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County gives \$150,000 for Shoals Ball Park

BY COURTNEY HUGHETT

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The Martin County Council approved giving the Town of Shoals and the Shoals Park Board \$150,000 over the next five years to improve the ball park.

They explained that they have put in new bleachers, blacktopped the parking lot and done other things without having to come to the council, spending more than \$100,000.

Of the current costs of upgrades needed at the ball park, around \$300,000, lighting is the main cost. Town Council and Park Board members present said they are still looking into applying for grants to help with the remaining portion

The \$30,000 per year will come from the CEDIT (County Economic Development Income Tax) fund which currently contains \$200,000. Auditor January Roush said the park board will receive their first check next week.

The council also agreed to give \$25,000 to the Martin County Historical Society to cover the remaining funds needed to repair the museum bell tower. Historical Society President Bill Greene said they have raised \$120,000, through grants, memberships and donations, but are lacking the last \$25,000. The total cost to repair the bell tower is \$145,000.

Greene also told the council that during the Catfish Festival, the museum

had non-stop visitors. The historical society is up over 500 members now and they are still working toward increasing that number. Greene said after repairing the bell tower, they will have around \$9,000 remaining in their bank account to cover utilities, etc. to keep the museum open.

The \$25,000 will also come from the CEDIT fund.

The council approved the clerk's office to purchase new voting equipment for \$70,500. Clerk Gerald Montgomery explained that the current voting equipment is leased for \$40,000 per election year. The new equiptment will be owned by the county and has a life span of 15 years. He said that after a few years, the equipment will pay for itself. He also noted that due to Senate Bill 61, the county's current touch screen voting machines are not legal. The company who leases the county the machines is working to correct the issues and get the equipment certified but they are unsure if that will be done by next year's election.

The \$70,500 will buy six touch screen voting machines and Montgomery explained that the difference between the current machines and the new ones is that the new models print a ballot when the person is done voting. That strip ballot is then fed into a machine just like the paper ballots. Montgomery said this offers a paper trail if it came to vote recounting. The new equipment also (See 'SHOALS' continued on page 2)

City to sell water to Daviess County

BY COURTNEY HUGHETT

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The Loogootee City Council met Monday night, July 10 and one main topic of discussion was a contract with Daviess County Rural Water to sell them water starting next year. Utilities Superintendent Bo Wilson explained that 250,000 gallons for day for five years and then increase after that up to 400,000 gallons per day at \$2.65 per 1,000 gallons. Daviess County would finance all the construction costs and Wilson said it shouldn't cost the city any more in manpower. It will bring in an additional \$20,000 to the city a month at the maximum amount. Wilson said it won't eliminate the need for a future rate increase for water customers but it will help.

Wilson also said the extra water being sold would not affect current Loogootee Water customers' water pressure. The contract also states that the city will not sell water to Daviess County in the event of a drought.

The council then discussed the new policies and procedures manual for the city employees.

A company was hired to update the manual and a rough draft of the final product was presented to the council. Council Member Roger Downey brought up several points from the manual that he wanted all to be aware of. The first thing he pointed out was that the manual states that new employees would have to pay for the testing and exams required for the job and the city would reimburse. He felt the city

should pay that upfront and the employee should not be burdened. The council agreed.

The second item was he wanted to see if the council was approving additional days off due to elections. Jones said that the council does approve those on election years.

He wanted to make it known about the policy of drug testing on employees and negligent use of city vehicles and annual driving checks at the BMV. He also wanted it noted that city employees are required to wear seatbelts.

Downey also spoke about the compensation time and the new policy that states employees will be paid for all comp time at the end of the year and it can no longer be accumulated year after year. Clerk-Treasurer Jones said that she added up the comp time for the end of 2016 and if the city paid it all, it would have been \$35,000. The new policy only allows 160 hours of comp time to be accrued each year except for police officers who can carry 420 hours. Downey said he is fine with paying off the comp time at the end of this year so that it could be better handled from year to year.

On the section saying employees may do exit interviews, Clerk-Treasurer Jones said she thinks they should be required. The council agreed.

Downey also wanted to bring up the policy on tardiness and what is required by the employee if they will be late. He said the items he was bringing up didn't require discussion, he just wanted to make them publicly known.

The council discussed the bid for re-(See 'CITY' continued on page 3)

Commissioners discuss Bellgrade, animal ordinance, other business

BY COURTNEY HUGHETT

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The Martin County Commissioners met last Wednesday, July 5. Commissioner Kevin Boyd was not present for the meeting

Highway Superintendent Leo Padgett discussed with the commissioners a proposal from developers at Bellgrade to chip and seal a new road they are installing. The developer agreed to pay for chip and seal but if the county wanted asphalt, they would have to pay the difference. It was discussed that the other roads in Bellgrade have been deeded over to the county, making the county responsible for maintenance. Commissioner Paul George said that he assumed they would want to deed this road to the county too however that was not discussed. Superintendent Padgett said that with construction on the road building the houses, the chip and seal would not stand up. George replied that if the developers want to turn the road over to the county eventually, the road will need to be up to county standards. They decided to let the developers do chip and seal and not pay the extra for asphalt.

Padgett also told the commissioners that the hydraulics in the Gradall would end up costing \$20,000 to repair, with no guarantees it will last. He said that

he found a Gradall with 1,300 miles for \$36,000 and felt it would be more cost efficient to buy the new one as opposed to repairing the old one.

Federated Insurance, the county employees' health insurance provider, informed the county that as of December 31, 2017, they will no longer be offering health insurance coverage. Commissioner Dan Gregory said it may be time to start talking about self-pay on the insurance, depending on how claims were for the year.

Courtney Hughett, with the humane society, submitted the shelter's quarterly report and the 2016 financial report for a budget request for next year.

Hughett also spoke to the commissioners about an issue with shelter overcrowding now that the county had animal control. She said that a lot of stray dogs are coming in and the current county ordinance states that the shelter must hold them for five days giving an owner time to claim them. She explained that 99 percent of the time, no owner comes forward but the animal has to wait five days before they can be vetted or placed up for adoption. Hughett said she would like the stray hold timeframe to be reduced to three days. As far as coming up with a solution for full kennels, she said, this is one idea she had. She also (See 'COMMISSIONERS' on page 2)





Several Shoals students travelled to Orlando Florida for the 2017 National BETA Convention. The students' scrapbook, banner and spotlight your club were state winners and competed at the national level. The banner team won national BETA champion and are shown above. From left to right are Klayton Tichenor, Katrina Sipes and Evan Wagoner. Those who helped with the banner but were not pictured are Suzi Scott, Gabby Mc-Carty and Faith Abel. Shown in the photo on the left are all the students from Shoals that attended the convention. They were Ashley Mullins. Melanie Hawkins, Katrina Sipes, Jocelyn Davis-Berger, Ruth Wright, Evan Wagoner, Klayton Tichenor, and sponsor Shannon Wagoner. Not pictured were chaperones, Prescilla Sipes, Douglas Wagoner, and Mimi

COMMISSIONERS

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would like to have a few outdoor kennels placed in the shelter backyard as holding pins when the inside kennels are full of dogs. She plans to go to the Loogootee City Council to request their help with this because the city doesn't currently provide any funding toward the operation of the animal shelter.

The commissioners verbally agreed they have no problem with the stray hold change if the humane society board felt this would have an impact on over-

County Attorney Dave Lett said he would like for the animal control officer, the humane society and himself to go through the animal control ordinance to see if any other changed are needed prior to the re-advertising of the ordinance. Hughett agreed to look over the ordinance and get with Dave on any additional changes prior to the next commissioners' meeting.

Clerk Gerald Montgomery submitted a proposal for new election equipment. The county currently leases voting equipment from GBS for \$40,000 each election year. The new election equipment can be purchased from ES&S for \$70,575 and has a 15-year life span and has some capabilities not available with the current model. The commissioners approved the purchase contingent on the county council approving.

Surveyor Nathan Hoffman requested that he eliminate having two part-time

deputies in his office and instead having one full-time deputy, for next year. The salary for the full-time deputy will come from the CEDIT fund. The fulltime deputy will also receive full ben-

Community Corrections Director Kathy Collins told the commissioners that one of her employees was hit while parked in the parking lot of the Overlook. The county vehicle was totaled but her employee received no injuries.

The commissioners approved the bridge inspection contract from BF&S for \$272,000 for the next four years. The county receives 80 percent reimbursement for the contract from INDOT.

Auditor January Roush informed the commissioners that the property sale, due to delinquent property taxes, will be held this year on September 7 at 1 p.m. in the commissioners' room. Any property owner who does not get their property taxes paid up by that date will see their property go up in the auction.

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comes with a \$7,500 fee each election year for maintenance and licensing and upgrade fees. If purchased now, Montgomery said the company is offering a \$2,500 rebate.

Montgomery also noted that voters will still have the option to vote via paper ballot and do not have to use the touch screen machines.

The funding will come from the clerk's cumulative voting fund which currently contains \$230,000.

Sheriff Travis Roush told the council that the 18 new beds have been installed in the jail and he asked permission to go forward with his plan to take in inmates from other counties and the department of corrections. He said he can call and have the inmates brought immediately or he can wait until the jail inspector comes back and approves the bed installations. Sheriff Roush added that the eight or nine inmates that he brings in

will add around \$10,000 to the general fund. Council Member Barb McFeaters asked if the additional inmates would require the extra staffing for the jail. Roush replied that they are going to "suck it up" for the rest of the year with the staff they have now and go forward with any staff changes in the 2018 budget. The maximum number of inmates the jail can hold is 79. Roush said they had 70 inmates as of a few days ago but it is down to 63 currently. He wants to keep the local inmate count at 66, if possible, which is why he is also working with the judge and prosecutor's office.

The council agreed to bring in the out-of-county inmates.

Highway Superintendent Leo Padgett told the council that he had zero applications for the mechanic position after advertising for two more weeks. He asked if the council is ready to bump up the salary now or what advice they would give. He said that in one month, his labor costs on equipment repairs was \$5,300 and he's not going to have enough money in that fund to sustain him for the rest of the year.

The council asked Padgett to speak to one applicant that was previously interested in the position if the hourly wage was increased and see what kind of wage he was looking for.

The council also approved the highway department to purchase a lowmile, low-hour Gradeall from a city in Missouri for \$36,000.

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Obituaries

DENNIS NELSON

Dennis Nelson entered into eternal rest on July 5, 2017 in French Lick.



A resident of French Lick, he was 91.

He was born in Orange County on July 20, 1925; son of Albert Nelson and Virginia "Purkhiser" Nelson.

He married Vi-DENNIS NOLAN olet Irene Jones who preceded him in death on September 5, 1979 and then married Grace Evelyn Harrison Kearby and she survives.

He was a second-generation minister, ordained with the Wesleyan Tabernacle Association. While in ministry, he pastored first at Nicholson Valley Church, then at Crystal Community Church and last at Highland Chapel Church in West Baden Springs. Dennis was also a farmer, worked in contracting, started Nelson's Masonry and owned Twin City Lumber with his sons, Gerald and Tim Nelson, in French Lick.

He was very proud of the time he spent serving his country in WWII and loved to tell stories. He was a Corpsman in the United States Navy and one of the first soldiers to land on Sasebo, Japan after the allied victory. Dennis was a member of the West Baden American Legion Post #149 and attended the West Baden Springs High School before enlisting in the Navy.

He is survived by his wife, Grace Nelson of French Lick; two sons, Gerald Nelson (Vicki) and Tim Nelson (Rexanna), both of French Lick; one daughter, Exzelia Montgomery (Gerald) of Shoals; one step-son, Ronald S. Kearby (Terri) of Williamsport, seven grandchildren, 16 great-grandchildren, two great-great grandchildren; three

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placing the concrete on the sally port of the police department. The entire bid, to do the concrete on all the property around the municipal building was \$65,150 but the council decided to only do the sally port at this time. Mayor Noel Harty said he thought the sally port only was \$20,000.

Clerk-Treasurer Nancy Jones said that a second quote was supposed to be provided. Superintendent Bo Wilson said he had the second quote in his email but couldn't find it while looking on his phone during the meeting. The council decided they wanted to see the second quote before approving the work and have the exact amount for the sally port.

Mayor Harty informed the council that Federated Insurance will no longer be offering health insurance. He said they will have companies come in and speak to the council to find a replacement insurance for city employees.

When asked if the council could go in with the county, who is also losing Federated Insurance and will be looking for replacement insurance, the mayor replied that it really doesn't make much a difference in the price of premiums. Clerk-Treasurer Jones also said she didn't think they were allowed to do that.

The council agreed to pay \$1,750 for Melton's Tree Service to remove a tree from a property on High Street. This is half of the bill. The property owner will pay the other half. The money will come out of the EDIT (Economic Development Income Tax) fund.

step-grandchildren, and nine step-great grandchildren.

He was also preceded in death by his parents, two brothers, Murl and Eugene Nelson and two sisters, Juanita Pendley and Geneva Roach.

A funeral ceremony was conducted by Bro. Gerald Montgomery and Pastor John Moffatt on Sunday, July 9 at the Brosmer-Kemple Chapel in French Lick. Burial followed in Highland Chapel Cemetery, West Baden Springs.

In lieu of flowers, contributions in memory of Dennis can be made to Highland Chapel Church or Highland Chapel Cemetery, c/o Vonda Albright, 11097 Country Pines Road, Shoals, IN 47581

Arrangements are in the care of Brosmer-Kemple Funeral Homes, 9640 W. State Road 56, French Lick, Indiana 47432. Condolences may be made on their Facebook page at Brosmer-Kemple Funeral Home or at their website, www.brosmer-kemplefuneralhome.com.

WILLIAM TINKLE

William L. Tinkle, formerly of Shoals, passed away Tuesday July 4,



2017 at 8:20 p.m. at Jasper Memorial Hospital. He lived at The Timbers in Jasper for three years and was 80.

He was born on May 5, 1937 in Shoals; son of David and Ruth

WILLIAM TINKLE (Lindley) Tinkle.

He attended Shoals Schools. He was a logger and he enjoyed fishing.

He is survived by two sons, Roger Tinkle of Loogootee and Tony Tinkle of Shoals; two granddaughters and a grandson, Jason Tinkle of Loogootee; brothers, Tennis Tinkle of Loogootee and Harold Dean Tinkle of Crystal; sisters, Yvonne Stone of Shoals, Linda Courtright of Washington, Brenda Tedrow of Loogootee, Pam Blair of Washington and Lana Bush of Linton; and several nieces, nephews, great nieces and great nephews.

He is preceded in death by his parents, children, Kathy Tinkle and Michael Tinkle; brothers, Jack Tinkle, Daniel Tinkle and Carl Tinkle; sisters, Clara Wininger, Carolyn Sue Tinkle and Janet Ragains.

Funeral services were held Friday July 7 at the Queen-Lee Chapel of the Thorne-George Family Funeral Homes in Shoals with burial in the Springhill Cemetery. Bro. Marvin Lagle officiated.

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

MARGARET PIELEMEIER

Margaret Ilene Pielemeier passed away at 12:10 p.m. July 6, 2017 at Northwood Retirement Community in Jasper. A resident of Loogootee, she was 74.

She was born July 2, 1943 and was raised in Loogootee where she resided for the last 73 years.

Margaret married Roy Pielemeier on October 13, 1963 and is the mother of three children, Robert Dale Pielemeier of Evansville, Annette Kay Bohnert of Loogootee and Marlene Carole Pielemeier of Evansville. She is the proud MeMe of six grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

She was a loyal member of the Loogootee United Methodist Church for 54 years. She was very active in church

ministries such as, preschool, Pioneer Club, youth minister, lay minister, church camp counselor, United Methodist Women, choir and quilting. She also loved to garden, bake, sew, cook, tatting and shopping.

Memorial services were held Monday, July 10 at the Loogootee United Methodist Church.

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

JAMES SANDERS

James C. Sanders passed away at 12:40 a.m. Sunday July 9, 2017 at the Westview Nursing and Rehabilitation Center in Bedford. A resident of Shoals, he was 81.

He was born on June 23, 1936 in Martin County; son of James and Mary (Johnson) Sanders. He married Doris J Gammon on June 26, 1959 and she survives.

He retired from the National Gypsum in Shoals and was a member of the Loogootee Church of Christ.

He is survived by his wife, a son, James Kevin Sanders and friend, Cheryl Dalton, of Jasper; two daughters, Cheryl Lynn (Victor) Neideffer of Dover Hill and Julie Ann LaMarca (Tony) of Juda; two brothers William Sanders of Shoals, Kenneth Sanders of Shoals, and a sister, Brenda Dickens of Shoals. Also surviving are four grandchildren, Victor W. Neideffer III, Solomon J. Neideffer, Justin S LaMarca and Morgan Dalton Sanders, six great-grandchildren, Neal, Shiann, Briana, Lucas, Sophia and Pasiley.

He is preceded in death by his parents, a daughter, Karla R. Sanders; a brother, Jerry Sanders and a grandson, Samuel J Neideffer.

Funeral services were held at 11 a.m. this morning, Wednesday July 12 at the Queen-Lee Chapel of the Thorne-George Family Funeral Homes in Shoals, with Brother Doyle Tolbert officiating. Burial followed in the Spring Hill Cemetery.

Queen-Lee Chapel is in charge of the arrangements.

BRADLEY HUEBNER

Bradley Kent Huebner joined with his Heavenly angles on July 6, 2017 at his home after a lengthy illness with Down Syndrome complicated by



Eisenmenger's Syndrome. A resident of Loogootee, he was 53.

He was born September 19, 1963 in Washington; son of Gerald and Maxine (Arvin) Huebner. Brad attended

BRADLEY HUEBNER

Rosemary Kennedy School in

Washington; Hillcrest School in Vincennes; and received a graduate certificate from Lena Dunn School in Washington.

He was an avid NASCAR and Indy Race fan and was devoted to the "Dukes of Hazzard" having met seven cast members from the show. He loved watching movies and his Dukes of Hazzard cars.

He was preceded in death by his grandparents, Elmer and Hazel (Cochran) Huebner and Cletus and Blanche (Collins) Arvin; several aunts and uncles.

Those surviving who will cherish Brad's memory include; parents, Gerald and Maxine (Arvin) Huebner; brother, Morgan (Nancy) Huebner; sister, Shelly (Dale) Fields; niece, Deedra Fields; nephew, Jeremy Huebner, all of Loogootee; nephew, Eric Huebner of Washington; several aunts, uncles and cousins.

Funeral services were conducted Monday, July 10 at Blake Funeral Home. Burial followed in Goodwill Cemetery.

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

Arrangements have been entrusted to Blake Funeral Home in Loogootee. Condolences may be made online at www.blakefuneralhomes.com.

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Martin County Sheriff's Department log

2:08 a.m. - Received a report of a disturbance in Crane. Deputy Reed re-

7:18 a.m. - Received a report of a car-deer accident on US 231, south of Loogootee. Sergeant Keller responded.

10:58 a.m. - Received a report of an accident near Shoals. Sergeant Keller responded.

1:46 p.m. - Received a report of a domestic situation in Loogootee. Loogootee Officer McBeth, Sergeant Keller, and ISP Trooper Lents responded.

1:53 p.m. - Received a report of an accident north of Loogootee on US 231. Sergeant Keller, Martin County Ambulance, and Loogootee Fire responded. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

3:30 p.m. - Received a report of a grass fire east of Loogootee. Loogootee Fire responded.

10:30 p.m. - Received a dog complaint in Shoals. Deputy Reed respond-

11:10 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Shoals. Martin County Ambulance, Shoals Fire. The subject was transported to Daviess Community Hospital.

MONDAY, JULY 3

2:15 a.m. - Received a report of an accident south of Loogootee. Deputy Reed responded.

10:40 a.m. - Sheriff Roush, Captain Dant, and Loogootee Captain Hennette assisted with a funeral detail.

11:15 a.m. - Received a report of a reckless driver on US 50, east of Loogootee. Loogootee Captain Hennette responded.

1:15 p.m. - Received a report of a reckless driver on US 231, near Loogootee. Loogootee Captain Hennette responded.

2:13 p.m. - Received a report of a reckless driver on US 50, near Shoals. Sheriff Roush and Chief Deputy Greene

2:45 p.m. - Received a fire alarm call near Shoals. Shoals Fire and Sheriff Roush responded. All was okay.

4:30 p.m. - Captain Dant assisted a motorist in Loogootee.

7:00 p.m. - Received a report of a reckless driver near Shoals. All Martin County units were notified.

8:20 p.m. - Received a report of a reckless driver near Loogootee. Loogootee Officer Floyd responded.

10:29 p.m. - Received a fire alarm call in Loogootee. Loogootee Fire responded.

TUESDAY, JULY 4

12:53 a.m. - Received a report of a suspicious vehicle near Shoals. Deputy Reed responded.

6:28 a.m. - Received a report of an accident south of Loogootee, on US 231. Deputy Reed, Loogootee Fire, Haysville Fire, Martin County Ambulance, and AirEvac responded. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital and on to St Vincent's Hospital in Evansville.

10:10 a.m. - Received a report of a disturbance in Shoals. Captain Dant re-

10:36 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance west of Shoals. Shoals Fire and Martin County Ambulance responded. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

11:32 a.m. - Received a request for a welfare check near Shoals. Chief Deputy Greene responded.

12:38 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance east of Shoals. Martin County Ambulance and Shoals Fire responded. No one was transported.

1:25 p.m. - Received a report of a theft near Shoals. Chief Deputy Greene responded.

1:53 p.m. - Received a report of a reckless driver on US 50, near Shoals. Chief Deputy Greene responded and located the vehicle.

6:30 p.m. - Sheriff Roush, Major Burkhardt, Deputy Reed, K9 Officer Asher, and K9 Officer Yirka presented a demonstration in Shoals for the Catfish Festival.

8:11 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Shoals. Shoals Fire and Martin County Ambulance responded. No one was transported.

10:00 p.m. - Received a report of a possible fight near Shoals. Chief Deputy Greene responded.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 5

12:48 a.m. - Received a request for a welfare check near Loogootee. Deputy Reed and Loogootee Officer Floyd re-

1:21 p.m. - Received a dog complaint in Loogootee. Animal Control Officer Hughett was contacted.

9:10 a.m. - Jailer Emmick took one inmate to the doctor.

10:30 a.m. - Captain Dant took one inmate to court.

11:00 a.m. - Captain Dant took one inmate to court.

11:50 a.m. - Received a report of an accident near Shoals. Sheriff Roush and Captain Dant responded.

12:26 p.m. - Received a report of a theft near Shoals. Captain Dant re-

3:27 p.m. - Received a report of a theft south of Loogootee. Captain Dant

6:55 p.m. - Received a dog complaint in Loogootee. Loogootee Officer Floyd responded.

10:52 p.m. - Received a report of loitering in Loogootee. Sergeant Keller responded.

THURSDAY, JULY 6

8:30 a.m. - Sheriff Roush took three inmates to court.

8:52 a.m. - Received a report of vandalism in Loogootee Chief Rayhill responded.

9:30 a.m. - Captain Dant took three inmates to court.

10:30 a.m. - Captain Dant took three inmates to court.

1:00 p.m. - Captain Dant took four inmates to court.

5:18 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance and Loogootee Fire responded. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

9:07 p.m. - Received a dog complaint near Loogootee. Animal Control Officer Hughett responded.

10:20 p.m. - Received a report of an accident south of Loogootee. Martin County responded.

11:51 p.m. - Received a report of a fight in Crane. ISP Trooper Watson and Odon Police responded.

FRIDAY, JULY 7

7:33 a.m. - Received a report of a tree down southeast of Shoals.

8:45 a.m. - Received a report of a cow running loose on US 50, west of Shoals. Chief Deputy Greene respond-

10:40 a.m. - Received a medical alarm call in Shoals. Martin County No one was transported.

6:04 p.m. - Received an alarm call in Loogootee. Loogootee Police Department responded.

7:52 p.m. - Received a report of a domestic in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance, Loogootee Officer Mc-Beth, and ISP Trooper Beaver responded. No one was transported.

9:00 p.m. - Received a report of a tree down west of Shoals. Shoals Fire responded.

9:31 p.m. - Received a report of a natural gas odor in Shoals. Shoals Fire and Vectren responded.

9:36 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded and transported the subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

SATURDAY, JULY 8

12:46 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance north of Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance transported the subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

12:47 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance near Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance, Loogootee Fire, and Loogootee Officer Floyd responded. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital with aid from the Dubois County Ambulance

1:30 a.m. - Received a report of a disabled vehicle on US 50, east of Loogootee. Deputy Salmon responded.

6:19 a.m. - Received a report of a tree down near Shoals. Shoals Fire re-

11:40 a.m. - Received a report of a Reed responded.

Ambulance and Shoals Fire responded. tree down in Shoals. Sergeant Keller responded.

> 12:14 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Shoals. Shoals Fire and Martin County Ambulance responded. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

> 2:20 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance transported the subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

> 6:56 p.m. - Received a report of a reckless driver near Loogootee. Deputy Reed responded.

SUNDAY, JULY 9

10:13 a.m. - Received a noise complaint in Loogootee. Loogootee Officer McBeth responded.

10:47 a.m. - Received a report of a theft in Shoals. Captain Dant respond-

11:16 a.m. - Received a report of a reckless driver on US 231, near Loogootee. Loogootee Officer McBeth responded.

12:49 p.m. - Received a report of a domestic in Shoals. Captain Dant re-

1:26 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance transported the subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

1:58 p.m. - Received a report of a break-in near Shoals. Captain Dant responded.

5:06 p.m. - Received a report of a break-in in Loogootee. Loogootee Officer McBeth responded.

11:28 p.m. - Received a report of a reckless driver near Loogootee. Deputy

Loogootee Police log

MONDAY, JULY 3

11:15 a.m. - Caller reported a speeding vehicle on Hwy 50.

1:15 p.m. - Caller reported a reckless vehicle on US 231.

6:48 p.m. - Caller requested a welfare check on a male.

8:20 p.m. - Received a call of a reckless vehicle on Hwy 50.

8:29 p.m. - Loogootee Fire was paged out to a fire alarm at the Loogootee Nursing Home. Everything checked

11:12 p.m. - Caller reported a fireworks complaint.

TUESDAY, JULY 4

11:20 a.m. - Male came on station for a vehicle identification check.

7:00 p.m. - Caller reported a possible intoxicated driver on Hwy 50.

8:20 p.m. - Received a report of a speeding vehicle on Hwy 50.

11:40 p.m. - Caller reported a fireworks complaint.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 5

9:15 a.m. - Male came on station for a vehicle identification check.

12:15 p.m. - Male came on station for a vehicle identification check.

1:05 p.m. - Male requested a female removed from his property. 4:32 p.m. - Male reported a child

custody violation. 6:55 p.m. - Caller reported a dog bite

on Reason Avenue. Animal Control was contacted.

10:52 p.m. - Caller reported kids playing too close to the road on Broadway Street.

THURSDAY, JULY 6

9:00 a.m. - Female reported vandalism to her residence.

1:40 p.m. - Chief Rayhill assisted with a funeral procession.

4:57 p.m. - Officer Floyd transported a female for an emergency detention.

5:23 p.m. - First responders were requested on South Oak Street for a med-

10:25 p.m. - Caller requested a welfare check on a female.

FRIDAY, JULY 7

10:15 p.m. - Male requested a vehicle identification check.

6:07 p.m. - Officer McBeth respond-

ed to a business alarm. 7:52 p.m. - Caller reported a domes-

tic dispute in Bowling Trailer Court. 9:36 p.m. - First responders were requested on Kentucky Avenue for a

medical call. **SATURDAY, JULY 8**

9:23 a.m. - Caller reported a reckless vehicle on US 231.

2:15 p.m. - Received a call of a broken-down vehicle on US 231.

8:25 p.m. - Caller reported a fireworks complaint.

11:55 p.m. - Caller reported an abandoned vehicle on Hwy 50.

SUNDAY, JULY 9

10:13 a.m. - Caller reported gunshots near Redwing Trailer Court. Officer Mc-Beth checked the area and all was fine.

10:46 a.m. - Officer McBeth checked on a suspicious vehicle.

11:16 a.m. - Caller reported a vehicle making bad passes on US 231.

5:09 p.m. - Caller reported a theft from her residence. 7:09 p.m. - Caller reported harass-

10:25 p.m. - Caller requested a welfare check on a male.

COURT NEWS

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

CRIMINAL COURT New Charges Filed May 30

Kristie E. Evans, public intoxication. Rusty L. Sutton, domestic battery; operating while intoxicated; operating a vehicle with an ACE of .15 or more.

May 31

Nikki M. Williams, possession of methamphetamine; maintaining a common nuisance – controlled substances; possession of a controlled substance.

Brentany J. Hunley, possession of methamphetamine; maintaining a common nuisance – controlled substances; possession of a controlled substance.

June 1

Kenneth A. Bettag, burglary; residential entry; strangulation; battery resulting in bodily injury; criminal mischief.

June 2

Jason J. Wagoner, child molesting. Darren K. Holt, domestic battery; two counts of intimidation.

Larry G. Holt, Jr., possession of methamphetamine; maintaining a common nuisance – controlled substances; possession of paraphernalia.

June 5

Brenda K. Tedrow, theft.

Andrea L. Osborne, operating while intoxicated; operating a vehicle with an ACE of .08 or more.

Andrew S. Qualkenbush, residential entry; public intoxication; illegal consumption of an alcoholic beverage.

June 12

Angus E. Robinson, criminal trespass.

Bobbie D. Souerdike, maintaining a common nuisance – controlled substances; possession of paraphernalia.

June 13

Audrey M. Mattingly, aggravated battery; domestic battery by means of a deadly weapon; residential entry.

June 16

Rita A. Pulley, possession of methamphetamine; maintaining a common nuisance – controlled substances; unlawful possession or use of a legend drug; possession of paraphernalia.

David A. Brinker, possession of methamphetamine; maintaining a common nuisance – controlled substances; possession of paraphernalia.

June 19

Joseph A. Jones, neglect of a dependent resulting in death; causing death when operating a motor vehicle with a schedule I or II controlled substance in the blood.

Rory A. Browder, intimidation; neglect of a dependent.

Kelvin R. Arnold, escape; auto theft.

June 20

Devan K. Nelson, nonsupport of a dependent child.

Sharon K. Zins, theft.

Beau P. Russell, operating while intoxicated; operating a vehicle with a schedule I or II controlled substance or its metabolite in the body; two counts of operating while intoxicated with previous conviction within 5 years.

June 21

Charles E. O'Connor, criminal trespass; public intoxication.

Larry G. Holt, Jr., auto theft; resisting law enforcement.

David E. Jones, operating with a .15 ACE with prior conviction occurred within five years; neglect of a dependent; operating a vehicle with a schedule I or II controlled substance or its metabolite in the body; two counts of operating while intoxicated with previous conviction within 5 years.

Dustin R. Sipes, operating while intoxicated; operating a vehicle with a schedule I or II controlled substance or its metabolite in the body; two counts of operating while intoxicated with previous conviction within 5 years.

June 26

Nathan G. Ohmer, residential entry; criminal trespass; public intoxication.

Michael E. Bakerian, maintaining a common nuisance – controlled substances; neglect of a dependent; possession of marijuana.

Deangela D. Forbes, maintaining a common nuisance – controlled substances; neglect of a dependent; possession of marijuana.

Corey J. Carrithers, forgery; theft.
CRIMINAL CONVICTIONS AND
SENTENCING

June 6

Jason M. Oliver, convicted of possession of a narcotic drug, a Class A Misdemeanor, amended from a Class 6 Felony. Sentenced to serve 35 days with 0 days suspended.

Evin M. Richards, convicted of maintaining a common nuisance – controlled substances, a Class 6 Felony. Sentenced to serve 365 days with 271 days suspended and credit for 47 actual days previously served and 47 Class A credit days. Defendant received 9 months of probation.

Seth Smith, convicted of operating a vehicle as an habitual traffic violator, a Class D Felony. Sentenced to serve 547 days with 547 days suspended. Defendant received 1 year of probation.

June 8

Erin L. Baker, convicted of possession of methamphetamine, a Class 6 Felony and operating a vehicle with a schedule I or II controlled substance or its metabolite in the body, a Class C Misdemeanor. Sentenced on the first count to serve 547 days with 459 days suspended and credit for 44 actual days previously served plus 44 Class A credit days. Defendant received 16 months of probation. Sentenced on the second count to serve 60 days with 0 days suspended and credit for 30 actual days previously served plus 30 Class A credit days.

June 21

John Castro Sr., convicted of resisting law enforcement, a Class 6 Felony. Sentenced to serve 547 days with 483 days suspended and credit for 32 actual days previously served plus 32 Class A credit days. Defendant received 16 months of probation.

June 22

Jason W. Baylis, invasion of privacy, a Class A Misdemeanor. Sentenced to serve 30 days with 0 days suspended and credit for 15 actual days previously served plus 15 Class A credit days.

CRIMINAL CHARGES DISMISSED

June 6

Evin M. Richards, possession of marijuana, a Class B Misdemeanor, dismissed.

Seth Smith, possession of chemical reagents or precursors with intent to manufacture a controlled substance, a Class D Felony, dismissed.

June 8

Erin L. Baker, unlawful possession of a syringe, a Class 6 Felony, dismissed; maintaining a common nuisance – controlled substances, a Class 6 Felony, dismissed; possession of paraphernalia, a Class C Misdemeanor, dismissed.

June 21

John Castro Sr., operating a motor vehicle without ever receiving a license, a Class C Misdemeanor, dismissed.

CIVIL COURT New Suits Filed

June 22

Midland Funding, LLC vs. Amanda Dillon, civil collection.

Midland Funding, LLC vs. Michael Bakerian, civil collection.

Jason R. Robertson vs. Lois M. Robertson, petition for dissolution of marriage.

June 28

Patricia L. Brosman vs. Anthony Brosman, petition for dissolution of marriage.

CIVIL COURT JUDGMENTS June 26

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Crane Federal Credit Union and against the defendant Angela D. Chastain in the amount of \$17,818.42.

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Crane Credit Union and against the defendant Julia D. Finken in the amount of \$7,425.68.

SMALL CLAIMS COURT June 26

Medical of Dubois vs. Troy D. Dishong, complaint.

Medical of Dubois vs. Shelby L. Lyon, complaint.

Lyon, complaint.

Medical of Dubois vs. Gordon Persh-

ing, complaint.

Medical of Dubois vs. Summer A.

Russell, complaint. Medical of Dubois vs. Carrie L. Rut-

ledge, complaint.

Medical of Dubois vs. Jeffery R.

Sanders, complaint.

Medical of Dubois vs. Brianna R.

Williams, complaint.

June 27

Hoosier Accounts Service vs. David H. Long, complaint.

ARRESTS

SUNDAY, JULY 2

2:20 p.m. - Glen Gleason, 54, of Loogootee, was arrested by Loogootee Officer McBeth and ISP Trooper Lents and charged with battery on a police officer with a deadly weapon and resisting arrest. He is being held without bond. **MONDAY, JULY 3**

4:20 p.m. - Chris Goller, 43, of Shoals, was arrested by Sergeant Keller and charged with auto theft and is being held on a \$25,000 10% bond.

TUESDAY, JULY 4

1:10 a.m. - Mark Pennington, 57, of Loogootee, was arrested by ISP Trooper Johnson and charged with operating a vehicle while intoxicated with endangerment. He is being held on a \$20,000 10% bond. Assisting with the arrest was Deputy Salmon.

THURSDAY, JULY 6

1:25 a.m. - Matthew Flynn, 32, of Washington, was arrested by Loogootee Officer Floyd and charged with operating a vehicle while intoxicated with endangerment and is being held on a \$25,000 10% bond.

1:45 p.m. - Alyssa Masters, 26, of Washington, was arrested by Sheriff Roush and is being held without bond on a Daviess County hold.

3:24 p.m. - Jennifer Yoder, 40, of Loogootee, was arrested by Chief Deputy Greene on a Martin County warrant and was released.

FRIDAY, JULY 7

1:18 a.m. - Hannah Price, 31, of Bloomfield, was arrested by ISP Trooper Watson and charged with battery in the presence of a minor. She has been released. Assisting with the arrest was Deputy Salmon.

1:29 a.m. - Nathan Rash, 32, of Bloomfield, was arrested by ISP Trooper Watson and charged with battery in the presence of a minor. He is being held without bond.

Hoosier Accounts Service vs. Trinity R. Benton, complaint.

Hoosier Accounts Service vs. Ryan D. Bell, complaint.

Hoosier Accounts Service vs. Zachary T. Clifton, complaint.

Hoosier Accounts Service vs. Wendy L. Chapman, complaint.

Hoosier Accounts Service vs. Ame Zins, complaint.

Hoosier Accounts Service vs. Kenneth J. Allen, complaint.

Hoosier Accounts Service vs. Daniel J. Wagler, complaint.
Hoosier Accounts Service vs. Gina

M. Bryson, complaint. Hoosier Accounts Service vs. Lynd-

zee R. Patrick, complaint.
Hoosier Accounts Service vs. Harold

J. Henninger, complaint.

Hoosier Accounts Service vs. Darlene R. Wells, complaint.

Hoosier Accounts Service vs. Julie M. Poole, complaint.

Hoosier Accounts Service vs. Tad A.

Hoosier Accounts Service vs. Tad A. Osgatharp, complaint.

SMALL CLAIMS JUDGMENTS April 25

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Tim Howell and against the defendant Jason Salmon in the amount of \$2,527.

MARRIAGE LICENSES June 28

Myron D. Wittmer of Loogootee and Martha B. Marner of Montgomery.

June 29

B. Scott Truelove of Shoals and Denise M. Harding of Shoals.

Real estate transfers

Lawrence E. Gates and Mary A. Gates, of Martin County, Indiana to Jarrod H. Lents and Susan Ford, of Martin County, Indiana, a part of the north half of the southeast quarter of Section 36, Township 3 North, Range 5 West, Perry Township, Martin County, Indiana, containing 1.199 acres, more or less.

Vicki J. Wininger and Terri Hovis to Janice K. Horney, trustee of the Wanda L. Harding Revocable Trust, a part of the northeast quarter of Section 4, Township 2 North, Range 3 West, Halbert Township, Martin County, Indiana, containing 1.157 acres, more or less.

Harthomes, LLC, of Daviess County, Indiana to Chad M. Wade, of Martin County, Indiana, a part of the northwest quarter of the southwest quarter of Section 36, Township 4 North, Range 5 West, Perry Township, Martin County, Indiana, containing 1 acre, more or less.

Manor Properties, LLC to Robert Dean Bierbaum and Christy Ann Bierbaum, of Lawrence County, Indiana, a part of the northeast quarter of the southwest quarter of Section 31, Township 3 North, Range 3 West, containing 3 acres, more or less.

Pauline Eads, of Limestone County, Alabama to Michael Keith, of Lawrence County, Indiana; Micah Keith, of Lawrence County, Indiana; LaRon Keith, of Volusia County, Florida; and Pamela Vowell, formerly Pamela Keith, of Lawrence County, Indiana, the south half of the southeast quarter of the southwest quarter, containing 19.28 acres, and a part of the south half of the southwest quarter of the southwest quarter being in the southeast corner of said quarter quarter, containing 12 acres, both sections being in Section 5; part of the northeast quarter of the northwest quarter, containing 36.61 acres and 9 acres off the west side of the northwest quarter of the northeast quarter, both tracts of land described being in Section 8, Township 4 North, Range 3 West.



HE MUST PAY

Husband and wife had a tiff.

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

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

Question: What is the best advice your mother ever gave you?

Answer by Jonathan Petit

I was about ten. My mom had just finished creating one of her amazing meals, and I thoroughly enjoyed it. Delicious. Later, as I was washing the dishes, my mom came up to me. "Sorry dinner was so awful again," she said.

I was shocked. "What? No, it was great. I loved it."

"Really?" she said, with mock surprise. "You always eat so quietly, never saying anything. You've never told me you liked my cooking, so I thought you hated it."

"No, you're the best cook I know."

"Then you should tell me that," she said. "Whenever someone does something nice for you, you should thank that person. If you don't then she might think she's not appreciated and stop doing those nice things."

Something clicked right then. From that day forward, I thanked everyone for literally everything. If you did something that even vaguely helped me, I thanked you profusely. It became a habit, something I didn't even think about, and that's when the magic started happening.

People liked me more. They talked to me more, shared with me, were more friendly. In my first year of high school, during the final week, I came home and found a giant freezie (a kind of sweet frozen snack) waiting for me. "Thanks, mom," I said instinctively.

"This isn't from me, she said, "This is from your bus driver." He had been driving that bus for years, and my siblings and I were the first people to ever thank him as we got dropped off. Those two simple words made a huge difference, so much so that he went out of his way to tell our mom and give us a present.

That's the power of appreciation. When you have it, all is right in the world, but when it's missing, life is empty. My mom taught me many

things, but taking two seconds to say, "thank you" every time, in any situation, was the best.

"Debriefing the Story"

You would have met people who call themselves as good critics but have you ever met a person who says I am good at appreciating others? Isn't that a sad part of our society?

Let's start appreciating people more frequently, especially people who are close to us.

"The sweetest of all sounds is praise."

A man brings his best buddy home for dinner . . . unannounced at 7:30 p.m. after work.

His wife begins screaming at him and his friend just sits and listens in.

Wife:" My hair and makeup are not done, the house is a mess, the dishes are not done, I'm still in my pajamas and I can't be bothered with cooking tonight! Why the heck did you bring him home?"

Husband: "Because he's thinking of getting married and I promised him a demo!"

Making one person smile can change the world – maybe not the whole world, but their world.

Make someone smile today!

ANIMAL SHELTER Pets of the Week



KITTENS! The animal shelter has a bunch of kittens waiting to be adopted! All ages, all sizes. Adoption fee for cats is \$40. The animal shelter is open Monday and Wednesday 5-7 p.m. Saturday 11 a.m.-2 p.m. The shelter is located at 507 N. Oak Street in Loogootee. To see all available animals. www.humanesocietyofmartincounty.org.

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Shoals School Board meeting

The Shoals School Board will meet Thursday, July 13 at 6 p.m. in the central administration office. The meeting is open to the public.

Trauma workshop

Martin County Community Corrections is offering a free training workshop on trauma informed care with a doctor, Sandy Washburn, from Indiana University. The workshop will be held July 28 from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the WestGate Academy. Anyone who works with people in the aftermath of any kind of trauma is encouraged to sign up for the workshop. The link to register online at https://goo.gl/ forms/7S0PWuPYsfQGcaGD2. Anyone with questions can call 812-295-4911 or email amoney@martincounty.

AL-ANON meetings

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

Free lunch for kids

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

SOAR Tutoring

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

Humane society meetings

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

Solid waste board

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

Tourism meetings

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

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public is invited to attend.

Soil and Water meetings

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

Attention Senior Citizens

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



BY DARLA WAGLER

Librarian, Loogootee Public Library

Build a Better World continues with a tour of German American Bank, Story Time, Tyler Walton Art program and CR Ryan and Braden Magic show all located at the German American Bank the week of July 17. Please call to register your child.

Friends of Loogootee Library (FOLL) have purchased t-shirts to sell as a fundraiser to go towards a new or repurposed library building. Please contact one of the members or stop by the library to purchase a shirt. These individuals are people in the community that give countless hours to have book sales and other programs to support the library. In the past, they raised \$7,000 toward the purchase of the current building with the support of the community.

New Books:

Fiction: "The Nearness of You" by Dorothy Garlock and "House of Spies" by Daniel Silva.

Mystery Fiction: "Beautiful Tempest" by Johanna Lindsey and "Two Cents" by Kathy Reichs.

Inspirational Fiction: "The Legacy" by Michael Phillips, "Hos Guilt" by Shelley Shepard Gray, "The Return" by Suzanne Woods Fisher, "Wired" by Julie Garwood, "A Name Unknown" by Roseanna M. White, "Egypt's Sister" by Angela Hunt, and "Abiding Mercy" by Ruth Reid.

DVDs: "Call of the Midwife series 1-6", "The Zookeeper's Wife", "To the Manor Born", "Good Neighbors", "The Intouchables", "Home Fires", "Arthur Stands Up to Bullying", "The Best of Men", and "The Forsyte Saga".

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

Notes from the WIC Nutritionist

BY ELIZABETH WHITE

Martin County WIC Nutritionist

Did you know that skim milk has all the same nutrients as whole milk but, just 0 grams of fat compared to 8 grams of fat in whole milk? WIC recommends switching to skim milk for adults and children over the age of two. If your family is used to whole milk and feel that skim milk is not for them here are some tips to help with the switch. 1. Step down in fat percentages gradually whole to 2%, 2% to 1%, 1% to skim. 2. Mixing the different milks can help slowly change your family's milk choice to skim.

How much milk should we drink? Children 2-3 years old need 2 cups of milk or 16 oz. of milk a day. Children 4-8 years need 2.5 cups of milk each day. Older children, teenagers and adults need 3 cups of milk each day. If drinking milk is not your choice 8 ounces of fat-free yogurt has the same amount of calcium as 1 cup of milk.

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fest and Shoals Catfish Festival.

The WIC program provides supplemental nutritional foods, referrals, breastfeeding support, and nutrition education for pregnant women, nursing women, infants, and children 1-5 years.

The Martin Co WIC clinic is open Monday and Friday 8 am to 4:30 pm

nity provider.

MCCF accepting grant applications

Grant applications are now available for local organizations serving Martin County residents.

The Martin County Community Foundation is accepting applications for the 2017 Open Grant Cycle which funds charitable programs and projects that serve Martin County. Last year, fifteen Martin County projects were funded through the open grant cycle; the grants ranged from \$220 to \$2,500

The 2017 grant cycle is funded by distributions from the following permanent endowment funds: Wendell Bough Family Fund, Courter Family Fund, Ken and Juanita Crane Fund, Al and Helen Friesenhengst Fund, Gregory Family Humanitarian Fund, Leo Harding Family Unrestricted Fund, Rich and Judy Kluesner Fund, Michael B. and Beth A. Lett Fund, Old National Fund, Smithville Charitable Foundation Fund, Tri-Kappa of Loogootee-Shoals Community Grants Fund,

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Donald and Janett Walton Fund for the Betterment of Martin County, and the MCCF Unrestricted Fund. Newly created endowments are the John T. and Elizabeth J. Chattin Community Fund and the German American Bancorp Fund. The Sarah Bowling Fuhrman

Fund for Youth, Expectant Mothers Assistance Fund, and Loogootee Performing Arts Fund provide additional funding.

Grant application packets are now available online at www.cfpartner.org/ mccfgrantshowtoapply.htm or at the Martin County Community Foundation office located in the community building at 2668 U.S. Hwy. 50, Loogootee. Please call (812) 295-1022 to schedule a pick-up time. Completed applications must be returned to the community foundation by 4 p.m., August 1, 2017 to be considered for fund-

Non-profit organizations recognized by the IRS as having 501(c)(3) status, accredited educational institutions, and governmental entities are invited to submit applications. Awards will be announced at the MCCF Annual Dinner on November 6, 2017.

Purdue confers degrees, honors students

Purdue University awarded about 8,000 degrees to students following the spring semester. The following students from Martin County were awarded degrees:

Brady Allen Ditton, of Loogootee, Bachelor of Science, Polytechnic Institute, West Lafayette

Curtis Ryan Slaubaugh, of Loogootee, BS in Biomedical Engineering, School of Biomedical Engineering, West Lafayette

About 16,500 Purdue University students earned academic honors for the spring 2017 semester.

To earn honors, students must have had at least a 3.5 semester or cumulative GPA on a four-point scale. The following students from Martin County received academic honors: Brady A. Ditton, of Loogootee, Cole J. Hovis of Shoals, Curtis R. Slaubaugh of Loogootee and Jacob E. Stoner of

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4-H NEWS

By Stacy Brown

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The Martin County Fair Starts Friday, July 14!

Fair Schedule

The 2017 Martin County Fair Schedule has been announced.

Saturday, July 8

9 a.m. - Ag Tractor Driving Contest Monday, July 10

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

Friday, July 14

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

5 p.m. – Building open to public

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

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

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

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

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

Saturday, July 15

9 a.m. – Building open to public

9 a.m. – Antique Tractor show

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

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

11 a.m. - Robotics Demonstration on free stage

1 p.m. – Rabbit show in livestock 4 p.m. – Lawn tractor driving con-

5 p.m.-7 p.m. – sign up for silent

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

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

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

Wagler @ 812-617-5286.

Sunday, July 16

Noon – Building open to public

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

2 p.m. - Poultry show 2 p.m. - Eddie Eagle (gun safety

demonstration), sponsored by 4-H Shooting Club

2 p.m.-5 p.m. – Health Fair

3 p.m. – Robotics Demonstration on

3 p.m. – Kiddie Tractor Pull regis-

4 p.m. - Kiddie Tractor Pull, sponsored by Martin County Jr. Leaders 5 p.m. – Goat show in the livestock

arena (old time showmanship after show)

6 p.m. – Baby Show on free stage Monday, July 17

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

5 p.m. - Building open to public

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

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

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

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

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

Tuesday, July 18

5 p.m. – Building open to public

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

5:30 p.m. – Supreme Showmanship in livestock arena 6:45 p.m. - Silent auction winners

announced 7 p.m. – Auction in livestock arena

8 p.m.-10 p.m. – Release of projects Wednesday, July 19

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

Upcoming Events

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

July 13 - Livestock move in day

Specials at The Lodge

Wednesday: Tacos

Thursday: Roast Beef or Beef Manhattan

Friday: 1/2 Soup and 1/2 Sandwich

Friday night: Crab Boil

Saturday: Pulled Pork Sliders Saturday night: Pork Steaks

Sunday: Ham



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In the Garden By Ralph Purkhiser Purdue University Master Gardener

As the middle of July approaches, it is time to plan for the fall garden, especially if you wish to grow your own plants from seed. Many crops do very well in the cooler temperatures of autumn. In some cases, the late crop has fewer pest problems. The life cycle of some insects will have been completed for the year and that means crops will not be attacked by those particular insects.

While many crops mature in cool temperatures, we still have several weeks of hot summer temperatures before that time. Starting cool-weather crops in hot weather is a challenge. Cole crops, including cabbage, broccoli, cauliflower and Brussel sprouts tend to bolt in hot weather. There are a couple of ways to start these cole crops. If you wish to transplant your crops to beds later, you may plant seeds now in trays. I prefer planting in deeper boxes than the traditional greenhouse trays. The deeper soil allows for deeper roots and better root systems will allow the plants to be transplanted more easily. The transplants should be three to four inches apart. One may either plant seeds in a grid spaced three or four inches apart or one may sow seeds and then thin the young plants to give them room to mature. Do not waste those thinned plants. The young leaves may be used as micro-greens in salads. To help keep the young plants cool, keep the tray where it receives plenty of sun in the morning, but is protected from the heat of the afternoon sun. When the plants reach four to six inches tall, they will be ready to transplant to the garden or raised bed. By having strong transplants, one may surround them with a good layer of mulch, which will help to keep the soil temperature cooler, keep down weeds, and help keep moisture levels even.

Another option is to direct sow the seeds in the planting bed. Again, thinning will be necessary, but the young plants will put down deep roots and

there is no danger of transplant shock. The disadvantage is that weeds will grow with the seed, and weeding will be necessary to keep down competition. Once the plants have grown and been thinned to the final growing arrangement, mulch may be put down.

Leafy greens, including mustard, kale, lettuce and other greens may also be grown again in the late summer. These crops mature rather quickly and planting should probably be delayed until at least the middle of August. However, it is a good time for preparing a planting bed. Cut off any weeds that are growing in the bed and cover the bed with black plastic. Use boards or stones to hold the plastic down. The summer sun will heat up the soil under the plastic and will kill the weed seeds. When planting time arrives, remove the plastic and seed the crop into the bed.

Other traditional fall crops include turnips, peas and beans. These may be planted in late July for a fall harvest. If you are growing the turnips for greens, successive plantings may be make every two weeks until the first of September. Some turnip varieties have been bred for greens and do not form the bulbous root. If you want turnips, make sure you are buying seed for the right type of turnips.

In recent years, flowering kale and flowering cabbage have been staples in the decorative garden. These are edible, but are usually raised for the pretty, loose heads they form. They are relatively easy to raise from seed and a packet of seed will yield several plants. Individual plants bring a premium price at nurseries, so raising your own will definitely be a bargain. The process is the same as raising regular cabbage plants discussed earlier. They will look like other cabbage plants until they start to form the colorful heads. Seed packets may include both cabbage and kale seeds and this is a good way to ensure that you have several colors to enhance your fall décor.

Improve your forage management skills during four-stop bus tour

Livestock producers can learn what it takes to develop better forage management skills during a four-stop bus tour. The South Central Indiana Forage Tour includes first-hand lessons on forage selection for various livestock, best forage management practices, and direct marketing.

The tour, which is coordinated by the Indiana Forage Council, is 8:15 a.m. to 5:45 p.m. (EST) on July 25. A charter bus will take participants to farm operations in Dubois and Harrison counties to explore forage management practices.

The Southern Indiana Purdue Agriculture Center (SIPAC), one of the tour stops, will feature a meat goat herd operation. Attendees also will visit 3D Valley Beef in Depauw and Steckler Grassfed in Dale, and learn about the operations of Fischer Farms in Jasper. Each location will provide a different aspect on forage management and insights into various production goals. The last tour stop will be at Sander Processing in Celestine, a company which specializes in custom meat processing and features a retail market.

Dave Fischer, owner of Fischer Farms, will share details about his farm business via a video that will be shown to participants as they travel between farms. This will help them gain a deeper appreciation of what it takes to run a business for an entire year, as well as to explore related marketing methods.

The event will also provide a great networking opportunity for livestock producers across the state. Attendees will be able to interact with operators of successful enterprises, other producers in the industry, and specialists.

The cost of the tour is \$20 per person. Checks can be made to the Indiana Forage Council and sent to P.O. Box 2710, West Lafayette, Ind., 47996. Lunch and refreshments will be provided.

Those interested should RSVP by July 18 to Keith Johnson at johnsonk@ purdue.edu or ph.765-494-4800. Tour participants will gather near Bretzville, Indiana at the Dubois County 4-H Fairgrounds to board the bus at 8:15 a.m. (EST).

A flyer and registration form for the event is at www.indianaforage.org.

Grazing Bites By Victor Shelton

NRCS State Agronomist/Grazing Specialist

July 4th usually reminds me that half of the growing season is pretty much gone. After panicking for a moment or two, it is best to just come to the conclusion that everything is done that needs to be done, and if not, perhaps it just wasn't that important. I long for those July 4th holidays in the past that were huge family get-to-gathers, those out-of-the back of the vehicles while putting nitrogen on knee high corn in the river bottoms or the leisurely porch gatherings eating watermelon and blackberry pie. I'm not sure why all of a sudden everyone seems so busy, and there is just never enough time.

By now, most have made the decision on whether to clip pastures or not. Like I said before, clipping just for aesthetics is hard to justify. Saving energy where possible is also beneficial on the pocket book. If the pasture has been grazed once or twice already then it probably really does not have that many seed heads present, and depending on how it was grazed, perhaps not many weeds either. If you look at the field from a "windshield" point of view, it is usually going to appear to have a lot more seed heads than it really does. Now, if for some reason it has not been grazed much, or not at all this year, then I would expect it to have quite a bit of seed heads by now and quickly maturing. That is not always the case though; stressed plants generally produce more seed. So, it's worth a closer look before clipping.

Another reason I would have a hard time justifying clipping just for aesthetics is the possibility of a pink eye problem. The seed heads do not cause pink eye, or at least not independently. The seed heads along with other things present irritate the eyes. Watery eyes draw flies. The flies then move the bacteria from the infected animal to other animals.

Dr. Bill Shulaw, OSU extension veterinarian, once wrote, "Pinkeye demonstrates a well-known principle in infectious diseases. Disease usually occurs only when there is a susceptible host (in this case a non-immune cow), an infectious agent (Moraxella bovis for pinkeye), and environmental conditions that favor infection of the host (irritation of the eye to create tears that attract the flies and that favor the attachment of the bacteria to eye tissues). Infectious agents involved in many diseases are relatively common in most cattle herds, but disease isn't usually observed until the other two criteria are present. The disease often disappears from a herd after a couple of grazing seasons without any special preventive efforts like vaccination or pasture clipping. Pinkeye, as it is usually named and defined in textbooks, is caused by a bacterial infection of the surface of the eyeball and the inner surfaces of the lids. Unfortunately, the bacteria that cause this disease are commonly carried by a few animals that show no signs of disease and serve to introduce it to a new herd when those animals are added to it or that keep the bacteria on the farm to expose a new group of susceptible animals to it. Most animals that recover from the disease clear the infection from their eye tissues; sometimes all of

them do. The body's immune response is responsible for this and serves to help keep the animal from getting it again. This is why sometimes it appears in a cow herd with both cows and calves affected by it, but it eventually disappears by the end of the summer. If one or more carriers remain, it sometimes appears again the next year but usually only in the animals that weren't affected the previous year such as new calves or heifers housed at another location the previous year." If you knew which cow(s) might be the silent carriers, they could grow some wheels. That's probably enough on that topic.

Clipping during that second scenario above because it has more seed heads, is more justifiable, but even then there are other options, such as mowing for hay, though quality is going to be lower than it would have been earlier, but, counter-productive if you are trying to build fertility.

Instead I would recommend doing some high-density, short-duration grazing, or "mob" grazing. Allocate just enough forage for one day or less. The higher the density, the shorter the duration, and the longer the rest needed before it can be grazed again. The cattle consume the best of the forages and hammer the rest into the ground...along with well-distributed manure and urine creating a biological powerhouse that can push the envelope for a micro-flora environment. This type of grazing, with time, transforms the area with a flush of nutrients, microbial nitrogen, increased organic matter and diversity...it turns

If weeds are really the problem or at least appear to be a problem, then you need to make a decision - mow, spray or graze. Mowing certainly usually makes the field "look" better, but it may or may not control the weeds. Mowing in a timely manner can keep the weeds from spreading more seed and that is probably the biggest benefit of mowing. Shrubby pests such as blackberries may make good pies, but they can quickly turn into major thorns in a pasture and like most weeds rob sunlight and nutrients from the forages you are trying to grow. Noxious weeds and large populations of perennial weeds that are competing too much may require chemical control. Applying these herbicides at a time when they will be most likely be transferred to the roots is ideal and for most perennials should be later in the season when the plant is moving nutrients downward for winter storage. It is always better to spot spray or use a "wipe" type of system over blanket coverage. Broadleaf herbicides are also hard on the valuable legumes and beneficial forbs. Sheep or goats can help reduce weed pressures on pastures and can be rotated behind or in front of the cows depending on who needs the highest nutrition.

Keep in mind that almost anything the livestock can do for you will be cheaper than anything you can do yourself, especially if a wheel is turning.

Keep on grazing!

More pasture information and past issues of Grazing Bites are available at http://www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/main/in/technical/landuse/pasture/



The work of Naval Surface Warfare Center, Crane Division (NSWC Crane)'s AN/SLQ-32(V) Electronic Warfare (EW) Suite Performance Based Logistics (PBL) team resulted in a total cost savings of \$31.2 million and \$1.3 million in annual cost avoidance. This team was named the 2016 Secretary of Defense PBL award winner for the Component Level Award category. Pictured above, front row, L-R: Ms Tonya Stivers, Bloomfield; Mr. William Hixon, Bloomfield; Mr. Curt Secrest, Bloomfield; and Mr. Steven Lawyer, Elnora. Back row, L-R: Ms. Vernell Thomas, Bloomington; and Ms. Stephanie Toy, Jasper. (Photo by NSWC Crane Public Affairs)

NSWC Crane Team recognized by U.S. Secretary of Defense for producing \$31.2 million in cost savings

The AN/SLQ-32(V) Electronic Warfare (EW) Suite Performance Based Logistics (PBL) Team at Naval Surface Warfare Center, Crane Division (NSWC Crane) has been announced as the Component-Level winner of the 2016 Secretary of Defense PBL Award.

The NSWC Crane team's work resulted in a total cost savings of \$31.2 million and \$1.3 million in annual cost avoidance. The team was recognized at a Product Support Manager Workshop hosted by Joint Base Andrews in Maryland on June 7.

"I am so proud of the creativity shown by the Crane team," said Janna Foxx, NSWC Crane's Deputy Technical Director and former EW Department Head. "With constant pressure on our Navy budgets, I credit the team for their desire to take care of the Fleet first, a desire to save money, and the ability to use creative thinking to accomplish those goals."

The NSWC Crane team implemented an organic arrangement between Naval Supply Weapon System Support (NAVSUP WSS) and Defense Logistics Agency (DLA) Supply Centers to perform Lean Projects to salvage and reutilize material and aggressively manage inventory costs. The use of salvaged material to offset Warfighter requirements resulted in \$26.4 million in cost savings. NSWC Crane's team produced the additional \$4.8 million in cost savings by reevaluating Navy Tier pricing.

Furthermore, Crane's team reduced the overall logistics footprint by improving in-house repair turnaround time by 60 days, and generated \$1.3 million in annual cost avoidance by identifying and removing obsolete and unusable equipment to reduce ware-

housing space.

"The AN/SLQ-32(V) PBL Team's organic arrangement and aggressive strategies for reutilizing materials have greatly contributed to the improvement of Material Availability," Sean Stackley, acting Secretary of the Navy, wrote in a letter. "These improvements, coupled with a reduction in logistics footprint, provide significant, tangible results for the Warfighter."

Members of NSWC Crane's award-winning team include:

William Hixon, Project Lead (Bloomfield)

Steven Lawyer, Indiana Legal Services Manager (Elnora)

Vernell Thomas, Henry Boddie (Bloomington)

Curt Secrest, Tonya Stivers, John Yarbor (Bloomfield)

Stephanie Toy (Jasper) Ron King (Bedford)

Joe Varner (Jasper)

Cathy Troutman (Shoals)

PBL is a Department of Defense (DoD) strategy used to deliver an integrated, affordable support solution to optimize system readiness and reduce Operating and Support costs. Awards recognize Government/industry teams that have demonstrated outstanding achievements in providing our Warfighters with exceptional operational capabilities and are examples of Better Buying Power in action.

NSWC Crane is a naval laboratory and a field activity of Naval Sea Systems Command (NAVSEA). The warfare center is responsible for multi-domain, multi-spectral, full life cycle support of technologies and systems enhancing capability of today's warfighter.

National unemployment little changed for June

Total nonfarm payroll employment increased by 222,000 in June, and the unemployment rate was little changed at 4.4 percent, the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics reported last week. Employment increased in health care, social assistance, financial activities, and mining.

Household Survey Data

In June, the unemployment rate, at 4.4 percent, and the number of unemployed persons, at 7.0 million, were little changed. Since January, the unemployment rate and the number of unemployed are down by 0.4 percentage point and 658,000, respectively.

Among the major worker groups, the unemployment rates for adult men (4.0 percent), adult women (4.0 percent), teenagers (13.3 percent), Whites (3.8 percent), Blacks (7.1 percent), Asians (3.6 percent), and Hispanics (4.8 percent) showed little or no change in June.

The number of long-term unemployed (those jobless for 27 weeks or more) was unchanged at 1.7 million in June and accounted for 24.3 percent of the unemployed. Over the year, the number of long-term unemployed was down by 322,000.

The labor force participation rate, at 62.8 percent, changed little in June and has shown no clear trend over the past year. The employment-population ratio (60.1 percent) was also little changed in June and has held fairly steady thus far this year.

The number of persons employed part time for economic reasons (sometimes referred to as involuntary parttime workers), at 5.3 million, changed little in June. These individuals, who would have preferred full-time employment, were working part time because their hours had been cut back or because they were unable to find a full-time job.

In June, 1.6 million persons were marginally attached to the labor force, down by 197,000 from a year earlier. (The data are not seasonally adjusted.) These individuals were not in the labor force, wanted and were available for work, and had looked for a job sometime in the prior 12 months. They were not counted as unemployed because they had not searched for work in the 4 weeks preceding the survey.

Among the marginally attached, there were 514,000 discouraged workers in June, little different from a year earlier. Discouraged workers are persons not currently looking for work because they believe no jobs are available for them. The remaining 1.1 million persons marginally attached to the labor force in June had not searched for work for reasons such as

NSWC Crane to host Innovation & Sensor Fusion Experimentation Event

Naval Surface Warfare Center, Crane Division (NSWC Crane) will host the Advanced Naval Technology Exercise (ANTX) Innovation and Sensor Fusion Experimentations Event August 28-September 1 at NSWC Crane, Camp Atterbury in Edinburgh, Indiana and Muscatatuck Urban Training Center in Butlerville, Indiana.

Service members, government civilians, industry and academic partners will participate in collaborative experimentations and a technical interchange meeting focused on innovation, sensor data fusion and distributed weapon control.

ANTX 2017 will enable NSWC

Crane and the Navy to continue providing an environment that promotes innovation and collaboration through experimentation and demonstration for networked sensors, weapons, data fusion, data diffusion, processing, exploitation, and dissemination to enable Integration/Interoperability across platforms and domains.

Last year's Innovation and Sensor Fusion Experimentation Event generated many successes. With the successful creation of an environment that enabled innovation, a network was established that continues to provide an avenue for more complex experimentations, expanded relationships with

other government and academic labs, and rapid prototype solutions that can and have led to several patent applications.

For more information, please contact CRAN_EXPERIMENTS@navy. mil .

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Establishment Survey Data

Total nonfarm payroll employment increased by 222,000 in June. Employment rose in health care, social assistance, financial activities, and mining. Employment growth has averaged 180,000 per month thus far this year, in line with the average monthly gain of 187,000 in 2016.

In June, health care added 37,000 jobs. Employment increased in ambulatory health care services (+26,000) and hospitals (+12,000). Health care has added an average of 24,000 jobs per month in the first half of 2017, compared with a monthly average of 32,000 jobs in 2016.

Social assistance employment increased by 23,000 in June. Within the industry, employment continued to trend up in individual and family services (+12,000) and in child day care services (+8,000). Social assistance has added 115,000 jobs over the last 12 months.

Employment in financial activities rose by 17,000 in June and has grown by 169,000 over the year. Securities, commodity contracts, and investments added 5,000 jobs over the month.

In June, mining employment grew by 8,000, with most of the growth in support activities for mining (+7,000). Since a recent employment low in October 2016, mining has added 56,000 jobs.

Employment in professional and business services continued to trend up in June (+35,000)

and has grown by 624,000 over the last 12 months.

Employment in food services and drinking places also continued on an upward trend in June (+29,000). The industry has added 277,000 jobs over the year.

Employment in other major industries, including construction, manufacturing, wholesale trade, retail trade, transportation and warehousing, information, and government, showed little change over the month.

The average workweek for all employees on private nonfarm payrolls rose by 0.1 hour to 34.5 hours in June. In manufacturing, the workweek edged up by 0.1 hour to 40.8 hours, while overtime was unchanged at 3.3 hours. The average workweek for production and nonsupervisory employees on private nonfarm payrolls rose by 0.1 hour to 33.7 hours.

In June, average hourly earnings for all employees on private nonfarm payrolls rose by 4 cents to \$26.25. Over the year, average hourly earnings have risen by 63 cents, or 2.5 percent. In June, average hourly earnings of private-sector production and nonsupervisory employees increased by 4 cents to \$22.03.

The change in total nonfarm payroll employment for April was revised up from +174,000 to +207,000, and the change for May was revised up from +138,000 to +152,000. With these revisions, employment gains in April and May combined were 47,000 more than previously reported. Monthly revisions result from additional reports received from businesses and government agencies since the last published estimates and from the recalculation of seasonal factors. Over the past 3 months, job gains have averaged 194,000 per month.