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-Photo by Courtney Hughett

Don Bowling, far right, is shown receiving the Sagamore of the Wabash award, the state's highest honor to citizens, from former Lt. Governor Becky Skillman and State Senator Mark Messmer. The presentation was held last Wednesday at the community building.

Don Bowling honored for years of service to county

BY COURTNEY HUGHETT
Martin County Journal Publisher

Lifelong Loogootee resident Don Bowling was honored last Wednesday at the Martin County Community Building with an open house. Many attended the open house to show their appreciation for Bowling. He received the Sagamore of the Wabash award from State Senator Mark Messmer and former Lieutenant Governor Becky Skillman. The Sagamore of the Wabash is the highest distinction a resident can receive in Indiana. "Sagamore" was a term used by native American tribes of Indiana to describe a lesser chief or a great man among the tribe whom the chief consulted for wisdom and advice. Loogootee Mayor Noel Harty also declared last Wednesday, August 31 as "Don Bowling Day" in the City of Loogootee. Harty presented Bowling with a plaque during the open house.

Bowling, age 88, has been involved in community service and local government in Martin County for many decades. He was elected as Mayor of Loogootee for two terms, serves as Vice President of the WestGate Authority, is President of the Martin County Alliance for Economic Growth and Martin County Senior Housing. He also serves on the board of directors for Hoosier Uplands and a member of the St. Vincent de Paul Conference, Store Board, and Trust Fund Committee.

He is a past Grand Knight of the Knights of Columbus 732 and has served as treasurer for 25 years and a former Faithful Navigator of the 4th

Degree Knights of Columbus.

Bowling said serving as Mayor of Loogootee was his favorite part of his career but also the most difficult. He said he did his best to try and make everyone happy but that proved to be very difficult to do. "We don't all think alike, but I really tried," he said. He said he met a lot of new people which enhanced the job even more. "I thought being Mayor was the best job in the world," he said.

Bowling urges his fellow citizens of Martin County to get involved in their community, wherever they can. He said that just getting involved in one thing will make a difference. "If you want to change things, you must get involved," he said.

Bowling was a longtime backer and proponent of the I-69 project and has been deeply involved in the WestGate Tech Park and lobbying for NSWC Crane.

Bowling lost his first wife in 1972 and they had four children, Terry, Frank, Christine, and Stacey. He married Patty Winger in 1986 and they have two children, Ronnie and Debbie. The couple celebrated their 30th Anniversary recently. Bowling attended St. John Elementary School and graduated from Loogootee High School. He worked at National Gypsum in Shoals for 35 years, retiring in 1990.

When asked what he wanted his legacy to be Bowling replied, "I never really thought about it before. I guess as long as your wife and children love you, and you have the respect of the community, that's all that matters."

Bicentennial Torch to go through county next Tuesday night

BY COURTNEY HUGHETT
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The Martin County portion of the Indiana Bicentennial Torch Relay will be held next Tuesday, September 13 from 6-8 p.m. The torch route starts at the Burns City Crane gate with Jim Stoughton driving torchbearer Richard Kluesner with the torch to the Loogootee city limit sign by Maranatha Tabernacle. From there, the remaining torchbearers will each travel approximately a quarter of a mile down Hwy. 231 turning left at the stoplight by McDonald's and traveling Hwy. 50 into Shoals. Then they will turn on Main Street and end at the Martin County Courthouse.

The following torchbearers, in this order, will be walking, running or be driven with the torch starting at Maranatha Tabernacle and on to the courthouse in



Shoals - Jack Butcher, John Bowling, Carolyn McGuire, Phyllis Crews, Noel Harty, James Todd, Jim Floyd, James Poirier, Mike Ringwald (for Paula Ringwald), Eric Doane, Brooke Hawkins, Jordan Hawkins, Candace Roush, Travis Roush, Deirdree Sanders, Kenneth Greenwell, Mike Steiner, Megan Jones, Jason Greene (for the late Bob Greene), Conner Sorrells, Megan Hawkins, Greg Force (for the late Charles Force), Jim Marshall, Theresa Fuhrman, Betsy Graves, Lynn Hawkins, Lisa Bauer, and Lynne Ellis.

Martin County residents are invited to line the route to cheer on the torchbearers. A motorcade, including motorcycle officers, the state police, and state vehicles will accompany the torchbearers throughout the route.

At the start of the torch relay, there will also be a celebration starting at the fairgrounds at 6 p.m. Marie Hawkins, Martin County Bicentennial Commit- (See 'TORCH' continued on page 2)



-Photo by Courtney Hughett

Shown above on the far left is County Council Member Buck Stiles presenting a joint resolution between the council and commissioners honoring Clyde "Whitey" Hawkins to his daughters, Debby Strange, Lynn Jones, Micky Crew and Wendy Colglazier. Also shown is Bruce Hawkins and Council Member Lonnie Hawkins.

Council approves corrections' salaries, honors Whitey Hawkins

BY COURTNEY HUGHETT
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Community Corrections Director Kathy Collins spoke to the Martin County Council at their meeting Tuesday, September 6, about updating her department's salary ordinance. The salary ordinance included adding Rhonda Hardwick, who currently serves as road crew supervisor, to be serving also as part-time administrative assistant for community corrections. The ordinance also includes a three percent raise for her field officer and 12 percent raise for a case manager. Collins noted that the money to be used for raises comes from her own budget and doesn't require any

additional county funding.

Council Member Lonnie Hawkins said the issue he has is that the community corrections' fiscal year is different from the rest of the county offices' fiscal year. He said that means if they approve raises for community corrections employees now, they won't be able to approve giving other county employees raises until closer to the end of the year, if funding is even available. He suggested waiting on approving the community corrections salary ordinance until the county's budget is approved in October.

Collins replied saying that her advisory board unanimously approved the salary changes. She said the advisory (See 'COUNCIL' continued on page 2)

COUNCIL

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board is her governing body and the issue she finds, at each meeting of the council, is which board does she answer to. "What role does the county council play and what role does the advisory board play?" she asked. She added that her 16-member advisory board sees her financial statements and they know what is going on and if they approve what is financially possible for community corrections, how can he council then put that approval in question.

Council Member Buck Stiles said he understood what Council Member Hawkins was saying because if the other county employees see community corrections' staff getting raises, they will wonder why they didn't get raises as well. He added that he understands her advisory board already said it's okay but he is considering the other county employees as well. He said that

community corrections have the option of generating income that other departments do not have the ability to collect.

Collins said she is not blind to the council's position to across-the-board raises, wanting to give all employees increases at the same time but not everyone is in the position of community corrections and can give raises.

After more discussion, the council unanimously approved the salary ordinance with the raises.

Bill Greene, president of the Martin County Historical Society, told the council about work that needs to be done on the former county courthouse. He said the most important issue that needs to be corrected is the courthouse's bell tower, which is in very bad shape. He received one estimate on the cost of repairing the tower for \$32,000. He provided the council with a list of all the repairs that need to be done and told them

that he is working with SIDC (Southern Indiana Development Commission) to see if they qualify for grants. He is also working with the Martin County Community Foundation to see if they can provide emergency funding.

Greene said that the historical society does not receive a substantial amount of funding each year and they have one main fundraiser each October. He said at the end of the year, the society had just \$1,000 remaining in their account. He requested any help from the council or any guidance they may be able to give him. "We want to make sure that building stays in good shape for future generations," said Greene. He said he wonders often why he took on the position of president of the historical society but said he has a passion for history and taking our past into our future.

TORCH

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tee Chairman will begin with a welcome speech with Father Kenneth Walker providing the invocation immediately following. The American Legion and VFW will present the colors at 6:10 p.m. along with the Loogootee High School Choir performing the National Anthem. The Bicentennial essay winners, Megan Hawkins and Andrew Powell, will be recognized at 6:25 p.m. and at 6:35 p.m. Linda Jones will speak about how Indiana got its name.

Gianna Armstrong will sing "Back Home Again in Indiana" at 6:50 p.m. followed by the torchbearer recogni-

tion at 7 p.m. Food will be provided along with music by "No Plan B". The state has also provided a trailer containing Indiana history that can be toured throughout the celebration.

The state has developed an application that allows anyone to follow the torch throughout the relay. It is available to Apple and Android device users by searching "Indiana Torch Relay" in your app store. The torch relay starts on Friday in Harrison County and ends October 15 in Marion County. A total of 3,200 miles will be travelled through Indiana and will pass through all 92 Indiana counties.

Man jailed after causing disturbance

An allegedly intoxicated Washington man was arrested last Wednesday afternoon after causing a disturbance at a Loogootee residence.

At 3:52 p.m. last Wednesday, Martin County dispatchers received a 911 call from a female who said a male was banging on the front door of her home and refusing to leave. Fearing for her safety, the female took her four-year-old child and left out of a back door of the residence, going to a neighbor's home without the male knowing.

Trooper Ross Johnson and Loogootee Police Chief Kelly Rayhill arrived

at the home moments later. The male, 33-year-old Derek Worland, of Washington, appeared to officers to be extremely intoxicated. Officers learned that Worland had driven from Washington to Loogootee and had been at the residence for about 15 minutes prior to their arrival. Through the investigation, Trooper Johnson found that Worland had a blood alcohol content of .32%, four times the legal driving limit of .08%. Worland was placed under arrest for operating while intoxicated, public intoxication, and intimidation, and was lodged in the Martin County Jail.


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Artist brings experience to Shoals School's mural project

The Shoals School's outdoor mural art project will begin on September 18, 2016. Visiting artist Susan K. Dailey will guide K-12 students and other team members on the process of creating a monumental painted mural. The mural will be painted on the west-facing brick wall, which borders the proposed outdoor learning area. It is the courtyard area between the cafeteria and the junior high school building. Images of Martin County landmarks, and Hoosier emblems and iconic figures will compliment student activities.

Susan Dailey is an experienced public engagement/monumental mural art-

ist who lives in Ft. Collins, Colorado. Susan has been an artist for thirty years, and a professional mural and public installation artist for twenty years. Her many works include "Berthoud's Roots", a five story painted grain elevator, which pays tribute to the town's agricultural roots as well as its modern spirit of community. "Family Heritage", a silo painting, was commissioned by Golden Prairie Organic Farms, and pays tribute to a multi-generational farming family.



SUSAN K. DAILEY

Susan's work with young artists includes teaching children's outdoor art classes. She serves as a sketch hike artist for the YMCA of the Rockies, in Estes Park, Colorado. The "Hall of Heroes" is a mural at Longs Peak Middle School, which is an extension of a Veterans Memorial painting project. It consists of twenty-two panels wrapping around the outside of the school library. She was also an artist-in-residence at Pierce Elementary School, in Pierce, Idaho.

In her artist's statement, Susan says

in part: "My work is created for public spaces, often paying homage to the WPA mural painters, as the mural painting tradition moves into the 21st Century. Painting on a large scale fascinates me, in the way that the viewer becomes a part of the painting landscape when standing in front of it. Focusing on the good and positive, I strive for inspiring contemplation in the viewer, while depicting a sense of the local."

This project is made possible, in part, with support from the Brown County Community Foundation, the Indiana Arts Commission, and the National Endowment for the Arts, a federal agency.

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Martin County Sheriff's Department log

MONDAY, AUGUST 29

12:08 a.m. - Deputy Salmon and Loogootee Officer Floyd assisted the department of child services with a welfare check in Loogootee.

2:58 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Deputy Salmon, Loogootee Officer Floyd, Martin County Ambulance, and Loogootee Fire responded. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

5:53 a.m. - Received a dog complaint near Shoals. Deputy Salmon responded.

7:40 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Shoals. Martin County Ambulance responded and transported the subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

8:47 a.m. - Received a report of a semi blocking the road east of Shoals. Captain Dant responded.

9:34 a.m. - Received a dog complaint east of Shoals. Captain Dant responded.

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

11:50 a.m. - Received a call of a man with a gun in the Loogootee Elementary School. Loogootee Chief Rayhill, Sheriff Roush, Chief Deputy Greene, Major Burkhardt, Sergeant Keller, Captain Dant, ICO Mann, ICO Doane, and ISP Qualkenbush responded. All schools were checked and the call proved to be a hoax.

1:28 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance transported the subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

3:30 p.m. - Chief Deputy Dant took one inmate to court.

4:50 p.m. - Jail Commander took one inmate to the doctor.

5:44 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance near Loogootee. Loogootee Fire and Martin County Ambulance responded. No one was transported.

8:20 p.m. - Received a report of a domestic situation in Loogootee. Loogootee Officer Floyd, Loogootee Officer Baker, Sergeant Keller, and Reserve Officer Wright responded.

11:31 p.m. - Received a domestic complaint in Crane. Deputy Salmon responded.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 30

8:00 a.m. - Received a report of a car blocking a drive in Loogootee. Loogootee Chief Rayhill responded.

9:13 a.m. - Received a report of a broken gas line in Loogootee. Loogootee Fire responded.

9:20 a.m. - Received a dog complaint north of Shoals. Major Burkhardt responded.

9:30 a.m. - Major Burkhardt took three inmates to court.

9:42 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance transported the subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

10:03 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Shoals. Shoals Fire and Martin County Ambulance responded. The subject was transported to IU Health.

10:08 a.m. - Received a report of a car-deer accident near Shoals. Sheriff Roush responded.

10:45 a.m. - Received a report of a house fire near Shoals. Shoals Fire, Martin County Civil Defense, Sheriff Roush, and Orange County EMS responded.

12:33 p.m. - Received a request for

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

1:00 p.m. - Reserve Deputy Wright took three inmates to court.

2:30 p.m. - Reserve Deputy Wright took two inmates to court.

2:30 p.m. - Major Burkhardt took one inmate to court.

3:25 p.m. - Received a report of a theft in Loogootee. Loogootee Captain Hennette responded.

3:53 p.m. - Received a report of vandalism in Crane. Sergeant Keller responded.

5:44 p.m. - Received a report of a domestic situation near Shoals. Major Burkhardt responded.

11:35 p.m. - Sheriff Roush and Reserve Officer Wright performed a welfare check north of Shoals.

11:38 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance near Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance transported the subject to Daviess Community Hospital.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 31

6:00 a.m. - Jail Officer Emmick took one inmate to the doctor.

7:30 a.m. - Received a report of a domestic situation in Loogootee. Loogootee Chief Rayhill, Deputy Salmon, and ISP Officer Qualkenbush responded.

8:50 a.m. - Sheriff Roush assisted a motorist in Loogootee.

9:06 a.m. - Major Burkhardt performed a welfare check near Shoals.

9:30 a.m. - Chief Deputy Greene took one inmate to court.

9:48 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance transported the subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

11:30 a.m. - Sheriff Roush took two inmates to court.

11:39 a.m. - Chief Deputy Greene transported one inmate from Daviess County Jail for court.

12:10 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded but did not transport.

12:30 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance transported the subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

1:00 p.m. - Chief Deputy Greene took two inmates to court.

3:00 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance transported the subject to Daviess Community Hospital.

3:43 p.m. - Received a report of a disturbance in Loogootee. Loogootee Chief Rayhill responded.

5:19 p.m. - Corporal Baker assisted a motorist north of Loogootee.

6:29 p.m. - Major Burkhardt performed three vehicle identification checks near Shoals.

9:05 p.m. - Deputy Reed transported one inmate to Daviess County Jail.

9:50 p.m. - Received a report of a prowler in Crane. Deputy Baker, K9 Officer Virka, Deputy Reed, and several Daviess County and ISP units responded.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 1

4:30 a.m. - Received a report of a house fire east of Shoals. Shoals Fire, Martin County Civil Defense, Martin County Ambulance, Corporal Baker, and Deputy Reed responded. The state fire marshal was also on the scene.

11:30 a.m. - Chief Deputy Greene

took two inmates to court.

11:33 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded but no one was transported.

12:53 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance transported the subject to Daviess Community Hospital.

1:00 p.m. - Sheriff Roush took two inmates to court.

1:00 p.m. - Chief Deputy Greene took one inmate to court.

5:31 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance, Loogootee Officer Floyd, and ISP Trooper Beaver responded. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

8:12 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance near Shoals. Shoals Fire and Martin County Ambulance responded.

9:00 p.m. - Received a report of a stabbing in Loogootee. Corporal Baker, Deputy Reed, K9 Officer Virka, Loogootee Officer Floyd, Loogootee Fire, and Martin County Ambulance responded. Several units from the state police and the Daviess County Sheriff's Office also assisted.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 2

6:12 a.m. - Received an alarm call near Shoals. Deputy Reed responded and all was okay.

8:42 a.m. - Major Burkhardt and Jailor Emmick took one inmate to Rockville State Prison and one inmate to the doctor.

9:00 a.m. - Chief Deputy Greene took one inmate to court.

10:30 a.m. - Chief Deputy Greene took three inmates to court.

4:42 p.m. - Jail Commander Abel took one inmate to court.

7:27 p.m. - Received a report of an accident in Loogootee. Loogootee Fire, Martin County Ambulance, Deputy Reed, and Loogootee Officer Floyd responded. The subject was transported to Daviess Community Hospital.

8:47 p.m. - Received a report of a possible prowler in Crane. Deputy Reed and ICO Mann responded.

10:22 p.m. - Received a report of a fire near Loogootee. Loogootee Fire responded.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 3

5:51 a.m. - Received a report of a car-deer accident north of Loogootee. Corporal Baker responded.

8:43 a.m. - Sergeant Keller removed debris from US 50, near Shoals.

9:10 a.m. - Received a request for lift assistance near Shoals. Shoals Fire and Martin County Ambulance responded.

10:36 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance near Shoals. Martin County Ambulance and Shoals Fire responded. The subject was transported to Dunn Memorial Hospital.

2:05 p.m. - Sergeant Keller performed a vehicle identification check near Shoals.

2:45 p.m. - Chief Deputy Greene removed debris from US 50, east of Shoals.

8:21 p.m. - Received a report of a leaving the scene of an accident in Loogootee. Loogootee Officer Floyd responded and located the driver.

9:19 p.m. - Received a report of a fire near Shoals. Shoals Fire responded.

10:59 p.m. - Received a dog complaint in Loogootee. ISP Trooper Johnson responded.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 4

7:17 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Sergeant Keller and Martin County Ambulance responded. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

9:50 a.m. - Sergeant Keller assisted a motorist in Loogootee.

12:33 p.m. - Sergeant Keller performed a vehicle identification check south of Shoals.

1:37 p.m. - Sergeant Keller performed a vehicle identification check near Shoals.

1:57 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance transported the subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

7:55 p.m. - Received a report of vandalism south of Loogootee. Corporal Baker responded.

9:40 p.m. - Received a report of a suspicious female near Shoals. Corporal Baker and Loogootee Officer Floyd responded.

Real estate transfers

Seth D. Hopper, of Orange County, Indiana to **Michael R. Brace**, of Orange County, Indiana, a part of the southwest quarter of the northwest quarter of Section 1, Township 2 North, Range 3 West, containing 5 acres, more or less. Also, 3.96 acres, more or less, in the same section.

Anna B. Shepard and Lonnie G. Shepard, of Martin County, Indiana to **Leanna M. Williams**, of Martin County, Indiana, Lots 45, 46, and 47; also the east half of Lots 69 and 70; and part of the south half of Lot 68, all in the Town of West Shoals, now Shoals, Indiana. More commonly known as 207 Chestnut Street, Shoals IN 47581.

Kenneth L. Brett, Robert W. Brett, Lois A. Brett, Richard A. Brett, Roger L. Brett, and Paul E. Wade, of Martin County, Indiana to **Brett Farms, LLC**, of Martin County, Indiana, the northwest quarter of Section 13, Township 3 North, Range 4 West, containing 155 acres, more or less. Also, the east half of the southeast quarter of Section 14, Township 3 North, Range 4 West, containing 80 acres, more or less. Also, the northwest quarter of the southeast quarter of Section 14, Township 3 North, Range 4 West, 40 acres, more or less. Also, the east half of the northeast quarter of Section 14, Township 3 North, Range 4 West, containing 79.75 acres, more or less. Also, the east half of the west half of the northeast quarter of Section 14, Township 3 North, Range 4 West, 40 acres and three-fourths interest in 394.75 acres, more or less.

Janet M. (Dorsey) Stroud, of Martin County, Indiana to **Jeffery Dorsey**, of Martin County, Indiana, a part of the southeast quarter of Section 35, Township 3 North, Range 3 West, Halbert Township, Martin County, Indiana, containing 3.86 acres, more or less.

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August 2

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Augusto Enriquez-Martinez, false informing.

Joseph L. Zins, domestic battery.

Jociah C. Earl, maintaining a common nuisance – alcohol, possession of marijuana, operating a vehicle with a schedule I or II controlled substance or its metabolite in the body, possession of paraphernalia.

Joshua A. Yarbrough, resisting law enforcement, maintaining a common nuisance – legend drugs, resisting law enforcement, possession of marijuana.

August 3

Joseph E. Choate, dealing in methamphetamine, possession of methamphetamine, maintaining a common nuisance – controlled substances.

Ralph L. Fox, Jr., dealing in methamphetamine, possession of methamphetamine, maintaining a common nuisance – controlled substances, habitual offender sentence enhancement.

August 8

David J. Dotts, possession of marijuana.

Stephanie S. Neukam, operating a vehicle while intoxicated endangering a person, operating a vehicle with an ACE of .08 or more.

William A. Randolph, possession of marijuana.

Maegan E. Blackford, possession of marijuana.

Laura R. Henry, maintaining a common nuisance – controlled substances, possession of marijuana, possession of paraphernalia.

James M. Osborne, Jr., possession of methamphetamine, maintaining a common nuisance – controlled substances, unlawful possession of syringe, possession of marijuana, possession of paraphernalia.

August 9

Dane R. Davis, reckless driving.

Tina M. Strohmeier, two counts of driving while suspended.

August 10

Abigail R. Busler, illegal consumption of an alcoholic beverage.

Matthew A. Hulsman, furnishing alcohol to a minor.

August 11

Russell W. Erwin, invasion of privacy.

Dawn M. Graber, possession of methamphetamine, maintaining a common nuisance – controlled substances, unlawful possession of a syringe, possession of a controlled substance, neglect of a dependent, possession of marijuana, possession of paraphernalia.

August 12

Roger A. Terry, maintaining a common nuisance – controlled substance, possession of marijuana.

David A. Jones, possession of methamphetamine, maintaining a common nuisance – controlled substances, possession of paraphernalia.

David E. Dupont, possession of methamphetamine, maintaining a common nuisance – controlled substances, possession of paraphernalia.

August 15

Jasmine N. Harner, operating a vehicle while intoxicated endangering a person, operating a vehicle with an ACE of .15 or more, leaving the scene of an accident.

Nicholas A. Dant, theft, false inform-

ing.

Travis L. Troutman, operating a vehicle while intoxicated endangering a person, operating a vehicle with an ACE of .15 or more, operating a vehicle while intoxicated, operating a vehicle with an ACE of .15 or more habitual vehicular substance offender sentence enhancement.

August 18

Jason W. Greene, dealing in methamphetamine, possession of methamphetamine, maintaining a common nuisance – controlled substances, possession of paraphernalia.

Destiny G. Mitchell, maintaining a common nuisance – controlled substances, possession of marijuana, possession of paraphernalia.

Franklin G. Nolley, possession of methamphetamine, two counts of maintaining a common nuisance – controlled substances, possession of paraphernalia.

Donna J. Denny, possession of methamphetamine, maintaining a common nuisance – controlled substances, possession of paraphernalia.

August 19

Phillip R. Fellers, criminal trespass.

Edward L. McCloskey, dealing in methamphetamine, possession of methamphetamine.

Brian L. Riker, Jr., strangulation, domestic battery.

August 22

Stephen L. Seals, resisting law enforcement, reckless driving.

Benny L. Cain, possession of methamphetamine, maintaining a common nuisance – controlled substances, possession of paraphernalia.

August 30

Shawn M. Brown, resisting law enforcement, disorderly conduct.

James H. Ringer, criminal confinement, domestic battery, three counts of resisting law enforcement.

CIVIL COURT New Suits Filed

August 25

Angela and Jeffrey Smith vs. Herman Campbell and United Farm Family Mutual Insurance Co., civil tort.

US Bank Trust vs. Nathan D. Roach, Rachel D. Roach, State of Indiana Department of Revenue, and State of Indiana Attorney General, mortgage foreclosure.

August 26

Midland Funding vs. Veronica Baurassa, civil collection.

Steven J. Baker vs. Kimberly R. Kyger, civil plenary.

August 29

International Hair LG, Inc. vs. Lynn Williams, civil collection.

Indiana Department of Workforce Development vs. Rodney J. Foster, miscellaneous civil.

CIVIL COURT JUDGMENTS

August 25

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff White River Co-Op and against the defendant Dexter K. Eastridge in the amount of \$16,070.44.

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Midland Funding, LLC and against the defendant Travis Stoll in the amount of \$3,333.86.

August 30

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Crane Federal Credit Union and against the defendant Candy S. Dreher in the amount of \$10,355.47.

SMALL CLAIMS JUDGMENTS

August 31

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Medical of Dubois and against the defendant Corinna S. Cox in the amount of \$246.

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Crane Federal Credit Union and against the defendant Adrian T. DeRossett in the amount of \$845.11.

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Medical of Dubois and against the defendant Ashley E. Osgatharp in the amount of \$362.95.

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Medical of Dubois and against the

Loogootee Police log

MONDAY, AUGUST 29

12:08 a.m. - Caller reported a domestic dispute in Bowling Trailer Court.

2:58 a.m. - First responders were requested on Sycamore Street for a medical problem.

9:15 a.m. - Caller reported a reckless vehicle on Hwy 50. Chief Rayhill located the vehicle.

11:50 a.m. - Caller reported a threat at the Loogootee Elementary. Officers arrived and found the call to be a hoax. A juvenile student was charged with false informing.

4:02 p.m. - Officer Baker located a street sign in Redwing Trailer Court.

5:44 p.m. - First responders were requested on Hwy 50 for a medical problem.

8:20 p.m. - Caller reported a domestic dispute on Walker Street.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 30

8:00 a.m. - Caller reported an abandoned vehicle in the Marathon parking lot.

9:13 a.m. - Loogootee Fire was paged out to a gas leak on Kentucky Avenue.

3:25 p.m. - Caller reported a theft on SE 1st Street.

9:28 p.m. - Caller reported a vehicle making bad passes on Hwy 50.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 31

9:46 a.m. - Chief Rayhill assisted the ambulance service on West Washington Street.

10:12 a.m. - Caller reported a reckless driver on US 231. Chief Rayhill located the vehicle.

3:43 p.m. - Caller reported a male trying to enter her home on South Kentucky Avenue. Chief Rayhill and Troop-

defendant Dustin G. Rustman in the amount of \$300.

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Medical of Dubois and against the defendant Justin R. Truelove in the amount of \$246.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

August 31

Steven D. Cato of Loogootee and Tina M. McCarty of Loogootee.

er Johnson responded.

8:10 p.m. - Caller requested a welfare check on a male.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 1

11:00 a.m. - Chief Rayhill assisted child protective services.

5:07 p.m. - Officer Floyd assisted child protective services.

5:31 p.m. - Officer Floyd assisted a motorist.

6:05 p.m. - Caller reported a dog complaint.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 2

10:05 a.m. - Caller reported property damage on Broadway Street.

7:29 p.m. - Caller reported a property damage accident on Hwy 50. Martin County Sheriff's Department worked the accident.

10:07 p.m. - Caller reported problems with the railroad crossing arms.

10:14 p.m. - Caller reported a plant box on fire on Hwy 50.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 3

10:45 a.m. - Caller requested a welfare check on some juveniles.

10:59 p.m. - Caller reported a dog complaint.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 4

12:57 a.m. - Caller reported a possible theft of a dog. It was later learned the dog ran out of the home.

11:30 a.m. - Caller reported harassment.

7:43 p.m. - Caller reported suspicious activity on Broadway Street.

9:05 p.m. - Caller reported possible intoxicated persons on Broadway Street.

9:44 p.m. - Officer Floyd assisted the county with a suspicious person on Rama Dye Road.

ARRESTS

MONDAY, AUGUST 29

9:16 p.m. - James Ringer, of Loogootee, was arrested by Loogootee Officer Floyd and charged with domestic battery in the presence of a minor, criminal confinement, and resisting law enforcement. His bond has been set at \$25,000 10%. Assisting with the arrest were Sergeant Keller, Reserve Officer Wright, and Loogootee Officer Baker.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 30

8:35 p.m. - Austin Bradley, 22, of Loogootee, was arrested by Sergeant Keller and charged with possession of marijuana. His bond has been set at \$25,000 10%.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 31

8:37 a.m. - Andrew Qualkenbush, 19, of Loogootee, was arrested by Loogootee Chief Rayhill and charged with public intoxication and is being held without bond.

6:33 p.m. - Derek Worland, 33, of Washington, was arrested by ISP Trooper Johnson and charged with intimidation, public intoxication, and operating while intoxicated. His bond has been set at \$25,000 10%.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 1

2:21 a.m. - Chiffone Puckett, 33, of New Harmony, was arrested by Corporal Baker and charged with possession of meth, possession of marijuana, and

possession of paraphernalia. Her bond has been set at \$30,000 10%. Assisting in the arrest was ISP Trooper Beaver.

2:52 p.m. - Jessica Bates Crosby, 32, of Loogootee, was arrested by Chief Deputy Greene on a warrant and is being held without bond.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 2

4:39 a.m. - Craig Cain, 44, of Loogootee, was arrested by Loogootee Officer Floyd and charged with attempted murder and aggravated assault. He is being held without bond.

10:30 p.m. - Michael Butcher, 48, of Crane, was arrested by Deputy Reed for possession of marijuana. He is being held on a \$10,000 10% bond. Assisting in the arrest was ICO Doane.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 3

9:11 p.m. - Jessica Lomax, 35, of French Lick, was arrested by Corporal Baker and charged with operating while intoxicated and is being held on a \$25,000 10% bond. Assisting with the arrest were Chief Deputy Greene and ISP Trooper Johnson.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 4

12:17 a.m. - Derek Gilbertson, 35, of Loogootee, was arrested by Loogootee Officer Floyd and charged with operating while intoxicated and leaving the scene of an accident. His bond has been set at \$20,000 10%.



Facility improvements enhance campus life at Vincennes University

Students beginning classes at Vincennes University last week noticed multiple improvements to campus, all designed to enhance student life.

In addition to the opening of a New Student Center, new housing units opened across the street on the fifth floor of Ebner Hall; nearby Kimmell Park is undergoing a major transformation along the banks of the Wabash River; and progress continues on the construction of Updike Hall, future site of the College of Science, Engineering, and Mathematics.

"One of the benefits of enrolling at the Vincennes Campus is that students can gain the benefits of a full residential experience. These facilities and developments will enhance those experiences. Combined with our small class sizes and outstanding faculty, VU will continue to offer Indiana's best value in higher education," said VU President Chuck Johnson.

Most of the improvements are on the side of campus that borders the Wabash River. Prominent among them is the completion of 46 residential rooms to house female students who are majoring in diverse technology and science programs.

"Vincennes University is making a special effort to assist females in pursuing STEM - science, technology, engineering, and math - and other career areas. This brand new section of Ebner Residence Hall is dedicated to women studying STEM curriculums on the Vincennes Campus. Thanks to housing scholarships, this is an outstanding opportunity for female students to be part of a leading STEM educational institution," said Dean Ackerman, interim dean of the VU College of Technology.

Currently there are 11 different STEM areas represented among the female residents in Ebner Hall. Its location, adjacent to the Technology Center, allows residents to directly access the Center's classrooms and laboratories, with some of them having extended hours for the Ebner Hall residents.

"The Women in STEM Initiative is another innovative way VU is partnering with industry to address the skills gap in our state. Future career potential for women in STEM fields is practically limitless and VU is doing all it can to make the public aware of this great opportunity to help women pursue their potential," Johnson said.

As a living and learning community, these students will also be offered additional programs and opportunities to work with STEM instructors, participate in STEM-related activities, and communicate directly with their peers.

"The College of Technology is looking forward to providing women in STEM with the knowledge, skills, and direction to become the leaders of

STEM industries," Ackerman said.

Adjacent to campus, Kimmell Park is undergoing a major transformation along the riverfront, designed to enrich recreation opportunities for both students and the community. Although now in the early stages, when complete it will include new lighting, landscaping, an improved public boat ramp, and a raised overlook of the legendary Wabash River. The entrance to the park will also be greatly expanded to provide a better view of the river.

Under the development plan, VU is working closely with the Department of Natural Resources to create the best possible river access to the public, while also preserving the park's existing historical elements, such as the shelter house and open fire pits that were constructed in the 1930s.

The \$2.5 million Kimmell Park project will also link to a planned pedestrian and bicycle path being developed along the river banks. It will complement the City's redevelopment of Culbertson Boulevard, adjacent to the riverfront, further enhancing recreational use of the area that links the campus to downtown and the George Rogers Clark National Historical Park. The Culbertson Boulevard project also includes a raised overlook of the river, new trees, benches, and lighting.

The 8.5-acre Kimmell Park will also help link the campus to VU's previously enhanced baseball diamond complex on Oliphant Drive, completing a major renovation of the street and installing sidewalks, lighting, and landscaping along the route.

Foremost among VU's improvements is the New Student Center that opened in time for the start of classes on August 22. It blends a 22,963 square-foot, two-story addition with an adjacent major renovation of 22,163 square feet of the Physical Education Complex. Features of the New Student Center include integrated technology, sports lounge, stage, large-scale sound and video entertainment, dining areas, fire places, a kitchenette, leisure spaces, gaming space, and a large bowling center.

Centrally located on campus adjacent to residential and academic facilities, students will be able to walk under roof from the New Student Center through the P.E. Complex, Aquatic Center, and Donald G. Bell Student Recreation Center - the length of three city blocks and combining 250,000 square feet of space.

In addition to major new facilities and renovations, VU also completed new roofs at the Construction Trades Building and Godare Residence Hall this summer, part of the University's annual repair and rehabilitation program.



Making A Difference

By Curt Johnson
MCCF Executive Director



-- BEQUESTS --

So what is a bequest? A bequest is an instruction in your written will that states how to distribute some or all of your estate. The simple "charitable bequest" is the most popular planned gift because it's an easy way to leave a lasting legacy. When you make a charitable bequest, you retain full use of your property during your life, so there is no disruption of your lifestyle and no immediate out-of-pocket cost. You simply direct that part of your estate go to one or more of your favorite charities.

-- TYPES OF BEQUESTS --

You have considerable flexibility since charitable bequests take several forms. You can leave: (1) a specific request which is a gift of a particular asset, such as 100 shares of XYZ Corporation; (2) a percentage request where some part of the value of the distributed estate is gifted; (3) a residual bequest that leaves a gift as the remainder of the estate after all taxes, expenses, and other bequests have been satisfied; or (4) a contingent bequest that is a gift that will be made to a second beneficiary in the event that the original beneficiary is deceased or does not accept the gift.

The type of bequest language that you choose should fit what you want to accomplish. You should think carefully about how your gift can help the person or organization when deciding what bequests to include.

-- WHY A BEQUEST? --

If you do not leave a will and do not make a bequest, you cannot be sure that your property will be distributed as you intend. Without a will, your property will be distributed by a pre-set formula according to government laws, and it is possible that family members, close friends, and worthwhile charities will receive no part of your estate.

Making a will is the only way to be sure that the people and causes you care for will receive your generous gifts. You can designate exactly how you want your charitable bequest to be used or you can leave it to the MCCF "unrestricted" funds so that we have the flexibility to meet our community's ever-changing needs.

While a charitable bequest offers no income tax benefits, it is fully deductible for estate tax purposes if you meet basic requirements. And keep in mind that for estates subject to estate tax, the tax rates are historically higher than income tax rates.

-- CHANGING A BEQUEST --

You can change any bequest provision during your life, which means you stay in complete control of the process. You can amend your will with a codicil (the legal instrument to modify a will) or execute an entirely new will.

It's a good idea to update your will on a regular basis to keep up with changes in laws and your own objectives and concerns. Also, remember that if you decide to leave a specific asset such as a car or a vacation home to a beneficiary in your will, but later you decide to sell or otherwise dispose of the asset, the specific bequest will fail and that beneficiary will receive nothing.

-- ALTERNATIVES --

There are other ways to make a "be-

quest" type of arrangement without a will. You can make similar beneficiary designations with a life insurance policy, revocable trust or retirement plan. Making a charitable organization the beneficiary of a retirement plan and leaving other assets to loved ones can provide income tax relief for your heirs in addition to other potential estate tax savings.

-- LET US KNOW --

If you wish to make a charitable bequest (or have already done so) to the MCCF, it's important to let us know. We want the opportunity to thank for you your commitment and generosity. And to invite you to join our "Legacy Society" to recognize you as a part of a key group of individuals showing concern for Martin County's future needs. We also want to offer our help as you plan your bequest so that you get the most satisfaction out of it. Good planning can magnify the impact of any gift.

-- MORE INFORMATION --

If you or someone you know is interested in a charitable bequest, please contact the MCCF Executive Director, Curt Johnson, at 812-295-1022 or mccf@cfpartner.org, for a complimentary copy of "Planning for the Future: A Guide to Planning your Will & Trust". This document will help you prepare for your discussion with your attorney, tax and/or financial advisor.

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Pence announces \$260 million agreement to lease state communications infrastructure

Governor Mike Pence announced Tuesday that the state has agreed to terms to lease the state's communications infrastructure, including its existing cell towers, and deliver more than \$260 million in anticipated revenue to Indiana. The Indiana Finance Authority (IFA) board approved the agreement yesterday morning, pending review by the state's legislative budget committee. This agreement will result in expanded rural and agricultural broadband solutions and wireless services throughout Indiana and fund the state's bicentennial projects.

"Indiana is a national leader in partnerships that deliver sound financial returns and long-term benefits to Hoosiers," said Governor Pence. "This agreement, if approved, will put underused assets into full play, enhance Indiana's communication capabilities throughout the state, and fund the state's bicentennial projects."

According to the terms of the agreement, Ohio-based Agile Networks will pay Indiana an initial upfront payment of \$50 million to manage, operate and market the state's communications infrastructure, and pay the state an additionally anticipated \$36 million in revenue share over the initial, 25-year term of the deal. If Agile Networks opts to renew the agreement for an addition-

al 25-year term, it will pay Indiana an additional up-front payment of \$10 million, plus an additionally anticipated \$164 million over the renewal term.

"This expansion will enhance broadband service as Agile Networks' open access model will give wireless carriers and providers the ability to easily enter new urban and rural markets," said Micah Vincent, Director of the Indiana Office of Management and Budget. "The impact of significantly increasing broadband availability in underserved areas will facilitate economic development, increase educational learning and telemedicine opportunities, increase growth for rural businesses, advance agricultural technologies, and provide reliable broadband for residents."

"Hoosiers are the big winners in this agreement, which provides revenue for important projects and expands communications opportunities throughout the state," said IFA Director Dan Huge. "This agreement provides great value to Hoosiers by taking advantage of our currently underutilized communications assets."

An independent report by CTC Consulting lists The Agile Network as a key differentiator and competitive advantage for attracting businesses to rural communities.

IDHS encourages Hoosiers to take part in Preparedness Month

September is National Preparedness Month, and the Indiana Department of Homeland Security (IDHS) is encouraging all Hoosiers to take some steps to being prepared for emergencies.

"We've witnessed, time and time again, that being better prepared helps in all types of situations," said John Erickson, state homeland security director of Public Affairs. "As Indiana has seen recently, severe weather can hit hard. Taking a few steps toward readiness can help all of us stay safer during times of emergency."

Threats of tornadoes, severe thunderstorms, flooding and snow are all common in Indiana during various parts of the year. Knowing how to stay prepared in the event of something unexpected can help to keep family members safe, and to minimize the loss of valuable personal items. Here are some tips for Hoosiers

to follow during Preparedness Month, and keep in mind year-round:

Make sure everyone at home, work and school knows the safest room to go to during a tornado. Interior rooms with no windows on the lowest level are usually the safest.

Know how to contact family and friends if land and cell lines are down or damaged. Texting and social media are two ways.

When at large gatherings, take note of exits and any barriers to a quick and safe exit.

Talk to family, co-workers and friends about different situations and how each group would handle sheltering in place, evacuating, communication, etc.

Preparedness Month also serves as an appropriate time to prepare an emergency kit. More detailed information regarding emergency kits and readiness plans can be found at GetPrepared.IN.gov.

AG sues former Evansville car dealer for failing to deliver car titles to Hoosiers

Indiana Attorney General Greg Zoeller's Office filed a lawsuit against a former Evansville auto dealer who closed its doors without handing over car titles to dozens of Hoosiers who purchased vehicles from the company.

Under current Indiana law, an Indiana motor vehicle dealer must deliver a valid title to a purchasing customer within 31 days from the date of sale. Without a title, a vehicle owner cannot obtain a state vehicle registration in order to operate the vehicle legally.

In a lawsuit filed in Vanderburgh County court, the Attorney General alleges Unlimited Automotive Wholesalers LLC did not provide car titles to 37 total customers who had purchased vehicles from the dealer before it went out of business earlier this year. The Indiana Secretary of State's Office revoked the company's auto dealer license in April.

"The 37 people who bought cars from this dealer but didn't receive a title were in a frustrating legal limbo where they had paid thousands of dollars for a vehicle they couldn't prove they owned," Zoeller said. "Our office worked with the Secretary of State's Office to help impacted customers obtain temporary titles while the lawsuit is pending. These types of cases are not uncommon, and I urge Hoosiers who have been similarly harmed to contact my office."

The Indiana Secretary of State's Office was able to provide Unlimited Automotive Wholesalers customers with temporary license plates through their Victim Assistance Program. These plates allow these consumers to have legal plates for their vehicles while the AG's lawsuit is pending. Any consumer who needs help getting a temporary plate should contact

the office at 317-234-7190.

"I want to thank the consumers who reported suspicious activity," Secretary of State Connie Lawson said. "While most auto dealers are reputable, one bad actor can tarnish the industry. Consumer complaints allow us to focus our time and resources on potential bad actors, protecting Hoosiers from falling prey to scams and gimmicks."

In its lawsuit against Unlimited Automotive Wholesalers, the Attorney General's Office seeks to obtain permanent car titles for the impacted customers in addition to recovering investigative costs and pursuing civil penalties for alleged violations of Indiana's consumer protection laws.

Any former customers of Unlimited Automotive Wholesalers who experienced issues and have not contacted the AG's Office can do so by calling 800-382-5516 or by filing a complaint online at www.IndianaConsumer.com.

The Attorney General's Office receives more auto sales complaints each year than any other retail category, with 1,340 complaints filed in 2015 and nearly 900 complaints filed in 2016 thus far.

Zoeller's office created the Auto Buyer's Bill of Rights to educate consumers and provide a helpful guide for those making a vehicle purchase, whether new or used. More tips on avoiding fraud when purchasing a car can be found at www.in.gov/attorneygeneral/2543.htm.

To file a consumer complaint with the Attorney General's Office, visit www.IndianaConsumer.com or call 800-382-5516. To file a complaint about an auto dealer with the Indiana Secretary of State's Office, visit <https://secure.in.gov/apps/sos/dealers/>.

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More Neat Stuff



By Ann Ackerman



There comes a time when a woman just has to trust her husband... For example...

A wife comes home late at night and quietly opens the door to her bedroom.

From under the blanket she sees four legs instead of two. She reaches for a baseball bat and starts hitting the blanket as hard as she can.

Leaving the covered bodies groaning, she goes to the kitchen to have a drink.

As she enters, she sees her husband there, reading a magazine.

"Hi, sweetheart," he says. "Your parents have come to visit us, so I let them stay in our bedroom. Did you say hello?"

MEN'S RULES FOR WOMEN:

1. Learn to work the toilet seat; if it's up, put it down.
2. If you ask a question you don't want an answer to, expect an answer you don't want to hear.
3. Get rid of your cat. And no, it's not different, it's just like every other cat.
4. Dogs are better than cats.
5. Sunday = sports. It's like the full moon or the changing of the tides. Let it be.
6. Shopping is not everybody's idea of a good time.
7. Anything you wear is fine. Really.
8. You have enough clothes.
9. You have too many shoes.
10. Crying is blackmail. Use it if you must, but don't expect us to like it.
11. Ask for what you want. Subtle hints don't work.
12. No, he doesn't know what day it is. He never will. Mark anniversaries on the calendar.
13. Share the bathroom.
14. Share the closet.
15. Yes and no are perfectly acceptable answers.

16. A headache that lasts for 17 months is a problem. See a doctor.

IF I DIE FIRST

My wife has days when she wants us to "talk about things." We were discussing aspects of our future so when it was my turn I asked her: "What will you do if I die before you do?"

After some thought, she said that she'd probably look for a house-sharing situation with three other single or widowed women who might be a little younger than herself, since she is so active for her age.

Then she asked me, "What will you do if I die first?"

I replied, "Probably the same thing."

PONDERISMS:

1. Sometimes the most brilliant and intelligent minds do not shine on standardized tests because they do not have standardized minds.
2. When you were young, your grandparents tried to tell you their history, and you didn't care because it didn't interest you at the time. Later on, you wish you had written down that they said.
3. The older you get, the more you appreciate being at home doing nothing.
4. Five by five rule: if it's not going to matter in five years, don't spend more than five minutes upset by it.
5. Grief comes in three stages: the beginning, the middle . . . and the rest of your life.
6. I may not be the most important person in your life but I just hope when you hear my name, you smile and say, "That's my friend."
7. To all those people that make me laugh and smile: I couldn't live without you.

Make someone smile today!

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Loogootee School Board public hearing

The Loogootee School Board will meet Thursday, September 8 at 4 p.m. in the meeting room off the superintendent's office. The purpose of the meeting is to hold a public hearing on the 2017 school budget. The meeting is open to the public.

Shoals School Board meeting

The Shoals School Board will meet Thursday, September 8 at 6 p.m. in the central administration office. The meeting is open to the public.

City council executive meeting

The Loogootee City Council will meet in executive session pursuant to I.C. 5-14-1.5-6.1(b)(2) for discussion of West Boggs Sewer District on Monday, September 12 in the council meeting room of the municipal building, immediately following the regular council meeting. The meeting is closed to the public.

Celebrate Literacy Month in Martin County

Take 10 Every Day: read for ten minutes every day. Any time, any place. Just for fun or to learn something new. By yourself, with a friend, or with your family. Literacy matters! Your skills affect your health, finances, job, home, and family. Improve your Skills, Improve your Life. Call or text Martin County SOAR at 812-709-1618 or email martincountysoar@hotmail.com to find out about free tutoring.

Chamber meeting

The Martin County Chamber of Commerce will hold their monthly meeting on Wednesday, September 21 at noon at Stoll's Lakeview Restaurant. The public is invited to attend.

Attention Senior Citizens

The Loogootee Senior Citizen Center, located in the Annex building attached to JFK Gym on JFK Avenue in Loogootee provides activities for seniors every Tuesday and Thursday

from 8 a.m. to noon. For \$5 a year, seniors can participate in Euchre tournaments, games, puzzles, etc., with other local seniors. Anyone interested is welcome to stop by.

Free lunch for kids

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

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Humane society meetings

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

Solid waste board

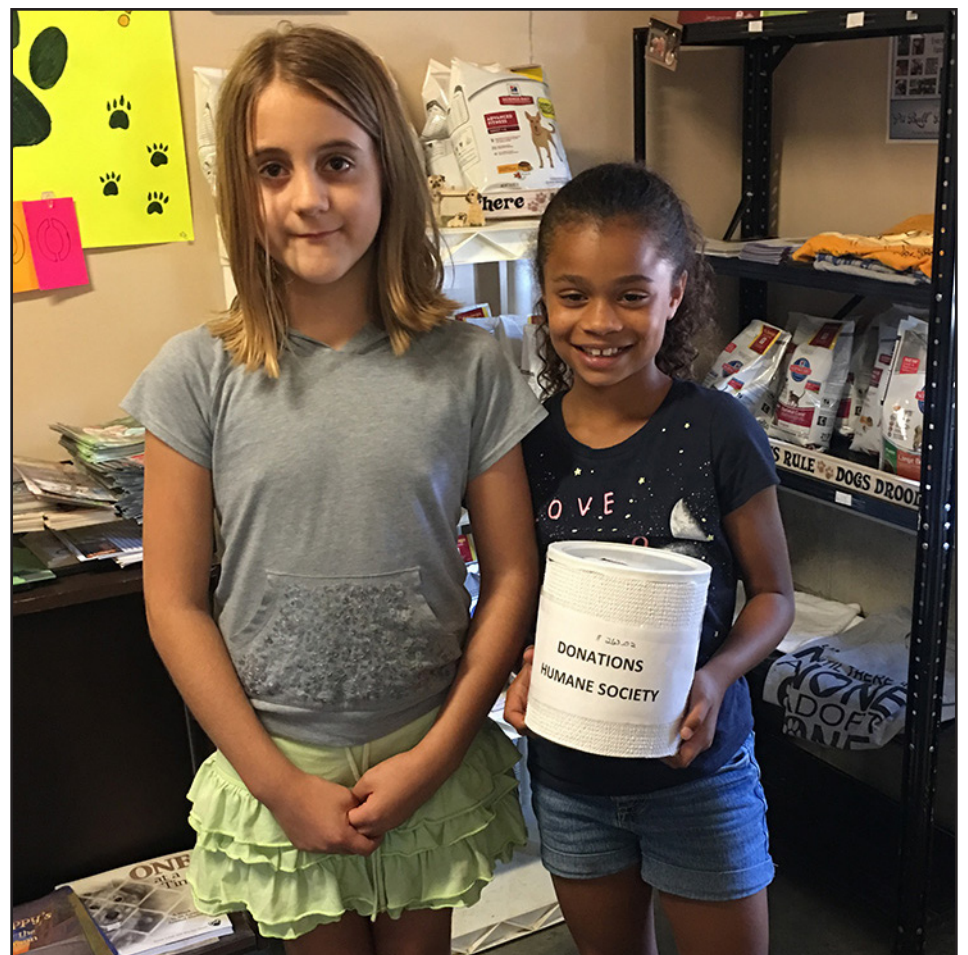
The Martin County Solid Waste Board holds their monthly meetings on the third Wednesday of each month at 6 p.m. at the recycling center located at 500 Industrial Park Drive in Loogootee. The meetings are open to the public and anyone is invited to attend.

Tourism meetings

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

Soil and Water meetings

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



Helping dogs and cats

-Photo by Courtney Hughett

Britta Browder and Olivia Bodrick collected money for the Martin County Humane Society Animal Shelter at a yard sale recently. They brought in \$263.02 and are shown above dropping the donation off at the shelter.

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REMC donates bottled water to area schools

Once again, spectators buying bottled water at high school sporting events in the Daviess-Martin County REMC service area are part of a unique marketing effort. The REMC donated 252 cases of bottled water to local high schools to help in concessions fund raising. Each bottle is labeled with the co-op name and phrase, "Committed to community."

"We saw in this program a special way to connect not only with our current members but with young people who are our members of tomorrow," said Janet Chestnut, Member Services Representative at the REMC. "This is a great opportunity to further our pledge to education and enhance the Touchstone Energy value of commitment to the community."

The schools will retain all proceeds from the sale of the water and have the potential to raise over \$1500 each. This is the 13th year the REMC has donated the bottled water to the schools.



-Photos provided
Shown above are Shoals High School Athletic Director John Kirtland and Janet Chestnut, DMREMC Member Services Representative.



Shown above is Loogootee High School. From left to right are Mike Arvin, DMREMC Manager of Finance; students, Tyler Glover, Caylyn Wagoner, Kealy Wetter and Athletic Director Josh Mullis.



Shown above are Washington Catholic High School freshman students with Athletic Director John Howell (far left) and Ann Perkins, Daviess-Martin County REMC Assistant Service Coordinator (far right).



Shown above is Barr Reeve High School. Shown kneeling in the front are Seniors Anthony O'Brian, Amy Wittmer, Justin Wagler and Daniel Nicholson. In the second row are senior class sponsor Trey Showalter, Theresa Showalter, DMREMC Administrative Assistant; Kelly Badger and Dean Scott. And sitting in the back are Jared Stoll and Luke Miller.



Shown above are Mitchell High School Students Lucas Fletcher, Cameron Smith and Caleb Payton and Athletic Director Danny Reynolds.



Shown above are North Daviess High School Seventh Grade Students and Brent Dalrymple, Athletic Director; and Karen Rayman, DMREMC Customer Account Representative

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In the Garden

By Ralph Purkhiser
Purdue University Master Gardener

As summer winds down, grocery stores, department stores, discount stores, garden centers and florists have something in common. They all have received shipment of chrysanthemums. Although we have a couple of weeks of summer remaining, preparations for fall are underway, and mum play an important role in autumn decorations.

Mums come in a wide range of colors, with single, semi-double and double flowers. The so-called hardy mums are perennials, but the hardiness depends of the individual cultivars and the nursery of origin. Because mums are often not dependable to come back next year, many people treat them as annuals. Mums are often used in pots on porches or placed in gardens to fill spaces left by summer annuals that have died or have become less than beautiful.

Grouping several mums of the same color will make a grand statement. The bright colors of mums will draw the eye to a spot, so they are a good way to point visitors to the door or garden entry. Another popular use for mums is to create a patchwork quilt effect by using several varieties in a color scheme. Brighter colors will tend to stick out and darker colors will give depth to the picture.

When choosing mums, it is best to find plants that are in bud, but not bloomed out. Also make sure there are many buds on the plant. This will ensure that the color will last well into fall. As temperatures cool, the individual flowers will last longer than they do in summer heat. Mums that are al-

ready in bloom will probably be done within a couple of weeks.

Buying mums labeled as “hardy” is no guarantee that they will return for future years, even if they are planted in the ground. If that is your intention, you will increase your chances for success by buying locally-grown plants. The plants offered at the chain stores are most likely shipped in from commercial growers and the plants may not be hardy to this area. It is also important to get the plants in the ground as soon as possible and to make sure they are planted in sunny locations and in soil that has good drainage. While mums need regular watering until they are well-established, they will not tolerate wet soil. Our winters tend to be wet, and that is the reason many root balls fail to send up new growth in the spring. Mulch may help hold in moisture during the growing season, but pull it back from the crown of the plant to keep it from promoting rotting during the winter. Pine needles or stone may be better choices for mulch than bark or chipped wood. If you really want to grow mums as perennials, the best way to ensure success is to find mums to plant in the spring. I have even had some success over-wintering mums in pots indoors and planting them in the spring.

Even if you treat them as annuals, mums are a great way to bring color to the fall landscape. They usually are fairly affordable and they look great in combination with pumpkins, gourds and other autumn décor.

Volunteer on National Public Lands Day

Show your appreciation for public lands by volunteering at an Indiana State Parks property on Saturday, September 24.

That is National Public Lands Day, the nation’s largest single-day volunteer effort for public lands. Volunteer opportunities will include lake clean-ups at Brookville Lake and Pokagon State Park, trail work at Tippecanoe River and Turkey Run state parks, and gardening at Salamonie Lake and Liber State Recreation Area.

Some properties also will offer volunteer opportunities on Sunday, September 25. But National Public Lands Day isn’t all work and no play. Properties will offer hikes, pioneer activities, crafts and live bird shows, too.

National Public Lands Day activities for Indiana state parks are at stateparks.IN.gov/2443.htm.

Ghostly Gathering returns to Paynetown SRA

Make your camping reservations now for Monroe Lake’s popular Halloween event, Ghostly Gathering, at Paynetown State Recreation Area, October 28 and 29.

All Ghostly Gathering activities are open to both day visitors and campers. Campsite reservations can be made at camp.IN.gov.

“If you want to camp, don’t wait long to make your reservation,” said Jill Vance, Monroe Lake interpretive naturalist. “We expect the campground to fill for this year’s event.”

On Friday, October 28, visitors can design a trick-or-treat bag between 3

and 5:15 p.m., explore the history of jack-o’-lanterns at 5:30 p.m., and learn about the natural history of zombies at 8 p.m.

On Saturday, October 29, a creepy, crawly craft session runs from 1 to 3 p.m., a costume contest for all ages — plus dogs — starts at 4 p.m., and trick-or-treating in the campground runs from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.

The event wraps up with a Halloween party with food, games and more from 8 to 9:30 p.m. on Saturday.

Full event details are available on the DNR’s online calendar at bit.ly/monroelakeprograms.



Awaiting dinner

-Photo by Bill Whorrall,
www.billwhorrallart.com

According to allaboutbirds.org, Chipping Sparrows typically build their nests low in a shrub or tree, but every once in a while they get creative. People have found their nests among hanging strands of chili peppers, on an old-fashioned mower inside a tool shed, and on a hanging basket filled with moss.

Weak crop prices lead to sharp decline in producer sentiment

BY JENNIFER STEWART-BURTON
Purdue University News Service

After months of increases in producer sentiment toward the U.S. agricultural economy, the August reading of the Purdue/CME Group Ag Economy Barometer showed that declining commodity prices are weighing on the minds of producers.

Producer sentiment declined sharply to 95 - a 17-point drop from the July reading. The barometer is based on a monthly survey of 400 U.S. agricultural producers and includes measures of sentiment toward current conditions and future expectations.

The Index of Current Conditions fell from 93 in July to 80 in August, while the Index of Future Expectations dropped to 102 from July’s 121.

“This was in sharp contrast to July when farmers’ optimism about future prospects pushed the barometer up, despite their concerns about current economic conditions,” said Jim Mintert, the barometer’s principal investigator and director of Purdue’s Center for Commercial Agriculture. “Farmer sentiment in late spring and early summer was buoyed by a spring rally in key commodity prices, but near-ideal growing conditions for corn and soybeans this summer helped push yield prospects up and crop prices down sharply.”

Since the peak of the price rally in mid-June, December 2016 corn futures have fallen by more than \$1 per bushel and November soybean futures by \$1.75 per bushel.

In its August Crop Production report, the U.S. Department of Agriculture indicated that record corn and soybean yields are expected this fall. If that’s the case, carryover stocks for both crops will grow, potentially resulting in the lowest corn prices in a decade.

Unsurprisingly, the resulting tighter operating margins are leading to adjustments in production costs, said David Widmar, senior research associate who works on the barometer.

“What is somewhat surprising is that more producers expect input prices to rise in 2017 than decline,” he said.

“This was especially true for crop protection products, as nearly one-third of respondents expected prices to increase for herbicides, insecticides and fungicides. The long-term trend for crop input prices to rise seems to be leading to skepticism regarding prospects for input prices to decline, despite the lack of profitability among crop producers.”

Read the full August report, find additional resources and sign up to receive monthly barometer email updates at <http://purdue.edu/agbarometer>.

About the Purdue University Center for Commercial Agriculture

The Center for Commercial Agriculture was founded in 2011 to provide professional development and educational programs for farmers. Housed within Purdue University’s Department of Agricultural Economics, the center’s faculty and staff develop and execute research and educational programs that address the different needs of managing in today’s business environment.

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I'm a little late getting Grazing Bites out this month. Sadly, August was one of those months I was glad to be done with. I was busier than a one eyed cat watching two mouse holes. To say the least, life didn't stop and neither did all the grass, which was a good thing.

Within the last week I've traveled from one end of Indiana to the other and it appears that most areas have received adequate moisture. Forages are still growing, except just a few north-east counties. I would gladly shared some of my August rain with them. August is normally hot and dry enough that most cool season forages often go dormant and plants that like those type of conditions do better, such as panicums and crabgrass. Though those heat-loving forages still grew, the cool season forages never quit either. I've seen some incredible late season hay yields and I'll be the first to admit that I grossly underestimated one of mine. I didn't take a clipping, just did a quick visual to see if it was worth cutting (no, I can't graze it). It was a lot denser than I thought and yielded about three tons per acre. Other fields that I had observed via a windshield also yielded a lot more bales than they appeared. I'm just not used to seeing this much forage this time of year... and I'm certainly not complaining!

What I'm also not used to is a wet August. I really wish I had taken more clippings this summer to measure all the growth on pastures because I believe I probably had record yields. One clipping in late June indicated a little over 7,000 pounds of new growth and it didn't slow down too much after that. With this much moisture and good growing conditions, forages didn't need nearly as much rest and certainly could have probably handled heavier stocking rates.

Unfortunately, high rainfall and extended wet conditions earlier in the year and even with all the extra vegetation, it was hard to not get some plugging and disturbance with heavier livestock numbers. With a little rest, those areas appeared to revegetate quickly. Under more normal conditions, pastures with this type of disturbance (where you can actually see bare ground in some places), would have yielded a host of disturbance-loving weeds mid-summer, such as crabgrass, annual ragweed, and fox-tail. They didn't compete very well this year with the relentless forage growth, but persistent hiding perennials liked the opportunity. Perennials such as goldenrod and ironweed did well and reached my mowing threshold requirement in some areas. I've clipped a lot more pasture this year than normal, but it was needed for a couple reasons. I wanted to make sure I was maximizing the solar panel and keep forages growing as long as possible. The more growth you get this time of year, the longer you will be able to graze. I have fed hay this time of year - to maximize fall growth. You need to rest as many acres of pasture as you can in the fall, especially if you have tall fescue present. By getting livestock off pastures, you will maximize fall growth and that new growth is going to have the best quality for stockpiling. Forages that don't hold up as well overwinter, such as orchardgrass, should be grazed first, but even then, ideally after they have gone dormant, which is normally after several nights in a row below 26 degrees. I'm getting sidetracked, where was I? Oh, back to the reasons I clipped! Since the weeds are perennials, I certainly don't

want them producing more seed. Late mowing seems to put more hurt on them and greatly reduces the chance of them producing more flowers.

I do have some tolerance for a "few" ironweed. Most are tall ironweed, (*Vernonia gigantea*), with the very familiar purple flower head that is usually around from mid-summer to fall. Ironweed is a good source of pollen and nectar and attracts a lot of valuable native pollinators and butterflies. Monarch butterflies also like ironweed along with several swallowtails. If they were in a garden, they would be called flowers; in pastures, they are still weeds, but weeds with some benefits I guess. Goats and sheep will eat some ironweed, especially when it is young. Once it starts putting on flowers, it gets a rust on the leaves and browsing stops completely.

I'm not as concerned about goldenrod, but it also can get too thick. Sheep, goats and even cattle to an extent, will browse some on the leaves. I've seen lots of plants stripped of every leaf by sheep. Goldenrod, (*Solidago* sp.), also can get a rust, and it can be rather toxic to livestock, but normally it is not a problem unless they over consume it due to lack of other suitable vegetation, such as in a drought.

Another plant that tends to really appreciate the extra moisture and almost ideal growing conditions this year are blackberries. A few blackberries are fine a fencerow here and there, and maybe even a small narrow patch occasionally in the pasture. A few provide some fine snacks while checking cows in the middle of summer and maybe even a pie or jam if enough make it back to the house. If left unchecked, they quickly become a brambly mess, shade out forages, and do little more than provide rabbit cover that even the best rabbit dog would not want to venture into. Mowing in the fall sets them back and if followed with some herbicide on new growth, they are fairly easy to control.

Back to grazing.... With the extra moisture, this should be an incredible stockpiling year. If you want to boost the crude protein content of tall fescue for stockpiling, you can add 30 or 40 units of nitrogen. If you have at least 30% legume in the stand, then the added nitrogen is generally not needed.

If you have corn fields that have been or will be harvested soon, running livestock on those stock fields will allow more rest on the pastures and thus more potential growth and grazing days. Dry soil conditions are ideal for grazing corn stalks, so play it by ear this year.

The nutritional value of corn stalks can certainly vary from year to year. About one acre of typical corn residue will be needed per animal unit per grazing month. Weekly allocations seem to work very well, so you need to figure how many acres of stalks will be needed for one week of grazing for your herd. Stalks will start out in the 8% crude protein range with approximately 70% total digestible nutrients (TDN) and over a period of about 60 days drop to 5% crude protein and 40% TDN. Stalks will meet most of spring calving cows' energy needs during mid gestation.

Growing animals, such as calves and fall calving lactating cows may be lacking a little in energy and protein and most likely will need to be supplemented if fed on only stalks. Energy can be increased on these stalk fields by seeding annuals which need to be seeded as soon as possible.

4-H NEWS

By Stacy Brown
Martin County Purdue
Extension Educator



Enrollment for 4-H 2016-2017 Fast Approaching

The end of summer marks the beginning of next 4-H season. Open enrollment begins on October 1. If you are interested in 4-H or know someone who is now is the time to start planning to join us for another great year in Martin County. Any child grades 3 through 12 may join 4-H. We also have a future 4-H program for kids in grades K-2. While most 4-Hers concentrate on projects for the fair, the program is about much more than exhibits. 4-H teaches leadership, community service, independence, confidence, and many other life skills. There are clubs and projects that focus on livestock judging, shooting sports, robotics, and junior leadership. Each year there are dozens of opportunities for youth to attend workshops, conference, and camps focusing on career choices, di-

versity, and cooperation. 4-H is a great way to meet new friends and learn to make the best better.

If you have any questions or would like information sent to you about enrolling for 4-H please contact the Martin County Purdue Extension office at 812-295-2412.

Junior Leaders Meeting

The next Martin County 4-H Junior Leaders meeting will be on Sunday, September 18 at 4 p.m. The meeting will take place at the Martin County Learning Center. If you are a current Junior Leader or are interested in becoming one, please attend.

Tree Seedlings Available to Order

DNR tree seedling order forms are available at www.in.gov/dnr/forestry/3620.htm or at the Martin County Purdue Extension Office. Any questions can be directed to Vallonia Nursery at (812) 358-3621.

Free admission to state park when torch is in town

Nine Indiana state parks will each offer free admission on the day the Bicentennial Torch is passing through that park on its relay across Indiana.

The torch relay is patterned after the Olympic torch relay. Indiana's version will pass through all 92 counties in a five-week period. The relay will cover 3,200 miles, averaging 72 miles a day.

The relay starts on September 9 in Corydon, the state's first capital, and ends October 15 in Indianapolis at the Statehouse.

It will pass through nine state parks, and on the day the torch is there, that park will waive admission fees as a way to help Hoosiers celebrate the state's bicentennial and the centennial of Indiana's system of state parks. At eight of the properties, the fees will be waived all day. At Indiana Dunes State Park (October 9) admission fees will be waived until 10 a.m.

At most properties, admission costs \$7 per in-state vehicle and \$9 per out-of-state vehicle.

The free days are:

-September 10 at Lincoln State Park in Spencer County.

-September 14 at Spring Mill State Park in Lawrence County.

-September 20 at Brown County State Park.

-September 21 at McCormick's Creek State Park in Owen County.

-September 22 at Turkey Run State Park in Parke County.

-September 29 at Chain O'Lakes State Park in Noble County.

-September 30 at Ouabache State Park in Wells County.

-October 2 at Pokagon State Park in Steuben County.

-October 9 at Indiana Dunes State Park in Porter County. (Admission fee waived until 10 a.m. local time.)

Four current Indiana State Parks employees and one retired employee are serving as torch bearers. They are Mark Young, property manager at Spring Mill State Park; Sam Boggs, property manager at Chain O'Lakes State Park; Dwight Brooks, property manager at McCormick's Creek State Park; Dan Bortner, director of Indiana State Parks; and Marvin McNew, former director of Upper Wabash Inter-

pretive Services.

Indiana State Parks' involvement is fitting because the system is celebrating its centennial this year. Indiana's state parks system was established in 1916 as a gift to Hoosiers in recognition of the state's 100th birthday. McCormick's Creek was Indiana's first state park.

The Indiana Bicentennial Torch Relay was created to honor Hoosiers who have demonstrated exceptional public service, achievement, acts of heroism and/or volunteer service to their neighborhood, community, region or state. Torchbearers will be current or former Hoosiers, representing all walks of life. More than 2,200 torchbearers have been selected through nomination.

The torch will be transported in ways that reflect the state's heritage, including watercraft, farm equipment, a racecar, horse and wagon, and antique automobiles. Some torchbearers may also choose to walk or run.

Additional information about the torch relay is at Indiana2016.org/torchrelay.

Learn more about ways to participate in Indiana State Parks centennial celebration at INStateParks100.com.

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