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## Ambulance director provides commissioners with detailed salaries for EMTs, paramedics

BY COURTNEY HUGHETT  
Martin County Journal Publisher

The Martin County Commissioners talked to Ambulance Director Jeramey Osborn at their meeting last Wednesday night, August 24 about the status of the new service. Commissioner Aaron Summers was not present for the meeting.

Osborn presented a more detailed breakdown of salaries for EMTs and paramedics, along with his own salary request. He requested \$100,000 for his own salary, \$17-\$25 per hour for EMTs with 0-10 years of experience, and \$20-\$35 per hour for paramedics with 0-10 years of experience. He said he is looking to hire eight full-time employees along with eight to serve as on-call staff.

Osborn said he has two potential employees who are not certified yet, thus would be paid \$15 per hour until they receive certification. They will serve as drivers only in the interim. He said he has a few potential employees who are near the top of the paramedic scale of \$35.

Osborn said he hasn't crunched the new breakdown of numbers yet, but he believes it will be less than the \$633,000 presented at the joint council and commissioner meeting held.

Commissioner Paul George said the council has requested that ARPA (American Recovery Plan Act) funds be used for as long as the funds are available to fund the ambulance service.

Osborn said they have been running the service since August 22, when the previous provider ended their contract, and the staff are not even aware of what they will be paid. The commissioners then approved Osborn's recommendations of employees to hire but no names were provided. They also approved the salary recommendations. Osborn said he has a few employees from the previous ambulance service who will be coming back, and they are excited for the opportunity.

The county council will now have to approve the wages proposed by Osborn.

Commissioner Cody Roush recom-

mended Osborn have employees clock in and clock out so hours could be tracked efficiently. He told Osborn there is an app that can be downloaded on his phone that could assist with hour tracking.

Osborn said the state will be coming to inspect the 2013 ambulance that is now fully stocked. The second ambulance is waiting on the cot anchor to arrive and then it can be inspected.

Osborn said the state director, Dr. Eric Yazel, is serving as the county's medical director for one week, while waiting for the service to get up and running. He said Yazel would extend that another week if needed.

He said he is waiting to receive the contract from Memorial Hospital and Dr. Sample to serve as the county's sponsor hospital and sponsor doctor. He said it is currently with their legal department being reviewed. Memorial Hospital will be requesting \$1,500 a month to serve as the sponsor hospital which Osborn said is reasonable. He said this also allows the ambulance service to have access to the hospital's pharmacy to restock the ambulances and also trade in medications that are close to expiring.

Osborn said they are still negotiating with AIMS, who will be handling the billing and state reporting required. He said AIMS will take seven percent of what money is collected. There is also a one-time set up fee of \$1,500 but no reoccurring annual fee. He presented the contract to County Attorney Dave Lett for review.

Sheriff Josh Greene said he has been on the scene a few times with the ambulance staff, and they have stepped in to do the job despite not knowing when they will be paid or how much they will be paid. He said it appears to have been a seamless transition from the former service.

Civil Defense Director Monte Wolf said the building conversion to house ambulance staff has been going well. He said he received a quote from Sparklight for internet service in the building, but it was "a little crazy." He said they are

looking instead to adding a UPS (uninterrupted power supply) switch to the community building in case of power outages. He said this will take care of that issue for now until other internet service options become available.

Highway Superintendent Scott Seals said they are doing quite a bit of ditching and mowing and have a few culverts to replace near Cale, if weather permits. He said they have not received news on whether the county was awarded road paving funds from the Community Crossings grant yet but hopes to know by the next meeting. "Fingers crossed everybody," said Commissioner George.

Sheriff Greene reported the jail currently has 76 inmates with 37 of them from Vigo County. He said they were overbudget on the three Ford F-150 trucks he recently purchased but plan to use commissary funds to cover the difference.

Auditor Michelle Norris told the commissioners the increase for insurance for county employees for next year is estimated to be 35 percent. The county's agent, Thompson Insurance, is checking to see if anything can be done and will have more realistic numbers to provide, after Labor Day.

Commissioner George told Norris that he was impressed with how well she handled the budget workshop the day before, since it was her first time doing it. He said her office did a great job having everything prepared.

Resident Carl Wiscaver asked the commissioners if there were restrictions in the county regarding putting a trailer in Scenic Hill. Attorney Lett told Wiscaver there are no zoning laws in the county, unless there are lot restrictions on the deeds. He said there are state requirements for manufactured housing, such as putting on a permanent foundation and using tie downs. Commissioner George requested Attorney Lett to investigate the issue for Wiscaver.

The next commissioners meeting is Tuesday, September 6 at 5:30 p.m. in the commissioners' room of the courthouse.



### Final candidate listing for General Election

The Martin County General Election will be held November 8, 2022.

If you are interested in voting by mail, you can call and request an application at any time, please contact the Martin County Clerk's Office at 812-247-3651.

The following local candidates will appear on the ballot:

Assessor - Carolyn Sue McGuire, Republican

Clerk - Julie Fithian, Republican  
Commissioner District 2 - Paul R. George, Democrat; DeAndra Magdale-no, Independent

County Council District 1 - Jordan Dant, Republican  
County Council District 2 - Jim Hamby, Republican

County Council District 3 - Monty Gregory, Republican; Richard Summers, Democrat

County Council District 4 - Andrew Beaver, Republican  
Judge - Isha E. Wright-Ryan, Republican

Prosecutor - Aureola S. Vincz, Republican; Michael Steiner, Independent  
Sheriff - Josh Greene, Republican  
Crane Clerk/Treasurer - Linda Ann Willoughby, Republican

Crane Town Council - Ronald L. Barker, Republican; Henry J. Lauders, Republican; Charles H. Parcels Jr, Republican; Roy Vaught, Independent

Shoals Clerk/Treasurer - Sierra Rutledge, Democrat

Shoals Town Council - Roger Lee Abel Jr., Republican; Cary D. Albright, Republican; Richard (Rick) Gibbs, Republican; Micky Hawkins Crew, Democrat; Walter Holt, Democrat; Cecil L. Ragsdale, Democrat

Center Township Trustee - Ann Marie Stewart, Republican

Center Township Board - Norma J. Baker, Republican; Dean Crandall, Republican; Matthew Sullivan, Republican

Halbert Township Trustee - Exzelia Montgomery, Republican

Halbert Township Board - Kimberly L. Albright, Republican; Stephanie (Stevie) Horton, Republican; Travis L. Montgomery, Republican

Lost River Township Trustee - Mildred C. Brown, Republican

Lost River Township Board - Alice Dianne Butler, Republican; Keith Emmons, Republican; Bruce Fithian, Republican

Mitcheltree Township Trustee - Rosalee Bateman, Republican; Tammy Jo Gore, Democrat

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## Indiana Chamber launches online workforce center for all Hoosiers

The Indiana Chamber of Commerce, last week, launched a first of its kind online workforce center with live customer service to help Hoosier employers and individuals better identify and access in one place the vast number of educational and training programs and supports available across the state.

The Talent Resource Navigator is a web-based tool that facilitates person-to-provider introductions and enables state agencies, educational institutions and other nonprofit community partners to manage and update their own offerings on the site. The Navigator is managed by the Indiana Chamber's charitable nonprofit, the Institute for Workforce Excellence, which is dedicated to helping employers attract, develop and retain high-skilled, productive talent in Indiana.

Designed to provide timely and relevant career development information, the Navigator is available at no cost. Individuals and employers can deepen engagement with the Navigator by setting up

free accounts to obtain personal technical assistance and customer support from the Navigator support team.

Site visits are personalized and intentionally guide and connect individuals and employers with vetted education and training information and best practices and programs based on the user's input into the site.

"The search for how you can make yourself a more desired worker and ways an employer can strengthen the skills of its workers just got much easier, because the Talent Resource Navigator connects Hoosiers with the exact workforce resources that are right for them," states Indiana Chamber President and CEO Kevin Brinegar. "We are thrilled to bring this tool to the public and to broker introductions between those in need of talent development support and the trusted partners and providers from around Indiana that are equipped to meet their needs."

Examples of those engaged through the Navigator with employers and individuals include community and technology

partners, higher education institutions and Indiana state agency representatives.

In addition to the "hundreds and hundreds" of opportunities for professional growth that are listed on the site, it features information on in-demand skills and the credentials needed for available jobs and emerging careers.

A \$2.5 million Lilly Endowment Inc. grant to the Institute for Workforce Excellence enabled the creation of the Navigator and the ongoing curation of the online information.

"Across Indiana there are many high-quality education and training resources available to help individuals enhance their job skills and advance their careers and to help employers support their employees' career development. But connecting to those resources can be challenging," says N. Clay Robbins, Lilly Endowment's chairman and CEO. "By consolidating and curating this important information in one place, the Navigator holds the promise to help strengthen In-

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# Making A Difference

By Curt Johnson  
MCCF Director



-- TIME, TALENT, TREASURE --  
 Yes - time, talent and treasure. Giving of those from yourself is what I've so often equated to philanthropy. You've heard about "time, talent and treasure" from me in these columns, and likely from your church, and often from friends and family in some context when talking about what they've done the past week. While that can make a big difference in our community, whether giving small or large, it seems there is a lot more to a day than that.

-- MORE TO IT --  
 The rest of our day is often consumed with family, work, or both. When you spend time doing these things, you are also giving back and saying thank you for what you've been given. With a family, you are giving back to help them grow, learn, and succeed at whatever level in life they are called.

But what about your job? That place most of us spend the better part of a day? What about all the work, sweat and stress that you put into your job? Is this giving

back? Sure, you may be using some of your talents, but you're obviously giving your time.

-- WORK AND LABOR --  
 I've spoken of your time and talent in the context of philanthropy and giving back to your community. But the labor you put into your work is not only just a job for a paycheck; it is also another way for how you contribute to your community. You and your job are vital and just as important as any other aspect of philanthropy toward improving the quality of life in our community. The effort and work you put into your job reflect on our community. You are doing your part to improve multiple aspects of our economy and our county.

-- YOU ARE IMPORTANT --  
 Sometimes we are fortunate that the labor we call "work" is also a passion of ours. You always hear that someone is lucky if they love their job. I'm not so sure it's luck, but rather commitment, hard work and an open mind to new ideas and opportunities. But yes, I would still call you lucky.

So, whether or not your work is a passion or a love of yours, it is important. It is important to your family and their well-being, to your co-workers and employers, and to the rest of us sharing our county with you.

-- THANK YOU --  
 So that's what our upcoming Labor Day holiday is about. It's about recognizing your importance and recognizing the efforts that you've put toward your job. It's a tribute to you for the efforts you've put toward the strength, growth, and improvement in the quality of life for our community.

This Labor Day is for you. Thank you!

-- MORE INFORMATION --  
 For more information about the MCCF and how we can help you help our county, please contact the Director, Curt Johnson, at 812-295-1022, [mccf@cfpartner.org](mailto:mccf@cfpartner.org), or PO Box 28, Loogootee IN 47553.

You are also welcome to visit our webpage at [www.cfpartner.org](http://www.cfpartner.org) and "like" the MCCF Facebook page at [www.facebook.com/mcccommunityfoundation](http://www.facebook.com/mcccommunityfoundation).

# ELECTION

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- Mitcheltree Township Board - Kay Belcher, Republican; Becky Sellers, Republican; Charity (Belcher) Tolbert, Republican
- Perry Township Trustee - Jason Hennette, Democrat
- Perry Township Board - Anthony J. (Tony) Dant, Democrat; Julie Green, Democrat; Brandi Hennette, Democrat
- Rutherford Township Trustee - Terry J. Street, Republican
- Rutherford Township Board - Danny F. Berry, Republican; Jeff Horney, Republican; Virgil Scott Street, Democrat
- Loogootee School Board District 1 - Nick Toy
- Loogootee School Board District 2 - Chad Wade
- Loogootee School Board District 3 - Brent Courter
- Shoals School Board District 1 - Annette Taylor
- Shoals School Board District 4 - Eva George

## Meeting correction

The next Trinity Springs Mustering Elm Park Group meeting will be Monday, September 12 at 7 p.m. at the park. The information provided in last week's *Martin County Journal* was incorrect.

# CLASSIFIED ADS

## HELP WANTED

**The Martin County Sheriff's Office is currently accepting applications to fill Full-Time Jail Officer & Dispatcher positions**

**Full-Time Jail Officers - \$17.00 per hour**  
**Full-Time Dispatchers - \$15.00 per hour**  
**Part-Time Jailer or Dispatcher - \$15.00 per hour**

Minimum Requirements:

- Be at least 18 years of age
- Citizen of the United States
- High School Diploma or GED
- Must not have any Felony or Misdemeanor Battery or Domestic Violence Convictions
- Be willing to submit to pre-employment drug screening
- Ability and willingness to work a variety of shifts, including evenings, weekends and some holidays

**To be considered for an open position, interested candidates are encouraged to pick-up an application at the Martin County Sheriff's Office: 318 Capital Avenue, Shoals, IN 47581 (812) 247-3726. Resumes may be sent to [mbeaver@martincounty.in.gov](mailto:mbeaver@martincounty.in.gov).**



**Martin County Ambulance Service now hiring Full-Time EMTs and Paramedics**

Email [josborn@martincounty.in.gov](mailto:josborn@martincounty.in.gov) with resume or to request an application.

## YARD SALES

**MULTI-FAMILY YARD SALE & FLEA MARKET**

**Sept. 2 thru Sept. 4 at the American Legion Country Club, 607 Church St. Loogootee**

Items Include:  
 Craft Supplies, Books, Furniture Items, Clothing, Tools, Kitchen Items, Home Decor, Toys, and much more!

**Friday, September 2 - Sunday, September 4**

Food & Drinks will be available for purchase.

*Hiring Night Nurses*

**KETCHAM MEMORIAL CENTER**

**FULL-TIME and PART-TIME**  
**12-Hour Shifts (5:45P-6:15A)**

**Competitive Pay!**  
**Flexible Schedule!**  
**Benefits Available!**  
**New Graduates Welcome!**

*Opportunities for career advancement as we continue to expand our services in our community.*

Email resume to [kathy@ketchammemorial.com](mailto:kathy@ketchammemorial.com), apply online at [ketchammemorial.com](http://ketchammemorial.com), or call us at 812-636-4920.



# OBITUARIES

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## CARA ALLEN

Cara Lynn Allen passed away Monday August 30, 2022, at Memorial Hospital and Healthcare in Jasper, with her family by her side.



A resident of Loogootee, she was 68.

She was born February 7, 1954, in Washington; daughter of Lloyd Vince Mosby and Norma Lee (Jacobs) Jones.

## CARA ALLEN

Cara grew up in the Methodist Faith. She worked in finance and other various departments at NSWC Crane. She was a member of the F.E.W Federally Employed Women. Cara received various medals and awards throughout her life. She also worked at the Black Beam Bar and Break Time Bar and Grill. Cara enjoyed going to the casino and gambling. She liked to play golf and bowl, but most of all she loved to spend time with her grandkids. Cara was very active in her children's life. She will be missed by all.

Cara was preceded in death by her parents, Lloyd Vince Mosby, Norma Lee Jones, and her stepfather, Pershing Jones.

She is survived by her children, Rejan Allen of Loogootee and Clinton "Chunk" (Racheal) Allen of Jasper; her grandson, Brycin Allen; step-grandson, Zane Hollen; siblings, Gary L. Mosby of Florida and Dane H. (Jackie) Mosby of Loogootee; her stepmother, Anna B. Mosby of Odon, and several nieces and nephews.

Cremation was chosen according to her wishes. A private graveside service will be held at McClure Cemetery in Pike County.

In lieu of flowers, donation can be made to Martin County Humane Society in Cara's memory.

Arrangements provided by Blake Funeral Homes in Loogootee.

Online condolences can be made at [www.blakefuneralhomes.com](http://www.blakefuneralhomes.com).

## MARLENE BOYER

Marlene Boyer died at 7:10 a.m. Saturday, August 27, 2022, at the Stonebridge Health Campus. A resident of Bedford, she was 89.

She was born May 24, 1933, in Bedford; daughter of Roland L. Mendenhall and Myrtle (Naugle) Mendenhall. She married Carl D. Boyer, Jr. on February 15, 1952, and he preceded her in death on November 18, 2010.

She worked in elementary schools for North Lawrence Community Schools, the Lawrence County Assessor's office and for Ellison Abstract. She was a member of the First United Methodist Church in Bedford.

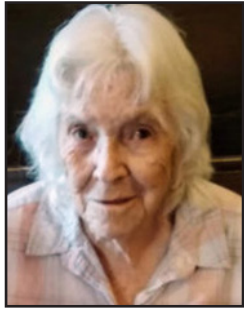
Survivors include three sons, Scott Boyer and wife, Bonnie, of Solsberry; Steve Boyer and wife, Connie, of Shoals; and Brett Boyer and wife, Susan, of Independence, Kentucky; grandchildren, Jeffrey and wife, Rachel; Bradley and fiancé, Lauren; Amber and husband, Steven; Brian and wife, Sara; Helen and husband, Aaron; Emily, Anna, Jacob, Samantha, Savanna, Cassie and husband, Jarod; and Dana; great-grandchildren, Logan, Lucas, Zaylee, Raelyn, Havyn, Ryder, Nathan, Elianna, Micah, Maya, Brooklyn, Addison, and Mason; and brother-in-law, Ned Boyer and wife, Mary Nell, of Bedford.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Roland and Myrtle Mendenhall; husband, Carl D. Boyer, Jr.; sister, Ilene Hardman and husband, Danny.

Private family services will be held with burial at Green Hill Cemetery.

## KATHRYN JOHNSON

Kathryn Irene (Robbins) Johnson passed away Saturday, August 27, 2022, at Westview Nursing and Rehab. A resident of Shoals, she was 84.



KATHRYN JOHNSON

She was born February 26, 1938, in Bedford; daughter of Andrew and Violet (Smith) Robbins.

Kathryn retired from RCA and was graduated from Bedford High School. She was an avid reader, enjoyed doing puzzles, and playing video games.

Survivors include her children, Richard Dean Johnson of Williams, Randal Scott (Kimberly) Johnson of Williams, Teresa (Rudy Jones) Johnson of Shoals, and Robert Duane (Shelly) Johnson of Bedford; grandchildren, Latisha Johnson, Christopher Johnson, and Lukas Johnson; great grandchildren, Nevaeh Johnson and Caleb Magnus; and sister, Phylis England of Avoca.

Her parents; siblings, Irvin Robbins, Barbara Robbins, and Kenny Robbins, Sr.; and the father of her children, Larry Johnson, preceded her in death.

Cremation was chosen.

Chastain Funeral Home & Cremation Center was in charge of arrangements.

## PATSY DIAMOND

Patsy Lou Diamond, formerly from Martin County, passed away Tuesday, August 23, 2022, at St. Vincent Hospital in Evansville. A resident of Washington, she was 83.

She was born July 6, 1939, in Martin County; daughter of the late Cecil and Nina (Jones) Bridges.

Patsy enjoyed cooking and always kept a clean house. She was a member of Hudsonville United Methodist Church in Hudsonville, Indiana.

She is survived by her children, Jodi McIntyre (Wally), Jo Ann Lucas (Kenny) and Darrell Wayne Diamond (Rufina); her grandchildren, Danny Watson, Sarah McKenzie, David Watson, Kendra Wilcoxen, Rachel Lane Way, Tanner Diamond and Kohyn Kelley; 12 great-grandchildren and her siblings, Sue Peck and Darlene Hembree.

Patsy is preceded in death by her husband, Darrell Q. Diamond; her grandchildren, Kyle Gregory Johnson and Laci Nicole Diamond; her parents, Cecil and Nina Bridges; her grandparents, Gracie and Harry Jones as well as her siblings, Doug Bridges and Buzzy Bridges.

A celebration of life will be held at a later date.

Simple Cremation Evansville was entrusted with care.

## RODNEY HEMBREE

Rodney Keith Hembree went to Heaven on Wednesday, August 24, 2022, at Glenburn Nursing Home in Linton. A resident of Linton, he was 72.



RODNEY HEMBREE

He was born August 7, 1950, in Washington; son of Woodrow and Joyce (Winneger) Hembree Trambaugh. Keith married his loving wife, Leslie Ann (Ball) Hembree on April 26, 1985.

Keith was veteran of the US Air Force, serving in the Vietnam Era as a medic and was a member of the Calvary Baptist Church. He retired in 2009 from General Electric Bloomington Plant with over 20 years of service. Keith enjoyed sending birthday cards to his siblings with the correct amount of change representing their age.

Family left to cherish the memory of Keith include his wife, Leslie Hembree; three sons, Eric Thomas of Washington,

Brandon Hembree of Linton and Matthew Sheetz of Bloomfield; two grandchildren; one brother, Richard (Mary) Hembree of St. Anthony; three sisters, Mae Horsting, Faye (Chris) Holland and his twin sister, Kaye Matthews, all of Loogootee.

Keith was preceded in death by his parents; two sisters, Janice Peoples and Rose Steward; five brothers, infant Ronald J., Merlin, Wally, Dwight and Dennis Hembree.

Funeral services to honor the life of Keith were held Monday, August 29 at Anderson-Poindexter Chapel in Linton with Pastor John Riker and Pastor David Ball officiating. Keith was laid to rest in Fairview Cemetery in Linton.

Arrangements and care have been entrusted to Meng Family Funeral Homes, Anderson-Poindexter Chapel in Linton. Online condolences and memories may be sent to the family at [www.andersonpoindexter.com](http://www.andersonpoindexter.com).

## SUSAN WARREN

Susan E. (Sanders) Warren passed away Wednesday, August 24, 2022, at Memorial Hospital and Healthcare Center in Jasper. A resident of Loogootee, she was 65.

She was born June 28, 1957, in Shoals; daughter of Carl Franklin and Bessie Mae (Gilbert) Sanders. She married Clifford Warren on June 18, 1983, and he survives.

She graduated from Shoals High School with the class of 1975. Susan worked as a customer service assistant at NSWC Crane for 38 years before she retired. She enjoyed reading, playing cards, and when she was younger, she loved going to craft and antique shops with Cliff. She was an avid collector of many things. Susan loved her nieces, nephews, great-nieces, and great-nephews dearly.

Surviving Susan are her husband, Clifford Warren; siblings, Brenda Holzworth, Jane Payne, Tony (Patti) Sanders, Tim Sanders, and Julinda (Bryan) Adams; six nephews; one niece; four great-nieces and three great-nephews; and her beloved dog, Acey.

Preceding Susan in death are her parents; brother, Jeff Sanders; and niece, Jennifer Payne.

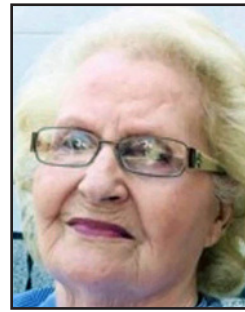
A funeral service was held Sunday, August 28 at the Queen-Lee Chapel of George Funeral Care, with Pastor Matt Sullivan officiating. Burial followed in the Spring Hill Cemetery.

Online condolences may be sent to the family at [www.queenlee.com](http://www.queenlee.com). Arrangements are under the direction of the Queen-Lee Chapel of George Funeral Care, Shoals.

Memorial contributions may be made to Susan G. Komen Foundation.

## DELORIS KIEFFNER

Deloris J. (Smith) Kieffner, beloved wife of Raymond C. Kieffner, gained her angel wings on Saturday, August 20 at 1:17 p.m. in Ocala, Florida surrounded by those who love her the most. She was blessed with the best care for the last three years from her loving daughter, Linda and son-in-law, Toney. She was



DELORIS KIEFFNER

89.

Deloris was married to the love of her life, Raymond, for 71 years. They were blessed with five daughters and one son, her loving daughter, Betty Kieffner preceded her in death, Donna McCarron of Owensboro, Kentucky, Linda (Toney) Lynch of Ocala, Florida, Raymond Jr. (Ida) Kieffner, of Indianapolis, Connie Walker (Tony Yarnell) of Loogootee, and Aimee (Dave) Arvin of Evansville. With six children also came many wonderful

grandchildren and great grandchildren, all of whom she loved dearly.

Deloris was preceded in death by her oldest daughter, Betty; her parents, and her seven siblings whom she always had so many fond memories of and stories to tell.

Visitation will be at the Queen Lee Chapel of George Funeral Care in Shoals, Indiana on Friday, September 2, 2022, from 10-10:45 a.m. A private funeral for family only will begin at 11 a.m. with burial at Goodwill Cemetery in Loogootee.

Online condolences may be sent to the family at [www.queenlee.com](http://www.queenlee.com).

## CHARLES FRYE

Charles W. Frye passed away Wednesday, August 24, 2022, at St. Vincent Hospital in Evansville. A resident of Loogootee, he was 66.



He was born December 7, 1955, in Washington; son of the late Harold K. and Patricia R. (Craney) Frye.

Chuck loved playing music, singing, and entertaining family and friends or anyone who would listen. He played in several bands over the years, but two of his favorites were the Whitfield City Limits and Shattered Images. Chuck was the master of fun, the funcle (fun uncle) and an excellent storyteller. He loved his family fiercely, especially his grandchildren. Chuck was a former member of St. Martin Catholic Church and a current member of St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church. He also served in the Army Reserve for many years. Chuck retired from Bonnie Leasing after many years of adventures.

He was preceded in death by his parents and sister, Infant Frye.

Chuck is survived by his children, Cassie James (Jason) Rush of Indianapolis, Ethan (Emma) Frye of Loogootee and Dylan Frye of Las Vegas, Nevada; grandchildren, William "Liam" Frye and Mya Frye; siblings, Kenny (Susan) Frye of Loogootee, Ron (Sherri) Frye of Loogootee, Sherry (Jeff) Green of Indianapolis, Patty Ryan of Camby and Jason "Bubba" (Dana) Frye of Bicknell; and many more friends and relatives.

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated Monday, August 29 at St. Martin Catholic Church in Whitfield. Burial followed in the church cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions can be the Martin County Humane Society or St. Vincent De Paul Food Pantry.

Condolences may be made online at [www.blakefuneralhomes.com](http://www.blakefuneralhomes.com).

Blake Funeral Home in Loogootee is honored to serve the family of Charles W. Frye.

**QUEEN-LEE CHAPEL**  
GEORGE FUNERAL CARE, LLC  
431 High Street  
Shoals, Indiana 47581  
812-247-3101

The Queen-Lee Chapel has served the Shoals and Martin County community for nearly a century. Carrying on the tradition of quality and compassionate service started by the Queen and Lee family is Derek and Abby George along with their two boys, Hudson and Kellen. They have been a part of the community since 2016 and have now solely purchased the funeral home. Derek will continue to manage the day-to-day operations serving you. We look forward to the privilege of our family serving yours for the years to come.



## Martin County Sheriff's Department log

### MONDAY, AUGUST 22

12:29 a.m. - Received a 911 call requesting the fire department in Loogootee. Loogootee Fire Department and Martin County EMS responded. No one was transported.

5:32 a.m. - Received a 911 call requesting an ambulance south of Loogootee. Martin County EMS and Haysville Fire Department responded. Martin County EMS transported one patient to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

9:40 a.m. - Received a report of a custody dispute. Loogootee Chief Means responded. ISP was notified.

10:30 a.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.

10:35 a.m. - Received a report of a missing cat in Loogootee. Loogootee Police were advised.

12:17 p.m. - Received a 911 call requesting an ambulance in Shoals. Martin County EMS, Sergeant Gibson and Shoals Fire Department responded. No one was transported.

1:02 p.m. - Received a report of a driving hazard north of Shoals. Sergeant Gibson and Shoals Fire Department responded.

3:53 p.m. - Received a report of a possible identity theft in Shoals. Deputy Branham responded.

4:39 p.m. - Received a call reporting a reckless driver in Daviess County. Daviess County was notified.

5:52 p.m. - Received a 911 call requesting an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County EMS responded and transported one patient to Daviess Community Hospital.

7:03 p.m. - Received a report of possible trespassing in Crane. Deputy Branham responded.

9:00 p.m. - Received a report of a kitten being found in Loogootee. Animal Control Deputy Hughett was notified.

### TUESDAY, AUGUST 23

7:20 a.m. - Received a report of a suspicious person eastbound on US 50. Chief Deputy Keller responded.

8:57 a.m. - Received a 911 call requesting an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County EMS responded and transported one patient to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

10:14 a.m. - Received a request for a vehicle identification number check northeast of Shoals. Chief Deputy Keller responded.

10:42 a.m. - Received a 911 call from a Daviess County address. Transferred call to Daviess County 911.

12:54 p.m. - Received a report of a tree down northeast of Shoals. INDOT was notified.

2:16 p.m. - Received a report of a stolen license plate on a vehicle on Highway 231 South, heading toward Loogootee. All Martin County Law Enforcement were advised.

2:52 p.m. - Received a 911 call in Loogootee. Loogootee Chief Means and Loogootee Captain Rayhill responded.

4:53 p.m. - Received a 911 call requesting an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County EMS, Loogootee Fire Department and Daviess County EMS responded. Daviess County EMS transported one patient to Daviess Community Hospital.

5:45 p.m. - Received a report of a cow out southwest of Shoals. The owner was contacted.

8:23 p.m. - Received a 911 call reporting an accident in Dubois County. Transferred call to Dubois County 911.

9:45 p.m. - Received a 911 call reporting a traffic hazard north of Loogootee. Cap-

tain Reed responded.

10:08 p.m. - Received a 911 call reporting a stranded motorist in Loogootee. Big John's Towing responded.

### WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 24

4:02 a.m. - Received a 911 call requesting an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County EMS responded and transported one patient to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

5:44 a.m. - Received multiple 911 calls reporting an accident north of Loogootee in Daviess County. Transferred calls to Daviess County 911.

7:41 a.m. - Received a report of a suspicious person south of Loogootee. Chief Deputy Keller and Corporal Wells responded.

8:31 a.m. - Received a request for a vehicle identification number check east of Loogootee. Chief Deputy Keller responded.

8:41 a.m. - Received a report of a commercial burglar alarm in Shoals. The keyholder was notified.

8:57 a.m. - Received a report of a suspicious vehicle southwest of Shoals. Indiana Conservation Officer Fuhrman responded.

1:58 p.m. - Received multiple 911 calls reporting an accident in Shoals. Martin County EMS, Chief Deputy Keller, Corporal Wells and Shoals Fire Department responded. No one was transported.

2:22 p.m. - Received an accidental 911 call.

2:42 p.m. - Received a 911 call requesting an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County EMS and Loogootee Fire Department responded. Martin County EMS transported one patient to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

3:16 p.m. - Deputy Pressley transported three inmates to court.

3:34 p.m. - Received a 911 call requesting an ambulance in Loogootee. Loogootee Fire Department and Dubois County EMS responded.

3:45 p.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 Jasper Memorial Hospital.

6:23 p.m. - Received multiple 911 calls reporting a barn on fire east of Loogootee. Loogootee Fire Department, Martin County Civil Defense, Martin County EMS, Sergeant Gibson, and Loogootee Chief Means responded.

6:31 p.m. - Received multiple 911 calls reporting smoke in the Loogootee area.

6:41 p.m. - Received a report of a subject being bitten by a dog south of Loogootee. Animal Control Deputy Hughett responded.

7:53 p.m. - Received a 911 call from an Odon address. Transferred call to Daviess County 911.

9:48 p.m. - Received a request for a hull identification number check in Shoals. Captain Reed responded.

### THURSDAY, AUGUST 25

6:35 a.m. - Received a 911 call requesting an ambulance south of Loogootee. Martin County EMS responded. No one was transported.

7:10 a.m. - Received a 911 call requesting an ambulance in Crane. Crane EMS and Loogootee Fire Department responded.

7:15 a.m. - Received multiple calls reporting a possible injured fawn in Shoals. Sheriff Greene responded. DNR South Region was also notified.

7:39 a.m. - Received a call from an alarm company requesting an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County EMS responded. No one was transported.

8:59 a.m. - Received a 911 call requesting an ambulance north of Loogootee.

Martin County EMS and Loogootee Fire Department responded. Martin County EMS transported one patient to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

9:45 a.m. - Received a report of a commercial burglar alarm in Shoals. Keyholder was notified.

9:54 a.m. - Received a 911 call requesting an ambulance in Shoals. Daviess County EMS and Shoals Fire Department responded.

10:30 a.m. - Deputy Pressley transported one inmate to remote court.

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

11:15 a.m. - Deputy Pressley transported one inmate to remote court.

11:50 a.m. - Received a call reporting a suspicious vehicle in Lawrence County. Notified Lawrence County.

1:10 p.m. - Deputy Pressley transported two inmates to remote court.

1:45 p.m. - Deputy Pressley transported two inmates to remote court.

2:10 p.m. - Received a report of a suspicious vehicle east of Shoals. Chief Deputy Keller responded.

2:30 p.m. - Deputy Pressley transported one inmate to court.

4:47 p.m. - Received a 911 call requesting an officer southeast of Loogootee. Deputy Long responded.

5:23 p.m. - Received a 911 call requesting an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County EMS and Loogootee Fire Department responded. Martin County EMS transported one patient to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

9:23 p.m. - Received a 911 call reporting a stolen phone in Loogootee. Loogootee Police were advised.

### FRIDAY, AUGUST 26

2:00 a.m. - Received a 911 call reporting a suspicious person south of Shoals. Reserve Deputy Commander Gammon responded.

2:29 a.m. - Received a report of a domestic dispute south of Loogootee. Reserve Deputy Commander Gammon responded.

4:00 a.m. - Received a request for an officer in Shoals. Reserve Deputy Commander Gammon responded.

6:22 a.m. - Received a 911 call reporting a reckless driver. Call pinged in Greene County. Transferred call to Greene County 911.

6:55 a.m. - Received a 911 call reporting a reckless driver south of Loogootee. All Martin County Law Enforcement were advised.

8:15 a.m. - Received a request for a vehicle identification number check northeast of Shoals. Chief Deputy Keller responded.

9:54 a.m. - Received a request for officers northeast of Loogootee. Chief Deputy Keller, ISP Trooper Beaver and Loogootee Officer Seymour responded.

10:02 a.m. - Received a report of a road collapse in Shoals. Contacted Martin County Highway Department.

11:13 a.m. - Received an accidental 911 call.

2:26 p.m. - Received a 911 call requesting an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County EMS, Daviess County Medic Unit and Loogootee Officer Seymour responded. Daviess County Medic transported one patient to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

3:25 p.m. - Received a call from a medical company requesting officers in Loogootee. ISP Trooper Lents, Loogootee Officer Seymour, Deputy Long and Deputy Branham responded.

5:49 p.m. - Received a report of a reckless driver west of Loogootee. Deputy Long responded.

8:46 p.m. - Received a call requesting extra patrol north of Loogootee. Deputy

Branham responded.

8:52 p.m. - Received a 911 call requesting an ambulance in Shoals. Martin County EMS responded. No one was transported.

9:30 p.m. - Received a call from Guardian Medical advising of a pushed medical alarm in Loogootee. Loogootee Officer Seymour, Deputy Branham, Deputy Long and Reserve Deputy Harmon responded.

9:43 p.m. - Received a request for an officer in Loogootee. Reserve Deputy Harmon responded.

### SATURDAY, AUGUST 27

4:36 a.m. - Received a report of a domestic dispute in Loogootee. Reserve Deputy Harmon responded.

5:49 a.m. - Received a 911 call reporting a reckless driver south of Loogootee. Reserve Deputy Harmon responded.

8:19 a.m. - Received a 911 call requesting an ambulance south of Loogootee. Martin County EMS, Loogootee Fire Department and Deputy Long responded. Martin County EMS transported one patient to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

12:17 p.m. - Received a 911 call reporting a natural gas leak south of Loogootee. Loogootee Fire Department, Deputy Long and Loogootee Officer Seymour responded.

1:35 p.m. - Received a request for a vehicle identification number check south of Loogootee. Deputy Long responded.

2:50 p.m. - Received a report of an accident south of Loogootee. Deputy Branham, Martin County EMS and Haysville Fire Department responded. No one was transported.

4:14 p.m. - Received a 911 call from a Daviess County address. Transferred call to Daviess County 911.

6:46 p.m. - Received a report of subjects shooting a firearm in Shoals. Deputy Branham and Reserve Deputy Harmon responded.

8:07 p.m. - Received an animal complaint in Shoals. Animal Control Deputy Hughett was notified.

9:08 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Crane Village. Martin County EMS, Crane Naval Paramedics, Loogootee Fire Department, Reserve Deputy Harmon, Deputy Branham, Loogootee Officer Seymour and Coroner Abel responded.

9:43 p.m. - Received a request for an officer in Shoals. Deputy Branham, Reserve Deputy Harmon and Loogootee Officer Seymour responded.

9:48 p.m. - Received a request for an officer in Loogootee. Loogootee Officer Seymour responded.

### SUNDAY, AUGUST 28

4:56 a.m. - Received a 911 call requesting an ambulance northeast of Shoals. Martin County EMS, Shoals Fire Department and Reserve Deputy Harmon responded. No one was transported.

7:21 a.m. - Received a request for a vehicle unlock in Loogootee. Deputy Long responded.

7:45 a.m. - Received a 911 call reporting a reckless driver south of Loogootee. All Martin County Law Enforcement were notified.

11:09 a.m. - Received a call requesting assistance on Highway 50. Lawrence County was notified.

8:51 p.m. - Received a report of a theft in Shoals. Deputy Branham responded.

11:42 p.m. - Received a report of a disabled vehicle south of Loogootee. Indiana Conservation Officer Fuhrman, Captain Reed and Big John's Towing responded.

11:59 p.m. - Received a call reporting a stalled vehicle south of Loogootee. Captain Reed and Big John's Towing responded.



# ARRESTS

## TUESDAY, AUGUST 23

11:48 a.m. - Kerry Lewis, 41, of Mitchell, was arrested by Deputy Pressley on a Martin County warrant. She is being held on no bond.

## WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 24

8:12 a.m. - Ryan Moore, 25, of Loogootee, was arrested by Chief Deputy Keller and charged with public intoxication. He is being held on \$5,000 10% bond.

2:28 p.m. - Daniel Cornwell, 49, of Louisville, Illinois, was arrested by Corporal Wells and charged with possession of methamphetamine, possession of paraphernalia and operating while intoxicated-refusal. He is being held on no bond.

## FRIDAY, AUGUST 26

3:34 a.m. - Chastidy Haven, 37, of Loogootee, was arrested by Reserve Deputy Commander Gammon and charged with domestic battery in the presence of a minor. She is being held on \$15,000 10% bond.

## SATURDAY, AUGUST 27

10:14 p.m. - James Wallisa, 40, of Shoals, was arrested by Reserve Deputy Harmon and charged with intimidation, domestic battery and disorderly conduct. He is being held on no bond.

# COURT NEWS

## CIVIL COURT

### New Suits Filed

#### August 18

Jocelyn Lents vs. Robert Lents, petition for dissolution of marriage.

#### August 22

Danielle Good vs. Tory Good, petition for dissolution of marriage.

#### August 23

Jefferson Capital Systems, LLC vs. Rachel Way, civil collection.

## CIVIL COURT JUDGMENTS

#### August 23

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff LVNV Funding, LLC and against the defendant Pamela Clark in the amount of \$1,500.69.

## SMALL CLAIMS JUDGMENTS

#### August 18

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Rosemary Harder and against the defendant Andrew Jones, for eviction in the amount of \$307.

## MARRIAGE LICENSES

Matthew J. Gardner of Shoals and Amanda L. Witt of Shoals.

Thomas J. Albaugh of Shoals and Lauren E. Thouvenot of Shoals.

# LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of 30 Days for Public Comment Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act Local Plan

South Central Region 8 Workforce Board, Inc.

The South Central Region 8 Workforce Board, Inc., an Equal Opportunity Employer, is requesting public comments regarding the WIOA Local Plan of Services. The WIOA Local Plan is the primary vehicle for communicating the board's vision for the local WorkOne system and how it will provide services to meet the needs of job seekers and employers in the Indiana Counties of Brown, Daviess, Greene, Lawrence, Martin, Monroe, Orange and Owen.

The plan will be available for review on the web at [www.southcentral8.org/](http://www.southcentral8.org/) or [www.workonesouthcentral.org/](http://www.workonesouthcentral.org/) no later than 5:00pm on August 26, 2022. The public comment period begins on August

26, 2022 and ends at 5 p.m. (EDT) on September 26, 2022. Written comments will be accepted by email at [southcentralregion8@gmail.com](mailto:southcentralregion8@gmail.com). Comments may also be submitted by US Mail to:

South Central Region 8 Workforce Board, Inc., Attn: Rob King, 333 S. Landmark Avenue, Bloomington, IN 47403

# Martin County real estate transfers

**Chad Nicholson**, of Martin County, Indiana to **Cindy Nicholson**, of Martin County, Indiana, a part of the northwest quarter of the northwest quarter of Section 25, Township 3 North, Range 5 West, containing .07 acre, more or less.

**Cynthia Lynn Bennett**, of Johnson County, Indiana to **Gregory M. Zollman and Penni C. Zollman**, of Oldham County, Kentucky, a part of the northeast quarter of the southeast quarter of Sec-

# Loogootee Police log

## MONDAY, AUGUST 22

12:29 a.m. - Loogootee Fire Department responded to a mattress fire on Mulberry Street.

9:47 a.m. - Chief Means responded to a request for an officer in reference to custody issues.

10:25 a.m. - Chief Means spoke with a complainant regarding harassment of her grandchild.

10:32 a.m. - Chief Means spoke with a complainant regarding a stolen cat.

8:44 p.m. - Officer Seymour responded to a report of a civil disturbance on North Line Street.

## TUESDAY, AUGUST 23

2:58 p.m. - Chief Means and Captain Rayhill completed a welfare check at the Loogootee Middle School.

3:33 p.m. - Chief Means assisted child protective services with a case of possible domestic violence and possible illegal drug activity.

4:52 p.m. - First responders were dispatched to a medical call on Cedar Street.

## WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 24

8:30 a.m. - Chief Means responded to a report of trespassing.

2:41 p.m. - First responders were dispatched to a medical call on East Broadway Street.

3:35 p.m. - First responders were dispatched to a medical call on Cooper Street.

3:38 p.m. - Chief Means responded to a property damage accident in the parking lot of a local business.

5:58 p.m. - Chief Means responded to assist a semi nearing Loogootee on US 231 North that reportedly has two blown tires and is still driving.

6:25 p.m. - Loogootee Fire Department

was dispatched to a barn fire on State Road 550.

## THURSDAY, AUGUST 25

6:35 a.m. - First responders were dispatched to a medical call on North 1300 East.

7:10 a.m. - First responders were dispatched to a medical call in Crane.

8:29 a.m. - Loogootee Fire Department was dispatched to a fire alarm sounding at a residence on Southwest First Street.

8:57 a.m. - First responders were dispatched to a medical call on State Road 645.

2:13 p.m. - Chief Means responded to a report of trespassing on East Washington Street.

4:06 p.m. - Chief Means responded to a domestic dispute on North Line Street.

5:28 p.m. - Chief Means and first responders were dispatched to a medical call on Walnut Street.

## FRIDAY, AUGUST 26

9:53 a.m. - Officer Seymour assisted the Martin County Sheriff's Department with a domestic dispute on Reinhart Road.

2:23 p.m. - First responders were dispatched to a medical call at Family Dollar.

3:18 p.m. - Officer Seymour completed a welfare check.

9:33 p.m. - Officer Seymour completed a welfare check on Walnut Street.

## SATURDAY, AUGUST 27

8:19 a.m. - First responders were dispatched to a medical call on US 231 South.

9:50 a.m. - Officer Seymour spoke with a complainant regarding a trash complaint.

12:16 p.m. - Loogootee Fire Department was dispatched to a report of a house with a possible gas leak on US 231 South.

9:10 p.m. - Officer Seymour and first responders were dispatched to a medical call in Crane.

## SUNDAY, AUGUST 28

11:36 a.m. - Officer Seymour responded to a report of a reckless driver nearing Loogootee on US 231 North.

12:50 p.m. - Officer Seymour assisted with a vehicle unlock.

4:43 p.m. - Officer Seymour responded to a hit-and-run property damage accident on John C. Strange Street.

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## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

*Throwback*  
**More Neat Stuff**  
  
 By Ann Ackerman  


The following is thanks to my redhead friend, Diane. Everyone needs a redhead friend. If you don't have one, get one.  
 I am a Seenager. (Senior teenager)  
 I have everything that I wanted as a teenager, only 60 years later.  
 I don't have to go to school or work.  
 I get an allowance every month.  
 I have my own pad.  
 I don't have a curfew.  
 I have a driver's license and my own car.

car, and in less than a minute the car was open.  
 She hugged the man and through tears said, "Thank You, God, for sending me such a very nice man."  
 The man heard her little prayer and replied, "Lady, I am NOT a nice man. I just got out of prison yesterday; I was in prison for car theft."  
 The woman hugged the man again, sobbing, "Oh, thank you, God! You even sent me a Professional!"

The people I hang around with are not scared of getting pregnant and they do not use drugs.  
 And I don't have acne.  
 LIFE IS GREAT.

Never forget 3 types of people in your life:

1. Who helped you in difficult times.
2. Who left you in difficult times.
3. Who put you in difficult times.

- THINGS TO PONDER:
1. The best part of waking up is still a mystery to me.
  2. A cop pulled me over and said, "Papers. . ." and I said "Scissors, I win" and drove off. I need bail money.
  3. For my farmer friends: Your idea of neighborhood watch was getting a call at 4 a.m. from your neighbor that your cattle got out.
  4. Statistics show that animal abusers commit less abuse after they've been shot.
  5. Stacy Bowling, There's a real fine line between a numerator and denominator.
  6. Milk Duds: when you want both chocolate and a dislocated jaw.
  7. My hobbies include eating and complaining that I'm getting fat.
  8. I did a pushup today. Well, actually I fell down, but I had to use my arms to get back up, so . . . close enough.
  9. I used to rock around the clock and now I'm lucky to limp around the block.
  10. Dryer lint: the cremated remains of missing socks.

She hurried to the pharmacy to get medication, got back to her car and found that she had locked her keys inside. The woman found an old rusty coat hanger left on the ground. She looked at it and said, "I don't know how to use this." She bowed her head and asked God to send her some HELP.  
 Within 5 minutes a beat-up old motorcycle pulled up, driven by a bearded man who was wearing an old biker skull rag. He got off of his cycle and asked if he could help.  
 She said: "Yes, my daughter is sick. I've locked my keys in my car. I must get home. Please, can you use this hanger to unlock my car?"  
 He said, "Sure." He walked over to the

## Lady Lions Volleyball results

The Loogootee Varsity Volleyball Team competed in the Vincennes Lincoln Tournament this past Saturday, August 27. The Lady Lions defeated Pike Central in two sets, 25-19 and 25-14 and beat South Knox in two sets, 25-11 and 25-20. The ladies were defeated by Bloomington North in the championship game in two sets, 13-25 and 19-25. The Lady Lions record stands at 4-3 on the season.  
 For the day, Mallorie Sutton led in serving points with 17, followed by Brooklyn Summers with 15 and Sydnee Wittmer and Breanna Courter with 13 each. Summers led in assists with 42 and also added 19 digs. Wittmer contributed 19 kills and 20 assists and Courter added 15 digs. Kyleigh Courter had a total of 36 digs on the day with Lindsey Nolan adding 14. Cacia Wilcoxon finished with 13 kills and Alana Hedrick had 11.  
 The Lady Lions Varsity Team were defeated by Mitchell last Thursday in four sets, 25-18, 23-25, 21-25, and 22-25. The junior varsity team defeated Mitchell in two sets 25-10 and 25-11.  
 In varsity action, Brooklyn Summers led in service points with 12 and in assists with 14. She also contributed 15 digs. Sydnee Wittmer finished with 11 serving points, eight kills and 12 assists. Ashlynn Gilbert had eight kills and Cacia Wilcoxon had seven. Kyleigh Courter led in digs with 24 and Breanna Courter finished with 16.  
 In the junior varsity sets, Madison

Ramsey led in kills with nine and also had nine service points and five digs. Cora Consley finished with four kills and Macy Knepp had three. Knepp also contributed 11 service points. Abbi Nonte had a team high eight digs and Addy Lengacher added four digs and 17 assists. Breanna Eckerle finished with nine service points.  
 Last Tuesday, the varsity Lady Lions defeated Linton Stockton in five sets, 19-25, 25-21, 23-25, 25-21, and 16-14. The junior varsity also took the win in two sets, 25-6 and 25-14.  
 For the varsity, Mallorie Sutton led in serving points with 13 with three aces and also had seven kills, and two blocks. Sydnee Wittmer led in kills with 10 and also had 13 assists and 11 digs. Brooklyn Summers had a team high 25 assists and also contributed 12 serving points and 15 digs. Lindsey Nolan finished with 12 serving points, Alana Hedrick had nine kills, Ashlynn Gilbert had seven kills and Mallorie Sutton finished with two blocks. Kyleigh Courter led in digs with 24 and Breanna Courter added 13.  
 For the junior varsity, Breanna Eckerle led in kills with five followed by Madison Ramsey with four and Macy Knepp with three. Ramsey also had 11 serving points and four digs. Knepp contributed five digs. Abbi Nonte led in digs with six and had 10 serving points. Cora Consley added four digs and 11 serving points. Addy Lengacher finished with 21 assists.

### Redevelopment Commission meeting

The Martin County Redevelopment Commission will meet Thursday, September 1 at noon at the Martin County Learning Center on the fairgrounds. The meeting is open to the public.

### Loogootee School Board public hearing

The Loogootee School Board will hold a public hearing on the 2023 budget, capital projects plan and bus replacement plan on Thursday, September 1 at 4 p.m. in the high school media center. The meeting is open to the public.

### Free community meal

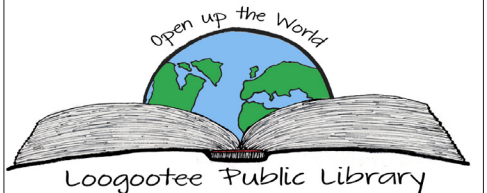
The Loogootee Christian Church, at 206 Sherman Street, is having their monthly free meal for the community on Thursday, September 1 from 6-8 p.m. at the church. This month they will be having loaded nachos, desserts and drinks. All members of the community are invited to attend.

### Strange-O'Maley Reunion

The Strange-O'Maley-Jones Reunion will be held Sunday, September 4 at the St. Joseph Annex in Bramble. Food will be served at 12:30 p.m. Attendees are asked to bring a covered dish. Iced tea and table service will be provided.

### City budget workshop

The City of Loogootee 2023 Budget Workshop is scheduled for Tuesday September 6 at 5 p.m. in the council meeting room of the municipal building. This work-



### BY DARLA WAGLER Librarian, Loogootee Public Library

I invite you to stop by and meet our new programmer for the library. Alyssa Fithian will be doing adult, young adult and kid's programming and work the circulation desk a few hours per week. Alyssa coaches Shoals Middle School Volleyball and was a teacher's assistant. Welcome Alyssa!  
 Carolyn's Book Club will be held on September 12 at 6 p.m.  
 Friends of Loogootee Library will have a Book/Yard Sale on Saturday, September 24 from 8 a.m.-12 p.m.

New Books:  
 Fiction: "Tick Tock" by Fern Michaels, "Quicksand" by Janet Daily.  
 Inspiration Fiction: "The Florence Legacy" by Lauraine Snelling.  
 DVDs: "A Horse Called Bear".

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](http://www.loogootee.lib.in.us) or like us on Facebook. The library has free Wi-Fi service available for patrons.

shop is open to the public.

### Historical Society meeting

The Martin County Historical Society will hold their September meeting on Tuesday, September 6 at 5:30 p.m. in the museum. Final arrangements for Hindostan Days, which is planned for October 1 will be discussed. All members are encouraged to attend.

### 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](mailto:echristmas@youthfirst.org) or [toddamy@iu.edu](mailto:toddamy@iu.edu).

### Celebrate Recovery meetings

Celebrate Recovery meetings will be held every Tuesday at 6 p.m. at The River Church in Shoals. 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

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### 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](http://www.martinswcd.com) or call at 295-3149.

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Last week, we discussed textures in the garden as they relate to the sense of sight. This week, we continue the discussion on textures, but as they relate to the sense of touch. The sense of touch is not one that we usually associate with experiencing a garden. However, it is one of the ways our being takes in information, and, especially in the case of the blind and vision impaired, a major way that one may enjoy the garden experience.

When it comes to textures, a wide variety will create greater interest. Fortunately, the varieties are nearly endless. For instance, when we see a stand of evergreen trees, our sight registers them as similar textures. However, when we actually touch those branches, we realize that there is a lot of variety there. The needles of a blue spruce are very stiff compared to those of a fir or to a pine tree. Cedars, hemlocks, arbor vitae and cypress provide still other unique textures.

Broadleaf evergreens also provide a world of different textures. I had long desired to plant a magnolia with shiny, rubbery leaves—a texture that invites one to reach out and touch. Other leathery leaves, such as those of many hollies, will cause one to withdraw because of their prickly texture. Still others, such as the leaves of a leather-leaf viburnum, have a texture that reminds one of sandpaper.

Succulents have yet another texture. It is rubbery, but softer than the stiff leaves of the aforementioned trees and shrubs. These plants tend to like dry, rocky places, so placing them in a raised bed that lifts them up to make them easier to touch is a technique often employed when gardening specifically for people who cannot see.

Textures do not stop at the leaves. The bark of trees and shrubs also offer a lot of different textures. I have known people

who were able to identify trees and shrubs simply by feeling the bark. Beeches have smooth bark, while birches and American sycamore have smooth bark with areas of exfoliating bark. There are as many different bark textures as there are genera of trees,

Even among grasses, one may find many different textures. Some are soft, while others are quite stiff. I am reminded of the rhyme, “Sedges have edges.” Indeed, one must be careful of those edges, which can cut through the skin. A grass or sedge cut can be very painful—much like a paper cut.

Many xeric plants tend to have tiny hairs on the leaf surfaces. This makes them soft to the touch. Lamb’s ear is a perfect example of such a plant. It is difficult to pass a clump of lamb’s ear without stopping to feel the leaves.

The hosta leaves noted for their textures last week also appeal to the sense of touch. It is amazing that the thick, quilted feel of some varieties co-exists with the smooth leaves of the species and with the wavy blades of some of the newer cultivars.

Of course, a garden is made of more than plants. Rocks, furniture, structures and ornaments add textures to the garden. Even the soil and paving materials provide different textures to experience. Do not be afraid to mix textures and learn to experience the garden with your eyes closed.

Finally, one of my favorite texture plants is bergenia. The thick, waxy leaves invite one to touch. As a child, I learned that I could drag my fingers over a leaf and hear a sound similar to the sound of baby pigs. This gives the plant its common name—pig squeak. Next week we will discuss other ways a garden may be experienced by the sense of hearing.

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## Outdoor Indiana Magazine features nongame wildlife

Outdoor Indiana magazine’s September/October issue features a cover article commemorating the 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Indiana Nongame Wildlife Fund.

The Nongame Wildlife Fund (on.IN.gov/nongame-fund) supports the conservation of endangered and nongame wildlife in the Hoosier state. Nongame wildlife is any wild mammal, bird, reptile, amphibian, fish, mollusk, or crustacean that is not hunted or trapped for sport or commercial use. The crawfish frog, aka the Hoosier frog, is the cover photo. The issue also includes features on walking sticks, those trail companions dear to so many hikers, and Octave Chanute, a manned-flight pioneer who did many of his test flights on the Indiana Dunes.

Outdoor Indiana is available now at most Barnes & Noble stores in Indiana for \$4. Subscriptions are \$15 for one year and \$28 for two years. Subscribe at ShopIN-StateParks.com or by calling 317-233-3046.

# Indiana Archaeology Month starts September 1

Next month marks the 27th anniversary of a statewide celebration of archaeology in Indiana.

This year’s celebration starts September 1, which Gov. Eric J. Holcomb has declared Indiana Archaeology Month Kickoff Day.

All month long, Hoosier history buffs can meet archaeologists and learn about the state’s fascinating past. Through the past years’ celebrations, thousands of members of the public have been able to experience archaeology in this and many other ways.

A variety of events for all ages will be offered by universities, museums, organizations, and individuals throughout Indiana. The Indiana Department of Natural Resources Division of Historic Preservation & Archaeology (DHPA) coordinates the activities. A schedule of events is at on.IN.gov/archaeology-month.

“Archaeology tells us about the past, but it also helps us figure out more about ourselves today and what we might be like in the future,” said Dan Bortner, DNR director and State Historic Preservation Officer. “This month provides a fun way for Hoosiers to learn how.”

This year’s commemorative poster focuses on the diversity of Indiana’s Late Precontact ceramics.

Hikers can design and decorate their own walking stick at Patoka Lake’s walking stick workshop on Saturday, September 3 at 9:30 a.m. at its Nature Center. The cost for this program is \$5 per stick, and all supplies will be provided.

After the workshop there will be a short, guided hike to discuss Patoka Lake history at 10:30 a.m.

The entrance fee of \$7 per vehicle for Indiana residents and \$9 for out-of-state vehicles is required for the Newton-Stewart State Recreation Area, located north of Wickliffe on State Road 164. For more information regarding this program or other interpretive events, please call the Nature Center at 812-685-2447.

Patoka Lake (on.IN.gov/patokalake) is at 3084 N. Dillard Road, Birdseye, IN 47513.



Precontact ceramics. The ceramics of the Late Precontact period (1000 to 1500 CE) of Indiana indicate that Native American groups were not static but were diverse, dynamic, and complex.

“Archaeologists examine the different decorative styles of pottery to interpret shifting movements and cultural interactions of people through time in areas that would become Indiana and the Midwest,” said State Archaeologist Amy Johnson.

The poster and an in-depth discussion of the design are available at on.IN.gov/archaeologymonth.

Overall, archaeologists have recorded more than 75,000 sites in Indiana since the early 1800s, helping shape public understanding of the precontact and historic people who also called the land we now call Indiana home.

## Patoka Lake hosts King’s Bridge kayak tour

Bring your kayak for a tour upstream of Patoka Lake beginning from King’s Bridge Boat Ramp on Sunday, September 11 at 10 a.m. Bald eagles, beaver, and other wildlife can be seen along the two-hour journey to Grimes Lake Marsh. Plan to arrive by 9:45 a.m. to sign in and get your boat in the water so the trip can leave promptly at 10 a.m.

Bring refreshments, life vests, sunscreen, binoculars, and cameras. Non-motorized boat launch permits are required and will be sold at the event for \$5. Permits can also be purchased at the Patoka Lake office from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. daily.

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# ~LETTER TO THE EDITOR~

**'I will strive to make this one of the best services'**

To the editor of the *Martin County Journal* and the citizens of Martin County,

Please allow me to introduce myself. My name is Jeramey Osborn and I am your Martin County Director of Ambulance Services. I have been asked in a public meeting what qualifies me to hold such a position. Please allow me a moment to answer that question.

I was born and raised in Martin County just outside of Loogootee. I served in the United States Marine Corps from 1998-2003. I earned an honorable discharge and left the service as a Sergeant after extending my enlistment for a tour in Iraq. I've had two successful businesses in Martin County. I earned my Emergency Medical Services degree from Vincennes University which includes my EMT - Basic certification on 01/11/2012 and my EMT-Paramedic License. I have been in EMS (Emergency Medical Services) for over 10 years. I worked full-time for Memorial Hospital in Jasper as a full-time Paramedic, Training Officer, and for approximately 2 years as the Clinical Manager for Ambulance Services. I am a certified Primary Instructor, as well as being certified instructor in: Emergency Vehicle Operations Course, Advanced Cardiac Life Support, Pediatric Advanced Life Support, and Pre-Hospital Trauma Life Support. I come to serve you as a former businessman with business and management experience, frontline EMS experience, and the certifications and experience in teaching so that our staff can achieve the continuing education needed to serve our community.

As I'm sure most of you are aware, our local ambulance service has been in question recently. I want to reach out to you publicly to hopefully set the record straight, calm some fears, and provide you with an idea of the path going forward.

We were informed at approximately 10 p.m. on August 21, 2022, that the citizens of Martin County were losing ambulance coverage at 12 a.m. the morning of August 22, 2022. While our county leaders were aware that the provider was having difficulty in finding a medical director, they were informed that coverage was not going to be terminated as soon as the morning of the 22nd. Luckily the county leaders had started to plan and take steps to prepare for the possibility of needing to step in. The county has contacted the three surrounding hospitals and ambulance services to see if they would take over ambulance coverage of Martin County as the county never intended to get in the ambulance business. All the area providers did not feel they were in a place to take on new territory, thus it has fallen on Martin County government to step in and provide coverage for its citizens. The Indiana State Medical Director offered to step in and act as the medical director for the previous service so that they could continue to provide coverage beyond August 21, 2022. That would have provided Martin County the time to outfit a service and start our own. Unfortunately, the previous provider refused to continue coverage for Martin County even though they are under contract to do so until June 30, 2023.

So where are we now? There was NO lapse in coverage for our county. We were able to scramble and with the assistance of the State Medical Director, local EMTs, and paramedics we were able to stand up a basic service which started at midnight on the morning of August 22, 2022. While we provide a single basic ambulance service 24/7, we work to get additional ambulances certified, employees screened and hired, the station prepared, and all of the supporting elements that would normally take months

to achieve are being tackled simultaneously.

Please be secure in the fact that Martin County has an ambulance service to respond when called. The ambulance service is located at the Martin County Fire & Rescue building which is on Highway 50 by the 4-H building. As of 7 a.m. on August 29, 2022, the NEW Martin County Ambulance Services has responded to 22 calls for assistance. We will continue to be here for our neighbors as we build a new service that the entire community can be proud of and rely on to provide emergency healthcare when needed. We expect to have a second ambulance certified within the next few days which is a huge step in being able to provide for multiple emergencies. We are working on the necessary steps to restore a paramedic level of service to the community. The state medical director is currently acting as our medical director as we move to a permanent solution.

So, what does the future hold? With the guidance and direction of the commissioners, we will soon have three very capable ambulances in our fleet, and we will be offering around the clock paramedic coverage to our community. Unfortunately, as in all things this comes at a cost. ARPA funds have been used to address this public safety emergency and other funding options are being pursued. Starting an ambulance service is an expensive endeavor, however each and every citizen, as well as the visitors to our beautiful county, deserve to have access to emergency healthcare. As your Martin County Council works on what the future of funding long term service looks like, I as your director, I will be working to pursue various funding options to lessen the burden on my fellow taxpayers. As time passes and this new department takes shape, we will eventually start receiving payments from insurance companies, Medicare, Medicaid, and self-pay, which will help with the costs associated with running a service. Due to lack of data from previous years, this is going to be a learning curve that will take a few years to gather the data needed to get a more accurate budget of expected revenue vs. expenses. Therefore, with the startup, we have to budget as if no money will be made so we are prepared for what the future holds. I ask for your patience as we navigate this venture. I will strive to make this one of the best services our community has ever seen so that you can take pride in your ambulance services.

Please stay safe, help your neighbors and remember we are here when you need us.

God Bless,  
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# WORKFORCE

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diana's workforce to the benefit of individual employees and their employers."

One feature of the Navigator exclusively for employers is the Talent Pipeline Assessment, which evaluates and benchmarks their current talent development strategies against recognized best practices. Once an employer's self-assessment is completed, the Navigator will suggest aligned resources based on those results and notify the employer when new resources are added.

Todd Hurst, executive director of the Institute for Workforce Excellence, explains how the clearinghouse aspect of the site will be enhanced. "While the Navigator already houses a robust col-

lection of pre-populated resources, we encourage organizations and providers to claim and update their existing pages or submit new programs/resources that aren't currently included.

The Navigator is intended to evolve and grow with utilization, adding more local, state and even national talent development resources over time.

Starting later this month, the Indiana Chamber will host webinars for users to learn the ins and outs of the Navigator. Soon thereafter, Hurst says, the Institute team also will be bringing the tool to regional partners and events.

Access information on the Talent Resource Navigator at [www.talentresource-navigator.com](http://www.talentresource-navigator.com).



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