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Shoals Jr./Sr. High School Principal resigns

The Shoals School Board accepted the resignation of Junior/Senior High School Principal Lucas Calhoun at their meeting last Thursday, July 14. The board gave permission to hire for the position on a two-year contract after board has conducted interviews and selected the final candidate

The board also approved the following personnel actions:

-Resignation of Patty Harding from position of special education and pre-school teaching assistant

-Retroactive approval of Dottie Hopkins and Becky Pendley as summer custodial substitutes

-Approval of Bethann Hembree to drive the pre-school bus route for 2016-17

-Resignation of Heidi Hoffman from position of Title I teaching assistant

-Approval of Dave Qualkenbush as junior high cross country coach for 2016-17

-Approval of Bobbi Bledsoe as 8th grade volleyball coach

-Approval of Dennis Green as junior high soccer coach

-Approval of Brianne Wagler, Robin Hamby, and Jamie Shaw as volunteer volleyball coaches for 2016-17

-Resignation of Shameh Redman from varsity cheerleading sponsor and permission to post open position

-Approval of Erin Cage as one-period-per-day school librarian for 2016-17

-Resignation of Dottie Hopkins from position of custodian effective August 1, 2016

-Resignation of Lucas Calhoun from position of junior/senior high school

principal

-Approval of Pete McCalister for position of Agriculture and Industrial Technology teacher

-Approval of substitute teachers for 2016-17 school year: Terri Dye, Etta Franklin, Marilyn Jones, Frances (Pat) Jones, Ashley Montgomery, Patty Paul, Ian Perrotte, Matthew Sullivan, and John Zeigler

-Approval of substitute cafeteria workers for 2016-17 school year: Tracy Jones, Anita Letterman, Ellen Hampton, and Mary Beth Brett

-Approval of substitute custodians for 2016-17 school year: Tracy Jones and Anita Letterman

-Resignation of Pamela McCarty from position of teaching assistant

-Approval of Brandi Hennette for position of high school teaching assistant

-Approval of Heather Huck, Ashley Kerr, Stephanie Stoll, and Kristin Waggoner as elementary teaching assistants for the 2016-17 school year

The board held a second reading and approved updates to the elementary and junior/senior high student handbooks for the 2016-17 school year

The board also approved the additional textbook rental fees for US History books of \$31.99 per year (\$15.99 per semester).

The board approved the 2017 school budget calendar and the renewal of Indiana Small and Rural Schools Association membership.

They approved to partner with Tinerger to audit utility bills for possible cost savings. They also agreed to partner (See 'SHOALS' cont. on page 2)



Miss Martin County

-Photo by Lacy Jeffers

Kendall Riley, shown in the center, was named the 2016 Miss Martin County at the 4-H Fair last Friday night. To the left of Riley is Josey Waggoner and to her right is Kailye Robbins. In the back row, from left to right, are Taylor Kaiser and Ashton Allbright.

Changes to ballot affect straight party voters

Indiana Senate Bill 61 has changed the way to vote a straight party ticket. In the past, when you voted a straight party ticket you were casting a vote in every race for that particular party. Now, if you vote straight party the county council race is not included. You have to specifically mark your choice of candidates in the county council race.

If you do not mark your candidates for county council, you will not be voting for county council.

Also, because school board is non-partisan you have to specifically mark those candidates.

Please note the following dates:
WEDNESDAY JULY 27 - First day to file petition of nomination for school board.

FRIDAY AUGUST 26 - Last day to file petition of nomination for school board. By noon.

Road closure notice

Indian Springs Road, in Mitcheltree Township, will be closed on or after August 1. The purpose of the road closure is to replace bridge 11, located next to Wadsworth Lane. The road will be closed for a minimum of two months.

The following school board positions will appear on the ballot:

Loogootee has two at-large seats
Shoals District 2, 3, and 5

TUESDAY OCTOBER 11 - LAST DAY TO REGISTER TO VOTE. If you have moved or changed your name since the last time you voted, you need to update your voter registration. If you are unsure where you are registered, please call 812-247-3651.

WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 12 - First day to vote absentee at the clerk's office. You can request an application for absentee by mail at any time.

MONDAY OCTOBER 31 - Last day to turn in application to request ballot by mail.

MONDAY NOVEMBER 7 - Last day to vote absentee in office.

TUESDAY NOVEMBER 8 - GENERAL ELECTION DAY

Please contact the clerk's office with any questions at 812-247-3651.

CORRECTION

In last week's Mayor's Den, authored by Loogootee Mayor Noel Harty, he inadvertently called new Loogootee Police Officer Jim Floyd by the wrong name. He regrets this error.



Major improvements

-Photo provided

Work is set to begin on senior housing apartments in Loogootee, thanks to a \$500,000 grant from the Indiana Housing and Community Development Authority. The apartments are 40+ years old and work will be done to improve energy efficiency, landscape and cosmetics, plumbing and appliances. There are a total of 42 apartments included in this project. Shown above are those responsible for securing the funds and working on getting the project underway. From left to right are Jacob Sipe, Executive Director with Indiana Housing and Community Development Authority; Mike Smith, Treasurer, MCSCHI; Jenny Dearwester, Housing Program Manager, Southern Indiana Development Commission; Audrey Conlon, Project Specialist, Southern Indiana Development Commission; Donald Bowling, President, MCSCHI; Alan Burch, Vice President, Midwestern Engineers, Inc.; Kenneth Frye, Regional Executive Vice President in Business Development, German American Bank; and John Clauss, Vice President Commercial Banking, German American Bank.



Shoals SADD donation -Photo provided

In an ongoing club project, Shoals High School SADD members collect pop tabs for Ronald McDonald House charities. Shown above is club sponsor, Linda Sherfick, delivering the tabs to the Ronald McDonald House in Indianapolis. Pop tab dollars are used to help defray the operating costs of the Ronald McDonald House. The House provides a supportive home away from home for families of children receiving medical care at Riley Hospital for Children at IU Health and other area hospitals. Over one billion pop tabs have been donated in the twenty years since the program began, generating over \$750,000 in pop tab revenue for The House.

2016 Blue Chip Conference softball selections

BY GREG CLARK
LHS Head Softball Coach

The Blue Chip Conference softball coaches met recently to discuss the nominated players for the Blue Chip Conference, All-Conference Team.

Selected to represent the Blue Chip Conference as pitchers were Sydney Davis from Loogootee, who went undefeated in conference play with a 6 – 0 record, and Adriana Duvall from Barr Reeve High School.

Position players selected to the Blue Chip All-Conference team were Bailey Davis, Julianne Bell, Tyanna Graber, and Calli Winingar from Loogootee.

SHOALS

(Continued from page one)
with Backpack Blessings Program for free food assistance.

The board approved the following field trip requests:

-Volleyball team to Summer Invitational at West Washington High School on July 14

-Volleyball team to tournament at Washington, Indiana on July 23

The board approved the reduction in 6th grade textbook rental amount making the updated cost per student \$85.42 for the 2016-17 school year.

The board approved donations received by the junior/senior high Rockettes Dance Team

-Jr. Sr. High 2016-17 Class Schedule – for information only

Superintendent Roush reported on the following:

-Student registration day will be held all day on Thursday, July 21

-A technology information newsletter will be sent to all parents prior to the

Courtney Pruett (Barr Reeve), Kyndal Green (NE Dubois), Carly Terwiske (NED), MaKenzie Zehr (NED), Kendall Rogers (North Knox), Hope Bayliss (Shoals), Breann Kahre (South Knox), Chase Keller (SK) and Brenna Maikranz (Wood Memorial) rounded out the team.

Claire Mangin (NED), Alyssa Turner (NK), Tessa Tapiagaular (NK), Autumn Terry (Shoals), Lacy Orr (SK), Sydney Day (WM) and Kenzie Tooley (WM) received All-Conference Honorable Mention.

Loogootee also took home the Blue Chip Conference Softball trophy, going undefeated (6-0), in conference play for the 2016 season.

first student day

-The school van needs to be replaced due to safety concerns. We are currently seeking quotes on a replacement.

Austin Malone, Elementary Principal, reported to the board on the following:

-The theme in the elementary for the new school year is simple. “Be Open” to trying new things and new ideas.

-Open House is scheduled for Thursday, August 4 from 6-7:30 p.m.

-TASC Teams will be set up in the elementary building to collaborate on technology,

-Focus is on modeling technology utilization with social media being forefront. The goal is to become as paperless as possible. A facebook page has been created for Shoals Elementary as well as a Twitter account. Both will be used to share school news. An online access point called Malone Connect for elementary staff to access in house information is also up and running.

Julianne Bell, Tyanna Graber selected First Team North Region

BY GREG CLARK
LHS Head Softball Coach

In late June, five high school softball coaches, along with a retired college coach and a representative from the National Fastpitch Coaches Association got together for a conference call to determine the NFCA North Region First and Second teams. The North Region consists of Indiana, Illinois, Iowa, Michigan, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Wisconsin, Minnesota, North Dakota and South Dakota.

After reviewing the stats of all of the players that had been submitted by their high school coaches, Loogootee Lions Julianne Bell and Tyanna Graber were selected to the North Region First Team. Julianne Bell was selected as a

Loogootee girls chosen as All-State players

BY GREG CLARK
LHS Head Softball Coach

Recently, the softball coaches that are members of the Indiana Coaches of Girls Sports Association in District 5 met in Seymour to determine the All-State players for 1A/2A.

Loogootee Softball was well represented as Julianne Bell, daughter of Bob and Susan Bell, was named 2nd team All-State for 1A/2A. Tyanna

third baseman, while Tyanna Graber was selected as a catcher.

While Loogootee has been blessed with other players being selected to either the First or Second Team, this is the first time Loogootee Softball had two players selected to the First Team in the same year.

16 players were chosen to represent the First Team, with Jensen Streigel of Floyd Central being the only other state of Indiana player receiving First Team honors.

Lilly Cramer of Rushville (Indiana) was named to the Second Team.

Loogootee is very proud to have two North Region First Team players! Congratulations to Tyanna Graber and Julianne Bell for being chosen First Team North Region!

Graber, daughter of Tony and Angie Graber, and Bailey Davis, daughter of Travis and Angel Davis, were selected to the 3rd team All-State for 1A/2A.

Julianne Bell, incoming junior, and Tyanna Graber, incoming sophomore, will be returning to the Lions softball program in the spring of 2017; while Bailey Davis has graduated and is taking her talents to Oakland City University, and Coach Patti Buchta, this fall.

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GARAGE SALE: Friday 8-4 & Saturday 8-noon, 102 Park Street, Loogootee. Furniture-collectibles-tools-Misc.

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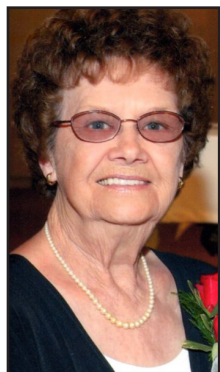
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Obituaries

VIRGINIA STREET

Virginia Street passed away at 7:44 a.m. Friday, July 15, 2016 surrounded by her loving family. A resident of Loogootee, she was 83.



VIRGINIA STREET

She was born August 16, 1932 in Martin County; daughter of Russell and Mary Ellen (Hopkins) Tow.

She attended school in Shoals after which she met her beloved husband, Philip Street of Loogootee whom she married on June 11, 1949. She dedicated 34 years serving the children of the community as a cook at Rutherford Elementary School then at Loogootee Elementary School.

She was passionate about her family, dedicating a great deal of love and time attending events for her children and grandchildren and graciously cooking Sunday dinner every week for any family who could visit.

She is survived by her sister, Rosalie Hager, and her five children, Terry (Marsha) Street, Marsha (Joe) Lukomski, Rheta (Doug) Divine, Alan (Patty) Street, and Rob (DeeDee) Street. Virginia was blessed with 11 grandchildren, Karen Wilson, Lane Divine, Joe Wayne Lukomski, Tim Lukomski, Jennifer Sparks, Kyle Street, Kelli Mathies,

Teri Becker, Holly Street, Dylan, and Sara Street as well as 13 great grandchildren, Benjamin Wilson, Ayden Wilson, Maddie Lukomski, Alexandra Divine, Colten Sparks, Cade Wilson, Sam Lukomski, Lili Lukomski, Emilyn Sparks, Josie Mathies, Mason Mathies, Gabriel Street, and Baby Mathies who is due to arrive in November.

She is preceded in death by her parents as well as her brothers, Wilford Tow and Russell Wayne Tow, and her sisters, Beatrice Erwin, Mamie Sheetz, Lucille Randolph, Edith Stevens, and Irene Hutchins, along with her grandchildren Benjamin Street and Ryan Street.

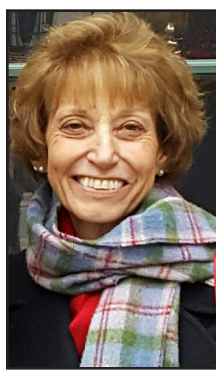
Funeral services were conducted Monday, July 18 at Blake Funeral Home in Loogootee. Burial followed in Goodwill Cemetery.

Blake Funeral Home in Loogootee was in charge of arrangements. Condolences may be made online at blakefuneralhomes.com.

CANDY GOOTEE

Candace Ann "Candy" Crane Gootee passed away on July 15, 2016, and was, as she desired, surrounded by her beloved family and friends.

She was born in Daviess County on December 23, 1949; daughter of Leland and Beth (Weaver) Crane. She was a graduate of Odon High School, Class of 1967. Candy retired from NSWC Crane in 2005 after a long and successful career and was honored with the Governor's Sagamore of the Wabash



CANDY GOOTEE

Award. Her family and friends were her life and she loved spending time at home with her husband, her children, her grandchildren and her friends.

Survivors include her husband, Steve Gootee; her daughters, Tory (Adam) Schulte of Odon, and Tracy Graber and fiancé, Alan Devine, of Washington; her step children, Stephen Gootee and Kelly Gootee of Phoenix, Arizona; her sister, Paula Kelsey of Washington; brothers-in-law, John (Mary) Gootee, Rich (Marsha) Gootee and Ron Stevens; and grandchildren, Mattie and Kaylee Wagler, Charlie Schulte, Annie and Drew Graber, Gabriel and Owen Tremaine and Sophia Prigge.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her brother-in-law, Clarence "Butch" Kelsey; nephew, Mark Kelsey, mother and father-in-law, Ardella and Glenn Gootee; and sister-in-law, Beth Stevens.

Her family is thankful beyond words for the outpouring of love and support she received during her long struggle. Their lives are diminished without her, but greater for having known her love.

There will be no public visitation. Donations may be made to the Indiana University School of Medicine to sup-

port polycystic liver disease research. Please make memorial gifts payable to "IU Foundation - liver research" and mail to Indiana University School of Medicine, c/o IU Foundation, P.O. Box 7072, Indianapolis, IN 46207. Please indicate "In memory of Candy Gootee" on your gift.

NSA Crane to host Commodore Run

Naval Support Activity Crane is hosting its annual Commodore Run, October 22, 2016, at the Morale, Welfare and Recreation Sports Complex just outside the Crane (main) Gate.

In celebration of the installation's 75th anniversary, the event is open to the public with activities for the entire family, including inflatables, a zip line, and a vendor village complete with food sales and goods by local and area artisans.

Anyone interested in participating in either the half-marathon or 5-kilometer run or walk should register before September 24 to guarantee a shirt and medal. The final deadline for registration is October 18. For more about registration, visit the event website www.discovermwr.com/commodorerun.

As for the day of the event, parking is at the WestGate Academy, with shuttles running throughout the day. Runners should arrive between 6 a.m. and 8:30 a.m. to pick up their packets. The half marathon kicks off at 9 a.m. with the 5K run/walk starting at 9:30 a.m.

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Martin County Sheriff's Department log

MONDAY, JULY 11

5:48 a.m. - Received a report of a car-deer accident east of Loogootee. Deputy Reed responded.

6:31 a.m. - Received a report of cows out on Loogootee. Loogootee Chief Rayhill responded.

7:38 a.m. - Received a report of a disturbance in Shoals. Captain Dant and ISP Trooper Lents responded.

9:12 a.m. - Captain Dant assisted a motorist east of Shoals.

9:15 a.m. - Captain Dant took one inmate to court.

9:40 a.m. - Received a report of car vandalism in Crane. Captain Dant responded.

10:36 a.m. - Received a report of a semi on fire in Loogootee. Loogootee Fire responded.

11:12 a.m. - Received a report of an abandoned dog in Shoals. Sheriff Roush responded.

1:15 p.m. - Captain Dant took one inmate to court.

4:15 p.m. - Jail Commander Abel transported one inmate to the doctor.

7:05 p.m. - Chief Deputy Greene performed a vehicle identification check north of Loogootee.

8:25 p.m. - Received a report of a disabled semi east of Shoals. Sheriff Roush and Chief Deputy Greene responded.

TUESDAY, JULY 12

12:27 a.m. - Received a report of fireworks being set off in Shoals. Deputy Reed responded.

4:46 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance near Shoals. Martin County Ambulance transported the subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital. Shoals Fire also assisted.

7:51 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Loogootee Fire and Martin County Ambulance responded.

7:53 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance east of Loogootee. Loogootee Fire and Martin County Ambulance responded. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

7:59 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Loogootee Fire and Dubois County Ambulance responded. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

9:15 a.m. - Captain Dant took three inmates to court.

10:06 a.m. - Received a report of an accident on Hwy 150, east of Shoals. Sheriff Roush, Chief Deputy Greene, Shoals Fire, and Martin County Ambulance responded. No one was transported.

11:23 a.m. - Captain Dant took two inmates to court.

12:00 p.m. - Chief Deputy Greene responded to an abandoned vehicle in Shoals.

12:54 p.m. - Martin County Ambulance transported a subject from Shoals to IU Health in Bloomington.

1:20 p.m. - Received an alarm call near Loogootee. Loogootee Captain Hennessee responded. Everything checked out ok.

1:25 p.m. - Sheriff Roush took three inmates to court.

4:04 p.m. - Received a report of an accident in Loogootee. Loogootee Officer Floyd responded.

5:08 p.m. - Received a report of a car deer accident east of Shoals. Corporal Baker responded.

5:26 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin

County Ambulance transported the subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

11:59 p.m. - Received a report of a break-in in Shoals. Town Marshal Eckert responded.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 13

8:25 a.m. - Received a dog complaint in Loogootee. Loogootee Chief Rayhill responded.

9:50 a.m. - Chief Deputy Greene took two inmates to court.

11:45 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Loogootee Fire and Martin County Ambulance responded. The subject was transported to Daviess Community Hospital.

1:05 p.m. - Received an alarm call in Shoals. Chief Deputy Greene responded and all was okay.

3:35 p.m. - Received a request for a welfare check near Loogootee. Captain Dant and Martin County Ambulance responded. All was okay.

4:45 p.m. - Jailer Emmick transported one inmate to the doctor.

8:19 p.m. - Corporal Baker removed a tree from US 50, west of Shoals.

8:21 p.m. - Received a report of a tree down south of Shoals. Shoals Fire removed the tree.

8:25 p.m. - Received a report of a tree down on SR 550. Shoals Fire removed the tree.

8:50 p.m. - Received a report of a tree down near Loogootee. Martin County Civil Defense removed the tree.

10:37 p.m. - Received a report of a reckless driver near Shoals. Town Marshal Eckert responded.

THURSDAY, JULY 14

12:12 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Crane. Martin County Ambulance and Crane Fire responded. No one was transported.

4:09 a.m. - Received a report of a tree down on Hwy 150, east of Shoals. Shoals Fire removed the tree.

5:28 a.m. - Received a report of a tree down near Loogootee. Martin County Civil Defense removed the tree.

6:47 a.m. - Received a report of an accident on US 50, east of Shoals. Deputy Salmon and Shoals Fire responded.

7:27 a.m. - Reserve Deputy Wright transported one inmate to the Clark County Detention Center.

8:04 a.m. - Received an alarm call in Loogootee. Loogootee Chief Rayhill responded and all was okay.

9:25 a.m. - Chief Deputy Greene took four inmates to court.

10:05 a.m. - Jailer Emmick took one inmate to the doctor.

10:10 a.m. - Received a report of a tree across the road near Shoals. Martin County Highway removed the tree.

1:20 p.m. - Deputy Floyd transported one inmate to the doctor.

1:45 p.m. - Received a report of a property damage accident in Loogootee. Loogootee Chief Rayhill responded.

3:12 p.m. - Received a report of a disabled vehicle north of Loogootee on US 231. Chief Deputy Greene, Corporal Baker, and Loogootee Fire assisted the motorist.

3:16 p.m. - Received a request for a welfare check in Shoals. Deputy Floyd responded and all was okay.

3:52 p.m. - Received a report of a tree down in Loogootee. Loogootee Chief Rayhill responded.

4:19 p.m. - Received a report of a reckless driver in Loogootee. Loogootee Sergeant Norris responded.

5:35 p.m. - Received a request for

an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance transported the subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

6:43 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance transported the subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

9:01 p.m. - Received a report of a domestic situation in Loogootee. Loogootee Sergeant Norris, Corporal Baker, and Deputy Salmon responded.

11:04 p.m. - Received an alarm call in Loogootee. Loogootee Sergeant Norris responded and all was okay.

FRIDAY, JULY 15

3:05 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance near Shoals. Martin County Ambulance transported the subject to IU Health in Paoli.

3:07 a.m. - Deputy Salmon assisted a motorist in Shoals.

5:41 a.m. - Received a report of a car-deer accident south of Loogootee on US 231. Deputy Salmon responded.

7:35 a.m. - Received a report of a reckless driver in Shoals. Chief Deputy Greene and Deputy Salmon responded.

11:35 a.m. - Received a report of a residential alarm in Loogootee LPD Captain Akles responded. Everything checked ok.

3:08 p.m. - Received a request for a vehicle check on a boat in Shoals. Corporal Baker responded.

5:20 p.m. - Received a report of a vehicle all over the road on 231 South, headed into Loogootee. All Martin County units advised.

7:40 p.m. - Received a report of shots fired in Shoals Corporal Baker, Chief Deputy Greene, Captain Dant, Deputy Salmon, Shoals Town Marshal Eckert, Lpd Officer Norris, ISP Trooper Lents responded.

10:23 p.m. - Received a request for an officer in Shoals. Shoals Town Marshal Eckert responded.

SATURDAY, JULY 16

12:03 a.m. - Received a report of a suspicious vehicle south of Shoals. Deputy Salmon, and Corporal Baker responded.

3:58 a.m. - Received a report of two males standing in the road on 231 South. Deputy Salmon responded.

7:53 a.m. - Received a report of a property damage accident in Loogootee. Loogootee Captain Akles responded.

9:47 a.m. - Received a report of a reckless driver in Shoals. Major Burkhardt responded.

11:20 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded and transported to Daviess Community Hospital.

11:28 a.m. - Received a report of an alarm north of Shoals. Major Burkhardt responded.

12:07 p.m. - Received a report of a broken down vehicle on 231 South. Major Burkhardt responded.

1:02 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded and transported to Daviess Community Hospital.

2:12 p.m. - Received a report of a verbal dispute in Loogootee. Loogootee Captain Akles responded.

5:57p.m. - Received a report of a custody dispute south of Loogootee. Deputy Salmon responded.

6:20 p.m. - Received a report of a dispute in Shoals. Deputy Salmon responded.

10:55 p.m. - Received a report of a dispute in Shoals. Deputy Salmon responded.

SUNDAY, JULY 17

1:30 a.m. - Received a report of a drunk driver in Shoals. Deputy Reed responded.

2:21 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded and transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

11:06 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded and transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

12:28 p.m. - Received a report of reckless driving south of Shoals. Captain Dant responded.

3:25 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded and transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

3:30 p.m. - Received a report of trespassing south of Loogootee. Captain Dant responded.

4:22 p.m. - Received a report of a car-motorcycle accident in Shoals. Deputy Salmon, Shoals Fire and Martin County Ambulance responded and transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

9:01 p.m. - Received a report of a motorcycle accident on Hwy 450. Deputy Reed and Martin County Ambulance responded. No transport needed.

ACCIDENT REPORT

TUESDAY, JULY 12

4:04 p.m. - Angela M. Brookshire of Loogootee was operating a 2013 Chrysler and backing from a parking spot at the Dairy Master. At this time, she backed into a 2006 Ford owned by Darlene Merkley, of Huntingburg. Officer Floyd investigated.

Real estate transfers

Delema K. Tedrow, of Martin County, Indiana to **Kathy L. Burton**, of Johnson County, Indiana, nine acres, more or less in Section 28, Township 3 North, Range 4 West.

Clint A. Jones, of Martin County, Indiana to **Cecil M. Peck**, of Martin County, Indiana, a part of the northwest quarter of the northeast quarter of Section 22, Township 4 North, Range 3 West, containing one acre.

Lester E. Truelove, of Martin County, Indiana to **Danny F. Berry and Stacy L. Berry**, of Martin County, Indiana, the west half of the northwest quarter of Section 28, Township 2 North, Range 4 West, containing 77 acres, more or less.

Accident reports

TUESDAY, JULY 12

10:05 a.m. - Jason Baylis, 37, of Shoals, was arrested by Sheriff Roush on a warrant and is being held without bond.

SUNDAY, JULY 17

5:45 p.m. - Lora Truelove, 44, of French Lick, was arrested by Deputy Salmon and charged with violation of specialized driving privileges. She is being held without bond.

7:52 p.m. - Logan Padgett, 25, of Shoals, was arrested by ISP Trooper Johnson and charged with driving while suspended prior. He is being held without bond.

COURT NEWS

CRIMINAL CONVICTIONS & SENTENCING June 30

Justin K. Blake, convicted of dealing in methamphetamine, a Class 2 Felony. Sentenced to serve 8 years with the Indiana Department of Corrections with 4 years suspended. Defendant received zero credit days and 4 years of probation.

Christopher L. Turpin, convicted of operating a vehicle while intoxicated, a Class C Misdemeanor and operating while intoxicated with previous conviction within 5 years, a Class 6 Felony. Sentenced to serve 2.5 years with the Indiana Department of Corrections with 1 year suspended and credit for 133 actual days previously served plus 133 Class A credit days. Defendant received 1 year of probation.

CRIMINAL CHARGES DISMISSED June 30

Justin K. Blake, possession of methamphetamine, a Class 4 Felony, dismissed; maintaining a common nuisance, a Class 6 Felony, dismissed; possession of marijuana, a Class B Misdemeanor, dismissed.

Christopher L. Turpin, maintaining a common nuisance, a Class 6 Felony, dismissed; possession of a controlled substance, a Class A Misdemeanor, dismissed; operating a vehicle with a schedule I or II controlled substance or its metabolite in the body, a Class C Misdemeanor, dismissed; driving while suspended, a Class A Infraction, dismissed; operating a vehicle with a schedule I or II controlled substance or its metabolite in the body, a Class 6 Felony, dismissed; driving while suspended, a Class A Misdemeanor, dismissed.

CIVIL COURT New Suits Filed

June 30

Woodbridge Station Apartments vs. Richard Dinkens and Michelle Dinkins, civil collection.

Nathan Wolfe and Valerie Wolfe vs. Brook Gregory and Donna Wolfe, civil plenary.

July 5

LVNV Funding, LLC vs. Roger L. Robinson, civil collection.

Portfolio Recovery Associates, LLC vs. Barbara Otto, civil collection.

July 8

Synchrony Bank vs. Brittany Westfall, civil collection.

July 11

Midland Funding, LLC vs. Travis Stoll, civil collection.

July 12

James K. Williams vs. Amber D. Williams, petition for dissolution of marriage.

CIVIL COURT JUDGMENTS

July 11

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Discover Bank and against the defendant Sandra D. Kline in the amount of \$1,384.48.

SMALL CLAIMS COURT

July 11

Isha E. Wright-Ryan vs. Ashley Hamilton, complaint.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

July 7

Millard R. Buttery of Dubois and Mary M. McBride, of Dubois.

July 8

James K. Bratton of Loogootee and Abigale E. Sherman of Loogootee.

July 11

Tyler C. Davis of Loogootee and Jesamyn L. Woolsey of Loogootee.

July 15

Kent F. Summers of Loogootee and Emilee D. Shake of Loogootee.

Loogootee Police log

MONDAY, JULY 11

6:30 a.m. - Caller reported cattle in a yard on Popular Street.

12:05 p.m. - Male came on station to report a civil dispute.

5:30 p.m. - Caller reported a violation of a protective order.

8:37 p.m. - Captain Hennette conducted a traffic stop and a male was cited into court for possession of marijuana. LPD K-9 Roxy assisted.

10:06 p.m. - Caller reported a speeding vehicle on Byron Street.

11:25 p.m. - Officer Floyd responded to a business alarm.

TUESDAY, JULY 12

7:51 a.m. - First responders were requested on Walnut Street for a medical problem.

7:53 a.m. - First responders were requested in Scenic Hill for a medical call.

7:59 a.m. - First responders were re-

quested on JFK Avenue for a medical call.

4:25 p.m. - Officer Floyd conducted a security check on a residence.

9:42 p.m. - Caller reported a theft of car keys.

9:54 p.m. - Caller reported a violation of a protective order.

10:05 p.m. - Caller reported a runaway.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 13

12:07 a.m. - Caller requested extra patrol.

8:30 a.m. - Received a report of a loose dog on Cherry Street.

11:00 a.m. - Captain Hennette tagged an abandoned vehicle on US 231.

11:42 a.m. - First responders were requested on SE 1st Street for a medical call.

9:06 p.m. - Caller requested extra patrol.



-Photo provided

Pictured are Mike Tippery (LHS Tennis Coach) and Ann Jones Burch's family: Allyson Burch Mudd, (daughter), Mary Ellen Jones Blake (sister), Emma Burch Letterman (daughter), Amy Jones Cardinal (sister), Richard Burch (husband) and Clint Burch (son). Hidden from view in the stroller is Ann's granddaughter Annalise Mudd.

MCCF announces Ann Burch scholarship

-- CARING DONORS --

One of the missions of the Martin County Community Foundation (MCCF) is to provide a philanthropic vehicle for donors, typically from within our community, to help Martin County. These donors wish to improve the quality of life and address needs or concerns that are close to their heart. These caring people are, or could have been, your friend, your neighbor, your co-worker, or simply someone that smiles and wishes you a "good day" when they pass by.

-- ANN (JONES) BURCH --

Ann (Jones) Burch is all of these things to many people. She's also a loving wife, mother, grandmother, sister and aunt to a large and growing family. Those pictured are some of her family that were at the Smash Cancer Tennis Event this last May where Ann was honored by the Loogootee Tennis Program.

-- GIVING BACK --

Ann has been a Martin County resident all her life. She's thankful for what the community has given her as she's grown and developed into an outstanding adult. Ann has given her time, energy, and talents back to the community in many ways, some of which are serving as a volunteer of each of the 13 years of the Butcher-Gee Golf Scramble, as a member of the Miss Martin County Queen Committee from 2004 to 2016, as a member of the Loogootee Library board since 2015, and on MCCF Grant committees over the past

several years.

-- A PASSION --

Tennis has long been one of Ann's passions. It dates back to 1978 when Ann was on the inaugural Loogootee Girls Tennis team. Her passion and love of tennis was passed on to her kids where Allyson (class of 2006), Emma (class of 2008), and Clinton (class of 2011) were all participants in the Loogootee Tennis Program.

-- A SCHOLARSHIP --

Tennis is a sport that has a lot to offer students in their growth and journey toward becoming adults. Knowing the impact that tennis has on the lives of students, Richard and Ann have decided to establish a scholarship to reward those who have given some of their precious teenage years to the sport.

The Ann Jones Burch Tennis Scholarship will support our students that have had the same commitment to tennis as Ann, have participated in other school activities, and have shown that they are good citizens, well-rounded and civic minded. Donations to the scholarship fund from caring people within the community will help to create more and more impact for students wishing to pursue a higher education and to improve themselves. With your help, Ann's legacy will live forever.

-- YOU CAN HELP --

For more information about the scholarship or how you can help Ann's passion grow, please contact the MCCF Executive Director, Curt Johnson, at 812-295-1022 or mccf@cfpartner.org.



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Another dangerous invader is poised to enter Indiana. Although there have been no confirmed cases of boxwood blight in the Hoosier state, the disease has been found in Ohio. Hoosiers need to be vigilant to stop the spread of this disease that affects all types of boxwoods and the related pachysandras.

Boxwood blight is a fungal disease, first identified in the United Kingdom in the mid 1980's. It was first found in the United States at a nursery in North Carolina in 2011 and has quickly spread to eleven other states in the south and east, including our neighbor, Ohio.

The first signs of the blight are usually on the leaves of boxwood or pachysandra. At first, there will be small brown spots, usually containing concentric circles of lighter and darker brown coloring. This may make the spots look a little like tiny targets. The leaves will soon turn brown and drop off. There will be die-back of the stems, with black cankers forming on the woody parts of the plant. At present, the roots of the plant do not seem to be affected, so cutting the plant at ground level and allowing it to regenerate may be a way to save the plant. Affected plants do not usually die from boxwood blight, but the plant may be weakened and succumb to other adverse factors.

Of particular concern in Indiana is the fact that the disease may occur on our native pachysandra, the Allegheny spurge. This groundcover plant is already listed as "threatened" in our state and also in Florida.

Like most fungal diseases, boxwood blight thrives in warm, moist conditions. The pathogen appears to die or go dormant when temperatures are consistently in the 90's, but it may survive in the leaf litter for up to five years. It is important to clean up all of the diseased foliage and dispose of it by burning or putting it in a plastic bag and taking it to a landfill.

Fungicides are a misnomer, as they do not kill the fungus. Instead, they are a preventative measure, keeping the fungus from infecting a plant. If you have reason to believe the fungus is present in your area, you will need to saturate the foliage with a fungicide and repeat applications frequently, especially after rains. I would suggest consulting with Purdue University for the type of fungicide that would be most effective in combatting this disease.

If you do suspect an infestation, cut off the suspected area of the plant, place it in a plastic bag and take it to the Purdue Cooperative Extension Service office in your county. They will send the material off to the university, where experts will determine if the fungus has arrived in Indiana.

Prevention is always the best medicine. If you plan to add boxwoods or pachysandra to your landscape, buy locally. If you do purchase plants at a chain store, ask where they get their plants. Inspect plants carefully. The experts suggest that you not add plants

to existing boxwood or pachysandra plantings immediately. If possible, hold the new plant in a separate area for up to a year to ensure you are not introducing pathogens to your healthy stock.

While the fungal spores may be carried on the winds or by wildlife, they may also be spread by human contact. Be sure to sterilize any gardening tools you use around the host plants, using alcohol or a 10 percent bleach solution. This is especially true of any pruners you use to trim the plants. If you visit an area where boxwood blight has been found, wash your clothing in hot water and spray your shoes with rubbing alcohol or a bleach solution.

Using alternative plants in the landscape will also help prevent the spread of disease. I would suggest using Japanese hollies, which closely resemble boxwoods. Pachysandra may be replaced by native ginger, hosta or other groundcovers. If you still choose to use the host plants, avoid crowding. Leaving room for air circulation will discourage fungal growth. Avoid overhead watering. While we recognize that rain comes from overhead, we can reduce creating wet foliage by watering between rains using a soaker hose or watering at ground level.

If gardeners are diligent, perhaps we can prevent this new invader from devastating our landscapes and wiping out a native species. Spread the word. Awareness of the threat is our greatest weapon.

First detection of emerald ash borer in two southwestern counties

Emerald ash borer (EAB), an invasive insect that kills ash trees, has been detected for the first time in Gibson and Vanderburgh counties.

Visual survey of ash trees found EAB in the Evansville riverfront area in Pigeon Township, Vanderburgh County, and in Patoka Township, Gibson County.

Of Indiana's 92 counties, 88 have now detected EAB. Emerald ash borer has not been found in Benton, Fountain, Vermillion and Warren counties in west-central Indiana.

The DNR is in the process of removing the EAB quarantine, which regulated the movement of ash wood and firewood of any hardwood species with the bark attached. While the quarantine helped slow the spread of EAB, it is no longer an effective tool.

EAB first arrived in Indiana in 2004. Moving firewood spreads forest pests. Visitors to DNR properties may only bring in firewood if it is certified by the USDA or DNR Division of Entomology & Plant Pathology, or is free of bark.

For more information on EAB, or to report an infestation, visit eabindiana.info or call Indiana DNR's toll-free hotline at 1-866-NO EXOTIC (663-9684). To view the DNR's EAB information page visit dnr.IN.gov/entomology/3443.htm.

DNR confirms black bear report in southern Indiana

The Indiana Department of Natural Resources Monday confirmed the presence of a black bear in and around Corydon in southern Indiana.

The bear was first reported around 9 p.m. Sunday. Indiana Conservation Officers received a call from a Harrison County homeowner of a bear going through the caller's garbage.

Conservation officers, sheriff's deputies and local animal control officers responded but did not locate a bear. On Monday morning, the bear was observed by several people, including conservation officers, in areas near State Road 62 and later in Corydon.

The sighting comes roughly a year after a black bear wandered into northwest Indiana from Michigan. That bear was the first verified presence of a bear in Indiana in more than 140 years. After spending several weeks in Indiana, the bear returned to Michigan.

Young black bears are known to disperse in the springtime as they seek new territory in which to settle. The bear is most likely wild and swam across the Ohio River from Kentucky. Kentucky has an expanding bear population.

"We've anticipated this possibility and our staff has been preparing," said Linnea Petercheff staff operations specialist with the DNR Division of Fish & Wildlife.

Black bears are shy by nature and tend to avoid human contact. Attacks are rare. Black bears are non-aggressive in most instances and prefer fleeing from humans when given the chance. DNR wildlife biologists offer the following bear awareness tips:

- Don't intentionally feed bears. If a bear becomes accustomed to finding food near your home, it may become a "problem" bear.
- Eliminate food attractants by placing garbage cans inside a garage or shed.
- Clean and store grills away after use.
- Don't leave pet food outside overnight.
- Remove bird feeders and bird food from late March through November.
- Don't add meat or sweets to a compost pile.
- If encountering a bear, don't run. Shout, wave your arms and back away slowly.
- Collect and remove low-hanging or fallen fruit from fruit trees.

Bonus antlerless deer quotas set for Indiana counties

The DNR Division of Fish & Wildlife has announced county bonus antlerless quotas for deer hunting in the 2016-17 season.

Quotas have changed for seven counties - five that are lower than last year and two that are higher.

The new quotas are lower in Daviess (2 to 1), Gibson (4 to 3), Ohio (8 to 4), Posey (3 to 2) and Tippecanoe (4 to 3). Porter County increased from 4 to 8, and Perry County from 3 to 4.

A map showing all 92 counties and their respective bonus quotas can be found at deer.dnr.IN.gov.

Bonus antlerless quotas are the primary tool the DNR uses to manage deer populations on a county-by-county basis. It allows hunters to buy bonus licenses to take additional antlerless deer based on a county's assigned quota. A hunter can harvest up to the coun-

- Eliminate meat, cooking oil, fish or fruit odors from near your home. This includes fish-meal fertilizers.

- Collect and remove any ripened vegetables from your garden.

Indiana DNR encourages citizens to report bear sightings to dfwinput@dnr.IN.gov or by calling (812) 334-1137 during regular business hours. Photos or videos can be sent to the same email address. The maximum file size is 15 MB.

DNR wildlife biologists will monitor the bear to determine whether to allow it to remain where it is or trap it and relocate it to a more suitable environment for a bear. That decision will be based on whether the bear exhibits nuisance behavior and continues to come into close contact with humans.

The DNR has a protocol in place should the bear become a nuisance, according to Josh Griffin of the DNR Division of Fish & Wildlife.

"It's best if people just leave the bear alone and let it be a part of the natural environment," he said.

As European settlers began arriving in the 1700s in what is now Indiana, black bears were found throughout the territory. Loss of habitat and demand for furs of all sorts led to the bears' demise in Indiana.

According to the book "Mammals of Indiana" by John O. Whitaker, Jr., and Russell E. Mumford, the last confirmed report of a resident wild black bear in Indiana was in 1850. Whitaker and Mumford report a bear sighting in northwest Indiana in 1871 but note it was forced south from Michigan to escape a series of fires known historically as the Great Michigan Fire.

Black bears are now listed as an exotic mammal and protected under Indiana Administrative Code 312 9-3-18.5 (b-1), which prohibits the killing of a black bear except by a resident landowner or tenant while the animal is "destroying or causing substantial damage to property owned or leased by the landowner or tenant."

"It is possible black bears may re-establish populations in the southern half of our state," said Sam Whiteleather of the DNR Division of Fish & Wildlife. "Education efforts on how to deal with nuisance black bears would be conducted to help ensure black bears are enjoyed from a distance."

ty quota in each county.

Hunters must buy a separate bonus license for each deer they intend to harvest. Bonus antlerless licenses can be used in any season, except the Reduction Zone Season, using the equipment legal for that season. Deer bundle licenses can also be used to harvest antlerless deer but cannot be used when working toward bonus antlerless county quotas on DNR properties.

Counties with a quota of 4 or greater are eligible for the special antlerless season (December 26 through January 1).

Quotas are determined using a variety of factors including, hunter harvest trend data, damage reports, deer-vehicle collisions, landowner and hunter surveys, and recommendations from the DNR deer management biologist, district wildlife biologists, and Indiana Conservation Officers.

Indiana Deer Hunters provide hunger relief

Indiana Conservation Officers have received the 2015-2016 final tally of meals provided by Indiana Deer Hunters for hunger relief through the Sportsmen's Benevolent Fund.

During the 2015-2016 Indiana deer season, hunters donated 1,333 deer to assist hungry Hoosiers. These donations were coordinated through an effort of Hoosiers Feeding the Hungry, Indiana Farmers and Hunters Feeding the Hungry and the Dubois County Sportsmen's Club. Each of these organizations were provided a DNR Law Enforcement Division grant that permitted them to coordinate with licensed deer processors. The venison was ground by the processors into 2 pound packages of burger. The burger was then collected by food banks and distributed as needed to feed families across the state.

67,339 pounds of venison was distributed at a cost of \$1.27 per pound. 269,356 meals were provided at the cost of \$0.317 per meal.

"The Sportsmen's Benevolent Fund is one of many DNR Law Enforcement programs that I am proud to be a part of", said Danny L. East, DNR Law Enforcement Director. "The Law Enforcement Division continues to work on ways to assist our citizens across our state and we say thank you to all the deer hunters who contributed to this effort."

The Sportsmen Benevolent Fund was begun by Senator Mike Crider in 2008 when he sat as the Law Enforcement Division Director. The program became publicly funded in 2013 through a bill that was introduced by Senators Crider and Brent Steele.

"This program gives our Indiana deer hunters additional purpose to enjoy the outdoors and harvest a deer to assist our citizens in need", said Mike Crider, Senator. "Our deer population is managed well, our hunters are provided with more opportunity and our citizens are provided very high protein meals for nourishment, it seems like a win, win, win situation for all of us".

Health officials urge precautions against mosquitoes as West Nile virus activity increases

State health officials are urging Indiana residents to take steps to protect themselves from mosquito bites amid an increase in West Nile virus activity in mosquitoes across the state.

As of July 15, one human case of West Nile virus has been confirmed in Marion County, and mosquitoes in Marion, Hamilton, Jennings and Benton counties have tested positive for West Nile virus. The Indiana State Department of Health (ISDH) expects to continue to see increased West Nile activity throughout the state as the mosquito season progresses.

"Each year, we see people become ill with West Nile virus as a result of mosquito bites," said State Health Commissioner Jerome Adams, M.D., M.P.H. "Finding the virus in mosquitoes from multiple counties means that the risk is starting to increase statewide. I urge all Hoosiers to protect themselves from bites, which will protect against West Nile and other viruses transmitted by mosquitoes."

State health officials recommend the following preventive measures:

Avoid being outdoors when mosquitoes are active (especially late afternoon, dusk to dawn and early morning);

Apply an EPA-registered insect repellent containing DEET, picaridin, IR3535, oil of lemon eucalyptus or para-menthane-diol to clothes and exposed skin;

Cover exposed skin by wearing a hat, long sleeves and long pants in places where mosquitoes are especially active, such as wooded areas;

Install or repair screens on windows and doors to keep mosquitoes out of the home.

Even a container as small as a bottle cap can become a mosquito breeding ground, so residents should take the following steps to eliminate potential breeding grounds:

Discard old tires, tin cans, ceramic pots or other containers that can hold water;

Repair failed septic systems;

Drill holes in the bottom of recycling containers left outdoors;

Keep grass cut short and shrubbery trimmed;

Clean clogged roof gutters, par-

ticularly if leaves tend to plug up the drains;

Frequently replace the water in pet bowls;

Flush ornamental fountains and bird-baths periodically; and,

Aerate ornamental pools, or stock them with predatory fish.

West Nile virus can cause West Nile fever, a mild form of the illness, which can include fever, headache, body aches, swollen lymph glands or a rash. Some individuals will develop a more severe form of the disease affecting the nervous system, including inflammation in the brain and spinal cord, muscle paralysis, or even death. People who think they may have West Nile virus should see their healthcare provider.

To see the latest results of ISDH's mosquito surveillance, go to <https://gis.in.gov/apps/ISDH/Arbo/>. To learn more about West Nile virus, visit www.StateHealth.in.gov. For important health updates, follow the Indiana State Department of Health on Twitter at @StateHealthIN and on Facebook at www.facebook.com/isdh1.

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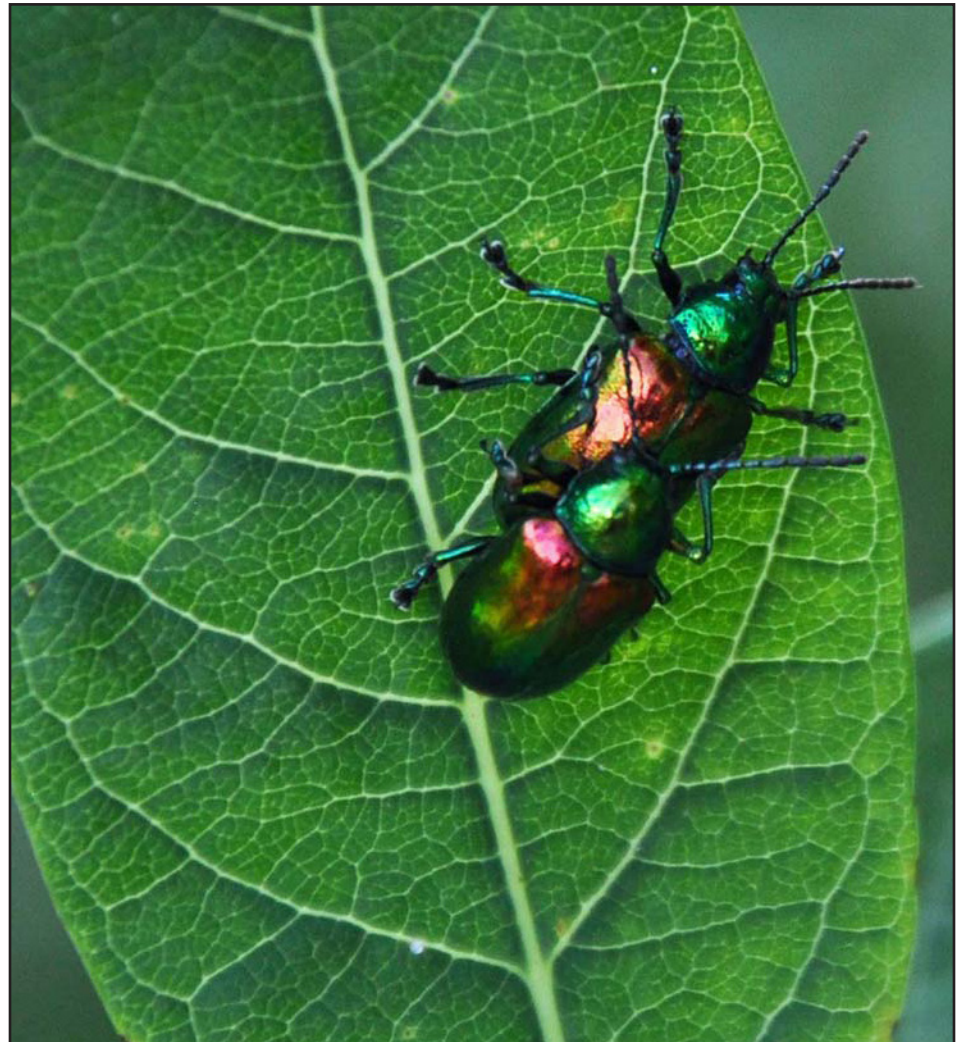
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Dogbane beetle -Photo by Bill Whorrall, www.billwhorrallart.com

The dogbane beetle belongs to the massive family of leaf-eaters known as Chrysomelidae. The dogbane leaf beetle has a special type of color that shines and changes as the insect changes position or we change position looking at it. This changing color is called iridescence.

State Parks welcomes Pokemon Go players

Indiana's state parks are happy to welcome a new group of visitors who are as interested in spotting a fictional Pikachu or Venomoth as they are in seeing a raccoon or scarlet tanager.

These visitors are players of the widely popular Pokemon Go mobile game. The game has resulted in increased traffic to state parks, which are a natural fit for the location-based augmented reality game.

Most the game's action takes place outdoors while walking. Players use a smartphone camera to identify "PokeStops" and "gyms" and collect fictional animals.

As of this week, Indiana's 24 state parks and eight reservoir properties were home to more than 200 locations for the game. State forests also have locations. The number of locations will continue to grow.

"We are happy to have our parks be a part of this game," said Ginger Murphy, Indiana State Parks deputy director for stewardship. "But we want people to be safe, stay on trails and look up from their phones. You will find that the real-world natural features and historical elements at our state parks are even more fascinating than a video game."

Walking around a park or forest while staring at a smartphone screen can be dangerous. Potential hazards at Indiana state parks include road traffic, cliffs and other rough terrain, wild animals, poison ivy and more. Pay attention to your surroundings. On hiking trails, be on the lookout for rocks, roots and other hazards.

Pokemon players must also follow property rules. This includes observing park hours, which are 7 a.m. to 11 p.m. at most Indiana state parks. Players should not enter after regular hours of operation. Players should also stay on designated trails. Walking off-trail can damage sensitive natural areas and animal habitats. Players should leave no trace behind.

Finally, take a break from the digital world to experience the natural world. Indiana's parks and forests are home to

brehtaking landscapes, unique historical features, towering trees, delicate wildflowers and interesting animals — all of which are as worthy of your attention as the latest video game craze.

Aside from Pokemon, other activities at state parks include mountain biking, horseback riding, swimming, birdwatching, paddling, fishing, camping and more.

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More Neat Stuff



By Ann Ackerman



I was very fortunate to have had a wonderful job teaching in the Loogootee schools and I remember that about this time of year, all the workshops, graduate classes, and lesson planning filled most of my time and effort. The following is dedicated to all those having similar feelings and thoughts. Teaching is the greatest job in the world. Good luck in the upcoming school year and all the years after.

YOU KNOW YOU'RE A TEACHER WHEN:

1. Your Fitbit says you've walked 5 miles during your work day.
2. You avoid certain baby names because of former students.
3. Every outfit you own has a cardigan to match.
4. You would rather go to work because it's too much work to prepare to be out.
5. You can go eight straight hours without going to the bathroom.
6. A jeans day is to be celebrated as much as a snow day.
7. Your high school students think you're crazy when you start laughing at a piece of text because you understand the author's humor even though it went way over their heads.
8. You can spot a spelling or grammatical error on a sign a mile away.
9. You are out and about shopping and you have to resist the urge to take out your red pen and correct all of the spelling and grammatical mistakes on the store signs.
10. When shopping, you have an irresistible urge to correct the misbehaving kids in the next aisle.
11. Your hands are routinely covered in ink.
12. You know when every holiday is between August and June.
13. You can tell there's a full moon without even looking.
14. You can't stay awake past 7:45 on Friday night.
15. You ration your K-cups to ensure you have enough coffee to make it through the week.

EDUCATORS' THOUGHTS

1. Here's my favorite fairy tale: Once upon a time, teachers returned to school and administration didn't change any schedules, assignments, or the curriculum.
2. Happiness is when you realize your students turned out to be genuinely good people.
3. I am enough of a realist to understand that I can't reach every child, but I am more of an optimist to get up every morning and try.
4. Whatever the cost of our libraries, the price is cheap compared to that of an ignorant nation. -Walter Cronkite
5. If the purpose of learning is to score well on a test, we've lost sight of the real reason for learning. -Jeannie Fulbright
6. While I have many super powers, finding the start on a roll of Scotch tape is not one of them.
7. Spring break should get a speeding ticket.
8. Always leave people better than you found them. Hug the hurt. Kiss the broken. Befriend the lost. Love the lonely.
9. Cough, through, rough, though – none of these words rhyme. But for some Godforsaken reason pony and bologna do. English is weird.
10. You only have 3 choices in life: give up, give in, or give it all you've got.
11. Helping one student might not change the world, but it could change the world for one student.
12. Note to self: I am doing the best I can with what I have in this moment and that is all I can expect of anyone, including me!
13. Over-prepare, then go with the flow.
14. Life is too short to wake up in the morning with regrets. So love the people who treat you right, forgive the ones who don't, and believe everything happens for a reason.

Make someone smile today!

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Loogootee School Board meeting

The Loogootee School Board will meet Thursday, July 21 at 5 p.m. in the meeting room off the superintendent's office. The meeting is open to the public.

ACCTS School Supply Giveaway

This is the 13th year for the Area Churches honoring Christ Together in Service (ACCTS) School Supply Giveaway. For those Loogootee students that registered, please go to the Loogootee High School lobby on Saturday, July 30 from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. to pick up your supplies. Shoals students who registered will receive their school supplies in the classroom on the first day of school.

Domestic Violence Task Force

Middle Way House is launching a Domestic Violence Task Force and will hold its first meeting Thursday, July 28 from 2:30 to 4 p.m. at the Community Learning Center in Martin County. This task force meeting will bring together a variety of stakeholders interested in finding meaningful alternatives to living with violence in Martin County.

Street reunion

The annual reunion of the descendants of Samuel and Nancy Leah Street will be held on Sunday, August 7 in St. Martin's Hall, Whitfield. A basket lunch will be served at noon with table service, tea, and lemonade provided. Any questions, please call Brenda at

812-486-7777.

Lady Lions Golf Scramble

The 4th Annual Loogootee Lady Lions Basketball Golf Scramble will be held Saturday, August 13 at Lake View Golf Course at 9 a.m. It will be a four men/women scramble in A-B-C-D format. Turn in your team early to secure your spot. Cost is \$45 per person or \$180 per team. To register, call Brian Smith at 381-1026, Teresa Nolley at 295-6135 or Lonnie Hawkins at 340-9817. Food and drinks will be provided.

Free lunch for kids

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

SOAR Tutoring

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

Humane society meetings

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

Solid waste board

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

Tourism meetings

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

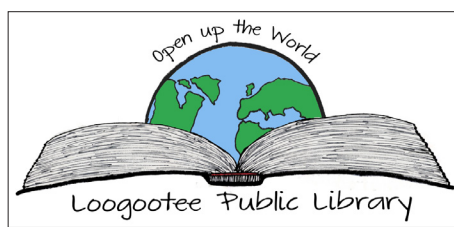
Soil and Water meetings

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

ANIMAL SHELTER Pets of the Week



The Martin County Humane Society Animal Shelter currently has more than 30 kittens/cats available for adoption. The adoption fee is \$40 and includes the spay/neuter, booster shot, rabies shot and a free bag of food. The animal shelter is open Monday and Wednesday 5-7 p.m. and Saturday 11 a.m.-2 p.m. To see all the dogs and cats available, visit www.humanesociety-ofmartincounty.org.



BY DARLA WAGLER

Librarian, Loogootee Public Library

The "On Your Mark, Set, Read" summer reading program comes to a close on Friday, July 22 with a pool party at the Loogootee City Pool from 6:30-8:30. Area kids enrolled in the summer reading program are invited to attend and bring their mom, dad and siblings. The admission is free you just need to say you are enrolled in the summer reading program. There will be food and drinks available plus winners of the summer reading program will be announced and prizes will be awarded. Please, pre-register if you plan to attend. After the pool party, there will be a Dive-In and Movie starting at dusk for tweens (ages 11-16) in the community. The movie "One Hit from Home" will be shown. Please bring a non-perishable food item for the food pantry to get in the pool.


New Books:

Mystery Fiction: "The Innocents" by Ace Atkins and "Guilty Minds" by Joseph Finer, and "Night and Day" by Iris Johansen.

Inspirational Fiction: "The Loyal Heart" by Shelley Shepard Gray and "No Way Up" by Mary Connealy.

DVDs: "Hotel Transylvania 2", "Miracles from Heaven", and "The Reckoning".

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



LOOK!

Loogootee United Methodist Church

SONBEAMS Christian Preschool

ROUND-UP IS JULY 26

6-8 p.m. at Loogootee United Methodist Church
208 West Main Street, Loogootee

Applications may be printed from the church website or picked up in the church office.

Pre-K Class for ages 3-5 Tues.-Fri. 12-3 p.m.
Beginners Class for ages 2-3 - Wed. & Fri. 8:30-10:30 a.m.

Questions, call 295-3049 or 247-0696

Parkview Village holds annual golf scramble

The Parkview Village Annual Charity Golf Scramble was held Friday, July 8 at the Country Club of Old Vincennes.

First Place Winners: German American Bank—Travis Brett, Nick Wininger, Steve Swartzentruber, Dave Wininger

Second Place Winners: K & W Fencing—Ryan Graber, Adam Wagler, Luke Graber, Eric Wagler

Third Place Winners: Ray Lengacher Construction – Marv Graber, Scott Strieter, Ray Lengacher, Johnny Graber

Closest to Pin: Hole # 8 & 17 – Kasey Igleheart, Kendall Murphy

Longest Drive: Bryce Morrison

Skins Pot went to German American Bank

Gold sponsors was German American Bank and Daviess Community Hospital. Silver sponsors were The Insurance Shop, K & W Fencing, Wagler and Sons Construction and the \$10,000 hole-in-one sponsor was Neace and Lukens. Putting contest and (3) hole-

in-one contests were sponsored by Parkview Village Christian Care.

Hole sponsors were Preferred Home Health, Edward D Jones (Alan Buffalo), Dent Smart-Elnora Body Shop, K&K Industries, Odon Pharmacy, Dave's Club House, Gordon Food Service, Jones & Sons Concrete, Odon Locker, First National Bank of Odon, Blake & Wagler Funeral Hom, DCL Media, Memories 107.9 FM, Neace-Luken's Insurance, Odon Journal, Southern Care Hospice, and Helena Chemical Co.

Prize donations were made by Casey's, Parkview Village Christian Care, Dave's Club House, Daviess Community Hospital, Wittmer Furniture, German American Bank, K & K Industries.

Organizers offer a special "thank you" to GAB who volunteered to help with the registration table and all the sponsors.

Proceeds from this year's event are going to purchase outdoor benches for Parkview's walking path.



-Photo provided

First place winners are shown above. German American Bank—Travis Brett, Nick Wininger, Steve Swartzentruber, and Dave Wininger.

Tri Kappa holds monthly meeting

On Tuesday, June 28 a meeting of the Delta Tau Chapter of Tri Kappa was held at the Loogootee United Methodist Church. Hostesses for the evening were Donna Graber, Tracie McAtee, Amy Waggner, and Amber Smith. The theme for the meeting was the City of San Diego.

President Barb McFeaters called the meeting to order. Members had a pitch-in dinner in honor of the initiation of five new members. Roll call was read with members responding with their favorite zoo animal. June minutes were read and approved after corrections.

The following correspondence was read by Brittany Lyons: a thank you from Nicole Ader for Top Ten Dinner, a thank you from Kendall Riley for Top Ten Dinner, a thank you from the Royal Family Kids Camp for the donation. Riley Cheer Guild is searching for a candidate for board of directors.

Brenda Strange shared a painting of the Church of Immaculent Conception at St Mary's of the Woods by Mr. Siemon.

Dena Lyon gave the treasurer's report and passed out copies of the proposed 2016-17 budget.

The date for Tri Kappa to work at the Martin County Fair is Friday, July 15 from 5:30-7:30 and 7:30-9:30

Judy Treffinger presented Maggie Schnarr a certificate for 10-year membership.

Barb McFeaters recognized Judy and

Dave Treffinger with a 50th wedding anniversary gift.

Catfish Festival Kids in Chalk is June 30, 6 p.m.

Summerfest Kids in Chalk had 10 participants.

Katie Milligan and Karla Eckerle made a float for the Summerfest parade which won the Mayor's Choice Award!

Thanks to Brenda Strange for heading the Rituals Program. Everything looked very nice tonight.

The 75th Anniversary shirts are ordered. The committee is working on a polo shirt too.

Another way they are building funds for the 75th Anniversary celebration is a sponsorship program. A silver membership is \$10 and a gold membership is \$25. These sponsorships will be listed in the program at the 75th Anniversary celebration. You can sponsor or you can sponsor in someone's name or memory.

Pam Loughmiller passed out calendar forms. Nancy Whitman will be helping with this project.

In new business, Barb McFeaters suggested the recording secretary email the minutes to her. She will then attach to the monthly newsletter. The members will read them over prior to the meeting and will be discussed at the following meeting. This will save time at the meetings.

Meeting was adjourned.

The next meeting is on August 23 at the Loogootee United Methodist Church at 7 p.m.

MCCF open grant applications due August 2

The Martin County Community Foundation began its 2016 Open Grant Cycle on June 14 and is available for charitable programs and projects that serve Martin County. Last year, eleven Martin County projects were funded through the Open Grant Cycle; the grants ranged from \$100 to \$2,500 each.

The 2016 grant cycle is funded by distributions from the following permanent endowment funds: Wendell Bough Family Fund, Ken and Juanita Crane Fund, Al and Helen Friesenhengst Fund, Gregory Family Humanitarian Fund, Leo Harding Family Unrestricted Fund, Michael B. and Beth A. Lett Fund, Old National Fund, Smithville Charitable Foundation Fund, Tri-Kappa of Loogootee-Shoals Community Grants Fund, and the MCCF Unrestricted Fund. Newly-created endowments funding the grant cycle are the Courter Family Fund, Rich and Judy Kluesner Fund, and the Donald and Janett Wal-

ton Fund for the Betterment of Martin County. Educational projects and programs will be funded by the Sarah Bowling Fuhrman Fund for Youth and the MCCF Education Fund.

Grant application packets are available online at www.cfpartner.org/mccf-grantshowtoapply.htm or at the Martin County Community Foundation office located in the Martin County Community Building at 2668 U.S. Hwy. 50, Loogootee. Please call (812) 295-1022 to schedule a pick up time. Completed applications must be returned to the community foundation by 4 p.m., August 2, 2016 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 applications. Awards will be announced at the MCCF Annual Dinner on November 7, 2016.



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Second place winners are shown above. K & W Fencing—Ryan Graber, Adam Wagler, Luke Graber, and Eric Wagler.



-Photo provided

Third place winners are shown above. Ray Lengacher Construction – Marv Graber, Scott Strieter, Ray Lengacher, and Johnny Graber.

TOY'S AUTO PARTS, INC.

Loogootee (812) 295-2312	Shoals (812) 247-3321	Jasper (812) 634-2222	Washington (812) 254-2540
Sullivan (812) 268-5252	Martinsville (765) 342-6623	Linton (812) 847-4494	
Jasonville (812) 665-3969	Bicknell (812) 735-3545	Bloomfield (812) 384-4453	

2016 Martin County 4-H Project Results

African Violets: Grand Champion- Delani Bateman; Reserve Grand Champion- Madison Esch

Beginner: Madison Esch - Champion, Blue

Intermediate: Delanie Bateman - Champion, Blue; Emma Hert - Red

Advanced: Melanie Hawkins, Champion, Blue

Aquatic Science: Grand Champion - Noah Esch

Beginner: Noah Esch, Champion, Blue

Automotive: No Entries

Bicycle: Grand Champion - Melanie Hawkins

Level 4: Melanie Hawkins

Christmas Tree: Grand Champion - Jocelyn Davis-Berger

Level 2: Jocelyn Davis-Berger - Champion, Blue; Cheaney Archer - Red

Collections: Grand Champion - Wyatt Street; Reserve Grand Champion - Justin Wagler

Beginner: Samuel Graber - Champion, Blue; Kanton Dearwester - Reserve Champion, Blue; Leighton Jeffers, Blue

Intermediate: Wyatt Street - Champion, Blue; Cassandra Gilmore - Reserve Champion, Blue

Advanced: Justin Wagler - Champion, Blue

Community Service: Grand Champion-Megan Hawkins; Reserve Grand Champion-Melanie Hawkins

Beginner: Lillie Bauer - Champion, Blue; Kori Redman - Reserve Champion

Advanced: Megan Hawkins - Champion, Blue; Melanie Hawkins - Reserve Champion, Blue

Fashion Revue - Consumer Clothing: Reserve Grand Champion- Cora Ausbrooks

Beginner: Karter Burris - Champion, Blue; Cora Ausbrooks - Reserve Champion

Advanced: Melanie Hawkins - Champion, Blue

Fashion Revue - Sewing Construction: Grand Champion - Karter Burris

Beginner: Karter Burris - Champion, Blue

Fashion Revue - Free Choice:

Advanced: Katherine Gilbert - State Fair, Blue

Advanced: Melanie Hawkins

Consumer Education:

Beef: Grand Champion - Megan Hawkins; Reserve Grand Champion - Josh Gardiner

Level 1: Josh Gardiner - Champion, Blue;

Level 4: Melanie Hawkins - Champion, Blue

Level 5: Megan Hawkins, Champion, Blue

Lamb: Grand Champion - Melanie Hawkins; Reserve Grand Champion - Melanie Hawkins

Level 3: Melanie Hawkins, Champion, Blue

Level 5: Megan Hawkins, Champion, Blue

Pork: Grand Champion - Megan Hawkins; Reserve Grand Champion - Melanie Hawkins

Level 4: Melanie Hawkins, Champion, Blue

Level 6: Megan Hawkins, Champion, Blue

Poultry: Grand Champion - Melanie Hawkins

Level 4: Melanie Hawkins, Champion, Blue

Computer - Grand Champion - No Entries

Create-A-Mix: Grand Champion - Zetta Gore; Reserve Grand Champion

- Kyleigh Courter

Beginner: Kyleigh Courter - Champion, Blue; Emma Lingenfelter - Reserve Champion, Blue; Breanna Courter - Blue; Kori Redman - Red; Britta Browder - Blue; Jeffrey Wagler - Blue; Alysse Wadsworth - Blue

Intermediate: Zetta Gore - Champion, Blue; Sarah Wagler - Reserve Champion, Blue; Grace Lingenfelter - Blue

Advanced: Lindsey Lukens - Champion, Blue; Melanie Hawkins - Reserve Champion, Blue; Corbyn Sipes - White

Crops:

Corn: Grand Champion - Phillip Troutman; Reserve Grand Champion - Russell Mauder

Beginner: Russell Mauder, Champion, Blue

Advanced: Phillip Troutman, Champion, Blue

Hay: Grand Champion - Phillip Troutman; Reserve Grand Champion - Sam Bruner

Advanced: Phillip Troutman - Champion, Blue; Sammy Bruner, Reserve Champion, Blue;

Justin Sanders - Blue

Soy Beans: Grand Champion- Phillip Troutman; Reserve Grand Champion - Russell Mauder

Beginner: Russell Mauder, Champion, Blue

Advanced: Phillip Troutman, Champion, Blue

Wheat: Grand Champion- Phillip Troutman

Advanced: Phillip Troutman - Champion, Blue

Cupcake Decorating: Grand Champion - Sarah Wagler; Reserve Grand Champion - Lillie Bauer

Beginner: Lillie Bauer - Champion, Blue; Brianna Eckerle - Reserve Champion, Blue; Cora Ausbrooks - Blue; Kori Redman - Blue;

Intermediate: Sarah Wagler - Champion, Blue; Emma Hert - Reserve Champion, Blue; Mattie Milligan - Blue

Farm Scene: Grand Champion - Haleigh Suheski; Reserve Grand Champion - Phillip Troutman

Level 1: Samuel Graber - Champion, Blue; Russell Mauder - Reserve Champion, Blue; Joshua Gardiner - Blue

Level 2: Jeffrey Wagler - Champion, Blue

Level 3: Haleigh Suheski, Champion, Blue

Level 4: Phillip Troutman - Champion, Blue

Gift Wrapping: Grand Champion - Brianna Eckerle; Reserve Grand Champion - Mallory Berry

Level 1: Brianna Eckerle - Champion, Blue; Cathryn Gee - Reserve Champion, Blue; Ashley Green - Red

Level 2: Cheaney Archer - Champion, Blue; Tia Fuhs - White

Level 3: Mallory Berry - Champion, Blue

Greeting Cards: Grand Champion - Melanie Hawkins; Reserve Grand Champion - Cora Ausbrooks

Beginner: - Cora Ausbrooks, Champion, Blue

Advanced: Melanie Hawkins, Champion, Blue

Microwave: Grand Champion - Grace Lingenfelter; Reserve Grand Champion - Jayleigh Wagoner

Grade 3-4: Emma Lingenfelter, Champion, Blue

Grade 5-6: Grace Lingenfelter, Champion, Blue

Grade 7-9: Jayleigh Wagoner, Champion, Blue; Emma Hert - Reserve Champion, Blue

Grade 10: Lindsey Lukens, Blue; Corbyn Sipes, Blue

Our Solar System: Grand Champion - Emily Hall; Reserve Grand Champion - Melanie Hawkins

Level 4: Emily Hall, Champion, Blue

Level 7: Brayden Sutton, Champion, Blue

Level 9: Melanie Hawkins, Champion, Blue

Posters:

Beef: Grand Champion - Megan Hawkins; Reserve Grand Champion - Melanie Hawkins

Intermediate: Melanie Hawkins, Champion, Blue

Advanced: Megan Hawkins, Champion, Blue

Horse: Grand Champion - Melanie Hawkins; Reserve Grand Champion - Megan Hawkins

Advanced: Melanie Hawkins, Champion, Blue; Megan Hawkins, Reserve Champion, Blue

Goat: Grand Champion - Delani Bateman; Reserve Grand Champion - Melanie Hawkins

Beginner: Mackenzie Craney - Champion, Blue

Intermediate: Delani Bateman, Champion, Blue

Advanced: Melanie Hawkins, Champion, Blue

Sheep: Grand Champion - Megan Hawkins; Reserve Grand Champion - Melanie Hawkins

Beginner: Joshua Gardiner - Champion, Blue

Advanced: Megan Hawkins - Champion, Blue; Melanie Hawkins - Reserve Champion

Swine: Grand Champion- Megan Hawkins; Reserve Grand Champion - Melanie Hawkins

Advanced: Megan Hawkins - Champion, Blue; Melanie Hawkins - Reserve Champion, Blue

Read-A-Book: Grand Champion - Melanie Hawkins; Reserve Grand Champion - Kori Redman

Level 1: Kori Redman - Champion, Blue; Luke Guy - Red; Malachi McNabb - Red

Level 3: Melanie Hawkins - Champion, Blue; Cassandra Gilmore - Reserve Champion, Blue

Recycling: Grand Champion - Krystan Gilmore; Reserve Grand Champion - Jayleigh Wagoner

Grade 4: Kori Redman, Champion, Blue

Grade 5: Nicholas Gilmore, Champion, Blue

Grade 7: Emma Hert, Champion, Blue; Delani Bateman - Reserve Champion, Blue

Grade 9: Jayleigh Wagoner, Champion, Blue; Melanie Hawkins, Reserve Champion, Blue

Level 11: Krystan Gilmore, Champion, Blue

Scrapbooking: Grand Champion - Megan Hawkins; Reserve Grand Champion - Brianna Eckerle

Beginner: Brianna Eckerle - Champion, Blue; Allie Henninger - Reserve Champion, Blue; Lillie Bauer - Blue

Intermediate: Cassidy Esch - Champion, Blue

Advanced: Megan Hawkins, Champion, Blue; Kaitlin Sims - Reserve Champion, Blue; Kenadi Rumble - Blue; Melanie Hawkins - Blue; Jordan Mann - Blue

Sports: Grand Champion - Alexis Rush; Reserve Grand Champion - Melanie Hawkins

Beginner: Alexis Rush - Champion, Blue; Leighton Jeffers - Reserve Champion, Blue;

Allie Henninger - Blue

Intermediate: Haley Fischer - Champion, Blue

Advanced: Melanie Hawkins - Champion, Blue; Ross Adams - Red

Sunflowers: Grand Champion - Tucker Walton; Reserve Grand Champion - Emma Lingenfelter

Level A: Emma Lingenfelter - Champion, Blue; Isaac Waggner - Reserve Champion, Blue

Level B: Tucker Walton - Champion, Blue; Grace Lingenfelter - Reserve Champion, Blue

Level C: Isabelle Waggner - Champion, Blue; Emily Crane - Reserve Champion, Blue

Level D: Justin Wagler, Champion, Blue; Wyatt Crane, Champion, Blue

Welding: Grand Champion - Wade Burris; Reserve Grand Champion - Russell Mauder

Beginner: Russell Mauder - Champion, Blue; Kendall Kemp - Red

Intermediate: Brayton Taylor - Champion, Blue

Advanced: Wade Burris - Champion, Blue

Wildflower: Grand Champion - Grace Lingenfelter; Reserve Grand Champion - Emma Lingenfelter

Grade 3: Emma Lingenfelter - Champion, Blue; Breanna Courter - Reserve Champion; Blue; Ella Parker - Blue

Grade 6: Grace Lingenfelter - Champion, Blue

Aerospace: Grand Champion - Parker Arvin; Reserve Grand Champion - Zachary Arvin

Stage 2: Parker Arvin - State Fair, Champion, Blue

Stage 3: Mason Harder - State Fair, Champion, Blue

Stage 4: Zachary Arvin - State Fair, Champion, Blue

Cake Decorating: Grand Champion - Allison Albright; Reserve Grand Champion - Karter Burris

Beginner: Karter Burris - State Fair, Champion, Blue; Ella Parker - Reserve Champion, Blue; Noah Esch - Blue; Madison Esch - Blue; Lillian Lukomski - Red; Claire Kemp - Red; Kendall Kemp - Red

Intermediate: Sarah Wagler - State Fair, Champion, Blue

Advanced: Allison Albright - State Fair, Champion, Blue; Carmen Houchins - Reserve Champion, Blue; Matty-son Jones - Blue

Child Development: Grand Champion - Megan Hawkins; Reserve Grand Champion - Melanie Hawkins

Level C: Melanie Hawkins - Champion, Blue

Level D: Megan Hawkins - State Fair, Champion, Blue; Kaitlin Sims - Blue

Consumer Clothing: Grand Champion- Melanie Hawkins; Reserve Grand Champion - Cora Ausbrooks

Beginner: Cora Ausbrooks - State Fair, Champion, Blue; Karter Burris - Reserve Champion, Blue

Advanced: Melanie Hawkins, State Fair, Champion, Blue

Crafts-Fine Arts: Grand Champion - Reva Troutman; Reserve Grand Champion - Katherine Gilbert

Beginner: Lilian Lukomski - Champion, Blue; Madison Esch, Reserve Champion, Blue

Intermediate: Katherine Gilbert - State Fair, Champion, Blue; Wyatt Street - Reserve Champion, Blue; Cassandra Gilmore - Blue

Advanced: Reva Troutman, State Fair, Champion, Blue; Maxwell Christmas, Reserve Champion, Blue;

Brayden Horsting - Blue; Krystan

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PROJECTS

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Gilmore – Blue; Kayla Abel – Blue; Jessica Ryan - Blue

Crafts-Models: Grand Champion – Corbin Henninger; Reserve Grand Champion – William Keller

Beginner: Matthew Green - Champion, Blue

Intermediate: William Keller - State Fair, Champion, Blue; Nick Keller – Red;

Advanced: Corbin Henninger - State Fair, Champion, Blue; Justin Sanders, Reserve Champion, Blue; Justin Wagler – Blue; Lane Keller – Blue;

Crafts-Needlepoint:

Beginner: Mattie Milligan – Red; Rachel Robinson - Red

Crafts-Any Other Craft: Grand Champion – Jessica Ryan; Reserve Grand Champion – Katherine Gilbert

Beginner: Emma Lingenfelter – State Fair, Champion, Blue; Nicholas Gilmore – Reserve Champion, Blue; Cora Ausbrooks – Blue; Cora Ausbrooks – Blue; Allison Albright – Blue; Trenton Sanders – Red

Intermediate: Katherine Gilbert - State Fair, Champion, Blue; Cade Maschino, Reserve Champion, Blue; Emma Hert – Blue; Cassandra Gilmore – Red; Danielle Abel – Blue; Cassidy Shaw – Blue; Eleora Neeley – Blue;

Advanced: Jessica Ryan - State Fair, Champion, Blue; Sheldon Christmas - State Fair, Reserve Champion, Blue; Reva Troutman – Blue; Krystan Gilmore – Blue; Megan Hawkins – Blue;

Construction Toys: Grand Champion – Lane Keller; Reserve Grand Champion – Anastasia Toy

Beginner: Anastasia Toy – State Fair, Champion, Blue; Sydnee Wittmer - Reserve Champion, Blue; Alex Adams – Blue; Luke Troutman – Blue; Malachi McNabb - Blue

Intermediate: Lane Keller, State Fair, Champion, Blue;

Advanced: Ross Adams, State Fair, Champion, Blue; Lane Keller, Reserve Champion, Blue; Justin Wagler, Blue

Electric: Grand Champion – Samuel Ausbrooks

Division I: Luke Guy - State Fair, Champion, Blue; Joshua Gardiner – Red; Noah Esch – Red;

Lucas Harder – Red

Division II: Cade Maschino - State Fair, Champion, Blue

Division IV: Samuel Ausbrooks – State Fair, Champion, Blue; Mattie Milligan, Reserve Champion, Blue

Division V: Justin Sanders – State Fair, Champion, Blue

Entomology: Grand Champion - Megan Hawkins

Level 3: Megan Hawkins - State Fair, Champion, Blue

Fashion Revue- Sewing: Grand Champion - Katherine Gilbert

Intermediate: Katherine Gilbert, Champion, Blue

Floriculture: Grand Champion – Danielle Abel; Reserve Grand Champion – Reva Troutman

Level C: Danielle Abel, State Fair, Champion, Blue

Level D: Reva Troutman, State Fair, Champion, Blue

Foods: Grand Champion – Anastasia Toy; Reserve Grand Champion – Melanie Hawkins

Level 1

Grade 3: Kanton Dearwester - State Fair, Champion, Blue; Britta Browder – Reserve Champion, Blue; Lilian Lukomski – Red; Emma Lingenfelter - Blue

Grade 4: Sydnee Wittmer, State Fair, Champion, Blue

Level 2:

Grade 5: Anastasia Toy – State Fair, Champion, Blue; Jeffrey Wagler – Reserve Champion, Blue

Grade 6: Tia Fuhs – State Fair, Champion, Blue

Level 3

Grade 8: Sarah Wagler, State Fair, Champion, Blue

Grade 9: Melanie Hawkins, State Fair, Champion, Blue

Level 4

Grade 10-12: Lindsey Lukens - State Fair, Champion, Blue; Ross Adams – Reserve Champion, Blue; Justin Horney – Blue

Food Preservation: Grand Champion - David Qualkenbush; Reserve Grand Champion – Gracie Shaw

Level 1:

Grade 4: Sydnee Wittmer - State Fair, Champion, Blue

Level 2:

Grade 5-6: Gracie Shaw - State Fair, Champion, Blue

Level 3:

Grade 7-9: Melanie Hawkins - State Fair, Champion, Blue; Jocelyn Davis-Berger – Reserve Champion, Blue

Level 4:

Grade 10-12: David Qualkenbush – State Fair, Champion, Blue; Justin Sanders - Blue

Forestry: Grand Champion – Megan Hawkins; Reserve Grand Champion – Madison Esch

Level 1: Madison Esch - State Fair, Champion, Blue

Level 2: Brayden Sutton - State Fair, Champion, Blue

Level 3: Megan Hawkins - State Fair, Champion, Blue

Garden-Singles: Grand Champion – Kaitlin Sims; Reserve Grand Champion – Mya Miller

Level B: Gracie Shaw - Champion, Blue

Level C: Mya Miller - Champion, Blue; Delani Bateman - Reserve Champion, Blue; Jocelyn Berger-Davis – Blue; Emma Hert - Blue

Level D: Kaitlin Sims - Champion, Blue; Justin Sanders, Reserve Champion, Blue; Phillip Troutman – Blue; Maelee Hawkins – Blue;

Garden-Collection: Grand Champion – Sam Bruner, Reserve Grand Champion – Maggie Shaw

Level C: Maggie Shaw - Champion, Blue; Delani Bateman – Reserve Champion, Blue

Level D: Sam Bruner - Champion, Blue; Justin Sanders - Reserve Champion, Blue

Garden-Herbs: Grand Champion – Mya Miller; Reserve Grand Champion – Justin Sanders

Level C: Mya Miller - Champion, Blue; Emma Hert, Reserve Champion, Blue; Jocelyn Davis-Berger – Blue

Level D: Justin Sanders - Champion, Blue; Sam Bruner – Reserve Champion, Blue;

Garden-Potatoes: Grand Champion – Jocelyn Davis, Reserve Grand Champion – Sam Bruner

Grade 7 – Emma Hert - Red

Grade 8: Jocelyn Davis-Berger - Champion, Blue

Level 10: Sam Bruner, Champion, Blue

Genealogy: Grand Champion - Rachel Robinson

Level 4: Rachel Robinson, State Fair, Champion, Blue

Geology: Grand Champion – Cade Maschino; Reserve Grand Champion – Kayden Sutton

Level B: Cade Maschino - State Fair, Champion, Blue; Kayden Sutton – Reserve Champion, Blue

Health: Grand Champion – Emma Lingenfelter; Reserve Grand Champi-

on – Maggie Shaw

Level A: Emma Lingenfelter - State Fair, Champion, Blue

Level B: Maggie Shaw - State Fair, Champion, Blue; Kayden Sutton, Reserve Champion, Blue

Level C: Melanie Hawkins – State Fair, Champion, Blue

Home Environment: Grand Champion – Melanie Hawkins

Level 2: Emma Hert - Red

Level 3: Melanie Hawkins, Champion, Blue

Personality: Grand Champion - Melanie Hawkins

Level C: Melanie Hawkins, State Fair, Champion, Blue

Photography: Grand Champion – Jordan Mann; Reserve Grand Champion – Tara Pennington

Beginning Photography – Color Prints: Madison Esch – State Fair, Champion, Blue; Sydnee Wittmer – State Fair, Reserve Champion, Blue; Joshua Gardiner - Blue; Brianna Eckler – Blue;

Intermediate Photography - Black & White Prints: No Entries

Intermediate Photography - Color Prints: Maggie Shaw – State Fair, Champion, Blue; Cassidy Esch – State Fair, Reserve Champion, Blue

Intermediate Photography - Color Salon: Delani Bateman, State Fair, Champion, Blue; Bryant Eckler, Reserve Champion, Blue; Cassidy Esch – Blue; Isabelle Waggoner – Blue; Emily Crane – Blue; Cassidy Shaw - Blue

Intermediate Photography - Black & White Salon: Wyatt Street – State Fair, Champion, Blue; Isabelle Waggoner – Reserve Champion; Blue; Cassandra Gilmore – Blue;

Intermediate Photography - Creative/Experimental Digital Salon Prints- No Entries

Advanced Photography - Black & White Prints: Reva Troutman – State Fair, Champion, Blue;

Advanced Photography - Color Prints: Reva Troutman – State Fair, Champion, Blue; Jessica Ryan – Blue; Eden Jenkins – Blue; Kaitlin Sims – Blue; Tara Pennington – Blue; Jordan Mann – Blue; Ross Adams - Red

Advanced Photography - Color Salon: Jordan Mann – State Fair, Champion, Blue; Tara Pennington – Reserve Champion, Blue;

Advanced Photography - Black & White Salon: Kaitlin Sims – State Fair, Champion, Blue; Krystan Gilmore – Reserve Champion – Blue;

Poster-Cat: Grand Champion – Megan Hawkins; Reserve Grand Champion – Noah Esch

Beginner: Noah Esch – State Fair, Champion, Blue; Emily Hall – Reserve Champion, Blue; Emma Holt - Blue

Intermediate: Brayden Sutton, State Fair, Champion, Blue; Kayden Sutton – Reserve Champion, Blue

Advanced: Melanie Hawkins, State Fair, Champion, Blue

Poster-Dog: Grand Champion – Megan Hawkins; Reserve Grand Champion – Sydnee Wittmer

Beginner: Sydnee Wittmer- State Fair, Champion, Blue; Alexander Downey – Reserve Champion, Blue; Emily Hall – Blue; Alysse Wadsworth – Blue; Destiny Lilly – Blue; Mackenzie Craney - Blue

Intermediate: Brayden Sutton, State Fair, Champion, Blue; Kayden Sutton, Reserve Champion, Blue

Advanced: Megan Hawkins, State Fair, Champion, Blue

Poster-Rabbit: Grand Champion - Megan Hawkins; Reserve Grand Champion – Brayden Sutton

Intermediate: Brayden Sutton – State Fair, Champion, Blue

Advanced: Megan Hawkins, State Fair, Champion

Poultry Science Board: No Entries

Poultry Display Board: Grand Champion – Grant Carrico; Reserve Grand Champion – Cade Maschino

Intermediate – Cade Maschino - State Fair, Champion, Blue

Advanced: Grant Carrico - State Fair, Champion, Blue; Megan Hawkins – Reserve Champion, Blue; Melanie Hawkins – Blue; Justin Sanders - Blue

Sewing: Grand Champion – Emma Hert

Level A

Grade 3 – Emma Hert – Champion, Blue; Karter Burris - Red

Level C

Grade 8 – Non Wearable: Katherine Gilbert – Champion, Blue

Shooting Sports: Grand Champion – Kayden Sutton; Reserve Grand Champion – Alexis Rush

Level 1: Alexis Rush - State Fair, Champion, Blue; Trenton Sanders - Reserve Champion, Blue; Russell Mauder - Blue

Level 2: Kayden Sutton, State Fair, Champion, Blue; Cade Maschino, Reserve Champion, Blue

Small Engines: Grand Champion - Ross Adams, Reserve Grand Champion – Lucas Harder

Level 2: Lucas Harder, State Fair, Champion, Blue

Level 3: Ross Adams, State Fair, Champion, Blue

Soil and Water Science: Grand Champion – Melanie Hawkins; Reserve Grand Champion- Megan Hawkins

Independent Study: Melanie Hawkins - State Fair, Champion, Blue; Megan Hawkins – Reserve Champion, Blue

Sportfishing: Grand Champion – Melanie Hawkins

Level 2: Melanie Hawkins, State Fair, Champion, Blue

Tractor Poster: Grand Champion – Brett Robinson

Level D: Brett Robinson - State Fair, Champion, Blue

Veterinary Science: Grand Champion – Kenadi Rumble; Reserve Grand Champion – Brayden Sutton

Intermediate: Brayden Sutton - State Fair, Champion, Blue; Delani Bateman – Reserve Champion

Advanced: Kenadi Rumble – State Fair, Champion, Blue; Megan Hawkins - Reserve Champion, Blue;

Weather & Climate Science: Grand Champion – Kayden Sutton; Reserve Grand Champion – Brayden Sutton

Level 2: Kayden Sutton - State Fair, Champion, Blue; Brayden Sutton – Reserve Champion, Blue

Weeds: No Entries

Wildlife: Grand Champion – Megan Hawkins; Reserve Grand Champion – Alexis Rush

Level A: Emily Hall - State Fair, Champion, Blue

Level B: Alexis Rush - State Fair, Champion, Blue; Cade Maschino – Reserve Champion, Blue;

Level C: Brayden Sutton - State Fair, Champion, Blue; Melanie Hawkins – Reserve Champion; Blue;

Independent Study: Megan Hawkins, State Fair, Champion, Blue

Woodworking: Grand Champion – David Qualkenbush; Reserve Grand Champion - Justin Sanders

Level A: Trenton Sanders, State Fair, Champion, Blue

Level B: Nicholas Gilmore, State Fair, Champion, Blue

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Ag Tractor Contest

-Photo provided

The 4-H Ag Tractor Contest was held on Saturday, July 9. This is a contest of skill and speed with an agriculture tractor and trailer. Contestants must drive the tractor and trailer through a course using different skills like backing up, turning close corners without touching the barriers, and speed. They must also take a test on their knowledge of the tractors and safety. A second test is also taking test identifying parts of the tractors from pictures. You are given points for time and any mistakes made on the course. You are also given points for mistakes on the tests. The lower the score the higher your ribbon and placing. This years' results are in the senior class were Champion - Reuben Ritchey with a score of 103 and Reserve Champion- Justin Hellums with a score of 638. In the junior division Cade Maschino received the Champion with a score of 352 and Russel Mauder received reserve champion with a score of 621. Congratulations to all the participants. From left to right are Club Leader Wayne Ritchey, and club members Russell Mauder, Cade Maschino, Wade Burris, Justin Hellums, Justin Sanders, Reuben Ritchey, and Club Leader Larry Craney.

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Fair, Champion, Blue

Level C: Haileigh Suheski, State Fair, Champion, Blue; Wyatt Crane, Reserve Champion, Blue

Level D: David Qualkenbush, State Fair, Champion, Blue; Justin Sanders, Reserve Champion, Blue

Lawn and Garden Tractor Driving: Junior Division: Champion – TBA
Zero Turn Radius Tractor Driving: Junior Division: Champion – TBA
Senior Division: Champion – TBA
Robotics Club- Participants this year in the club's public demonstration were: TBA

Mini Arts & Crafts: Olivia Abel, Blue; Raven Bauernfiend, Blue; Grace Bledsoe, Blue; Scotty Browder, Blue; Toni Browder, Blue; Brooklyn Carrico, Blue; Cameron Crays, Blue; Alaina Diamond, Blue; Savannah Green, Blue; Hadley Haulk, Blue; Anniston Kelso, Blue; Emmalyn McNabb, Blue; Chase Miller, Blue; Clayton Miller, Blue; Madison Nail, Blue; Hailey Osborne, Blue; Chloe Ramsey, Blue; Ashlynn Weitkamp, Blue; Kamila Wilson, Blue; Journey Chastain, Blue; Zafira Neeley, Blue

Mini Bicycle: Abigail Dunn, Blue

Mini Bugs: Hadley Haulk, Blue
Mini Cake Decorating: Hadley Bell, Blue; Alaina Diamond, Blue; Hadley Haulk, Blue; Makenzie Mauder, Blue; Caitlyn Meade, Blue; Chloe Ramsey, Blue; Olivia Taylor, Blue

Mini Collections: Hadley Bell, Blue; Ava Jeffers, Blue; Marie Ringwald, Blue; Sabastian White, Blue

Mini Construction Toys: Chauncey Archer, Blue; Reed Brittain, Blue; Joseph Graber, Blue; Isaac Johnson, Blue; Nickolis Milligan, Blue; Sophia Toy, Blue; Carter Walton, Blue; Evan Williams, Blue; Sebastian White, Blue
Mini Dinosaurs: Zakkery Doyle, Blue; Mason Lake, Blue; Trenden McGuire, Blue; Clayton Miller, Blue

Mini Farm Scene: Paxton Arvin, Blue; Eli Ausbrooks, Blue; Reed Brittain, Blue; Hadley Haulk, Blue; Daigen McCarty, Blue

Mini Foods: Toni Browder, Blue; Abigail Dunn, Blue; Sophia Toy, Blue; Kamila Wilson, Blue

Mini Garden: James Baurndfiend, Blue; Cameron Crays, Blue; Hadley

Haulk, Blue; Brooklyn Knepp, Blue; Makenzie Mauder, Blue; Daigen McCarty, Blue

Mini Helping Mom & Dad: Cameron Crays, Blue; Abigail Dunn, Blue; Praylee Haggard, Blue; Madison Nail, Blue; Hailey Osborne, Blue; Ava Turpen, Blue;

Mini Models: No Entries

Mini My Pet & Me: Olivia Abel, Blue; Grace Bledsoe, Blue; Brooklyn Carrico, Blue; Journey Chastain, Blue; Abigail Dunn, Blue; Brendan Green, Blue; Praylee Haggard, Blue; Hadley Haulk, Blue; Makenzie Mauder, Blue; Emmalyn McNabb, Blue; Caitlyn Meade, Blue; Chase Miller, Blue;
Mini Plants & Flowers: Brooklyn Carrico, Blue; Hadley Haulk, Blue; Makenzie Mauder, Blue; Montana Scales, Blue

Mini Recycling: Toni Browder, Blue; Mini Rockets: Paxton Arvin, Blue; Isaac Johnson, Blue; Trenden McGuire, Blue; Sebastian White, Blue

Mini Sewing: Brooklyn Carrico, Blue; Alaina Diamond, Blue; Hadley Haulk, Blue; Chloe Ramsey, Blue; Sabastian White, Blue; Anniston Kelso, Blue

Mini Sports: Paxton Arvin, Blue; Brooklyn Carrico, Blue; Alaina Diamond, Blue

Mini Sun, Stars & Space: Joseph Graber, Blue

Mini Sunflowers: Praylee Haggard, Blue; Makenzie Mauder, Blue; Carter Walton, Blue

Mini Weather: No Entries

Mini Whales & Dolphins: Marie Ringwald, Blue



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4-H Sheep Show results

Market Lambs
Class 1, 91-114 lbs.:
1st Place- Breanna Courter
2nd Place- Megan Hawkins
3rd Place- Joshua Gardiner
Class 2, 116 – 121 lbs.:
1st Place- Delani Bateman
2nd Place- Taylor George
3rd Place- Melanie Hawkins
Class 3, 123-142 lbs.:
1st Place- Kyleigh Courter
2nd Place- Delani Bateman
3rd Place-Eleora Neeley
Class 4, 143-167 lbs.:
1st Place-Kyleigh Courter
2nd Place-Taylor George
3rd Place-Haileigh Suheski
4th Place- Emma Hert
Champion Market Lamb: Kyleigh Courter
Reserve Champion Market Lamb: Kyleigh Courter
Champion Rate of Gain: Emma Hert DRG: 0.87
Breeding Ewes
Commercial Ewe Lambs
Class 1, 116 lbs.:
1st Place- Breanna Courter
2nd Place- Melanie Hawkins
Class 2, 124-128 lbs.:
1st Place- Taylor George
2nd Place- Eleora Neeley
Class 3, 132-150 lbs.:
1st Place- Megan Hawkins
2nd Place- Emma Hert
Commercial Ewe Yearling
Class 1, 179-180 lbs
1st Place- Eleora Neeley
2nd Place- Haileigh Suheski
Class 2, 193-201 lbs
1st Place- Taylor George
2nd Place- Haileigh Suheski
Champion Commercial Ewe: Taylor George
Reserve Champion Commercial Ewe: Breanna Courter
Suffolk Ewes
Class 1 Spring Ewes (Born 1/23/2016)
1st Place- Megan Hawkins
2nd Place- Melanie Hawkins
Class 2 Fall Ewes (Born 12/26/2016)
1st Place- Megan Hawkins
Class Yearling Ewes (Born 1/12/2015-1/13/2015)
1st Place- Megan Hawkins
2nd Place- Megan Hawkins
Champion Suffolk Ewe: Megan Hawkins
Reserve Champion Suffolk Ewe:

Megan Hawkins
Katahdin
1st Place- Joshua Gardiner
Champion Katahdin: Joshua Gardiner
Grand Champion Breeding Ewe: Megan Hawkins
Reserve Grand Champion Breeding Ewe: Megan Hawkins
Mini 4-H: Cami Crays, Zafira Neeley
Clover Showmanship (Grades 3-5):
1st Place-Breanna Courter
2nd Place- Josh Gardiner
Junior Showmanship (Grades 6-8):
1st Place- Haileigh Suheski
Senior Showmanship (Grades 9-12):
1st Place- Taylor George
2nd Place- Melanie Hawkins
Master Showmanship:
1st Place- Megan Hawkins
2nd Place- Kyleigh Courter
3rd Place- Haileigh Suheski
Other Participants: Delani Bateman, Breanna Courter, Taylor George



T-shirt design contest

-Photo provided

Cade Maschino won the Martin County 4-H Fair t-shirt design contest. His shirt depicts the outline of Martin County with a star where the fairgrounds are located. He received a \$20 prize for his idea.



Tractor pull

-Photo provided

The 4-H Junior Leaders organized the Martin County 4-H Fair Mini Tractor Pull. Winners are shown above. In the front row, from left to right, are Karter Burris, Martin County Miss Evening Gown, holding Jud Vanmeter. In the back row, from left to right, are Daxton Hault, Zafira Neeley, Eli Ausbrooks, and Harry Richer. The Junior Leaders want to thank their sponsors, Mary and Terry Walton, Hopf Equipment, Hoeflings, Hutsons, Lawrence County Equipment, McAlisters, and Blesch Brothers.

Governor to invest \$1 billion in Hoosier innovation, entrepreneurship

Governor Mike Pence announced plans to invest \$1 billion over the next 10 years to advance innovation and entrepreneurship in Indiana. During remarks at the eighth annual Innovation Showcase in Indianapolis, Governor Pence outlined a proposal to strengthen and accelerate Hoosier innovation through strategic partnerships, ensuring that Indiana plays a leading role in solving 21st century challenges while supporting long-term economic growth, job creation and talent attraction.

“As a state, we have worked diligently to establish a pro-growth business climate in Indiana and our efforts are being recognized across the nation,” said Governor Pence. “We cut costs, lowered taxes and reduced regulations to allow job creators to invest in what matters most – in their businesses and in their employees. Indiana is ranked first in the Midwest for business and first in the nation for small business regulations, but we’re not done yet. We must build on this economic momentum and increase collaboration between educators, community leaders, industry partners and most importantly, idea generators, to further propel innovation across the Hoosier state for generations to come.”

The 10-year plan, which centers on collaboration between government, education and research institutions, communities and the private sector, will advance Indiana’s current economic momentum and combat potential threats to growth, such as workforce shortages and the availability of capital, by:

- Developing Indiana’s future innovators and entrepreneurs through partnerships with secondary school programs designed to encourage interest in, teach the economics of, and outline the opportunities in innovation and entrepreneurship.

- Supporting education, research and entrepreneurial practice at Indiana’s higher education and research institutions by leveraging strategic partnerships to support and expand current innovation and entrepreneurship programs, advance research initiatives and programs like the Purdue Foundry Accelerator with embedded Entrepreneurs in Residence, and establish a system for sharing best practices across the state’s network of private and public institutions.

- Enhancing regional entrepreneurial culture and investment by supporting start-up costs and program development for co-working spaces, incubators and innovation centers, and providing matching funds for regional and community investments in start-up and scale-up companies.

- Supporting industry-driven strategic innovation and advancements by increasing support of industry initiatives, such as AgriNovus Indiana, BioCrossroads, Conexus, Energy Systems Network and TechPoint, and by spurring development of cross-sector transformational efforts, such as the Institute for Advanced Composites Manufacturing Innovation, OrthoWorx, 16 Tech and the Indiana Biosciences Research Institute.

- Accelerating investments in early-stage, mid-market and high-growth companies and encouraging further investments from private investors, communities and education and research institutes through matching funds to increase Indiana’s network of start-

up firms and accelerate the growth of mid-market firms.

- Expanding opportunities for small businesses by integrating resources and micro-lending initiatives to encourage local community development while developing new programs to increase opportunities for all Hoosiers to start and grow a business.

Governor Pence will direct the Indiana Economic Development Corporation (IEDC) to coordinate and oversee the state’s strategy to accelerate innovation and entrepreneurship across Indiana. Through an executive order issued last week, the Office of Small Business and Entrepreneurship (OSBE) and its programs, including the Indiana Small Business Development Center (ISBDC), Procurement Technical Assistance Center (PTAC) and Small Business Ombudsman, will transfer from the Office of the Lt. Governor and integrate into IEDC to align and enhance effectiveness of the state’s efforts, creating a one-stop shop of resources, experience and information for entrepreneurs and job creators at all stages of growth and development, partners and investors.

With implementation of this initiative expected to begin this summer, Governor Pence will request funding toward his innovation and entrepreneurship initiative as follows:

- \$500 Million: Governor Pence will request that the Indiana Public Retirement System (INPRS) invest a portion of its \$30 billion investment fund in early-stage and mid-market Indiana companies that are, in turn, investing in Indiana, creating new jobs and generating tax revenues to local and state government. INPRS, which is one of the largest 100 pension funds in the United States, will maintain all oversight and due diligence to ensure investments are made in the best interests of its members. INPRS has achieved a 7.2 percent annualized return on investment on prior commitments to Indiana-focused, privately-owned companies. Based on past history, INPRS would expect an additional \$500 million from outside partners to be invested with INPRS in this initiative.

- \$300 Million: Governor Pence will request that the General Assembly continue to appropriate \$30 million annually toward the 21Fund, which directs investments and grants into early-stage, mid-market and high-growth companies to help accelerate Hoosier solutions and services into the marketplace. The 21Fund, which includes programs like 21Fund Direct Investments, Indiana Angel Network Fund and Elevate Purdue Foundry Fund, also supports companies receiving seed or early-stage capital from approved angel funds and investment groups which utilize the Indiana Seed Fund, a fund-of-funds initiative. 21Fund initiatives also leverage private capital provided to high-growth companies from venture capital and angel investors.

- \$100 Million: Governor Pence will request that the General Assembly approve transferability of the Venture Capital Investment (VCI) tax credit to increase the accessibility of private sector funding for innovators and startup companies. The tax credit program, which is currently capped at \$12.5 million annually, is consistently underutilized. This statute will allow Indiana businesses to attract increased capital from investors across the world

that have no Indiana tax liability and therefore receive no benefit from the tax credit. With utilization estimated at \$10 million annually, the tax credit program, which requires a 4:1 investment ratio from private investors, has the potential to yield a total investment of \$500 million over 10 years in Indiana’s innovation and entrepreneurship ecosystem.

- \$100 Million: Governor Pence will seek an additional appropriation of \$100 million over 10 years from the General Assembly to further advance innovation and entrepreneurship education, programs and practice through strategic partnerships with higher education and research institutes in Indiana. These partnerships would require a minimum 1:1 investment ratio, doubling the state’s commitment to these initiatives at organizations like Ball State University, Indiana University, IUPUI, Purdue University and the University of Notre Dame.

“Indiana’s thought leaders, job creators and public-private partnerships are making tremendous strides in innovation and entrepreneurship today, and we hope that this commitment from the state will spark even more interest and help accelerate these efforts,” said

Governor Pence. “With a collaborative and aligned strategy, Indiana will continue to be a global leader in innovation and entrepreneurship, helping to solve tomorrow’s challenges.”

Partners from Indiana’s government and community initiatives, education and research institutions, economic development, private sector and entrepreneurial community joined Governor Pence today as he outlined this innovation and entrepreneurship initiative. In attendance were representatives from AgriNovus Indiana, AT&T Indiana, Ball State University, Battery Innovation Center, Central Indiana Corporate Partnership, Conexus Indiana, Cook Group, Dow AgroSciences, Eli Lilly, Faegre Baker Daniels, Indiana Association of Public School Superintendents, Indiana BioSciences Research Institute, Indiana Chamber of Commerce, Indiana Commission for Higher Education, Indiana Department of Workforce Development, Indiana State Department of Agriculture, Indiana University, Indiana University Health, Interactive Intelligence, Launch Fishers, Purdue Research Foundation, Rook Security, TechPoint, University of Indianapolis and University of Notre Dame.

Jeff Quyle moves to Chief Executive Officer for Radius Indiana

Radius Indiana Tuesday announced that Jeff Quyle has been appointed Chief Executive Officer. Quyle has served as the organization’s President and Chief Operating Officer since January, and the move is part of succession plan put in place earlier this year by then Chief Executive Officer Becky Skillman and the Radius Indiana Board of Directors.

Quyle leads Radius Indiana on major initiatives, as directed by Board of Directors, and provides strategic oversight and direction for business development including defense industry, manufacturing, workforce, education and tourism activities of the organization. In promoting Radius Indiana’s economic development, he also will work to enhance relationships with key business, community and government leaders at the regional, state, national and international level.

Prior to his appointment with Radius, Quyle served as the Economic Development Coordinator for Hoosier Energy and has more than 25 years’ experience working for rural electric cooperatives in Indiana. He is an appointee (since 2010) to the Indiana General Assembly’s Interim Study Committee on Economic Development Incentives. He is also a former member of the Morgan County Board of Commis-

sioners, a former appointee to the Indiana Air Pollution Control Board, a past president of the Association of Indiana Counties, and a member of the Indiana Farm Bureau Property Tax Task Force.

Former Lt. Gov. Becky Skillman, who has led the organization since 2013, moves to Senior Advisor for Radius and will work with the Board of Directors and staff to continue key economic and community development efforts for the region.

“Under Becky’s leadership we’ve have seen the relevance of the Radius region grow immensely, and we are extremely fortunate to have her continue as a key member of our team,” said Quyle. “Her unwavering commitment to our region is evident in the organization’s accomplishments in economic development and business growth. She has strengthened relationships with our stakeholders, business leaders and community members, and made Radius Indiana a major contributor to regional and state economic efforts.”

In addition to her work with Radius, Skillman continues to serve as co-chair of the Indiana Bicentennial Commission, lead director of the Old National Bank Corporate Board, and advisor for the Bowen Center for Public Affairs at Ball State University.

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