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Courtney Hughett



Pool is open!

The newly-renovated Loogootee Pool officially opened last Friday night for a community party. Around 300 people attended. The new pool hours are daily noon to 6 p.m. The pool will offer "Mommy, Daddy and Me Swim Time" on Mondays and Wednesdays 10 a.m.-1noon and "Twilight Swim" Wednesday evenings (Starting July 29) 6:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m. The fee per day is \$3 for anyone five and older and four years and under are free. The pool will hold a "Back to School Splash" on Sunday, August 2 from 6:30-8:30 p.m. There is no cost for admission.

Shoals School Board getting staff organized for the new school year

The Shoals School Board met Thursday, July 9.

The board accepted the resignation of Billy Dean Baker as part-time mower. Roush requested permission to post the open position and hire prior to next board meeting. The board approved.

The board approved Ben Kent as soccer volunteer coach, Dennis Green as junior high soccer coach, Mitch Green as junior high soccer volunteer, Joel Weitkamp as summer band and choral director, Dennis Dahlen as yearbook and newspaper sponsor, Tina Rue and Wes Stephenson as high school academic coaches, Cassie Phillips as junior high academic coach and pep club sponsor, Shan-

non Wagoner as Junior Beta sponsor, Teresa Heckard, Mary Ellen Baker and James Johnson as senior class sponsors; Linda Sherfick, Jeff Gee and Scot Fishback as junior class sponsors; Larry Sherfick as student council sponsor, James Johnson as chess club sponsor, Teri Kerr, Joel Weitkamp and Amy Qualkenbush as IMPACCT Club sponsors, Linda Sherfick as SADD Club sponsor, Wes Stephenson as robotics club sponsor, and Cynthia Johnson as custodian.

The board gave Roush permission to hire the Title I teaching assistants prior to the first day of school. They also gave permission to advertise for certified and non-certified sub-

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Loogootee hires choral director and social studies teacher

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The Loogootee School Board, at their meeting Tuesday night, July 21, hired Missy Mosby as the new choral director to replace Drew Gray who resigned after one year. Mosby was the choral teacher at Heritage Hills High School. The board also hired Adam Carroll as the new high school social studies teacher.

Superintendent Joan Keller told the board that Ernie Martin has agreed to come out of retirement for another year to teach the engineering classes.

The board accepted the resignation of Luke Woolems as social studies teacher and baseball coach. Superintendent Keller said that Woolems will be moving to the private sector.

The board also approved the resignation of Tyler Walton as spell bowl coach, Brad Christmas as the middle school student council sponsor, Dave Smith as eighth grade boys' basketball coach, and Chad Wade as girls' varsity basketball coach.

The board approved hiring Brian Smith as girls' varsity basketball coach, Noah Callahan as assistant boys' tennis coach, Brad Christmas as assistant boys' junior high tennis coach, Dan Christmas, Nick Toy, and Justin Fields as volunteer tennis coach; Leslie Summers as junior varsity volleyball coach, Tracie McAtee as assistant volleyball program coordinator, Bruce Wade, James Hager, Mary Ann Wininger, Phil Goodpaster, Denny Wagoner and Shelly Lengacher as volleyball volunteers; Liza Denson as eighth grade volleyball coach, Leslie VanHoy as seventh grade volleyball coach, Kerry Sims as junior high volunteer, Bruce Wade as junior varsity boys' basketball coach, Noah Callahan as freshman boys' basketball coach, Mike Wininger as assistant basketball coach, Conner Wittmer and Bryant Ackerman as boys' varsity basketball volunteer coaches, Jordan Hawkins as eighth grade boys' basketball coach, Mark Potts as seventh grade boys' basketball coach, Chris Reed as sixth grade boys' basketball coach, Jeff Bledsoe as fifth grade boys' basketball coach, Jeremy Wildman and Tyler Walton as elementary boys' basketball volunteers, Amber Smith and Tiffany Lingenfelter as Lionettes co-coaches, Hannah Kidwell as varsity cheerleading coach, Katie Kidwell as junior high cheerleading coach, Bill Reilly as assistant varsity track coach, Erin Bateman as junior high track coach, Michelle Wesley as junior high track assistant coach, Brittany Bateman as assistant girls' tennis coach, Brandy Tippery as junior high tennis volunteer, Tyler Walton as assistant golf coach, Jeremy Clark as volunteer golf coach, Kelly LaMar and Brianne Truelove Wininger as varsity softball assistant coaches, Travis Davis, Randy Wininger, Katie Hawkins, Stephanie Chambers and Megan Miller as varsity softball volunteers; Brady Lingenfelter as junior high softball coach, Lavina Schwartz as junior varsity basketball coach, Adam Carroll as assistant girls' basketball coach.

The board gave Keller permission to hire a junior high cross country coach prior to the



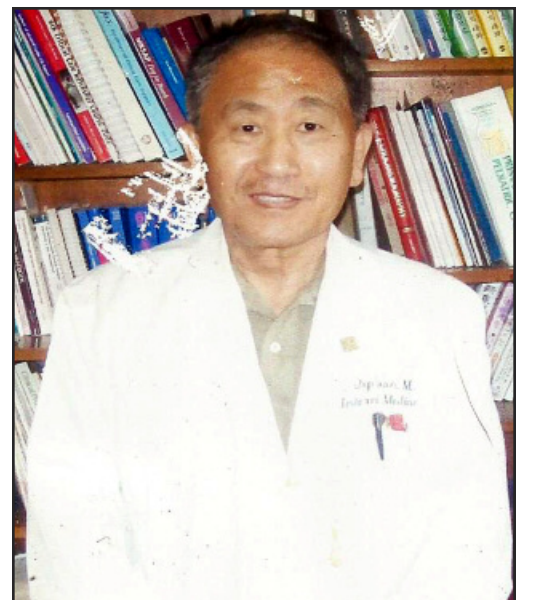
-Photo by Josh Hughett

The Loogootee School Board hired Missy Mosby as the high school's new choral director.

August meeting. They also gave her permission to post for the position of assistant tennis coach.

The board approved the girls' basketball program to hold a golf scramble fundraiser at Eagle View Golf Course.

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DR. JIP YOON

Dr. Yoon retiring after 48 years in medicine

After 48 years as a doctor, 20 of those in Loogootee, Dr. Jip Yoon will be retiring and closing his practice on Church Street in Loogootee on September 30 of this year.

Dr. Yoon, who turned 73 this year, graduated from Yonsei University in Seoul, Korea in 1967 with his medical degree. He met his wife, Kaye, while in college and the couple moved to the United States in 1972. Dr. Yoon practiced medicine in several states, including Alabama, New York, New Jersey, Mississippi, and Ohio, before settling in Loogootee. Starting out as a surgeon, Dr. Yoon didn't go into private practice until 1983. Kaye served as Dr. Yoon's nurse and office manager throughout his career.

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stitutes.

The board approved the following substitutes for next school year:

Substitute teachers-Bridgett Boyd, Dale Boyd, Pat Burcham, Terri Dye, Benjamin Flinn, Marilyn Jones, Tracy Jones, and Brit-tani Land.

Substitute custodians-Anita Letterman and Tracy Jones

Cafeteria substitutes-Tracy Jones and Ellen Hampton

Bus driver substitutes-Scott Fishback, Norman Beasley, David Qualkenbush, Dale Allbright, Thomas A. Burkhardt, and Mark Franklin

The athletic director and high school principal recommended the listed athletic ticket prices. Approval was given on a motion made by Lorna Troutman, seconded by Eva Neeley, and a 5-0 vote was given.

- Single Event Tickets
- High School Games/Matches - \$5
- Jr. High School Games/Matches - \$4
- Elementary School Games/Matches - \$3
- Individual Season Passes
- Shoals Student - \$30
- Senior Citizen (60+) - \$40
- Adult (Non-student) - \$50
- Group Season Passes
- Family of two - \$80
- Family of three - \$120
- Family of four - \$150

(All season passes/group sales must be purchased through athletic director, principal, or designee)

The board approved Harding Studio to take 2015-16 athletic pictures.

Roush recommended the following grade level caps for the student transfer policy. Grades 1-4 will be five students, grades 5 and 6 will be zero students, and grades 7-12 will be six students. The superintendent requested permission to raise the caps with the board's permission if needed. The board approved.

The board approved Heaton Sports for the annual athletic calendars.

Superintendent Candace Roush presented the first reading of the extra mileage calculation policy for bus drivers. The current policy will remain the same but a clarification will be added in order to clarify how the extra mileage should be calculated.

Roush presented the board with a first reading of the overtime/comp time policy for non-certified personnel. The board discussed different options for a new policy and Superintendent Roush offered to research these options and bring it to a future meeting.

Mrs. Roush presented the junior/senior

high class schedule for the 2015-16 school year. It was for information only, no board action required.

The board discussed the options of handling the tree tops on the back of the school property left from the timber sale. After discussing the options, the board decided to leave the tops where they are.

Austin Malone, elementary principal, reported on the following:

- Gearing up for day 1
- Professional development scheduled during summer break
- Student attendance to be highlighted next school year – goal 98%
- Student fundraiser plan for next year – coffee sale
- A packet of information for parents to start the year
- Lucas Calhoun, junior/senior high school principal reported on the following:
- Book donation by Mr. Calhoun costing \$15 with a face value of almost \$175
- Multiple teachers are seeking grants and writing grant proposals.
- Three AP History students passed the AP exam with a 3 or higher.
- Junior Beta had a fun trip to Holiday World in June.
- Josey Waggoner's story was listed in a book that will be on display at the high school.

- State trophy presented for being the Junior High Academic State Champion team
- Senior Beta students competed at National Convention in Nashville, Tennessee
- High School Professional Development centered on technology and classroom management

-Request to the state to have five additional courses for our career and technical education program.

- Orientation for new staff
- New structure for weekly committees and professional development
- Teachers seeking learning opportunities in their subject areas.

Superintendent Roush reported on the following:

- The state is going to allow the schools to choose which company they will use for informal assessment this year. In the past they have used Acuity which was chosen by the state. A vendor fair will be held next week at the Southern Indiana Education Center to allow schools to look at the different options.
- The school is going apply for the federal impact aid this year. Federal impact aid is provided to school corporations who have federal property located in their county. The school will need to survey the students to determine if they have parents working on the Crane Naval Base to determine how much impact aid we qualify for.
- Thank you to Old National Bank and Kimball Electronics for your support of the school.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 p.m.
The next meeting of the board will be a regular session on August 13 at 6 p.m.



Flag certificate

Ed Hitchcock, at left, is shown presenting an SAR Flag Certificate to Gene Sherfick, at right, secretary-treasurer of the Lost River Township Volunteer Fire Department. The certificate was given for the nice display of the American Flag in front of the fire department located on Butler Bridge Road in Lost River Township.

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Superintendent Keller spoke to the board about the lack of funding coming in for the athletic department. She said there are many reasons for the decline in money, including low attendance at games and transportation costs. She brought three recommendations to the board on how to help the athletic department. The first is for the corporation to pay for gasoline costs during the regular season out of the school's transportation fund. This does not include sports played during the summer months. The second recommendation was to allow parents to purchase letter jackets for their athlete after they received their first letter in a sport. The school will pay for half of the jacket after the athlete receives

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Kaye also graduated from Yonsei University in 1969 and spent six years as an Army nurse in Vietnam.

The couple moved to Loogootee in 1995 and lived at Boggs Lake. They moved to Bloomington in 2006. Current receptionist Jana Riggins joined Dr. Yoon's office in 2007.

The Yoons have two children. Their son is a dentist in Indianapolis and their daughter works in IT, also in Indianapolis. The couple has two grandchildren and one on the way. Kaye said they plan to spend time with their grandkids after they retire.

Patients of Dr. Yoon need to contact the office prior to September 30 to have their records transferred. The phone number of the office is 812-295-2380.

four letters. The jackets cost \$170. This would apply to incoming freshmen only. The old policy would apply to next year's sophomores, juniors, and seniors. The third idea was to pay the band boosters for students cleaning up after varsity boys' games and during tournament play, \$25 per session. Keller said this would alleviate overtime pay for custodians. The board approved all the recommendations.

Superintendent Keller told the board that the school will offer a business math course next school year. The board approved the adoption of the book of the class.

Keller also told the board that the closing for the Elementary East building will take place next Friday, July 31.

The board approved the dairy bid from Prairie Farms and the bread bid from Bimbo Bakeries.

The board held a public hearing for comment on the superintendent's contract. There were no comments from the public.

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OBITUARIES

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BARBARA ADAMS

Barbara Ann Adams passed away Saturday, July 18, 2015 at her home. A resident of Loogootee, she was 74.

She was born December 21, 1940 in Logansport, Indiana; the daughter of the late Malcolm and Ellen Jane (Jones) Mackey.

She graduated from Fremont Ross High School in Fremont, Ohio and received an associate's degree in criminology from Terra Technical College in Fremont. She was a homemaker and attended St. John's Lutheran Church in Loogootee.

She is survived by her children, Dr. Paul Eugene and Cheryl Adams of Hays, Kansas; Bryan Douglas and Julinda Adams of Loogootee; and Michael Dean and Victoria Adams of Plainfield, Illinois; grandchildren, David, Megan, Erin, Eric, Ross, Alex, Nathan, Arianna and Zane Adams; two great-grandchildren, Felicity and Eva Adams; and two brothers, Lew Mackey of Winona Lake, Indiana and Robert Mackey of Whitehouse, Ohio.

She was preceded in death by her parents and brother, Malcolm Jay Mackey.

Visitation will be from 4-8 p.m. on Thursday, July 23 at the Queen-Lee Funeral Home in Shoals and from 10 a.m. on Friday, July 24 until the hour of service at 11 a.m. at St. John's Lutheran Church in Loogootee. She will be laid to rest in Spring Hill Cemetery.

Condolences may be made on-line to the family at www.queenlee.com.

CARL HOWELL

Carl L. Howell passed away at 11:59 p.m. Tuesday, July 14, 2015 at the Memorial Hospital and Healthcare Center in Jasper. A resident of French Lick, he was 76.

He was born March 31, 1939 in Dubois County; the son of the late Lewis E. and Grace Edna (Lagenour) Howell. He married Deloris Roach on October 30, 1960 in Martin County. He retired from the United States Postal Service, having been employed in

Davenport, Iowa and Evansville. He graduated from Shoals High School in 1957 and was formerly a Shriner. He attended the Hillham Christian Church.

He is survived by his wife, Deloris of French Lick; two sons, Kenneth Adrian Howell of Evansville and Daniel Ray Howell of Hillham; one granddaughter, Adriana Howell of Boston, Massachusetts; and one brother, Dr. Ray Dean Howell of Coatsville.

He is preceded in death by his parents, son, Carl Duane Howell in 1966; and brother, Clarence Howell.

Graveside services were conducted Saturday, July 18 at the Emmons Ridge Cemetery.

Queen-Lee Funeral Home in Shoals was in charge of arrangements. Online condolences may be made to the family at www.queenlee.com.

EDNA YARNELL

Edna G. Yarnell went to her heavenly home at 1:20 p.m. July 15, 2015 at the Loogootee Nursing Center. A resident of Dover Hill, she was 103.

She was born June 1, 1912 in Daviess County; the daughter of the late Isaac and Mary (Williams) Gardiner.

She married Denzel K. Yarnell in April of 1935 and he preceded her in death in 1952. She attended Loogootee Schools and in her younger years was employed at the Reliance Factory in Loogootee. She was a homemaker and avid quilter. She was a member of the Dover Hill Church of Christ in Christian Union.

She is survived by one daughter, Norma, and her husband, Carl Willyard of Shoals; one grandson, Kyle, and his wife, Laura Willyard of Bloomfield; and numerous nieces and nephews.

She is preceded in death by her parents, husband, sisters, Ida Brown and Lula Harris; and brothers, Warren Gardiner, Richard Alonza Gardiner, Wilber Gardiner, Floyd Stanley and Sherman Stanley.

A funeral service was held Monday, July 20 at the Queen-Lee Funeral Home in Shoals. Burial followed in Mount Union Cemetery. Condolences may be made online at www.queenlee.com.

KENNETH VANCE

Kenneth R. Vance passed away July 13, 2015. A resident of Bloomington, he was 89.

He was born September 2, 1925 in Washington; the son of John T. Vance and Ruth McCann Vance. He graduated from Washington High School in 1943.



KENNETH VANCE

In December, 1943, he entered the US Army and served with the 65th Infantry Division in Europe until 1946. From 1947 until 1950 he played professional baseball with the farm clubs of the Brooklyn Dodgers. At the same period he was pursuing his education as a geology student. He received both a B.S. in geology (1952) and an A.M. in geology (1953).

He was employed by Chevron Petroleum Corporation for 26 years and then later for Anadarko Petroleum Corporation. His career was spent mainly in the Rocky Mountain region and the Gulf Coast. In 1993 he returned to Bloomington where he could follow IU basketball more closely. He was a member of St. Mark's United Methodist Church and enjoyed being on the Bible Studies fellowship with his friends.

He is survived by his wife, Joyce Smith, whom he married on February 6, 1951; son, Mark Vance and his wife Kathy, of Marvin, North Carolina; brothers, Roy Vance of Washington and James Vance and his wife, Mary Ann, of Loogootee.

He is preceded in death by his daughter, Marilyn Vance Hanser and his brother, Gerald Vance.

Private services were held at Sugarland Memorial Gardens in Washington.

Online condolences may be made to his family at www.DayDeremiahFrye.com.

LONNIE SURVANCE

Lonnie Survance passed away at 11 p.m. Thursday, July 16, 2015 at his home. A resident of Loogootee, he was 68.

He was born January 13, 1947 in Albion, Illinois; son of the late James and Violet (Hitt) Survance.

He was a veteran of the United States Army. He spent two years in Germany during the Vietnam War. He held various jobs throughout his life. He was on a coalmine reclamation team, a farmer and an employee of the Martin County Highway Department.

He enjoyed the outdoors, working on vehicles and restoring classic cars and tractors.

He is survived by his wife, Betty (Waninger) Survance of Loogootee; children, James (Tracie) Survance of Hawaii, Greg Survance of Jasper, Jennifer (J.R.) Vazquez of Jasper and Jason (Vickie) Survance of Shoals; grandsons, Jacob Nash, Gavin Vazquez, Casen and Silas Survance; granddaughters, Michaela Nash, Abigail Survance and Tori Survance; sisters, Phyllis (Leroy) Jones of Bennet, Illinois and Debbie Survance of Jasper.

He was preceded in death by his parents, James and Violet (Hitt) Survance and brothers, Marvin and George Survance.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, July 21 at Mt. Zion Wesleyan Church in Loogootee. Burial followed in the church cemetery. Brocksmith-Blake Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements. Condolences may be made online at www.brocksmithblakefuneralhomes.com.



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Dr. Farah Snyder, born and raised in Valparaiso, Indiana, graduated from the Indiana University School of Medicine and completed her residency at William Beaumont Hospital in Royal Oak, Michigan. Dr. Snyder previously practiced in Michigan for two years prior to joining Jasper OB GYN. Dr. Snyder, her husband and Jasper native, Dr. Michael Snyder, moved back to the area to begin practicing in Jasper. Dr. Snyder is board certified and a fellow of The American Congress of Obstetricians and Gynecologists.

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Martin County Sheriff's Department log

MONDAY, JULY 13

2:44 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance north of Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded. No one was transported.

3:12 p.m. - Received a report of vandalism in Shoals. Sergeant Keller responded.

3:34 p.m. - Received a report of a domestic dispute in Loogootee. Chief Rayhill responded.

3:40 p.m. - Received a report of a domestic dispute in Loogootee. Chief Rayhill responded.

4:31 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Shoals. Martin County Ambulance responded. Subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

6:01 p.m. - Received a report of tree down east of Shoals. Shoals Fire responded and removed tree.

6:06 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded. Subject was transported to Daviess Community Hospital.

11:11 p.m. - Received report of theft in Shoals. Sergeant Keller responded.

11:34 p.m. - Received a report of harassment in Loogootee. Loogootee Officer Norris responded.

TUESDAY, JULY 14

5:15 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded. Subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

7:35 a.m. - Received a report of a property damage accident south of Loogootee. Chief Deputy Greene responded.

2:18 p.m. - Received a report of an erratic driver heading into Loogootee. Chief Rayhill responded.

2:32 p.m. - Received a report of a personal injury accident south of Loogootee. Major Burkhardt and the Martin County Ambulance responded. Subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

3:31 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Crane. Martin County Ambulance responded. Crane Ambulance transported to Bloomington Hospital.

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

9:50 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded. No one was transported.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 15

12:37 a.m. - Received an animal complaint in Loogootee. Loogootee Officer Norris responded.

12:47 a.m. - Received a noise complaint in Loogootee. Loogootee Officer Norris responded.

4:02 a.m. - Received a report of a verbal domestic dispute in Loogootee. Loogootee Officer Norris and Deputy Harmon responded.

4:09 a.m. - Received a report of an erratic driver heading southbound on Hwy. 231 North. Advised Deputy Harmon of the call.

7:50 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded. No one was transported.

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

11:30 a.m. - Captain Dant took one inmate to court.

1:52 p.m. - Received a report of a property damage accident involving a deer on St. Rd. 450. Captain Dant worked the accident.

2:15 p.m. - Captain Dant took two inmates to court.

2:15 p.m. - Chief Deputy Greene took three inmates to court.

2:30 p.m. - Received an animal complaint in Loogootee. Chief Rayhill responded.

2:46 p.m. - Received a request for a welfare check in Loogootee. Chief Rayhill responded.

4:44 p.m. - Received a report of harassment south of Shoals. Sheriff Roush responded.

9:27 p.m. - Received a report of erratic driver on Hwy. 231 South, south of Loogootee. Major Burkhardt responded.

THURSDAY, JULY 16

1:29 a.m. - Received a request for a welfare check in Loogootee. Loogootee Officer Nolan responded.

4:24 a.m. - Received a noise complaint in Loogootee. Cpl. Baker responded.

6:32 a.m. - Received a harassment complaint in Loogootee. Chief Rayhill responded.

9:00 a.m. - Sheriff Roush took one inmate to court.

10:00 a.m. - Chief Deputy Greene took one inmate to court.

11:00 a.m. - Sheriff Roush took one inmate to court.

11:21 a.m. - Received a report of an alarm in Loogootee. Chief Rayhill responded.

1:00 p.m. - Major Burkhardt took three inmates to court.

3:40 p.m. - Received a report of theft in Loogootee. Chief Rayhill and Chief Deputy Greene responded.

3:47 p.m. - Received a report of a property damage accident in Loogootee. Chief Rayhill responded.

6:08 p.m. - Received a report of harassment in Loogootee. Loogootee Officer Nolan responded.

6:29 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded. Subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

7:11 p.m. - Received a report of a domestic dispute in Loogootee. Loogootee Officer Nolan responded.

7:15 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded. Subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

7:28 p.m. - Received a report of an erratic driver heading into Loogootee. Loogootee officers were notified.

FRIDAY, JULY 17

6:26 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance south of Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded. Subject was transported to Brocksmith Funeral Home

8:14 a.m. - Received a dog complaint in Loogootee. Captain Akles responded.

1:21 p.m. - Received a report of a property damage accident south of Shoals. Chief Deputy Greene responded.

5:33 p.m. - Received a report of suspicious vehicles south of Loogootee. Chief Deputy Greene responded.

6:17 p.m. - Received a report of personal injury accident involving a bale of hay on Hwy. 231 South, south of Loogootee. Chief Deputy Greene, Cpl. Baker, Loogootee Fire, ICO Watkins, ICO Mann and Martin County Ambulance responded. Subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

6:25 p.m. - Received a report of child locked in car south of Loogootee. Cpl. Baker responded.

11:34 p.m. - Received a report of cows out north of Shoals. The owner was notified.

SATURDAY, JULY 18

2:43 a.m. - Received a report of horses out on Hwy. 231 North, north of Loogootee. Cpl. Baker and Loogootee Officer Nolan responded.

3:17 a.m. - Received a report of vehicle in water north of Shoals. Cpl. Baker and Shoals Fire responded.

4:12 a.m. - Received a report of a property damage accident north of Loogootee. Cpl. Baker responded.

7:58 a.m. - Received a report of a property damage accident involving a deer west of Shoals. Deputy McBeth responded.

10:11 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded. No one was transported.

12:29 p.m. - Received a report of an erratic driver coming into Shoals from the west. Deputy McBeth responded.

12:53 p.m. - Received a report of an erratic driver heading east into Shoals. Deputy McBeth was advised.

2:27 p.m. - Received a report of reckless driving south of Loogootee. Deputy McBeth was advised.

7:48 p.m. - Received a report of a property damage accident north of Shoals. Cpl. Baker and Deputy Harmon responded.

8:48 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance north of Shoals. Martin County Ambulance responded. Subject was transported to IU Health in Bedford.

11:58 p.m. - Received a report of reckless driver heading north into Loogootee on Hwy. 231 South. Cpl. Baker was advised

SUNDAY, JULY 19

5:53 a.m. - Received a report of a property damage accident east of Shoals. Cpl. Baker responded.

9:52 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance north of Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance and Loogootee Fire responded. Subject was transported to Queen-Lee Funeral Home.

10:24 a.m. - Received a report of harassment in Loogootee. Sergeant Keller responded.

12:49 p.m. - Received a report of theft in Loogootee. Captain Akles responded.

3:28 p.m. - Received a report of fraud in Shoals. Sergeant Keller responded.

3:50 p.m. - Received a noise complaint south of Loogootee. Sergeant Keller responded.

6:47 p.m. - Received a report of a property damage accident south of Shoals. Deputy Harmon responded.

11:48 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded. No one was transported.

MONDAY, JULY 20

1:00 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded. Subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

5:20 a.m. - Received a report of reckless driver on Hwy. 231 North. Deputy Harmon was advised.

5:23 a.m. - Received a report of a property damage accident on Hwy. 231 North. Deputy Harmon responded.

6:36 a.m. - Received a report of a property damage accident involving a deer on Hwy. 231 South. Captain Dant responded.

6:46 a.m. - Received a report of theft in Shoals. Captain Dant responded.

7:30 a.m. - Received a report of an injured animal south of Shoals. Captain Dant responded.

8:31 a.m. - Received a report of an alarm in Loogootee. Loogootee Officer Nolan responded.

JAIL BOOKINGS

WEDNESDAY, JULY 15

12:23 p.m. - Devaughn Mesarosh, 36, of Shoals, was arrested by Sheriff Roush and charged with neglect of a dependent warrant. Bond set at \$25,000 10%.

3:12 p.m. - Holly Norris, 33, of Loogootee, was arrested by Sheriff Roush and charged with a Martin County warrant for escape. She has no bond at this time.

3:27 p.m. - Jeffrey Wininger, 60, of Shoals, was arrested by Chief Deputy Greene and charged with an Orange County warrant for failure to appear. Released to Orange County.

THURSDAY, JULY 16

4:25 p.m. - Jeffery Wininger, 60, of Shoals, was arrested by Major Burkhardt and charged with a Martin County warrant for petition to revoke bond. He has no bond at this time.

8:26 p.m. - Christopher Gonzales, 18, of Loogootee, was arrested by Loogootee Officer Nolan and charged with domestic battery in the presence of a minor. He has no bond at this time.

FRIDAY, JULY 17

2:51 a.m. - John R. Jones, 22, was arrested by ISP Trooper Sexton and charged with dealing in methamphetamine, maintaining a common nuisance, possession of paraphernalia and possession of metham-

phetamine. He has no bond at this time.

3:24 a.m. - John P. Jones, 52, was arrested by ISP Trooper Sexton and charged with dealing in methamphetamine, maintaining a common nuisance, possession of paraphernalia and possession of methamphetamine. He has no bond at this time.

SUNDAY, JULY 19

2:31 a.m. - Jacob Clevenger, 34, of Mitchell, was arrested by Cpl. Baker and charged with possession of methamphetamine, maintaining a common nuisance, possession of a syringe and possession of marijuana. He has no bond at this time.

9:35 p.m. - Cody Akin, 28, of Bedford, was arrested by Deputy Harmon and charged with operating while intoxicated and leaving the scene of an accident. Bond is set at \$30,000 10%.

Accident report

WEDNESDAY, JULY 15

7:50 p.m. - Brian Ader, of Loogootee, was operating a 2015 Dodge on West Williams Street. Ader stopped and was backing into a private drive. At this time, Margaret Spaulding, of Loogootee, was behind Ader in a 2001 Ford. Spaulding proceeded and stuck the Ader vehicle. Officer Nolan was the investigating officer.

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Loogootee Police log

SUNDAY, JULY 12
7:23 p.m. - Caller reported a reckless vehicle on US 231.
7:48 p.m. - Caller wanted to speak with an officer regarding stolen property.

MONDAY, JULY 13
8:30 a.m. - Caller reported a loose dog complaint. Chief Rayhill made contact with the owner.
12:45 p.m. - Chief Rayhill assisted Sgt. Keller with a traffic stop.
3:34 p.m. - Received a report of a domestic dispute in Shaded Estates.
3:40 p.m. - Caller reported a domestic dispute in Sunset Trailer Court.
10:03 p.m. - Received a reported of a reckless vehicle on Hwy 50.
10:37 p.m. - Caller reported suspicious males on JFK Avenue. Sgt. Norris located and spoke with them.
11:28 p.m. - Caller reported a suspicious vehicle on Poplar Street. Sgt. Norris located

the vehicle and spoke with the driver. He checked out okay.
11:34 p.m. - Caller reported a suspicious person on SW 1st Street.

TUESDAY, JULY 14
2:30 p.m. - Caller reported an older male had fallen on JFK Avenue.
2:32 p.m. - Caller reported a reckless driver just turned into McDonald's. Chief Rayhill located the vehicle and spoke with the driver.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 15
12:37 a.m. - Caller reported an animal complaint.
12:47 a.m. - Caller reported hearing possible gunshots. Officers were unable to locate.
4:02 a.m. - Caller reported a fight on East Broadway Street. Sgt. Norris responded.
2:30 p.m. - Caller reported a dog complaint.
4:21 p.m. - Caller reported an unsafe vehicle.
9:51 p.m. - Caller requested extra patrol.

~LETTER TO THE EDITOR~

‘Our lawmakers sold us out!’
To the editor of the *Martin County Journal*,
Recently the State of Indiana passed into law The Religious Freedom Act. Both supporters and opponents of the bill said it would allow a Christian baker, for example, to refuse to bake a cake for a same sex wedding, if providing service to such an event violated the baker’s religious convictions. Religious freedom has been upheld and all freedom in general. After passing this law, Indiana was branded a “Bigoted State”. Corporations, organizations, even the NCAA and the NFL here, and in other states have voiced their bigoted, anti-freedom views against The Religious Freedom Act. They warned that they would take their business to other states if the bill was not overturned. Well, a backbone, Governor Pence and the Indiana Legislature, does not have. They overturned the bill. The politicians that overturned this bill made their biggest mistake, they traded freedom for prosperity. A man that trades freedom for prosperity in the end, will have neither one and deserves neither one. The corporations, businesses and sports leagues dictated to the state lawmakers how to vote, and they listened. They did not listen to the constituents of Indiana. How sad is that? Our lawmakers sold us out!

I believe, that there are people in the gay-lesbian community, that still believe that forcing people to do things against their beliefs is wrong. If one baker will not bake a cake for you, go to another baker. What ever happened to the old saying “live and let live”. Apparently it took a left hand turn down a street marked “one way”! A lot of the people heading up the gay-lesbian movement could care less if a baker bakes a cake for a same sex wedding. They are using most of the gay-lesbian movement like a pawn on a chess board to attack religious freedom and advance their communist, one world form of government. A communist government cannot succeed unless religion is eliminated, controlled or suppressed. In a communist government you must live by man’s law which usually evolves into a dictatorship and tyranny. This is when you are told how to live, how to raise your children, where you can work, etc. John Adams, 2nd President of the United States, said in America, “You have rights antecedent to all earthly governments; rights that cannot be repealed or restrained by human laws; rights derived from the Great Legislator of the Universe.”
Be careful what you wish for, it might come back at you.

Bruce Fithian
Shoals, Indiana

Martin County Court News

Persons listed on criminals charges are innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.
CRIMINAL CONVICTIONS & SENTENCING
June 30
Blake L. Burch, convicted of speed contest, a Class B Misdemeanor. Sentenced to serve 180 days in the Martin County Security Center with 176 days suspended and credit for 2 actual days previously served and 2 good time credit day. Defendant received 6 months of probation.

July 9
Ronald D. Gebhart, convicted of driving while suspended, a Class A Misdemeanor. Sentenced to serve 365 days in the Martin County Security Center with 255 days suspended and credit for 55 actual days previously served and 55 good time credit days. Defendant received 6 months of probation.

July 10
Gregory A. Machmer, convicted of carrying a handgun without a license, a Class A Misdemeanor and criminal trespass, a Class A Misdemeanor. Sentenced on first charge to 365 days in the Martin County Security Center with 279 days suspended and credit for 43 actual days previously served and 43 good time credit days. Defendant received 11 months of probation. Sentenced on the second charge to 365 days in the Martin County Security Center with 365 days suspended. Defendant received 11 months of probation.

July 13
Travis R. Salmon, convicted of intimidation, a Class 6 Felony. Sentenced to serve 2.5 years in the Indiana Department of Corrections with 1.5 years suspended and credit for 121 actual days previously served and 121 good time credit days. Defendant received 1.5 years of probation.

CRIMINAL CHARGES DISMISSED
July 10
Gregory A. Machmer, public intoxication, a Class B Misdemeanor, dismissed; carrying a handgun without a license, a Class A Misdemeanor, dismissed.

July 13
Travis R. Salmon, residential entry, a Class 6 Felony, dismissed; battery, a Class B Misdemeanor, dismissed; intimidation, a Class 6 Felony, dismissed.

CIVIL COURT New Suits Filed

July 1
Kirk D. Sanders vs. Kayla M. Sanders, petition for dissolution of marriage.

July 9
German American Bancorp f/k/a Peoples Bank vs. Carl D. Combs, Jacqueline R. Combs, Hoosier Accounts Service and Red Rock Lake Financial, mortgage foreclosure.

July 14
Jennifer B. Combess vs. Daniel H. Combess, petition for dissolution of marriage.

CIVIL COURT JUDGMENTS

July 17
Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Soaring Capital, LLC, and against the defendant Joseph Spears in the amount of \$1,172.90.

SMALL CLAIMS COURT New Suits Filed

July 13
LVNV Funding, LLC vs. Travis Wynn, complaint.

SMALL CLAIMS JUDGMENTS

July 7
Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Crane Federal Credit Union and against the defendant Natasha K. Wilson in the amount of \$607.46.

July 9
Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Crane Federal Credit Union and against the defendant Tamara A. Hodge in the amount of \$657.97.

July 16
Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Crane Federal Credit Union and against the defendant David E. Abel in the amount of \$677.87.

July 17
Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Crane Federal Credit Union and against the defendant Jonathan C. Johnson in the amount of \$2,063.30.

July 20
Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Crane Federal Credit Union and against the defendant Lacey L. Hawkins in the amount of \$616.13.

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Crane Federal Credit Union and against the defendant Robin C. Russell in the amount of \$758.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

July 7
Logan Nathan Albright of Shoals and Hannah Rose Land of Shoals.

Real estate transfers

Michael D. Stevens, of Dubois County, Indiana to James V. Matthews and Janet A. Matthews, of Martin County, Indiana, part of the east half of the southwest quarter of Section 24, Township 3 North, Range 5 West in Keck’s Addition to the Town, now City of Loogootee, Indiana.

J. Marlene Baugh, of Martin County, Indiana to Jon Adam and Sierra M. Rutledge, of Martin County, Indiana, a part of the northeast quarter of the northeast quarter of Section 25, Township 3 North, Range 4 West, Center Township, Martin County, Indiana, containing 0.045 acres, more or less.

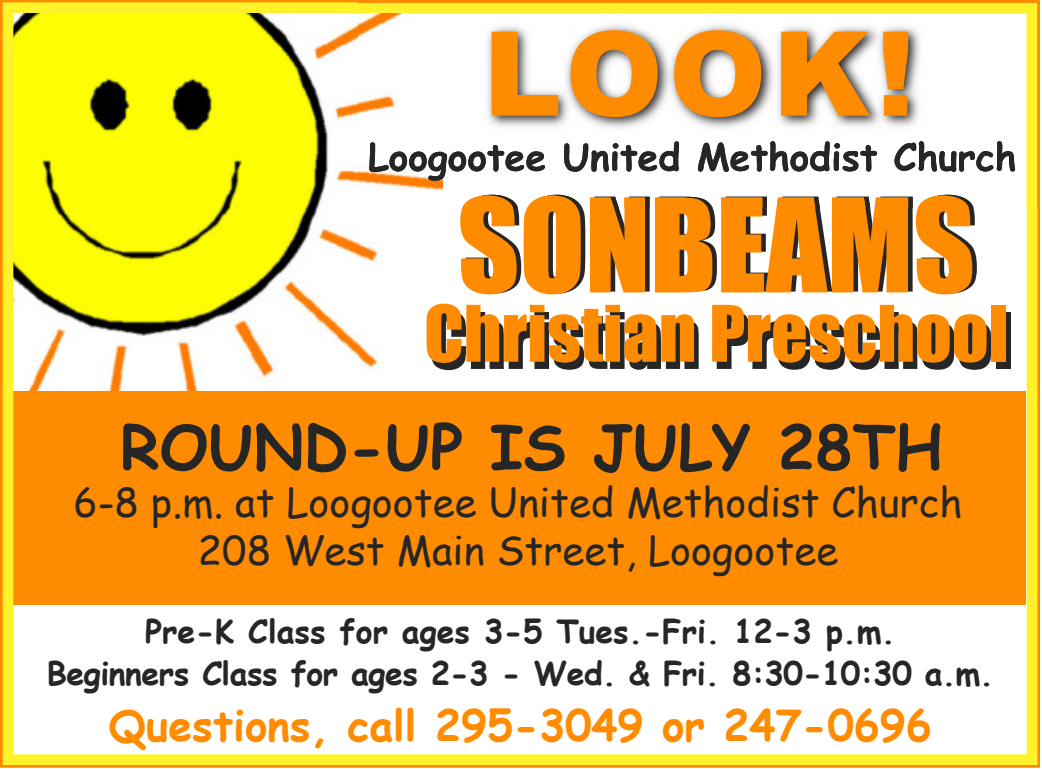


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In the Garden

By Ralph Purkhiser
Purdue University Master Gardener

Summer heat has come to the Hoosier Hills. With the amount of rain we have had, the humidity has been terrible, making garden work unpleasant. The weather has resulted in lush growth of many plants, but has caused some problems also.

Saturated soils have caused some plant decline. When too much water is available, plant roots react by constricting. The problem is that some do not re-open and will wilt, despite the presence of ample water. In other cases, the excess water actually causes the roots of the plants to rot. There is really not much that can be done now to fix these problems. The key for the future is to increase drainage. This may be accomplished by using raised beds for plants in the ground. In pots, be sure to use a potting mix that has perlite or other items to increase drainage. Another way to ensure the pot does not become saturated is to raise it off the ground, using pot feet, stones or bricks. Of course, with the good drainage comes extra work. Even though the ground may be saturated, well-drained pots will need to be watered daily during the hot weather.

Another result of hot, humid weather is the increase of fungal diseases. Fungal disease may cause the leaves of plants to curl up, finally turning brown and dropping off. Fruits may also shrivel and drop. Once infected, there is little that may be done for fungal diseases. The best thing to do is to remove the infected plants to keep the spores from spreading to other plants. Do not put these plants in your compost bin. Dispose of them by hauling them away or by burning. Fungicides do not actually kill the fungus. Rather, they prevent fungal infestations. To prevent future infestations, spray fungicides before the problems start. New applications must be made after each rainfall. That alone would have kept a crew busy this year.

Of course, people who garden or farm in the river bottoms have faced total crop losses by the periodic flooding. In the vegetable

garden, many crops may still be replanted. Our fall safe-frost date is October 10. Check the "days to maturation" line on the seed packets and count the days needed for a particular variety. Green beans, summer squash and many other vegetables may still be successfully grown. Of course, there is plenty of time for the crops usually grown as fall vegetables.

I also believe that the weather has caused increased deer damage to the ornamental gardens at Sandhill Gardens. Flooding in the bottoms to the east has forced deer up the steep slope. I have always credited the cliff to the west of the gardens for protecting my plants from deer, but this year I have had some damage from grazing, especially in the hostas.

I have had many questions from readers about deterring deer. The truth is, several things may work for a while, but after a short time, the deer become accustomed to anything. Deodorant soap hung in garden may work for a while. Commercial concoctions, usually smelling like rotten eggs, may also help, but have to be re-applied after each shower. The presence of noise from wind chimes or outdoor speakers may help some. You may also purchase motion-sensor lights or even a sensor that sprays water. All of these must be moved around to remain effective and a combination of these will be more successful than any one by itself. Deer are great jumpers, so a fence must be very tall to keep them out. Electric fences may help, but they need to be set up to increase the chances that deer will make contact. Irregular spacing of the strands of fence make it more difficult for deer to step over the fence. If the deer have taken a lot from your garden, consider getting a hunting license this fall.

Even with the damage from the weather and deer, Sandhill Gardens remains a beautiful place, and well worth the effort. Do not let the setbacks keep you from gardening. The good is greater than the difficulties.

Black bear to be trapped and relocated

Wildlife biologists with the DNR Division of Fish & Wildlife plan to trap and relocate the black bear that has been seen numerous times in Michigan City the past few weeks. The trap was set the evening of July 15 at a confidential location.

Residents are asked not to attempt to interfere in any way with trapping.

On the night of July 14, Indiana Conservation Officers responded to multiple bear sightings in the Motts Park area of the city. Several residents reported seeing a bear rifling through trash and bird feeders near their homes. The bear also was reported walking on porches and standing against patio doors.

Because the bear has become habituated to this suburban area, visiting sites repeatedly, negative interactions with residents have increased greatly, potentially compromising the safety of both the residents and the bear. DNR biologists are working with the Michigan DNR to relocate the bear to rural Michigan, which unlike Indiana, has a sizable, established bear population.

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.

Until the bear is captured, it is recommended that residents take precautions to secure trash indoors. If the bear is encountered, a person should make lots of noise to discourage the bear from the area, and should not attempt to attract the bear with food.

The bear, a young male, appears to have first entered Indiana in St. Joseph County the week of June 12. A scat pile it left in a resident's driveway just north of South Bend was the evidence DNR needed to confirm the presence of a wild bear in Indiana for the first

time since 1871.

Indiana DNR encourages citizens to report sightings of the bear to dfwinput@dnr.IN.gov or by calling (812) 334-1137 during normal business hours or by calling DNR Law Enforcement Central Dispatch, (812) 837-9536, anytime. Photos or videos can be sent to the same email address.

Master Naturalist course in Bloomington

The popular Indiana Master Naturalist course will be offered again in Bloomington this fall at Karst Farm Park.

Co-sponsored by Monroe County Parks and Monroe Lake, the course begins on September 10 and takes place from 6 to 8:30 p.m. on Thursdays through November 12.

Advance registration is required by September 8 at 4 p.m. by calling the Monroe County Parks office at (812) 349-2800. There is a course fee of \$50 per individual or \$75 per couple (same household).

The course is limited to 20 participants.

The mission of the Indiana Master Naturalist program is to bring together natural resource specialists with adult learners to foster an understanding of Indiana's plants, water, soils and wildlife and to promote volunteer service in local communities.

Participants gain knowledge of Indiana's plants, wildlife, geology and geography, and meet other Hoosiers with similar interests.

Session topics for the fall course are wildflower identification, insects, fungi biology and identification, aquatic ecology, birds, tree identification, astronomy, fish biology and management, Monroe Lake geology, Indiana fossils, eco-regions and forest management, and non-native invaders.

Public input wanted on Crane land use study

The Indiana Office of Community and Rural Affairs (OCRA), in cooperation with RADIUS Indiana and the Counties of Daviess, Greene, Lawrence, Martin, Sullivan along with agencies and organizations in the region, is preparing a Joint Land Use Study (JLUS) to address compatibility planning with Naval Support Activity (NSA) Crane and the Lake Glendora Test Facility (LGTF).

The JLUS will explore the impact of community development activities and opportunities for both NSA Crane and the LGTF and will make recommendations to promote land use compatibility and collaboration. The goal of the JLUS is to reduce current and potential compatibility issues between NSA Crane and the LGTF as well as the surrounding jurisdictions while accommodating new growth and economic development, protecting public health and safety and sustaining the operational missions of NSA Crane and the LGTF.

The JLUS will assess 25 compatibility factors, identify existing or potential issues and recommend strategies to address these. Compatibility factors include, but are not limited to:

- Coordination/Communication
- Infrastructure Extensions

- Land Use
- Noise
- Safety Zones
- Roadway Capacity

In order to develop a plan that is responsive to local needs, input from the community is essential.

The public is encouraged to attend the forum in your area to learn more about this planning study and provide input on the issues to be addressed. Three dates and locations have been provided for your convenience:

SULLIVAN COUNTY

Date: August 10, 2015

Time: 7 p.m.

Location: 4-H Fairgrounds, 1301 E. County Road 75 N, Sullivan, IN 47882

LAWRENCE COUNTY

Date: August 11, 2015

Time: 6 p.m.

Location: The Stellar Plaza, 906 16th St., Bedford, IN 47421

DAVIESS, GREENE, MARTIN COUNTIES

Date: August 12, 2015

Time: 6 p.m.

Location: Westgate Academy, 13598 East Westgate Drive, Odon, IN 47562

For more information, visit www.cranejlus.com

USDA announces conservation incentives for working grass, range and pasture lands

Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack last Wednesday announced that beginning September 1, farmers and ranchers can apply for financial assistance to help conserve working grasslands, rangeland and pastureland while maintaining the areas as livestock grazing lands.

The initiative is part of the voluntary Conservation Reserve Program (CRP), a federally funded program that for 30 years has assisted agricultural producers with the cost of restoring, enhancing and protecting certain grasses, shrubs and trees to improve water quality, prevent soil erosion and reduce loss of wildlife habitat. In return, the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) provides participants with rental payments and cost-share assistance. CRP has helped farmers and ranchers prevent more than 8 billion tons of soil from eroding, reduce nitrogen and phosphorous runoff relative to cropland by 95 and 85 percent respectively, and even sequester 43 million tons of greenhouse gases annually, equal to taking 8 million cars off the road.

"A record 400 million acres and 600,000 producers and landowners are currently enrolled in USDA's conservation programs. The Conservation Reserve Program has been one of the most successful conservation programs in the history of the country, and we are pleased to begin these grasslands incentives as we celebrate the program's 30th year," said Vilsack. "This is another great example of how agricultural production can work hand in hand with efforts to improve the environment and increase wildlife habitat."

The CRP-Grasslands initiative will provide participants who establish long-term, resource-conserving covers with annual rental payments up to 75 percent of the grazing value of the land. Cost-share assistance also is available for up to 50 percent of the covers and other practices, such as cross fencing to support rotational grazing or improving pasture cover to benefit pollinators or other wildlife. Participants may still conduct common grazing practices, produce hay, mow, or harvest for seed production, conduct fire rehabilitation, and construct firebreaks and fences.

With the publication of the CRP regulation today, the Farm Service Agency will accept applications on an ongoing basis beginning September 1, 2015, with those applications scored against published ranking criteria, and approved based on the competitiveness of the offer. The ranking period will occur at least once per year and be announced at least 30 days prior to its start. The end of the first ranking period will be November 20, 2015.

Last week USDA also announced state-by-state allotments for the State Acres for Wildlife Enhancement (SAFE). Through SAFE, also a CRP initiative, up to 400,000 acres of additional agricultural land across 37 states will be eligible for wildlife habitat restoration funding. The additional acres are part of an earlier CRP wildlife habitat announcement made by Secretary Vilsack. Currently, more than 1 million acres, representing 98 projects, are enrolled in SAFE.

To learn more about participating in CRP-Grasslands or SAFE, visit www.fsa.usda.gov/crp or consult with the local Farm Service Agency county office. To locate a nearby Farm Service Agency office, visit <http://offices.usda.gov>. To learn more about the 30th anniversary of CRP, visit www.fsa.usda.gov/CRPis30 or follow on Twitter using #CRPis30.

The CRP-Grasslands program was made possible by the 2014 Farm Bill, which builds on historic economic gains in rural America over the past six years while achieving meaningful reform and billions of dollars in savings for the taxpayer. Since enactment, USDA has made significant progress to implement each provision of this critical legislation, including providing disaster relief to farmers and ranchers; strengthening risk management tools; expanding access to rural credit; funding critical research; establishing innovative public-private conservation partnerships; developing new markets for rural-made products; and investing in infrastructure, housing and community facilities to help improve quality of life in rural America. For more information, visit www.usda.gov/farmbill.

Grain crop prospects continue to fade, Purdue experts say

BY DARRIN PACK
Purdue University News Service

Indiana’s flood-ravaged grain crops could still produce a modest yield, but the chances for recovery are becoming increasingly slim with more rain forecast for parts of the state over the next two weeks, Purdue Extension experts say.

“I have been optimistic with my assessment, based on the possibility that the weather would moderate,” said corn expert Bob Nielsen. “But every subsequent down-pour pushes a few more fields off the cliff.”

Prospects are not much brighter for soybeans.

“It’s very similar to what we are experiencing with corn,” said soybean specialist Shaun Casteel. “Some plants have been in standing water for up to three weeks.”

According to the latest U.S. Department of Agriculture Crop Progress report, released Monday, July 13, 25 percent of Indiana’s corn crop and 26 percent of the state’s soybean crop was rated as poor or very poor.

Waterlogged plants desperately need a stretch of dry weather to allow roots to regenerate, the experts said.

Heavy rains and flooding across much of the Midwest since early June has left many corn and soybean fields saturated or flooded, depriving plants of much-needed oxygen. The lack of oxygen causes roots to deteriorate and ultimately die.

When the soil starts to dry out, new root growth begins near the surface.

“It is the rate and extent of that fresh root development that largely determines whether a waterlogged field will recover ‘strongly’ or not,” Nielsen said.

Root growth is strongest in bright sunlight and warm temperatures. Overcast or rainy conditions delay drying and threaten the recovery.

“Unfortunately, most of Indiana has not yet had a significant string of days with favorable growing conditions and so cornfield recovery has been exceedingly slow and frustrating for growers,” Nielsen said.

Knowing their crops’ chances of recovery is vital to farmers who are trying to decide whether to invest in an initial or additional application of potentially costly nitrogen-based fertilizer.

“It’s hard to know whether you need a lot of nitrogen for these little corn plants,” said soil fertility specialist Jim Camberato. “It’s hard to tell if the return on investment is there.”

Casteel said applying nitrogen to soybeans that are struggling and nitrogen stressed in early reproductive development could be “a shot in the arm that could go a long way.” He cautioned that some areas of the field might have to be written off.

Nielsen’s most recent article, “Salvageability of Waterlogged Fields of Corn: That’s the \$64 Question,” appears in the latest issue of Purdue’s Pest & Crop online newsletter. Casteel’s most recent videos on assessing soybeans and nitrogen stress after wet conditions are in the same issue. To download the newsletter, go to <http://extension.entm.purdue.edu/pest-crop/2015/Issue15/>.



Loogootee Softball Team honored with awards

The Loogootee Softball awards for the 2015 season were recently presented to the team. Winning varsity letters were Paige Walton, Breigh LaMar, Renee Whitman, Bailey Davis, Mayson Riley, Rielley Graber, Taylor Kaiser, Waylee Wagoner, Shelby Graber, Lauren Bowling, Julianne Bell, Chassidy Bridges, Brittany Woody, Sydney Blankenbaker, Mikayla Wolf, and DeAnna Canell. Winning participation awards were Halle Sheetz, Ella Donnersberger, Jaylon Combs, Shalyn Bruner,

Mayson Riley named to NFCA All North 2nd Team

BY GREG CLARK
LHS Softball Head Coach

Loogootee’s Mayson Riley was recently selected to the National Fastpitch Coaches Association’s North District 2nd Team. The North District is made up of the states of Indiana, Illinois, North Dakota, South Dakota, Ohio, Minnesota, Wisconsin, Michigan, and Pennsylvania. This is quite an honor and the Loogootee Softball program is proud to have Mayson represent us on the All-Region team.

- 1st Team
- P Ally Russell-Greenville High School (OH)
 - P Keenan Dolezal-Barrington High School (IL)
 - P Lauren Shaw-Keystone High School (OH)
 - P Meghan Beaubien-St. Mary’s Central Catholic (MI)
 - C Carlee Selle-Reese High School (MI)
 - C Destiny Weber-Keystone High School (OH)
 - 1B Marrisa Brown-Lakota West High School (OH)
 - 2B Alexis Mack-Brecksville-Broadview Heights HS (OH)
 - 3B Sammie Stefan-Keystone High School (OH)
 - SS Summer Constable-Keystone High School (OH)
 - OF Ali Cheek-Tinora high School (OH)
 - OF Elaina Latz-Lemont High School (IL)
 - OF McKenzie Zigmont-Champion High School (OH)
 - UT Kaylen Kruger-Green Bay Preble

Matty Jones, and Elizabeth Stoll.

Junior Varsity Award winners were, Renee Whitman for Batting Average, and Pitching. DeAnna Canell won the Defensive Award and was selected as the JV MVP.

Varsity Award winners were Chassidy Bridges for Pitching Wins, Pitching Strike-outs, and ERA. Breigh LaMar won the award for the most Sacrifices. Julianne Bell won the award for most Stolen Bases. Lauren Bowling won an award for the Most

Game Changing Plays. Waylee Wagoner was this year’s Les Page Award recipient. Bailey Davis shared in the Game Changing Plays award, won the RBI award and also was selected as the team MVP. Sharing the Defensive player award were Mayson Riley and Paige Walton, as both played error free in 2015. Mayson Riley won the Batting Average Award. Ella Donnersberger won the Hustle award and Paige Walton was the recipient of the Mental Attitude Award.

- (WI)
- AL-SS Rachel Virira-Clarkston High School (MI)
 - AL-SS Alli Davis-Mt. Zion High School (IL)
 - 2nd Team
 - P Angie Marrow-Kaneland High School (IL)
 - P Celina Podlesney-Hazelton Area High School (PA)
 - P Haylee Gardiner-Champion high School (OH)
 - P Kelly Gerringer-Brecksville-Broadview Heights HS (OH)
 - C Paige Kuefler-Kaneland high School (IL)
 - C Rachel Macdonald-Barrington High School (IL)
 - 1B Kaylee Francois-Green Bay Preble

- (WI)
- 2B Maria Trivelpiece-Hazelton Area High School (PA)
 - 3B Meg Cohrs-Kaneland High School (IL)
 - SS Alexis Solak-Naperville North HS (IL)
 - UT Madysen Piche-Sault Area High School (MI)
 - AL-C Mayson Riley-Loogootee Sr. High School (IN)
 - AL-2nd Maddy Vermejan-Lemont High School (IL)
 - AL-3rd Kaylee Roles-Reese High School (MI)
 - AL-SS Olivia Logan-Riverview Community HS (MI)
 - AL-SS Tiffany Fairchild-Tinora High School (OH)

New A-F accountability rule receives final approval

The State of Indiana has given final approval to the new rule that will be used to calculate how schools are measured for accountability purposes beginning with the upcoming (2015-16) school year. The Indiana State Board of Education approved the rule language during its May 7, 2015 by a vote of 8-1. Former Board member Andrea Neal cast the lone no vote.

“This new A-F rule represents nearly two years of work led by Governor Mike Pence, Superintendent Glenda Ritz and educators across the state,” said Sarah O’Brien, 4th grade teacher at River Birch Elementary school in Avon and Vice Chair of the State Board of Education. “It marks a major change in the way the state calculates school grades by giving equal weight to student performance and growth, a change many teachers and administrators across the state strongly supported.”

Work developing the new rule began in August 2013 with the creation of a special A-F panel by Governor Pence, Superintendent Ritz, House Speaker Brian Bosma (R-Indianapolis) and Senate President Pro Tempore David Long (R-Fort Wayne). Following approval of the new rule by the State Board, the language underwent a final review by the Attorney General’s Office, the non-partisan Legislative Services Agency, and was signed by Governor Mike Pence.

Highlights of the new rule include: Performance and growth weighed equally: 50/50 for grades 3-8 and 20/20 for high schools. 60% of high school grades are based on other factors such as: graduation

rate, performance on graduation qualifying exams, and students passing AP tests. Current grades are based mostly on student performance on ISTEP+ testing with only bonus points awarded for student growth.

Student growth is only measured for students attending school for 162 days or more and does not include students in 3rd grade, who didn’t test in previous year, or were retained in 3rd grade.

Per a federal requirement, schools can receive an “A” only if they show performance/growth for all subgroups of students including by race, special needs, free/reduced lunch, English Language Learners, and others.

The new rule will be used when calculating school accountability grades for the 2015-16 school year that should be released in late 2016.

The final approved rule can be found at www.in.gov/legislative/iac/20150715-IR-511140447FRA.xml.pdf.

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NATO experts visit NSWC Crane

Six experts from NATO's Land Combat Group, Dismounted Soldier Systems and Weapons and Sensors (LCGDSS-WS) teams met with Naval Surface Warfare Center, Crane Division (NSWC Crane) personnel in late June and early July. Guests from Norway, Great Britain and Canada were represented in the group, which is part of a Team of Experts (ToE) formed to establish standard test procedures for the evaluation of small arms suppressors. During the three-day meeting, team members consulted with subject matter experts from NSWC Crane on methods to effectively and objectively measure spectral emissions from a small arms system utilizing a suppressor during operation.

The ToE's test methods must evaluate several characteristics of small arms suppressors, including acoustic signature, thermal signature, flash/visual signature, accuracy, dispersion, particulates and back pressure/bolt velocity. This year, the ToE developed an acoustic signature method and now its focus is on thermal and visual signature. The goal of the meeting at NSWC Crane was for the ToEs to gain a better understanding of the warfare center's expertise in the measurement of light, specifically in the Electro-Optics and Infrared/Radio Frequency Systems Technology Divisions. The U.S. Army's Armaments Research Development Engineering Center and the Marine Corps' Infantry Weapons Systems command also participated in the discussions.

David Long, NSWC Crane's Small Arms Weapons Systems Division chief engineer, explained that in order to move forward with the establishment of test procedures, the ToE is in the process of gathering and evaluating test methods from member nations. "Current methods vary from country-to-country and are generally subjective evaluations," Long noted. "Many of the current methods were developed for obsolete film cameras or are dependent on specific equipment. The ToE's goal is to define a common method that is objective and independent of equipment." An experimental trial to develop the draft method and determine if it is suitable is scheduled for late August or early September. Once developed, the method will save money and allow test data to be easily shared between member nations.

Fifteen experts from six countries participate in the ToE, including the United States, United Kingdom, Norway, Netherlands, Denmark and Canada.

NSWC Crane is a naval laboratory and a field activity of Naval Sea Systems Command (NAVSEA) with focus areas in Special Missions, Strategic Missions and Electronic Warfare. NSWC Crane's Special Missions focus area is the center of excellence for special warfare weapons and weaponry, providing full-spectrum lifecycle engineering and testing support functions for reliable and effective weapons, munitions and electronic systems for special operations and expeditionary forces.



Sagamore of the Wabash

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Vincennes University Dick Helton and Indiana Lt. Governor Sue Ellspermann share a light-hearted moment in the State Capitol Tuesday afternoon prior to her presentation of The Sagamore of the Wabash award to Helton, on behalf of Indiana Governor Mike Pence. The presentation was part of a reception for Dick and Cindy Helton as he prepares to retire at the end of July after serving 11 years as VU's President. "The term 'sagamore' was used by the Native Americans in the northeastern United States to describe someone among the tribe to whom the chief would look for wisdom, guidance and advice. Similarly, The Sagamore of the Wabash is given to those Hoosiers who have rendered distinguished service to the state and contributed greatly to our Hoosier heritage," Ellspermann said. She said that Helton has "improved the lives of thousands of students and their families" across the state during his 47 years in public education. Helton thanked Governor Pence and Lt. Gov. Ellspermann. Helton said if he had it to do all over again he would choose public education as his career because he has enjoyed serving students. Governor Pence is the third state governor to present The Sagamore of the Wabash to Helton. There will be a community reception for Dick and Cindy Helton on July 23, 4 to 6 p.m., at Vincennes University's Green Activities Center.

Indiana joins multistate challenge of "Waters of the United States" rule

The State of Indiana officially joined a multistate lawsuit challenging the statutory and constitutional validity of an EPA proposed rule that would redefine small bodies of water such as streams, drainage ditches and wetlands as "waters of the United States" and would require agricultural landowners to obtain expensive permits.

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency finalized the proposed rule June 29, and nine states filed a legal challenge to the rule in federal court in Georgia on June 30. Indiana Attorney General Greg Zoeller announced July 6 that Indiana also would join the multistate suit. On Monday, an amended complaint was filed in federal court listing Indiana as an additional state plaintiff joining the original nine.

The amended complaint notes that Indiana, like the other plaintiff states, long has had jurisdiction to regulate non-navigable small bodies of water within its borders, based in part on two prior U.S. Supreme Court decisions. The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's proposed "waters of the United States" or WOTUS Rule would redefine such small bodies of water as being under federal, not state, regulatory jurisdiction. The impact on Indiana's agricultural economy would be particularly acute, as landowners could have to obtain more permits for agricultural runoff or discharge of water into drainage ditches, and violations could trigger onerous fines of \$37,500 per incident per day.

"We contend EPA has greatly overstepped its bounds by intruding into an area of state environmental jurisdiction with a rule that is impractical, potentially harmful to Indiana's agricultural economy and costly to taxpayers. In defending state authority, my office is joining our fellow states in asking the federal court to restrain EPA's unconstitutional overreach," Zoeller said. The Office of the Attorney General represents the State of Indiana in court.

The amended lawsuit contends, among other things, that the proposed WOTUS Rule exceeds EPA's authority under the Clean Water Act as well as Congress's Commerce Clause authority. The plaintiff states also contend the proposed rule would violate the Tenth Amendment of the United States Constitution, which reserves to states all government powers not expressly granted to the federal government. The multistate complaint asks the federal court for an injunction that

would prevent EPA from implementing and enforcing the proposed rule.

The amended complaint also notes the WOTUS rule would redefine drainage areas such as intermittent streams that occur with heavy rain as being "waters of the United States" subject to federal regulation, including areas within a 100-year floodplain whether connected to a navigable body of water (such as a river) or not, and water located within 1,500 of the ordinary high-water mark, which the State contends is an arbitrary and difficult-to-define standard. Such a broad expansion of federal authority into areas never before subject to the EPA would mean landowners would have to apply for expensive additional permits and the State would incur additional resources in processing those applications, the suit contends.

Indiana Farm Bureau voiced its support of the WOTUS Rule challenge, noting the impact on farmers.

"When it comes to fighting overzealous regulators, Greg Zoeller has time and again stood with Indiana farmers," said Don Villwock, president of Indiana Farm Bureau. "The WOTUS rule is just the latest example of his leadership in protecting the property rights of Hoosiers. Indiana Farm Bureau is grateful that the Attorney General and the state of Indiana will join the legal action against water regulations that will severely limit farmers' ability to farm their land."

The original complaint challenging the WOTUS Rule was filed by a bipartisan group of state attorneys general of Georgia, West Virginia, Alabama, Florida, Kansas, Kentucky, South Carolina, Utah and Wisconsin on behalf of their states. Indiana joined through the amended complaint. Named as defendants in the multistate lawsuit are the EPA and its administrator, Regina A. McCarthy, and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and its assistant secretary of the Army, Jo-Ellen Darcy. The suit is filed in U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Georgia, and no hearing dates have been scheduled yet. Any Indiana-specific legal work on the case would be handled by a deputy AG who is a salaried attorney who does not charge billable hours and would be paid the same regardless; but much of the effort on the case will be shouldered by the West Virginia Attorney General's Office since it is the lead plaintiff state. Indiana is not using any outside counsel to participate.

Governor Pence directs department of health to immediately investigate recent allegations against Planned Parenthood

Governor Mike Pence last week directed the Indiana State Department of Health to investigate Planned Parenthood facilities in Indiana in cooperation with the Office of the Indiana Attorney General to ensure compliance with the law. He also wrote to the Indiana Congressional Delegation regarding the recent video referencing Planned Parenthood's alleged trafficking of aborted fetal tissue. He copied the U.S. Attorneys in the Northern and Southern Districts and county prosecutors in Marion, Monroe, Tippecanoe, and Lake counties, counties in which Planned Parenthood performs abortions.

"Every Hoosier should be deeply troubled by allegations that Planned Parenthood affiliates are engaged in the trafficking of human remains. If true, this is not only illegal, it is morally reprehensible. Under federal and state law, the buying or selling of human body parts is a felony and, as Governor, I have an obligation to make sure this is not happening in

Indiana. For this reason, I have directed the Indiana State Department of Health to conduct an immediate investigation with the cooperation of the Office of the Attorney General of Indiana to determine whether Planned Parenthood affiliates in Indiana have engaged in any illegal activities with respect to the trafficking in or disposition of fetal tissue. Whatever one's view on the issue of abortion, Hoosiers can be assured that we will make certain that this appalling practice is not taking place in Indiana."

Excerpts from the letter include:

"At the state level, we will hold organizations that provide abortions the strictest standards and scrutiny, and we will continue to do all that we can to cultivate a culture of life in the state. I understand that Congress will be conducting its own hearings and investigation into the practices discussed by the employees in the video, and I applaud the leadership in Congress for taking that step."

Ball State economist says full employment may lead to worker shortages for Indiana companies

Ball State economist Michael Hicks believes that some Indiana companies could be facing shortages of qualified applicants in the coming months as the state approaches full employment.

Indiana's unemployment rate was down 0.2 percentage points in June to 4.9 percent—the lowest level since the beginning of the Great Recession nearly seven years ago. The U.S. average unemployment rate was 5.3 percent last month.

"We are going to hear a lot about worker shortages over the next year as businesses scramble to fill jobs," says Hicks, director of Ball State's Center for Business and Eco-

nomics Research. "But in terms of job growth and labor force growth, Indiana continues to sit near the top nationally on any measure."

However, he points out that the wages of Hoosiers, like their counterparts across the nation, have been growing at a "painfully slow rate."

Hicks believes that lethargic wage growth may be caused, in part, by rapid growth in the cost of benefits, especially healthcare, which has eaten away any potential wage gains.

"We should expect that with an unemployment rate at this level, businesses will need to increase wages and or benefits to retain employees."

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New Beginnings Church WEEKLY MESSAGE

BY ERNIE CANELL
Pastor, New Beginnings Church

The one prayer we need to pray!

If you are like everyone else, if asked, “Do you pray to God as much as you should?” you would probably say no. Or if you are like me, you might say you are easily distracted when you pray. Your mind wanders and one thing leads to another and you begin to think about the grocery list, work or a dozen other things. But one of the greatest problems with prayer is that we don’t pray specific prayers, or big enough prayers. We have an almighty God who is in charge of the universe and every detail of it and yet we don’t ask for anything that we can’t already do. Ephesians 3:14-21 tells us what and how we ought to pray.

There is power in the position we take when we pray. Paul says I bow to my knees. I believe this is not just a physical position but a position of the heart. When we pray, we are humble before an almighty God. We are reverent to the God who created us for His good. If you are older like me, that is not a hard position to get in, it’s getting back up that is difficult. It is an example from Paul of the right position to pray. There are lots of scriptures which lead us to believe it is a position of love for God.

Psalms 95, verse 6 says, “Come let us worship and bow down. Let us kneel before the Lord our maker for He is our God and we are the people of His pasture and the sheep of His

hand. Today, if you would hear His voice do not harden your heart.”

When we pray we should pray like Paul did in this passage that God would grant our request. Ephesians 3:16 says, “that He would grant you, according to the riches of His glory.”

The problem with so many of us is we have an infinitely spiritually rich Father yet we are living like spiritually impoverished children. We have no idea what is available to us in the heavenly realm. We go limping along, hurting, empty, and broken when God has so much available if we would ask Him out of His glorious riches. We tend to go to the person who is not gloriously rich and ask them, when they don’t have the means to answer us.

He says in Ephesians 3:8, “To me, the very least of all saints, this grace was given, to preach to the Gentiles the unfathomable riches of Christ.” The riches that are available to us are so great we can’t even fathom them.

Paul goes on to say we say that our prayers would be granted through his riches for a purpose. That purpose is to be strengthened with the power of God. That is the one thing we really need to pray for, the power of God. With the power of God we can call on His glorious riches, we can understand what the surpassing love of God is. Without His power we can’t begin to understand how much God loves us. With His power we can begin to see the plan and purpose God has for us. This love fills us to the fullest possible measure.

This love is so great that God the father sent His son to die on the cross out of love, for your sin and mine. In our own human finite ability we cannot come close to understanding that kind of love. But through the power of God, we can.

He says in the last part of this verse Ephesians 3:20-21 “Now to Him who is able to do far more abundantly beyond all that we ask or think, according to the power that

Patoka Lake seeks donations for raptor shelter

Patoka Lake needs the public’s help in replacing the deteriorating shelter facility where its educational bald eagle, red-tailed hawk and Eastern screech owl live.

The raptors at Patoka Lake are birds that have been injured and cannot safely be returned to the wild. They are used to educate the public about the importance of wildlife and nature. According to Patoka’s interpretive naturalist, Dana Reckelhoff, the current enclosures are 30 years old and have sustained irreparable rot and mold damage from the unusually wet summer weather.

“We are now in dire need of new night and viewing shelters for the birds, and really need to see this project through as soon as possible,” Reckelhoff said.

Building a new shelter facility is expected to cost at least \$30,000, and the lake is seeking donations. All donors will be recognized with a plaque honoring their generosity in front of the new facility.

works within us, to Him be the glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations forever and ever. Amen.”

Don’t you see? With The power of God that works within us, He can do more than we can think or imagine. He wants to do great thing in your life, if you will pray in faith for the power of God to work in your life, you may begin to understand. I pray that your next pray is for the power of God to work in you.

Last month, Dubois Rural Electric Cooperative awarded \$1,500 in grant funding toward the raptor shelter project.

Plans for the new facility also would allow the public to view the birds whenever the Patoka Lake Nature Center is open. The current shelters have no public access, and the birds can be seen only when placed in special viewing areas on designated weekends.

Patoka’s raptor program is funded entirely by donations to the C52 Fund through the Indiana Natural Resources Foundation. The fund is named after Patoka’s first educational bald eagle, which lived at Patoka from 1989 to 2009 and served as an ambassador for conservation. C52 was the number on the eagle’s leg band.

Individuals can also send money directly to the C52 fund by mailing a check or money order to: Indiana Natural Resources Foundation Attn: C52 Fund 402 W. Washington St. #W256 Indianapolis, IN 46204

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More Neat Stuff



By Ann Ackerman



INTERESTING NUMBERS – Thanks for sending this, Bob Prather

1. If you had bought the computing power found inside an iPhone 5S in 1991, it would have cost you \$3.56 million.

2. In the span of 66 years, we went from taking flight to landing on the moon.

3. Between 1990 and 2013, maternal mortality worldwide has dropped by almost 50%.

4. Nuclear and renewable power prevented 1.8 million deaths between 1971-2009 as a result of lower air pollution from reduced coal usage.

5. Crayola has changed a lot over the years. The number of colors doubles every 28 years.

6. There is more processing power in a TI-83 calculator than in the computer that landed Apollo 11 on the moon.

7. In 1990, one million people worldwide owned a mobile phone. Today, there are between 5 and 6 billion in circulation.

8. On the internet, there is a 1.2 Zettabytes (1.3 trillion gigabytes) of data. That amounts to 75 billion fully-loaded 16GB iPads. If you stacked them, they'd reach 339 miles into the sky. That amount grew 62 percent in 2009 alone.

9. In 1981, 52% of the world lived in "absolute" poverty. By 2010, this number was down to 21%. 721 million fewer people live in extreme poverty.

10. Since the 20th century, the amount of hours that the average person works have halved, despite wages and productivity increasing.

11. Humans will create more information in the form of data in the next two days than was created in all of history up until the year 2003.

12. Between 1988 and 2001, reported cases of polio have dropped by 99%, down from 350,000 cases to 483. Vaccination has saved millions of lives and prevented even more from disability.

13. Every two minutes, we take as many

photos as all of humanity took during the 1800s. In 2014 alone, humanity will take 880 billion photos. That's 123 photos for every man, woman, and child on Earth.

14. Between 1990 and 2010, measles deaths declined by 71 percent. 1,000,000 lives are saved every year by the measles vaccine.

15. Between 2000 and 2012, the number of out of school children around the world has nearly halved, dropping from 100 million to 58 million.

16. Since 1961, the amount of food we produce has increased by 25%. Around 2% of the population now produce enough food to fill the bellies of every single person on earth with 2,800 calories per day.

17. We upload 100 hours of video to YouTube every single minute. That's 16 years of recorded history every day.

18. No human has won a chess tournament against a high-spec computer since 2005.

19. Between 1990 and 2010, the percentage of children who died before their fifth birthday dropped by almost half.

20. In Arab Algeria, women make up 70% of lawyers and 60% of its judges. Women dominate medicine and 60% of university students are women.

21. If all the information on Wikipedia, started in 2001, were printed without images, it would consist of 2,053 volumes. Encyclopedia Britannica, started in 1768, has 32 volumes.

22. Between 1960 and 2010, the world population rose from 3 billion to 6.8 billion. In other words, there has been more growth in population in the last fifty years than the previous 2 million years that humans have existed.

23. Between 1991 and 2010, the mortality rate of cancer fell by 20% - that's 10% a decade.

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Applications available for Historic Preservation funding

Application packets for grants through the federal government's Historic Preservation Fund grant program are now available for fiscal year 2016 on the DNR Division of Historic Preservation & Archaeology (DHPA) website.

The website is dnr.IN.gov/historic. Click on the "Financial Aid" link under the "Help With Preserving" tab.

A change to the program for this year makes some historic religious properties eligible for preservation-grant assistance. Previously, historic buildings owned by religious organizations or used for religious purposes were not eligible to participate in the HPF program. To be eligible for the program, a historic religious property must already be listed in the National Register of Historic Places. Buildings can be listed in the National Register individually or as contributing resources within listed historic districts.

Religious institutions interested in applying are encouraged to contact the DHPA Grant Staff to confirm their eligibility.

The federal funds come from the National Park Service, which distributes the funds through state agencies. In Indiana, the funds are allotted through the DHPA.

The DHPA uses about half of its annual funds for a competitive matching-grant program to assist certain types of local historic preservation projects, including rehabilita-

tion of historic buildings.

The DHPA's annual competitive grant program requires a dollar-for-dollar local match to grant funds. Applicants must have their matching funds available when they apply for a grant. Planning projects are eligible for grants up to \$35,000. The maximum grant award for rehabilitation projects is \$50,000.

Rehabilitation activities must meet federal preservation standards. Typical grant projects include roof and gutter repair or replacement, masonry rehabilitation, window repair, and other exterior measures to keep a building weather tight. General remodeling, construction of additions, landscaping, signage, and purchase of furniture or equipment are not eligible activities under this program.

There are three categories of projects: Architectural & Historical, Archaeological, and Acquisition & Development (rehabilitation). Applicants should download the appropriate application packet and read all instructions carefully.

The deadline by which all proposals must be received by the DHPA is Friday, October 2, 2015, at 5 p.m.; it is not a postmark deadline.

For more information, contact Steve Kennedy at skennedy@dnr.IN.gov or (317) 232-6981; or Malia Vanaman at mvanaman@dnr.IN.gov or (317) 232-1648.

Calendar of Events

TEA Party meetings

The Martin County TEA Party meets on the 3rd Thursday of every month at 7 p.m. in the basement of the Shoals Library in Shoals. The TEA Party believes that freedoms and rights come from God. They advocate for Constitutional government, limited taxation, private ownership of property, balanced budgets, freedom of religion and the sanctity of human life. If you share in these beliefs, they invite you to join them at their next meeting which will be held on Thursday, August 20. The featured speaker at that meeting will be Kathy Collins, Director of the Martin County Community Corrections. She will address the impact on the county of recent changes in the Indiana Department of Corrections. The TEA Party does not support or endorse any political party or candidate.

Grief support group

If you have lost a loved one recently or decades ago you are invited to GriefShare Support Group at Loogootee United Methodist Church Multi-Purpose room Mondays at 6 p.m. This multi-week group will run August 3 through November 16 but each session deals with an individual issue of grief - attend when you can. Tell a friend who needs this group!

Boy Scouts

Boys interested in Boy Scouts, call 295-6652 or 854-7837 for information on joining.

Cub Scout meetings

For information on joining Cub Scouts, contact Bryan Adams at 295-6652 or 854-7837.

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!

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.

Humane society meetings

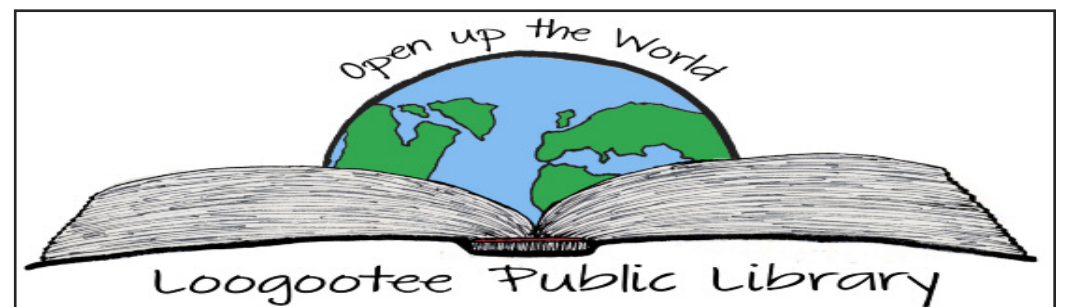
The Martin County Humane Society meets on the third Friday of the month at the animal shelter at 507 N Oak Street in Loogootee, at 7 p.m. Members of the humane society are invited to attend. To find out how to become a member, call the shelter at 812-295-5900 or email mchs@frontier.com.

Tourism meetings

The MCCC Tourism Committee meets on the third Wednesday of each month at 7 p.m. in the Martin County Community Learning Center on the fairgrounds.

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.



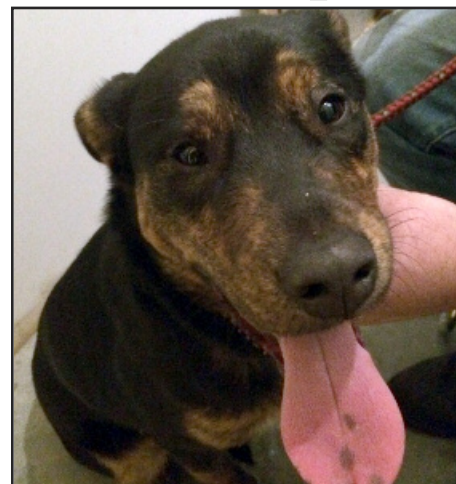
BY DARLA WAGLER
Librarian, Loogootee Public Library

Children's Librarian Glenda Ritchie will be moving to Montana soon and her last day will be Friday, July 24. We will be having an open house on Friday in her honor. Miss Glenda will be missed by both young and old. She has been a huge asset to the library as well as the community.

New Books

Mystery Fiction: "Speaking in Bones" By

Animal Shelter featured pets



Duke is a 2-year-old shepherd/rott mix. He is very friendly, loves attention. He is neutered and had all his shots. Adoption fee is \$80. If interested in adopting, stop by the animal shelter at 507 N. Oak Street in Loogootee. Shelter hours are Monday and Wednesday from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. and Saturday 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. or by appt.

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