplace that is fitting for Loogootee, 'We have no problems here- only opportunity.' Growth is good as long as we do not lose our personality, like other communities around us have," she said.

The recycling program is a program managed by the Solid Waste Management District Board of Directors. By Indiana law, the board of directors is made up of some of the county's elected officials. The current board of directors consists of the three Martin County Commissioners, Dan Gregory, Paul George, and John Wininger; a member of the Martin County Council, Richard Summers; the Mayor of Loogootee, Don Bowling; a member of the Loogootee City Council, Joe Mattox; and a member of the Shoals Town Board, Robert Abel. Through evolution of time and elections many people have served on the board. It is the board of directors that approves the spending of funds and their ultimate decision regarding the details of certain programs offered to our citizens.

"We have enjoyed the fact that our recycling center has made money. The money we make has everything to do to the employees that work at the center; we collect, sort, and process the widest variety of materials in the state of Indiana," said Laura. Materials come in as a type of trash and go out as the highest quality of materials to recycle a mill can get. "I do the marketing, wheeling and dealing, and oversee all the employees and designed all the programs we offer. We are often offered money above the yellow sheet due to the high quality we produce," she added.

The recycling center continues to require and collect a tax levy as security to keep the programs going. Currently, the tax levy is a

Money given by the Martin County **Recycling Center**

-\$50,000 cash match for the Crane North Project. (This was a cash match for a grant to clean up the Brownfield on Martin County's property that is now part of the Westgate Tech Park)

-\$10,000 (cash match for grant funding To the city of Loogootee to clean up the creek going through the city)

-\$5,500 to the Martin County Community Foundation, another cash match for the City of Loogootee for downtown infrastructure improvements.

-\$26,750 to the Martin County Auditor to provide funds to pay the salary of an Economic Development Coordinator.

-\$11,000 to Martin County Commissioners to assist in development of a 911 telephone system.

-\$30,000 to the Martin County 911 telephone fund.

-\$1,100 for printing of the 911 Martin County maps. (2,000 maps printed)

-\$2,310 for the Town of Crane to have new 911 street signs

-\$6233 for the City of Loogootee to have 911 street signs

-\$864 for the Town of Shoals to have

911 street signs

-\$10,000 to the Martin County Health Department to purchase a generator to be placed at the community building at the 4-H fairgrounds.

-\$15,000 to install the 911 emergency phone service

-\$6,000 to Martin County Partnership for Economic Growth.

-\$400 or more every year to pay for a clean-up dumpster for the Catfish Festi-

-Gifted a pick-up truck to the Martin County Highway Department and another one to the Town of Shoals.

-\$200,000 loan (to be paid back) to the Martin County Redevelopment Commis-

little over four cents per hundred dollar value. That means property owners are paying about four cents to the recycling program for every hundred dollars of value of their property per year. The tax levy generates about \$130,000 a year. "It takes more than \$600,000 a year to keep our doors open, the other half million dollars needed is made by selling recycle materials, and we have been fortunate the markets have stayed up longer than down," Laura said. In the past years the center has made money, and that money has been shared and paid for some important programs that this county would not have had if it were not for the recycling program. (See side bar for contributions made by the center.)

When asked about the future of the recycling center Laura said she wishes she had a crystal ball so she would know the center will be okay through the tough times. "Not only is our program hinging on what the markets are doing, but also every year Solid

Waste Districts are thrown a curve ball from the state legislators, taking away, wanting to change and disband the districts and our programs, which they created in the first place. So far, they have not had enough votes to get the job done," she said.

She added that she always wishes more Martin County citizens would recycle. "Just think of the program we could have if everyone would recycle!" she noted.

Laura said she always hoped there would be spin-off businesses created in Martin County utilizing some of the materials they collect for recycling; for instance, making insulation out of newspaper, making stepping stones, lumber, and other items out of plastic bottles. There is one spin-off business that has started; Seals Tires located on Hwy 231 South, is processing automobile and truck tires for disposal. "I would like to see our recycling center or highway department partner with Seals Tires to crumb the tires and pave our roads with," she said. "There are millions of tires in Southern Indiana and we have many miles of roads that could use a new surface. We all pay a disposal fee for tires, why not have that money come to Martin County."

The Martin County Solid Waste has received the following awards since its inception: Pollution Prevention Community Award from NSWC Crane, Southern Indiana Rural Development project, a success story; Governor's Award for Excellence in Recycling, Governor's Award for Household Hazardous Waste - group award, Governor's award for mercury awareness group award, Governor's Award for Recycling, in that Martin County accepts the widest variety of materials than any public or private business in Indiana; Best Design rear loader truck-"Waste Age Magazine", a national publication.

The center is listed as one of the top three best programs in the state of Indiana, as determined by an independent study done by a consulting group from Wisconsin. The center has also had many mayors from all over the state make special trips to visit the center, as well as Senator Richard Luger.

In a final note Laura said, "There are great opportunities awaiting solid waste management in this country - only to be thought of. Everything ever created starts out as a thought. We need to protect our air and water; without clean air and water there is no life."

For more information about the recycling program in Martin County call Laura at 295-4142.

Humane Society PET OF THE WEEK



The Martin County Humane Society has three nice looking German Shepherd pups that need a good, loving home. If interested in any of these pups or any of the society's other dogs, call Don at 812-296-0952 or visit them online at martincountyhumane-

The humane society is still in need of items for their yard sale, if you have any thing you would like to donate call 296-



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County council approves money requests, discusses jail repairs

Meeting minutes provided by Martin help fund the next election. Following dis-County Auditor Nancy Steiner

The Martin County Council met Monday, July 5. Councilmen and Councilwoman present were C. Richard Summers; Floyd Lonnie Hawkins, Larry G. Shaw; Randy Wininger; Warren D. Albright; and Lynn Gee. Councilman John Stoll was unable to attend.

The minutes from the June 7, 2010, regular meeting were approved after councilman Hawkins wanted the minutes to state he voted against the motion to table the decision of the EDIT funds concerning the community foundation because he wanted action on the decision that night and is in support of the foundation.

Clerk Julie Fithian presented two Additional Appropriations. The first was for tabulators for the Cumulative Voting System Fund for \$18,000, and the second was for touch screen machines for the Non-Reverting Voting Fund for \$17,100. Both were approved. Clerk Fithian stated the funds are sufficient for November's election but will then be depleted.

She also requested two transfers of funds. Both were in the General Fund, Election Expense. The first was from Judges to Ballots for \$2,600 and the second was from Judges to Election Coding for \$800. The transfers were also approved.

Clerk Fithian then asked for the Cumulative Voting System Fund to be reinstated to cussion, all were in favor.

Sheriff Dant along with Commissioner Dan Gregory spoke on the need to repair the exterior of the security center and hopefully have it completed before winter. Photographs were distributed to show some of the damage. The council gave the commissioners verbal support to hire an engineer to give a rough estimate of what the cost would be on different types of exterior materials. After that, the engineer would prepare the specs for bids. Also, the two stairwells need to be sandblasted and painted. Sheriff Dant said another roof top unit is down. It would cost approximately \$4,000 to repair or \$8-12,000 to replace.

Auditor Steiner found the Drug Free Workplace Ordinance dated back in the 1990s. Another ordinance will not be needed at this time.

The Ordinance Codification the commissioners approved is to be put in their budget request according to the council. It would be \$6,000 to begin the process and then an annual fee to update would be charged.

Tim Kinder sent his regrets for not being able to attend tonight's meeting and wanted to thank the council for their support.

Extension Educator Stevens invited all to the Martin County Fair next week.

In a final note, the community foundation should be a line item next year for the commissioners' budget per the council.

Chamber updating county's website

The Martin County Chamber of Com- email address), contact person, and picmerce is in the process of updating the county website www.visitmartincounty.

If you own a business and are interested in listing business information on the website, please submit the following to the Martin County Chamber of Commerce: Business name, business contact info (address, phone number, website, ture of establishment, sign or logo (optional).

Information can be sent through email to mccc@mcol.us or mailed to PO Box 257 Loogootee, IN 47553.

If you have any questions or are interested in joining the chamber of commerce, contact the chamber office at 295-4093.

Obituaries

Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted. - Matthew 5:4

JAMES "JIM" SCHNARR

James Darrel "Jim" Schnarr passed away peacefully at his home at 12:30 a.m., Tuesday, June 29, 2010. A resident of Glendale, he was 67.

He was born May 31, 1943, in Daviess County; the son of Leland J. and Estel (Berry) Schnarr. He was a 1961 graduate of Alfordsville High School and he worked for B and O railroad and drove a truck. Later he owned his own trucking business and from 1975 to 1995 owned and operated Glendale Auto Parts. A member of Faithway Baptist Church, he helped organized the Harrison Township Fire Department and served as fire chief for two years.

He is survived by his wife, Karen (Hembree) Schnarr, whom he married November 3, 1962; one daughter, Melanie Schnarr of Glendale; one son and daughter-in-law, Jamie and Kris Schnarr of Cumback; grandchildren, Nicole and Jason Traylor of Otwell and Gage Schnarr of Cumback; his mother, Estel (Berry) Schnarr of Washington; two brothers and sisters-in-law, Joe and Lois Schnarr of Washington and Don and Judy Schnarr of Jasper; sister-in-law, Bobbi Schnarr; and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his father, Leland J. Schnarr; a daughter, Kristena Jo Schnarr; and a brother, Ronald Schnarr.

A funeral service was held Friday, July 2, at Gill Chapel, with Pastor Wayne Walters officiating.

Burial was held in Oak Grove Cemetery, Reeve Township.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Vista Care Hospice or the American Liver Foundation, 75 Maiden Lane, Suite 603. New York, NY 10038.

Condolences may be made to the family online at www.gillsince1872.com.

GLORIA ZIEGLER

Gloria Ziegler died at 1 p.m. Friday, July 2, 2010, at her residence. A resident of Montgomery, she was 65.

She was born May 22, 1945; the daughter of Robert L. and Anna (Wilson) Hedrick. She was a 1965 graduate of Montgomery High School and a member of St. Peter Catholic Church and had worked at Perfect Fit in Loogootee.

She is survived by five brothers and sisters-in-law Bobby and Sue Hedrick of Cannelburg, Dan and Donna Hedrick of Montgomery, Dave and Carol Hedrick of Loogootee, Timothy and Kathy Hedrick of Indianapolis and Ritchie and Debbie Hedrick of Odon; four sisters and brothersin-law Phyllis and Dick Lemmon of Loogootee, Angel and Larry Hunt and Mary Beth and Roman Wagler, all of Montgomery, and Theresa and Tom Elliott of Camby; sister-in-law Kim Hedrick of Loogootee; and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her husband Paul Ziegler, whom she married on July 1, 1972. He died on April 16, 2001.

Her parents and two brothers, Randy and Mark Allan Hedrick are also deceased.

A Mass of Christian Burial was held Tuesday, July 6, at St. Peter Catholic Church with Reverend Ryan Hilderbrand as celebrant. Burial followed in St. Patrick Cemetery in Corning.

Memorial donations may be made to Helping Hearts Hospice, P.O. Box 760, Washington, IN 47501.

Online condolences may be sent to www.edleemortuary.com.

Obituaries can be emailed to info@martincountyjournal.com or faxed to 1-877-*471-2907*.

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\$5 for anyone five years of age and older. At 4 p.m. Farm Bureau Inc. will have activities available in the livestock barn.

At 5 p.m. the Oreo Stacking Contest, sponsored by Buehler's Buy Low will be held on the free stage. Going on at 6 p.m. is the Baby Show on the main stage, Juggling Comedian Act on the free stage, Cowabunga in the livestock barn, and Halter and Pleasure Horse and Pony Show in the horse barn. At 6:30 p.m. the Wii Mario Cart Tournament will be held with a \$5 entry fee.

On Monday, July 12, Carnival rides will be held from 6 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. Caricature drawings by Karen Kovich and sponsored by Kountry Kids Daycare, will begin at 6 p.m. Karen is the "Hoosier Queen of Caricature" and has been a self-employed caricaturist and illustrator since 1980. Also at 6 p.m. is the Gaming Horse and Pony Show in the horse barn and the Public 4-H Fashion Review on the main stage. A magician will stroll around the fairgrounds from 6:15 p.m. to 7:15 p.m. The Martin County Beef Show will begin in the livestock barn at 7 p.m. along with a Karaoke Contest on the main stage.

The Kiddie Pedal Tractor Pull registration will be held from 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. with the pull starting at 8:30 p.m. next to the goat barn. The Magic Show by Don Miller will begin on the free stage at 7:30 p.m.

On the final day of the fair, Tuesday, July 13, the Martin County 4-H Supreme Showmanship will be awarded in the livestock

Horse and pony rides will be held from 6 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. and the livestock auction will begin in the livestock barn at 7:30 p.m. At 9 p.m. all 4-H projects will be released in the community building.

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Public RECORDS

MARTIN COUNTY SHERIFF'S LOG

Tuesday, June 29

9:46 a.m. - Received a call requesting an ambulance in Shoals for a female with chest pain. Alert-1 responded and transported the patient to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

9:55 a.m. - Received a 911 call reporting a domestic disturbance in Rutherford Township. Caller advised that two males were fighting. Sheriff Tony Dant and ISP Trooper Mark Green responded to scene.

11:43 - Received a report of a broken-down vehicle on Hwy. 50 at the Overlook. The vehicle was a road hazard. Deputy James Pritchard responded to scene.

1:32 p.m. - Female from Shoals requested extra patrol around her residence. Advised Martin County Sheriff's Department deputies.

4:56 p.m. - Female caller requested to speak to an officer over a problem with her neighbors. Deputy Steve Nolan, on station, spoke to the subject.

6:17 p.m. - Female caller requested to speak to Deputy Andy Burkhardt about someone who is harassing her. Deputy Andy Burkhardt was notified.

8:30 p.m. - Received a 911 call requesting an ambulance at the Loogootee Family Restaurant. Alert-1 responded and transported the patient to Daviess Community Hospital.

Wednesday, June 30

1:45 a.m. - Deputy Andy Burkhardt responded to a report of a juvenile that needed assistance. Deputy Burkhardt located subject and transported to the subject's residence.

3:08 a.m. - Received a call from a subject stating that his juvenile dependant has not returned home and would like the dependant located. Subject called back in and stated that the juvenile has been located.

12:10 p.m. - Received several calls of a deer on the roadway on Hwy. 231 near Nolley Lane. Deputy Steve Nolan responded to scene and advised there is no longer a road hazard.

4:08 p.m. - Received a call from a female in Loogootee reporting a male that had struck a juvenile on a bicycle and is leaving the scene. Loogootee Police Department and Deputy Keller responded. The juvenile was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

Unknown time: - Received a call from Daviess County Sheriff's Department about a possible drunk driver eastbound on U.S. 50 from Cannelburg crossroads. Another later caller advised that the same vehicle was in the Shoals area was driving at an extreme speed. Deputy Nolan was advised.

5:1 9 p.m. - A female caller in Shoals reported possible drug activity. Deputy Keller was advised.

5:58 p.m. - Received a 911 call about a trespasser. Deputy Nolan responded and advised that the male involved in the altercation had left the premises.

8:57 p.m. - Received several calls reference an accident involving a car and a motorcycle on U.S. 50 in Shoals. Martin County Ambulance, Shoals Fire Dept. first responders, ISP Trooper Sexton, Deputy Nolan, and Air Evac responded. One subject was transported by Air Evac to Deaconess Hospital in Evansville.

10:32 p.m. - A female caller in Loogootee requested an ambulance for a female who fell and had possible injuries to the head and leg. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

Thursday, July 1

12:23 a.m. - Major Burkhardt dealt with an unruly subject at the Marathon Station in Loogootee.

1:34 a.m. - Received a report of a possible drunk driver headed south on U.S. 231 from the Odon turnoff. Major Burkhardt

was advised.

5:21 a.m. - A caller reported wood that had fallen out of a truck and is in the south bound lane on U.S. 231 approximately two miles south of Loogootee. Sergeant Pritchard checked the area but found the highway clear.

5:24 a.m. - Received a 911 call requesting an ambulance on U.S. 150. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

3:10 p.m. - Received a report of a vehicle making bad passes on U.S. 231 in Loogootee. Loogootee Police Department was notified.

3:28 p.m. - Received a report of a vehicle making bad passes on U.S. 50 between Loogootee and Shoals. Deputy Keller was advised.

4:49 p.m. - Received a report of a property damage accident on U.S. 50 near the Jug Rock. Shoals Fire Department, Marshal Eckert, and Deputy Keller responded.

4:53 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance at the Dollar General Store in Loogootee for a subject with difficulty breathing. Martin County Ambulance responded and transported patient to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

5:15 p.m. - Received a call from a female wanting to speak with the probation department about her son violating his probation. The probation department was notified.

Friday, July 2

7:24 a.m. - Received a business burglar alarm south of Loogootee. Deputy Keller was advised but was shortly advised by the alarm company to disregard.

11:25 a.m. - Received a report of a deer in the roadway that had been hit but was not yet dead on S.R. 450 between Hickory Ridge Hill and Dover Hill. Deputy Keller responded.

1:14 p.m. - Received a report of a personal injury accident on U.S. 50 near the Dairy Queen in Loogootee on U.S. 50. Martin County Ambulance, Loogootee Fire Department first responders, and Deputy Keller responded. One subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

6:03 p.m. - Received several 911 calls in reference to a male subject walking on U.S. 50 near the overlook. The subject had reportedly fallen several times. Major Burkhardt, Marshal Eckert, and Conservation Officer Doane responded.

8:00 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance for a personal injury accident involving a motorcycle. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

10:35 p.m. - A male caller reported a possible drunk driver eastbound on U.S. 50 from the Jug Rock area. Major Burkhardt was notified.

10:50 p.m. - Received a call from a female in Shoals about a man looking in the windows of her residence. Major Burkhardt and Marshal Eckert were advised, located, and spoke with the suspect.

Saturday, July 3

2:40 a.m. - An ambulance was requested on McCormick Street in Shoals. Martin County Ambulance and Shoals Fire Department first responders responded. No transport was necessary.

10:50 a.m. - Deputy Keller received information about a subject that is possibly in a vehicle with an open container.

12:40 p.m. - Received a request for an officer in the Rutherford area for problems with a juvenile. Deputy Keller and ISP Jasper Post were notified.

12:57 p.m. - A male caller reported that his vehicle is broken down and in the roadway near the state highway garage. Deputy Keller responded to assist.

4:00 p.m. - Received a call about an accident involving a motorcycle on U.S. 50 at Bo Mac's. Deputy Keller responded. He ad-

vised there were no injuries and the driver did not want to file a report.

5:56 p.m. - RJ's Food Mart reported damage done to the door of the store by a patron as they left the building. Corporal Fischer spoke to the employee at RJ's.

6:20 p.m. - A female caller reported a possible drunk driver on U.S. 150, heading toward Shoals. Marshal Eckert, Corporal Fischer, and ISP Trooper Lents were notified. Corporal Fischer stopped the vehicle and the driver checked okay.

8:32 p.m. - A female caller stated that she is heading from Boggs and wants to meet with an ambulance for her husband. Martin County Ambulance responded and transported the subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

10:53 p.m. - A female caller advised that she had come home and found her front door open and her dog was outside. Corporal Fischer and Marshal Eckert were advised.

11:05 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance at West Boggs Park at the fishing pier for a fall. The subject was transported to Vincennes Good Samaritan Hospital.

11:17 p.m. - A female caller in Crane Village requested extra patrol for the weekend in reference to vandalism. A request was left for all deputies for the weekend.

11:27 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance at the Nutap in Shoals for a possible head injury due to a fall. Martin County Ambulance and Marshal Eckert responded. No transport was necessary.

Sunday, July 4

1:29 a.m. - Received a report of a possible drunk driver eastbound on U.S. 50 near RJ's Food Mart. Marshal Eckert was notified.

3:08 a.m. - A female caller in Shoals advised that the lock on her trailer had been tampered with and she requested extra patrol. Corporal Fischer was notified.

3:08 a.m. - A male caller from Loogootee advised that there was a male at his residence that is attempting to start fights with other subjects there and he requested an officer assist in removing him from the property. Loogootee Police Department was advised.

3:18 a.m. - A male caller advised that a female had assaulted him at his residence in Loogootee. Loogootee Police Department was notified.

3:25 a.m. - Received a call from a resident on Dover Hill Road who reported that someone had ran a van into a tree in his yard and has left the area. The investigating officer was Corporal Fischer.

10:30 a.m. - A female caller advised that her boyfriend had gone to the Catfish Festival and she has not heard from him today. Deputy Nolan was advised.

12:03 p.m. - A male caller requested to speak with an officer about a property dispute with neighbors. Deputy Nolan met with the caller.

12:38 p.m. - A female caller requested an ambulance for her husband in Loogootee. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

Unknown time - Corporal Fischer spoke with a female subject and then a male subject about child custody issues.

6:43 p.m. - Received a request from a female caller for assistance in regard to problems with her vehicle in Shoals. Marshal Eckert responded.

9:15 p.m. - Received a report of illegal dumping of trash on Hillham Road. Corporal Fischer was notified.

9:32 p.m. - Received a report from a female subject on U.S. 231, south of Loogootee, of a suspicious vehicle in her driveway. Corporal Fischer was notified.

Unknown time - Received a report of a pickup truck driving with no taillights on U.S. 50, eastbound from Loogootee. Corporal Fischer, Deputy Keller, and Chief Deputy Street were notified.

10:35 p.m. - Received a report of a property damage accident on U.S. 50, east of Shoals. Corporal Fischer responded.

Monday, July 5

12:01 a.m. - A female caller requested an ambulance in Loogootee for a male with difficulty breathing. The subject was transported t Jasper Memorial Hospital.

Unknown time - A call was received about a subject from Loogootee hitting a raccoon on his way to work, but the caller advised he would not be returning from work until later in the morning. Loogootee Police Department was contacted to follow up

12:30 a.m. - Corporal Fischer checked a suspicious vehicle on Bledsoe Lane.

12:56 a.m. - A male caller advised he had been talking to Loogootee Police Department in reference to a possible drunk driver and he provided additional information.

1:07 a.m. - A female caller requested assistance at her residence on S.R. 450 for fireworks near her horses. Corporal Fischer was notified.

1:46 a.m. - A female caller requested assistance because she had ran out of gas. Corporal Fischer was notified.

8:47 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Shoals. The Martin County Ambulance and Shoals Fire Department first responders responded. Subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

11:54 a.m. - A male caller requested to speak with Child Protective Services. He advised he would call back tomorrow when someone is in the office.

2:08 p.m. - Received a call from the Dollar General Store in Loogootee requesting an ambulance for a subject with difficulty breathing. Subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

3:07 p.m. - A female caller advised she is the care taker of a residence that has been broken into on McBride's Bluff Road.

4:13 p.m. - A female caller reported a semi with no brake lights tailgating her vehicle on S.R. 450. Deputy Nolan was notified.

6:54 p.m. - Received a call from a female in Shoals for a theft. Marshal Eckert spoke with the subject.

6:58 p.m. - A female caller requested to speak with an officer about her husband violating their divorce agreement. Corporal Fischer was advised.

10:40 p.m. - A female caller on S.R. 450 advised that there was an individual sitting at the end of her driveway shooting off fireworks or firearms. Corporal Fischer was advised.

Tuesday, July 6

3:25 a.m. - Martin County Ambulance responded to a private call in Loogootee and transported the subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

3:44 a.m. - A caller reported a subject driving erratically on U.S. 50, east of Shoals. Corporal Fischer checked the driver.

8:30 a.m. - Received several calls about a cow on the roadway near Max Warren's Curve on U.S. 50. Deputy Nolan responded.

8:50 a.m. - Received a call from a male subject about a letter involving a possible scam. The information was given to Chief Deputy Rob Street.

11:00 a.m. - A male caller advised that a tree was sticking out onto the roadway on West River Road and broke the mirror on his vehicle. The Martin County Highway Department was contacted about the tree.

Loogootee Police activity log

Tuesday, June 29

5:02 a.m. - First Responders were requested on US 231 South reference an unknown medical situation.

10:29 a.m. - Caller reported damage at the city pool. Caller also reported the parking lot had been trashed with glass scattered throughout the lot.

4:15 p.m. - Caller reported a younger girl was at her residence and stole money from her wallet along with other items. Sgt. Hennette spoke with the caller.

10:01 p.m. - Caller reported loud fireworks on Sheridan Street. Sgt. Norris responded.

10:43 p.m. - Caller advised that her parents had kicked her out of the house and they would not let her have her child. The child was later returned to the mother.

Wednesday, June 30

7:50 p.m. - Caller reported a domestic dispute on Cedar Street. Sgt. Hennette responded.

8:29 p.m. - Caller reported a domestic dispute at Shaded Estates. Sgt. Hennette responded.

Thursday, July 1

9:50 p.m. - Female called wanting to speak with an officer in regards to harassment. Sgt. Hennette spoke with the female.

10:08 p.m. - Caller reported subjects setting off fireworks in the high school parking lot. Sgt. Hennette cleared the lot.

Friday, July 2

1:34 a.m. - Caller reported kids setting off fireworks on North Oak Street. Sgt. Hennette checked the area.

5:45 p.m. - Caller reported a white Dodge pickup had run a stoplight almost causing an accident. Sgt. Hennette checked the area.

8:00 p.m. - Caller reported a motorcycle accident on Park Street. Ambulance and first responders were requested. Complete details are not available at this time.

11:13 p.m. - Caller reported a reckless driver on Lincoln Avenue. Sgt. Hennette checked the area.

11:17 p.m. - Caller reported a green Mustang driving recklessly through Sunset Trailer Court. Sgt. Hennette checked the area.

Saturday, July 3

12:16 a.m. - Caller reported kids setting fireworks in the high school parking lot.

Sgt Hennette responded.

9:15 a.m. - Stewart Blake reported damage to a vehicle parked at his business. Capt. Akles spoke with Mr. Blake.

7:04 p.m. - Martin County Sheriff's Department reported a blue Pontiac driving recklessly on Hwy 50 from Shoals. Sheriff's Deputies later stopped the vehicle.

9:13 p.m. - Sgt. Hennette assisted ISP with a vehicle stop west of the high school.

9:22 p.m. - Caller reported a gray Ford truck driving recklessly on US 231 South. Officers were unable to locate.

9:33 p.m. - Tracy Snow, of Loogootee, reported a theft of a license plate. Officer Branham responded.

Sunday, July 4

3:10 a.m. - Martin County Sheriff's Department reported a male on Church Street that was trying to start fights and causing problems. Sgt. Hennette responded.

3:18 a.m. - Martin County Sheriff's Department reported that a caller had stated he had been assaulted by another female. Sgt. Hennette responded.

3:50 a.m. - Sgt. Hennette assisted Martin County Sheriff's Department in reference to a vehicle accident on Dover Hill Road. It was later learned that this vehicle was stolen from Loogootee.

10:27 a.m. - Gary Tedrow, of Loogootee, reported that his truck was hit sometime during the night while parked at his residence. Capt. Akles completed an accident report

8:29 p.m. - Caller requested a welfare check on a suicidal male. Sgt. Hennette checked on the subject and everything was fine.

11:19 p.m. - Martin County Sheriff's Department reported a white Dodge van headed towards Loogootee and the vehicle was swerving and passing lanes. Sgt Hennette was unable to locate.

Monday, July 5

2:08 a.m. - Sgt. Hennette assisted an individual who had run out of gas.

3:01 a.m. - Caller reported kids setting off fireworks in the high school parking lot. Deputy Fischer responded.

7:03 a.m. - Caller requested a welfare check on a male. Sgt Norris responded.

9:44 a.m. - Donnie Grindstaff reported damage to trees near the swimming pool parking lot.

Martin County accident reports

Wednesday, June 30

4:17 p.m. - Lillian M. Poindexter was operating a 1990 Chevy eastbound on High Street. At this time, a male juvenile was riding a bike down Hill Street. The juvenile could not get his bike stopped and rolled into the path of the Poindexter vehicle. The juvenile was taken by ambulance to Jasper Memorial Hospital with a fractured arm. Sgt. Hennette was the investigating officer.

Friday, July 2

1:12 p.m. - Anthony Hollander, of Cannelburg, was operating a 2001 Chevy and attempting to turn left from Cooper Street onto Broadway. Hollander pulled into the path of Lora Truelove, of St. Croix. This collision caused Hollander to strike a 2005 Suzuki driven by Leeta Carmickle, of Loogootee. Truelove was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital with a facial injury. Capt. Akles was the investigating officer. Saturday, July 3

7:10 a.m. - James Force, 70, of Corrales, New Mexico, reported that he was involved in a deer accident. Force was eastbound on U.S. 50, west of Lynwood Street in a 2006 Honda Accord, when a deer entered the roadway. He attempted to miss the deer, but was unsuccessful. His vehicle struck the deer causing damage to the grill and headlight area. The investigating officer was Deputy Keller.

9:20 a.m. - Received a report of an accident on U.S. 50, at Spring Hill Road. Edwin Lee, 71, of Ft. Meade, Florida, in a 1998 Ford F-150, was waiting to turn into

a private drive. Richard Wilson, 38, of Bloomington, in a 1996 Dodge Ram 2500, did not see Lee sitting in the roadway. Wilson tried to get stopped, but couldn't. He rear-ended the Lee vehicle, which sustained damage to the right taillight and right bedside of his truck. The Wilson vehicle had damage to the grill. The investigating officer was Deputy Keller.

12:26 p.m. - James Scott was operating a 2006 Toyota and backing in Buehler's parking lot; at this time Suzanne Sims was also backing a Toyota from a parking spot and both vehicles collided. Capt. Akles was the investigating officer.

10:16 p.m. - Received a 911 transfer from Orange County. The caller advised that someone on a motorcycle had hit a tree on U.S. 150, in the Singing Hill area. Ryan D. Spall, 27, of Princeton, was traveling west on a 2002 Yamaha when he lost control in a curve. He was wearing a helmet and was not seriously injured. Mr. Spall refused to have an ambulance called on scene. G & M Auto towed the Yamaha V-Star to Loogootee. The investigating officer was Corporal Fischer.

Monday, July 5

3:37 p.m. - Deputy Nolan went to a residence in Loogootee to take a report in reference to the subject that reported hitting a raccoon early this morning. Kelly D. Byer, 32, of Loogootee, advised he was traveling north on U.S. 231 near Bramble when he struck a large raccoon in the roadway. Damage was done to the lower front bumper and the radiator.

Martin County Court news

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

CRIMINAL COURT New Charges Filed April 23

Cynthia M. Boyd, failure to stop after accident resulting in damage to unattended vehicle, a Class B Misdemeanor.

Ashley R. Tow, driving while suspended, a Class A Misdemeanor.

May 7

Nichole M. Lee, 16 counts of check deception, Class A Misdemeanors.

May 13

Jared W. Welker, possession of marijuana under 30 grams, a Class A Misdemeanor.

May 17

Arthur P. Stanley, theft, a Class D Felony.

June 4

Kevin D. Parker, failure to stop after ac-

Kevin D. Parker, failure to stop after accident resulting in damage to unattended vehicle, a Class B Misdemeanor.

Holly G. Norris, driving while suspended, a Class A Misdemeanor.

Tony D. Neidigh, driving while suspended, a Class A Misdemeanor.

June 15

Joshua Rasico, resisting law enforcement, a Class A Misdemeanor; possession of marijuana under 30 grams, a Class A Misdemeanor; possession of marijuana, a Class A Misdemeanor.

Richard D. Gingerich, possession of methamphetamine, a Class B Felony.

June 22

Devon M. Payne, theft, a Class D Felony. David Wayne Terry, theft, a Class D Felony; public intoxication, a Class B Misdemeanor.

CRIMINAL CONVICTIONS AND SENTENCING

June 22

Steve L. Lewis, convicted of maintaining a common nuisance, a Class D Felony. Sentenced to serve 365 days in the Martin County Security Center with credit for time served. Court suspends 0 days. Defendant received no probation.

CRIMINAL CHARGES DISMISSED

Steve L. Lewis, dealing in methamphetamine, a Class B Felony, dismissed; possession of chemical reagents or precursors with intent to manufacture a controlled substance, a Class D Felony, dismissed; possession of methamphetamine, a Class D Felony, dismissed; illegal possession of anhydrous ammonia or ammonia solution, a Class D Felony, dismissed.

Craig A. Brown, child molesting, a Class C Felony, dismissed; child molesting, a Class C Felony, dismissed; child solicitation, a Class D Felony, dismissed; child solicitation, a Class D Felony, dismissed.

Kenneth D. Dennis, possession of a controlled substance, a Class C Felony, dismissed. tion, \$25.

Gregory violation

Wendy Banks, public intoxication, a Class B Misdemeanor.

CIVIL COURT New Suits Filed

June 23

Don Holmes vs. Tina Holmes, petition for dissolution of marriage.

CIVIL COURT DISMISSED June 14

Merchants Acceptance, Inc. vs. Dustin Cramer and Tabbitha Harlow, civil collection, dismissed.

June 16

Capital One Bank vs. Brenda Grey, civil collection, dismissed.

Midland Funding, LLC vs. Melchi Pennington, civil collection, dismissed.

SMALL CLAIMS COURT New Suits Filed

June 23

James Wilson vs. Mike Asberry, com-

SMALL CLAIMS JUDGMENTS June 28

Tammy Keller to Procol for \$2,175.37. Joel Mansell to Procol for \$1,746.04. Sarah Martin to Procol for \$1,009.31. Franklin Nolley to Procol for \$3,382.74. Nathan Osborne to Procol for \$1,090.39. Jessica Quinn to Procol for \$1,920.96.

Jessica and Kevin Quinn to Procol for \$1,410.84

Steven Sheetz to Procol for \$1,343.12.
Ronald Truelove to Procol for \$837.10.
Lohn Wogler, In to Procol for \$1,518.82

John Wagler, Jr. to Procol for \$1,518.82. TRAFFIC TICKETS PAID June 23 – June 30

Larry Allen Jr., Greencastle, violation of 70-hour rule, \$119.

Timothy Carrico, Shoals, seatbelt violation, \$25.

Cindy Cunningham, Loogootee, seatbelt violation, \$25.

Danielle Goller, Knightstown, seatbelt violation, \$25.

Fernando Gonzales, Santa Rosa, Mexico, seatbelt violation, \$25.

Marilyn Graber, Odon, seatbelt violation,

\$25. Doris Hughes, Odon, seatbelt violation,

Luke Jones, Loogootee, seatbelt violation, \$25.

Robert Prentice, Cohutta, Georgia, violation of 70-hour rule, \$119.

William Reynolds, West Baden Springs, maximum weight restrictions; enforcement of limits, \$119.

Jason Rosner, Indianapolis, speeding 66 in a 50, \$124.

Michael Ryan, Montgomery, seatbelt violation, \$25.

Jason Schlachter, Loogootee, seatbelt vi-

olation, \$25.
Danny Shelton, Deputy, seatbelt viola-

tion, \$25.

Dan Veatch, Bloomfield, seatbelt violation, \$25.

Gregory Woody, Jr., Loogootee, seatbelt violation, \$25.

MARRIAGE LICENSES June 28

Justin Scott Davis of Loogootee and Janet Kay Clark of Loogootee.

Martin County jail booking

Tuesday, June 29

12:32 p.m. - Andrew White was arrested by Loogootee Police for leaving the scene of an accident and operating a vehicle while never licensed.

Thursday, July 1

11:30 a.m. - Arthur Stanley, 23, of Bedford, was arrested by Chief Deputy Rob Street on a warrant for theft.

12:00 p.m. - Adam Gibson, 29, of Shoals, was arrested by Deputy Keller on a warrant for Petition to Revoke.

Friday, July 2

6:20 p.m. - Dylan Byers, 20, of Shoals, was brought in by Marshal Eckert and charged with Public Intoxication, Disorderly Conduct, and Resisting Arrest.

Sunday, July 4

12:20 a.m. - Zane Abbott, 20, of Odon, and John Nolt, 21, of Petersburg, were

brought in by ISP Trooper Lents. Abbott was charged with Operating While Intoxicated and Minor Consuming, and Nolt was charged with Public Intoxication and False Informing.

Monday, July 5

11:24 p.m. - Richard D. Gingerich, 47, of Loogootee, was brought in by Corporal Fischer and charged with Possession of Methamphetamines and Neglect of a Dependent.

Thursday, June 29

11:32 a.m. - Andrew D. White, 28, of Rockwood, Tennessee, was arrested by Loogootee Police Chief Kelly Rayhill and charged with leaving the scene of a property damage accident and operating a vehicle while never being licensed. White was transported to the Martin County Security

Real estate transfers

David S. Harder, of Martin County, Indiana to Sabra S. Harder, of Martin County, Indiana, a portion of West Fractional Section 25, Township 3 North, Range 4 West, and containing 34/100 acre, more or less.

Aaron Summers, of Martin County, Indiana to Carla Kline and Troy Cline, of Martin County, Indiana, Lot Number 13 in Plat known as Scenic Hill, Section 19, Township 3 North, Range 4 West, in Martin County, State of Indiana.

Carolyn Sanders, of Martin County, Indiana to John Paul Sanders and Joel E. Mansell, of Martin County, Indiana, a part of the Northeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of Section 12, Township 2 North, Range 4 West, lying in Halbert Township, in Martin County, Indiana.

Norbert D. Mattingly, of Martin County, Indiana to Ralph L. Murray, of Martin County, Indiana, a part of the Northwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of Section 25, Township 3 North, Range 5 West.

Roy Harmon, Dixie Busby, Judi Wilkerson, Martha (Delaney) Harmon, and Valrie Harmon, of Martin County, Indiana to Lester Otto and Jane Otto, of Martin County, Indiana, a part of the south half of Section 30, Township 3 North, Range 4 West, Martin County, Indiana, and containing 5.32 acres, more or less.

Sabra S. Harder, of Martin County, Indiana to David S. Harder, of Martin County, Indiana, the Northwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of Section 35, Township 3 North, Range 4 West, containing 40 acres, more or less.

Calendar of Events

Loogootee Alumni Banquet

The Loogootee Schools Alumni Banquet will be held at St. John Community Center on July 24. Classes of 1960 and 1985 will be honored. Make reservations by July 1, by mailing \$20 to Loogootee Schools Alumni, P.O. Box 78, Loogootee, IN 47553. There will be no tickets available for purchase at the door.

Humane society meetings

The Martin County Humane Society meets on the third Tuesday of the month at Loogootee Municipal Building, at 7 p.m. To become a member, contact Martin County Humane Society, P. O. Box 537, Shoals, Indiana 47581, call Don at 296-0952.

Recovery support group

The Overcomers Recovery Support Group meets every Tuesday night at 6 p.m. at the Martin County Community Learning Cen-

Youth football meetings

Martin County Youth Football League meets on the first Wednesday of the month at Pizza Junction at 7 p.m. Questions, call Audrey Robinson at 295-4773.

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 for the district are 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. weekdays except Thursdays when it is closed. Visit www.martinswcd. com or call at 247-2423.

Move Over, Slow Down updated law effective July 1

Effective July 1, 2010, there were two changes to Indiana's Move Over Law.

Motorists must reduce their vehicles speed 10 mph under the posted speed limit if they cannot move to an adjacent lane

Secondly, the update law now includes utility service vehicles.

The Indiana State Police reminds drivers that Indiana law requires motorists to approach cautiously when an emergency or highway maintenance vehicle is stopped on two or four lane roadways with emergency lights flashing.

This is the time of year when highway work crews are out in road construction zones repairing roadways throughout Indiana. Use extra care and reduce your speed in these work zones.

On March 16, 2010, a construction worker was struck and killed by a vehicle on I-80 at the 12.6 mile-marker in Lake County while patching the road.

struck by a vehicle, and injured on I-65 at their job safely. the 131 mile-marker in Boone County

the emergency vehicle if they can do it worker.

safely.

If not, they must reduce their speed 10 mph under the posted speed limit and proceed with caution.

We are asking motorists NOT TO STOP in the roadway, this may cause a chain reaction rear end collision with other vehicles, but to MOVE OVER and/or SLOW DOWN. As you are driving, plan well ahead by watching for these vehicles.

Indiana emergency vehicles include:

- -Police vehicles
- -Ambulances
- -Fire trucks and rescue equipment
- -Highway incident-response vehicles
- -Highway maintenance vehicles
- -Utility service vehicles (effective July 1, -Vehicle recovery equipment (tow trucks)

The intent of this law is to protect the emergency and highway personnel who serve the public.

Please be alert when you see emergency Also, on March 24, 2010, a worker was lights flashing and give them room to do

Violating the law can result in a fine and while performing survey work in the me-your license will be suspended up to two years if you cause damage to emergency Motorists must change lanes away from equipment, injury or death to an emergency

My Point of VIEW

By Courtney Hughett Owner, Martin County Journal

Small town politics – I guess most of us who grew up in small towns should be used to it, but personally, I still get real sick of it sometimes. I think things are worse now than they were when I was a kid.

Why is it that we allow a few people in our community to call the shots? I may never know; it baffles me. I guess the old adage 'Who died and left you boss?' still rings true in my eyes.

I come into contact with lots of people every day. I spend a majority of my day answering emails or on the phone – it comes with the business I am in. It never ceases to amaze me how the people who call me to complain are always afraid to "rock the boat". They usually want me to fight their battles for them. Don't get me wrong, that's okay, but it's frustrating to witness people not standing up for themselves.

Is it true that you can be punished for voicing your opinion in certain situations? Yep. Do we just sit back and let it happen? Yep. It's happening to my family right this minute but I handle situations differently. I work from the ground up and I don't give up until I solve the problem.

If enough people stop putting up with these small-town politics and stop letting the wanna-be, self-appointed "dictators" of Martin County throw their weight around, it will stop, it has to.

Also, why is it okay for some people to do something wrong and not okay for others? There are double standards. There are some people in leadership positions in our community that SHOULD NOT still be there after the things they have done. Why is that? Why are we turning a blind eye? If enough people stand up and voice their opinion can they punish all of us?

I mean who really cares what your last name is? Does that somehow affect your day-to-day life? Shouldn't it matter how people treat others, how they contribute, what's in their heart? Unfortunately, it doesn't work like that here. My last name is Hughett. Do you know another Hughett? Does it matter? I have a lot of friends, great friends, and I don't think one of them gives two hoots what my last name is. I don't need to be a dictator, I don't need to be "known," even better place to live. I'd love to hear I don't need to be loved by the masses . . . your ideas, thoughts, feelings, etc. Don't

family and my dear friends.

One of the most frequent complaints I have heard in the past three years, since moving back to Martin County, is that unless you have the "right" last name, you can't get anywhere. Who made that rule? I just don't think we should settle for that attitude. There are so many fantastic, hard-working, honest people in this community; most of the "dictators" don't do anything but run around stirring the pot and upsetting people.

I've said it once and I'll keep saying it about the biggest complaints that I hear: If you don't like the way the school board handles situations then don't vote for them, run yourself, or take your kids to a different school system – you can do that now.

If you don't like the way the sports teams are operated then run for the board, volunteer to coach and change it. If you don't want to do that then take your kid to another town to play.

If you don't like your child's teacher or principal then file a written complaint with the superintendent's office - the school board will address it.

If you don't like a tyrant business owner in the community then stop going to that business, buying that person's product, and contributing to them.

The more you feed into the egos of the community, the more power they think they have; the more unhappy you become and the more people turn on each other. It's just not worth it; we all need to be happy, life is just too short. I don't think any one of us want our headstone to read "Here lies {insert your name}, worked her entire life to be accepted by the "popular" members of her community." I mean really, I would prefer to be remembered for being a good mom, friend, and a giving, loving person. We are all adults,

I just think that most of us do the best we can just to get through life and allowing ourselves to be tore down constantly is just another obstacle that is not needed. No one person can do it by themselves however.

I would be really curious to hear from you about this issue. The more we work together, the more we can make our community an just by my two little boys and the rest of my worry . . . I won't tell the "popular" people.

Truelove United Methodist Church ICE CREAM SOCIAL Saturday, July 17 from 4 - 8 p.m. Sandwich, Drink, Pie/Cake, Ice Cream all for \$5.

ndividual prices: Hamburger or Cheeseburger-\$2, Coney-\$1.25, Hot Dog-\$1, Pie or Cake-\$1, Bowl of Ice Cream (good sized bowl)-\$1.50, Drinks (ice tea, lemonade, soft drink)-\$.75. Whole pie-\$4.50, or a gallon of ice cream-\$9

 $oldsymbol{A}$ good time of fellowship out in the shelter house and a good time to catch up with people you don't see everyday. The ice cream and food are delicious and our church looks forward to serving the community in this way.

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Martin County OUTDOORS

Purdue pathologists confirm tomato disease in Indiana

BY STEVE LEER
Purdue University News Service

Late blight of tomato, a serious plant disease caused by a fungus-like organism, has been found in Indiana for the second straight year, according to Purdue University plant pathologists.

Purdue's Plant & Pest Diagnostic Laboratory (P&PDL) late Wednesday, June 30 confirmed that a plant sample from a home garden in Dearborn County near the Kentucky border was infected with late blight. The Dearborn County sample is the only known case of late blight in Indiana at this time.

"Late blight is a very damaging disease of tomato and potato," said Dan Egel, Purdue Extension plant pathologist at the Southwest Purdue Agricultural Center in Vincennes. "The disease can spread very rapidly under cool, moist conditions, and this latest outbreak may have spread during recent rainy weather."

Egel urged all tomato growers to inspect their plants for signs of disease and direct questions about late blight to their Purdue Extension county office.

Fungicides may slow the progress of late blight, Egel said. Retail products that contain the active ingredient chlorothalonil may reduce the spread of the disease if applied on a regular basis. Trade names include Bonide™, Daconil™, Exotherm Termil™, and PathGuard™.

Organic growers should use copper products, Egel said.

Late blight attacks a tomato plant's leaves and stems. Infected plants develop brown lesions with whitish borders and sometimes discolored fruit.

Late blight spores travel on storm systems and can be blown up to 40 miles from an infected plant

The disease damaged tomato plants in at least 30 Indiana counties one year ago - the first outbreak of late blight since 1998. It is believed late blight entered Indiana in 2009 on tomato seedlings sold at retail businesses and later replanted in home gardens. The disease then spread into commercial tomato fields

Already this season late blight has been confirmed in northeast Kentucky and eastern Ohio tomatoes and southern Michigan potatoes.

"I don't think it will be as bad as last year because in Indiana late blight appears to be spreading by natural movement rather than multiple introductions via infected transplants," said Tom Creswell, director of P&PDL. "Of course, it could be locally severe if weather is favorable for disease development and the pathogen is present in an area."

Additional information on late blight for gardeners and commercial growers, including how to submit plant samples to P&PDL, is available online at http://www.ppdl.purdue.edu/PPDL/lateblight.html.



Scouting around

-Photos provided

Troop 495 participated in its annual canoe trip down the Blue River last month. After an evening braving storms while camping the night before, the troop had a beautiful day to canoe and kayak. A good evening to camp followed for the boys. July events include the Catfish Festival Parade and a three-day, two-night hiking campout coming up July 16. The troop also has members attending Philmont Scout Ranch in New Mexico and the upcoming National Scout Jamboree. Several scouts will also attend Ransburg summer camp in August. More information for any boys wanting to join can be found at www.troop495.webs.com or by calling Kathy at 936-4077 or Harold at 936-4018. In the top photo, sitting in the front, are Kathy, Austin, Zach, Dylan, and Gage. In the canoe are Kyle and Alex, and standing in the back are Mike, Ed, Harold, and Eli. In the bottom photo, from left to right, are Gage, Alex, Zach, Eli, Austin, and Kyle.



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The receipt will show the donation fund and amount. The amount of the donation can be in dollars and cents. If someone wants to do a donation only (and not purchase a license) there is a web page setup for that at http://www.in.gov/dnr/5766.htm.

Indiana crop conditions are better than expected

BY JENNIFER STEWART
Purdue University News Service

Although wet weather across Indiana has hampered fieldwork and raised questions about crop conditions, things may not be quite as bad as they seem.

The "Indiana Crop and Weather Report," issued June 28 by the U.S. Department of Agriculture National Agricultural Statistics Service, shows 65 percent of the state's corn crop and 62 percent of soybeans are in good to excellent condition, and only 11 percent of corn and 12 percent of soybeans are poor to very poor.

"There are areas where fields were ponded, and in some areas of the state crops look better than others, but when we look at the overall average of the state, we're seeing pretty good crop condition numbers," said Greg Preston, USDA-NASS Indiana Field Office director. "We have to think of the entire state of Indiana as one big field. You can lose a few acres and still have a great crop."

Despite wet weather, 95 percent of intended soybean acres are planted compared with the five-year average of 97

percent. Of those planted, 90 percent have emerged.

In the last week, eight percent of Indiana's corn crop silked, or tasseled, compared with none last year and a five-year average of two percent.

"Right now, for soybeans, we're in between that switch-over stage from planting and emergence to plant development," Preston said. "We've seen modest declines in the conditions from the heavy amounts of rain, but the crops, especially corn, got off to such a great start that conditions certainly haven't dropped like a rock."

When it comes to soil moisture, 96 percent of the topsoil and 98 percent of the subsoil in Indiana, show adequate to surplus moisture levels - a reality that slowed fieldwork in recent weeks. For the week ending June 27, only three days had weather suitable for fieldwork, but soil conditions kept most farmers out of their fields

"Over the next couple of weeks the reports will be very telling," Preston said. "We should start to see how the crops are responding to the warm, dry weather we're expecting."

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Thursday, July 8 through Tuesday, July 13

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

THURSDAY, JULY 8

5 p.m. - 10 p.m. - All livestock, poultry & rabbits check-in

7 p.m. - Martin County Queen Pageant on

7 p.m. - Pie Baking Contest judging in community building

FRIDAY, JULY 9

5 p.m. - 4-H Projects open for public viewing in community building

6 p.m. - 10 p.m. - Carnival Rides by All American Rides & Shows

6 p.m. - Hot Dog Eating Contest sponsored by Buehler's Buy Low on the free stage

7 p.m. - Demolition Derby at the grand stand (Admission is \$8 for age 5 and older. Pit opens at 3 p.m. Pit passes are \$15, must be 16 yrs. & older

SATURDAY, JULY 10

9 a.m. - Martin County 4-H Goat & Sheep Show in the livestock barn

9 a.m. - 12 p.m. - Horse Check-in at horse and pony barn

1 p.m. - Cornhole Tournament (\$20 entry per 2-person team)

2 p.m. - Wii Bowling Contest sponsored by Prairie Village Nursing Center (\$5 entry fee) **5 p.m.** - Wii Guitar Hero Contest sponsored by Prairie Village Nursing Center (\$5

entry fee) 6 p.m. - 10 p.m. - Carnival Rides by All

American Rides & Shows **6 p.m. - 10:30 p.m. -** Horse & Pony Rides sponsored by Martin County 4-H Horse &

Pony Club 6 p.m. - Tractor Pull (Gates open at 5 p.m., admission \$5 for 5 years and older. \$10 for

7 p.m. - Martin County 4-H Swine Judging in the livestock barn

SUNDAY, JULY 11

9 a.m. - Martin County 4-H Poultry judging in the poultry barn

9 a.m. - Martin County 4-H Rabbit judging in the livestock barn

1 p.m. - 10:30 p.m. - Carnival Rides by All

American Rides & Shows

2 p.m. - Mud Hog Wrestling in the contest grandstand (\$20 per 4-person team. Admission \$5 for 5 years and older.)

4 p.m. - Farm Bureau Incorporated Activities in the livestock barn

5 p.m. - Oreo Stacking Contest, sponsored by Buehler's Buy Low, on the fre stage

6 p.m. - Baby Show on the main stage

6 p.m. - Juggling Comedian Act on the free

6 p.m. - Cowabunga in the livestock barn 6 p.m. - Halter & Pleasures Horse & Pony Show in the horse barn

6:30 p.m. - Wii Mario Cart Tournament (\$5 entry fee)

MONDAY, JULY 12

6 p.m. - 10:30 p.m. - Carnival Rides by All American Rides & Shows

6 p.m. - 8 p.m. - Caricature Drawings by Karen Kovich, sponsored by Kountry Kids

6 p.m. - Gaming Horse & Pony Show in the horse barn

6:15 p.m. - 7:15 p.m. - Magician Strol around fairgrounds

6 p.m. - Public 4-H Fashion Review on the main stage

7 p.m. - Martin County Beef Show in the livestock barn

7 p.m. - Karaoke Contest on the main stage 7:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. - Kiddie Pedal Tractor Pull registration

7:30 p.m. - Magic Show by Don Miller on the free stage

8:30 p.m. - Kiddie Pedal Tractor Pull **TUESDAY, JULY 13**

5:30 p.m. - Martin County 4-H Suprem Showmanship in the livestock barn

6 p.m. - 10:30 p.m. - Horse & Pony Rides, sponsored by Martin County 4-H Horse & Pony Club

7:30 p.m. - Martin County 4-H Livestock Auction in the livestock barn

9 p.m. - Martin County 4-H Project release in the community building



Lauren Poirier

The 2010 Miss Martin County will be crowned Thursday, July 8, at 7 p.m.

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New Beginnings Church Weekly Message By Shirley Canell —Pastor's wife

We have a message that is so powerful. A message that should be crying out from our hearts, it's a message that Christians should know and love to share. It is what makes us God's children. Love and blessed by Him. We should be like Paul shouting, whispering, and speaking this message of good news to the lost world, to our lost neighbors, to our lost friends, and our lost family members. They are lost because the way to God is not the direction they are heading. They are going the wrong way and have no idea where they are, nor do they care.

The gospel message is more important now than it has ever been; it's a message of power, righteousness, and of wrath.

It is hard to image that anyone who truly understands the power of the Gospel being ashamed to proclaim it. Paul is clear in presenting the message that Jesus left us. Romans 1:16 –19

The message of the gospel is the vehicle through which God's transforming power invades a life and brings about a new birth. His power alone is sufficient to save the vilest sinner and transform the hardest heart. The truth is people are utterly powerless to overcome their own sin. Sin is a part of our nature, self help techniques and recovery programs might temporarily help

people feel better about them, but they have no power to remove sin or change the human heart. Only the Gospel can do that. It is the power of God for salvation, the power to deliver you from being lost, from the wrath of God, from willful spiritual ignorance, from evil self-indulgence, darkness of false religions, and the ultimate penalty of your sins, eternal separation from God.

1 Corinthians 1:18, "For the word of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God." As powerful as the message is, it has no positive effect on those who turn away disbelieving. Paul had rejection we will have rejection but it is not due to any lack of power in the gospel. The power is to everyone who believes.

The gospel reveals the righteousness of God, as opposed to the righteousness of man or human righteousness achieved through conformity to the law of God. This contrast is the main point of Romans. It is the contrast between law and grace as ways or methods of being accepted by God. Paul's point is that we are not under law (as a way of salvation), but under grace. We are justified by faith in God's righteousness, not by works of law or per-

sonal conformity to God's law. The choice is between personal righteousness and God's righteousness.

In what sense, then, did Jesus satisfy the requirements of the law in our place, so that God can save us and at the same time be true to his nature as a holy God (be righteous)? We must remember that law has two components; commandments we are obligated to obey and penalties we must pay if we disobey. If we do not satisfy its requirements for obedience, we must satisfy its requirements for penalty. Either way, righteousness is preserved, and the integrity of the law is upheld. Here, then, is the key to understand "the righteousness of God", Jesus came to establish God's righteousness by satisfying the law's requirement for penalty in our place. His suffering and death were not necessary for his own sake. This is how the sinner is justified or counted righteous, he is counted as having already paid the penalty for his sins. In other words, I am justified not because God treats me just as if I'd never sinned but because he treats me just as if I'd already paid my penalty. No wonder the righteousness of God is the heart of the gospel. It is no less than the substitutionary atonement provided by the Son of God through his death on the cross.

As in the Gospel, the righteousness of God is revealed for the salvation of the ungodly, so is the wrath of God revealed against the workers of iniquity. Those who refuse to be saved in the way revealed by his mercy must be consumed in the way revealed by his justice.

The gospel is good news to the lost and good news to the believers that will believe in the true Gospel message. That Jesus Christ came to take our punishment so that we can have his power to live, His right-eousness to get to heaven and his wrath taken for us by Jesus.

There was so much more to this message than I can narrow down to a newspaper article. The message that was delivered Sunday was awesome; the praise and worship time was great. You could surely feel the Holy Spirit in the church, during the older hymns and during the more contemporary music played. As long as you are giving God all the glory all things are possible. Our Vacation Bible School starts Monday the 12, at 6 p.m. Our theme is Saddle Ridge Ranch. Hopefully we will have a great time. Our church follows the southern Baptist beliefs and all sermons are from the word of God.

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12U Champs

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The Clovers 12U Fast Pitch Softball Team captured the title in the Vincennes Girls' Softball League Fast Pitch Classic the weekend of June 25-27. Pictured are team members and coaches. In the front row, from left to right, are Kelsey Samm, Alyssa Garo, MaLee Sparks, Bailey Davis, Taylor Swartzentruber, and Logan Milligan. In the second row, from left to right, are Macey Abbott, Shelsie Meurer, Madison Summerlot, Emma Brewer, and Ashton South. In the back row, from left to right, are Coaches Stephanie Fougerousse, Dennis Summerlot, Luke Knight, and Adam Brown. The team would like to thank local sponsor Loughmiller Machine, Tool, and Design,



10U Clovers win Blizzard Blowout

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The Clover 10U Fast Pitch Softball Team brought home 1st place in the DQ Blizzard Blowout held at the Miss Softball America fields in Terre Haute the weekend of June 18-20. In the front row, from left to right, are Kassi Morrison, Kacey Jones, Sydney Davis, Hunter Beuhler, Emily Brookshire, Alexis James, and Jaelyn Walker. In the second row, from left to right, are Maggie Booe, Coach Kent Walker, Macin Graber, Daelyn Arthur, Paige Corbett, and Coach Julie Walker. The team would like to thank local sponsor Loogootee Collision Center, LLC.

Martin County Night coming to League Stadium

Friday, July 16 has been designated "Martin County Night" at League Stadium as the Dubois County Bombers take on Chillicothe. The evening is dedicated to Martin County and its businesses, organizations, and residents.

Last year, Martin County Night was a huge success. League Stadium personnel reported it as one of the best attended nights of the season. Many Martin County families, teams, and organizations attended the

Several businesses donated giveaways between innings. It's a great opportunity for family fun or for local teams and organizations to get together and relax while enjoying America's favorite pastime.

Businesses interested in donating a giveaway can contact the Chamber of Commerce office at 295-4093. Donations will be picked up by League Stadium personnel a few days before the game.

Mark the date on your calendar and plan to attend.



Clovers win AFA State Qualifier

The 10U Clovers captured 1st place in the AFA State Qualifier held in Columbus the weekend of June 25-27. Above, team members and coaches pose with their trophies. Shown in the front row, from left to right, are Hunter Beuhler, Kacey Jones, Jaelyn Walker, Kassi Morrison, Sydney Davis, and Alexis James. In the second row, from left to right, are Coach Kent Walker, Emily Brookshire, Daelyn Arthur, Paige Corbett, Macin Graber, Maggie Booe, and Coach Julie Walker. The team would like to thank local sponsor Loogootee Collision Center, LLC.

Lilly Foundation grant to spur science education in Indiana

BY JUDITH BARRA AUSTIN Purdue University News Service

A consortium of Indiana educators, businesses, and government will use a \$1.5 million grant from the Eli Lilly and Co. Foundation to train K-12 teachers in a research-developed science curriculum designed to better prepare the state's youth for the future.

The Indiana Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics Resource Network (I-STEM) has started summer professional development workshops to familiarize teachers and administrators with the new science program, scheduled to be used by schools beginning in fall 2011.

Teachers being trained this summer will pilot the program beginning this fall.

The new program uses inquiry-based learning, which allows students to explore and problem solve while building knowledge and understanding of science concepts. Students study science through projects they work on independently and in collaboration with peers. Studies have shown that if implemented effectively, inquiry-based learning can lead to improvements in other areas, including math and reading, along with sci-

"I'm thankful to Eli Lilly and Company Foundation for this huge commitment to our state's future," said Tony Bennett, Indiana Superintendent of Public Instruction. "By providing the tools our students need for learning, the Lilly Foundation is helping to ensure every Hoosier child has equal access to educational opportunities. Indiana has made science education a priority, and this funding will help our students prepare to join the state's STEM-oriented work force."

Currently, 150 schools have signed up for the coming school year's pilot program. "That translates to 1,100 teachers who will be trained this summer," said Bill Walker, executive director of I-STEM, which is a based at Purdue University.

"Those teachers will expose more than

40,000 students to inquiry-based science learning during the pilot year. That level of interest shows that Indiana educators are ready to move forward in this critical area."

The Lilly Foundation award includes \$500,000 as a challenge grant to encourage other businesses to provide funding.

"There's an urgent need for broad improvement in science and math education in our grade schools and high schools so that young Americans have an opportunity to participate in the high-tech economy of the future," said John C. Lechleiter, chairman, president and CEO of Eli Lilly and Co. "Those of us in the private sector must take an active role to ensure our teachers and students have the support they need. We at Lilly will do our part, and I encourage my business colleagues to become more involved as well in this effort that is so vital to our future."

Among the organizations actively supporting the effort to bring inquiry-based science learning to the state's schools is BioCrossroads, Indiana's initiative to advance the life sciences.

"Indiana's life sciences industry is now positioned to put Hoosiers to work in exciting jobs for years to come, so long as we are learning the right science and math skills," said David Johnson, BioCrossroads CEO. "The Lilly Foundation's generous grant will further enable and accelerate the I-STEM Resource Network in making sure that our students today are getting the science and math education they will need for these jobs of tomorrow."

I-STEM is a partnership of public and private higher education institutions, K-12 schools, businesses, and government working to implement STEM literacy for all students. It also provides Indiana education leaders with new knowledge about STEM teaching and learning.

More information on the science initiative can be found at www.indianascience.org. More information on I-STEM can be found at www.istemnetwork.org.

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The Messmer Report

By District 63 State Representative





Luring Businesses

Have you ever wondered how the state actually lures businesses and jobs into Indiana?

Indiana is in tough competition with 49 other states, and the world, in attracting jobs. My House Republican colleagues and I have worked hard with Governor Daniels to attract jobs to our state by creating the strongest tool kit.

Indiana brings a variety of incentives to the table. We offer low taxes, we work to eliminate bureaucratic red tape, and have a talented and hardworking pool of employees to offer. Indiana also provides targeted tax incentives.

One of the most successful and utilized incentives is the program called EDGE, which stands for Economic Development for a Growing Economy.

Currently, the state offers around \$8,000 per created job through the program. When a business commits to move to Indiana, the Indiana Economic Development Corporation (IEDC) makes a contract with them stating the maximum amount of new employee "incentive cash" they will receive.

After the employee has been hired, the company can send their tax records to the Department of Revenue. Then the company receives the incentive money they were promised in that initial contract.

If the company ends up creating fewer jobs than they thought they would, they don't receive the original stated amount. If they create more jobs, they still can't get more than that very first amount agreed upon with IEDC.

EDGE is a program we have tweaked several times over the years in order to stay

ahead of our competition in surrounding

We have lowered the threshold over the years on the size of businesses that can apply for EDGE- retention credit. The legislature eliminated the requirement that a business must employ 35 or more workers in order to be eligible. This change will help small businesses.

Let me be crystal clear: almost all of Indiana's job creation incentives to attract employers require the employer to make an up-front commitment to the state about the number of jobs they intend to create.

If they don't come through on that, they don't get to take advantage of the credit.

The bottom line is we don't reward the employer until we see the positive result. If an employer does go back on their word after they receive the credit and eliminates a position, the IEDC can go back and recoup that money from the business. Again, no taxpayer money is spent on a business that did not fulfill their word.

As you can see, there are actually two separate agencies that oversee and crosscheck this whole process for even more accountability: the IEDC and the DOR.

All of this work is paying off: the Department of Labor says that Indiana has accounted for 10 percent of total U.S. private sector employment over the past five months, although it has only two percent of the nation's population.

The way the state interacts with businesses and with the global economy can be extremely confusing. I hope this has clarified the process, but if you have any further questions, feel free to call my office at 317-232-9793 or email me at h63@in.gov.

Commissioners hold special meeting for assistance appeal

Minutes provided by Auditor Nancy and addresses. Steiner

The Martin County Commissioners held a special session Wednesday, June 30 to hear an Appeal Request for Township Assistance. Commissioners present were Paul R. George, Dan J. Gregory and John Wininger. Others attending were David Lett, County Attorney; Nancy Steiner, Auditor; Center Township Trustee Hazel Fuhrman; Karena Whaley; and Betty Whaley.

County Attorney Dave Lett stated why the special meeting was being conducted and that the commissioners are to hear both sides, ask questions if so desired, and have a ruling on the matter within five days.

County Attorney Lett, also a Deputy Prosecutor, performed the swearing in oath to Karena Whaley, Hazel Fuhrman, and Betty Whaley and asked them to state their names ture, if needed, it would be considered.

Discussions were heard from both parties and questions were asked by the commissioners. The commissioners told both parties if a compromise could not be reached, the next step would be to go to the circuit

A recess was held from 7 p.m. to 7:11

Commissioner Gregory asked if the Township Trustee would be willing to split the amount needed with St. Vincent DePaul. Her answer was no. Further discussion was held and it was determined that St. Vincent DePaul would fund the amount needed. The appeal was withdrawn from Ms. Whaley.

Township Trustee Fuhrman said if another application for assistance would be accurately completed sometime in the fu-

Law to boost local economy took effect July 1

State Representative Sandy Blanton (D-Orleans) said a new law that will be a boost to the Orange County economy, which she authored during the 2010 Indiana General Assembly, took effect July 1.

Public Law 96-2010, also known as House Enrolled Act 1276, reduces the admission tax at the French Lick Casino from \$4 to \$3. The law also redistributes the collected admissions tax to local groups in French Lick as well as the Orange County Development Commission and the Indiana Economic Development Corporation.

"During this challenging economic time, we need to utilize every opportunity to generate more business in Orange County and throughout the area," said Blanton. "By reducing the tax, the casino in our community, which is a major employer for the region, will be in a more competitive position. When the state provides an environment that promotes economic development, it encourages growth and investment by local businesses.

Ultimately, that means more jobs and a

healthier economic climate for the entire community. I sincerely appreciate the bipartisan support I received in the Indiana General Assembly on this bill."

The admission tax reduction was recommended by the legislative Gaming Study Committee.

The new law also updates the definition of "riverboat" to more accurately reflect the extensive renovation and restoration of the French Lick Resort and Casino.

Meeting reminders

Shoals School Board

The Shoals School Board will meet Thursday, July 8, at 5:30 p.m.

Loogootee School Board

The Loogootee School Board will hold a reorganizational meeting Monday, July 13, at 7 p.m.

Commissioners

The Martin County Commissioners will meet Wednesday, July 14, at 6 p.m., in the commissioners' room of the courthouse in Shoals.

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Baby show entries must be received by Friday

will be held Sunday, July 11, on the Martin County 4-H Fairgrounds on the east stage. The first show will begin at 6 p.m. and the second show will begin at 7 p.m.

First Show for 0-12 months: 1. Happiest Baby (0-4 mo.); 2. Prettiest Girl (0-4 mo.); 3. Prettiest Boy (0-4 mo.); 4. Prettiest Eyes Girl (0-6 mo.); 5. Prettiest Eyes Boy (0-6 mo.); 6. Best Dressed Girl (0-6 mo.); 7. Best Dressed Boy (0-6 mo.); 8. Happiest Baby (5-8 mo.); 9. Prettiest Girl (5-8 mo.); 10. Prettiest Boy (5-8 mo.); 11. Prettiest Eyes Girl (7-12 mo.); 12. Prettiest Eyes Boy (7-12 mo.); 13. Happiest Baby (9-12 mo.); 14. Best Dressed Girl (7-12 mo.); 15. Best Dressed Boy (7-12 mo.); 16. Prettiest Girl (9-12 mo.); 17. Prettiest Boy (9-12 mo.); 18. Prettiest Multiples (0-12 mo.); 19. Happiest Multiples (0-12 mo.)

Second Show for 13-24 months: 20. Happiest Baby (13-16 mo.); 21. Prettiest Girl (13-16 mo.); 22. Prettiest Boy (13-16 mo.); 23. Prettiest Eyes Girl (13-18 mo.); 24. Prettiest Eyes Boy (13-18 mo.); 25. Best Dressed Girl (13-18 mo.); 26. Best Dressed Boy (13-18 mo.); 27. Happiest Baby (17-20 mo.); 28. Prettiest Girl (17-20 mo.); 29. Prettiest Boy (17-20 mo.); 30. Prettiest Eyes Girl (19-24 mo.); 31. Prettiest Eyes Boy (19-24 mo.); 32. Best Dressed Girl (19-24 mo.); 33. Best Dressed Boy (19-24 mo.); 34. Happiest Baby (21-24 mo.); 35. Prettiest Girl (21-24 mo.); 36. Prettiest Boy (21-24 mo.); 37. Prettiest Multiples (13-24 mo.); 38. Happiest Multiples (13-24 mo.)

To determine age of your child, it will be sion Office at 295-2412 to enter your child.

The Martin County 4-H Fair Baby Show as of day of baby show. If your child is three months 25 days old, your baby will be considered three months old. If your child has not yet reached the four-month-old mark, he/she will be considered 3 months.

Rules:

-Entries are open to all children 24 months or younger. There will be an entry fee of \$5 per child (paid on the day of the show). Do NOT send money with registra-

-Each baby MUST be pre-registered by Friday, July 9, by at 4 p.m. No entries will be accepted after this time by phone. If you wish to enter your baby after the deadline has passed, you must sign up at 5:30 p.m. (day of show) at the fairground, on the east stage and pay a late entry fee of \$10 per child. No late entries will be accepted after 6 p.m. This is for both shows.

-Babies entered in the 0-12 mo. category should be at the east stage by 5:45 p.m. The show will be judged and pictures taken immediately following judging.

-Babies entered in the 13-24 month category should be at the by 6:45 p.m. Their show will be judged and pictures taken immediately following judging.

-There will be a limit of two classes for each entrant. Trophies will be awarded to 1st place winners in each class, and certificates will be awarded to 2nd and 3rd place

-A trophy will be awarded to the youngest baby entered in the show.

Send in the entry form, or call the Exten-



New Indiana flag

-Photo provided

District 62 State Representative Sandy Blanton recently presented Martin County with a new Indiana State Flag for the courthouse. Pictured with State Representative Blanton are Commissioner John Wininger, Deputy Prosecutor Dan Steiner, Commissioner Paul George, and Auditor Nancy Steiner. The county offices were very pleased and thankful for her presentation as the prior flag was not in condition to be flown any longer.



Organizers of the SummerFest Golf Scramble say thank you

Member Mike Arvin, Martin County Economic Development Director Tim Kinder, and Martin County Chamber of Commerce President Jennifer Wilson thank you to all 44 golfers for making the 5th Annual SummerFest Golf Scramble a huge success.

A special thank you to Lakeview Golf Course and their staff, for the use of the course, and your help.

In addition to the scramble TJ McAtee held a Putting Contest which 31 of the golfers participated in.

Thank you to all the local businesses and individuals who were sponsors for the event: Builder's Best, Dairy Master, Spencer Keller, State Farm Insurance; Crane Federal Credit Union and Linda Bailey; Springs Valley Bank & Trust Company, TJ McAtee, Indiana Farm Bureau; Cindy Lagle, American National Insurance; Daviess-Martin REMC, German American Bancorp, Joey McAtee – Remax, M&M Electric, Graber Insealators, and MC-Specialties and Old Fashioned Candy

Also a big thank you to the local businesses for their donations of prizes and food: Dairy Master, Buy Low, CVS, and Frito Lay

After the event, golfers were treated to a meal and cash prizes and door prizes were distributed to the winners. A portion of the proceeds will be donated back to the SummerFest Committee to help to make next year's festival even better.

For all you golfers out there, see you next

On behalf of SummerFest Committee year at the Annual SummerFest Golf

Guess where

This picture was taken somewhere in Martin County. Do vou know where? Be the first person to email courtney@martincountyjournal.com and your name will be announced in this box next week as our "Guess where this is" winner and your name will also be listed on our website.



Last week's 'Guess Where This Is' winner: ANGIE SANGO

Fair Baby Show Entry Form Please fill out this form and mail to: Baby Show, 2666 US Highway 50, Loogootee, IN 47553. Money should NOT be sent with this form. Baby's Name: Boy or Girl: _____Baby's Age as of July 11th: _____ Baby's Birth date: Phone Number: You can choose up to 2 classes to enter your baby: 0-12 Month Show or 13-24 Month Show:

One more day for Pie Baking Contest entries

A pie baking contest will be held Thursday, July 8. Judging will begin promptly at 7 p.m. There is a \$5 entry fee per contestant registered by July 8. Contestants must pro- County 4-H.

vide two pies and one will be auctioned off. Any kind of pie is accepted and pies must remain covered until serving. Prizes will be and those who wish to participate must be awarded and all proceeds go to Martin

Pie Baking Contest Entry Form

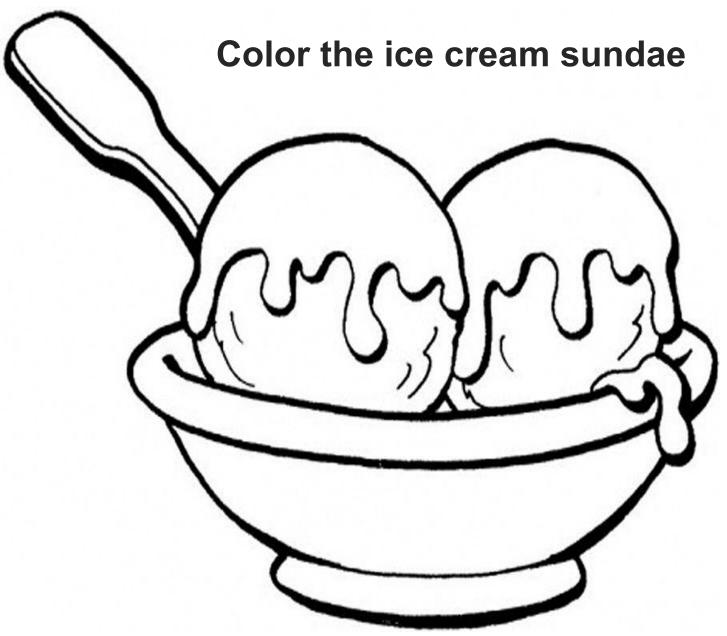
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Cook's Name
Name of Pie
Address

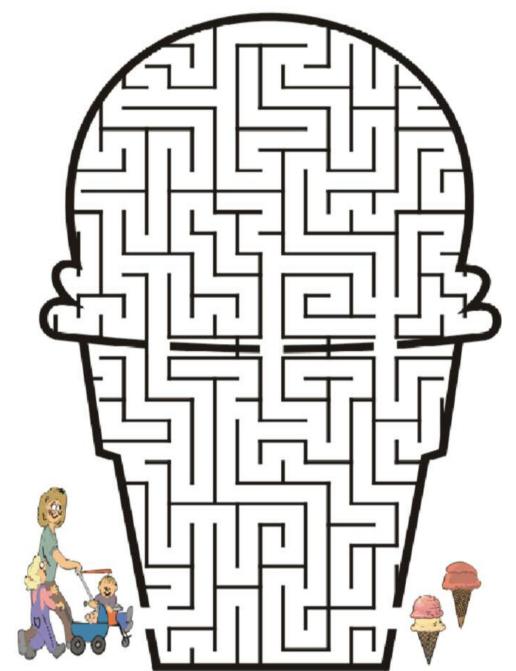
Email

Just for FUN

Hey kids - July is National Ice Cream Month



Help mom and the kids get to the ice cream cones!



Ronald Reagan designated July as National Ice Cream Month in 1984. He also appointed the third Sunday in July as National Ice Cream Day. Reagan recognized the popularity of ice cream in the United States (90 percent of the nation's population consumes ice cream) and stated that these two events should be observed with "appropriate ceremonies and activities."

ICE CREAM ACTIVITIES

Arts & Crafts

Glue a large triangle (the cone) on a piece of paper and finger paint the ice cream scoop. Fun twist: Instead of using paint use REAL ice cream to paint with!

Handy Cone

Make an ice cream cone (triple scoop) with a child's handprint. Have the child trace/cut his/her handprint out on three pieces of paper—depending on what flavor of ice cream he/she likes. Then he/she can glue these overlapping and upside down on to a brown ice cream cone-shaped pattern.

Make a cone by making a long triangle and rounding the bottom point.

Ice Cream Cone Clowns

You will need: Ice Cream, Ice Cream Cones, Cupcake papers, Cherries, nuts, and mini chocolate chips, or other cake decorations.

Scoop ice cream into each cupcake paper. Let each child place cone "hat" upside down on scoop. Children can make facial features with the decorations of choice

Sensory Table

Get inexpensive tub of ice cream and scoop into the sensory table. Let the children play in it! Yucky but fun.

Game

Give each child a scoop of ice cream or two in a bowl. Have them sit at a table where they fit comfortably. Make them keep their hands behind their backs and eat the ice cream with only their mouths! Video tape or take pictures.

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BRAINFREEZE CHOCOLATE COLD CONE HOTFUDGE JULY MELT MILKSHAKE SPRINKLES STICKY STRAWBERRY SUMMER SUNDAE SWEET TREAT VANILLA

Election 2010

Indiana now offering online voter registration

Julie Fithian, Clerk of Martin County, joins Indiana Secretary of State Todd Rokita in announcing that beginning July 1 Indiana residents gained the ability to register to vote online. Online voter registration became the newest addition to www.indianavoters.com and allows Indiana residents to submit a voter registration application electronically to the appropriate county voter registration

"This is yet another exciting example of how our voting process is becoming simpler and more convenient by incorporating the tools and technologies Hoosiers use every day," said Indiana Secretary of State Todd Rokita, who serves as Indiana's Chief Election Official and whose office has worked to develop the online voter registration application. "Giving our citizens access to an online registration tool also helps local election administrators better serve voters and should cut their costs, all while enhancing accessibility, accuracy and security.'

Indiana residents with a valid Indiana driver's license or Indiana state-issued identification card are able to use this new tool to submit a new voter registration application or to update an existing voter registration record. Historically, voters have most commonly registered by mail using a paper-based application form or have registered in-person at a county voter registration office, the Indiana Election Division or a branch office of the Bureau of Motor Vehicles.

Online Voter Registration is the result of legislation passed by the Indiana General Assembly in 2009 with bipartisan support that called for enhancements to the traditional paper-based registration system. VOTE, or visit www.indianavoters.com.

States adopting an online voter registration option have seen a 60 to 70 percent shift away from paper-based registrations over time. A similar shift in Indiana would greatly reduce pressure on county election administrators to facilitate data entry, especially during peak times at the close of the vote registration period.

Applicants will be required to verify their voting eligibility and personal information, which will then be cross-referenced with databases from the Bureau of Motor Vehicles. Voters will instantly receive a confirmation of their application that they can print. Once confirmed online, the county's voter registration office will approve or reject registrations subject to the same criteria used for other applicants, such as residency or incarceration following conviction of a crime.

Indiana residents have until midnight on Monday, October 4, 2010 to register in order to participate in the November 2010 General Election.

Online voter registration becomes the latest innovative improvement made to www.indianavoters.com to assist Indiana voters. In addition to registering to vote online, www.indianavoters.com provides Hoosiers with the ability to validate their voter registration status, find their polling place location, look into their provisional ballot status information, find county contact information and determine who is on their ballot for an upcoming election.

For more information on voter eligibility and online voter services, please call the Martin County Clerk's Office at 247-3651, the Hoosier Voter Hotline at (866) IN-1-

Election Calendar

Thursday, July 15, 2010

Deadline, by noon, for a candidate nominated at the primary election, a candidate who has filled a vacancy, or a write-in candidate, to voluntarily withdraw.

Deadline, by noon, for the Democratic, Libertarian and Republican Parties to file a certificate of nomination of candidates nominated at the state party conventions

Deadline, by noon, for independent or minor party candidate to file a declaration of candidacy and petition of nomination after verification of petition signatures. (See entry for Wednesday June 30 for deadline to file the petition for verification of signa-

Wednesday, July 21, 2010

First day to file a petition of nomination and consent for a school board member chosen at the general election.

Wednesday, August 4, 2010

First day the circuit court clerk may receive absentee ballot applications from most voters for the general election.

Thursday, September 23, 2010

Deadline for the county election board to mail general election absentee ballots to voters who have already filed an application with the county election boards.

Monday, October 4, 2010

First day that a voter may vote an absentee general election ballot before an absentee voter board in the office of the circuit court clerk.

VOTER REGISTRATION ENDS

Deadline, at county voter registration office's close of business for a voter to register or to transfer registration in the county voter registration office.

Friday, October 8, 2010

End of pre-election campaign finance re-

porting period. (except candidates for statewide office)

Friday, October 15, 2010

Deadline, by noon, to file pre-election campaign finance reports. (except candidates for statewide office)

Thursday, October 21, 2010

First day a confined voter, a voter caring for a confined person at a private residence, or a voter with disabilities may vote an absentee ballot before an absentee voter board at the voter's residence or place of confine-

Saturday, October 23, 2010

Absentee voter board in the office of circuit court clerk must be open at least 7 hours to permit absentee voting. However, in a county with a population of less than 20,000, the county election board may reduce hours to a minimum of 4 on this date.

Monday, October 25, 2010

Deadline, by midnight (except for confined voters or voters caring for a confined person requesting delivery of a ballot by an absentee voter board), for the circuit court clerk to receive mailed, hand-delivered, or faxed absentee ballot applications requesting to vote absentee by mail..

Saturday, October 30, 2010

Absentee voter board in the office of the circuit court clerk must be open for at least 7 hours to permit absentee voting. However, in a county with a population of less than 20,000, the county election board may reduce hours to a minimum of 4 on this date.

Monday, November 1, 2010

Deadline, by noon, for the circuit court clerk to receive mailed, hand-delivered or faxed absentee ballot applications from confined voters or voters caring for a confined person requesting delivery of a ballot by an absentee voter board.

Deadline, by noon, for a voter to vote an absentee ballot in the office of the circuit court clerk.

Deadline for a confined voter, a voter caring for a confined person, or a voter with disabilities to vote an absentee ballot before an absentee voter board at the voter's place of confinement.

Tuesday, November 2, 2010

GENERAL ELECTION DAY

Polls are open 6:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., prevailing local time.

Tuesday, November 16, 2010

Deadline, by noon, for a candidate to file a verified election recount or contest peti-

Wednesday, December 1, 2010 **VOTER REGISTRATION OPENS**

Friday, December 31, 2010 End of annual reporting period for 2010 for campaign finance reports.

Wednesday, January 19, 2011

Deadline, by noon, for all candidate committees, legislative caucus committees, and political action committees to file annual campaign finance reports for 2010.



List of general election candidate filings

The following are the candidates who have applied to run for elected office. Those who are unsure of their district can look on their voter registration card or contact the clerk's office at 247-3651.

U.S. Senator

Brad Ellsworth (Democrat) Dan Coats (Republican)

State Senator District 48

Lindel O. Hume (Democrat)

US Representative District 8 W. Trent VanHaaften (Democrat) John Cunningham (Libertarian) Larry D. Buscshon (Republican)

District 62 State Representative Sandra Blanton (Democrat)

Matt Ubelhor (Republican)

District 63 State Representative

Daniel M. (Dan) Steiner (Democrat) Mark B. Messmer (Republican)

Martin County Circuit Court Judge

Lynne E. Ellis (Republican) David Lett (Democrat)

Martin County Prosecutor C. Michael Steiner (Democrat)

Martin County Clerk Julie Fithian (Republican) Bobbi Sue Nonte (Democrat)

Martin County Sheriff

Robert F. (Rob) Street (Democrat) Kevin R. Boyd (Republican)

Martin County Assessor

Carolyn Sue McGuire (Republican)

County Commissioner District 2 Paul R. George (Democrat)

County Council District 1

Randy Wininger (Democrat) Phillip Emmons (Republican)

County Council District 2

Phyllis J. (Allen) Kidwell (Democ-

Keith Gibson (Republican)

County Council District 3

Michael (Mike) Dant (Democrat) John D. Stoll (Republican)

County Council District 4

Lynn Gee (Democrat)

Township Trustees Perry Township

Noel D. Harty (Democrat)

Rutherford Township

J. Sue Hembree (Democrat)

Mitcheltree Township

Michael R. LaMar (Democrat) James Norman (Republican)

Lost River Township

Mildred C. Brown (Republican) **Halbert Township**

Exzelia Montgomery (Republican)

Center Township

Charles S. Hamilton (Republican)

Township Advisory Board (Voters choose up to three in their township)

Perry Township

Brandi Hennette (Democrat) Julie Green (Democrat) Sandra (Sue) Hunt (Democrat)

Mitcheltree Township

Barbara Bratton (Democrat) Tammy Gore (Democrat) Dan J. Butler (Republican) Kay Belcher (Republican) Charity D. Tolbert (Republican)

Rutherford Township

Rosamary Street (Democrat) Lonnie E. Survance (Democrat) Jason Survance (Democrat)

Lost River Township

Keith Emmons (Republican) Alice D. Butler (Republican) Bruce Fithian (Republican)

Halbert Township

Travis Montgomery (Republican) Kimberly L. Albright (Republican) Stephanie Horton (Republican)

Center Township

Kenneth L. Brett (Republican) Larry L. Downs (Republican) Norma J. Baker (Republican)

July 6th is the deadline to file a Certificate of Candidate Selection to fill a vacancy on the 2010 General Election ballot.

October 4th is the deadline to register to vote in the 2010 General Election.