Martin County

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preps for new year

The Shoals School Board met July 8. Board members in attendance were Drexel Turpin, Jenell Hoffman, Jerry Braun and Sam Boyd. Staff in attendance were Dr. Candace Roush, Amanda Heckard, Bryson Abel, Kindra Hovis, Josh Mullis, Shannon Wagoner and Catherine Hovis. No patrons were in attendance.

The board approved the following personnel recommendations:

-Brandi Gilbert as SPED instructional

-Alyssa Howell as volunteer basketball

-Kendra Wright and Cathy Hovis as reading recovery teaching assistants

-Dejah Watson as teaching assistant for the homebound school

-Nici Key, Emily French, Jonathan Sullivan, Olivia Stoll, Matt Sullivan, Angela Cook, Etta Franklin, Melanie Hawkins, Tim Sanders, Ron Gilbert, Savannah McAtee, Deanna Smith, Bryce Hudson, and Mike Wagoner as substitute teachers

-Amanda Turpin as summer camp substitute

-April Cockerham as cafeteria aide

-Nici Key as elementary cheer coach and middle school aide

-Amanda Heckard as junior high cheer

-Jessica Hert as junior varsity and varsity cheer coach

-Alicia Wildman as high school general education aide

-Reva Troutman as junior high Beta

-Kim Bridges as middle school SPED

-Tim Sanders to cover leave of absence

for one semester -Ron Gilbert to cover Danielle Cornett's

maternity leave -Shelby Sorrells, Brittany Fuhrman and Hannah Smith as preschool assistants

The board also approved opening an additional preschool classroom due to the influx of enrollment for students ages 3-5

-MaryBeth Brett's resignation from the cafeteria position

-Molly Tharp's resignation as cheer

-Suzi Scott's resignation as SPED instructional aide position

-Raysha Wininger requested FMLA beginning August 20, 2021, and returning tentatively in 6-8 weeks.

COVID testing site closes due to lack of funding

The Dubois/Spencer/Martin County Covid Testing site has unfortunately closed as of July 8, 2021, due to lack of funding. The state-funded Covid-19 testing site grant that provided this free service to Dubois, Spencer, and Martin county residents expired June 30, 2021. The second round of funding for this Covid-19 testing site that was due to arrive on July 1, 2021, has not been allocated yet. Until a new contract is signed with IDOH, the testing site will remain

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

The board approved the girls' basketball team to sell Merkley Meat.

Superintendent Roush recommended the back-to-school plan for the 2021-2022 school year. Public comment was allowed, and the plan will be uploaded to the website. The board approved.

The board approved the contract renewal for the corporation-owned bus route 9 driven by Beth Hembree.

The board approved the grade level caps for the upcoming school year. The number of transfer students allowed from out of district for each grade include 14 students in first grade, five students in second grade, 15 students in third grade, 15 students in fourth grade, 19 students in fifth grade, five students in sixth grade and 10 students each in grades seven through 12.

The superintendent presented the calendar of dates for adoption of the 2022 bud-

The board approved the following facility usage requests:

-Family Fellowship will be having their back-to-school bash and requested to use the gym as a backup if it rains on August 7, 11 a.m.-1 p.m.

-Shoals Little League requested to use the indoor batting cage for their All-Star practice on bad weather days Tuesday and Thursdays in July.

The board held a second reading and approved the athletic clubs' sports policy and the elementary handbook.

Middle School Principal Josh Mullis said he has been busy with a lot of interviews in the office. He thanked Mary Ellen Baker for assisting with those interviews. He appreciates the other principals and Dr. Roush for being so helpful and supportive as he gets settled in. He mentioned his family came down to see the fireworks and the Catfish Festival. They have had a few families interested in transferring their students to Shoals, so they have been busy taking tours. The custodial staff have been busy working to make the classrooms look great. Teachers have seen a sneak peek and are excited to come back. The athletic department will be hosting physicals next Wednesday, July 14 from 1:30-4:30 p.m. Also, next Thursday, July 15, there will be student registration from 8 a.m.-7 p.m.

Elementary Principal Shannon Wagoner said summer camp has been a huge success. They are anticipating it returning next summer. In pre-school news, they have two full classes. Teachers have been involved with professional development. Also, a big thank you to Josh Mullis for being a part of their team and all he has done. Thank you to the custodial staff, they have done an amazing job working to get the classrooms ready for the upcoming school year.

High School Principal Kindra Hovis started with a thank you to Cammie Sanders. She was a big help with summer school this year. They have had quite a few families tour the high school and may be potential students. Beta will be at the upcoming fair. It was so good to see so many students this past weekend at the annual Shoals Catfish Festival. A reminder July 15 is registration. The first student

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Shoals School Board Tempers flare more than once at city council meeting

BY COURTNEY HUGHETT

Martin County Journal Publisher

The Loogootee City Council held a contentious meeting, pretty much from start to finish, Monday night, July 12.

The first issue that caused a bit of crossness was whether the council should discuss the raises recommended by the mayor and the 2022 budget requests from department heads.

Council Member Teresa Nolley recommended taking the salary recommendations under advisement with Tim Lawrence making the second and Ron Gilbert voting in favor. The motion passed 3-2 with Council Members Rick Norris and Carroll Rayhill voting against.

Nolley also motioned to take the budget recommendations under advisement with Lawrence making the second. The motion didn't pass because Gilbert, Rayhill and Norris voted to move forward with discussions.

Mayor Noel Harty asked Nolley if she had received the budget and salary recommendations last Thursday. Nolley agreed that she had however she didn't feel that having the weekend was adequate time to review them.

"In my ten years of being here, just for the record, this is the first time ever it's been presented in advance of the meeting," said the mayor. "You've had more of a time than anybody in the history that I've been here."

Nolley replied that she has requested at the end of the past two or three council meetings that they meet with department heads to discuss their budget requests.

The mayor said this was brought up at last month's meeting and Nolley never said a word.

"I don't believe that's true," she replied. She said she stands by what she originally said that she would like to meet with the department heads first. "Every other government organization does that," she said. "County wide they do it, statewide they

"EVERY other organization does that?" asked the mayor.

"Listen, if you're going to hold me . . quoting everything I say," replied Nolley. She went on to say again that she said she would like to meet with department heads, and she would like to discuss the budget requests with them first. She said she doesn't even know what some items in the budget are. She brought up items in the police budget, such as the BolaWrap, that Chief Floyd then explained. She said there is also a new employee for the police department included in the budget that was never discussed.

"That's what we are here for. That's why we're here, to discuss it," said the mayor.

Chief Floyd said the new employee was to replace the officer who will be the dedicated school resource officer. Nolley asked if the city paid for the school resource officer last year. Clerk-Treasurer Roger Downey said nothing was paid by

the city for the school resource officer in past years.

Police Chief Jim Floyd said that he spoke to the township trustees about helping with funding for the school resource officer however they trustees offered no funds. Loogootee School is only paying \$25,000 now to fund the officer and the city will have to pick up the rest of the tab. The council approved paying for the rest of the position however Council Members Teresa Nolley and Tim Lawrence voted

Mayor Harty then went on with going through the departments' budget requests for next year. It was noted that the city may have to cut some of the requests once they find out how much funding will be available for 2022 from the department of local government finance (DLGF).

City Hall building

-Paving of the municipal building parking lot \$40,000. Mayor Harty said he has two quotes. He said the school may pay for part of the cost but he isn't sure yet. He said he put \$40,000 in the budget so that something is allocated. If not allocated at all, the project cannot be done. The mayor didn't give the quote amounts however he did note that one including replacing the sidewalks around the building.

-Remodeling the bathrooms in the municipal building \$10,000

Public Works department

-Annex building (JFK Gym) windows some windows have been replaced but the estimated cost to finish is \$15,000.

-Utility office renovations \$10,000. Superintendent Wilson said there is currently no privacy for the staff. He said there is

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Shoals and Loogootee school registration

Shoals Community Schools will have registration this coming Thursday, July 15 in the school cafeteria from 8:30 a.m. until 7 p.m. with lunch from 1-2 p.m. Students may also pick up their Chromebooks at this time or they may pick them up on the first day of school. Incoming 5th grade students will get their Chromebooks on the first day of school. The school nurse will be available if you would like to bring in an updated vaccine or medical record.

Students can stop by the school today, Wednesday, July 14, from 1:30-4:30 p.m. to get their sports physical.

The first student day will be on Thursday, August 5 and an open house will be held on August 5 at 5:30 p.m. where students can drop off school supplies.

Loogootee Schools will hold online registration from Thursday, July 15 through Thursday, July 22, through Skyward. Anyone with issues logging into Skyward can contact Jay Henninger at jhenning@loogootee.k12.in.us or call the school office after July 19. In person registration will be held Thursday, July 22 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the middle school entrance "E".

COUNCIL

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nothing separating employees or employees from the public.

-New computers and desks for the utility office \$10,000. Wilson said the current desks are hand-me-downs and computers are outdated and one won't stay connected to the internet.

-Dump truck \$100,000. Wilson said the frame and bed are rusting out of the current 1996 model. Council Member Norris said he is not in favor of spending \$100,000. Questions were asked about why the dump truck is needed to haul cold mix and why they are not purchasing more at a time if they are picking it up. Wilson said this is the way they have always done it. Norris thinks \$65,000 is more than enough to find a decent dump truck. Bo said he would like that to be raised up more. The council stuck with the \$65,000.

-Wastewater utility truck for sewer department \$50,000. Wilson said they have one they use for the water department and West Boggs Sewer District. He said it's a 2003 and interior is not in good shape. He is looking at purchasing a quarter-ton truck with utility bed.

-Upgrades to lab equipment at the water treatment plant \$10,000. Wilson said this is an estimated figure. He said some equipment needs to be replaced to be in compliance.

-UTV for the water treatment plant \$28,000. Wilson said they have the golf cart for reading meters but want an enclosed cab sport utility vehicle to go on service calls instead of a full-size truck. They will be keeping the golf cart as well.

-Chemical feed equipment needs replaced at water treatment plant. \$15,000

-Backhoe \$35,000. Wilson said the current backhoe has 1,300 miles and is four years old. Council Member Norris said it should be a 10,000-hour machine. Wilson replied that the program they have been on is to trade out their backhoe every few years. He said a new model is \$200,000. He said their current backhoe has some repairs needed that they can do but with no warranty. The council was not sold on upgrading the backhoe at this time and would like to wait another year.

-Mini excavator \$65,000 used. Wilson said a mini excavator can get ino places a backhoe can't. He thinks it would be used quite a bit and can do a better job than the backhoe. Council Member Norris asked if they have anyone with a CDL who could haul the excavator. Wilson said they are working on that but no, not currently. He asked the council if they are willing to compensate an employee for getting a CDL. He said there are currently no incentives except the city pays for the required physicals every few years. The council didn't give an answer but decided to leave the mini excavator in the budget.

-Tractor \$40,000. Wilson said he is not sure how long they have had the current tractor, but it has 500 hours. He said they need a bigger tractor because the current model can't do some projects they need to do because it's too small.

-Leaf vac truck no price given.

-Lawn equipment \$1,500. Wilson said this is for push mowers and weedeaters that need replaced.

-Pool Chemical feed equipment \$8,000. Wilson said there are pumps at the pool that are not working and the chemical controller that analyzes the water is having problems.

Police Department

-New patrol car \$40,000. Chief Floyd said they are replacing one that is 10 years old and has 80,000 miles. He said any major repairs are going to cost more than the car is worth. He said the new car comes with the light package already installed. He is working on a lease program to trade vehicles in while they have value.

-Point Blank external vest carriers \$2,000. He said they are designed to look

like a uniform shirt and not a tactical look. They are not as heavy for the officer. He plans to purchase vests for officers who want to wear them instead of the current vests.

-Automatic external defibrillators (AED) \$9,000. He wants to purchase one to put one in each police car. Council Member Nolley said she thought there were organizations that donate AEDs. Chief Floyd said he hasn't had much luck with that but is working on a grant. He said if a grant is received, he won't need the budget line item.

-Ruger patrol rifles \$5,525. Chief Floyd said only two or three officers have rifles and they are personally owned by those officers. He said he believes there is one rifle that is department owned. He said that due to increased cases of active shooter incidents around the country, he doesn't want to be caught without the appropriate equipment.

-Spartan Armor Steel plates and vests \$1,872.32

-BolaWrap devices no price available. These are "remote handcuffs" that are deployed like a taser.

-K9 Officer training and equipment \$15,000. Chief Floyd said he has an officer who has expressed interest in having a K9.

-Records management system and server \$25,000. Chief Floyd said that they have boxes of case reports and are one of the last cities without electronic record management. The server could be used throughout city hall also.

-Ammunition \$1,000. A \$500 increase from this year's budget.

-New hire uniform allowance \$1,200. An \$400 increase from this year's budget. Chief Floyd said they cannot get a uniform for a new officer for \$800.

-Uniform Allowance \$900. A \$100 increase from this year's budget per officer.

crease from this year's budget per officer.
-Fuel budget increase of \$1,000 due to

higher fuel costs. Fire Department

-Vehicle repair \$15,000. Fire Chief JD Flynn said the fire fleet is starting to age and they need more repairs. He said they need to consider budgeting money each year to accumulate funds to replace some equipment down the road.

Land Use Planning

\$25,000 for blighted property removal. This is money to be in the budget to remove hazardous structures around the city.

Park Board

-Fencing to go behind the volleyball court at the park \$3,500

-Touch up painting on park equipment \$250

-Resealing the parking lots of the city park and pool \$5,000

-Paint for putting stripes down on the parking lots \$300. The city already owns the equipment needed.

-Cabinets and countertop for the pool concession stand \$1,000.

-Bird netting to keep birds from roosting above the picnic tables in the park \$1,000

-Two new large grills for the park shelter houses \$1,200

The second heated discussion came when Phyllis Panko, who was in the audience and serves as the mayor's secretary, brought up an issue with full-time employees' life insurance coverage changing. She said she has asked to see the policy so a beneficiary could be chosen. She said she has been getting the runaround and told the policy doesn't have to list the beneficiary because the money goes to the next of kin. She said this is not true. She said if she dies tomorrow, her \$20,000 would go into probate and her family would have to pay the attorney fees to get what is left. She said the old insurance policy also could be taken with the employee if they leave employment with the city and the new one cannot. She said she realizes the insurance agent said it's saving the city money but it's hurting the employees. Mayor Harty asked how long the city is tied to this policy. Clerk-Treasurer Downey said one year. Panko said she doesn't understand why the employees were not informed of the change prior. Clerk Treasurer Downey said that half of what Panko is saying is true and half is not. He said the policy in place saves \$80 per employee. He said they are looking at the beneficiary issue, but the money would go to the next of kin, that's how it was set up. The mayor said that since they are tied to this policy for a year, they need to wait it out and look into changing it once that time is up.

Panko said she talked to the company, and they said there was no beneficiary listed for her. She said the representative told her she would have to get with her agent and have it changed. She said she never designated a beneficiary at all because no one asked her to so she can't change it. She said they don't even have a copy of the policy.

Downey said he is pretty sure that a letter given to each employee explains how the policy works.

Panko kept speaking inaudibly.

"I'm sorry, did she have something else she wanted to say or is she just going to keep smarting off?" asked Downey. He said there are rules patrons of meetings are supposed to abide by and he's not going to sit and let this happen.

"I wasn't talking to you," said Panko. In a raised voice Downey replied, "No that's right, you were talking ABOUT me. And I'm sick and tired of that, Noel."

"I didn't do a thing," said Mayor Harty.

"You are allowing her to not abide by the rules that you guys put up there," said Downey.

"I just told her to sit down," said the mayor.

"What about smarting off?" asked Downey.

"We are getting ready to adjourn," replied Harty.

"Oh, so it's okay then?" asked Downey.
"No, it's not okay but we are getting ready to adjourn," said the mayor.

"But if you allow it, it's okay?" asked Downey. "And Rick, you are the president," he said to Council Member Rick Norris.

Norris asked why the life insurance changed and the council didn't know about it.

Downey said he just told them about the change. He said the previous company was severely overcharging the city and some employees had extra services on their policy that the city was never charging them for, for 18 months.

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(Continued from page one) day will be August 5. A big welcome to Josh Mullis.

Dr. Roush informed the board of a \$10,000 grant from Hoosier Uplands to help fund an animal processing building for the agriculture class. She was very pleased with the school's catfish booth and the school had a lot of great interactions with the community. She notified the board that multiple teachers and administrators will be going to training on how to use the new fabrication lab later in the month. She thanked all of the summer workers and bus drivers. Finally, Dr. Roush invited the board to an executive session next month with Mitchell and Orleans School Boards to discuss the continuation of the COS-MOS collaboration and the possibility of sharing a COSMOS director.

Before adjourning, the board wanted to mention that it was good to see the school represented at a booth they had set-up during the Catfish Festival. Also, the school is looking great with all the cleaning that is going on.

The meeting adjourned at 6:52 p.m.

Mayor Harty said that in this situation the clerk-treasurer was trying to save the city money. He again said the policy renewal is in May and they will take care of it then.

Norris said he still doesn't understand how the policy got changed without the council's approval. He said he understands what Panko is saying about the former policy going with them if they leave employment.

The mayor said Downey got two quotes for the insurance, as was required, and went with the lower price.

Council Member Nolley asked if the employee is going to have to pay back what they didn't pay, for that 18 months. Downey replied that they will wait and see what the state board of accounts says.

The mayor said he gave the clerk-treasurer the okay to go with the new company. Downey said the benefit didn't change, the company just changed. He said the benefit still states a \$20,000 policy. He said they are addressing the beneficiary issue.

The council approved upgrading the current 2002 camera van for the water and sewer department. The camera van is used to run cameras through the piping infrastructure which returns the footage back to the van. Superintendent Wilson said he got two quotes for a new van, one from Eco Infrastructure Solutions for \$107,670.29 and the other from Best Equipment for \$109,000. The current van was upgraded with new equipment in 2006. He said he expects the new technology to last the city for 20 years. The council approved the purchase.

Jared VanMeter, along with another resident, requested a solution to drainage problems on their properties. VanMeter said they have water sitting under their front porch and they have asked to have this situation resolved to no avail. Board Member Rick Norris said that a culvert needs to be installed to divert the water. Bo Wilson said he fears a culvert will not hold and cause more problems. He added that he will install it though but asked what will be done when the culvert fails. Norris replied that a steel casing can be put around the culvert to make sure it stays put and then cover that with heavy gravel. "We've got to do something for these people," he said.

Wilson replied that he has done everything he knows to do but he doesn't know how to "drain the swamp." He said it's always been a flood area for as long as he has been with the city. Mayor Harty gave Wilson until the next monthly meeting to solve the problem.

Prior to the city council meeting, the board of works voted to promote Aaron Means to first class patrolman with the city police department. Chief Floyd said Means has completed academy training and has really done a good job for the department since.

eSolve asks residents to complete survey

Martin County is positioning to become more competitive in applying for grant funds and creating community programs and policies to best support the housing needs of residents. eSolve, in partnership with the Martin County Alliance, has developed an anonymous survey to gather community input on housing in the county. Your feedback will help local leaders create future plans for the county and the residents

They need your help! Please take a few moments to participate in this survey to inform grant-writers, elected officials, and service providers on your ideas of housing for the community. The deadline for this survey is Tuesday, July 20. You may access the survey using the following link: www.surveymonkey.com/r/MCHOUSING

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NATHAN ENLOW

Nathan Kane Enlow passed away in Orange County on July 1, 2021. He was 41. He was born May 18, 1980, in Caldwell, Idaho; son of Walter Eugene Enlow and Bobbie Deam Julian.

Nathan was employed by BC Concrete. He is survived by his mother, Bobbie Deam Julian; sisters, Starla Enlow, Patricia Camacho and Angela Davis; one brother Timothy Eugene Enlow; and several nieces, nephews, aunts and uncles.

He was preceded in death by his father, Walter Eugene Enlow and his grandparents

Cremation was chosen.

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

BRANDON PENDLEY

Brandon Scott Pendley passed away Friday July 9, 2021. A resident of Shoals, he was 24.

He was born July

10, 1996, in Jas-

per; the son of Ste-

ven and Rebecca

Brandon was a

graduate of Shoals

High School Class of 2015 and was

a car salesman at

Community Kia of

(Baker)

"Becky"

Pendley.



BRANDON PENDLEY

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Surviving are his parents, Steve and Becky Pendley of Shoals; one brother, Levi Pendley of Shoals; grandparents, Wayne and Geri Pendley of Shoals, Dottie and John Hopkins of Shoals, and Sheryl Baker of Shoals; aunts, Amy Baker Qualkenbush of Shoals, Angie and Monte Hagen of Huntingburg, Debbie and Tim Bateman of Washington, Pam Pendley of Huntingburg, Vicki Pendley of Indianapolis, and Jennifer and Tom Baxter of Lafayette; uncles, Jondavide, Bailey, and Payson Hopkins, all of Shoals; Darin and Shara Pendley of Shoals, Ronnie Pendley of Shoals, and Brian and Mary Grindstaff of Franklin, Tennessee; and several cousins.

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Funeral services were held today, Wednesday, July 14 at 1 p.m. at the Queen-Lee Chapel of Thorne-George Family Funeral Homes. Burial followed in Spring Hill Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to Queen-Lee Chapel to assist the family with funeral expenses.

Online condolences may be sent to the family at www.queenlee.com.

PATRICIA BRUNER

Patricia "Patsy" Bruner passed away Tuesday, July 13, 2021, at her home surrounded by her loved ones. A resident of

Loogootee, she was 76.

She was born August 11, 1944, in St. Charles, Missouri; daughter of the late Gerald "Jerry" and Dolores (Wolfe) Bizelli. Patsy married Andy Bruner on November 28, 1992, and he survives.

Patsy earned her registered nurse license in 1986 from the University of Evansville. She worked in the Memorial Hospital and Healthcare Psych Ward and then started the psych unit at St. Joseph Hospital in Huntingburg. She finished her career at Loogootee Nursing Center as the Nursing Director.

sewing and needlework. She also liked to collect rooster/chicken knick knacks, going on drives and caring for her dogs and all of God's creatures.

Wednesday, July 14, 2021

She was preceded in death by her parents and her son, Gerald "Jerry" Masterson

Patsy is survived by her husband, Andy Bruner of Loogootee; daughter, Linda King of St. Louis, Missouri; sons, John (JoAnn) Masterson of Jasper, Lawrence Masterson of Jasper, Pat "Adam" (Sharon) Masterson of Haysville and Eric Masterson of St. Charles, Missouri; stepsons, Clayton (Michele) Bruner of Escondido, California and Clint (Kimberly) Bruner of Phoenix, Arizona; siblings, Peggy (Gary) Presson of St. Charles, Missouri, Sally (Paul) Johns of Niles, Michigan, Gerry Sue Bryan and James Glastetter of St. Peters, Missouri, Gerald (Tom) Bizelli of Whifield, Missouri and Candy (John) Heidbreeder of Welden Springs, Missouri.

Patsy wished to be cremated and no services will be held.

Condolences may be made online at www.blakefuneralhomes.com. Blake Funeral Home in Loogootee is honored to serve the family Patricia "Patsy" Bruner.

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Early warning siren

-Photo provided

Last year, the Martin County Community Foundation awarded the Town of Shoals and the Shoals Fire Department a grant from their Impact Grant Cycle application to install an early warning siren on the west side of Shoals. However, once installed, Dr. Candace Roush (Shoals Community School Corporation Superintendent) reported that the siren could not be heard at the school, which is on the east side of Shoals. The Town of Shoals and the Shoals Community School Corporation collaborated on this problem and agreed that a siren on top of the school gym would resolve the problem for that side of town. The community foundation stepped in with a \$10,145 Vision Grant to pay for the siren and continue their support of the town's early warning system for the protection of its community. Pictured, from left to right, are Laura Albertson (MCCF Board member) and Jerry Braun (MCCF Grants Committee Chairperson) presenting the check to Cary Albright (Town of Shoals Council President) and Sierra Rutledge (Town of Shoals Clerk-Treasurer), Annette Taylor (MCCF Board member), Angie Risacher (MCCF Board member), Dr. Candace Roush (SCSC Superintendent), Jenell Hoffman (MCCF Board member), and Curt Johnson (MCCF Director).

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Martin County Sheriff's Department log

MONDAY, JULY 5

6:34 a.m. - Received a report of a car-deer accident near Shoals. Captain Reed responded.

10:32 a.m. - Received a report of trespassing near Shoals. Chief Deputy Greene responded.

11:43 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance and Loogootee Fire responded.

11:50 a.m. - Received a dog complaint near Loogootee. Animal Control Officer Hughett was notified.

12:39 p.m. - Received a report of a domestic dispute in Loogootee. Loogootee Police and Chief Deputy Greene responded.

12:42 p.m. - Received a report of debris on US 231, near Loogootee. Chief Deputy Greene and Martin County Civil Defense responded.

2:21 p.m. - Received a report of a reckless driver on US 231, near Loogootee. Loogootee Assistant Chief Rayhill responded.

3:32 p.m. - Received a dog complaint in Shoals. Animal Control Officer Hughett was notified.

4:20 p.m. - Received a report of reckless driving on SR 450, north of Shoals. Deputy Shaw responded.

5:09 p.m. - Deputy Shaw assisted a motorist near Shoals with a vehicle identification check.

6:12 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance near Shoals. Martin County Ambulance and Shoals Fire responded.

7:42 p.m. - Deputy Shaw assisted a motorist in Shoals with a vehicle unlock.

11:10 p.m. - Received a report of a reckless driver on US 50, near Loogootee. Loogootee Officer Wells responded. **TUESDAY, JULY 6**

4:33 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Shoals. Martin County Ambulance and Shoals Fire responded. No one was transported.

8:55 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.

9:48 a.m. - Received a report of suspicious activity north of Loogootee. Major Keller responded.

10:06 a.m. - Received a dog complaint in Shoals. Animal Control Officer Hughett was notified.

11:22 a.m. - Deputy Seymour took one inmate to court.

12:55 p.m. - Received a report of an accident on US 231, south of Loogootee. ISP responded.

1:29 p.m. - Received an animal complaint east of Loogootee. Chief Deputy Greene responded.

1:50 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance transported the subject to

Jasper Memorial Hospital.

2:58 p.m. - Deputy Seymour took one inmate to court.

6:21 p.m. - Received a request for Crane First Responders in Crane. They responded.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 7

11:44 a.m. - Deputy Seymour took one inmate to court.

12:45 p.m. - Received a cat complaint in Crane. Animal Control Officer Hughett was notified.

3:50 p.m. - Received a report of a disturbance near Shoals. Deputy Wells, Major Keller, Town Marshal Eckert, and ISP Trooper Beaver responded.

5:38 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance north of Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance and Loogootee Fire responded. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

9:57 p.m. - Received a report of a car-deer accident on SR 450, north of Shoals. Deputy Wells responded.

10:23 p.m. - Received a report of a possible prowler east of Shoals. Deputy Wells responded.

THURSDAY, JULY 8

1:43 a.m. - Received a report of a tree down on US 231, south of Loogootee. Captain Reed and Martin County Civil Defense responded.

4:50 a.m. - Received a report of a prowler in Shoals. Captain Reed responded.

7:41 a.m. - Major Keller assisted a motorist with a vehicle unlock.

8:46 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance. Shoals Fire and Martin County Ambulance responded. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

11:27 a.m. - Received an alarm call near Loogootee. Loogootee Police responded.

12:50 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance southeast of Shoals. Lost River Fire, ISP Trooper Beaver, and Dubois County Ambulance responded. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

12:53 p.m. - Received a request for a welfare check in Loogootee. Loogootee Police responded.

1:15 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance near Shoals. Martin County Ambulance and Shoals Fire responded.

1:42 p.m. - Deputy Seymour took three inmates to court.

4:52 p.m. - Received a report of trespassing in Shoals. Town Marshal Eckert responded.

7:58 p.m. - Received a request for lift assistance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded but did not transport

10:36 p.m. - Received a report of a tree down east of Shoals. Shoals Fire responded and removed the tree.

11:10 p.m. - Received a report of a prowler in Loogootee. Loogootee Of-

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ficer Means and Deputy Flanagan responded.

FRIDAY, JULY 9

6:33 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance near Shoals. Shoals Fire and Martin County Ambulance responded. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

7:52 a.m. - Received a dog complaint in Shoals. ISP Trooper Beaver responded.

9:37 a.m. - Received a dog complaint in Shoals. Animal Control Officer Hughett was notified.

9:49 a.m. - Received a report of a reckless driver on US 231 near Loogootee. Loogootee Police responded.

1:37 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance near Shoals. Deputy Seymour, Martin County Ambulance, Shoals Fire, and the Martin County Coroner responded.

1:43 p.m. - Received a dog complaint near Loogootee. Animal Control Officer Hughett was notified.

5:51 p.m. - Received a report of an accident east of Shoals. Deputy Shaw, Shoals Fire, and Martin County Ambulance responded. No one was transported.

SATURDAY, JULY 10

8:57 a.m. - Deputy Shaw checked on an abandoned vehicle east of Shoals.

10:21 a.m. - Deputy Shaw assisted a motorist north of Loogootee with a vehicle unlock.

12:02 p.m. - Received a dog complaint in Loogootee. Animal Control Officer Hughett was notified.

4:45 p.m. - Received a fireworks complaint in Shoals. Loogootee Officer Keller responded.

5:14 p.m. - Received a report of a theft in Shoals. Deputy Shaw responded.

9:46 p.m. - Received a report of a tree down on US 50, east of Loogootee. Deputy Flanagan, Loogootee Sergeant McBeth, and Martin County Civil Defense responded.

SUNDAY, JULY 11

12:38 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance and Deputy Flanagan responded. No one was transported.

12:53 a.m. - Received a report of a domestic dispute near Loogootee. Deputy Flanagan and Loogootee Sergeant McBeth responded.

7:30 a.m. - Received a report of a tree down on US 231, south of Loogootee. Deputy Flanagan and Martin County Civil Defense responded.

9:24 a.m. - Received a request for lift assistance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded but did not transport

6:13 p.m. - Received a report of a domestic dispute in Shoals. Deputy Shaw and ISP Trooper Nolan responded.

10:15 p.m. - Received a request for a welfare check near Shoals. Deputy Shaw responded.



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June 30 Portfolio Recovery Associates vs. Sandra Ray, civil collection.

July 5

Midland Credit Management, LLC vs. Dina Ferguson, civil collection.

July 6

Mary K. Henninger vs. Lee R. Henninger, petition for dissolution of mar-

CIVIL COURT JUDGMENTS June 24

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Crane Credit Union and against the defendant Dillion J. Baugh in the amount of \$13,941.47.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Roger A. Stallings of Loogootee and Paula J. Wigard of Loogootee

Benjamin J. Winfrey of West Baden Springs and Alena D. Rhea of Loogoo-

Patrick H. Clark of Mishawaka and Casey A. Hamilton of Loogootee.

ARRESTS

MONDAY, JULY 5

12:48 a.m. - Regan Howell, 27, of Mitchell, was arrested by Deputy Shaw and charged with operating a vehicle while intoxicated and operating a vehicle while intoxicated endangerment. She is being held on a \$10,000 10% bond.

11:40 p.m. - Robert Lents, 38, of Loogootee, was arrested by Captain Reed and charged with operating while intoxicated. His bond has been set at \$3,000 10%. Sheriff Roush assisted with the ar-

WEDNESDAY, JULY 7

4:32 p.m. - Angel Griffin, 59, of Owensville, was arrested by Deputy Wells and charged with operating a vehicle while intoxicated controlled substance, operating a vehicle while intoxicated refusal, possession of a controlled substance, and resisting arrest. Her bond has been set at \$10,000 10%.

THURSDAY, JULY 8

10:05 p.m. - Manuel Hernandez, 45, of Vincennes, was arrested by Deputy Shaw and charged with operating a vehicle while intoxicated and operating a vehicle while intoxicated endangerment. His bond has been set at \$10,000 10%.

SATURDAY, JULY 10

4:01 p.m. - Kimber Halcomb, 30, of Shoals, was arrested by Deputy Shaw on a Dubois County warrant and was transported to Dubois County.

SUNDAY, JULY 11

9:54 a.m. - Walter Zalasar, 20, of Indianapolis, was arrested by Deputy Wells and charged with driving while never being licensed. His bond was set at \$3,000

11:48 a.m. - First responders were dispatched to a medical call on Park Street.

1:02 p.m. - Assistant Chief Rayhill completed a welfare check on Southwest Third Street.

2:41 p.m. - Assistant Chief Rayhill responded to a report of an erratic driver and speeding vehicle nearing Loogootee on US 231 South.

1:00 p.m. - A complainant on station turned in a found wallet.

TUESDAY, JULY 6

1:58 p.m. - Chief Floyd responded to a report of a suspicious vehicle.

2:04 p.m. - Assistant Chief Rayhill completed a vehicle check.

11:36 p.m. - Caller reported a civil dis-

WEDNESDAY, JULY 7

9:03 a.m. - Captain Hennette completed a welfare check on Fairview Street.

2:37 p.m. - Caller reported a vehicle parked in a handicap parking space without a handicap plate.

5:49 p.m. - First responders were dispatched to a medical call on East 950

THURSDAY, JULY 8

10:50 a.m. - Received a call in reference to a traffic issue on US 50 East due to an oversized load.

11:28 a.m. - Captain Hennette completed a welfare check on North Line

11:36 a.m. - Chief Floyd responded to an active residential burglar alarm.

1:02 p.m. - Captain Hennette completed a welfare check on Cherry Street.

5:07 p.m. - Chief Floyd responded to a report of a reckless driver nearing Loogootee on US 231 North.

5:28 p.m. - Caller reported a traffic hazard due to flood waters on Broadway

5:55 p.m. - Chief Floyd completed a welfare check.

10:30 p.m. - Officer Means responded to a report of a possible impaired driver. FRIDAY, JULY 9

9:59 a.m. - Captain Hennette responded to a report of a reckless driver nearing Loogootee on US 231 South.

12:13 p.m. - Captain Hennette responded to a report of a reckless driver nearing Loogootee on State Road 550.

1:40 p.m. - Captain Hennette assisted with a funeral detail.

4:38 p.m. - A caller reported scam calls. **SATURDAY, JULY 10**

4:05 p.m. - Officer Keller assisted the Martin County Sheriff's Department with a domestic dispute.

4:55 p.m. - Officer Keller responded to a report of fireworks being shot toward

5:04 p.m. - Officer Keller assisted the Martin County Sheriff's Department with a welfare check.

6:41 p.m. - A complainant called in reference to fireworks.

SUNDAY, JULY 11

12:53 a.m. - Sgt. McBeth assisted the Martin County Sheriff's Department with a domestic dispute.

7:32 a.m. - Loogootee Fire Department was dispatched to assist with a tree blocking a roadway on US 231 South. 8:50 a.m. - Officer Seymour assisted

the Martin County Sheriff's Department with a traffic stop on US 231 South.

8:50 a.m. - Officer Seymour assisted the Martin County Sheriff's Department with a traffic stop on US 231 South.

11:50 a.m. - Officer Seymour responded to a complaint of an owner's dog being attacked by another dog.

2:20 p.m. - Officer Seymour assisted a complainant in retrieving her belongings from a residence.

Martin County real estate transfers

William L. Heckard and Amanda N. **Heckard**, of Martin County, Indiana to **Brandon Michael Ivey and Alexis Nichole Ivey,** of Martin County, Indiana, a part of the southeast quarter of the northwest quarter of Section 2, Township 3 North, Range 4 West, in Martin County, Indiana, containing 20 acres, more or less.

Richard L. Hawkins and Linda J. Hawkins, of Martin County, Indiana to Leslie K. Graber and Elaine S. Graber, of Daviess County, Indiana, a part of the east half of Section 32, Township 3 North, Range 4 West, Center Township, Martin County, Indiana, containing 5.072 acres, more or less.

Richard L. Hawkins and Linda J. Hawkins, of Martin County, Indiana to Leslie K. Graber and Elaine S. Graber, of Daviess County, Indiana, a part of the southwest quarter of Section 28, and part of the northwest quarter of the northwest

quarter of Section 33, Township 3 North, Range 4 West, Center Township, Martin County, Indiana, containing 78.68 acres, more or less.

Lane A. Keller, of Martin County, Indiana to Lane A. Keller and Brittany **Schultz,** of Martin County, Indiana, Lo Number 29 in Roger's Addition to the Town, now City of Loogootee, Indiana.

Thomas M. Stempf and Alice M. **Stempf**, of Martin County, Indiana to Kathleen R. Stempf and John T. **Stempf,** of Martin County, Indiana, a part of the southwest quarter of the southwest quarter of Section 5, Township 1 North, Range 4 West, Martin County, Indiana, containing 1.31 acres, more or less.

Paul G. Moffitt and Jason L. Moffitt, of Martin County, Indiana to the **State of Indiana**, a part of the northeast quarter of Section 9, Township 2 North, Range 3 West, Halbert Township, Martin County, Indiana, containing 0.008 acres, more or

Thomas J. McAtee, Jr. and Tracie N. McAtee, of Martin County, Indiana to Michael G. Jones and Nancy L. Jones, of Martin County, Indiana, part of the southwest quarter of Section 18, Township 3 North, Range 4 West, Perry Township, Martin County, Indiana, containing 0.48 acre, more or less. Also, part of the southwest quarter of Section 18, Township 3 North, Range 4 West, Perry Township, Martin County, Indiana, containing 0.669 acres, more or less.

Christopher W. Wolf and Paula S. Wolf, of Martin County, Indiana to William S. Lyon and Erin N. Mathies, of Marion County, Indiana, a portion of the northeast quarter of Section 31, Township 3 North, Range 4 West, in Perry Township, Martin County, Indiana, containing 2 acres. A portion of the northeast quarter of Section 31, Township 3 North, Range 4 West, Perry Township, Martin County, Indiana, containing 2.87 acres.

Prosecutor highlights new criminal laws that took effect July 1

The vast majority of the bills signed by Gov. Eric Holcomb after the most recent legislative session officially became law on July 1, 2021. Many will directly impact criminal justice, the prosecutor's office, and the local community. Prosecutor Aureola S. Wright wanted to highlight some of these important measures.

Some of the highlights include:

HEA 1082- High Tech Crimes Unit: More and more evidence in criminal cases is virtual in nature. Cellphone data, computers, security cameras, technology plays a huge role in everyday life and in criminal investigations. But it takes a lot of time, knowledges and resources to be able to comb through digital evidence. HEA 1082 will help with that by providing funding for 10 high tech crime units in prosecutor offices across the state. By the end of 2021, the 10 selected counties will be announced. These units will not only service the host county but other counties in close proximity, ensuring that every prosecutor's office has access to this technology that will help speed up the judicial process and result in better and quicker investigations.

SEA 167- Theft of Catalytic Converters: Seemingly every county in Indiana has seen this issue pop up more and more in recent years. Catalytic converters contain extremely valuable metals that are relatively simple to remove from the bottom of a car with the right knowledge and tools. Well-organized rings can hit a parking lot and come away with several converters in one night. For the vehicle owners, the theft leaves the car inoperable, and repairs can be extremely costly. In light of this, SEA 167 is a two-pronged approach, increasing the penalty for stealing a catalytic converter and also adding a penalty for purchasing stolen goods. This bill should hopefully discourage what has become an organized crime with thieves grabbing multiple converters and then selling them to metal dealers who are usually aware of what they are

SEA 187- Protecting Monuments, Memorials, and Statues: This bill creates some new laws and punishments regarding rioting, something that became a little more common in 2020. The punishment for rioting can now be enhanced to a Level 6 felony or Level 5 felony depending on if there is injury and property damage that exceeds a certain amount. The bill also mandates that Indiana State Police prioritize investigations regarding damage to monuments.

SEA 133- Sentencing: This act finally closes a loophole that prosecutors have been pushing for a while regarding drug dealers. The bill also mandates that sentences for Level 2 or 3 felony drug offenses can't be suspended by a judge if the offender has a prior, unrelated felony. This important legislation will ensure that drug dealers stay behind bars for an appropriate amount of time.

SEA 79- Protective Orders and Domestic Battery: Unfortunately, domestic violence cases are seen by the prosecutor's office far too often. SEA 79 was authored and signed as a way to increase penalties against offenders who commit domestic violence against someone that had a protective order against the offender. The new law also goes after repeat offenders, by increasing the penalty for domestic violence if the defendant has a previous conviction of battery or strangulation against that family member. Strangulation is becoming more and more prevalent in the charging data and is a dangerous precursor to more violent crimes. The prosecutor is thankful lawmakers are taking it seriously and adding a stiffer penalty to those who commit

These are just a few of hundreds of new laws that went into effect on July 1. Martin County residents are encouraged to visit http://iga.in.gov/legislative/2021/bills/for a complete list.



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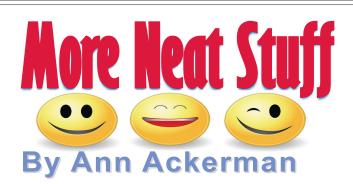
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- *Live beneath your means.
- *Return everything you borrow.
- *Stop blaming other people.
- *Admit it when you make mistakes.
- *Give clothes not worn to charity. *Do something nice and try not to get
- caught.
- *Listen more; talk less.
- *Every day, take a 30-minute walk.
- *Strive for excellence, not perfection.
- *Be on time. Don't make excuses.
- *Don't argue. Get organized.
- *Be kind to unkind people.
- *Let someone cut ahead of you in line.
- *Take time to be alone.
- *Cultivate good manners.
- *Be humble.
- *Realize and accept that life isn't fair.
- *Know when to keep your mouth shut.
- *Go an entire day without criticizing
- *Learn from the past. Plan for the future.
- *Live in the present.
- *Don't sweat the small stuff.
- *It's all small stuff.

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THOUGHTS

*I have one cup of coffee each morning just to start the day off right. The other ones are to keep me out of jail, help me form sentences, and fuel my razor sharp

*Your kids will speak about people the way you speak about people. Your kids will care about people the way you care about people. Your kids will treat people the way you treat people. What kind of people do you want them to be?

Make someone smile today?

Back-to-school shot clinics

The start of a new school year is almost here! Students in kindergarten, grade 6, grade 12 and college students may need immunizations before they can begin classes in August. Students in all grades need to get the Hepatitis A vaccine if they have not already received it.

The Martin County Health Department will be holding a walk-in clinic for back-to-school shots on Thursday, July 15. Clinic hours will be 9 a.m.-noon and 12:30-5 p.m. This special one-day clinic is the only time an appointment is not required for immunizations.

Regular clinic hours are from 8:30 a.m.-noon and 12:30-6 p.m. by appointment only on the following dates: Wednesday, July 14, Wednesday, July 21, Wednesday, July 28 and Wednesday,

The health department office is located at 127 Water Street, Shoals.

The Martin County Health Department is contracted with VaxCare and can bill most insurance companies that pay for vaccines. The patient must bring their insurance card, or no vaccines can be given on that day. The health department can vaccinate children on Medicaid, the uninsured and those who have insurance that does not pay for vaccines through the Vaccines for Children (VFC) program. Please bring a copy of your child's immunization record with you.

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

MCCF grant applications due July 27

dation is accepting online applications for the 2021 Grant Cycle, which funds charitable programs and projects that serve Martin County. The 2021 cycle has \$100,000 of unrestricted funding available; additional monies may be available through Field of Interest funding. The application deadline is July 27.

Applications can be submitted at the grant portal on the Martin County Community Foundation's website, www.cfpartner.org, or you may go directly to the portal at https://cfpartner.spectrumportal. net/ Prior to applying, grantseekers are

The Martin County Community Foun- strongly encouraged to watch the video "2021 Martin County Grant Cycle' posted on our website which announces changes to the cycle. Applicants must register and be approved to apply; the application deadline is July 27, 2021, to be considered for funding. Non-profit organizations recognized by the IRS as having 501(c)(3) status, accredited educational institutions, and governmental entities are invited to submit applica-

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CALENDAR

Loogootee School Board meeting

The Loogootee School Board will meet Thursday, July 15 at 5 p.m. in the high school media center. 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.

LUMC Food Pantry

The Loogootee United Methodist Church Food Pantry is open every Thursday (except the fourth Thursday) from 11 a.m.-1 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.

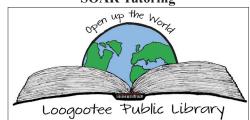
Local recovery meetings

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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VU's WorkOne has several services available including help for college students. Please call Katie to make an appointment to see if she has a program to benefit you. VU also provides free adult basic education classes at the library. Congratulations to John "Frankie" Kidwell on achieving your GED/HAS on June 19, 2021.

The summer reading program ends on Friday, July 23. Please return all your books and record all the points to receive prizes or enter grand prize. Makenzie will still offer some fun kids programming so stay tuned for her announcement.

New Books

Mystery Fiction: "Choose Me" by Tess Gerristsen, "The Cellist" by Daniel Silva, and "The Shadow" by James Patterson.,

Fiction: "Nine Lives" by Danielle Steel and "It's Better This Way" by Debbie Macomber.

Inspirational Fiction: "The Heart's Charge" by Karen Witemeyer.

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

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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.

AG Rokita warns Hoosiers about telephone scam

Attorney General Todd Rokita, on Tuesday, issued an alert to Hoosiers to remain vigilant against a recent surge in telephone scams seeking to take advantage of consumers. An influx in reported complaints have shown that fraudsters are utilizing a telephone scam in which they impersonate a utilities customer service representative and urge customers to make a payment by threatening to cut off power or utility services within thirty minutes of receiving the call. In some instances, the scammer reportedly asks for payment to be dropped off at a kiosk or a laundry mat. These scams are an attempt to steal consumers' money or identities.

"When I took the oath of office as Indiana's Attorney General, I promised Hoosiers that I would serve with their interests in mind," said Attorney General Rokita. "Their safety will always be my top priority."

The Office of the Indiana Attorney General's Consumer Protection Division offers the following tips to avoid utility

-Be wary of callers that specifically ask you to pay by prepaid debit card or cash. This type of payment is a red flag and is difficult to trace or reverse.

-Check your most recent utility bill statement and any upcoming due dates.

-Be suspicious of any high-pressure tactics. If you suspect fraudulent activity, do not provide any personal information and end the call. Contact the utility company through a trusted phone number or email address.

If a consumer believes they have been the victim of deceptive or fraudulent business practices, they can file a consumer complaint at www.IndianaConsumer.com.

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We have reached the dog days of summer and getting out in the garden just does not rank high in the list of options for our time. It is hot and humid, and just a few minutes in the garden means that sweat will be pouring off you. Some days, the air is heavy and hard to breathe. It makes it easy to just say good-bye to the garden and let nature take its course.

However, this hot, humid weather is exactly what many of our plants need, especially when the moisture supply is good. Growth of all plants, including weeds, will be accelerated. This is the weather that gives us those wonderful ripe tomatoes, peppers and squash.

Several area counties will be having fairs this week and in coming weeks, and the end of the month will bring the Indiana State Fair. Take a break from the gardens and spend some time at the fairs. Support our local youth and look at all the talent that goes into those 4-H projects. Eat some fair food. You can get back to your tomato diet in a couple of days. Most of the fairgrounds have some air-conditioned buildings, so take advantage of those modern conveniences when the weather gets too hot.

When you return to your garden, do so in small doses. You can follow the shade around and at least keep some degree of comfort. I sometimes feel that I never finish a project, because the shade moves before I get done in an area, but there is always tomorrow. Dress for the weather. Hats are not just fashion accessories in the garden. I prefer a wide-brimmed hat to keep the sun off my shoulders. Several years ago, I bought a hat that can be soaked in water and wrung out before putting it on. As the moisture evaporates, it helps to cool the wearer's head. It is getting a little rough-looking, and some relatives have bought me new hats to encourage me to stop using this hat, but none of them has the cooling capacaccent plant.

Martin County 4-H Sheep Show results

Market Lamb

Grand Champion Market Lamb: Kyleigh Courter

Reserve Grand Champion Market Lamb: Breanna Courter

3rd Place: Cami Crays Breeding Ewes Southdown Yearling Ewe Champion: Brylee Bateman

Commercial Ewe Lamb Champion: Cameron Crays Commercial Yearling Ewe Champion: Delani Bateman am alone in the garden 99 percent of the time, I continue to wear my beloved hat when gardening. Wear light-weight clothing in light

colors. Some activities may require long sleeves and long pants but keep things as light as possible. One may usually find white dress shirts at thrift stores for bargain prices. If someone asks why I am "dressed up" in the garden, I tell them that the garden is a place of worship for

Misters are readily available these days. What was a great luxury just a few years ago is now very affordable. Outdoor fans mean that one may create a breeze, even when the air is stagnant. It is amazing how much that breeze and the mist can refresh a gardener and give him or her enough strength to continue just a little longer.

When you do get to the point of exhaustion, take a break. The weeds will still be there tomorrow, and other garden tasks will wait as well. Go inside and cool off, if you have an air-conditioned home, or sit in the shade with a glass of ice water. At Sandhill Gardens, I have a great selection of places to sit and take a break. I recommend that every landscape include multiple seats, whether they be manufactured lawn furniture or just rocks and blocks of wood. Spread them around the garden so there is always a place to take a break.

Eat a popsicle and travel back to the days of your youth. Sit and take in the beauty around you. If you spend too much time working, you will miss the purpose of the work. I have learned that even the greatest botanical gardens in the world have weeds and I have learned that the quest for the perfect landscape is a fool's errand. Relax and enjoy the garden. That weed may be the next fad

Reserve Champion: Abigail Lindsey Grand Champion Ewe: Delani Bateman Reserve Grand Champion Ewe: Brylee

Showmanship

Junior Sheep Showmanship Champion: Brylee Bateman Master Sheep Showmanship Champion: Kyleigh Courter

Reserve Champion: Delani Bateman

3rd Place: Breanna Courter 4th Place: Cami Crays

5th Place: Brylee Bateman American Legion Post 120

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Martin County 4-H Project results

Grand Champion: Noah Esch

Stage 3: Noah Esch- champion, blue,

African Violets

Grand Champion: Emma Hert

Reserve Grand Champion: Madison

Level D: Emma Hert- champion, blue; Madison Esch- reserve champion, blue; Delani Bateman-blue

Any Other Craft

Grand Champion: Addyson Lengacher Reserve Grand Champion: Nicholas Gilmore

Level 1: Eli Holt- champion, blue; Steven Douglas- reserve champion, blue

Level 2: Addyson Lengacher- champion, blue, state; Emma Lingenfelterreserve champion, blue; Emmalyn Mc-Nabb- blue; Landon Douglas- blue

Level 3: Nicholas Gilmore- champion, blue, state; Kayden Sutton- reserve champion, blue; Madison Esch- blue, Kortni Rumble- blue

Beef Poster

Grand Champion: Jackson Richer

Reserve Grand Champion:

Level 1: Jackson Richer- champion,

Cake Decorating

Grand Champion: Emma Hert

Reserve Grand Champion: Olivia Abel Beginner: Josie Mathies- champion, blue, state

Intermediate: Olivia Abel- champion, blue, state

Advanced: Emma Hert- champion, blue, state

Cat Poster

Grand Champion: Elizabeth Boswell Reserve Grand Champion: Brayden Sutton

Level 2: Elizabeth Boswell- champion, blue, state

Level 3: Brayden Sutton- champion, blue, state

Christmas Tree

Grand Champion: Emma Lingenfelter Level 2: Emma Lingenfelter- champion, blue

Collections

Grand Champion: Luke Guy

Reserve Grand Champion: Nathanial White

Beginner: Nathanial White- champion, blue; Nickolis- reserve champion, blue

Intermediate: Luke Guy- champion, blue; Emmalyn McNabb- reserve champion, blue

Community Service

Grand Champion: Lillie Bauer

Reserve Grand Champion: Alysse

Level 2: Lillie Bauer- champion, blue Level 3: Alysse Wadsworth- champion, blue

Construction Toys

Grand Champion: Luke Troutman

Reserve Grand Champion: Jaxon Smith Level 1: Jaxon Smith- champion, blue, state; Eva Ringwald- reserve champion, blue; Eli Holt- blue; Levi Holt- blue; Jackson Lengacher- blue; Holden Lingenfelter- blue; Sophia Toy- blue; Nathanial White- blue

Level 2: Emmalyn McNabb- champion, blue; Elizabeth Boswell- reserve champion, blue; Malachi McNabb- blue

Level 3: Luke Troutman- champion, blue, state; Alex Adams- reserve champion, blue

Consumer Education- Beef

Grand Champion: Carter Walton

Level 2: Carter Walton- champion, blue Consumer Education- Pork

Grand Champion: Carter Walton

Level 2: Carter Walton- champion, blue

Grand Champion: Russell Mauder

Level 3: Russell Mauder- champion, blue

Create-A-Mix

Grand Champion: Alysse Wadsworth Level 3: Alysse Wadsworth- champion,

Cupcake Decorating

Grand Champion: Emma Holt

Reserve Grand Champion: Elizabeth Douglas

Level 1: Elizabeth Douglas- champion,

Level 2: Emma Holt- champion, blue; Emmalyn McNabb- reserve champion, blue; Remington Lake- red

Dog Poster

Grand Champion: Brayden Sutton

Reserve Grand Champion: Holden Lingenfelter

Level 1: Holden Lingenfelter- champion, blue; Abbigail Rollins- reserve champion, blue

Level 3: Brayden Sutton- champion, blue

Grand Champion: Sabastian White

Reserve Grand Champion: Elizabeth

Level 1: Nathanial White- champion, blue, state

Level 3- Elizabeth Boswell- champion, blue, state

Level 4: Sabastian White- champion, blue, state

Level 5: Noah Esch- red

Farm Scene

Grand Champion: Karter Burris

Reserve Grand Champion: Dorothy Gee

Level 1: Dorothy Gee- champion, blue, state

(See 'PROJECTS' on page 8)

Trinity Springs Mustering Elm Park & the Route 50 Cruisers



CAR SHOW

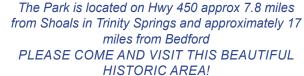
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PROJECTS

(Continued from page 7)

Level 3: Karter Burris- champion, blue, state; Makenzie Mauder- reserve champion, blue; Russell Mauder- blue

Fashion Revue-Sewing

Grand Champion: Makenzie Mauder Reserve Grand Champion: Nathanial

Grade 3-7: Makenzie Mauder- champion, blue; Nathanial White- reserve champion, blue

Fine Arts

Grand Champion: Kayden Sutton Reserve Grand Champion: Nathanial White

Level 1: Nathanial White- champion, blue, state; Brylee Bateman- reserve champion, blue; Abbigail Rollins, red

Level 2: Ella Parker- champion, blue; Olivia Abel- reserve champion, blue

Level 3: Kayden Sutton- champion, blue, state; Madison Esch- reserve champion, blue

<u>Floriculture</u>

Grand Champion: Sophia Toy

Reserve Grand Champion: Olivia Abel Level B- House Plant: Sophia Toychampion, blue, state

Level B- Mixed Planter: Olivia Abelreserve champion, blue, state

Foods- Baked

Grand Champion: Clayton Miller Reserve Grand Champion: Chase Mill-

Grade 3: Nathanial White- champion, blue, state

Grade 5: Chase Miller-champion, blue, state; Sophia Toy-reserve champion, blue Grade 6: Clayton Miller- champion,

Grade 7-9: Kanton Dearwester- champion, blue, state

<u>Forestry</u>

Grand Champion: Remington Lake Reserve Grand Champion: Carter Wal-

Level 2: Remington Lake- champion, blue, state; Carter Walton- reserve champion, blue

Level 3: Tucker Walton- champion, blue, state

Garden

Grand Champion: Hannah Lengacher Reserve Grand Champion: Carter Wal-

Level B- Single Vegetable: Carter Walton-champion, blue

Level B- Collection: Josephine Hawkins- participation

Level D- Single Vegetable: Delani Bateman- champion, blue

Level D- Collection: Hannah Lengacher- champion, blue; Delani Bateman- reserve champion, blue

Garden-Herb

Grand Champion: Carter Walton Level B: Carter Walton- champion,

Level D: Emma Hert- red

Geology Grand Champion: Carter Walton

Reserve Grand Champion: Tucker Walton

Level 2: Carter Walton- champion, blue, state

Level 3: Tucker Walton- champion, blue, state

Greeting Cards

Grand Champion: Alysse Wadsworth Level 3: Alysse Wadsworth- champi-

Hay

Grand Champion: Eli Ausbrooks Reserve Grand Champion: Jackson

Level 1: Jackson Richer- champion, blue

Level 2: Eli Ausbrooks- champion, blue

Health

Grand Champion: Carter Walton Level B: Carter Walton- champion,

<u>Microwave</u>

Grand Champion: Grace Lingenfelter Level 4: Grace Lingenfelter- champion, blue

Model Craft

Grand Champion: Luke Guy

Reserve Grand Champion: Nick Keller Level 2: Luke Guy- champion, blue,

Level 3: Nick Keller- champion, blue, state; Delani Bateman- red

Our Solar System

Grand Champion: Elizabeth Boswell Reserve Grand Champion: Tucker

Grade 6: Elizabeth Boswell- champion, blue; Carter Walton- reserve champion, blue

Grade 11: Tucker Walton- champion, blue

Photography

Grand Champion: Olivia Harker

Reserve Grand Champion: Delani Bateman

Level 1- Photo Color Prints: Abbigail Rollins- champion, blue, state

Level 2- Photo Color Prints: Emmalyn McNabb- champion, blue, state; Olivia Abel- reserve champion, blue, state

Level 2- Color Salon: Olivia Harkerchampion, blue, state; Brianna Eckerlereserve champion, blue, state; Elizabeth Boswell-blue

Level 3- Photo Color Prints: Mason Harder- blue (virtual)

Level 3- Color Salon Print: Delani Bateman- champion, blue, state; Bryant Eckerle- reserve champion, blue, state; Isabelle Waggner- blue, state; Allie Henninger- participation

Poultry Poster

Grand Champion: Holden Lingenfelter Reserve Grand Champion: Eva Ring-

Level 1: Holden Lingenfelter- champion, blue, state; Eva Ringwald-champion, blue; Jackson Richer- blue

Rabbit Poster

Grand Champion: Brayden Sutton

Level 3: Brayden Sutton- champion, blue, state

Read-A-Book

Grand Champion: Luke Guy

Level 2: Remington Lake- champion,

Level 3: Luke Guy- champion, blue; Luke Troutman- reserve champion, blue; Malachi McNabb- blue

Recycling

Grand Champion: Brianna Eckerle Reserve Grand Champion: Nicholas

Grade 6: Elizabeth Boswell- champion,

Grade 8: Brianna Eckerle- champion,

Grade 10: Nicholas Gilmore- champion, blue

Scrapbooking |

Grand Champion: Addyson Lengacher Reserve Grand Champion: Makenzie

Level 1: Brylee Bateman- red

Level 2: Addyson Lengacher- champion, blue; Makenzie Mauder- reserve champion, blue; Brianna Eckerle- blue, Emmalyn McNabb- blue; Chloe Ramsey-blue

Sewing Construction

Grand Champion: Makenzie Mauder Reserve Grand Champion: Nathanial

Grade 3, Wearable: Nathanial Whitechampion, blue, state

Grade 7, Wearble: Makenzie Mauderchampion, blue, state

Shooting Sports

Grand Champion: Elizabeth Boswell Level 2: Elizabeth Boswell- champion,

Level 3: Nicholas Gilmore- blue Soil and Water Science

Grand Champion: Carter Walton

Level 2: Carter Walton- champion, blue

Soybeans

Grand Champion: Russell Mauder Level 3: Russell Mauder- champion,

Sports

Grand Champion: Holden Lingenfelter Level 1: Holden Lingenfelter- champi-

Sportfishing

Grand Champion: Remington Lake Reserve Grand Champion: Kandyn

Level 1: Kandyn Lents- champion, blue, state

Level 2: Remington Lake- champion, blue, state; Carter Walton- reserve champion, blue

Level 3: Tucker Walton- champion, blue, state

Sunflowers

Grand Champion: Koen Waggner Reserve Grand Champion: Grace Lingenfelter

Grade 3: Holden Lingenfelter- champion, blue

Grade 6: Carter Walton- champion,

Grade 7: Makenzie Mauder- champion, blue

Grade 8: Koen Waggner- champion, blue; Emma Lingenfelter- reserve champion, blue

Grade 9: Isaac Waggner- champion,

Grade 11: Grace Lingenfelter- champion, blue; Tucker Walton- reserve champion, blue

Grade 12: Isabelle Waggner- champion, blue

Swine Poster

Grand Champion: Holden Lingenfelter Level 1: Holden Lingenfelter- champion, blue

Tractor Poster

Grand Champion: Carter Walton Level 2: Carter Walton- champion,

blue, state Veterinary Science

Grand Champion: Delani Bateman Reserve Grand Champion: Emmalyn McNabb

Level 2: Emmalyn McNabb- champion, blue, state

Level 3: Delani Bateman- champion, blue, state; Tucker Walton- reserve champion, blue; Brayden Sutton-blue

Weather and Climate Science Grand Champion: Carter Walton

Level 2: Carter Walton- champion, blue, state

Welding

Grand Champion: Russell Mauder Reserve Grand Champion: Daxton

Level 1: Daxton Haulk- champion, Level 3: Russell Mauder- champion,

blue

Wildflowers

Grand Champion: Grace Lingenfelter Reserve Grand Champion: Emma Lingenfelter

Grade 3: Eva Ringwald- champion,

Grade 7: Makenzie Mauder- champion,

Grade 8: Emma Lingenfelter- champion, blue

Grade 11: Grace Lingenfelter- champion, blue

Wildlife

Grand Champion: Carter Walton

Level B: Carter Walton- champion, blue, state

Woodworking

Grand Champion: Brayden Sutton Reserve Grand Champion: Nathanial

Level 1: Nathanial White- champion,

blue, state Level 3: Malachi McNabb- blue

Level 4: Brayden Sutton- champion, blue, state

<u>Mini</u> 4-H

All Mini 4-H exhibitors received a blue ribbon.

Mini Arts: Adilynn Brown, Blue; Izacc Brown, Blue; Samantha Byrd, Blue; Meadow Edwards, Blue; Bailey Esch, Blue; Breah Kidwell, Blue; Isaac Mc-Nabb, Blue; Adeline Richer, Blue; Emersyn Smith, Blue; Elin Wade, Blue

Mini Bugs: Brinley Bauer, Blue

Mini Cake Decorating: Adilynn Brown, Blue; Izacc Brown, Blue; Samantha Byrd, Blue; Meadow Edwards, Blue; Breah Kidwell, Blue; Adeline Richer, Blue; Ava Wade, Blue

Mini Collections: Levi Douglas, Blue; Hayden Edwards, Blue; Eyan Hovis, Blue; Wesley Troutman, Blue; Kash

Wagler, Blue Mini Construction Toys: Eli Boswell, Blue; Izacc Brown, Blue; Mason Mathies, Blue; Isaac McNabb, Blue; Harrison Richer, Blue; Isabel Toy, Blue; Elin Wade, Blue

Mini Dinosaurs: Robert Dages, Blue; Hayden Edwards, Blue

Mini Farm Scene: Bentley Bauer, Blue; Robert Dages, Blue; Mason Mathies, Blue; Harrison Richer, Blue; Wesley Troutman, Blue

Mini Foods: Meadow Edwards, Blue; Isabel Toy, Blue; Elin Wade, Blue

Mini Forestry: No Entry

Nabb, Blue

Mini Garden: Robert Dages, Blue; Ava Knepp, Blue; Isaiah Norris, Blue Mini Models: Bentley Bauer, Blue; Ava

Wade, Blue Mini My Pet & Me: Samantha Byrd, Blue; Robert Dages, Blue; Isaac Mc-

Mini Plants & Flowers: Sophia Ausbrooks, Blue; Meadow Edwards, Blue; Isaiah Norris, Blue; Isabel Toy, Blue

Mini Sewing: Brinley Bauer, Blue;

Breah Kidwell, Blue; Adeline Richer,

Blue

Mini Sports: No Entries

Mini Trees: Breah Kidwell, Blue

Mini Weather: Samantha Byrd, Blue Mini Whales & Dolphins: No entry Mini Wildlife: Bailey Esch, Blue



Gospel sing

-Photo provided

Due to weather, the Martin County 4-H Gospel Sing, held Sunday, July 11, had to be moved indoors. Robert Sullivan (left) and The Smith Family (right) performed.



4-H Cat Show

-Photo provided

Best of Breed: Jocelyn Craney with her

Best of Opposite Sex: Brylee Bateman

2nd Place: Jocelyn Craney with her

3rd Place: Brylee Bateman with her

4th Place: Jocelyn Craney with her bro-

Grand Champion Rabbit: Delani

Reserve Grand Champion: Mackenzie

Craney with her Mini Lop solid senior

Reserve Champion: Brylee Bateman

Intermediate Rabbit Showmanship

Reserve Champion: Abigail Lindsey

Blue Ribbon: Hunter Hilderbrand

Junior Rabbit Showmanship

Champion: Jocelyn Craney

3rd Place: Dorothy Gee

Champion: Olivia Abel

Senior Rabbit Showmanship

3rd Place: Delani Bateman

Champion: Mackenzie Craney

Bateman with her Mini Rex broken se-

black senior doe; Jocelyn Craney with

ken senior doe; Olivia Abel with her bro-

black senior doe: Brylee Bateman with

Delani Bateman was grand champion along with blue champion in the shorthaired cat category and champion in senior cat showmanship. Brylee Bateman was the reserve grand champion, blue champion in the longhaired cat category and champion in junior cat showmanship. Bailey Esch received a blue ribbon in mini 4-H and in cage decorating. Shown above are all the participants in the 4-H Cat Show. From left to right are Miss Congeniality Jocelyn Davis, Queen Haileigh Suheski, 4-H Cat Exhibitors Brylee Bateman, Delani Bateman, and Bailey Esch, and Judge Candace Clark.

Martin County 4-H Fair Rabbit Show results

broken senior doe

with her blue senior buck

her chocolate senior buck

her black senior buck

ken senior buck

Showmanship

Mini 4-H

nior buck

doe

Californian

Best of Breed: Abigail Lindsey with her senior doe

English Spot

Best of Breed: Delani Bateman with her black senior doe

Best Opposite Sex: Olivia Abel with her black senior buck

2nd Place: Delani Bateman with her gray senior buck; Delani Bateman with her gray senior doe

3rd Place: Delani Bateman with her black senior buck; Olivia Abel with her chocolate senior doe

Flemmish Giants

Best of Breed: Abigail Lindsey with her steel junior buck

Best of Opposite Sex: sandy junior doe 2nd Place: sandy junior doe

Mini Lop

Best of Breed: Mackenzie Craney with her solid senior doe

Best of Opposite Sex: Dorothy Gee with her broken senior buck

1st Place: Dorothy Gee with her broken junior doe

2nd Place: Mackenzie Craney with her solid senior buck; Dorothy Gee with her solid senior doe; Dorothy Gee with her broken junior doe

3rd Place: Dorothy Gee with her broken senior doe

4th Place: Abigail Lindsey with her broken senior doe

5th Place: Mackenzie Cranev with her broken senior doe

Mini Rex

Best of Breed: Delani Bateman with her broken senior buck

Best of Opposite Sex: Olivia Abel with her otter senior doe

2nd Place: Olivia Abel with her broken senior buck; Delani Bateman with her broken senior doe

3rd Place: Carter Walton with his broken senior doe

Mini Satin

Best of Breed: Mackenzie Cranev with her siamese senior doe

Best of Opposite Sex:

Netherland Dwarf

Best of Breed: Jocelyn Craney with her tan pattern otter senior doe

Best of Opposite Sex: Olivia Abel with her shaded sia. Sm. Pearl senior buck

2nd Place: Delani Bateman with her tan pattern otter senior doe; Jocelyn Craney with her agouti chestnut senior buck

New Zealand

Best of Breed: Dorothy Gee with her white senior buck

Polish

4-H Fair Poultry Show results

Blue ribbon: Isaiah Norris and Harrison Richer

Poultry

Grand Champion Poultry: Delani Bateman with her Feather Legged Bantam Black Cochin Cock

Reserve Grand Champion Poultry: Emma Lingenfelter with her Single Comb Clean Legged Other Than Game Bantam New Hampshire Hen

American Large Fowl

Champion: Adelyn Sergent with her Jersey Giant Black Hen

Reserve Champion: Jackson Richer with his Rhode Island Red Single-Comb

Blue Ribbons: Abigail Lindsey with her Jersey Giant Black Cockerel, Abigail Lindsey with her Jersey Giant Blue Cock, Jackson Richer with his Dominique Pullet, Jackson Richer with his Rhode Island Red Single-Comb Hen, Jackson Richer with his Dominique Hen, Eva Ringwald with her Plymouth Rock Partridge Pullet, Eva Ringwald with her Plymouth Rock Barred Cockerel, and Adelyn Sergent with his Wyandotte Blue Hen

English Large Fowl

Champion: Adelyn Sergent with her Buff Orpington Hen

Reserve Champion: Adelyn Sergent with her Speckled Sussex Hen

Blue Ribbons: Abigail Lindsey with her All Other Varieties Cockerel

Continental Large Fowl

Champion: Adelyn Sergent with her Bearded Buff-Laced Polish Hen

Reserve Champion: Abigail Lindsey with her Bearded Buff-Laced Polish Pul-

Asiatic Large Fowl

Champion: Adelyn Sergent with her Buff Brahma Hen

Reserve Champion: Adelyn Sergent with her Light Brahma Hen

Old English Game Bantams Champion: Brylee Bateman with her Blue-Breasted Red Cock

Reserve Champion: Brylee Bateman with her Blue Silver Duckwing Hen

Feathered Legged Bantams

Champion: Delani Bateman with her Black Cochin Cock

Reserve Champion: Delani Bateman with her Black Cochin Hen

Blue Ribbons: Delani Bateman with her Splash Cochin Hen, Abigail Lindsey with her Bearded Black Silkie Pullet, Grace Lingenfelter with her Buff Brahma Hen, Jaxon Smith with his Birchin Cochin Cockerel

Single Comb Clean Legged Other than Game Bantams

Champion: Emma Lingenfelter with her New Hampshire Hen

Rose Comb Clean Legged Bantams

Champion: Holden Lingenfelter with his Silver-Spangled Hamburg Hen Quail

Grand Champion Quail: Brylee Bateman

Reserve Grand Champion Quail: Abigail Lindsey

Blue Ribbons: Adelyn Sergent and Delani Bateman

Waterfowl

Grand Champion Waterfowl: Brylee Bateman

Reserve Grand Champion Waterfowl: Abigail Lindsey

Blue Ribbon: Abigail Lindsey, Brylee Bateman, and Delani Bateman

Turkey

Grand Champion Production Turkey: Eli Ausbrooks

Reserve Grand Champion Fancy Turkey: Abigail Lindsey

Showmanship

Junior Poultry Showmanship Champion: Jackson Richer

Reserve Champion: Brylee Bateman 3rd Place: Eva Ringwald

Senior Poultry Showmanship Champion: Delani Bateman Reserve Champion: Abigail Lindsey



Kiddie Tractor Pull

-Photo provided

The 2021 Martin County Kiddie Tractor Pull was held on Sunday, July 11. There were 27 participants. The weight classes ranged from 20-40 lbs., 41-60 lbs., 61-80 lbs., 81-100 lbs., and 101 and over. This year's winners are shown above. In the front row, from left to right, are Quinton Kleaving, and William Hert. Middle Row: Daxton Haulk, Holden Lingenfelter, and Gabe Walton. In the back row, from left to right, are Kaley Roush, Jocelyn Davis, Haileigh Suheski, Sandy Neukam, Indiana State Fair Board Member; and Nicole Larkey, representing Farm Credit Mid-America.

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Fashion Revue Sewing

-Photo provided

Mackenzie Mauder and Nathanial White participated in the fashion revue sewing contest. Mauder was grand champion, champion, blue and Nathanial White was reserve grand champion, champion, blue.



Mud Volleyball

-Photo provided

A lot of fun was happening during the Martin County 4-H Fair Mud Volleyball contest which was held on Saturday, July 10. The Questionables, from Montgomery, won the contest. The Mailboxes, from Jasper, came in second. Third Place was The Unknowns, from Martin County. Shown above are the Mailboxes and the Questionables.

Martin County 4-H Goat Show

Dairy Goat Doe

LaMancha Intermediate Doe

Champion: Abigail Lindsey

Oberhasli Doe- 3 years and under 5 years (milking)

Champion: Brylee Bateman

Oberhasli Doe- 5 years and over (milking)

Champion: Delani Bateman

Grand Champion Dairy Goat Doe: Delani Bateman

Reserve Grand Champion Dairy Goat Doe: Brylee Bateman

Dairy Goat Market Wether

Champion: Brylee Bateman

Reserve Campion: Delani Bateman

3rd Place: Abigail Lindsey

4th Place: Abigail Lindsey

Grand Champion Dairy Wether: Brylee Bateman

Reserve Grand Champion Dairy Wether: Delani Bateman

Pygmy Goat Doe

Two-Year-Old Pygmy Does

Champion: Jocelyn Craney

Three-Year-Old Pygmy Does

Champion: Jocelyn Craney

Reserve Champion: Mackenzie Craney

Four-Year-Old Pygmy Does

Champion: Abigail Lindsey

Pygmy Junior Doe Kid

Champion: Brooklyn Knepp

Pygmy Junior Doe Kid

Champion: Jax VanMeter

Reserve Champion: Abigail Lindsey

3rd Place: Mackenzie Craney

Grand Champion Pygmy Goat Doe: Abigail Lindsey

Reserve Grand Champion Pygmy Goat Doe: Jax VanMeter

Pygmy Wether

Pygmy Wethers 0-12 Months

Champion: Jocelyn Craney

Pygmy Wether 12 months or older

Champion: Delani Bateman

Champion: Mackenzie Reserve Craney

3rd Place: Abigail Lindsey

Grand Champion Pygmy Goat Wether: Delani Bateman

Reserve Grand Champion Pygmy Goat Wether: Mackenzie Craney

Breeding Goat Does

Percentage Doe Champion: Delani Bateman with her

12-16 month of age Reserve Champion: Delani Bateman

with her 3-6 month of age Percentage Does 3 months old to under 6 months of age

1st Place: Delani Bateman

2nd Place: Brylee Bateman

Percentage Does 12 months old to under 16 months of age

1st Place: Delani Bateman Percentage Doe 16 months old to un-

der 20 months of age 1st Place: Cathryn Gee

Percentage Does 24 months old to under 36 months of age

1st Place: Cathryn Gee

Percentage Does 36 months old and

1st Place: Brylee Bateman

Fullblood Does

Champion: Delani Bateman with her 16-20 month 1st Place

Reserve Champion: Brylee Bateman with her 16 month to 20 month fullblood

Fullblood Does 3 months old to under 6 months of age

1st Place: Brylee Bateman

Fullblood Does 9 months to under 12 months

1st Place: Cathryn Gee

Fullblood Does 16 months to under 20 months of age

1st Place: Delani Bateman

2nd Place: Brylee Bateman

3rd Place: Cathryn Gee

Grand Champion Breeding Goat Doe: Delani Bateman with her 16-20 month of

Reserve Grand Champion Breeding Goat Doe: Reserve Grand Champion

Breeding Goat Doe

Meat Goat Wether

Champion: Delani Bateman

Reserve Champion: Brylee Bateman

3rd Place: Cathryn Gee

4th Place: Abigail Lindsey 5th Place: Abigail Lindsey

Grand Champion Wether: Delani

Bateman Reserve Grand Champion Wether:

Brylee Bateman

Market Goat Doe

Champion: Abigail Lindsey

Reserve Champion: Abigail Lindsey Grand Champion Market Goat Doe:

Abigail Lindsey

Reserve Grand Champion Market Goat Doe: Abigail Lindsey

Showmanship

Junior Goat Showmanship Champion: Brylee Bateman

Reserve Champion: Jax VanMeter

Intermediate Goat Showmanship

Champion: Brooklyn Knepp

Senior Goat Showmanship

Champion: Cathryn Gee

Reserve Champion: Abigail Lindsey 3rd Place: Mackenzie Craney

Master Goat Showmanship Champion: Delani Bateman

Reserve Champion: Brylee Bateman

3rd Place: Cathryn Gee

4th Place: Brooklyn Knepp

Mini 4-H

Blue Ribbon: Hunter Hilderbrand, Wesley Troutman, Ava Knepp



-Photos provided

Ag Tractor participants are shown above. From left to right are Rick Mauder, Eli Ausbrooks, Cade Maschino, Russell Mauder, and Larry Craney.

-H Tractor driving results

Senior Division-Cade Maschino: blue, champion, grand champion; Russell Mauder: blue, reserve champion, reserve grand champion

Junior Division-Eli Ausbrooks: blue, champion, grand champion

Lawn and Garden

Senior Division-Cade Maschino: blue, champion, grand champion; Russell Mauder: blue, reserve champion, reserve grand champion; Mason Kerr: blue

Junior Division-Austin Kerr: blue, cham-

pion, grand champion; Jocelyn Craney: blue, reserve champion, reserve grand champion; Jax VanMeter: blue; Daxton Haulk: blue

Zero-Turn

Senior Division-Cade Maschino: blue, champion, grand champion; Russell Mauder: blue, reserve champion, reserve grand champion; Mason Kerr: blue

Junior Division-Austin Kerr: blue, champion, grand champion; Jax VanMeter: blue, reserve champion, reserve grand champion; Hadley Haulk: blue; Daxton Haulk: blue



Lawn and Zero-Turn participants are shown above. In the front row, from left to right are Queen Haileigh Suheski, Daxton Haulk, Jax VanMeter, Jocelyn Craney, Hadley Haulk, and Austin Kerr. In the back row, from left to right, are Miss Congeniality Jocelyn Davis, Eli Ausbrooks, Larry Craney, Russell Mauder, Rick Mauder, Cade Maschino, and Mason Kerr.

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First 5,000 gallons-\$18.5430

Next 5,000 gallons-\$11.2880

Next 20,000 gallons-\$6.2895 Next 30,000 gallons-\$3.7905

Over 60,000 gallons-\$2.4570 Minimum charge per month for service shall be \$37.08.

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Per Residential Connection-\$1,000

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There shall be a returned check charge of \$35 per returned check.

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.

Indiana Uplands, which includes Martin County, is READI to go

Opportunity Initiatives Regional (ROI) and Radius Indiana are pleased to announce that the 11 counties of the Indiana Uplands will continue their shared commitment to economic and community prosperity through participation in the Indiana Regional Economic Acceleration and Development Initiative (REA-DI). Each of the 11 counties affirmed their participation in the Indiana Uplands READI application through formal resolutions provided by key entities across the region, including county commissions, city and town councils, school districts, and other entities.

On July 1, ROI notified the Indiana Economic Development Corporation of its intent to seek funding, alongside its partner organizations, through READI on behalf of the Indiana Uplands region, comprised of Brown, Crawford, Daviess, Dubois, Greene, Lawrence, Martin, Monroe, Orange, Owen, and Washington counties.

"READI, as its acronym so aptly com- tool (https://regionmunicates, has the potential to position this region to accelerate the work we have been collectively pursuing through regionally relevant, demand-driven strategies focused on economic growth and community prosperity," said ROI President and CEO, Tina Peterson. "READI will allow our region of 406,000 individuals living in 48 cities and towns to take the next steps in further activating a rural region with rapidly growing technology-driven sectors, world-class education assets, and incredible natural resources. We have momentum, and we are READI to build upon it."

ROI has opened an online tool to allow Uplands organizations and individuals to provide information on potential projects and programs that have the capacity to grow the region's economic outcomes through investments in place-based talent, business, and quality of place opportunities. The online READI submission alopportunityinc. org/readi-proposals/) captures information about the project or program, its regional impact, and the anticipated budget. Submissions can represent projects/programs in various stages of development from con-

ception to implementation. Information provided via the tool will inform an updated Indiana Uplands strategic plan and the Regional Development Plan required to participate in READI. The online tool will accept submissions through July 30.

In May, Indiana Gov. Eric J. Holcomb and the Indiana Economic Development Corporation (IEDC) announced the launch of READI. This transformational initiative will dedicate \$500 million in state appropriations to strategically advance quality of place and quality of life, innovation, entrepreneurship, and talent attraction within self-defined Indiana regions. Through READI, regional grants of up to \$50 million will support projects and programs that help make Indiana a magnet for talent and economic growth. Regions will be required to provide matching dollars to leverage the potential of READI.

In addition to involvement by leadership in all 11 counties, ROI and Radius Indiana are coordinating efforts on behalf of the READI program in collaboration with stakeholders representing major regional employers and other anchor institutions.

In 2015, Lilly Endowment Inc. awarded three grants to three organizations totaling \$42 million to fund regional development initiatives identified in the 2014 Strategic Plan for Economic and Community Prosperity in Southwest Central Indiana. Regional Opportunity Initiatives, formed in 2016 alongside the Indiana University Center for Rural Engagement and the Indiana Innovation Institute, has a mission to grow potential



and possibility in the Uplands through a focus on advanced industry sectors, regionalism, transformative school and workforce redesign, and placemaking

Radius Indiana is a regional economic development partnership representing eight counties in the Indiana Uplands region: Crawford, Daviess, Dubois, Greene, Lawrence, Martin, Orange, and Washington. Formed in 2009, Radius Indiana also serves as a point of contact in Indiana for Naval Support Activity Crane and leads regional collaboration by leveraging the diverse assets of Southwest Central Indiana to drive attraction, retention, and expansion of business, thereby increasing employment and investment opportunities and quality of life within the region.

"Our region's wealth of recreational and tourism attractions will really shine brighter as the READI program allows us to enhance the quality of place and nourish the dynamic economic growth and entrepreneurship that are part of the culture here," said Jeff Quyle, President and CEO of Radius Indiana.

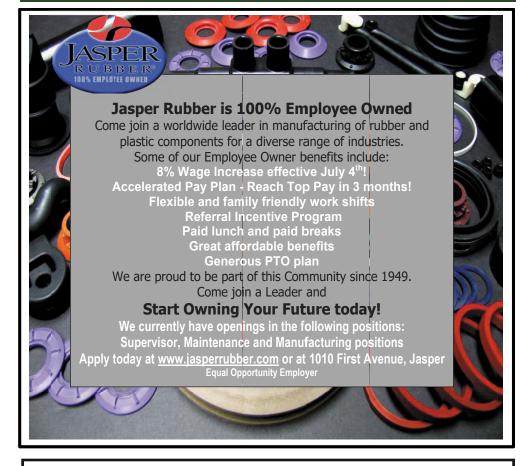
As part of the READI effort, regional stakeholders are working to update the strategic plan developed for Southwest Central Indiana in 2014. Aspects of the updated Indiana Uplands strategic plan, including fundable projects and programs, will be used for the READI application due by August 31, 2021. REA-DI funding decisions are expected to be made by IEDC in December 2021.

More information is available at: https://regionalopportunityinc.org/readi

YARD SALE

YARD SALE 504 SW First Street, Loogootee, IN 47553. July 17, 9:30 am -?

HELP WANTED



Shoals Varsity Baseball Coach

Post Date: July 12, 2021 Position: Varsity Baseball Coach Location: Shoals High School

Job Expectations/Qualifications: Our baseball coach will be able to do the following tasks:

- 1. Be knowledgeable on all aspects of baseball as a sport.
- 2. Create an environment of positivity and support for our athletes and our
- 3. Plan and set up all aspects of practices and meet management.
- 4. Maintain an inventory of all equipment, warm-ups, and uniforms for practice and competition.
- 5. Schedule practices and create and distribute expectations for the team.
- 6. Work fundraising events through the Athletic Department.
- 7. Communicate with parents/guardians about expectations, consequences, and other important information.
- 8. Communicate with Athletic Directors about results, team management, and goals for team improvement.
- 9. Model professional behavior both with the team and within the community. 10. Uphold and know all rules and regulations of the IHSAA, NFHS, and Blue

Chip Conference in regards to baseball. Compensation: Stipend position

Apply To: Bryson Abel & Danielle Cornett- Athletic Directors; Shoals Community Schools, 7900 US HWY 50, Shoals, IN-47581; (812)-247-2090, athletics@shoals.k12.in.us. Include Letter of Interest, Resume and Non-Certified Application

Closing Date: Until filled.

Martin County Humane Society



Payment by Credit Card or Cash No personal checks

Friday, July 16 • 5-6:30 p.m.

507 N Oak Street, Loogootee IN 47553

www.humanesocietyofmartincounty.org

info@humanesocietyofmartincounty.org • 812-295-5900

Packages

Dogs - The Works - \$90

Includes: Ear Cleaning, Nail trim, Microchip, Booster vaccine, Kennel Cough Vaccine, Rabies Vaccine, Flex 4 Test (Heartworm, Lyme, E.canis, Anaplasmosis)

Cats - The Works - \$80

Includes: Ear Cleaning, Microchip, Standard Booster Vaccine, Rabies Vaccine, FIV/FeLV testing

A la carte Dogs

Nail Trim (\$5) • Heartworm Test (\$15) • Lyme Disease Test (\$15) • Microchip (\$20) Standard Booster Vaccine (\$15) • Bordetella(Kennel Cough) Vaccine (\$15) Rabies Vaccine (\$15) • Ear Cleaning (\$8) • Dental Evaluation (\$15) A la carte Cats

Standard Booster Vaccine (\$15) • Booster Vaccine Plus Leukemia (\$25) • Microchip (\$20)

Ear Cleaning (\$8) • FIV/Felv Testing (\$30) • Dental Evaluation (\$15) • Nail Trim (\$5) Also available for purchase

Heartworm preventative . Dog or Cat Flea/Tick medicine Hill's Science Diet Food . De-Worming Medication