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Martin County Fair starts this Friday night

BY COURTNEY HUGHETT
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The Martin County 4-H Fair will start this Friday night, July 9 at the fairgrounds. At 5 p.m., the community building is open to the public. From 5-7 p.m. silent auction items are open for bids. Also, from 5-7 p.m., the antique tractor show will take place. Carnival games will be open from 6-10 p.m. The Miss Martin County Queen Contest will take place at 6:30 p.m. on the stage. The Public Fashion Revue and Little Miss and Mr. Martin County will take place during the queen contest. Cody and the Side-winders will perform on the stage after the queen contest.

On Saturday, July 10, at 9 a.m., the beef show and horse show will take place in the livestock arena. Mud volleyball pre-registration will be held from 9:30-10:15 a.m. with the competition starting at 10:30 a.m. Cost is \$10 per player with age groups of 18 and older and 19 and under. For information, contact Rhonda Sanders at 812-709-1616.

The rabbit show will be held in the livestock arena at 1 p.m. A lawn tractor driving contest will be held at 4 p.m. in the parking lot and from 4:30-6:30 p.m., the Loogootee High School Band will perform. At 5 p.m. Farm Bureau games, including a hay bale throw, corn shucking and an egg toss, will be set up in the

livestock arena and from 5-7 p.m., bidders can bid on silent auction items in the community building. Carnival games will be open from 6-10 p.m. on Saturday evening.

On Sunday, July 11, the community building will open to the public at noon. At 2 p.m. the poultry show will be held. At 4 p.m. a corn hole contest will begin along with shooting sports and a kiddie tractor pull. Registration for the corn hole contest will start at 3 p.m. and the cost is \$10 per team. For more information, contact Dennie at 812-709-1525. Registration for the kiddie tractor pull starts at 3 p.m.

Gospel music will begin on the stage at 5 p.m. on Sunday, along with the goat show in the livestock arena. From 5-7 p.m., silent auction items will be open for bidders in the community building. At 6 p.m., the baby show will be held on the stage and caricature drawings will be available from 6-8 p.m. From 6-9 p.m., law enforcement will be giving presentations and from 6-10 p.m., carnival games will be open.

On Monday, July 12, a cat show will take place in the learning center at 2 p.m. The community building will be open at 5 p.m. and silent auctions can be bid on until 7 p.m. Cowabunga will take place in the livestock arena at 5:30 p.m. followed by the swine show at 6 p.m. Carnival games will be open from 6-10 p.m.

On Tuesday, the community building will again be open at 5 p.m. and silent auction items will close for bidders at 6:30 p.m. and winners will be announced in the livestock arena at 6:45 p.m. The

Supreme Showmanship event will be held in the livestock arena at 5:30 p.m. and the livestock auction will take place at 7 p.m. Projects will be released from 7-8 p.m. to close out this year's fair.

County council approves sheriff's hiring policies, salary increases

BY COURTNEY HUGHETT
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Sheriff Travis Roush told the Martin County Council at their meeting Tuesday night, July 6 that the commissioners approved policies to create the new bonus structure for the sheriff's department. The policies include bonuses for hiring, retaining employees and for referrals. He needs the council to approve the financial aspect with the money coming from the commissary fund. The hiring bonus gives \$500 to an employee after 90 days and another \$500 after the employee has reached 180 days. The referral bonus gives \$1,000 to the referrer after the employee reaches 180 days with the department. The retention bonuses vary based on how long an employee is with the department.

Council Member Sherri Bowling asked if these bonuses would be approved by the council from year to year. Sheriff Roush replied that if the money is not in commissary each year, bonuses will not be given, however he didn't put the language in the policies for them to be approved by the council each year.

"I think it's a good tool for the current situation," said Council Member Randy Wininger. He added that it may change

down the road with a new sheriff, but he thinks it's a good idea for the present.

Council Member Buck Stiles was not present for the meeting and Auditor Bobbie Abel said the resolutions to create the policies have to be signed by all council members before they are officially approved. The council went ahead and voted to approve the bonus structure with signatures planned at the next meeting.

Sheriff Roush also requested the council approve \$1,000 salary increases for his new assistant dispatch commander and assistant jail commander. The commissioners approved creating the new positions at their last meeting however the council is responsible for approving the monetary aspect of new positions. The sheriff noted that the raises for this year will be prorated for half a year and next year, the extra \$1,000 each will be included in the budget. He also mentioned the raises he requested at the last meeting for three of his other employees but said he won't focus on those at this meeting. The council approved the salary increases for the two new positions of \$1,000 each.

The sheriff also told the council that he is making progress on coming up with a policy that requires officers who leave

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NSWC Crane, IU, Notre Dame, and Purdue team up to provide Trusted AI workforce development and research

BY SARAH K. MILLER
NSWC Crane Communications

Naval Surface Warfare Center, Crane Division (NSWC Crane) is teaming up with state academic institutions Indiana University (IU), The University of Notre Dame, and Purdue University to develop Trusted Artificial Intelligence (AI) research and workforce development. This initiative launched in June and is intended to scale over several years.

The Embedded Systems/Trusted AI initiative is part of the Scalable Asymmetric Lifecycle Engagement (SCALE) workforce development program funded by the Office of the Undersecretary of Defense for Research and Engineering OUSD(R&E)'s Trusted & Assured Microelectronics (T&AM) program.

Robert Walker, the Chief Technology Officer (CTO) at NSWC Crane, says this initiative is important and adapted to the needs of the Department of Defense (DoD) and the Defense Industrial Base (DIB).

"The Trusted AI SCALE program combines research and workforce development based on the unique needs of the DoD based on recommendations from the DIB," says Walker. "By working directly with the academic partners, we are giving students real technical and

warfighter challenges that a typical undergraduate education doesn't include in its curriculum. This is a high payoff effort, and we are excited to work with IU, Notre Dame, and Purdue as the program grows."

The SCALE model has key aspects of immersive research and development (R&D) alongside student training, consortium framework that rapidly scales and replicates, and educational pathways aligning curriculum, research, and internships.

This Trusted AI initiative is one of five technical verticals of the SCALE model, each with its own consortium of academic institutions and targeted level of education: Radiation Effects (often referred to as Rad-Hard), Advanced Packaging, System on a Chip (SoC) Design, Supply Chain, and Embedded Systems/Trusted AI.

"Artificial intelligence has tremendous potential to benefit the defense and security of the United States," said Peter Bermeel, Elmore Associate Professor of Electrical and Computer Engineering and SCALE PI. "Fielding useful AI systems requires us to simultaneously develop new tools while training new personnel. In this project, we will have the opportunity to perform interdisciplinary research

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Clinic to open next week

-Photo by Josh Hughett

The Martin County Humane Society has completed their spay/neuter surgery suite and will begin doing surgery on the public's dogs and cats on July 14. Doctor Alexandra Loughmiller will be the clinic's vet. The humane society will also hold a wellness clinic, offering vaccinations, microchips, disease testing, nail trims, and more, on Friday, July 16 from 5-6:30 p.m. No appointment is necessary for the wellness clinic. More information on how to schedule an appointment for spay/neuter surgeries will be available once humane society board members complete software training this week. The cost of cat surgeries will be \$50 and dog surgeries will be \$80-\$100 depending on the size of the dog. Most vaccinations are \$15 and microchipping is \$20 with lifetime registration. More information will be available on the humane society's website at www.humanesocietyofmartincounty.org. The clinic was funded substantially by grants from Hoosier Uplands along with grants from the Martin County Community Foundation and the Petco Foundation.

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in AI, train new students, and connect them with government and defense industry employers, to help address the major workforce challenges in the field.”

NSWC Crane serves as the T&AM workforce development co-lead with the Air Force Research Laboratory (AFRL), manages the overarching SCALE program, and is the Embedded Systems/Trusted AI vertical technical lead.

Dr. Alison Smith, the Indiana University Liaison and Trusted AI Program Manager at NSWC Crane, says trusted systems in the DoD are a critical need.

“NSWC Crane has national technical experts in Trusted and Assured Microelectronics providing insight into the program’s problem statements,” says Dr. Smith. “AI is a potential third offset for the DoD; however, further research in the focus areas of this effort are needed to harness AI effectively.”

Dr. Kara Perry, the Education and Workforce Development Co-Lead for T&AM at NSWC Crane, says this workforce development program is unique.

“The Trusted AI program is a graduate-level program, driven by difficult challenges the DoD faces,” says Dr. Perry. “Our university partners take our hard problems and turn them into projects to both train students and develop technical solutions. What’s unique about SCALE is that we develop the talent and technology in parallel. The intent is to scale this effort and bring in more universities and DoD and DIB stakeholders.”

The Trusted AI consortium based on the SCALE model is intended to produce the next generation of Trusted AI workforce pipeline – a ready and flexible workforce ready to work for the DoD, DIB, or government. It is also intended to develop a Validation and Verification (V&V)/T&E framework to assess the level of trust in AI/machine learning (ML)-enabled solutions.

“As AI becomes increasingly pervasive in the technologies the world relies upon, failure of these systems is not an option for the modern soldier. Therefore, training future leaders in this field, including current undergraduates, graduate

students, and postdoctoral scholars, will ensure we are building a modern and prepared workforce to help support and meet the Trusted AI needs of a complex world,” said Christopher Sweet, Associate Director for Cyberinfrastructure Development in the Center for Research Computing and Assistant Research Professor in Computer Science and Engineering at the University of Notre Dame. “Notre Dame is committed to this mission and excited to partner with our colleagues in IU, NSWC Crane, and Purdue on this globally impactful work.”

The Trusted AI SCALE academic leads, in collaboration with the NSWC Crane AI Development Laboratory (CrAIDL) technical leads, have identified five research themes required to develop the frameworks, methodologies, and tools necessary to assess the level of trust of AI/ML-integrated systems: Trust and Verifiability, Statistical Framework for Data/Model Analysis, Knowledge Graph Enhanced Natural Language Processing, Human-Machine Pairing, and Framework Infrastructure Development.

“These research goals are very difficult, and addressing them will require a highly interdisciplinary approach,” said David Crandall, Professor of Computer Science and the IU PI of the project. “One of the most exciting aspects of the project is that it brings together faculty and students across three universities and numerous disciplines, including Computer Science, Electrical and Computer Engineering, Informatics, Intelligent Systems Engineering, Psychology and Brain Sciences, and Statistics, sparking collaborations that would likely not have happened otherwise.”

“The security of AI is one of the most critical hurdles to its broad application,” said Jeff Zaleski, interim vice provost for research at IU Bloomington. “The partners working on this project form a strong multidisciplinary team with comprehensive expertise in engineering, computer science, law, policy, ethics, and more. Working together, I’m confident we’ll be able to successfully create trusted-AI technologies that will meet the DoD’s developing needs.”

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the department within a year to repay the county for the cost of training. He said County Attorney Dave Lett has come up with a draft which calls for officers to repay the county if they leave the sheriff’s department within one year and paying a portion of the training cost if they leave within one to two years. Roush said he would be happy with the one year or less requirement. He said he wanted the council to know that is he working on getting the policy completed.

The sheriff said they currently have 69 inmates in the jail with 32 of them from Vigo County.

Alliance Director Angie Risacher talked to the council about the broadband summit that was held recently at the fairgrounds. She said they had really good turnout with more than 50 people. She said RTC and Orange County Fiber are working together on the ROI project and broadband will be coming. She asked residents to remain patient. Risacher also briefly discussed the ROI housing plan which calls for 400 new houses built in the next five years. According to the survey done, this is the number of houses that will be needed in Martin County.

Risacher said that they have received numerous applications for the \$250,000 COVID relief grant received from OCRA. Application requests total \$325,000. She said she is currently working on finding other funding from various organizations to help with the shortfall so everyone can get funding. The application process is still open for another nine days and anyone interested in applying can contact the Alliance office.

Martin County Coroner Cathy Evans

requested the council approve an additional money request for \$6,000 for autopsies. Evans said they have \$5,110 currently in the budget however autopsies are running \$1,600-\$1,900 each, with some being even more depending on the situation. She said the \$6,000 will hopefully get her through the remainder of the year. The council approved the request.

Courtney Hughett, with the Martin County Humane Society, presented the animal shelter’s semi-annual report. The animal shelter had taken in 105 dogs and cats as of June 30 and had 86 adoptions along with 12 dogs and one cat returned to their owner. The spay and neuter clinic that was added onto the shelter is complete and after software training is complete, the clinic will start doing surgeries next week. Hughett informed the council that the new Indiana law that went into effect on July 1 requires all shelters and rescues to spay and neuter dogs and cats before they can be adopted. She said that they already do this however when it comes to kittens and puppies, who are not old enough to be fixed, a \$75 deposit is required to be paid by the adopter to be returned when proof of the spay/neuter is turned in. Hughett said the shelter is adjusting how they will handle these situations as their clinic vet, Dr. Loughmiller, plans to spay/neuter as soon as the animal can possibly handle the surgery.

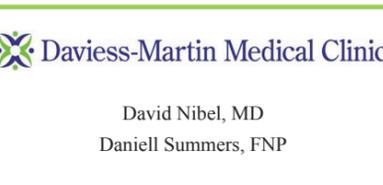
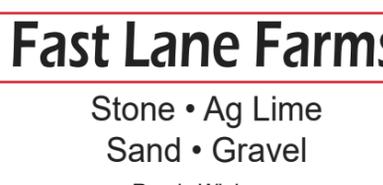
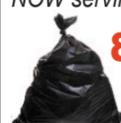
The council approved an additional money request of \$2,400 to pay SIDC. The council budgeted \$5,100 for SIDC fees however the bill the county received was for \$7,500.

Auditor Bobbie Abel told the council that a budget workshop will be held July 26 at 8 a.m.

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DAN WALLISA

Dan J. Wallisa passed away at 8:20 p.m. Monday, July 5, 2021, at his home surrounded by his family. A resident of Loogootee, he was 61.



He was born May 31, 1960, in Linton; son of the late Wayne Wallisa and Jewel (Anderson) Wallisa.

DAN WALLISA Dan was a member of the Loogootee Faith Fellowship Assembly of God. He was employed at Kimball International for 25 years. He enjoyed hunting, fishing, and gardening.

Dan loved spending time with his family and grandchildren. He also enjoyed participating in community outreach, such as prison ministry.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Wayne Wallisa and Jewel (Anderson) Wallisa and siblings, Bringham, Terry and Van Wallisa.

Dan is survived by his wife, Rhonda (Passen) Wallisa of Loogootee, whom he married on August 21, 1982; sons, James Wallisa of Loogootee and Jacob Wallisa of Shoals; daughter, Jeana Wallisa of Loogootee; granddaughters, Phoenix Parsons and Faith Qualkenbush; siblings, Sherry Norris-Reule (Jim), Tanya Ferris (Howard), Rose Shouse (Terry), Jan Wallisa and Jane Wallisa; sisters-

in-law, Judy Wallisa, Tanya Wallisa and Vicky Wallisa.

Funeral services will be conducted at 1 p.m. Friday, July 9 at Loogootee Faith Fellowship Assembly of God. Burial will follow in the Goodwill Cemetery.

Visitation will be held Friday, July 9 from 11 a.m. until 12:45 p.m. at Loogootee Faith Fellowship Assembly of God.

Condolences may be made online at www.blakefuneralhomes.com. Blake Funeral Home in Loogootee is honored to serve the family of Dan J. Wallisa.

KEITH TEDROW

Keith Tedrow passed away July 5, 2021, at the Martin County Health and Rehab in Loogootee. A resident of

Shoals, he was 84.

He was born November 28, 1936, in Martin County; son of Enoch and Dora (Acary) Tedrow.

He was a graduate of Shoals High School, was retired from National Gypsum and was a member of the Moose Lodge of Bedford.

He is survived by one sister, Lucille Spears of Indianapolis; several nieces and nephews; and a close friend, Betty Salmon and son, Paul Gene "P.J." Salmon.

He is preceded in death by his parents and ten siblings.

Funeral services will be held Thursday, July 8 at 1 p.m. at the Queen-Lee Chapel in Shoals with Pastor Marty Evans officiating. Burial will be in the Pleasant Valley Cemetery. Visitation will be 11 a.m. until the time of services at the funeral home.

The Queen-Lee Chapel of the Thorne-George Family Funeral Homes has been entrusted with the arrangements.

Consumer alert: Products recalled in June

Attorney General Todd Rokita is encouraging Hoosiers who purchased consumer products that were recalled in June to take advantage of the remedies available to them. "Hoosiers, you do not have to put up with faulty products," Attorney General Rokita said. "If something you purchased was recently discovered to be defective, don't wait to act. Find out what the company that made the product is offering as a solution and take advantage of it."

The following consumer products were recalled in June, according to the Consumer Product Safety Commission:

4-in-1 Rock 'n Glide Soothers and 2-in-1 Soothe 'n Play Gliders from Fisher-Price

Children's Barhee Fishing Hero Toy Games from Blue Star Trading

Girls' Nightgowns from La Paloma

24-inch Built-in Dishwashers from Cove Appliance

Kalorik Pro 1500F Electric Steakhouse Grill from Kalorik

2021 Can-Am Outlander and Renegade ATVs from BRP

Non-Contact Voltage Tester Model NCVT-1 from Klein Tools

Wintergreen Essential Oil, Birch Essential Oil, Headache Relief Essential Oil Blend, Headache Relief Roll-On Essential Oil Blend, and Deep Muscle Essential Oil Blend from Plant Guru

Brushed Gold Tea Kettles from Gramr Podium and Peak Fitness Water Bottles

COVID tests still available at testing site

Rapid COVID-19 tests (BinaxNOW COVID-19 Ag Cards) are available at the Dubois / Spencer / Martin County COVID Testing Site, at 400 South Clay Street in Jasper, during business hours while supplies last. Business hours are Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Saturday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. The site is closed Sunday and Monday. These are rapid tests for use using a nasal swab collected from individuals who are suspected of having COVID-19. The sample MUST be collected within the first seven days from onset of symptoms. They will not be used on anyone who has been asymptomatic.

Results should be available about 30 minutes after test. To schedule an appointment for a rapid test please register at [DuboisCountyTesting.as.me](https://duboiscountyttesting.as.me)

To register for an appointment to obtain a PCR COVID -19 test please visit <https://scheduling.coronavirus.in.gov/>.

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If you believe you purchased a recently recalled product, stop using it. Then, check its recall notice (linked above for all aforementioned products) and follow the notice's instructions. Generally, the instructions will include directions about where to return the product, how to get the product fixed, how to dispose of the product, how to receive a refund for the product, or what steps must be taken to receive a replacement product.

To view recalls, visit the Consumer Protection Safety Commission website at www.cpsc.gov/Recalls.

You will have to click "I don't have an invitation code". If you do not have internet, you can call the phone number above, if no one answers please leave a message and they will call you back. Results should be available within 2-5 business days. If you do not get your results, you can call the Indiana State Dept. of Health at 1-877-826-0011.

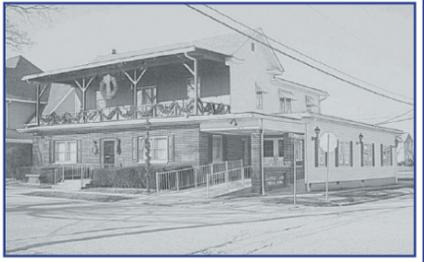
If you have questions, you can contact 812-329-0523 or the Dubois County Health Department at 812-481-7050

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Martin County Sheriff's Department log

MONDAY, JUNE 28

12:25 p.m. - Received a request for lift assistance near Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded but did not transport.

1:34 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded but did not transport.

2:08 p.m. - Received an alarm call in Loogootee. Loogootee Police responded.

2:17 p.m. - Received several calls about a suspicious man in Shoals. The sheriff's department responded.

3:28 p.m. - Received a report of a tree down on US 231, south of Loogootee. Martin County Civil Defense responded.

4:10 p.m. - Received a report of a tree limb in power lines near Shoals. Shoals Fire responded.

7:33 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Crane Martin County Ambulance and Crane Fire responded. The subject was transported to IU Health in Bedford.

9:35 p.m. - Received a report of a tree down north of Shoals. Indian Creek Fire responded.

TUESDAY, JUNE 29

1:20 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance and Loogootee Fire responded. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

4:32 a.m. - Received a report of a possible break in near Shoals. Captain Reed and Loogootee Officer Means responded.

7:52 a.m. - Received a noise complaint in Shoals. Major Keller responded.

8:26 a.m. - Received a dog complaint north of Shoals. Animal Control Officer Hughett was notified.

9:53 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance transported the subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

10:44 a.m. - Deputy Seymour took one inmate to court.

1:43 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance east of Shoals. Lost River Fire and Martin County Ambulance responded. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

3:10 p.m. - Deputy Seymour took two inmates to court.

5:07 p.m. - Received a report of property damage near Shoals. Deputy Shaw responded.

10:30 p.m. - Received a report of a tree across SR 450, north of Shoals. Chief Deputy Greene and Shoals Fire responded.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 30

2:21 a.m. - Received a report of a prowler in Loogootee. Loogootee Officer Means and Captain Reed responded.

8:51 a.m. - Deputy Flanagan assisted a motorist near Shoals with a vehicle identification check.

12:20 p.m. - Received a report of an accident near Shoals. Deputy Flanagan, Deputy Seymour, Shoals Fire, and Martin County Ambulance responded. No one was transported.

3:50 p.m. - Received a report of a reckless driver near Loogootee. Loogootee Police responded.

7:30 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Shoals. Deputy Shaw, Town Marshal Eckert, Shoals Fire, and Martin County Ambulance responded. The subject was transported to Daviess Community Hospital.

8:45 p.m. - Received a request for a welfare check near Shoals. Deputy Shaw responded and all was okay.

10:31 p.m. - Received a report of a dis-

abled vehicle near Shoals. Deputy Shaw responded.

THURSDAY, JULY 1

1:08 a.m. - Received a report of a missing person from east of Loogootee. Captain Reed, Deputy Lents, Loogootee Officer Wells, Martin County Civil Defense, Loogootee Fire, and Martin County Ambulance responded. The subject was located and did not need transport.

4:30 a.m. - Received a report of an accident north of Loogootee on US 231. Captain Reed and Loogootee Officer Wells responded.

11:08 a.m. - Received a dog complaint in Shoals. Animal Control Officer Hughett was notified.

11:33 a.m. - Received a report of a disabled semi north of Loogootee on US 231. Major Keller responded.

11:38 a.m. - Deputy Seymour took one inmate to court.

1:54 p.m. - Deputy Seymour took two inmates to court.

2:35 p.m. - Deputy Seymour took two inmates to court.

2:50 p.m. - Received a dog complaint east of Shoals. Animal Control Officer Hughett was notified.

3:00 p.m. - Received a dog complaint in Shoals. Animal Control Officer Hughett was notified.

6:25 p.m. - Deputy Shaw assisted a motorist east of Shoals with a vehicle identification check.

6:54 p.m. - Received a report of a tree on US 50, east of Loogootee. Deputy Shaw, Loogootee Officer Wells, Martin County Civil Defense, and Loogootee Fire responded.

9:03 p.m. - Received a request for lift assistance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded but did not transport.

9:10 p.m. - Received a report of an accident near Loogootee. Loogootee Officer Wells responded.

10:15 p.m. - Received a report of a disabled semi south of Loogootee on US 231. Loogootee Officer Wells responded.

11:40 p.m. - Received a report of a break-in in Shoals. Town Marshal Eckert, Deputy Lents, and Loogootee Officer Wells responded.

FRIDAY, JULY 2

1:25 p.m. - Received a report of an accident in Loogootee. Major Keller, Deputy Shaw, Loogootee Fire, and Martin County Ambulance responded. No one was transported.

3:56 p.m. - Received a report of a reckless driver near Loogootee. Deputy Wells responded.

4:32 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance near Shoals. Martin County Ambulance, Shoals Fire, and Deputy Shaw responded. The subject was transported to IU Health in Bedford.

5:19 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance near Shoals. Martin County Ambulance transported the subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

7:56 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Shoals. Martin County Ambulance responded but did not transport.

8:15 p.m. - Received a request for a welfare check in Loogootee. Loogootee Officer Means and Deputy Wells responded. All was okay.

SATURDAY, JULY 3

10:30 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Shoals. Martin County Ambulance transported the subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

11:38 a.m. - Received a dog complaint in Shoals. Animal Control Officer Hughett was notified.

12:50 p.m. - Received a report of

mischief near Shoals. Deputy Shaw responded.

5:06 p.m. - Received a report of a fight in Loogootee. Loogootee Captain Hennette, Deputy Shaw, and Martin County Ambulance responded. No one was transported.

5:25 p.m. - Received a report of a possible impaired driver near Loogootee. Deputy Shaw and Loogootee Captain Hennette responded.

9:00 p.m. - Received a cow complaint south of Loogootee. Loogootee Officer Means responded.

9:19 p.m. - Received a dog complaint in Loogootee. Animal Control Officer Hughett was notified.

SUNDAY, JULY 4

12:36 p.m. - Received a report of an

accident north of Shoals. Martin County Ambulance, Lawrence County Ambulance, Indian Creek Fire, and Deputy Wells responded.

1:41 p.m. - Received a dog complaint in Shoals. Deputy Shaw responded.

3:30 p.m. - Received a report of a vehicle abandoned in Shoals. Deputy Shaw responded.

6:47 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance north of Shoals. Shoals Fire and Martin County Ambulance responded. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

10:35 p.m. - Received a report of a disabled vehicle on US 231, south of Loogootee. Deputy Shaw, Reserve Deputy Dorsey, Loogootee Officer Means, and Martin County Ambulance responded.

ARRESTS

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 30

12:53 p.m. - Jennifer Bauernfiend, 40, of Bristow, was arrested by Deputy Seymour on a Martin County warrant and is being held without bond.

10:10 p.m. - Dylan Jones, 21, of Loogootee, was arrested by Loogootee Officer Wells and charged with dealing in methamphetamine, possession of methamphetamine, possession of marijuana, and resisting law enforcement. He is being held on a \$45,000 10% bond.

THURSDAY, JULY 1

7:50 a.m. - Joshua Rollins was arrested by Chief Deputy Greene on a Daviess County Warrant and was transferred to Daviess County.

3:35 p.m. - Travis Holman, 33, of Shoals, was arrested by Deputy Shaw on a Martin County warrant and is being held without bond.

FRIDAY, JULY 2

10:39 a.m. - Travis Grishaw, 45, of Loogootee, was arrested by Major Keller on a Martin County warrant and is being held without bond.



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COURT NEWS

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CRIMINAL COURT

New Charges Filed

June 1

Landon Alexander Anderson, burglary with a deadly weapon, a Level 2 Felony; theft, a Level 6 Felony; resisting law enforcement, a Level 6 Felony.

Chandra Shantel Wellman, theft, a Level 6 Felony.

June 2

Michael Alan Sluder, intimidation, a Level 6 Felony.

Elton Britt Sipes, dealing in a schedule I controlled substance, a Level 6 Felony.

Alias Rian Keasling, auto theft, a Level 6 Felony; resisting law enforcement, a Class A Misdemeanor; operating a vehicle while intoxicated, a Level 6 Felony; reckless driving, a Class B Misdemeanor.

June 7

William M. Aishe, driving while suspended, a Class A Misdemeanor; possession of marijuana, a Class B Misdemeanor.

Kelby L. Roberts, operating a vehicle after being habitual traffic offender, a Level 6 Felony; operating a vehicle while intoxicated endangering a person, a Class A Misdemeanor.

June 8

Robert Lee Beasley, operating a vehicle while intoxicated endangering a person, a Class A Misdemeanor.

Gary W. Harper, leaving the scene of an accident, a Class B Misdemeanor.

Shelby P. Venters, domestic battery, a Level 6 Felony.

Jeremie A. Tharp, domestic battery, a Level 6 Felony.

June 11

Randall Martin, operating a vehicle with an ACE of .15 or more, a Class A Misdemeanor; operating a vehicle while intoxicated endangering a person, a Class A Misdemeanor.

June 15

Larry G. Holt, Jr., resisting law enforcement, a Class A Misdemeanor.

Cameron H. Brown, driving while suspended, a Class A Misdemeanor; possession of marijuana, a Class B Misdemeanor.

Tonya M. Summers, operating a vehicle while intoxicated endangering a person, a Class A Misdemeanor; operating a vehicle with a schedule I or II controlled substance or its metabolite in the body, a Class C Misdemeanor.

Jessica L. Nelson, driving while suspended, a Class A Misdemeanor.

Amber L. Orchard, possession of methamphetamine, a Level 6 Felony; driving while suspended, a Class A Misdemeanor.

June 16

James Edward Lewis, operating a vehicle while intoxicated endangering a person, a Class A Misdemeanor; operating a vehicle with an ACE of .08 or more, a Class C Misdemeanor.

Jeremy D. Saunders, possession of marijuana, a Class A Misdemeanor.

June 22

Carl D. McCarty, driving while suspended, a Class A Misdemeanor.

Travis Jay Chastain, criminal trespass, a Class A Misdemeanor.

James E. Edington, two counts of domestic battery on a person less than 14 years of age, Level 6 Felonies.

June 28

Roland L. Slaubaugh, operating a vehicle with an ACE of .15 or more, a Class A Misdemeanor; operating a vehicle while intoxicated endangering a person, a Class A Misdemeanor.

William Garrett Chase Bratton, intimidation, a Level 6 Felony; resisting law enforcement, a Class A Misdemeanor; false informing, a Class A Misdemeanor;

or; public intoxication, a Class B Misdemeanor.

June 29

Casey D. Gee, operating a vehicle while intoxicated, a Class C Misdemeanor.

Kelby L. Roberts, trafficking with an inmate, a Level 5 Felony; controlled substances criminal mischief, a Level 6 Felony.

CRIMINAL CONVICTIONS AND SENTENCINGS

June 23

Brandon S. Stone, convicted of possession of methamphetamine, a Level 5 Felony. Sentenced to serve 1,825 days at the Indiana Department of Corrections with 0 days suspended and credit for 160 actual days previously served plus 53 Class B credit days.

June 25

Johnathan W. Dant, convicted of invasion of privacy, a Class A Misdemeanor. Sentenced to serve 365 days with 365 days suspended. Defendant received 12 months of probation.

Corey G. Scammon, convicted of illegal taking of a wild animal, a Class C Misdemeanor. Ordered to pay \$500 to the conservation officers fish and wildlife fund.

CRIMINAL CHARGES DISMISSED

June 23

Brandon S. Stone, dealing in methamphetamine, a Level 4 Felony, dismissed; maintaining a common nuisance – controlled substances, a Level 6 Felony, dismissed; possession of marijuana, a Class B Misdemeanor, dismissed; possession of paraphernalia, a Class C Misdemeanor, dismissed.

June 24

Jared R. Curtis, operating a motor vehicle without ever receiving a license, a Class C Misdemeanor, dismissed.

June 25

Corey G. Scammon, hunting wild animals without a license, a Class B Misdemeanor, dismissed; violation of rule adopted by director, a Class C Misdemeanor, dismissed.

CIVIL COURT New Suits Filed

June 23

TD Bank USA vs. Debra Montgomery, civil collection.

Christy L. Hert vs. Richard A. Hert, petition for dissolution of marriage.

June 24

Discover Bank vs. Debra Montgomery, civil collection.

Lenora D. Craft vs. David D. Craft II, petition for dissolution of marriage.

June 25

Crown Asset Management, LLC vs. Victoria Lawson, civil collection.

June 28

Carlye C. Crim vs. Adam J. Crim, petition for dissolution of marriage.

June 29

LVNV Funding, LLC vs. Jeff Cooper, civil collection.

CIVIL COURT JUDGMENTS

June 24

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Unifund CCR, LLC and against the defendant Janet Limbach in the amount of \$546.95.

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Isha Wright-Ryan and against the defendant Marvin Lengacher in the amount of \$3,957.31.

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Unifund CCR, LLC and against the defendant Janet Limbach in the amount of \$849.90.

SMALL CLAIMS COURT

New Suits Filed

June 24

Hoosier Accounts Service vs. William Hopkins, complaint.

Hoosier Accounts Service vs. Lacey K. Braun, complaint.

Hoosier Accounts Service vs. Amber R. Cramer, complaint.

June 25

James Edington vs. Cristeen Hamlon, complaint.

SMALL CLAIMS JUDGMENTS

June 24

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Hoo-

Loogootee Police log

MONDAY, JUNE 28

11:45 a.m. - Caller reported a possible scam by texts.

2:09 p.m. - Assistant Chief Rayhill responded to an alarm at a local business.

9:38 p.m. - Officer Means completed a welfare check.

9:58 p.m. - Officer Means spoke with a complainant regarding a possible protective order violation.

10:13 p.m. - Officer Means and Sgt. McBeth completed a welfare check.

10:45 p.m. - Officer Means and Sgt. McBeth completed a welfare check.

TUESDAY, JUNE 29

2:06 p.m. - Chief Floyd spoke with a complainant regarding a vandalism.

6:40 p.m. - Officer Means completed a welfare check.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 30

8:00 a.m. - Chief Floyd responded to a report of a semi broken down on US 50 in front of the Marathon.

12:46 p.m. - Loogootee Fire Department responded to an active alarm at the Loogootee Nursing Center. Everything checked secure.

3:49 p.m. - Chief Floyd responded to a report of an erratic driver on JFK Avenue.

5:05 p.m. - Chief Floyd responded to a semi broken down at US 231 South and US 50.

THURSDAY, JULY 1

1:37 p.m. - Captain Hennette responded to a report of a reckless driver with a child in the backseat without a seatbelt.

Martin County real estate transfers

Kevin R. Johnson, of Martin County, Indiana to Melissa D. Fields, Cynthia K. Phillips, and Randall E. Johnson, of Martin County, Indiana, Lots Numbered 87 and 88 in the Town of Dover Hill, Martin County, Indiana.

Micah Hawkins, of Martin County, Indiana to Jordan Hawkins and Leslie Brooke Hawkins, of Martin County, Indiana, 600 acres in Section 14, Township 2 North, Range 3 West.

Allen C. Voegerl, of Martin County, Indiana to Timothy A. Voegerl, of Martin County, Indiana, Lot Number "B" in Sherfick's Addition to the Town of Shoals, Indiana.

Robert J. Whaley, of Martin County, Indiana to Kyle S. Byers, of Lawrence County, Indiana, 1.26 acres in Section 24, Township 3 North, Range 4 West.

Timothy A. Voegerl, of Martin County, Indiana to Samantha J. Rank and Morgan E. Baylis, of Martin County, Indiana, Lot Number "B" in Sherfick's

sier Accounts Service and against the defendant Megan D. Davis, a/k/a Megan Mitchner in the amount of \$3,648.61.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Ronnie L. Hantz of Loogootee and Nicole L. Oldham of Bedford.

Ethan W. Frye of Loogootee and Emma S. Burch of Loogootee.

6:53 p.m. - Loogootee Fire Department assisted the Martin County Civil Defense with a tree over the roadway near the 4-H Fairgrounds.

9:02 p.m. - First responders were dispatched to a medical call on Cedar Street.

9:07 p.m. - First responders were dispatched to an accident on SR 550.

11:37 p.m. - Officer Wells assisted the Martin County Sheriff's Department with a report of a suspicious person.

FRIDAY, JULY 2

1:26 p.m. - First responders were dispatched to an accident on West Broadway Street.

8:17 p.m. - Officer Means completed a welfare check.

10:15 p.m. - Caller reported a noise complaint.

10:23 p.m. - Caller reported a noise complaint.

11:08 p.m. - Caller reported a noise complaint.

SATURDAY, JULY 3

2:25 p.m. - Chief Floyd assisted a stranded motorist on US 231 South.

5:03 p.m. - Assistant Chief Rayhill responded to a domestic disturbance on West Broadway Street.

SUNDAY, JULY 4

7:51 p.m. - Officer Means responded to a report of a road hazard.

8:38 p.m. - Caller reported a reckless driver on West Washington Street.

10:39 p.m. - Officer Means responded to a report of a stranded motorist on US 231 South.

Addition to the Town of Shoals, Indiana.

Brian L. Harder and Teresa M. Harder, of Martin County, Indiana to Monty Gregory, of Martin County, Indiana, a tract of land 60 feet wide south of and adjacent to Lot Number 15 in McCormick's Subdivision of Lot Number 103 in Chenoweth's Extension to West Shoals and including a portion of Lot Number 41 in said McCormick's Subdivision.

Laura Mae Graber and Rita Kaye Shake, of Martin County, Indiana to Donna F. Combs, of Martin County, Indiana, Lot Number 30 in Risacher's First Addition to Loogootee, Indiana.

C. Darryl Logsdon, of Jefferson County, Kentucky to Dennis Hughes, of Martin County, Indiana. Tract I: Tract B in Lot 146 in the Town of Crane in Martin County, Indiana. Tract II: Tract B in Lot 147 in the Town of Crane in Martin County, Indiana. Tract III: Tract B in Lot 148 in the Town of Crane in Martin County, Indiana.

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By Ann Ackerman



My friend Judy Treffinger sent me this several months ago and I just now discovered it in my files. If you are a dog lover, you will understand these quotes – but if you’re not a dog lover, you should probably skip reading until I change the subject next week.

*One reason a dog can be such a comfort when you’re feeling blue is that he doesn’t try to find out why. -Author Unknown

*The average dog is a nicer person than the average person. -Andy Rooney

*Some of our greatest historical and artistic treasures we place with curators in museums; others we take for walks. -Roger Caras

*If there are no dogs in heaven, then when I die, I want to go where them went. -Will Rogers

*One of the oldest human needs is having someone wonder where you are when you don’t come home at night. -Margaret Meade

*I can’t think of anything that brings me closer to tears than when my old dog, completely exhausted after a hard day in the field, limps away from her nice spot in front of the fire and comes over to where I’m sitting and puts her head in my lap, a paw over my knee, and closes her eyes, and goes back to sleep. I don’t know what I’ve done to deserve that kind of friend. -Gene Hill

*I have found that when you are deeply troubled, there are things you get from the silent devoted companionship of a dog that you can get from no other source. -Doris Day

*We give dogs time we can spare, space we can spare, and love we can spare. And in return, dogs give us their all. It’s the best deal man has ever had. -M. Facklam

*Dogs teach us many things about being a better person that people don’t teach.

*For me, a house or an apartment becomes a home when you add one set of four legs, a happy tail, and that indescribable measure of love that we call a dog. -Roger Caras

*A dog wags its tail with its heart.

*While he has not, in my hearing, spoken the English language, he makes it perfectly plain that he understands it. And he uses his ears, tail, eyebrows, various rumbles and grunts, the slant of his great cold nose or a succession of heart-rending sighs to get his message across. -Jean Little

ANIMAL SHELTER Pet of the Week



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*There is no psychiatrist in the world like a puppy licking your face. -Ben Williams

*Properly trained, a man can be dog’s best friend. -Corey Ford

*If I have any beliefs about immortality, it is that certain dogs I have known will go to heaven – and very, very few persons. -James Thurber

*The most affectionate creature in the world is a wet dog. -Ambrose Bierce

*My goal in life is to be as good a person as my dog already thinks I am.

*Dogs are not our whole life, but they make our lives whole. -Roger Caras

*The reason a dog has so many friends is that he wags his tail instead of his tongue.

RANDOM THOUGHTS

*Singing in the shower is great until you get shampoo in your mouth – then it’s a soap opera.

*You don’t have to move mountains. You will change the world just by being a warm, kindhearted human being.

Make someone smile today!

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Shoals School Board meeting

The Shoals School Board will meet Thursday, July 8 at 6 p.m. in the central administration office. The meeting is open to the public.

St. Vincent Food Pantry

The St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry, on Park Street in Loogootee, is open the fourth Thursday of the month except November and December when they are open the third Thursday. The hours are 8 a.m.-noon and 1-4 p.m.

Mental Health Task Force

The Martin County Mental Health Task Force meets on the second Wednesday of the month from 1-2 p.m. at the Community Learning Center on the Martin County Fairgrounds.

Celebrate Recovery meetings

Celebrate Recovery meetings will be held every Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. at Redemption Church in Loogootee. This is a Christ-centered recovery program and anyone is welcome to attend.

Local recovery meetings

Wednesdays-Alcoholic Anonymous, Martin County Community Corrections Building at 8 p.m.; Thursdays-Narcotics Anonymous, Redemption Church Loogootee at 8 p.m.; Fridays-Alcoholic Anonymous, Loogootee Municipal Building Loogootee at 8 p.m.

Free lunch for kids

New Beginnings Community Church will be offering a free lunch to all school age children every Saturday. Lunches

can be picked up at the fellowship hall of the church, located at 105 Wood St, Loogootee no later than 10:30 a.m. Deliveries will begin between 10:30 and 11 a.m. Saturdays.

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Solid waste board

The Martin County Solid Waste Board holds their monthly meetings on the third Wednesday of each month at 5:30 p.m. at the recycling center located at 500 Industrial Park Drive in Loogootee. The meetings are open to the public and anyone is invited to attend.

Soil and Water meetings

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

Loogootee’s Esch attends Space Academy

Noah Esch, of Loogootee, recently attended Space Academy at the U.S. Space & Rocket Center, home of Space Camp®, Space Camp® Robotics™, Aviation Challenge® and U.S. Cyber Camp®. The Rocket Center is a Smithsonian Affiliate and NASA Marshall Space Flight Center’s Official Visitor Center.

The weeklong educational program promotes science, technology, engineering and math (STEM), while training students and with hands-on activities and missions based on teamwork, leadership and problem solving.

This program is specifically designed for trainees who have a passion for space exploration. Noah spent the week training with a team that flew a simulated space mission to the International Space Station (ISS), the Moon or Mars. The crew participated in experiments and successfully completed an extra-vehicular activity (EVA), or spacewalk. Noah and crew returned to earth in time to graduate with honors.

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**RE: Water System Improvements
Division I – Electrical Upgrades
City of Loogootee, Martin County, Indiana
MEI Project # 2020078-00**

June 30, 2021

Dear Prospective Bidder:

Plans and specifications for the above project are now available at the Loogootee Office of Midwestern Engineers, Inc. The bids will be opened at **10:00 A.M. Eastern (Local Time) on July 22nd, 2021**, by the City of Loogootee at their City Hall located at 401 John F. Kennedy Ave., Loogootee, IN 47553.

The project consists of:

Division I:

- Electrical upgrades to the existing water system including upgrades to SCADA and the WTP Standby Generator and ATS.

Plans and Specifications may be obtained at the Loogootee office of Midwestern Engineers, Inc. The service charge for Contractors to view the plans and specifications for preparing their bid is as follows: 1) Viewing by digital download at <https://app.midwesterneng.com/planroom> - \$100.00 per Division and 2) Viewing paper-bound printed plans and specifications - \$300.00 per Division. All service charges for viewing are non-refundable. When plans and specifications are ordered from midwesterneng.com/planroom, instructions for payment will be provided in the downloading process.

A paper bound set of Plans and Specifications are also on file at the Loogootee City Hall at 401 John F. Kennedy Ave., Loogootee, IN 47553 and at this office, located at 802 West Broadway St., P.O. Box 295, Loogootee, IN 47553.

A pre-bid conference will be held at 10:00 A.M. Eastern (Local Time) on July 12th, 2021, at the Loogootee City Hall at 401 John F. Kennedy Ave., Loogootee, IN 47553. Anyone considering bidding on this project is encouraged to attend (but not mandatory). Representatives of the Owner and Engineer will be present to discuss the project

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In the Garden

By Ralph Purkhiser,
Purdue University Master Gardener

Just as the buzz of cicadas has ceased, another invasion seems to be in effect at Sandhill Gardens. This one is actually very enjoyable. When walking through the gardens, I am surrounded by butterflies! This is no accident. I love these flying flowers and have included many butterfly-friendly plants in my garden beds, with the aim of attracting and sustaining butterfly populations.

When it comes to butterflies, there are two distinct types of plants. Most butterflies have a specific host plant on which they lay their eggs. The host plant is the food for the larvae, who begin to eat as soon as the eggs hatch. Growing host plants takes a tough gardener. You have to be willing to look at plants on which the leaves have been skeletonized. I personally smile when I see the lacy-looking leaves on certain plants, because I know they have fulfilled their purpose.

Nectar for the adult butterflies is the other plant need. Nectar comes from flowers, and butterflies are especially fond of flowers that grow in clusters, allowing them to eat from several blooms without having to move for a while.

Some plants can perform both functions. Perhaps the most famous dual-purpose butterfly plant is milkweed. It is well-known as the host plant for monarch butterflies and the blooms are nectar-rich and provide food for monarchs and many other butterfly species. Considered a weed by many, in recent years, gardeners and conservationists have mounted a campaign to increase milkweed cultivation. The Latin name for milkweed is *Asclepias*, named for the Greek god of healing. Indeed, various milkweeds have been used medicinally for centuries. Some have even been used for food, but all have at least some degree of toxicity. This toxicity is important for the monarchs. The toxic substances stay in the butterfly's body and keep it safe from predators.

Worldwide, there are more than 200 individual species in the genus *Asclepias*, occurring mostly in North and South America and Africa. In Indiana, at least 15 species occur perennially, and one may grow other tropical species as annuals.

Patoka Lake hosts 30th annual star party July 10

Patoka Lake will host its 30th annual Star Party on Saturday, July 10, at the Patoka Lake Nature Center and the Patoka Lake Beach.

From 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., Patoka's interpretive naturalist will teach visitors how to make solar bead bracelets. Beads will be clear inside and change colors with the sun when outdoors. Cost is \$2 per bracelet kit. The kits include stretchy cord and solar, glow-in-the-dark, and colored beads.

In the evening, NASA Solar System Ambassador Tony Brian and his team of astronomers will help visitors interpret and identify objects in the night sky through telescopes.

The entrance fee of \$7 per vehicle for Indiana residents and \$9 for out-of-state visitors is required for the Newton-Stewart State Recreation Area, located north of Wickliffe on State Road 164. For more information regarding this program or other interpretive events, call the Nature Center at 812-685-2447.

At Sandhill Gardens, three species of *Asclepias* are found growing in the meadow and other wild areas. The most common is simply known as common milkweed or *Asclepias syriaca*. These plants may top five feet tall, and the flowers grow in ball-like clusters. The flowers are a dark mauve color and are almost always covered with many different types of butterflies. One of the showiest milkweeds is *Asclepias tuberosa* or butterfly weed. The bright orange and yellow flowers occur in flat umbrels on plants that rarely top two feet tall. Swamp milkweed (*Asclepias incarnata*) grows in areas with moist soil. It has thick, white running roots that allow the plant to form colonies and survive in heavy clay soils. The flowers are in clusters about two inches across and are white to light pink and are sometimes mistaken for Queen Ann's lace or poison hemlock.

The other milkweed species found in Indiana have specific cultivation needs and many are found in only limited places. Aquatic milkweed (*Asclepias perennis*), as one might expect, requires consistently wet soil. It will have white ball-shaped bloom clusters. Clasp milkweed (*Asclepias amplexicaulis*), also known as sand milkweed and curly milkweed, grows only in dry, sandy soil and its pink flowers grow in loose umbrels, resembling pom-poms. Mead's milkweed (*A. meadii*) is a rare milkweed, found in only 6 midwestern states. In fact, it once was extinct in Indiana, but has been re-established from plants found in Illinois.

Other Hoosier milkweeds include four-leaf milkweed (*A. quadrifolia*), green antelope horn (*A. viridis*), green comet (*A. viridiflora*), poke milkweed (*A. exalta*), prairie milkweed (*A. sullivantii*), purple milkweed (*A. purpurascens*), redring milkweed (*A. variegata*), tall green milkweed (*A. hirtella*), and whorled milkweed (*A. verticillata*). Some are quite rare and are considered threatened due to habitat loss. The milkweeds really are not a weed at all, but essential plants to the cycle of life for monarchs and other butterflies.

New state record set for cover crops

According to a recent conservation survey, Indiana farmers have set a conservation record this year by planting an estimated 1.5 million acres of overwinter living covers, the largest amount ever recorded by an Indiana Conservation Partnership survey. Overwintering living covers (i.e. - cover crops and small grains, like wheat) are known for their environmental benefits. Cover crops and small grains help increase organic matter in the soil and improve overall soil health by adding living roots to the soil more months of the year. Cover crops also improve water infiltration into the soil, while other covers, like legumes serve as natural fertilizers.

Although the conservation transect doesn't differentiate between cover crops and small grains, Indiana farmers typically plant fewer than 200,000 acres of small grains annually, so cover crops vastly dominate the 1.5 million estimated acres. With the exception of corn and soybeans, cover crops are planted on more acres than any other commodity crop in Indiana. Cover crops are typically planted in the fall after harvest and designed to protect the soil and keep roots in the ground throughout the winter, which improves soil health and helps filter water runoff.

"I want to congratulate Hoosier farmers for continuing to be a leader in conservation," said Lt. Gov. Suzanne Crouch,

Apply for reserved hunts starting July 6

Beginning July 6, hunters could start applying for a variety of reserved hunts online by visiting on.IN.gov/reservedhunt.

The online method is the only way to apply for the hunts listed below. No late entries will be accepted. Applicants must possess a hunting license that is valid for the hunt for which they are applying.

Hunters will be selected through a random computerized drawing. Applicants will be able to view draw results online within two weeks after the application period has closed. An email will be sent to all applicants when draws have been completed.

Applications for the following hunting opportunities open July 6. Applications must be submitted by 11:59 p.m. on August 9:

Dove Hunts: Applicants may select the desired date and property. Due to inclement spring weather, other crops may have been planted in place of or along with sunflowers. Participating properties include Atterbury, Goose Pond, Jasper-Pulaski, Kankakee, Kingsbury, Pigeon River, Glendale, J.E. Roush Lake, Willow Slough, Blue Grass, and Winamac Fish & Wildlife areas (FWAs).

FWA Waterfowl Hunts: Participating FWAs include Goose Pond, Hovey Lake, Kankakee, Kingsbury, LaSalle, and Willow Slough. Province Pond Wetland Conservation Area, managed by J.E. Roush Lake FWA, will also participate.

FWA Deer Hunts: Participating FWAs include Deer Creek and Fairbanks Landings.

State Park Deer Hunts: State Parks participating include Chain O'Lakes, Clifty Falls, Fort Harrison, Indiana Dunes, Lincoln, Ouabache, Pokagon, Potato Creek, Shakamak, Spring Mill, Summit Lake, Tippecanoe River, Turkey Run, Versailles, and Whitewater Memorial. Trine State Recreation Area and Cave River Valley Natural Area will also participate.

Military and National Wildlife Refuge (NWR) Deer Hunts: Properties participating include Camp Atterbury Joint Ma-

neuver Training Center, Big Oaks NWR, and Muscatatuck NWR. Muscatatuck NWR will host one reserved firearms deer hunt for youth.

Indiana Private Lands Access (IPLA) Hunts: IPLA will offer deer, waterfowl, and game bird hunts. Applications for the deer and waterfowl hunts will be accepted July 6 through August 9. Applications for the game bird hunts will be accepted August 16 through September 30. Applicants may select the date(s) and location when applying.

Pheasant Hunts: The application period for pheasant hunts will open August 16 and close September 30. Additional information about these hunts will become available at a later date.

Please note that only one application per hunt is allowed. No changes can be made once an application is submitted.

The application process is now consolidated into the license system website along with CheckIN Game and HIP registration. An online account is not required to apply, but a Customer ID number is needed.

In this system, hunts without a registration fee will follow the same process as those with a fee. To register for hunts with no fee required, applicants will be asked to "Add to Cart," "Proceed to Checkout," and "Place Order." If the transaction total is \$0, the applicant will not be asked to enter credit card information. Applicants must "Place Order" to finish their application.

To view draw results, applicants can log in to their license system account or click "View hunt draw results" at on.IN.gov/reservedhunt. From there, applicants should select "Click here" under Reserved Hunts to see the status of registered hunts. The link will show only upcoming hunts that an individual has registered for. Logging into their online account is required to see the full history of past hunt registrations.

More information is available at on.IN.gov/reservedhunt.

who also serves as Indiana Secretary of Agriculture and Rural Development. "By increasing our cover crop practices, we are keeping Indiana waterways and soil healthier for future planting seasons and the next generation of farmers."

As a result of the cover crops planted last year, it is estimated that 1.6 million tons of sediment was prevented from entering Indiana's waterways, which is enough sediment to fill more than 453 Olympic-size swimming pools. Overwintering covers also prevented 4.1 million pounds of nitrogen and over 2 million pounds of phosphorus from entering Indiana's waterways.

The conservation survey also showed that 62 percent of farmed acres were not tilled and 18 percent had employed reduced tillage after the 2020 harvest. This early spring survey is not intended to quantify pre-planting tillage.

"This year's data may be surprising to some considering the tough farm economy this past year. But over time, our farmers have learned that incorporating a comprehensive management system into their operation that includes cover crops and no-till/strip-till have helped improve the sustainability and productivity of their soils," said Indiana State Conservationist, Jerry Raynor. "As a result, farmers are sequestering more carbon, increasing water infiltration, improving wildlife and polli-

nator habitat—all while harvesting better profits and often better yields.

Indiana State Department of Agriculture Director Bruce Kettler is excited to see what the future holds for soil conservation in Indiana.

"Soil conservation remains strong in Indiana and this recent survey proves that Hoosier farmers go above and beyond in their best management practices to increase soil health," said Kettler. "I am optimistic that this trend of increasing cover crop acres will continue for years to come."

One Indiana farmer is already experiencing the benefits of adding a cover crop mixture to his operation this past year. Greg Mager farms 450 acres of corn, soybeans and wheat in Parke County, Indiana. Along with managing cover crops on his operation for more than eight years, Mager is also promoting soil health on his land by continuously no-tilling for more than ten years and having a comprehensive nutrient and pest management plan for his land.

"The cover crops that I planted this year's corn and beans into have held the weeds down considerably. So much so, I may not need any herbicide applications this year. If I do, it will be limited," Mager said.

Visit isda.in.gov to see the results from the survey.

Grazing Bites

By Victor Shelton
NRCS State Agronomist/Grazing Specialist

Suddenly, it's July. We are past the summer solstice – the official start of summer. The summer solstice is best described as the longest period of daylight and the shortest night of the year. The length of the days plays an important role with some plants, because they use the length of the nights to cue the release of hormones for flowering and fruiting - photoperiodism. This topic came up recently and made me stop and think about its possible implications on forages for grazing. Let's ruminate on this a bit.

Photoperiodism basically describes what a particular species of plant does in response to changing day lengths. Plants are classified into three groups according to the photoperiods: short-day plants, long-day plants and day-neutral plants. Plants adapt to seasonal changes in their environment, but photoperiod doesn't change. Day length is pretty much the same for any particular day at the same latitude every year. The closer you get to the equator - the more balanced day and night hours are year around. Ironically, the term photoperiod is misleading because the length of the dark period is what predominantly controls plant growth, not the daylight. Temperature, moisture, growing degree days and air pressure are all very much less regular. It's interesting but shouldn't be too much of a surprise that both plants and animals use photoperiodism to adjust their activities.

Short-day plants require less than 12 hours of sunlight, or more than 12 hours of darkness. Long-day plants require greater than 12 hours of sunlight or less than 12 hours of darkness. Plants that have a flowering process that is not regulated by day length are called day-neutral plants – they bloom when they are old enough. Day length exceeds 12 hours after the spring equinox and then is less than 12 hours starting at the autumn equinox. Most plants won't grow much once daylight is under 10 hours. The summer solstice marks the end of increasing day length and the start of decreasing day length. The winter solstice, likewise, marks the end of decreasing day length and the start of increasing day length.

Indiana is long enough from north to south to have some differences in day length; remember it's about latitude. Right now, the very northern counties have about 25 more minutes of daylight than the very southern counties.

What does this have to do with grazing? Good question! It does impact annuals planted for grazing more than adapted perennials. Changes in day length indicate the season for plants. This helps them to figure out when it is time to start growing, flowering and going to seed.

Turnips, radishes, rapeseed and similar hybrids are often included in forage mixes for grazing. Though these species certainly can be included in spring seeding mixes, they do a lot better if planted after the summer solstice with increasing nighttime. The combination of increasing day length and warm temperatures usually indicates to these species to initiate bolting (flowering) and reduced forage value. It tricks some biennial plants into acting like an annual plant. Typically, these plants prefer to grow with decreasing daylight after planting, then go through a vernalization, which is a period of cold temperatures that is needed to form flowers for seed production the next spring. This is the true nature of most biennial plants.

I find it interesting that not all brassicas (cruciferous species of the Brassicaceae family, e.g. cabbage, broccoli, kale, mustard, radish, turnips, etc.) require the same vernalization or day length requirements. To complicate it, there are also some differences depending on time length to maturity within the same species. Turnips, radishes, rapeseed and hybrids of those tend to go

to seed when planted in the spring. Garden radishes would do the same if you let them go - they just don't usually reach that stage before you eat them, or they may bolt more quickly if you planted them late under warmer conditions. Most of those garden radishes are very short season which helps to delay flowering if planted very early. The rest that were mentioned would be fine if all you wanted to do was add some extra diversity into a spring annual forage mix, but they rarely perform in bulk leaf or tuber/root growth as they do later in the year. These species tend to produce more forage for grazing planted post the summer solstice with increasing nighttime. If you think about how these plants or their wild counterparts would have grown naturally, most would just now be starting to drop seed from last year's plants.

Brassicas that tend to be more day length neutral and can do quite well planted in the spring include kale, some forage cabbages and collards. These usually must have a cold period in order to flower and produce seed. There are certainly subspecies and hybrids that are bred for certain growth periods or conditions, but for the most part, most prefer to grow as biennials, not annuals and the growth is reflective of that and most forage varieties are best planted for fall, winter, and perhaps next spring use.

I'll stray down a side path for a moment since this whole topic today is already a bit array. Where species won't over winter because of too cold of conditions and you want to collect seed, plants are typically collected in the fall, stored over winter and replanted the next spring to be able to collect seed from them to sustain the species or variety.

Now back to July grazing! The weather has thrown some wrenches into mowing plans to restrain runaway forage growth in a lot of the area. Some areas are still short of moisture and hopefully some timely rains will quickly come for rejuvenation them.

In June, we talked about controlling vegetation that was quickly maturing. Well, if you are like me and between lack of sufficient time and dodging raindrops, it all didn't get done. It's not too late. Benefits can still be achieved, but there are alternatives also.

If you are bound to clip, then raise the mower up just enough to only remove stems and seed heads and very little leaf matter. Mowing deeper into the stand and laying down too much material not only removes some of that solar panel, but it also covers up a good bit of it, too. It's not a bad idea to mow a couple rounds and get off and look at it closer. Are you removing enough or too much? It's best to not get into any new growth and honestly, if you have to clip, then directly behind the livestock is probably best.

If the field hasn't been grazed yet, then go ahead and graze it. Let the cows lay down a lot of that forage that they don't eat. It will still come back and that material that is laid down will provide cover and nutrients for the next growth. That cover is especially beneficial if it suddenly turns dry.

I generally don't recommend cutting it for hay at this point. Yes, it has "bulk" to it and will produce more bales, but you are baling the good with the poor material and removing nutrients no matter the quality. Haying now can slow regrowth for cool season forages this time of year. The eye should be focused more on trying to maintain quality forage for as long as possible and for future stockpiling.

I know quite a bit about plants, but there is also a lot I know I still don't know. It never hurts to keep asking why! Remember, it's not about maximizing a grazing event, but maximizing a grazing season! Keep on grazing!

Volunteers can report turkey hens and young to DNR

Volunteers can help DNR learn more about Indiana's wild turkey populations by reporting turkey broods from July 1 through August 31. The report form has been improved and updated to be more convenient for volunteers.

Each summer, wildlife biologists and volunteers from across Indiana conduct brood surveys, counting the number of turkey hens with or without broods to estimate how many young turkeys live through the summer. Summer brood survival is one of the primary factors influencing wild turkey population trends in various regions of the state and informs wild turkey management.

This year DNR aims to collect 3,000 reports across the state with a goal of at least 25 reports per county.

Individuals will have an easier time submitting sightings using the new form, which requires no password and can be found at <https://bit.ly/3z2Vx5h>. That link also includes instructions for the survey and an illustrative guide on how to report wild turkey broods and hens, as well as the results of the previous summers' brood surveys.

For more information about wild turkey biology and management, see on [IN.gov/turkey/](https://www.in.gov/turkey/).

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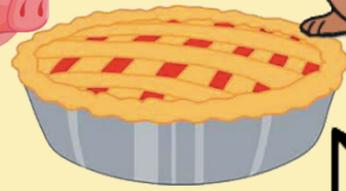
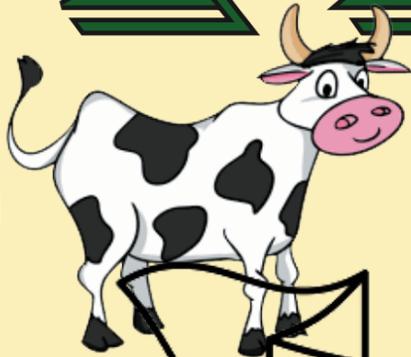
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**Friday, July 9-
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Friday, July 9

- 5 pm: Building and vendors open to public
- 5 pm-7 pm: Sign up for Silent Auction Items
- 5 pm-7 pm : Antique Tractor Show
- 6 pm-10 pm: Carnival Games
- 6:30 pm: Queen Contest at Free Stage
- Public Fashion Revue during Queen Contest
- Little Miss and Mr. Martin County
- Cody and the Sidewinders – ½ hour after the queen contest is over at the Free Stage

Saturday, July 10

- 9 am: Beef show in Livestock arena
- 9:30 am-10:15 am: Mud Volleyball pre-registration
- 9 am: Horse Show
- 10:30 am: Mud Volleyball
- 1 pm: Rabbit show in Livestock arena
- 4 pm: Lawn tractor driving contest
- 5 pm: Farm Bureau Games in Livestock arena - Sponsored by Martin County Farm Bureau, Inc.
- 5 pm-7 pm: Sign up for Silent Auction items
- 4:30 pm-6:30 pm: Loogootee School Band
- 6 pm-10 pm: Carnival Games

Sunday, July 11

- Noon: Building and Vendors open to Public
- 2 pm: Poultry Show
- 4 pm: Corn Hole contest
- 4 pm: Shooting Sports
- 4 pm: Kiddie Tractor Pull - Sponsored by Farm Credit Mid-America
- 5 pm: Gospel music at the Free Stage
- 5 pm: Goat show in the Livestock Arena
- 6:30 pm: Sheep show in the Livestock Arena
- 5 pm-7 pm: Sign up for Silent Auction items
- 6 pm: Baby Show on Free Stage
- 6 pm-10 pm: Carnival Games
- 6 pm-9 pm: Fire Truck/ Police/ DNR
- 6 pm-8 pm: Caricature Drawing - Sponsored by Country Kids Daycare

Monday, July 12

- 2 pm: Cat show in the Community Learning Center
- 5 pm: Building and Vendors open to Public
- 5 pm-7 pm: Sign up for Silent Auction Items
- 5:30 pm: Cowabunga in the Livestock Arena Sponsored by Loogootee VFW 9395
- 6 pm: Swine Show in the Livestock Arena
- 6 pm-10 pm: Carnival Games

Tuesday, July 13

- 5 pm: Building Open to Public
- 5 pm-6:30 pm: Sign up for Silent Auction items
- 5:30 pm: Supreme Showmanship in Livestock Arena
- 6:45 pm: Silent Auction winners announced in the Livestock Arena
- 7 pm: Auction in Livestock Arena
- 7 pm-8 pm: Release of Projects

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National unemployment stays at 5.9 percent for June

Total nonfarm payroll employment rose by 850,000 in June, and the unemployment rate was little changed at 5.9 percent, the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics reported last week. Notable job gains occurred in leisure and hospitality, public and private education, professional and business services, retail trade, and other services.

This news release presents statistics from two monthly surveys. The household survey measures labor force status, including unemployment, by demographic characteristics. The establishment survey measures nonfarm employment, hours, and earnings by industry.

Household Survey Data

Both the unemployment rate, at 5.9 percent, and the number of unemployed persons, at 9.5 million, were little changed in June. These measures are down considerably from their recent highs in April 2020 but remain well above their levels prior to the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic (3.5 percent and 5.7 million, respectively, in February 2020).

Among the major worker groups, the unemployment rates for adult men (5.9 percent), adult women (5.5 percent), teenagers (9.9 percent), Whites (5.2 percent), Blacks (9.2 percent), Asians (5.8 percent), and Hispanics (7.4 percent) showed little or no change in June.

Among the unemployed, the number of job leavers--that is, unemployed persons who quit or voluntarily left their previous job and began looking for new employment--increased by 164,000 to 942,000 in June. The number of persons on temporary layoff, at 1.8 million, was essentially unchanged over the month. This measure is down considerably from the high of 18.0 million in April 2020 but is 1.1 million above the February 2020 level. The number of permanent job losers, at 3.2 million, was also essentially unchanged over the month but is 1.9 million higher than in February 2020.

In June, the number of long-term unemployed (those jobless for 27 weeks or more) increased by 233,000 to 4.0 million, following a decline of 431,000 in May. This measure is 2.9 million higher than in February 2020. These long-term unemployed accounted for 42.1 percent of the total unemployed in June. The number of persons jobless less than 5 weeks, at 2.0 million, changed little in June.

The labor force participation rate was unchanged at 61.6 percent in June and has remained within a narrow range of 61.4 percent to 61.7 percent since June 2020. The participation rate is 1.7 percentage points lower than in February 2020. The employment-population ratio, at 58.0 percent, was also unchanged in June but is up by 0.6 percentage point since December 2020. However, this measure is 3.1 percentage points below its February 2020 level.

The number of persons employed part time for economic reasons decreased by 644,000 to 4.6 million in June. This decline reflected a drop in the number of persons whose hours were cut due to slack work or business conditions. The number of persons employed part time for economic reasons is up by 229,000 since February 2020. These individuals, who would have preferred full-time employment, were working part time because their hours had been reduced or they were unable to find full-time jobs.

In June, the number of persons not in the labor force who currently want a job was 6.4 million, little changed over the month but up by 1.4 million since February 2020. These individuals were not counted as unemployed because they were not actively looking for work during the last 4 weeks or were unavailable to take a job.

Among those not in the labor force who currently want a job, the number of persons marginally attached to the labor force, at 1.8 million, changed little in June but is

up by 393,000 since February 2020. These individuals wanted and were available for work and had looked for a job sometime in the prior 12 months but had not looked for work in the 4 weeks preceding the survey. The number of discouraged workers, a subset of the marginally attached who believed that no jobs were available for them, was 617,000 in June, essentially unchanged from the previous month but 216,000 higher than in February 2020.

Household Survey Supplemental Data

In June, 14.4 percent of employed persons teleworked because of the coronavirus pandemic, down from 16.6 percent in the prior month. These data refer to employed persons who teleworked or worked at home for pay at some point in the last 4 weeks specifically because of the pandemic.

In June, 6.2 million persons reported that they had been unable to work because their employer closed or lost business due to the pandemic--that is, they did not work at all or worked fewer hours at some point in the last 4 weeks due to the pandemic. This measure is down from 7.9 million in May. Among those who reported in June that they were unable to work because of pandemic-related closures or lost business, 10.0 percent received at least some pay from their employer for the hours not worked, little changed from the previous month.

Among those not in the labor force in June, 1.6 million persons were prevented from looking for work due to the pandemic. This measure is down from 2.5 million in May. (To be counted as unemployed, by definition, individuals must be either actively looking for work or on temporary layoff.)

These supplemental data come from questions added to the household survey beginning in May 2020 to help gauge the effects of the pandemic on the labor market. The data are not seasonally adjusted. Tables with estimates from the supplemental questions for all months are available online at www.bls.gov/cps/effects-of-the-coronavirus-covid-19-pandemic.htm.

Establishment Survey Data

Total nonfarm payroll employment rose by 850,000 in June, following increases of 583,000 in May and 269,000 in April. In June, nonfarm payroll employment is up by 15.6 million since April 2020 but is down by 6.8 million, or 4.4 percent, from its pre-pandemic level in February 2020. Notable job gains in June occurred in leisure and hospitality, public and private education, professional and business services, retail trade, and other services.

In June, employment in leisure and hospitality increased by 343,000, as pandemic-related restrictions continued to ease in some parts of the country. Over half of the job gain was in food services and drinking places (+194,000). Employment also continued to increase in accommodation (+75,000) and in arts, entertainment, and recreation (+74,000). Employment in leisure and hospitality is down by 2.2 million, or 12.9 percent, from its level in February 2020.

In June, employment rose by 155,000 in local government education, by 75,000 in state government education, and by 39,000 in private education. In both public and private education, staffing fluctuations due to the pandemic, in part reflecting the return to in-person learning and other school-related activities, have distorted the normal seasonal buildup and layoff patterns, likely contributing to the job gains in June. (Without the typical seasonal employment increases earlier, there were fewer layoffs at the end of the school year, resulting in job gains after seasonal adjustment.) These variations make it more challenging to discern the current employment trends in these industries. Since February 2020, employment

is down by 414,000 in local government education, by 168,000 in state government education, and by 255,000 in private education.

Employment in professional and business services rose by 72,000 in June but is down by 633,000 since February 2020. In June, employment rose in temporary help services (+33,000), advertising and related services (+8,000), scientific research and development services (+7,000), and legal services (+6,000).

Retail trade added 67,000 jobs in June, but employment is down by 303,000, or 1.9 percent, since February 2020. Over the month, job growth in clothing and clothing accessories stores (+28,000), general merchandise stores (+25,000), miscellaneous store retailers (+13,000), and automobile dealers (+8,000) was partially offset by losses in food and beverage stores (-13,000) and health and personal care stores (-7,000).

The other services industry added 56,000 jobs in June, with gains in personal and laundry services (+29,000), in membership associations and organizations (+18,000), and in repair and maintenance (+9,000). Employment in other services is 297,000 lower than in February 2020.

Employment in social assistance rose by 32,000 in June, largely in child day care services (+25,000). Employment in social assistance is down by 236,000 from its level in February 2020.

In June, wholesale trade added 21,000 jobs, with gains in both the durable and nondurable goods components (+14,000 and +9,000, respectively). Employment in wholesale trade is 192,000 lower than in February 2020.

Employment in mining rose by 10,000 in June, reflecting a gain in support activities for mining. Mining employment is down by 110,000 since a peak in January 2019.

Employment in manufacturing changed little in June (+15,000). Within the industry, job gains in furniture and related products (+9,000), fabricated metal products (+6,000), and primary metals (+3,000) were partially offset by a loss in motor ve-

hicles and parts (-12,000). Employment in manufacturing is down by 481,000 from its level in February 2020.

Employment in transportation and warehousing was little changed in June (+11,000). Employment gains in warehousing and storage (+14,000), air transportation (+8,000), and truck transportation (+6,000) were partially offset by a loss in couriers and messengers (-24,000). Since February 2020, employment in transportation and warehousing is down by 94,000.

Construction employment changed little in June (-7,000). Over-the-month job losses in nonresidential specialty trade contractors (-15,000) and heavy and civil engineering construction (-11,000) were partially offset by a gain in residential specialty trade contractors (+13,000). Employment in construction is 238,000 lower than in February 2020.

In June, employment showed little change in other major industries, including information, financial activities, and health care.

Average hourly earnings for all employees on private nonfarm payrolls rose by 10 cents to \$30.40 in June, following increases in May and April (+13 cents and +20 cents, respectively). Average hourly earnings of private-sector production and non-supervisory employees rose by 10 cents to \$25.68 in June. The data for recent months suggest that the rising demand for labor associated with the recovery from the pandemic may have put upward pressure on wages. However, because average hourly earnings vary widely across industries, the large employment fluctuations since February 2020 complicate the analysis of recent trends in average hourly earnings.

In June, the average workweek for all employees on private nonfarm payrolls decreased by 0.1 hour to 34.7 hours. In manufacturing, the average workweek fell by 0.2 hour to 40.2 hours, and overtime declined by 0.1 hour to 3.2 hours. The average workweek for production and non-supervisory employees on private nonfarm payrolls declined by 0.2 hour to 34.1 hours.

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There shall be a membership fee for every water user in the amount of \$100.

A connection fee of \$40 will be charged when turning water on for a new customer.

If a member's water has been disconnected for non-payment of their account, a reconnect fee of \$75 PLUS the balance of their account must be paid in full before restoring service.