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Shown above, at the SSI Ribbon Cutting held last Thursday, July 28, from left to right, are Lee Wininger, with Martin County Credit Union; Mike Arvin, with the Martin County Alliance for Economic Development; Mayor Don Bowling, Todd Dix, Owner/President/CEO of Safety & Security International; D. Grant Sherfick, Safety & Security International Crane Operations Manager; Nash Dunn, Interim President of Knox County Association for Remarkable Citizens (KCARC); Keith Peacock, Managing Director of Manufacturing; Adam Graber with the Martin County Chamber of Commerce, and Loogootee Mayor Noel Harty.

SSI holds ribbon cutting at Loogootee location

BY COURTNEY HUGHETT
Martin County Journal Publisher

Safety & Security International (SSI) held a ribbon cutting at their new location on Park Street in Loogootee last Thursday, July 28.

The company is renting a large space in the Bowling Manufacturing building, owned by KCARC.

SSI is based out of Greensboro, North Carolina, and currently has two locations – a suite in the WestGate Academy and the space in Bowling Manufacturing.

Mid-States Corridor Project adjusting operating hours at Jasper office

Starting this month, the Mid-States Corridor office on the Vincennes University Jasper Campus will be open for regular hours on Wednesdays, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Members of the public can make appointments to meet throughout the week with representatives from the Project Team.

Individuals interested in scheduling an in-person or virtual meeting should email info@midstatescorridor.com or call the project office at (812) 482-3116 to request an appointment. If a member of the Project Team is not available to take your call, please leave a message with your name and preferred contact information so your call can be returned to schedule an appointment.

The change in scheduled hours at the project office reflects the lessening volume of visits since the comment and outreach period was completed for the project's Tier 1 study.

The Project Team has assembled and reviewed more than 1,000 comments received during Tier 1 and are currently revising the Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) to submit a Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS) with a request for a Record of Decision (ROD). The ROD is anticipated for late spring or early summer in 2023.

The company currently has six full-time employees and three part-time.

"SSI looks forward to being part of the community while continuing to stabilize and growing our presence," said Grant Sherfick, SSI Crane Operations Manager.

SSI serves the department of defense and other federal agencies, mainly in tracking down hard-to-find parts for end use systems. The company has plans to expand in the next three to five years, to add 20-25 jobs, and service all their customers from their Martin County location.

Continued feedback from the public and stakeholders is welcome through the project website, MidStatesCorridor.com, or by phone or mail. The mailing address for the Mid-States Corridor Project Office is Vincennes University Jasper, Administration Building Room 216, 850 College Ave., Jasper, IN 47546.

Shoals School Board names middle school principal

The Shoals School Board held a special meeting July 28 to approve personnel positions.

Board members in attendance were Drexel Turpin, Eva George, Jerry Braun, and Jenell Hoffman. Staff in attendance were Kindra Hovis, Kacey Jones, Shannon Wagoner, Audrey Gibson, and Josh Mullis. No patrons were present.

The board approved the following personnel changes:

-Audrey Gibson as middle school principal

-Kari Goodman as preschool assistant
-Samantha Boyd and Melissa Grogan as cafeteria cooks

-Jeff Hudson, Ellen Hampton, Joni Brett, MaryBeth Brett, Etta Franklin, and Beth Hembree as cafeteria substitutes

The meeting adjourned at 5:01 p.m. The next regular board meeting will be August 11.

Commissioners discuss ongoing ambulance issue

BY COURTNEY HUGHETT
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The Martin County Commissioners discussed the ongoing issue of the county losing ambulance service at their meeting last Tuesday, July 26. The current ambulance provider is losing their hospital sponsor on August 22 of this year. The county has been paying the current ambulance contract on a month-to-month basis.

Jeramey Osborn, who has been working with the commissioners on the ambulance issue, provided a list of items that would be needed to outfit an ambulance. The proposed basic amount would be \$170,000-plus.

The commissioners had discussed at their last meeting purchasing a used 2008 ambulance from New York that was selling for \$43,900. County Attorney Dave Lett had advised them at that time not to purchase the ambulance until they met with current ambulance service director Steve McClure.

At last Tuesday's meeting, Attorney Lett said he spoke to McClure that day and he has no prospect for finding a medical sponsor. The commissioners then voted to officially purchase the ambulance and set the wheels in motion to come up with a solution. Osborn will be flying out to retrieve it.

Commissioner Cody Roush asked if McClure would be providing basic ambulance service after August 22 or if he was even allowed to do that. Osborn said that even basic ambulance service requires a doctor to serve as the sponsor because the service would run under that doctor's medical license and insurance.

The commissioners requested that Attorney Lett talk to McClure and see if his plan was to continue to provide basic service in the interim while the county got the ambulance ready. Osborn said they would have to find out what doctor would serve as McClure's sponsor. Commissioner George added they would also have to find out how long that doctor would be willing to do so.

Attorney Lett said that going this route would also require the commissioners to change the contract with the ambulance service as the current contract states a paramedic must be on staff, which basic service would not include.

Osborn also requested permission from the commissioners to apply for a grant that was due before the end of the month. The commissioners voted to have Osborn serve as the ambulance liaison and have the ability to apply for grants and purchase items needed for the ambulance.

Osborn asked if the commissioners wanted him to move forward with purchasing equipment needed. The commissioners said he could and submit invoices to the auditor for payment.

Commissioner George asked if there were any prospects on finding another ambulance, as the county would like to have two in service. Osborn said he has found another in South Bend that is almost the same price as the one just purchased and also almost the same mileage. He said there is another one he found that

is half the price but has many more miles.

Attorney Lett asked Osborn to wait on purchasing anything until he had a chance to speak with him.

In other business, Sylvia Albaugh, with the Shoals Public Library, submitted voucher for reimbursement for broadband expansion at the library. The commissioners had approved paying for the new server for the library out of ARPA (American Recovery Plan Act) funds for \$12,400.

Matt Stechly, with Core Facilities, updated on the commissioners on projects being done at the jail. He also presented bids received for the replacement of the rooftop air conditioning units at the jail. The bids were from M&M Electric for \$30,550; HFI for \$31,745; and AMS for \$33,342.

Stechly recommended to the commissioners that the courthouse janitor also service the rooftop air conditioning units at the jail with changing filters, etc. Commissioner George said he thought the jail had a service agreement with M&M but he's not sure. Stechly said if they do, maintenance is not getting done. Stechly again said the current janitor can change filters at the jail twice a year without much extra strain on his current responsibilities. He offered to show someone what needs to be done on the units. He also recommended the commissioners install a fixed ladder onto the side of the jail, with a cage, instead of using an extension ladder. He said a stationary ladder is much safer.

Stechly opened bids for the upgrade of the courthouse HVAC mechanicals along with a building automation system (BAS). He said he asked companies to quote both projects and then offer a price for both projects with a discount. The bids received were from AMS -\$151,366 for mechanicals, \$54,940 for the BAS and \$185,400 for both projects; HFI-\$115,600 for mechanicals, \$122,350 for the BAS and \$237,950 for both projects; and Commercial Services- \$180,500 for mechanicals, \$84,000 for the BAS and \$264,500 for both projects. It was noted that only AMS offered a discount to do both projects.

Stechly said the bids will be reviewed to make sure they match specifications requested. He noted that the commissioners can choose to go with a different company for each project, based on the prices.

Sheriff Josh Greene provided the commissioners with a quote from Ben Kent for \$5,085.20, to replace the sidewalk in front of the property recently purchased by the county, next to the jail on Capital Avenue. The sidewalk will be 110-foot long and six-foot wide. The commissioners approved the quote.

Greene reported they currently have 69 inmates in the jail with 30 of them from Vigo County and one from the department of corrections.

Greene reported he is working with Sternberg's to get new trucks ordered. He also informed commissioners that during a recent power outage at the jail, the back-up generator was having difficulty. (See 'COMMISSIONERS' on page 2)

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Consumer Alert: Products recalled in July

Attorney General Todd Rokita reminds Hoosiers to be aware of products recalled in July. Consumers should take full advantage of the solutions available for those who purchased the recalled items.

"Summer is a time to be outdoors, but that time should be spent safely with well-made products. This month's list has several items you might find in your own backyard. Hoosiers should be aware of potential danger and solutions available for these recalled items," Attorney General Rokita said. "Consumer protection is one of my office's top priorities. If you have difficulty finding a resolution, call my office for help."

According to the Consumer Product Safety Commission, the following consumer products were recalled in July:

- Lawn Tractors from John Deere
- Tents from Westfield Outdoor
- Fugleman Utility Terrain Vehicles from Segway Powersports
- Tony Hawk Silver Metallic Multi-Purpose Helmets from Sakar International
- Key West Knock Down Hammock Stands from The Hammock Source
- Cayden 9-Drawer Chests from Samson International

- i330R SCUBA Diving Computers from Aqualung
 - Silicone Baby Toy Bear Activity Toys from Konges Sløjd Denmark A/S
 - Toy Box with Bins from Monti Kids
 - LiftActiv Peptide-C Ampoules from Vichy Laboratoires
 - LRB™ Leg Loops from Crye Precision
 - Look Touch Books from Scholastic
- If you believe you purchased a recalled product, stop using it and check its recall notice (linked above for all products). Follow the notice's instructions, including where to return the product, how to get the product fixed, how to dispose of the product, how to receive a refund for the product, or what steps must be taken to receive a replacement product.

To view recalls, visit www.cpsc.gov/Recalls.

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YARD SALES

THREE FAMILY GARAGE SALE Friday, August 5 and Saturday, August 6, 8a-1p both days. 13201 Mount Calvary Road, Loogootee. Boys clothes 3M-5T, teen girls and women's clothing S-L, Harley Davidson women's coats, Power Wheels ride-ons 12V 1 pink and 1 red, toys, lots of stuffed animals and household items.

YARD SALE Thursday, August 4, 4-8 p.m.; Friday, August 5 and Saturday, August 6; 8 a.m.-?, 1510 Rutherford Rd, Loogootee, Hwy. 231 S, approximately 10 miles from Loogootee. Take left on Old School Road then right on Beard Road. Will be at corner on top of the hill. Lots of new items w/tags, purses, backpacks, luggage, clothes. Xmas decorations & tree, lots of Pioneer Woman items, vintage McDonald's glassware, 8pc china set, much more!

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LONNIE TOLBERT

Lonnie "Billy" William Tolbert passed away unexpectedly Saturday July 30, 2022, at 5:15 a.m. at Deaconess Gateway in Newburgh. A resident of Loogootee, he was 52.



LONNIE TOLBERT

He was born December 19, 1969, in Jasper; son of Linda (Denny) Warren and William "Bill" Tolbert of Loogootee.

He worked at USG for over 20 years starting as a mill worker and later becoming a supervisor. In his younger years he also worked at Jasper Laminates as a supervisor. He married Teresa (Smith) Tolbert on May 27, 1989, and she survives. Lonnie loved Rodeo, NASCAR, baseball, and football, with his favorite being the rodeo. He traveled many a mile with his family so both his children could compete at state and national levels. Lonnie worked many sleepless nights to ensure their safety and further their abilities to compete from elementary to high school.

Lonnie is preceded in death by his grandparents, Alonzo and Clara Denny.

He is survived by his loving wife of 33 years, Teresa Tolbert of Loogootee; his children, Brandon Tolbert (Paige) and Crystal Tolbert (Caden), both of Loogootee; his mother, Linda (Denny) Warren of Loogootee; his father, William "Bill" Tolbert and his wife, Leah, of Loogootee; his sisters, Carrie (George) Cox of Winslow and Jami (Jason) Bozeman of Evansville; his special family, Sandi (Randy) Bair of Dubois, Tammy (Adam) Smith of Canton, Georgia; Krissy Smith of Loogootee, and many nieces, nephews, and cousins.

A funeral service will be held Friday August 5 at 11 a.m. at Blake Funeral Home in Loogootee with Pastor Caleb Moffatt to officiate. Burial will follow in Truelove Cemetery.

Lonnie was down to earth and never met a stranger. The family requests all visitors come as they are, casual dress is suitable. Visitation will be held Thursday August 4 from 4 p.m. until 8 p.m. at Blake Funeral Home in Loogootee, and again on Friday from 10 a.m. until the time of service.

Memorial donations can be made to the Indiana High School Rodeo Association in memory of Lonnie.

Online condolences can be made at www.blakefuneralhome.com.

Arrangements provided by Blake Funeral Home in Loogootee.

TIMOTHY ARVIN

Timothy J. Arvin passed away at 10:25 a.m. Sunday, July 31, 2022, at his home. A resident of Bedford, he was 69.

He was born October 29, 1952, in Washington; son of the late Joseph and Marie (Craney) Arvin. Tim married Martha "Marti" Wade on May 27, 1978, and she survives.

Tim was an Army National Guard veteran and served his country for six years during the Vietnam era. He retired from General Motors as a Tool and Die maker after 31 years of employment. He was a member of the St. Vincent Catholic Church in Bedford, Knights of Columbus, American Legion Post 33, Bedford Boat Club and United Auto Workers Union 440. Tim enjoyed antique tractor shows, especially the White River Valley Antique Show. He also liked to work on cars.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Joseph and Marie Arvin and father-in-law, Paul Wade.

Tim is survived by his wife, Marti Arvin of Bedford; sons, Matthew (Lindsay Schwartz) Arvin of Bear Creek, North Carolina; Benjamin Arvin (fiancée, Mandi Gillespie) of Bloomington and Paul (Christina) Arvin of Greencastle; twin grandchildren, Emmett and Charlotte Arvin; siblings, Sandy (Jim) Little, Marsha (Ron) Chandler, Mary Jo (Marlin Littleton) O'Brian and Mark Arvin (girlfriend, Sylvia Greene); uncle, Dale Arvin; aunts, Carolyn Arvin, Deanie Trowbridge and Bernadette Abel; and mother-in-law, Aggie Wade.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 11 a.m. Thursday, August 4 at St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church in Loogootee, officiated by Very Rev. J. Kenneth Walker. Burial will follow in St. Mary Catholic Cemetery – Barr Township.

Visitation will be held Wednesday, August 3 from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. at Blake Fu-

neral Home in Loogootee and Thursday, August 4 from 10 a.m. to 10:45 a.m. at the church.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions can be made to the St. Mary Cemetery Fund.

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

Blake Funeral Home in Loogootee is honored to serve the family of Timothy J. Arvin.

ROSEMARY DANIEL

Rosemary (Hendry) Daniel went to her heavenly home, July 27, 2022. A resident of Loogootee, she was 100.

She was born January 19, 1922, in Chicago, Illinois; daughter of Dewey and Jane (Hoferlin) Hendry. She was raised by her aunts, Georgina and Bessie Hendry.

A lady of many talents, Rosemary was a teacher in the public school system, made her own personalized Christmas cards, sang in the church choir, and played the piano. She was a member of Park Ridge First Methodist Church in Illinois, where she was also a Sunday School teacher. Rosemary was happiest when she was spending time with her family.

Those who mourn Rosemary's passing include her children, James Daniel of Loogootee, Bob (Dave Miller) Daniel of Zionsville, Barbara (Bob) Schmaus of St. Petersburg, Florida; John Daniel of Bradenton, Florida; and Kathleen Daniel of Sarasota, Florida. She was blessed with five grandchildren, Sean Daniel, Paul Daniel, Christina Daniel, Sarah Schmaus, and Michael Schmaus. She also leaves a sister, Melissa Melville of Olympia, Washington.

She was preceded in death by her parents and her husband, Harold Daniel.

There are no services planned. Family and friends may leave condolences online at www.edleemortuary.com.

MARILYN CUNNINGHAM

Marilyn L. Cunningham passed away at 11:20 a.m. Wednesday, July 27, 2022, at Memorial Hospital and Health Care Center in Jasper. A resident of Loogootee, she was 85.

She was born June 5, 1937, in Loogootee; daughter of the late James and Harriet (Jones) Yarbrough.

Marilyn was a hairdresser for 40 years in Loogootee. She also managed and operated Breaktime Bar and Grill for 21 years.

She was a member of St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church and the American Legion Post 120.

Marilyn was preceded in death by her parents; sister, Jeanne (Pal) Deckard; great-granddaughter, Christine Miller; and nephew, Scott Deckard.

She is survived by her son, James Wayne (Georgia) Cunningham; grandchildren, Jasmine Cunningham and spouse, Rodney Denham; Mackenzie (Tyler) Bullock, Lucas Cunningham, Danielle (Keith) Kemp and Whitney (Jeremy) Hinton; great-grandchildren, Evan Cunningham, Claire, Kendell and Grace Kemp; cousins, Sue Jones, Lee (Brenda) Jones and Steve Jones; nieces, Sharon (Joe) Vice and Carla Hall; and many other nieces, nephews and cousins.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 10 a.m. Friday, August 5, at St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church in Loogootee, officiated by Very Rev. J. Kenneth Walker.

Burial will follow in St. John Catholic Cemetery,

No visitation will be held. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions can be St. Jude Children's Research Hospital.

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

Blake Funeral Home in Loogootee is honored to serve the family of Marilyn Cunningham.

New scholarship accounts empower parents, children with disabilities

State Reps. Shane Lindauer (R-Jasper) and Jeff Ellington (R-Bloomfield) encourage families of students with disabilities to apply for Indiana's new Education Scholarship Account Program to expand academic opportunities for their children.

The program, established through legislation supported by Lindauer and Ellington, gives parents more tools to help meet their child's academic needs.

"Everyone learns differently, and what works for one student might not work for another," Lindauer said. "For students with disabilities, access to additional tools and resources is important so they can stay on track academically, but that often means additional expenses. This scholarship program provides financial help and flexibility for families as they navigate their student's educational path."

Ellington said families can use these tax-free scholarships to pay for pre-approved education services like tutoring, therapy and tuition.

"Indiana is a leading state for giving parents more choice in their children's education," Ellington said. "This new program empowers those who have students with special needs to find the best educational option that helps them succeed."

Participating families get 90 percent of their child's state education funding, plus all special-education money, through these education accounts. Funds do not count as income for families of recipients and have no impact on other financial aid they may receive.

To be eligible for ESAs, students must have a disability requiring special education services and an individualized education plan, service plan or choice special education plan; choose not to enroll in a public school or receive an Indiana Choice Scholarship; and meet the annual income qualification, which is currently 300 percent of the qualification for free or reduced lunches. For a household of four, that's \$154,012.

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Martin County Sheriff's Department log

MONDAY, JULY 25

2:02 a.m. - Received a call from a Daviess County address. Gave caller the Daviess County Sheriff's Office number.

2:30 a.m. - Received a 911 call from Daviess County. Transferred call to Daviess County.

5:45 a.m. - Received a 911 call from Crane Base. Transferred call to Crane.

7:46 a.m. - Received an animal complaint in Loogootee. Animal Control Deputy Hughett was notified.

8:09 a.m. - Received a report of a theft south of Shoals. Deputy Flanagan responded.

8:22 a.m. - Received multiple 911 calls reporting an accident in Loogootee. Martin County EMS and Chief Deputy Keller responded. Martin County EMS transported one patient to Daviess Community Hospital.

1:36 p.m. - Received a 911 call requesting an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County EMS responded. No one was transported.

2:48 p.m. - Received multiple 911 calls reporting an accident east of Shoals. Martin County EMS, Sheriff Greene, Deputy Flanagan, Sergeant Gibson, Shoals Fire Department and Big John's Towing responded. No one was transported.

3:00 p.m. - Received a report of a line hanging over roadway in Crane. Deputy Flanagan responded. Frontier was notified.

3:42 p.m. - Deputy Pressley transported one inmate to remote court.

4:33 p.m. - Received a request for an officer in Shoals. Shoals Town Marshal Eckert responded.

5:00 p.m. - Received a call requesting a vehicle identification check south of Shoals. Sergeant Gibson responded.

5:21 p.m. - Received a report of a residential fire alarm in Loogootee. Loogootee Assistant Chief McBeth and Loogootee Fire Department responded.

6:00 p.m. - Received a call reporting line down with tree branches on fire north of Shoals. Contacted Indian Creek Fire Department.

7:24 p.m. - Received an accidental 911 call.

7:37 p.m. - Received a report of a spam call.

8:13 p.m. - Received a report of a dog bite south of Loogootee. Animal Control Deputy Hughett was notified.

9:17 p.m. - Received a report of a verbal dispute in Shoals. Sergeant Gibson responded.

TUESDAY, JULY 26

2:49 a.m. - Received a 911 call reporting a tree down south of Loogootee. Martin County Civil Defense responded.

8:15 a.m. - Received a report of a motorist needing assistance in Loogootee. Loogootee Assistant Chief McBeth responded.

10:00 a.m. - Received an animal complaint north of Loogootee. Animal Control Officer Hughett was notified.

10:00 a.m. - Deputy Pressley transported one inmate to court.

10:40 a.m. - Received a report of a traffic hazard east of Loogootee. Contacted the state highway department.

10:45 a.m. - Received a report of a tree down south of Shoals. Martin County Highway Department was notified.

2:05 p.m. - Deputy Pressley transported two inmates to court.

2:55 p.m. - Deputy Pressley transported one inmate to court.

4:38 p.m. - Received a request for vehicle identification check. Advised caller to call Daviess County since he is in Daviess County.

6:11 p.m. - Received a request for an

ambulance in Shoals. Martin County EMS and Shoals Fire Department responded. Martin County EMS transported one patient to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

6:20 p.m. - Received a report of a residential burglar alarm in Loogootee. Loogootee Officer Seymour responded.

6:25 p.m. - Received a report of an aggressive driver in Loogootee. Loogootee Police were notified.

6:36 p.m. - Received a report of a car off the road in Loogootee. Loogootee Police were notified.

7:58 p.m. - Received a request for a welfare check in Loogootee. Martin County EMS responded. No one was transported.

8:07 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County EMS and Loogootee Fire Department responded. No one was transported.

10:14 p.m. - Received a report of a missing juvenile north of Shoals. Captain Reed, Corporal Wells, Indiana Conservation Officer Fuhrman responded with Lawrence County assisting.

10:14 p.m. - Received a 911 call from a Lawrence County address. Transferred call to Lawrence County.

10:50 p.m. - Received a report of a disturbance in Loogootee. Indiana State Police, Loogootee Officer Seymour and Sergeant Gibson responded.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 27

12:17 a.m. - Received a report of harassment in Loogootee. Loogootee Officer Seymour responded.

2:09 a.m. - Received a report of harassment in Loogootee. Loogootee Officer Seymour responded. ISP was notified.

5:56 a.m. - Received a report of a tree down east of Shoals. Notified Martin County Highway Department.

6:43 a.m. - Received a report of a stalled vehicle east of Shoals. Captain Reed, Chief Deputy Keller and the Shoals Fire Department responded.

8:17 a.m. - Received a 911 call reporting a tree down north of Loogootee. Martin County Civil Defense responded.

8:33 a.m. - Received a 911 call reporting an accident north of Loogootee. Chief Deputy Keller responded.

8:57 a.m. - Received a request for a welfare check south of Shoals. Chief Deputy Keller responded.

9:27 a.m. - Received a report of a verbal threat in Shoals. Shoals Town Marshal Eckert responded.

9:35 a.m. - Received a 911 call requesting an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County EMS, Loogootee Chief Means and Chief Deputy Keller responded. Martin County EMS transported one patient to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

10:33 a.m. - Deputy Pressley transported one inmate to remote court.

1:25 p.m. - Received a request for a vehicle identification check in Shoals. Shoals Town Marshal Eckert responded.

2:45 p.m. - Received a report of a theft in Shoals. Sergeant Gibson responded.

2:55 p.m. - Received a 911 call from Crane base. Transferred call to Greene County.

5:43 p.m. - Received a report of a stolen license plate. Corporal Wells responded.

5:56 p.m. - Received a 911 call requesting an ambulance south of Shoals. Martin County EMS and Shoals Fire Department responded. Martin County EMS transported one patient to Daviess Community Hospital.

8:30 p.m. - Received a 911 call requesting an ambulance north of Loogootee. Martin County EMS responded and transported one patient to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

9:17 p.m. - Received an animal complaint in Shoals. Animal Control Officer

Hughett was notified.

10:12 p.m. - Received a report of an accidental gunshot wound. ISP Trooper Brunnett responded.

THURSDAY, JULY 28

12:54 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County EMS and Deputy Long responded. No one was transported.

3:40 a.m. - Received a report of a cow out southeast of Shoals. Captain Reed responded.

5:15 a.m. - Received a 911 call reporting an accident on US 50 East. Called Lawrence County with information.

5:16 a.m. - Received a report of an accident on US 50 East. Called Lawrence County with information.

5:48 a.m. - Received multiple reports of a tree down west of Crane. Called Daviess County with information.

5:54 a.m. - Received an accidental 911 call.

7:10 a.m. - Received a report of a tree down southeast of Shoals. Martin County Highway Department was notified.

7:30 a.m. - Received a 911 call reporting harassment in Loogootee. Loogootee Chief Means and Chief Deputy Keller responded.

10:55 a.m. - Deputy Pressley transported two inmates to court.

1:32 p.m. - Deputy Pressley transported one inmate to court.

2:55 p.m. - Deputy Pressley transported one inmate to court.

2:57 p.m. - Jail Commander Phillips transported three inmates to court.

7:57 p.m. - Received an animal complaint in Shoals. Animal Control Deputy Hughett was notified.

8:00 p.m. - Received an accidental 911 call.

8:26 p.m. - Received a 911 call reporting a tree down south of Loogootee. Loogootee Officer Floyd and Deputy Flanagan responded.

9:34 p.m. - Received a report of a commercial burglar alarm north of Loogootee. Keyholder advised to disregard.

FRIDAY, JULY 29

4:43 a.m. - Received a 911 call from a Daviess County address. Transferred call to Daviess County.

6:01 a.m. - Received a 911 call requesting extra patrol in Loogootee. Loogootee Assistant Chief McBeth responded.

9:39 a.m. - Received a 911 call requesting an ambulance east of Shoals. Martin County EMS and Shoals Fire Department responded. Martin County EMS transported one patient to Daviess Community Hospital.

10:39 a.m. - Received a 911 call requesting an ambulance south of Shoals. Martin County EMS, Lost River Fire Department and Daviess County Medic 1 responded. One patient was transported to Daviess Community Hospital.

2:15 p.m. - Received a request for a welfare check south of Shoals. Deputy Flanagan responded.

2:21 p.m. - Received a 911 call requesting assistance southeast of Shoals. Deputy Flanagan responded.

2:44 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance north of Loogootee. Martin County EMS responded and transported one patient to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

3:26 p.m. - Received a 911 call reporting an accident south of Loogootee. Loogootee Assistant Chief McBeth, Corporal Wells, Deputy Flanagan, Martin County EMS and Loogootee Fire Department responded. Martin County EMS transported two patients to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

3:54 p.m. - Received a request for a deputy in Loogootee. Deputy Flanagan responded.

4:18 p.m. - Received a 911 call requesting an ambulance and law enforcement in Loogootee. Corporal Wells, Deputy Flanagan and Daviess Community Hospital EMS responded. No one was transported.

5:03 p.m. - Received a 911 call reporting an accident south of Shoals. Corporal Wells, Deputy Flanagan, Shoals Fire Department, Martin County EMS and Big John's Towing responded. No one was transported.

6:29 p.m. - Received a 911 call reporting an accident east of Shoals. Deputy Flanagan responded.

7:09 p.m. - Received a report of a motorist needing assistance east of Shoals. Deputy Flanagan and Loogootee Officer Erwin responded.

9:04 p.m. - Received an animal complaint north of Shoals. Animal Control Deputy Hughett was notified.

9:59 p.m. - Received an accidental 911 call.

11:12 p.m. - Received a 911 call requesting an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County EMS, Loogootee Officer Seymour and Loogootee Fire Department responded. Martin County EMS transported one patient to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

11:58 p.m. - Received an accidental 911 call.

SATURDAY, JULY 30

12:52 a.m. - Received a 911 call from a Daviess County address. Transferred call to Daviess County.

11:30 a.m. - Received a report of vandalism north of Shoals. Deputy Flanagan responded.

12:47 p.m. - Received a call requesting an officer in Loogootee. Deputy Flanagan, Loogootee Assistant Chief McBeth and Indiana Conservation Officer Fuhrman responded.

2:08 p.m. - Received a call requesting an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County EMS responded.

7:03 p.m. - Received a 911 call from Crane Base. Transferred call to Crane.

8:22 p.m. - Received a report of a suspicious person in Loogootee. Deputy Long responded.

8:57 p.m. - Received a report of an accident in Loogootee. Loogootee Officer Seymour responded.

10:43 p.m. - Received a report of a suspicious person north of Loogootee. Deputy Long and Loogootee Officer Seymour responded.

SUNDAY, JULY 31

3:39 a.m. - Received a report of a power line down in Loogootee. Deputy Long, Loogootee Officer Seymour and Martin County Civil Defense responded. Contacted Duke Energy and Frontier.

4:38 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County EMS responded and transported one patient to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

7:43 a.m. - Received a report of a tree down east of Loogootee. Martin County Civil Defense responded.

9:19 a.m. - Received a request for a vehicle unlock north of Shoals. Deputy Flanagan responded.

10:16 a.m. - Received a report of vandalism northeast of Loogootee. Deputy Flanagan responded.

1:00 p.m. - Received a request for a vehicle unlock in Shoals. Sergeant Gibson responded.

3:56 p.m. - Received a neighbor complaint in Crane. Sergeant Gibson responded.

4:26 p.m. - Received a 911 call reporting an accident south of Shoals. Sergeant Gibson responded.

7:51 p.m. - Received a 911 call reporting an accident east of Shoals. Sergeant Gibson responded.

COURT NEWS

CRIMINAL COURT New Charges Filed July 5

Trinity R. Benton, auto theft, a Level 6 Felony; possession of marijuana, a Class B Misdemeanor; possession of paraphernalia, a Class C Misdemeanor.

July 7

Trisel N. Davis, possession of a controlled substance, a Class A Misdemeanor.

Joshua A. Yarbrough, intimidation, a Level 6 Felony; strangulation, a Level 6 Felony.

July 11

Caylin Dale Paris Wagoner, two counts of criminal mischief, Class B Misdemeanors.

Varonica S. Brown, possession of marijuana, a Class B Misdemeanor; possession of paraphernalia, a Class C Misdemeanor.

Gavyn R. Miller, reckless driving, a Class C Misdemeanor.

Susan K. Martino, driving while suspended, a Class A Misdemeanor.

Gregory A. Machmer, possession of methamphetamine, a Level 6 Felony; maintaining a common nuisance -controlled substances, Level 6 Felony; possession of paraphernalia, a Class C Misdemeanor.

Jason T. Warren, intimidation, a Level 6 Felony.

Mackenzie W. Carty, theft, a Level 6 Felony; resisting law enforcement, a Level 6 Felony; obstructing a firefighter, a Class A Misdemeanor.

Vernon J. Chastain, possession of methamphetamine, a Level 6 Felony; possession of marijuana, a Class B Misdemeanor; possession of paraphernalia, a Class C Misdemeanor.

July 12

John D. Michael, dealing in methamphetamine, a Level 2 Felony; unlawful possession of a firearm by serious violent felon, a Level 4 Felony; possession of methamphetamine, a Level 4 Felony; unlawful possession of a syringe, a Level 6 Felony; false identity statement, a Class A Misdemeanor; possession of paraphernalia, a Class C Misdemeanor.

Andrew T. Masterson, dealing in methamphetamine, a Level 3 Felony; possession of methamphetamine, a Level 6 Felony; unlawful possession or use of a legend drug, a Level 6 Felony; driving while suspended, a Class A Misdemeanor; possession of paraphernalia, a Class C Misdemeanor; maintaining a common nuisance - controlled substances, a Level 6 Felony.

Joselyn R. Souerdike, domestic battery, a Level 5 Felony.

Miranda Bateman, possession of methamphetamine, a Level 6 Felony; maintaining a common nuisance -controlled substances, a Level 6 Felony; two counts of unlawful possession of a syringe, Level 6 Felonies; possession of marijuana, a Class B Misdemeanor; three counts of possession of paraphernalia, Class C Misdemeanors.

Robert A. Bateman, maintaining a common nuisance - controlled substances, a Level 6 Felony.

Damon B. Meek, possession of methamphetamine, a Level 6 Felony; unlawful possession of a syringe, a Level 6 Felony; maintaining a common nuisance -controlled substances, a Level 6 Felony.

July 13

Rodney J. Hawkins, intimidation, a Level 5 Felony.

July 14

Abigail Nicole Reel, visiting a common nuisance -controlled substances, a Class B Misdemeanor.

Adam R. Hagedorn, possession of methamphetamine, a Level 5 Felony; possession of a controlled substance, a Level 6 Felony; possession of marijuana, a Class B Misdemeanor; possession of paraphernalia, a Class C Misdemeanor.

Julia S. Earl, possession of methamphetamine, a Level 5 Felony; possession of a controlled substance, a Level 6 Felony; possession of marijuana, a Class B Misdemeanor; possession of paraphernalia, a Class C Misdemeanor.

July 18

James L. Tyus, possession of a controlled substance, a Class A Misdemeanor; possession of marijuana, a Class A Misdemeanor.

July 20

Amanda Dawn Boyd, possession of methamphetamine, a Level 6 Felony; unlawful possession of a syringe, a Level 6 Felony; residential entry, a Level 6 Felony; resisting law enforcement, a Class A Misdemeanor.

July 26

Kevin D. Holt, conversion, a Class A Misdemeanor.

Dustin A. Cramer, driving while suspended, a Class A Misdemeanor.

Tina D. Gravitt, possession of methamphetamine, a Level 6 Felony; unauthorized entry of a motor vehicle, a Class B Misdemeanor.

Charity Lamar, assisting a criminal, a Level 6 Felony; false informing, a Class A Misdemeanor.

Jacob R. Fox, obstruction of justice, a Level 6 Felony; three counts of invasion of privacy, Class A Misdemeanors.

CRIMINAL CONVICTIONS AND SENTENCING

July 22

Delby A. Lameda-Hernandez, convicted of knowingly or intentionally operating a motor vehicle without ever receiving a license, a Class C Misdemeanor. Sentenced to serve 2 days with 0 days suspended and credit for 1 actual day previously served plus 1 Class A credit day.

July 26

Tina D. Gravitt, convicted of operating a motor vehicle without ever receiving a license, a Class C Misdemeanor. No jail time. Ordered to pay court costs, fines and fees.

Kelly E. Winger, convicted of burglary, a Level 5 Felony. Sentenced to serve 1,825 days with 1,825 days suspended. Defendant received 60 months of probation.

CRIMINAL CHARGES DISMISSED

July 26

Kelly E. Winger, unlawful use of 911 service, a Class A Misdemeanor, dismissed; residential entry, a Level 6 Felony, dismissed; theft, a Class A Misdemeanor, dismissed.

CIVIL COURT New Suits Filed

July 25

Aloaha Jones vs. Sabra Bough, civil tort.

CIVIL COURT JUDGMENTS

July 21

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Re-surgent Receivables, LLC and against the defendant Jessica Hembree in the amount of \$998.09.

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Re-surgent Receivables, LLC and against the defendant Stacey Font in the amount of \$1,059.77.

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff LVNV Funding, LLC and against the defendant Jonie Day in the amount of \$1,370.51.

July 22

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Forum Credit Union and against the defendant Michael Hunt in the amount of \$11,801.31.

July 25

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Bank of America and against the defendant Delbert D. Boyd in the amount of \$24,399.66.

CIVIL COURT DISMISSED

July 21

NewRez, LLC d/b/a Shellpoint Mortgage Servicing vs. Paul K. Laybourn and Roger W. Laybourn, mortgage foreclosure, dismissed.

SMALL CLAIMS COURT New Suits Filed

July 21

Property Sure vs. Betty Cundiff, eviction. Property Sure vs. Charlotte Cundiff, eviction.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

July 25

Loogootee Police log

MONDAY, JULY 25

8:21 a.m. - Assistant Chief McBeth and first responders were dispatched to a property damage accident on West Broadway Street.

1:39 p.m. - Assistant Chief McBeth spoke with a complainant regarding harassing messages.

5:21 p.m. - Loogootee Fire Department was dispatched to a fire alarm on Cherry Road.

TUESDAY, JULY 26

6:20 p.m. - Officer Seymour responded to a residential alarm on Brady Street.

6:25 p.m. - Caller reported a truck throwing gravel in Redwing Trailer Court.

6:36 p.m. - Caller reported that her son had been run off the road in Redwing Trailer Court.

6:39 p.m. - Officer Erwin spoke with complainants regarding inappropriate messages being sent to their daughter.

7:50 p.m. - First responders assisted with a medical call on John Street.

10:05 p.m. - Officer Seymour took a report of battery from a complainant.

10:47 p.m. - Officer Seymour responded to possible gunshots heard on North Line Street.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 27

12:17 a.m. - Officer Seymour responded to a report of trespassing in Redwing Trailer Court.

9:34 a.m. - Chief Means assisted Martin County EMS with a medical call on Butcher Boulevard.

9:54 a.m. - Caller reported damage to new blacktop and her vehicle by a truck that is throwing gravel in Redwing Trailer Court.

2:38 p.m. - Chief Means responded to a report of an erratic driver nearing Loogootee on US 50 West.

5:30 p.m. - Chief Means assisted the Martin County Sheriff's Department looking for a missing juvenile.

THURSDAY, JULY 28

8:19 a.m. - Chief Means spoke with a complainant regarding a possible break in

Michael J. Exline of Loogootee and Melissa K. Brown of Loogootee.

July 26

Michael Hayes Stone of Nashville, Tennessee and Lisa Faye Hert of Nashville, Tennessee.

at Redwing Trailer Court.

12:54 a.m. - Officer Long assisted Martin County EMS with a medical call on Riley Street.

1:03 p.m. - Chief Means responded to a report of possible unsupervised children at the city park.

8:26 p.m. - Officer Floyd responded to a report of large debris in the roadway on US 231 South.

11:37 p.m. - Officer Floyd completed a welfare check.

FRIDAY, JULY 29

6:01 a.m. - Assistant Chief McBeth responded to a report of a suspicious vehicle at the Eldorado Motel.

3:27 p.m. - Assistant Chief McBeth and first responders were dispatched to a personal injury accident on US 231 South.

7:09 p.m. - Officer Erwin responded to assist a stranded motorist on US 50 East.

11:11 p.m. - First responders were dispatched to a medical call on Southwest First Street.

SATURDAY, JULY 30

12:05 p.m. - Assistant Chief McBeth removed debris from the roadway on Broadway Street.

2:06 p.m. - Assistant Chief McBeth completed a welfare check at a local business.

5:35 p.m. - A caller reported a possible stolen phone from the city pool.

8:43 p.m. - Officer Seymour responded to assist the Martin County Sheriff's Department with an arrest on US 50 East.

8:55 p.m. - Officer Seymour responded to a property damage accident on East Broadway Street.

10:32 p.m. - Officer Seymour responded to a report of a domestic dispute on North JFK Avenue.

10:43 p.m. - Officer Seymour responded to a report of a suspicious person near a residence on US 231 North.

SUNDAY, JULY 31

5:20 p.m. - A caller advised of youths under the driving age driving golf carts in the area of Cherry Street.

Martin County real estate transfers

Brenda Kay Lengacher, of Martin County, Indiana to **Robert Glen Lengacher and Katie Suellen Lengacher**, of Martin County, Indiana, a part of the north half of the southwest quarter of Section 31, Township 5 North, Range 4 West, Perry Township, Martin County, Indiana, containing 3.65 acres, more or less.

Adam T. Slaubaugh and Rachel A. Slaubaugh, of Martin County, Indiana to **Byron Slaubaugh and Norma J. Slaubaugh**, of Martin County, Indiana, part of the south half of Section 31, Township 3 North, Range 4 West, Perry Township, Martin County, Indiana, containing 18.038 acres, more or less.

John Patrick Norris, of Martin County, Indiana to **John Patrick Norris and Shana L. Norris**, of Martin County, Indiana, a part of the southeast quarter of the southeast quarter of Section 1, Township 3 North, Range 5 West, Martin County, Indiana, containing 5 acres, more or less.

Delmar R. Yoder and Geneva Yoder, of Daviess County, Indiana to **Russell N. Seymour and Joan Comer Seymour**, of Martin County, Indiana, an eight-foot strip of land off of the south side of Lot 6 in Block "F" in Loogootee Land Company's Addition to the City of Loogootee, Indiana, containing 956.7 square feet, more or less.

Monty J. Holt, of Lawrence County, Indiana to **Eric L. Wade**, of Marion

County, Indiana, Lots 21, 22 and 23 of Lot 103 Chenoweth Addition in McCormick's Subdivision of West Shoals, now Shoals, Indiana.

David R. DeVoy and Susanna DeVoy to **Timothy L. Day and Patricia A. Day**, of Martin County, Indiana, a part of the southeast quarter of the southwest quarter of Section 12, Township 1 North, Range 3 West, Lost River Township, Martin County, Indiana, containing 4.50 acres, more or less.

ARRESTS

FRIDAY, JULY 29

7:46 a.m. - Rodney Bateman, 53, was arrested on a Martin County warrant. He is being held without bond.

SATURDAY, JULY 30

9:17 p.m. - Ona Wiles, 47, of Lakebay, Washington, was arrested by Deputy Long and charged with possession of methamphetamine and possession of paraphernalia. She is being held on no bond.

SUNDAY, JULY 31

7:38 a.m. - Sean Lents, 21, of Loogootee, was arrested by Loogootee Officer Seymour and charged with operating while intoxicated. He is being held on no bond.

9:53 p.m. - Richard Smith, 53, of Shoals, was arrested by Loogootee Officer Seymour on an Orange County warrant.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Free community meal
The Loogootee Christian Church, at 206 Sherman Street, are having their monthly free meal for the community on Thursday, August 4 from 6-8 p.m. at the church. This month they will be having chicken strips, sides, desserts and drinks. All members of the community are invited attend.

Back-to-school swim
A back-to-school swim, sponsored by St. John Catholic Church, will be held at the Loogootee Pool Friday, August 5 from 4-7:30 p.m. Food trucks will be available starting at 4 p.m.

Aluminum can drive
Daviness County Right to Life will hold an aluminum can drive Saturday, August 6 at the Tractor Supply in Washington from 9 a.m. to noon. Newsprint is no longer accepted. Martin County Right to Life will hold their aluminum can/newspaper drive on the same day and time at the Martin County Recycling Center.

Jones Reunion
The 49th Annual Jones Family Reunion for descendants of James and Rachel (Galagher) Jones will be held Saturday, August 13 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. (Eastern time) at the Martin County Community Building, 2668 US Highway 50, Loogootee, IN 47553 (located on the Martin County 4-H Fairgrounds, two miles east of Loogootee on Highway 50). The building will open at 11 a.m. with lunch at noon (Eastern Daylight time). Please bring a covered dish. Plates, tableware, napkins, tea, lemonade, coffee, and hand sanitizer will be furnished. Participants may bring family heirlooms, genealogy records, pictures, etc. for display as well as an item to be included in the silent auction.

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

Mental Health Task Force
The Martin County Mental Health Task Force meets via Zoom. If interested in being a part of the tax force, email echristmas@youthfirst.org or toddamy@iu.edu.

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

St. Vincent Food Pantry
The St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry, on Park Street in Loogootee, is open the fourth Thursday of the month except November and December when they are open the third Thursday. The hours are 9 a.m.-noon and 1-3:30 p.m.

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

Free lunch for kids
New Beginnings Community Church will be offering a free lunch to all school age children every Saturday. Lunches can be picked up at the fellowship hall of the church, located at 105 Wood St, Loogootee no later than 10:30 a.m. Deliveries will begin between 10:30 and 11 a.m. Saturdays.

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

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

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

More Neat Stuff



By Ann Ackerman



My former teaching colleague, Carolyn Johnson, shared some nice cooking tips with me. She added the advice given by "Maxine" the notorious critic of the modern world.

To keep potatoes from budding, place an apple in the bag with the potatoes. (Maxine: Buy mashed potato mix. Keeps in the cupboard for up to a year.)

When a cake recipe calls for flouring the baking tin, use a bit of dry cake mix instead and there won't be any white mess on the outside of the cake. (Maxine: Go to the bakery! Heck, they'll even decorate it for you!)

Wrap celery in aluminum foil when putting in the refrigerator and it will keep for weeks. (Maxine: Celery? Never heard of it!)

Cure for headaches: take a lime, cut it in half and rub it on your forehead. The throbbing will go away. (Maxine: Take a lime, mix it with tequila, chill and drink! All your pains go away!)

Don't throw out all that leftover wine. Freeze into ice cubes for future use in casseroles and sauces. (Maxine: Leftover wine??? HELLO???)

Lastly, if you don't send this to one of your friends within the next 5 minutes, your belly button will unscrew and your butt will fall off.

Jim's car is swerving all over the road so a cop pulls him over, "Step out of the car" says the cop, "I am going to need you to take a breathalyzer test."

"I can't", Jim responds "You see I have very bad asthma, that can set off an attack."

"Alright," says the cop, "then you're going to have to take a blood test."

"Can't do that either," Jim responds, "I am a hemophiliac, if a wound is opened, I won't stop bleeding, and I could bleed to death."

"Ok," the cop answers "then I will need a urine sample."

"Sorry," says Jim "I also have diabetes, that could push my sugar count really low."

"Fine, so just come on out, and walk a straight line for me."

"Can't do that either" responds Jim.

"Why not?" Demanded the exasperated cop.

"Well, because I'm drunk!"

After much nagging from his wife, Sam was visiting the audiologist. Yes, he would need hearing aids and they ranged in price from \$10 to \$2,000, was what he was told.

"I'll try the \$10 pair" Sam said.

The nurse placed the hearing aids into his ears and hung a wire around his neck.

"Does the wire really have to be around my neck?" asked Sam.

"Why of course!" replied the nurse. "You think these things in your ears do anything? It's the wire around your neck - it makes people talk louder!"

Everything will be OK in the end. If it's not okay, then there's always whiskey (beer).

My wife said, "Watcha doin' today?"

I said, "Nothing."

She said, "You did that yesterday."

I said, "I wasn't finished."

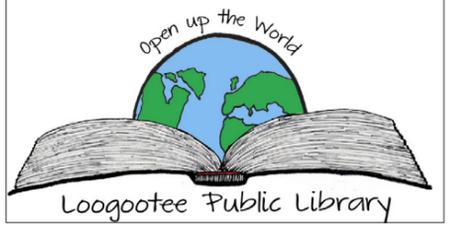
Have you ever met someone so stupid you felt bad for their dog?

Make someone smile today!

ANIMAL SHELTER Pet of the Week



HEATHER is a one-year-old female shepherd mix. She is very sweet but very puppy like - high energy. Adoption fee has been discounted to \$50 for each dog. For more info or to apply to adopt, visit www.humanesociety-ofmartincounty.org.



BY DARLA WAGLER
Librarian, Loogootee Public Library

Library Page Libby Taylor will be offering a Story Time and Craft Thursdays at 6 p.m. for elementary-age children. She will read stories and do a craft.

Friends of Loogootee Library will have a book/yard sale on Saturday September 24 from 8 a.m.-12 p.m.

New Books:
Fiction: "Moment in Time" by Suzanne Redfearn.

Inspirational Fiction: "Lifemark" by Chris Fabry, "Beyond the Desert Sands" by Tracie Peterson, "Yesterday's Gone" by Cindy Woodsmall, and "The Deadly Shallows" by Dani Pettrey..

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

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In the Garden

By Ralph Purkhiser
Purdue University Master Gardener

As August arrives, it is time to get the fall garden planted. Just when you are ready to give up on the garden, the lure of good vegetables for the cooler days ahead gives us the drive to try again. There are several reasons to do a fall garden. In many cases, the cooler fall weather will allow crops to remain on the plants longer. That means you do not have to harvest daily. Some crops just simply thrive in the cooler weather. Another plus is that many of the insect pests will have completed their life cycles and will not be a problem in the fall.

That cooler weather is not yet here, but most of the seeds will germinate more rapidly in the warm weather. But the time the plants mature, and the vegetables are ready for harvest, we should have that cooler weather. In the meantime, just make sure the plants have enough moisture to survive the warm late summer temperatures.

Several crops that may be planted now will actually yield two harvests. For instance, turnips will first produce green tops that may be used for salad greens or cooked. You may plant turnips by broadcasting seeds and use the thinnings for greens. Later, when the roots swell, you may harvest the roots as a fall crop. Most of the cole crops may also be treated in this way. The small cabbage, broccoli and cauliflower plants are completely edible and have a milder taste. Thin out plants to give the ones you want to mature room and eat the plants you pull out.

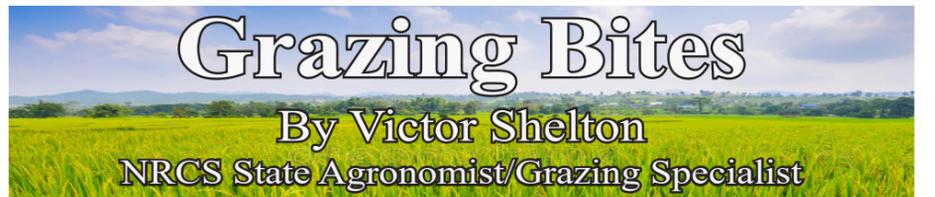
Another of my favorite fall crops is kale. It too may be harvested as micro-greens or allowed to mature. Even the ornamental kales are edible, so planting some of them will provide food and beauty. Kale is a very versatile crop. You may use it for salads, cooked as greens, made into tasty soups or dehydrated as

chips. Adding flavored oils, spices and cheese to the kale before drying will yield a variety of chip flavors.

Our early frost date is October 10, but many years, we go into November before we get a killing frost. Take a look at the “days to maturity” line on the seed packets to determine if there is still time to get in a crop of your favorite vegetable. Do not be afraid to gamble a little. Even if a frost is in the forecast, you may use a row cover to protect plants for a few days. You may not get mature crops from everything, but you may get some baby carrots or some baby green beans. Enjoy those flavors and explore some new flavors. Peas can actually survive light frosts and the flowers are edible if the plants are threatened by a hard freeze.

That “days to maturity” thing also works with flowers. You may want to plant some flowers in the vegetable garden to encourage pollinators to visit the late-season garden or just to have some blooms for fall bouquets. I have even seen fall-planted pansies that have survived mild winters to bloom again in the spring. For the price of a packet of seeds, it is worth taking the chance.

Do not put that hoe away for the season yet. There is still a lot of gardening to do.



Grazing Bites

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My wife calls me a procrastinator sometimes, but I’d rather think of it as “waiting for the right moment” to start something. The weather threw a few monkey wrenches into my plans this year and I’ve tried to not feel overwhelmed as things that I needed to do began to pile up a bit. Part of my problem is I say yes to too many things and then the cobbler’s kids go barefoot – or rather I do. Life has a lot to do with choices and that is true with pasture management too.

I’m asked every year about mowing or clipping pastures. For most, that is an annual ritual and quite often a very justifiable management decision. The most asked question is always, “When should I clip?” My most common question in reply is, “What are you trying to accomplish?” For most, the reason is to remove seed heads and or reduce weeds, and for a certain percentage it’s purely aesthetics.

You normally would hear me preach about making sure to keep everything as vegetative as possible by ideally grazing it. That can sometimes be easier said than done. Generally, a high stocking density for a short period of time – ideally less than two days – creates enough competition between animals that most forage and a surprisingly high amount of weeds are grazed off pretty quickly and evenly. This keeps weeds from creating too much competition for desirable forage species.

The lower the stock density and longer the grazing period on a larger allotment, the less competition there is between animals and the more selective they are of what to graze. When this happens, desirable species are eaten first, and intermediate and undesirable species are grazed around. If this happens very much, the pasture composition can shift from desirable species to increased amounts of undesirable as they slowly get stronger foot holds.

That said, the type of livestock present makes a difference in forage preferences. Cattle certainly prefer grasses and legumes and a small amount of browse. Browse in this case is usually some tree leaves. Small ruminants such as sheep or goats eat a wider variety of species. Goats tend to be more of a browser than a grazer. Pastures that are grazed early in the season by sheep or goats tend to have fewer weeds than cattle pasture. If you raise both, it might be smart to either switch them around occasionally as to where they start the season grazing or perhaps graze them together as a herd.

For some weeds, some livestock will mimic the kid at the dinner table being told to eat their broccoli – they just will not eat it no matter what. I can understand that – especially when it comes to blackberries and multi-flora rose. Both can be a thorn in my side, and I don’t blame any cow for not wanting to try and graze among them.

Back to the question of “When should I clip?” If it is purely to slow seed head production, then mowing earlier is generally better than later if you want to maintain quality. I say that somewhat tongue in cheek because I absolutely hate to remove any quality grazable forage. If you are using a typical bushhog, then even if you have it as high as it can be raised, you usually are removing grazable forage. If it turns dry, then you just reduced the amount of potential forage available.

If you are bound and determined to clip, at least wait until right after grazing it. Once it has been grazed, reassess it and determine if clipping is still feasible. If the cows were allowed to pick and choose and

only ate ice cream and no broccoli, then yes, to prevent the “broccoli” from increasing or going to seed, clipping would be beneficial. If animals had more competition per allocation, then it might be harder to justify.

I’ve fought more briars and ironweed this season than normal. Early season grazing under wet conditions can create opportunities for some pests to try and get a foothold in small, slightly more disturbed areas. If you were able to graze this spring under wet conditions and not pug, plug, or almost plow up areas trying to graze quickly across it, then my hat is off to you. It was challenging. Only areas that had heavy cover were left somewhat unscathed.

Mowing or clipping it is a common management tool that can certainly be very beneficial, but it also can sometimes do more harm than good. Besides the potential removal of grazable forage, clipping short after prolonged close grazing reduces root mass and greatly slows regrowth. Evaporation is generally also increased under this circumstance leading to higher soil temperatures and, most likely, increased oxidation of carbon through the reduction of soil organic matter.

In late July as I’m writing this, I have not clipped any pastures yet and honestly, from the way a couple of them look, especially from a distance, they are about to reach my personal threshold aesthetically. Except for a few weeks in June, the understory has continued to grow faster than I have time or decent weather conditions to manage. The windshield view is worse than the walking view in most cases. In other words, from a distance it looks a lot worse than it is up close.

If the canopy of less desirables starts to get even close to thirty percent – it will get clipped. That is my threshold. If an undesirable starts to go to seed – it will get clipped. If I can’t clip higher than any grazable desirable forage, then it will get grazed again prior to being clipped, especially if something will eat the target species.

Is just removing seed heads a justifiable reason for clipping? Some people would quickly say yes and state the reason was to reduce cases of pinkeye. The seed heads do not cause pink eye, or at least not independently. The seed heads along with other things present irritates the eyes. Watery eyes draw flies. The flies then move the bacteria from the infected animal to other animals.

Dr. Bill Shulaw, OSU extension veterinarian, once wrote, “Pinkeye demonstrates a well-known principle in infectious diseases. Disease usually occurs only when there is a susceptible host (in this case a non-immune cow), an infectious agent (*Moraxella bovis* for pinkeye), and environmental conditions that favor infection of the host (irritation of the eye to create tears that attract the flies and that favor the attachment of the bacteria to eye tissues).

Remember, it’s not about maximizing a grazing event, but maximizing a grazing season! Keep on grazing!

Reminders & Opportunities
More pasture information and past issues of Grazing Bites are available at www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/in/technical/landuse/pasture/

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