

Council approves highway department mechanic's raise

BY COURTNEY HUGHETT
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Highway Superintendent Leo Padgett told the Martin County Council at their meeting Monday night, August 4, that his new mechanic has gone past his 60-day probation period and he would like to give him a five percent raise. Padgett said the council said in their April meeting that department heads could recommend raises for their employees when they felt it was warranted.

Padgett said that the mechanic was not hired yet when the council approved raises for the other employees.

Council member Randy Winger said the way he understood it was that new employees were not going to start out receiving raises approved previously.

Auditor January Roush noted that the new mechanic is making the same amount the last mechanic was making.

Council member Barb McFeaters said that her only concern was if they approved this raise, other new employees coming in, in any department, would expect the same thing.

Winger said he thought they had changed the policy so that new hires would not start out making the same amount as everyone else in the department. Roush replied that it was discussed but she doesn't believe it was ever officially voted on.

Padgett said that he doesn't think it is fair that his mechanic is making less than everyone else in the highway department.

After more discussion, the council voted to give the mechanic the five percent raise.

The council discussed the need to change the policy and have it included in the employee handbook. No vote or decision was made on it however.

Kathy Collins, community corrections director, told the council that Jared Sheetz has been hired as the part-time road crew supervisor and Stevie Horton has been hired as the field service officer.

Ruth Smith thanked the council for the approval of \$150,000 in EDIT funds for the rebuilding of the Loogootee Pool and also reminded them that an engraved brick will be placed in their honor at the pool.

Auditor Roush reported to the council that the tax rates for Martin County for next year will be the same as this year.



Ryan's Hope continues to help children

-Photos by Josh and Courtney Hughett
The annual Ryan's Hope Benefit was held last Saturday at the fairgrounds. A large crowd turned out to support the event. Enough money was raised to buy warm weather clothing and Christmas presents for 55 Shoals school children.



Lili's Lemonade Stand wraps up 3rd year

-Photo above by Courtney Hughett, photo below provided

Lili's Lemonade Stand raised \$1,000 this year to go toward helping making the new city pool handicap accessible. Lili Lukomski is shown above with her mom, Cori. In the photo on the right, Lili and Cori are shown with Lili's dad, Tim Lukomski, (far left) and Loogootee Mayor Noel Harty as he presents a certificate to Lili for her good deed. The event is held each year on August 2.



Martin County's jobless rate 10th lowest in the state for June

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Martin County's jobless rate rose just slightly from May to June, going from 4.8 percent to 5 percent, putting the county in 10th place for the lowest jobless rate in the state for June, tied with Jackson and Pulaski counties.

In June, the county had 5,351 residents in the workforce with 268 of them without jobs. In May, there were 5,200 residents able to work and 248 of them unemployed. In June of last year, Martin County's unemployment rate was 6.3 percent with 5,296 residents in the workforce and 333 of them unemployed.

Daviess County also saw a small increase in unemployment, up from 4.3 percent in May to 4.8 percent in June. The county moved to the sixth spot in the state for lowest jobless rate, tied with Boone County.

In June, Daviess County had 15,317 residents in the workforce and 738 of them were jobless. In May, the county had 15,000 residents able to work and 646 of them were unemployed. In June of 2013, Daviess County's jobless rate was 6.3 percent with 15,219 residents able to work and 955 of them unemployed.

Dubois County's unemployment rate jumped a half a point from May to June, going from 3.8 percent to 4.3 percent. The county held on to the top spot in the state for having the lowest jobless rate.

In June, Dubois County had 22,573 residents able to work and 975 of them were without jobs. In May, there were 21,964 residents in the workforce and 843 of them unemployed. In June of last year, Dubois

County's unemployment rate was 5.7 percent with 22,060 residents able to work and 813 of them without jobs.

Orange County had a slight increase in their unemployment rate, going from 6.2 percent in May to 6.5 percent in June. The county had the 29th highest unemployment of the 92 Indiana counties for June, tied with Putnam and Washington counties.

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City cuts \$50,000 from next year's budget

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The Loogootee City Council held a very short special meeting Monday night, August 4 to discuss the 2015 budget.

Clerk-Treasurer Nancy Jones gave the council a list of cuts she recommended from the general fund. The city had to cut \$50,000 based on the revenue they will be receiving for next year. Those cuts included: \$500 from other professional services, \$20,000 from improvements to city owned buildings and \$20,000 from improvements other than buildings, \$1,000 from clerk-treasurer's office equipment, \$1,000 from mayor's travel expenses, \$1,000 from street department machinery and equipment, \$2,500 from fire department buildings, and \$2,000 from fire department new machinery and equipment, \$2,000 from the fire department new clothing and papers.

The council approved all the recommended cuts and with no further business, the meeting was adjourned.



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Becky Skillman announces Radius Indiana to assume functions of SIBA

Becky Skillman announces that Radius Indiana will be assuming the functions of the Southern Indiana Business Alliance (SIBA). SIBA's individual members have long been champions of Crane, and stalwart proponents for strengthening and growing the defense and national security industry in Indiana. SIBA has worked to educate the state of Indiana, Congressional leaders and Pentagon officials on the value and contribution of NSA Crane to our National De-

fense. SIBA has long taken the lead on many initiatives surrounding the defense sector in Indiana, and was particularly instrumental in providing resources and community support during the 2005 U.S. Department of Defense Base Realignment and Closure.

Radius Indiana serves as the official point of contact for NSA Crane outside the gates. Radius assists business leaders and defense and national security industries with the resources and relationships needed to ensure success.

"I am pleased that the Southern Indiana Business Alliance initiatives will continue to live on and thrive under the leadership of Radius Indiana and Becky Skillman," said Nyle Riegle, President of SIBA. "SIBA looks forward to working with Radius Indiana throughout the transition to help fully realize the potential Crane offers to the region, state and nation."

Becky Skillman commented, "This move represents the building of a stronger, more unified voice as we move forward to help strengthen and grow NSA Crane and the national security and defense industries in Indiana. The SIBA membership will remain engaged in a meaningful way, continuing to make significant ongoing contributions to the future of this region."

Radius Indiana will continue its efforts to help promote and grow NSA Crane, as well as its communications responsibilities pertinent to NSA Crane, as it relates to defense and national security.

ABOUT RADIUS INDIANA - Formed in 2009, Radius Indiana is a regional partnership representing eight counties in south central Indiana: Crawford, Daviess, Dubois, Greene, Lawrence, Martin, Orange and Washington. The partnership also serves as a primary point of contact in Indiana for the Naval Surface Warfare Center (NSWC) Crane Division. The partnership's mission is to advance the economy of the South Central Indiana Region by: generating high-quality employment opportunities; diversifying the region's economic base; and raising the standard of living for residents of the Region. To accomplish the mission of Radius Indiana, the partnership works diligently to develop and support the customized resources businesses need to successfully locate or expand in the South Central Indiana Region. The vision of Radius Indiana is to create a dynamic network of private and public partnerships that works together for the benefit of all. For more information, please visit www.radiusindiana.com.

Humane Society featured pets



The dog in the top photo is Tessa, a female, brindle lab mix. She is very sweet but very high energy. She needs to go to a home where she will get plenty of playtime. Tessa is spayed and up to date on her shots. Adoption fee is \$60. The photo on the bottom is Willie, a male kitten around 12 weeks old. The shelter has many kittens to choose from. Adoption fee is \$40 which includes shots and spay/neuter. If interested in adopting, stop by the 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. any day except Sunday. The shelter is currently not taking in any dogs or cats until some are adopted.

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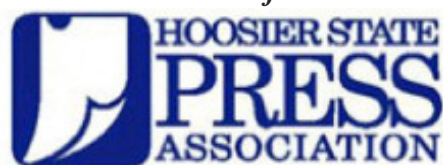
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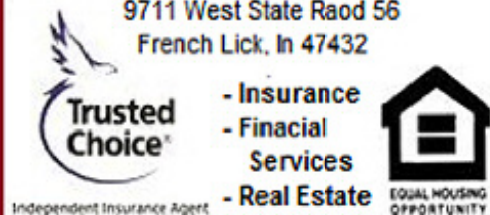
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West Boggs Lake drawdown to begin

West Boggs Park and the Indiana Division of Fish & Wildlife will be initiating the drawdown of West Boggs Lake near the end of August and are informing boaters and other lake users to be aware of significant changes in water levels that will occur in the first part of September.

According to Daviess-Martin Joint County Parks Department Superintendent Michael Axsom, the work will start with a slow release of water in late August, sometime around August 25th. This will be used to test operational structures of the dam and to begin letting off some excess water. In most years the lake is already at a reduced level because of dry weather and hot weather by mid-summer and that phase of the drawdown would not have had any time advantage. This year has been unusually cool and wet and the lake level is still at or above normal so the drawdown will need to be started at that time to meet the end target dates later on.

A more rapid drawdown will then be started immediately after September 1st. In all probability the ramps will remain open for another week or ten days after that time, and maybe a little longer for smaller boats, but people needing to remove boats should not count on that. Lake users should expect the boat ramps to become unusable earlier for larger boats that require deeper water on the ramp. Any rain during that time will slow things down but only temporarily. Private docks in some areas may become dry areas before the ramps are unusable so if that is your situation keep an eye on both locations.

It will also be difficult to judge how long you might have to get a boat out by watching how much the water falls per

day in the early stages. In the beginning, the lake has a much larger surface area and the number of gallons per day released is spread out over that larger area. Later the same number of gallons will be released per day but the surface will be constantly decreasing, causing the level to fall faster each day. In the early stages the lake may only drop an inch or two per day while near the end of the process it may fall two feet in a day.

The timing of all this is determined by the history of previous lake drawdowns, normal weather patterns and the targets of the fisheries work. One important factor in that work is the need to get the lake down to the target level around the end of September to allow for the harvest of adult fish in a salvage operation, the eradication of the undesirable species and then wait for the chemicals used in that eradication to neutralize as they breakdown with sunlight and oxygen to make the remaining water safe for the introduction of new fish stock. This new stock needs to be in the lake and out of the hatcheries before the onset of cold weather. That is why the needs of mid to late October become the driving force for what they do in late summer.

Refilling of the lake will depend on rainfall and snow melt over the winter and spring. It is expected that the lake will be at or near normal levels again by March or April based on normal weather patterns for the area, but again this can vary and it could be as much as several weeks early or late from that average. West Boggs has a large watershed for the lake size, however and refilling is not expected to be an issue unless an unusually dry period was to occur.

JOBLESS RATE

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In June, Orange County had 10,006 residents able to work and 649 of them without jobs. In May, there were 10,069 citizens in the workforce and 627 of them without work. In June of last year, the county's jobless rate was 8.3 percent with 10,185 residents in the workforce and 843 of them without jobs.

Lawrence County's unemployment rate for June rose just a bit to 7.6 percent, up from 7.4 percent in May. The county had the sixth highest jobless rate in the state for June, tied with Delaware County.

In June, Lawrence County had 21,340 residents in the workforce with 1,625 of them without jobs. In May, there were 21,389 residents able to work with 1,584 of them unemployed. In June of 2013, Lawrence County's unemployment rate was 9.9 percent with 21,190 residents in the workforce and 2,096 of them without jobs.

The top ten spots in the state for lowest jobless rate for June were: Dubois at 4.3 percent, Hamilton at 4.5 percent, Bartholomew at 4.6 percent, Wells and Kosciusko at 4.7 percent, Daviess and Boone at 4.8 percent, Whitley and Hendricks at 4.9 percent, and Pulaski, Martin and Jackson at 5 percent.

The top ten spots in the state for the highest jobless rate for June were: Vermillion at 8.8 percent, Fayette at 8.4 percent, Vigo at 8.3 percent, Lake at 8.1 percent, Sullivan at 8 percent, Delaware and Lawrence at 7.6 percent, LaPorte at 7.5 percent, and Fountain, Grant, and Owen at 7.4 percent.

The Hoosier State gained 10,000 private sector jobs in June, with every major industry sector experiencing growth. Indiana's pri-

private sector gains signified the largest June increase on record. Since July, 2009, the low point of employment in the state, Indiana's private sector has expanded by 235,300 jobs. Manufacturing alone has accounted for 77,800 jobs, or one-third of the gains.

Despite Indiana's significant private sector gains, the unemployment rate in the Hoosier State inched up 0.2 percent to 5.9 percent, mainly due to 4,000 individuals returning to the labor force to look for work. Indiana's labor force participation rate remains at 63.3 percent, exceeding the national rate for the third month in a row.

"Indiana added more private sector jobs last month than any other June on record, which is quite significant," said Scott B. Sanders, Commissioner of the Indiana Department of Workforce Development. "The Hoosier labor force has also grown by more than 43,000 in 2014 alone. There is definitely more work to do, but it remains clear that Hoosiers are going back to work and good jobs are available."

Sanders also noted initial claims and continued claims for unemployment insurance benefits remain at levels not seen since 2000.

Employment by Sector
 Sectors showing gains in June include: Leisure and Hospitality (3,200), Construction (2,700), Trade, Transportation & Utilities (2,300), Manufacturing (2,200), Professional & Business Services (300), and Financial Activities (100). No major sectors declined in June. Total non-farm employment increased in June (17,400).

This article was written in part with a press release from the Indiana Department of Workforce Development.

PHYSICIAN RETIREMENT

Roy E. Cecchi, MD will retire from the medical practice of obstetrics and gynecology on August 31, 2014

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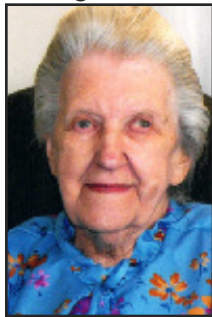
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OBITUARIES

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EVELYN WINKEL

Evelyn Winkel went to her heavenly home on August 2, 2014 at 5:54 p.m. A resident of Elnora, she was 93.



EVELYN WINKEL

She was born August 31, 1920 in Shoals; the daughter of Orville and Christie (Batchelor) Allbright. She married Elmer Winkel on December 19, 1936.

She was an Ordained Lay Minister with the Wesleyan Church and served alongside her husband in several congregations. Their last pastorate was the Elnora Wesleyan Church and she continued to serve the church after her husband's passing in 1973.

She was also a homemaker and greatly enjoyed reading.

She is survived by one daughter, Diana (Kenneth) Bays of Elnora; four sons, Robert (Norma) Winkel of Somerville, Wilson (Jane) Winkel of Jasper, Daniel (Melba) Winkel of Elnora, and Jack (Jill) Winkel of Plainville; one brother, Ronald (Fay) Allbright of Shoals; 15 grandchildren, 22 great-grandchildren, nine great-great-grandchildren, two step-grandchildren, three step great-grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews.

She is preceded in death by her parents; husband; one daughter, Karen in infancy; grandson, Anthony Winkel; one sister, Novella Luck; and two brothers, Robert and Ray Morris Allbright.

A funeral service was held Tuesday, August 5 at Queen-Lee Funeral Home in Shoals. Burial followed in Spring Hill Cemetery.

Condolences may be made online to the family at www.queenlee.com.

SANDRA HOTZ

Sandra M. Hotz died at 7:20 a.m. Tuesday, July 22, 2014 at Deaconess Hospital in Evansville. A resident of Washington, she was 66.

She was born April 20, 1948 in Loogootee; the daughter of David Gail and Ora (Hembree) Hotz.

She was a member of the VFW Auxiliary in Washington and she enjoyed playing bingo, cards and spending time with her family.

She is survived by one daughter, Cathy and husband, James White, of Washington; one sister, Rita Harsha of Jasper; one granddaughter, Brandy White of Washington; one grandson, Chris White of Washington; and her companion, Rick Harsha of Washington.

She is preceded in death by her father, David Gail Hotz; her mother, Ora Hotz Taylor; her step-father, David "Henry" Taylor;

one brother, Larry Hotz; and two sisters, Nancy and Sheila Hotz.

The body of Sandra Hotz was cremated, there will be no services and burial will be at a later date. The Brocksmith-Blake Funeral Home in Loogootee is in charge of arrangements.

Online condolences may be made at www.brocksmithblakefuneralhomes.com.

ROSANNA WAGLER

Rosanna Wagler went to be with her Lord at 3:18 p.m. Thursday, July 31, 2014 at Deaconess Hospital in Evansville. A resident of Montgomery, she was 82.



ROSANNA WAGLER

She was born September 10, 1931, in Daviess County; the daughter of Amos and Fannie (Richer) Stoll. She married Willis Wagler on November 15, 1953.

She was a homemaker and a member of the Mt. Olive Mennonite Church. She enjoyed her part-time job at the Gasthof of guiding Amish tours. Her love for people was evident by visiting the elderly and shut-ins. She enjoyed gardening and spending time with her sisters and grandchildren.

She is survived by four daughters and sons-in-law, Fannita Wagler of Montgomery, Marsha (Loren) Wingard, Rhonda (Marlon) Wagler, all of Washington, and Velma (Dan) Mast of Holmerville, Ohio; four sons and daughters-in-law, Dean (Wanda) Wagler, Wayne (Esther) Wagler, Amon (Marti) Wagler, all of Washington, and Nathan (Rose) Wagler of Montgomery; 32 grandchildren; two sisters, Lydia (Simon) Lengacher of Loogootee and Emma (Howard) Stoll of Odon.

She is preceded in death by her husband, Willis Wagler; a son, Nelson Wagler; a grandson, Wendell Mast; and brothers, Isaac, Enos and Herman Stoll.

The funeral was held Sunday, August 3 at Berea Mennonite Church. Burial followed in Mt. Olive Church Cemetery.

EUGENE PARSONS

Eugene Parsons died at 3:30 a.m. Tuesday, August 5, 2014 at the home of his daughter in Battle Ground, Indiana. A resident of Loogootee, he was 85.

He was born August 13, 1928 in Martin County; the son of Ott and Edith (Waggoner) Parsons. On August 30, 1946 he married Jeanne (Kidwell) Parsons and she survives.

Some of Eugene's occupations were a carpenter, farmer and floor covering installer. He attended Mt. Zion Wesleyan Church and he enjoyed hunting, fishing, playing cards and spending time with his family. He also enjoyed watching the Atlanta Braves Baseball

and I.U. Basketball.

He is survived by his wife, Jeanne Parsons of Loogootee; one daughter, Connie and husband, Charlie Padgett, of Battle Ground; five sons, Keith Parsons and wife, Janet, of Loogootee, Kenny Parsons and wife, Jodi, of Washington; Larry Parsons and wife, Marilou, and Robert Parsons and wife, Alice, both of Bedford; and Ronnie Parsons and wife, Denise, of Beaver Creek, Ohio; daughter-in-law, Rose Parsons-Lichlyter of Celestine; 16 grandchildren and 16 great grandchildren.

He is preceded in death by his parents, Ott and Edith (Waggoner) Parsons, one son, Gary Parsons; one grandson, Christopher Parsons; one great grandson, Nehemiah Ayers; two brothers, John Raymond and Andy Parsons; and three sisters, Kathleen Truelove, Viola Ramsey, and Thelma Crane.

Funeral services will be conducted at 10 a.m. Friday, August 8 at Brocksmith-Blake Funeral Home in Loogootee. Burial will follow in St. John Catholic Cemetery in Loogootee.

Visitation will be from 4 p.m. until 8 p.m. Thursday, August 8 at Brocksmith-Blake Funeral Home in Loogootee.

In lieu of flowers memorial donations may be made to the Martin County Coon Club or the charity of choice.

Online condolences may be made at www.brocksmithblakefuneralhomes.com.

JACK TROUT

Jack W. Trout died at 10:45 p.m. Tuesday, August 5, 2014 at the Loogootee Health Care and Rehabilitation Center. A resident of Crane, he was 90.

He was born February 6, 1924 in Chrisman, Illinois; the son of Mark Wayne and Lillian (Benson) Trout. On October 16, 1947 he married Frances M. (Strange) Trout and she survives.

He was employed at Crane Naval Weapons Center from 1947 to 1978. While at Crane he

worked on the fire department for 28 years and at one time had served as the assistant fire chief. He also worked as a part-time tax preparer for many years after retirement from Crane.

He was a member of St. Joseph Catholic Church in Bramble and was a graduate of Brazil High School in Brazil. He also served in the United States Navy from 1941 until 1947 and was a member of the Crane Indiana VFW.

He enjoyed following the Chicago Cubs Baseball team along with the Loogootee Lions Basketball and the former St. John High School Basketball team.

He is survived by his wife, Frances M. Trout; one daughter, Sharon and husband Dick Mentzer of Tucson, Arizona; four sons, Mark Trout and wife, Karla, of Loogootee, Jack Trout and wife, Nancy, of Sellersburg, Jim Trout and wife, Sandy, of Franklin, Kentucky; and Jeff Trout of Scotland, Indiana; four grandchildren, four step grandchildren, one great granddaughter, seven step great grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

He is preceded in death by his parents, Mark Wayne and Lillian (Benson) Trout; one sister, Joan Bush; and one grandson, Ben Trout.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated by the Very Rev. J. Kenneth Walker at 10 a.m. on Saturday, August 9 at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Bramble. Burial will follow in the church cemetery. There will be military graveside rites conducted by the Crane VFW.

Visitation will be from 4 p.m. until 8 p.m. on Friday, August 8 at the Brocksmith-Blake Funeral Home in Loogootee.

In lieu of flowers memorial donations may be made to the Martin County Community Foundation Ben Trout Scholarship Endowment.

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MONDAY, JULY 28

9:35 a.m. - Received a report of an identity theft in Shoals.

12:24 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee.

12:35 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Shoals.

8:44 p.m. - Received a report of a domestic dispute in Shoals.

TUESDAY, JULY 29

7:20 a.m. - Received a report of a livestock in the roadway on Hickory Ridge Road,

10:52 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Williams.

2:10 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee.

4:06 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Shoals.

5:40 p.m. - Received a report of a domestic dispute in Shoals.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 30

11:04 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee.

3:34 p.m. - Received a report of a child custody dispute.

5:09 p.m. - Received a report of a property damage accident on Chestnut Street in Shoals.

11:07 p.m. - Received a report of a domestic dispute in Loogootee.

THURSDAY, JULY 31

6:39 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Shoals.

3:40 p.m. - Received a report of a property damage accident on U.S. 231, south of Loogootee.

5:35 p.m. - Received a report of an injured animal on Indian Springs Road.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 1

7:58 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee.

2:35 p.m. - Received a report of an injured animal in Shoals.

3:52 p.m. - Received a report of a theft in Shoals.

4:41 p.m. - Received a report of a theft in Shoals.

4:52 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee.

10:51 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Shoals.

11:40 p.m. - Received a report of a domestic dispute in Shoals.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 2

1:30 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Shoals.

9:00 a.m. - Received a report of a domestic dispute in Shoals.

11:00 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee.

12:14 p.m. - Received a request for a VIN check in Loogootee.

12:52 p.m. - Received a request or an ambulance in Burns City.

3:25 p.m. - Received a report of possible theft of a dirt bike. Deputies Harmon and Baker were notified.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 3

9:58 a.m. - Received a report of theft in Loogootee. Capt. Akles responded.

2:40 p.m. - Request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded.

3:25 p.m. - Report of mailbox vandalism on Cale Road. Deputy Harmon was notified

Loogootee Police log

MONDAY, JULY 28

12:01 p.m. - Caller reported a bike that may have been stolen.

3:41 p.m. - Officer Nolan responded to a business alarm.

TUESDAY, JULY 29

1:30 p.m. - Caller reported a hit-and-run accident.

4:30 p.m. - Caller reported theft of medication.

4:35 p.m. - Caller reported a theft of a bike.

6:40 p.m. - Caller reported a domestic dispute on Church Street.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 30

4:22 p.m. - Caller reported a child custody issue.

5:07 p.m. - Received a report of a theft of fuel from Chuckles.

7:52 p.m. - Loogootee Fire was paged out to Dewey Street for a vehicle fire.

8:39 p.m. - Caller reported a phone scam.

9:29 p.m. - Caller reported a traffic complaint.

10:22 p.m. - Caller reported a battery. Officer Nolan responded.

11:07 p.m. - Caller reported having problems with some juveniles.

THURSDAY, JULY 31

12:44 a.m. - Caller reported a domestic issue.

3:40 p.m. - Loogootee Fire was paged out to assist with a vehicle accident on US 231.

5:51 p.m. - Received a report of a viola-

tion of a protective order.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 1

6:45 a.m. - Captain Akles responded to a business alarm.

10:17 a.m. - Captain Akles responded to a business alarm.

8:26 p.m. - Caller reported her son had been missing. Juvenile was later located.

11:00 p.m. - Caller reported a suspicious vehicle on Church Street.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 2

8:00 a.m. - Caller reported roofing nails on Bloomfield Road.

10:25 a.m. - Caller reported a reckless driver on US 50.

4:46 p.m. - Caller reported a civil complaint.

6:47 p.m. - Caller reported a reckless vehicle on West Main Street.

7:57 p.m. - Caller reported a domestic issue.

9:26 p.m. - Received a report of a disturbance at the city park.

9:55 p.m. - Female requested transient assistance.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 3

1:15 a.m. - Caller reported possible drug activity.

9:58 a.m. - Caller reported a burglary.

10:14 a.m. - Caller reported a dispute in Redwing Trailer Court.

12:40 p.m. - Caller reported harassment.

9:28 p.m. - Caller reported a disturbance on Hwy 50.

Loogootee man arrested for allegedly battering a nine-month-old infant

A Loogootee man was arrested Friday night, August 1 as a result of an investigation into the battery of a nine-month-old infant.

On July 30, Troopers with the Jasper Post received a complaint of a possible battery on a nine-month-old boy. Medical personnel at Memorial Hospital indicated that the boy had sustained an injury to his genitalia that consisted of bleeding and swelling.

In working with the Indiana Child Protective Services, Troopers were able to determine the suspect, Arvel R. Griffey, Jr., 24,

of Loogootee, had battered the child while in a car while Griffey was being taken back

to the Dubois County Community Corrections Center.

After conferring with the Dubois County Prosecutor's Office, Troopers had probable cause to arrest Griffey Friday night at the Dubois County Community Corrections Center.

He was arrested without incident and transported to the Dubois County Jail.

He is being held without bond. Griffey was charged with battery resulting in serious bodily injury to a person less than 14 years of age, a Level 3 Felony.



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Do I have to stop for that school bus?

In Indiana, August brings hot weather, the State Fair and also the start of a new school year. Every school year the Indiana State Police receives numerous complaints about school bus stop arm violations from school corporations around the state.

The Indiana Department of Education surveys school corporations annually for stop arm violations on one given day, and reports those numbers to the National Association of State Directors for Pupil Transportation Services (NASDPTS).

In 1999, there were 932 stop arm violations on one day in September. This year, on April 29, there were 2,577 stop arm violations reported in the state. There are just over 16,000 school buses on the road in Indiana, and according to the yearly statistics, as the number of school buses on the road has increased, so has the number of school bus stop arm violations.

The Indiana State Police would like to remind motorists of the Indiana law concerning school buses, flashing lights and stop arms.

Remember, when approaching a school bus, from any direction, which is stopped with its flashing red lights activated and its stop arm extended, motorists are required to STOP, even on multiple lane highways.

Motorists who are on a highway that is divided by a barrier or unimproved median are required to stop only if they are traveling the same direction as the school bus. If there is no unimproved median or barrier, then all lanes in all directions must stop.

When approaching a school bus always be prepared to stop and watch for stopped



-Photo provided

The photo above is of a staged example of a stop arm violation.

traffic.

Disregarding a school bus stop arm is a serious violation and one that school bus drivers are quick to report. Violation of this law is a Class "A" infraction and is punishable by a maximum fine of \$10,000.

The Indiana State Police is committed to the safety of our children, motorists and highways, and will continue our enforcement and education efforts to ensure that safety. To learn more about national stop arm violation statistics you may access the National Association of State Directors of Pupil Transportation Services web site at www.nasdpts.org/StopArm/index.html

To contact the Indiana State Police Commercial Motor Vehicle Enforcement Division with questions about stop arm violations you may click on the link <https://secure.in.gov/ISP/BusInspections/Public/Index> then click on email ISP.

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Martin County real estate transfers

Elsie M. O'Brien, of Martin County, Indiana to **The Rachel E. Doyle Trust Agreement**, of Martin County, Indiana, a part of the southwest quarter of Section 19, Township 3 North, Range 4 West, all in the City of Loogootee, Perry Township, Martin County, Indiana containing 0.151 acre, more or less.

Donna Jean Sipes and Mark Alan Pennington, of Martin County, Indiana to **Thomas W. Harker**, of Martin County, Indiana. Tract I: The south half of the northwest quarter of the southwest quarter of Section 27, Township 3 North, Range 4 West containing 20 acres, more or less. The northeast quarter of the southeast quarter of Section 28, Township 3 North, Range 4 West containing 39 acres, more or less, with the exception of one acre and 16.804 acres, 1.64 acres, 8.083 acres, and one acre. Tract II: All that part of the northeast quarter of the southeast quarter of Section 28, Township 3 North, Range 4 West.

David L. Lingenfelter and Rebecca A. Lingenfelter, of Martin County, Indiana to **Richard O. Lingenfelter and Kathy I. Lingenfelter**, of Martin County, Indiana, tracts of land lying in part of the southwest quarter of Section 20, Township 2 North, Range 4 West, in Rutherford Township, Martin County, Indiana containing 27.98 acres, more or less.

Eddie L. Lingenfelter, of Tarrant County, Texas to **Richard O. Lingenfelter and Kathy I. Lingenfelter**, of Martin County, Indiana. Tract I: Tracts of land lying in part of the southwest quarter of Section 20, Township 2 North, Range 4 West, in Rutherford Township, Martin County, Indiana containing 27.98 acres, more or less. Tract II: A tract of land lying in part of the southwest quarter of Section 20, Township 2 North, Range 4 West, in Rutherford Township, Martin County, Indiana containing 40.56 acres, more or less except a tract containing 17.689 acres, more or less.

Mary Louise McClure, of Knox County,

Indiana to **Richard O. Lingenfelter and Kathy I. Lingenfelter**, of Martin County, Indiana. Tract I: Tracts of land lying in part of the southwest quarter of Section 20, Township 2 North, Range 4 West, in Rutherford Township, Martin County, Indiana containing 27.98 acres, more or less. Tract II: A tract of land lying in part of the southwest quarter of Section 20, Township 2 North, Range 4 West, in Rutherford Township, Martin County, Indiana containing 40.56 acres, more or less except a tract containing 17.689 acres, more or less.

Alice Kay Sheetz, of Martin County, Indiana to **Richard O. Lingenfelter and Kathy I. Lingenfelter**, of Martin County, Indiana. Tract I: Tracts of land lying in part of the southwest quarter of Section 20, Township 2 North, Range 4 West, in Rutherford Township, Martin County, Indiana containing 27.98 acres, more or less. Tract II: A tract of land lying in part of the southwest quarter of Section 20, Township 2 North, Range 4 West, in Rutherford Township, Martin County, Indiana containing 40.56 acres, more or less except a tract containing 17.689 acres, more or less.

Robert M. Stevens, of Martin County, Indiana to **Mark Pennington**, of Martin County, Indiana. Tract I: Twenty-six feet of even width off the north end of the southeast quarter of Section 24, Township 3 North, Range 5 West, of the second principal meridian, City of Loogootee, Martin County, Indiana containing .02 acre, more or less. Tract II: 403 Kentucky Avenue, Loogootee, Indiana.

Brent A. Lueken, of Dubois County, Indiana to **Brent A. Lueken and Megan S. Lueken**, of Dubois County, Indiana, the southwest quarter of the southwest quarter of Section 27, Township 2 North, Range 3 West, containing 40 acres. Also, part of the northwest quarter of Section 34, Township 2 North, Range 3 West containing 30 acres, more or less. Containing in all 70 acres, more or less.

Martin County Court News

CRIMINAL COURT New Charges Filed July 8

Jeffrey Winger, operating a motor vehicle after forfeiture of license for life, a Class 5 Felony.

July 15

Jonathon M. Moffitt, operating a vehicle while intoxicated, a Class 6 Felony.

July 18

Russell W. Erwin, auto theft, a Class 6 Felony; operating a vehicle with a schedule I or II controlled substance or its metabolite in the body, a Class C Misdemeanor.

Justin R. Truelove, possession of methamphetamine, a Class 6 Felony; maintaining a common nuisance, a Class 6 Felony.

Kailea G. Graves, possession of methamphetamine, a Class 6 Felony; maintaining a common nuisance, a Class 6 Felony.

July 21

Corbin Daniel Wildman, operating a vehicle with an ACE of .08 or more, a Class C Misdemeanor.

Marc A. Stoll, illegal transportation of an alcoholic beverage on a public highway, a Class C Misdemeanor.

Cassandra B. Cole, driving while suspended, a Class A Misdemeanor.

Danny R. McKibben, operating a vehicle while intoxicated, a Class 6 Felony.

July 23

James R. Honeycutt, resisting law enforcement, a Class 6 Felony; intimidation, a Class 6 Felony; operating a vehicle while intoxicated endangering a person, a Class A Misdemeanor.

Darrell D. Baker, causing serious bodily injury when operating a motor vehicle with a schedule I or II substance in the body, a Class 6 Felony.

July 25

Jonathan M. Payne, possession of marijuana, a Class B Misdemeanor; forgery, a

Class C Felony; theft, a Class D Felony.

Carl E. Rush, operating a vehicle while intoxicated endangering a person, a Class A Misdemeanor; operating a vehicle with an ACE of .15 or more, a Class A Misdemeanor.

CRIMINAL CONVICTIONS AND SENTENCING July 15

Jason E. Smith, convicted of operating a vehicle while intoxicated endangering a person, a Class A Misdemeanor. Sentenced to serve 60 days in the Martin County Security Center with 60 days suspended. Defendant received 12 months of probation.

CRIMINAL CHARGES DISMISSED July 21

Andrew Couchman, two counts of neglect of a dependent, Class D Felonies, dismissed; maintaining a common nuisance, a Class D Felony, dismissed.

July 23

Ryan D. Bell, invasion of privacy, a Class A Misdemeanor, dismissed.

July 25

James R. Honeycutt, criminal mischief, a Class B Misdemeanor, dismissed.

CIVIL COURT New Suits Filed July 23

Lauren Skirvin vs. James Skirvin, petition for dissolution of marriage.

Paul L. Graber vs. Dawn M. Graber, petition for dissolution of marriage.

July 24

Michaela M. Jones vs. Isaac W. Jones, petition for dissolution of marriage.

July 28

LVNV Funding, LLC vs. Clifford Allen, civil collection.

July 29

Estate of Waylon Abel vs. Rene Sipes, Schilli Transportation Services, and Dearborn National Life Insurance Company, civil tort.

Old National Bank vs. Richard B. Allen, mortgage foreclosure.

CIVIL COURT JUDGEMENTS August 4

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff National Collegiate Student Loan Trust and against the defendant Dewey N. Hawkins in the amount of \$16,624.83.

MARRIAGE LICENSES August 1

Bradley A. Winger of Shoals and Breann L. Truelove of Shoals.

Jail bookings

MONDAY, JULY 28

8:58 p.m. - Tony Tinkle, of Shoals, was arrested by Shoals Town Marshal Eckert on preliminary charges of criminal mischief and resisting law enforcement.

TUESDAY, JULY 29

7:00 p.m. - Billie Groff, of Shoals, was arrested by Martin County Major Burkhardt on preliminary charges of intimidation and trespass.

THURSDAY, JULY 31

12:56 p.m. - Kelsey Bryson, of Mitchell, was arrested by Martin County Sergeant Keller on a Martin County warrant.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 1

5:24 p.m. - Brandon McKibben, of Shoals, was arrested by Martin County Deputy Baker on preliminary charge of operating while intoxicated.

8:36 p.m. - Michael Locke, of Washington, was arrested by Indiana State Police Trooper Sexton on preliminary charge of habitual traffic violator.

10:33 p.m. - Kyle Hackney, of Bedford, was arrested by Martin County Corporal Greene on a Martin County warrant.

Accident report

FRIDAY, AUGUST 1

8:50 p.m. - Christine Davis, of Fishers, was operating a 2013 Ford on Broadway Street when she went to turn and struck a 2004 Pontiac operated by Myron Knepp, of Montgomery. Officer Nolan investigated.

Classified ADS

YARD SALES

HUGE MULTI-FAMILY YARD SALE on Friday, August 8th from 4-8PM and Saturday, August 9th from 7AM-1PM at 223 Nobles Court, Loogootee. Lots of name brand clothing and shoes: Boys clothing - Newborn to 2T; Girls clothing - Newborn to size 5; Juniors, Women's, and Men's clothing in various sizes. Home décor, kitchenware, movies, craft supplies, scrapbooking material, furniture, tons of toys, baby gear, gorgeous twin bedding set with accessories, Queen headboard and footboard, plus more! Lots of great deals! Rain or shine.

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Grazing Bites

By Victor Shelton
NRCS State Agronomist/Grazing Specialist

I don't remember off hand a summer with such mild weather. I know some people think that it is just wonderful and most animals would certainly agree, but there is something just wrong with it being cool enough in the mornings that a light jacket feels good...when it is late July and early August! Just watch, since I said that, it will for sure warm back up!

If we look at growing degree days (GDD) for the last month around the state, we've had about twenty percent less than the average. We've talked about GDD's before. Growing Degree Days are calculated by taking the average between the daily maximum temperature and daily minimum temperature, and subtracting the base comparable temperature for each day. Days are then added together to compare periods. It is probably the most common way of assessing where we are in plant growth compared to other years. We are a bit behind. What exactly does this do for plants? Cool-season forages, such as orchardgrass, perennial ryegrass, and tall fescue prefer this type of weather and they have not succumbed to their more normal summer slump period as much this year and instead have kept on growing. Warm weather loving forages, such as bluestems, crabgrass, switchgrass, have not done as well, but most are somewhat tolerant of slightly cooler conditions better than cool-seasons during extremely hot and dry weather. Warm-season annuals such as corn would prefer warmer conditions than we have been having.

With almost ideal weather for cool-season forages and with most areas having decent soil moisture, unless you are leaving animals in one area too long or over stocked, you should have grass! Think about your yard. Though new growth has slowed down some the past few weeks, it is still growing and has continued to need to be mowed. Those grasses, dominantly ryegrasses, fescues and bluegrasses, all are cool-season forages too. They also respond to management somewhat the same as similar forages in the pasture. Leave an adequate green and growing solar panel behind (not scalped) allowing the plant to maintain more live roots and it will more likely continue to stay green and growing even under hotter and drier conditions than if cut/grazed too short, shortening the roots of the forages and disabling their ability to maintain deeper roots that can go after moisture deeper in the soil profile when needed.

Now, what was I talking about? Hmm, weather cooler than normal, good for cool-season forages with enough moisture, maintain cover and adequate grass to sustain the solar panel and keep the plant and roots growing, we are good to go! This could be one of the best grazing years we have had in a very long time! If these conditions continue, this will be a very good year to stockpile forage. Look for opportunities to get the livestock off of pastures and graze hay fields, annuals, and/or crop residues a bit later and watch all of the rested pastures reap the benefits from that rest. Tall fescue may have some issues, but nothing stockpiles or holds its nutritional value better than tall fescue and it will hold that value pretty much all winter. The more you can stockpile, the longer you can graze later on, and you also increase forage production in the process.

If there is a downside to our weather this summer, it might be a few too many cloudy days. Plant growth is certainly influenced by GDD's (temperature) and moisture, but also photosynthesis! Getting sufficient sunlight for photosynthesis is important for energy. Photosynthesis has less impact on actual yield as compared to its impact on



energy for the plant and for whatever is eating it. The soluble carbohydrates in the forages are highest after good sunny days. Differences in energy can even be seen in any normal day with values peaking in the afternoon and lowest being in the early morning. Multiple days with little or no sunshine can therefore impact forage energy. If you think back to the drought year of 2012, shaded areas in most pastures were the last to be grazed. The cows knew. Those areas did not have as much energy because photosynthesis was hampered due to the lack of adequate sunlight. The livestock will graze forages with higher energy first. They will also select plants for protein or nutrients if available if that is what they are lacking or seeking.

I mentioned last month that we were just a few weeks away from the start of the fall seeding period for cool-season grasses; well, that time is now here! We have struggled the past couple years to have enough moisture in the late summer and fall for ideal planting conditions. Moisture conditions vary depending on where you are and management. You and your neighbor could be different even with the same amount of rain and soil. It appears right now that we should have good conditions to plant forages this year. I hope that you seriously think about why you are reseeding it, why it needs to be reseeded, and perhaps reconsider doing it in some cases.

If the field has lost most or all desirable species and is being taken over by weeds, or if the field is a monoculture of endophyte infected tall fescue, especially with problems presenting themselves because of its presence, then I believe we can certainly justify totally killing out the existing stand and starting over with new improved species or varieties. My advice would be, if you are only going to replant the same forage species you presently have, then you need to seriously look at the way you are managing the field, and make sure that if management is the reason for replanting, you may want to fix management problems first, and then decide if replanting the field is really needed.

If management is the issue and not corrected, you are wasting time and money reseeding. We are forage/grass farmers and the livestock are our harvesters, just a tool in the toolbox. Grazing livestock on forages enables us to harvest energy from the sun through photosynthesis, converting that energy from the forages into meat, milk and fiber.

Enjoy this summer weather and keep on grazing!

Reminders & Opportunities

Purdue Forage Workshop – September 4, 2014 – Purdue Agronomy Farm – For more details go to: <https://ag.purdue.edu/agry/dtc/Pages/forage.aspx>

FSA's Livestock Feed Program – Sign-up is underway in most Indiana counties for 2012 drought losses on pasture. All grazers are eligible. Contact your local FSA office for more information.

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



In the Garden

By Ralph Purkhiser
Purdue University Master Gardener

State Fair time is here. The Indiana State Fair opened August 1 and will continue through August 17. I was in Indianapolis last Wednesday, judging 4-H projects in the horticulture building at the fairgrounds. I am happy to report that there were more and better vegetable exhibits this year than I have seen in recent years. Choosing sweepstakes award winners was difficult, with the deciding factors coming down to very picky criteria such as labels and the way stems were cut. The vegetables were simply flawless in many cases. I was surprised at the number and quality of the tomatoes, especially since many people are complaining that their tomatoes are not ripening very quickly. While we humans find the cooler-than-normal summer temperatures to our liking, tomatoes actually like the hot, humid weather that typifies Hoosier summers. I have found that the black Russian varieties are ripening a little better than some other tomatoes. These varieties came to the United States after the fall of the Soviet Union and seeds have become more generally available in the past few years. Summers are short in much of the old Soviet Union, and these tomatoes have been bred for early maturation. They also have a great flavor, but fruits tend to be smaller than other plate tomatoes. It was a black Russian type of tomato that won the sweepstakes award at the state fair.

If you visit the fair, you will not get to see many of the vegetables we judged. A few years ago, it was decided that rather than let these beautiful vegetables lie there and wilt over the course of the fair, they should be taken to some food banks and soup kitchens in the area to provide healthy meals for the less fortunate.

There were also more floriculture projects this year than in the past few years. That project was completely re-vamped a couple of years ago, giving 4-Hers more options in exhibits. That, coupled with the favorable conditions this year has apparently resulted in renewed interest in the project. Unlike the

gardening project, the flowers will be available to be seen during the fair, and since many are actually potted plants, they should look good for the entire fair.

The horticulture building is also the home of many other exhibits, including open class vegetable and flower exhibits, exhibits by specialized plant societies such as the Hosta Society and the Bonsai Society and the competition of Indiana's Christmas Tree Farms. Beekeepers also have exhibits and demonstrations in the Horticulture Building. It really is a place of great activity in the fair. The horticulture building is located just west of the fair Main Street, right next to the midway.

The State Fair is also a great place to see examples of landscaping. While I did not have time to look around the fairgrounds for changes, I know that there will be areas where one may see the effective use of native plants in landscapes. There are always interesting exhibits in the area of the DNR Building and a water-quality exhibit offers a walk through a shady area demonstrating the importance of plants in protecting our water supply. I hope to get back to the fair during its run to actually look around at new exhibits and to enjoy some of the traditional exhibits I have loved for many years.

If you want a cheap outing for your family, consider a trip to the Indiana State Fair. It is not expensive and discount tickets are available at many locations. Once inside, many activities are free of charge and a family could have a wonderful time without spending a lot of money. In addition to the 4-H and open class exhibits, there are many exhibits by manufacturers and dealers. There are a lot of free programs during the day and even free miniature golf in the FFA Building. If you feel the need to visit the midway, there are several days during the fair when discounts are available.

I have enjoyed a lot of fairs in my life, but I still look forward to visiting the Indiana State Fair this year. There is always something new to see.

Purdue research: Cover crops make stover more sustainable, profitable

BY LINDSEY ALEXANDER
Purdue University News Service

Farmers using cover crops as a soil conservation method can remove much more corn stover per acre for biofuels or other uses and at the same time potentially increase their income, Purdue University research shows.

The research points to the age-old conservation method as a way to protect the soil and add value. Using cover crops – plants such as crimson clover or annual ryegrass that blanket the soil – farmers can sustainably remove 1.8 tons more stover per acre than they otherwise would remove, the researchers say.

“The most important finding is that the added revenue from stover removal likely would be enough to pay the costs of a cover crop, in most cases,” said Wally Tyner, one of the researchers. “Thus, with a cover crop, more stover removal is environmentally sustainable.”

Corn residue, or stover, left on fields after harvest has long been a promising source of biofuel. But harvesting too much stover strips the soil of nutrients and health.

The research is detailed in the Purdue Extension publication Synergies Between Cover Crops and Corn Stover Removal, by Tyner and Michelle Pratt of the agricultural economics department; David J. Muth Jr. of Praxik Inc. of Ames, Iowa; and Eileen J. Kladvik of agronomy. It also was published online by the journal Science Di-

rect.

The research tests whether revenue from stover sales can pay for cover crop costs. It also analyzes the benefits of different cover crops and cover crop mixtures for farmers who just reap the agronomic impact and for farmers who remove and sell corn stover.

“If you have a cover crop, it provides some of the same soil retention, organic matter buildup and other benefits as keeping the stover on the ground. In fact, it provides more,” Tyner said. “So, if there were a viable market for corn stover for biofuels, animal feed or anything else, then the added stover that could be sustainably removed could provide enough revenue to pay for the cover crop costs.”

That means farms would have healthier soil and higher potential revenues, even accounting for costs of seed, planting and terminating. As the U.S. government encourages a transition to biofuels, stover removal is likely to increase. By 2022, the U.S. Energy Independence Act requires that 16 billion gallons of ethanol-like biofuels come from renewable fuel sources. These could be derived from corn stover.

The researchers considered and modeled various benefits for two kinds of farmers: those who harvest corn stover and those who don't. Cover crops increase net benefits for both – whether in cash or soil health, even compared with a no-till approach.

For farmers who remove and sell the stover, the benefits are financial. Instead of (See ‘COVER CROPS’ cont. on page 7)

Loogootee and Shoals SCHOOL MENUS

LOGOOTE ELEMNTARY
Breakfast
Thursday, August 7
 Egg patty, ham patty, wheat toast, pears
Friday, August 8
 Breakfast pizza, peaches
Monday, August 11
 Cereal, muffin, banana
Tuesday, August 12
 Whole wheat biscuit and gravy, pears
Wednesday, August 13
 Donut, pineapple
Lunch
Thursday, August 7
 Breaded tenderloin, scalloped potatoes, peas, pineapple, milk
Friday, August 8
 Pizza, French fries, carrots, mixed fruit, milk
Monday, August 11
 Sloppy Joe, French fries, peas, peaches, milk
Tuesday, August 12
 Chicken Alfredo, salad, tomatoes, pineapple, carrots, breadstick, milk
Wednesday, August 13

Taco salad, refried beans, lettuce and cheese, applesauce, milk
LOGOOTE INTERMEDIATE AND JR.-SR. HIGH SCHOOL
Lunch
Thursday, August 7
 Breaded tenderloin or pizza, scalloped potatoes, peas, pineapple, salad plate, milk
Friday, August 8
 Hamburger or pizza, French fries, carrots, mixed fruit, salad plate, milk
Monday, August 11
 Sloppy Joe or pizza, French fries, peas, peaches, salad plate, milk
Tuesday, August 12
 Chicken Alfredo or pizza, salad, tomatoes, pineapple, carrots, breadstick, salad plate, milk
Wednesday, August 13
 Taco salad or pizza, refried beans, lettuce and cheese, applesauce, salad plate, milk
SHOALS SCHOOLS
Breakfast
Thursday, August 7
 Sausage biscuit, fruit, juice, milk
Friday, August 8

Cereal, muffin, fruit, juice, milk
Monday, August 11
 Cereal, granola bar, fruit, juice, milk
Tuesday, August 12
 Pancakes, sausage link, fruit, juice, milk
Wednesday, August 13
 Cereal, graham crackers, fruit, juice, milk
Lunch
Thursday, August 7
 Soft shell tacos, corn, pineapple, milk
Friday, August 8
 Pepperoni pizza, green beans, peaches, milk
Monday, August 11
 Cheeseburger or chef salad or whole grain nacho tray or deli sandwich; tater tots, apple slices, milk
Tuesday, August 12
 Ham and cheese deli wrap or chef salad or whole grain nacho tray or deli sandwich; fresh spinach and tomatoes, corn, pears, milk
Wednesday, August 13
 Chicken parmesan with spaghetti or chef salad or whole grain nacho tray or deli sandwich; fresh baby carrots, mixed fruit, garlic bread, milk

COVER CROPS

(Continued from page 6)

increasing agronomic value, such as soil retention and vitality, the cover crop replaces the corn stover as a protector and preserver of the soil. In turn, more stover can be removed and sold, then turned into biofuel. Considering cost alone, annual ryegrass provided the greatest potential profits in models, but when nitrogen in the soil was accounted for, crimson clover performed better.

But even farmers who don't remove corn stover may gain agronomic advantages from cover crops - healthier soil with more nutrients that is less likely to erode or compact. For instance, crimson clover adds \$21.28 worth of nutrients to the soil per acre and increases the soil organic matter by a value of \$44.72 an acre. It reduces soil compaction - essentially when the soil doesn't get enough air in it - and erosion as well, further increasing the value of the soil for the farmer.

The full article, which includes comparisons and benefit-cost analyses of six cover crops and two cover crop mixes for agronomic advantage or corn stover removal, is available free for download at Purdue Extension's Education store at www.the-education-store.com. Search for publication RE-7-W.

The research also is available on the Science Direct website at www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S0308521X14000869.

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Record-breaking start to 2014 economic development efforts

At the midway point in the year, the Indiana Economic Development Corporation (IEDC) announced it has worked with 173 companies that have made decisions to expand or establish new business operations in Indiana for a total of more than 17,040 projected new jobs. This compares to 150 decisions by companies to locate a projected 11,715 new jobs in the state at this time last year and more than any other year on record at the midpoint.

The new positions, which companies anticipate hiring over the next five years, pay an expected average hourly wage of \$21.27, above the state's current average hourly wage of \$20.03. The 173 companies anticipate investing \$3.23 billion in their Indiana operations in the coming years. Meanwhile, the average amount of state conditional tax incentives offered to companies on a per job basis is \$8,759, down from around \$37,000 prior to 2005. Under the IEDC, state incentives are activated only when new jobs occur.

"We are living in an increasingly competitive global economy," said Victor Smith, Indiana Secretary of Commerce. "While meeting with business leaders around the world, they tell me that they need a place where they can maximize their return on investment, with a workforce that is skilled and taxes that don't discourage success. With the record setting number of deals we have already secured so far this year in all corners of the state, it is clear that businesses are finding what they need and more in Indiana, creating jobs and placing our Hoosier economy on a notable uptick."

Already this year, Governor Mike Pence has traveled abroad twice to tell Indiana's story as a state that works for business on the international stage. In April, he led a targeted job-hunting trip to Germany, which included visiting five cities and meeting with dozens of German companies looking to grow in Indiana, three of which announced Indiana as the location for new jobs and investment opportunities during

the trip. Also, last month a 22-person delegation accompanied the governor to the United Kingdom to kick off Indiana's presence at the Farnborough International Airshow. In addition to back-to-back meetings at the airshow with leading aerospace companies like GE Aviation, Raytheon, Alcoa and Rolls-Royce, the governor also met with the chairman and chief executive officer of ArcelorMittal and the chief executive officer of BP.

As the state with the largest percentage of manufacturing jobs in the country, Indiana continues to be a place where manufacturing companies, including industries from aerospace to automotive, find the talent and resources they need for success. Driven by companies like GE Aviation, Alcoa and Jasper Engines & Transmissions, the Hoosier State has welcomed commitments of more than 8,500 new jobs and more than \$2.28 billion in capital investment from manufacturing companies thus far this year.

"Today Indiana's economy is defined by its optimism," said Eric Doden, president of the Indiana Economic Development Corporation. "From the homegrown-Hoosier tech firm to the global manufacturer, companies are growing and they are planning to keep it up. This record-setting milestone reflects what Hoosiers and businesses everywhere already know—with unlimited possibilities, Indiana is truly a state that works."

Indiana has been recognized as a top location for business by industry leaders and site selection consultants in two recent surveys. In May, Chief Executive Magazine ranked Indiana the best place to do business in the Midwest and sixth best nationwide in its tenth annual Best & Worst States survey. Also, Indiana was ranked best in the Midwest and seventh in the nation in the Pollina Corporate Top 10 Pro-Business States for 2014 study, co-published with the American Economic Development Institute.

The Messmer Report

By District 63 State Representative
Mark Messmer



Heading back to the classroom

It may only be the beginning of August, but for many local students, this means it is time to go back to school! Personally, I cannot believe how quickly the summer has flown by, and it seems like just yesterday when students were being released for summer vacation.

Soon, young Hoosiers will be swapping days at the pool for days in the classroom, starting the next phase of their life. Last year, just before the 2013-2014 school year, I talked about the 'new' adjustments that come with the start of each new school year, which can be a challenging time for both students and parents. These adjustments can include everything from a new teacher, to a new bus or even a new extracurricular activity. As a parent, one thing that always eased my mind was the assurance that my children would be safe. So, in honor of another school year, I would like to share with you our legislative efforts to increase student safety in the classroom.

For starters, I supported legislation which allows a health care provider, who has prescriptive authority, to prescribe auto-injectable epinephrine to a school or school district. This legislation also sets requirements for certain individuals employed by a school or school district to fill, store and administer the EpiPen.

Countless children are diagnosed with food allergies every year, so it is imperative that school employees are prepared in the event that a student goes into anaphylactic shock. While immediate medical treatment is still necessary after the use of an EpiPen, not using it at all can be life-threatening. When literally every moment counts, epinephrine will begin to reverse a severe allergic reaction, and when used immediately, may prove to be life-saving.

The training of volunteer school employees required by this new law will equal

around \$20 per course. However, I am sure many would agree that it is a small price to pay. In addition, Mylan Specialty, the marketer and distributor of epinephrine has a program that allows qualified schools to obtain auto-injectors at no cost. By allowing Hoosier schools to obtain a valid prescription, this new law has made our schools one step closer to qualifying.

Another potential life-threatening situation that may face Hoosier students is sudden cardiac arrest. Sudden cardiac arrest is one of the leading causes of death in the United States and affects our youth at an alarming rate. That is why I also supported legislation which seeks to provide guidelines and training that will reduce heart attacks for student athletes by educating them and equipping athletic trainers to detect warnings of heart problems.

Now, any student athlete who is suspected of experiencing a symptom of sudden cardiac arrest must be immediately removed from the athletic activity and cannot return to practice or play until their parent has been informed and given their permission to do so. By providing guidelines, information sheets and forms on the nature and risk of sudden cardiac arrest, parents will be empowered and able to make the most informed decision they can, regarding their child's health and safety. With the changes that take place at the start of each new school year, there is no denying that it can be a tad stressful. However, I hope that by passing laws to increase student safety, we put your mind at ease so rather than being stressful, this can be an exciting time.

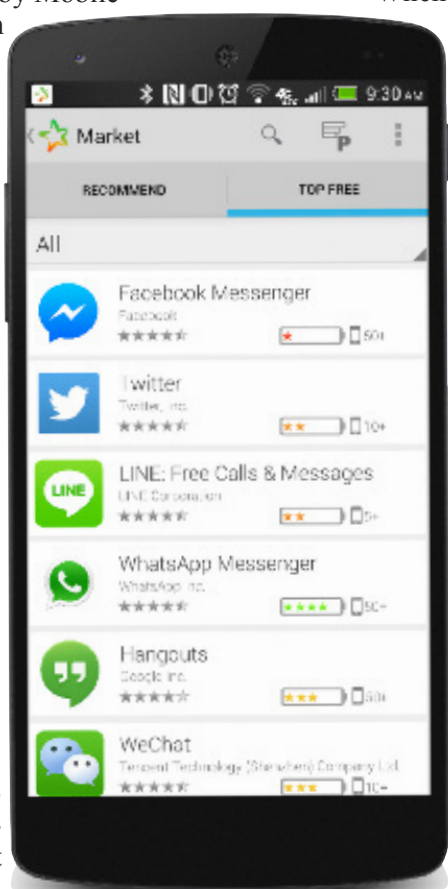
As parents, we enjoy watching our children learn and grow each year, and as a legislator, it is exciting to see the achievements of Indiana's students, our state's future leaders. If there is anything I can do to be of assistance this school year, please do not hesitate to call.

Free Estar tool rates how quickly mobile apps drain smartphone batteries

A free, no-ads mobile app called Estar that has been launched by Mobile Enerlytics LLC on Google Play provides smartphone owners with a tool that shows how fast different smartphone applications drain smartphone batteries.

Mobile Enerlytics, based in Purdue Research Park of West Lafayette, has designed Estar to run on all Android phones. CEO and co-founder Y. Charlie Hu said smartphone battery technology barely has improved in the past decade, while smartphone apps consume more power than ever.

"An effective way to extend a smartphone's battery life is to provide users with information about applications' energy efficiency. Users then can choose to download an app that is more efficient than another, if they wish," he said. "There are millions of apps in today's market, and there are several alternatives to almost every popular



Estar provides a color-coded, five-star rating system that shows how fast a smartphone app will drain the phone battery, in the foreground and in the background, relative to other apps in the same category in Google Play. The free, no-ads app has been launched by Mobile Enerlytics LLC on Google Play. (Mobile Enerlytics photo)

When a smartphone user starts Estar, Estar provides two options: to find energy-efficient apps in the app market or to stop power-hungry apps running on the phone. When the first option is chosen, Estar provides a color-coded, five-star rating system that shows how fast a smartphone app will drain the phone battery, in the foreground and in the background, relative to other apps in the same category in Google Play. Estar also makes a daily recommendation of apps based both on popularity and energy ratings.

Hu, who is a professor in Purdue's School of Electrical and Computer Engineering, said Estar also analyzes apps that already have been downloaded to a user's smartphone.

"Estar also reports on the energy drained by each app already downloaded and running on the phone," he said. "It warns the user about the apps that drain an excessive amount of the battery, and estimates how much battery life a smartphone user could save by stopping the

apps. It further recommends a list of similar apps in the app market that are more energy efficient."

About Mobile Enerlytics LLC
Mobile Enerlytics, LLC is an Indiana-based technology company with the mission of developing technologies that extend smartphone battery life by enabling energy-centric mobile app design. Mobile Enerlytics develops software that empowers smartphone users with access to energy-efficient apps and empowers app developers to pinpoint energy bottlenecks of mobile apps and to reduce their energy footprint. For more information, visit <http://www.mobileenerlytics.com>

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Helping the cause

The morning of August 4, Maya Miller, of Dover Hill, presented Jason Jones of the Martin County Community Foundation with a check for \$300. Maya raised this money during the 2014 Catfish Festival by selling drinks. This wasn't for any class or project. She simply felt the need to "help out". Maya chose to raise money for the Martin County Community Foundation because she overheard some teachers talking about all the things that the Foundation does for the schools. After reviewing the many funds of the Martin County Community Foundation, Maya decided to donate the \$300 she raised to the St. Vincent De Paul Society Scholarship for Shoals High School. This fund provides assistance for Shoals Seniors who plan to attend college. Maya is the daughter of Ken and Dana Miller, of Dover Hill.

Notes from the WIC Nutritionist

BYELIZABETH WHITE
Martin County WIC Nutritionist

We all know that breast milk is best when it comes to infant nutrition and mom's health after delivery. Here are a few reasons why:

- Breastfeeding helps you get back into shape faster.
- Research shows that breastfeeding moms get more sleep in a 24-hour period than non-breastfeeding moms.
- Breast milk is always ready; you can feed your baby anywhere.
- There is nothing to buy, carry, heat or measure.
- It helps you form a very special bond with your baby.
- Breastfeeding moms on WIC receive more food, for a longer period of time than non-breastfeeding moms.
- Breastfeeding is like giving your baby free medicine at every meal.

In celebration of World Breastfeeding week the Martin County WIC is having a drawing. To enter the drawing fill out the

following form, answer the question, and drop it off at the Martin Co WIC office or mail to Martin Co WIC program, PO Box 716, Shoals, IN 47581. Entries must be received by Friday, August 29, 2014. Here is the question: According to research, who gets more sleep in a 24 hr. period breastfeeding moms or non-breastfeeding moms? Send the answer along with your name, address, and phone number to the address above.

The WIC program provides supplemental nutritional foods, referrals, breastfeeding support, and nutrition education for pregnant women, nursing women, infants, and children 1-5 years. The Martin Co WIC clinic is open Monday and Friday 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and Tuesday 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Please call 247-3303 to make an appointment.

Congratulations to our Martin County 4-H Fair Lactation Station drawing winner. She received a nursing stool.

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Employee day

Friday, August 1, Parkview Village Christian Care celebrated their annual Employee Appreciation Day. The theme of the day was "Take Me out to the Ball Game." The dining room was decorated according to the theme. Luncheon was served with hot dogs or coney dogs, popcorn, cotton candy, nachos, and soft drinks. Various games involving baseball were played and prizes awarded and the day concluded with door prizes being awarded. Parkview Village appreciates the dedication and work that their employees give day after day. Parkview would like to give a special thank you to Diana Byers who "manned" the front office during the celebration.



Calendar of Events

Grief Share session

The Loogootee United Methodist Church will sponsor a Grief Share session on Thursday, August 14. Grief Share is a support group of people who help through life's most difficult experiences. To register for the session, call 295-3049 by Thursday, August 7.

Talk to a lawyer clinic

The next scheduled talk to a lawyer free telephone clinic is Thursday, August 7 from 4:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. CST (5:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. EST). Volunteer attorneys will be available to answer general legal questions, absolutely free of charge. To contact the clinic, the telephone numbers are (812) 618-4845 and toll free (888) 594-3449. Talk to a Lawyer is a service sponsored by Volunteer Lawyer Program of Southwestern Indiana, Indiana Bar Foundation and Evansville Bar Foundation.

Head Start preschool classes

Head Start is now taking applications for the fall preschool classes. Head Start is a kindergarten readiness program at no-cost for qualifying families. Please call 812-295-4700 to enroll your child.

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Solid waste board

Country Day August 23

Country Day in Loogootee will be held again this year on Saturday, August 23. The purpose of the event is to honor local farmers and what they provide to the community. The event will be held at the Loogootee City Pool. The event will begin at 7 p.m. Special guests will be Jackson Young and local artists. For ticket information, visit Country Day on Facebook or call Jennifer 812-296-0000 or Sue 812-631-2662. All proceeds will go toward the rebuilding of the city pool.

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 second 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.

Velocity girls' softball tryouts August 17

2015 Velocity girls' softball tryouts will be held on Sunday, August 17 at the Loogootee Little League softball field. Parent meeting begins at 2 p.m. and tryouts start at 2:30 p.m. Forming teams for 12u, 10u and 8u divisions. All league players are encouraged to come and tryout if they are interested in competitive travel softball. For more information, call 296-1351 or 295-7015.

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