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## How you can help improve the skills and lives of Martin County residents

This is the second in a four-part series of articles in celebration of Literacy Month in Martin County.

Are you looking for a way to get more involved in our community? Do you wish you could help make Martin County a stronger and better place for families to live? Do you like sharing your talents and skills with others? SOAR, Martin County's free tutoring program, seeks volunteers to help with many projects.

Here are just a few of the ways you can be involved: Be a reader. Volunteer to read to first graders for the Put Your Nose in a Book program and other programs. Staff a SOAR booth at local events and let others know about the free tutoring service available. Ask SOAR to address a group you are a member of to learn more about the services SOAR

offers. Promote SOAR among your family, friends, and co-workers. You never know when someone might need an encouraging word to try something different. Stevie Horton, a SOAR volunteer for many years, says, "I always feel happier after helping with SOAR. We have quantifiable results so I know we have been effective."

SOAR is always looking for those who want to share their time by tutoring others. Becoming a SOAR tutor can be one of life's significant events. Vernita Williams, past president of SOAR and a long-time math tutor, states, "Tutoring is very rewarding. We celebrate both the small and large advancements and enjoy our students' successes." Steve Poehlein put it this way, "It is fulfilling to watch a student progress, not just in (See 'SKILLS' continued on page 2)

## Council discusses West Boggs renovation, highway vehicles

BY COURTNEY HUGHETT  
Martin County Journal Publisher

The Martin County Council met Monday morning, September 8. Commissioner Paul George was present for the meeting and suggested that they discuss an issue brought to the last commissioners' meeting about a chemical being applied to West Boggs Lake and streams around the watershed as part of their lake renovation. The goal of the renovation is to eliminate gizzard shad that are taking over the fish population. Concerned citizens had approached the commissioners at their last meeting to find out what could be done to stop the DNR from releasing the chemical.

Council member Lonnie Hawkins said that one of the council's main objectives is to look out for public safety. He said one of the first things listed on the warning label of Rotenone, the pesticide to be applied to the lake and streams, is that is harmful or deadly if ingested or swallowed. Hawkins said that the commissioners were going to have the county attorney draft a letter to those heading

up the renovation to make sure they were following a prescribed method in the use of the pesticide.

In other business, Commissioner George told the council that they have been looking to purchase two dump trucks for the highway department. He said two were found in Fort Wayne, both 2008 Internationals that are \$57,500 each. He said an extended warranty (See 'COMMISSIONERS' cont. on page 2)

## Wagoner resigns as LHS Basketball Coach

The Loogootee High School Athletic Director Josh Mullis released a statement yesterday regarding last Friday's resignation of Mike Wagoner as varsity boys' basketball coach. According to the statement, Wagoner was recently approved as a varsity assistant basketball coach at South Knox High School. The MIKE WAGONER statement went on to say, "We wish Coach Wagoner success in his future. Also, we would like to thank Mike for his time and efforts that he put into Loogootee Athletics."



## City looking for help with Christmas Parade

The City of Loogootee is looking for an individual or organization that would be willing to coordinate the Christmas Parade held downtown each year.

The Loogootee Tribune, who has organized the parade for the last five years, has decided they no longer wish to do it.

Loogootee Mayor Noel Harty said that the city will take care of any costs associated with the parade by asking the city's vendors to make donations. The person or organization would only be responsible for taking float registrations and doing the parade line up, etc. For more information, contact the mayor's office at 812-295-4770.



## Trailer flips on US 50

On Monday, September 8 at 2:40 p.m., the Martin County Sheriff's Department received a report of a property damage accident on US 150 west of Morgan Curve Road. Paul W. Fox, 37, of Louisville, Kentucky, was eastbound on US 150 when he entered a curve. While in the curve the load shifted in the trailer causing the trailer to rollover on its side. The trailer lost its load of gypsum dust. The 2012 Kenworth tractor was not damaged in the crash. The driver was not injured. Emergency personnel were on the scene over three hours. US 150 was down to one lane of traffic during this time. The investigating officer was Sergeant Keith Keller with the Martin County Sheriff's Department. He was assisted by Chief Deputy Tony Dant, ISP Trooper Ken Miller, Shoals Fire Department, Martin County EMS, and Storks Wrecker Service.



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# SKILLS

(Continued from page one) literacy skills but also in confidence and overall capabilities.”

Free tutor training is scheduled for October 7 and 9, 6-9 p.m., at the Martin County Community Learning Center. No special skills are required to attend. Beverly McIntosh, program director, says, “People often say to me ‘but I’m not a teacher’. Being a tutor is very different from being a teacher. There is no special requirement to be a tutor; you just need to care enough about other people to want to help them improve their lives.” The training covers how adults learn and how to plan lessons to help them reach their goals. All materials needed by the tutors and their students are provided free of charge.

SOAR is a non-profit organization which operates on donations from local service

groups, organizations, and individuals. SOAR is a member of the Indiana Literacy Association, Region 8 Education Consortium, and South Central Education Association.

Anyone interested in becoming a tutor can email martincountysoar@hotmail.com or call McIntosh at 812-709-1618 to reserve a seat in the new tutor training on October 7 and 9.

SOAR provides free and confidential tutoring in reading, writing, math, work & life skills, English, and HSE (formerly GED prep). Anyone interested in free tutoring can call 812-709-1618 to get more information.

September is Literacy Month in Martin County, and SOAR encourages you, your family, and your friends to read every day, any time, any place, just for fun, or to learn something new.

# COMMISSIONERS

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is offered for an additional \$2,700 and they are set up just like what the highway department currently has. George said he hasn’t been up north to look at the equipment yet but wanted the option of working out a deal when he does go. He said the highway department has around \$65,000 to spend. He asked the council if they any money to put toward the purchase or if it should be financed. Auditor Roush recommended it be financed because there was not a lot remaining in the highway department’s cash balance and \$300,000 needs to be cut for next year. The council agreed.

Council member Hawkins acknowledged the retirement of Highway Superintendent Leo Padgett and the council thanked him for his 30+ years of service to the county.

The council approved an additional appropriation request from the commissioners for \$24,000. The money is to pay for juveniles and institutions at Southern Indiana Regional Youth Detention Center. Auditor Roush said there has been a child in the center for quite a while. Also, for costs associated with the upcoming tax sale through SRI and additional

expenses associated with the telephone service through RTC Communications. The funds will come from COIT. Also approved was an additional money request of \$19,500 for courthouse security to come from the cumulative capital development fund. A little more than \$10,000 will go toward the new fire alarm system, around \$500 will go to RTC for labor associated with the new panic buttons. The remaining is to replace an air compressor in the downstairs portion of the courthouse which Roush said should not have been included in with courthouse security.

- The council also approved:
- \$5,000 for the circuit court for transcripts and depositions
  - \$2,000 for the circuit court for equipment repair
  - \$1,895 for a radio in the surveyor’s office. The previous one broke and the insurance paid for the remainder of the cost
  - \$10,500 to cover costs associated with a murder trial: \$2,000 for depositions, \$2,500 for witness fees, \$1,500 for office supplies, \$500 for equipment and \$4,000 for travel
  - \$1,700 for the veteran service officer for conference expenses

## ~LETTER TO THE EDITOR~

*Our precious vote – my take*

To the editor of the *Martin County Journal*,

No one else in the world has the power that you and I have. In our representative form of government, we the people grant our elected officials certain “enumerated” (limited) powers with which to govern the United States of America, as clearly defined in our Constitution. It is my opinion that ANY country in the world could be as prosperous as we if they were willing to be governed by a constitution similar to ours. “We the People” rule through our vote.

But do we vote? Sadly, millions of us who could vote just don’t bother to do so. You and I are the backbone of the United States of America. The Constitution of the United States established this country as a republic. That means that we have authorized the government to act in our behalf and with our consent. We vote every two (2) years for our representatives, whether local, state or federal. It is our solemn responsibility not only to vote, but to vote responsibly, always remembering that the government works for us – we DO NOT work for the government. We ought to familiarize ourselves with the issues and vote for candidates that we feel will pursue policies that agree with our personal principles. This means not just what the candidate says, but what he or she has done in

the past – look at their record.

We will have another opportunity to be heard in the upcoming November midterm election. All 435 seats in the U.S. House of Representatives and many Senate seats will be contested. When the new U.S. Congress goes to work in January of 2015, each of us will be impacted by the policies they adopt and the laws they pass.

If you believe in the nanny state, big spending, extensive regulation, open borders, abortion, high taxes, gun control, and if you believe that the United States of America needs to be “fundamentally transformed”, you should probably vote for a Democrat.

If you believe in a limited federal government, limited regulation, secure borders, right to life, low taxes, the right to own a gun and, and if you believe that the United States of America needs to be governed according to the limits of the Constitution, you will want to vote for a Republican candidate that feels the same way.

This is a good time to bone up on the Constitution. It is easy to read, and free copies are available at the Cartridge Depot on JFK Avenue in Loogootee. The freedoms we enjoy are precious and rare in this world. Let’s take care of them.

Dennis Jones  
Shoals, Indiana

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# SONGFEST

**Sunday, September 14**  
6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.  
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*Refreshments following.*  
**at Hindostan United Methodist Church**  
located between Loogootee and Shoals on Hwy. 550



## VOLUNTARY SUBSCRIPTIONS TO THE MCJ

Through September the Martin County Journal is accepting voluntary subscription payments. The Journal is free, however, by getting voluntary subscription payments from readers, it helps cover the costs associated with publishing. There is no minimum payment required, it’s whatever readers can afford. Times are tough and I get it, some people can afford to send something, some can’t. Thank you to those of you who HAVE sent in a payment. I appreciate your respect for the Martin County Journal. I have been doing this for five years now and have only requested subscriptions for the past two and it really does make a difference. You are also welcome to donate money to one of my three favorite charities in Martin County, instead of giving it to me. These charities mean a lot to me and it would make me just as happy to see them helped. They are:

Martin County Humane Society: 507 N Oak Street Loogootee IN 47553 or through PayPal at the email mchs@frontier.com.  
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The campaign has progressed well these recent months. I’ve enjoyed meeting many more people since the door-to-door portion of the campaign launched. Consistently, certain concerns are voiced significantly more than others: theft and drugs, specifically methamphetamines. The general consensus is these two issues are linked, and addressing either will positively affect the other.

I recommend two solutions to address both problems that can easily be implemented in a timely manner. The first is to create a volunteer neighborhood watch program. I am confident our community would support such an organization. The Sheriff’s Office can facilitate and champion its development, for example, by creating and cultivating a competent reserve deputy program to provide organizational leadership. The second problem requires a tool; a K-9 Unit. One is gravely needed in Martin County. Such an asset would be a huge benefit in detouring and eliminating meth. Furthermore, it would give notice to criminals we as a community and as a Sheriff’s Office are serious about combating the meth problem in Martin County.

Implementing both of these initiatives will significantly help mitigate the chief concerns of Martin County residents. These practical solutions are highly compatible with the common sense driven people of our county. I will continue to meet many more of you before the election to listen about these and other matters. Please, feel free to share your concerns or ideas via my anonymous survey, or call me if I haven’t visited your home yet. Finally, thank you all for the growing support!

Respectfully, J. Travis Roush

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# OBITUARIES

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## CURTIS "SCOTT" WOLFE

Curtis "Scott" Wolfe went to be with his Lord and Savior on August 2, 2014. He was surrounded by his loving family.

He married Donna Sue Lagle on December 31, 1965. He served in the Indiana National Guard before becoming an Indiana State Trooper, part-time deputy for the Martin County Sheriff's Department and working on the Loogootee Volunteer Fire Department. He later went on to become a federal firefighter at NSWC Crane where he retired in 1994. He then went to work for CSX Transportation where he retired in 2006. From 1965 to 1985 Scott and Donna took in approximately 53 foster children.

His hobbies included gardening, canning, working outdoors, playing cards with friends and family, spending time with family and being a grandpa.

He is survived by his loving wife, Donna; two sons, Dustin and Nathan Wolfe; one daughter, Brooke Wolfe Gregory; and eight grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by one son, Larry G. Miller.

A Celebration of Life event will be held Sunday, September 14 at the Loogootee United Methodist Church from 1-3 p.m. Scott donated his body to IU School of Science to help others.

## KENNETH ARTHUR JR.

Kenneth J. Arthur died at 7:55 a.m. Saturday, September 6 at his home. A resident of Odon, he was 54.

He was born October 26, 1959, in Tippecanoe County; the son of Kenneth M. Arthur and Onnie (Arms Arthur) Hart. He was disabled and a veteran.

He is survived by his wife, Sandra (Salmon) Arthur, whom he married September 27, 1995; four daughters, Shanan and husband, Frank Meadows, of Bedford, Samantha and husband, Greg Blevins, of Odon; Tabitha and husband, Danny Arthur, of Odon; and Bobbie Jo and husband, Jason Carlisle, of Mitchell; five sons, Kenneth Ray Arthur and wife, Amber, of Greene County; Danny Joe Arthur and wife, Falisha, of Loogootee, Gary Arthur and wife, Amanda Campbell, of Loogootee, Robert Arthur and wife, Michelle, of Bedford, and Billy Arthur of Bedford; three brothers, Tony Arthur of Williams, Rick Arthur of Loogootee and Danny Arthur of Odon; three sisters, Eva Arthur of French Lick, Lisa Graham of Loogootee, and Sandy Buchanan of Elnora; his mother, Onnie Hart of Loogootee; 31 grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

He is preceded in death by his father, Kenneth M. Arthur, and one daughter.

The funeral was held Tuesday, September 9 at Odon United Methodist Church, with Pastor Ura Miller Jr. officiating. Burial followed in Walnut Hill Cemetery in Odon.

Arrangements were made through Brocksmith-Blake and Wagler Funeral Home in Montgomery. Online condolences may be made at [www.brocksmithblakewaglerfuneralhomes.com](http://www.brocksmithblakewaglerfuneralhomes.com).

## RICHARD BURNS

Richard Lee Burns passed away unexpectedly on September 7, 2014 at Johnson Memorial Hospital. A resident of Franklin, he was 59.

He was born on September 13, 1954 in Evansville; the son of Columbus and Peggy Anita (Forston) Burns. He married Sheila (Himbaugh) Burns on October 31, 1975 in Shoals. He was currently employed as a parts inspector for First Call Quality Control in Franklin. He attended Martin County Schools and was a member of the Johnson County R.E.A.C.T. He liked to tinker with old cars and bicycles and he greatly enjoyed his grandkids.

His family includes mother, Peggy Burns of Shoals; wife, Sheila Burns of Franklin; one daughter, Teresa (Dennis) Burns-Ray of Shelbyville; two sons, Richard Lee (Kimberly) Burns II of Hope and Charles Daniel (Kristen) Burns of Franklin; four grandchildren, Hope, Sierra, Blake and Brooklen; two sisters, Shirley ("Corky") Holt of Shoals and Alice "Jackie" Holt of Loogootee; and numerous nieces and nephews.

He is preceded in death by his father, Columbus Burns; nephew, James Lee Holt; Uncle Daniel Forston; two sisters, Patricia "Pat" White and Cristine "Chris" Lampson.

Visitation will be Thursday, September 11 from 11 a.m. until the hour of service at 2 p.m. at the Queen-Lee Funeral Home in Shoals. Burial will be made in Spring Hill Cemetery. Pastor Derek Mobley of Franklin will officiate the service.

The family asks that expressions of sympathy be made to the funeral home to assist with burial expenses. Condolences may be made to the family at [www.queenlee.com](http://www.queenlee.com).

## DONALD STERLING

Donald Gene Sterling died at 6:23 a.m. Tuesday, September 9, 2014 at Deaconess VNA Plus Charlier Hospice Center in Evansville. A resident of Loogootee, he was 84.

He was born February 2, 1930 in Martin County; the son of Fielding Henry and Minnie Margaret (Rowe) Sterling. On July 7, 1953 he married Mary Sue (Cannon) Sterling and she survives.

After graduating from Shoals High School, Donald traveled to Chicago where he worked with show horses until he joined the United States Navy. After he got out of the military, he attended and graduated from a meat cutting school in Toledo, Ohio. Donald then returned to Washington, Indiana where he worked at Boring's IGA and sold insurance for the Western Southern Insurance Company until he began working at Crane NSWC.

He was a member of the St. John Catholic Church in Loogootee. He retired from Crane NSWC after 30+ years of employment as an electrical technician. He was a veteran of the Korean War and served his country in the United States Navy on the USS Porterfield. He was also one of the founders of the Loogootee Little League.

He is survived by his wife, Mary Sue (Cannon) Sterling of Loogootee; four sons, Rob Sterling and spouse, Nancy, of Loogootee; Steve Sterling of Loogootee, Brad Sterling and spouse, Lynn, of Augusta, Georgia; and Roger Sterling and spouse, Kim, of Vincennes; one daughter, Brenda Rutherford and spouse, Bill, of Paoli; one brother, Francis Sterling of Velpen; two sisters, Ernestine Earl of Williams and Barbara Frey of Ohio; eight grandchildren, two step-

grandchildren and eight great grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Fielding Henry and Minnie (Rowe) Sterling and one sister, Mary Jane Doa. ne

Funeral Mass will be conducted at 10 a.m. on Saturday, September 13 at St. John Catholic Church in Loogootee. Burial will follow in St. John Cemetery in Loogootee.

Visitation will be from 4-8 p.m. on Friday, September 12 at Brocksmith-Blake Fu-

## How the Martin County Alliance is helping build our future

BY TIM KINDER  
Director, Martin County Alliance

Jobs. Investment. Tax Base. We hear these terms every day, from every corner of the country. In Martin County, a dedicated group of community and business leaders, as well as local elected officials, are working diligently to bring jobs to Martin County residents. New business in Martin County means more and better employment opportunities. Increased business investment strengthens the local tax base and allows local government to do more while asking for less. Tax revenue is most often utilized by local units of government to provide public services, goods for its citizens, infrastructure (such as roads, sewer, water, etc.), economic and community development, as well as helping to fund school corporations to educate our next generation.

Indiana's first Local Economic Development Organization (LEDO) was introduced in the late 1950s in Evansville. As the Korean War ended and the area's dependence on the evaporating heavy industry and manufacturing sectors meant good jobs were disappearing, a more diverse economic climate was needed. By drawing on a wide range of community resources, new ideas were developed and new economic streams were created.

Today, LEDOs are common throughout the state and country. In Indiana, most LEDOs were created in the 1980s. The Martin County Alliance for Economic Growth, Inc., one of Indiana's newest LEDOs, opened its doors in 2010. Even in its short history, the Martin County Alliance has delivered some serious results. The Alliance was created with a state grant that was matched by county dollars. While the initial grant funded the Alliance for three years, Martin County government has always been a strong advocate for Alliance endeavors, and continues to eagerly support the organization.

The Martin County Alliance for Economic Growth, Inc. has been a key player in laying the groundwork for local economic growth since it began operations in April 2010. Some of the projects that the Alliance has been involved with include: WestGate@Crane Technology Park, the Bowling Manufacturing Center, Indian Creek Quarries, National Gypsum, the former Swift facility, Loogootee East (twice), and USG. Each of these economic development projects has, at its core, the ability to make Martin County stronger in various ways such as new jobs for Martin County citizens and new investment that continue to add dollars to Martin County's local units of government coffers. More money for local government means more and better services for everyone who lives here. Ultimately, new jobs and new investment contribute to lower tax rates.

Economic development doesn't happen overnight, however. Sound economic decisions and long-term strategies often bear fruit years after they are implemented. The Martin County Alliance's initial success is only the beginning. Exciting new projects are on the horizon. Some announcements are imminent while others are in the conceptual and discussion phases. With all of its projects, the Alliance is actively seeking to diversify and strengthen the local economy to its fullest potential.

neral Home.

The Rosary Service will be held at 6 p.m. on Friday at the Brocksmith-Blake Funeral Home and will be conducted by Deacon Earl Ruppel.

In lieu of flowers the family requests memorial contributions be made to the Alzheimer's Association, 644 Linn Street, Cincinnati, Ohio 45203.

Online condolences may be made at [www.brocksmithblakefuneralhomes.com](http://www.brocksmithblakefuneralhomes.com).

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## Martin County Sheriff's Department log

### MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 1

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

1:58 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee.

4:08 p.m. - Received a report of a domestic dispute in Shoals.

9:46 p.m. - Received a report of a domestic dispute in Shoals.

### TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 2

4:17 a.m. - Received a report of a vandalism in Crane.

5:58 p.m. - Received a report of trespassing in Loogootee.

6:05 p.m. - Received a report of an overdue family member in Shoals. Martin

County Major Burkhardt, Shoals Town Marshal Eckert, Indiana State Police, Shoals Volunteer Fire Department, Martin County Ambulance Service and Air Evac Lifeteam all responded and assisted in the successful search.

6:06 p.m. - Received a report of mailbox vandalism in Shoals.

### WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3

1:51 a.m. - Received a report of a structure fire in Loogootee. Loogootee Volunteer Fire Department and Martin County Ambulance Service responded.

2:37 a.m. - Received a report of a tree down and across the roadway on U.S. 150. Shoals Volunteer Fire Department responded

### THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 4

1:55 a.m. - Caller reported a suspicious male on Walnut Street.

5:04 p.m. - Caller reported possible drug activity.

### FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 5

7:43 p.m. - Received a report of a 911 hang-up on SW 3rd Street.

9:16 p.m. - Caller reported possible drug activity.

9:54 p.m. - Caller reported a domestic dispute on East Main Street.

### SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 6

4:56 a.m. - Caller reported a possible intoxicated driver on Hwy 50.

5:00 a.m. - Caller requested an officer assist in removing a female from his residence.

4:06 p.m. - Captain Akles responded to a business alarm.

6:27 p.m. - Caller reported a possible intoxicated driver.

7:52 p.m. - Caller requested a welfare check on a male on North Line Street.

10:00 p.m. - Received a report of a suspicious person on Hwy 50.

### SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 7

4:38 p.m. - Caller reported a reckless driver on Hwy 50.

8:08 p.m. - Caller reported a fight in Redwing Trailer Court.

### 25 face charges after Indiana Conservation Officers conduct ginseng sweep.

Twenty-five southern Indiana residents face charges following multiple illegal ginseng investigations by Indiana Conservation Officers. During the past month, conservation officers targeted ginseng violations in Operational District Eight, and arrested or cited individuals in Clark, Harrison, Martin, Orange, Scott, and Washington counties.

Acting on tips, conservation officers executed multiple search warrants and seized several pounds of illegal ginseng. Additionally, several illegal drugs were seized and a stolen handgun was recovered.

Indiana Conservation Officers utilized their K-9 units to track suspects and locate evidence, in addition to conducting surveillance throughout these investigations. Several leads were developed and investigations are continuing.

Wild Ginseng is a plant sought for its root, valued anywhere from \$500 to \$1,000 per pound, which is then sold to licensed dealers, who often export it to other countries. Legal ginseng harvest season runs from September 1 to December 31, and harvest restrictions also apply; Visit <https://secure.in.gov/dnr/naturepreserve/8235.htm> for more information on ginseng regulations.

Citizens are urged to report natural resource violations by calling Indiana Conservation Officers' Central Dispatch at 812-837-9536, or the anonymous tip line at 1-800-TIPIDNR.

All charges are merely accusations and defendants are presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty.

and removed the debris from the roadway.

3:08 p.m. - Received a report of a domestic dispute in Crane.

### THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 4

2:37 p.m. - Received a report of a theft in Shoals.

3:20 p.m. - Received a report of a dog with no shade in Crane.

4:16 p.m. - Received a report of a theft in Shoals.

### FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 5

5:42 a.m. - Received report of a property damage accident on Red School Road.

3:12 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee.

4:50 p.m. - Received a report of harassment in Loogootee.

11:10 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee.

### SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 6

12:00 p.m. - Received a report of a civil dispute in Shoals

2:00 p.m. - Received a report of a tree down on Graded Road.

6:34 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance on Capital Avenue. Shoals First Responders and Martin County Ambulance responded.

7:48 p.m. - Received a report of a person needing assistance on North Line Street. Sheriff Street took care of the subject.

8:05 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance on Queen Street. Martin County Ambulance transported the subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

9:55 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance on Cedar Street. Martin County Ambulance responded.

### SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 7

## Martin County real estate transfers

**George Turoci and Mary Turoci**, of Lake County, Indiana to **Howard L. Jackson and Linda A. Benedict**, of Marion County, Indiana, a part of the northwest quarter of the northeast quarter of Section 4, Township 1 North, Range 3 West, Lost River Township, Martin County, Indiana containing 17.611 acres, more or less.

**John R. Butcher and Judy K. Butcher**, of Martin County, Indiana to **Lori J. Thompson**, of Greene County, Indiana, a part of the southeast quarter of the southeast quarter of Section 25, Township 2 North, Range 5 West, Rutherford Township, Martin County, Indiana containing 10 acres, more or less.

**Alan B. Crane and Christina S. Crane**, of Martin County, Indiana to **Matthew Lee Burch**, of Martin County, Indiana. Tract I: A portion of the northwest quarter of Section

11:25 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance on William Dailey Drive. Martin County Ambulance responded.

5:50 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance transported subject to Jasper Memorial.

8:08 p.m. - Received a report of a fight in Red Wing Trailer Park. Loogootee Police, Martin County Sheriff's Department, and Indiana State Police responded.

10:51 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance on Vine Street in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded.

### MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 8

1:38 a.m. - Received a report of cows on US 50 at Warren Curve. Deputy Baker responded.

7:30 a.m. - Received a report of a car-deer accident on US 150 near the Orange County line. Indiana State Police responded.

9:00 a.m. - Received a report of an alarm on Ziegler Road. Deputy Keller responded.

## Jail bookings

Wednesday, September 3

4:57 p.m. - Jesse Martinez, of Loogootee, was arrested by Martin County Sergeant Keller on a Daviess County warrant.

Thursday, September 4

12:39 p.m. - Audra Seals, of Loogootee, was arrested by Loogootee Chief of Police Rayhill on a Martin County warrant.

10:30 p.m. - Julie Essick, of Bedford, was arrested by Martin County Corporal Greene on preliminary charges of impersonation of a public servant, neglect of a dependent, and public intoxication.

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# Indiana State Police announces launch of official YouTube site

While many YouTube videos referencing the Indiana State Police may be found on the popular YouTube site, none of the footage posted has been officially placed on YouTube by the state police. That changed in August of 2014 when the official Indiana State Police Information Channel was launched. The site now has several videos posted for public viewing. The most recent addition to the channel is the Marion County 'We Always Get Out of Our Car' support video. When IMPD Ofc. Perry Renn was shot and killed in the line of duty on July 5, 2014 a local Indianapolis TV news station personality reported the mother of the alleged murderer said "...the tragedy could have been avoided if Officer Renn would have stayed in his car; since he could see [the suspect] had a gun." Since the death of Officer Renn,

police agencies across the nation have posted their own messages of support that they too will always get out of their police cars.

Regardless of a law enforcement agency being city, county, state or federal; the taxpayers expect us to get out of our cars to confront the element of society engaged in criminal acts that threaten the fabric of our society. Please visit the Indiana State Police Information Channel at this site: [www.youtube.com/channel/UCu5Bg1KjBd7H1GxgkuV3YJA](http://www.youtube.com/channel/UCu5Bg1KjBd7H1GxgkuV3YJA). For general information about the Indiana State Police visit our web page at [www.in.gov/isp/](http://www.in.gov/isp/).

All of us at the Indiana State Police invite you to subscribe to the ISP Information Channel for information of interest about the state police and general public safety information.

# Indiana Conservation Officers are accepting applicants until November 30

Indiana Conservation Officers are accepting applicants for the position of conservation officer until November 30, 2014.

All interested persons must pass a prerequisite test found on the 'Becoming a Conservation Officer' webpage found at [www.in.gov/dnr/lawenfor/2760.htm](http://www.in.gov/dnr/lawenfor/2760.htm).

Upon successful completion of the prerequisite test the applicant will be automatically entered into the 2015 hiring process.

Indiana Conservation Officers are employed by the Law Enforcement Division of the Department of Natural Resources. Officer's primary duties include the enforcement of laws that effect natural resources, fish and wildlife, boating, DNR properties, ATV's, environment and recreation. Officers also enforce all state laws outside of these primary duties.

All citizens, regardless of age, may register on the "stay in touch" form found on the above webpage to meet with officers in their area to learn more about the requirements and hiring process to become an Indiana Conservation Officer.

Applicants who successfully complete the prerequisite test after November 30, 2014 will be automatically entered into the 2016 hiring process.

## Court News

### CIVIL COURT New Suits Filed August 27

Steven R. Buchta vs. Amy D. Buchta, petition for dissolution of marriage.

CitiMortgage, Inc. vs. John Fraley, John G. Fraley, Jennifer Fraley, State of Indiana Department of Revenue, and State of Indiana Attorney General, mortgage foreclosure.

### August 28

Cavalry SPV I, LLC vs. Stanley D. Pender, civil collection.

### September 2

Crane Federal Credit Union vs. Anthony M. Bruchett, civil collection.

Tiffany Holt-Baugh vs. David Baugh, petition for dissolution of marriage.

# Loogootee and Shoals SCHOOL MENUS

## LOOGOOTEE ELEMENTARY

### Breakfast

Thursday, September 11  
Breakfast pizza, peaches

Friday, September 12  
French toast, stringed cheese, mixed fruit

Monday, September 15  
Mini pancakes, orange

Tuesday, September 16  
Whole grain biscuit and gravy, pears

Wednesday, September 17  
Whole grain Pop Tart, apple

### Lunch

Thursday, September 11  
Fish, baked beans, slaw, oranges, milk

Friday, September 12  
Chef salad, pretzel and cheese, pineapple, milk

Monday, September 15  
Spaghetti, tossed salad, green beans, peaches, breadstick, milk

Tuesday, September 16  
Hotdog, French fries, peas, pineapple, milk

Wednesday, September 17  
Chicken fajita, refried beans, lettuce, tomatoes, rice, applesauce, milk

## LOOGOOTEE INTERMEDIATE AND JR.-SR. HIGH SCHOOL

### Lunch

Thursday, September 11  
Fish, pizza or chef salad; baked beans, slaw, oranges, milk

Friday, September 12  
Pizza or chef salad, pretzel and cheese, pineapple, milk

Monday, September 15  
Spaghetti, pizza or chef salad; green beans, tossed salad, peaches, breadstick, milk

Tuesday, September 16

Hotdog, pizza or chef salad; French fries, peas, pineapple, milk

Wednesday, September 17  
Chicken fajita, pizza or chef salad; refried beans, lettuce and tomatoes, rice, applesauce, milk

## SHOALS SCHOOLS

### Breakfast

Thursday, September 11  
Sausage biscuit, fruit, juice, milk

Friday, September 12  
Cereal, muffin, fruit, juice, milk

Monday, September 15  
Cereal, granola bar, fruit, juice, milk

Tuesday, September 16  
Pancakes, sausage link, fruit, juice, milk

Wednesday, September 17  
Cereal, graham crackers, fruit, juice, milk

### Lunch

Thursday, September 11  
Soft shell taco, whole grain nacho tray, chef salad or deli sandwich; corn, pineapple, milk

Friday, September 12  
Pepperoni pizza, whole grain nacho tray, chef salad or deli sandwich; green beans, peaches, milk

Monday, September 15  
Cheeseburger, whole grain nacho tray, chef salad or deli sandwich; tator tots, apple slices, milk

Tuesday, September 16  
Ham and cheese deli wrap, whole grain nacho tray, chef salad or deli sandwich; fresh spinach and tomatoes, corn, pears, milk

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## Grazing Bites

By Victor Shelton

NRCS State Agronomist/Grazing Specialist

Most of Indiana has been blessed with some decent rains; some areas certainly more than others. With good moisture, forages have rebounded quicker than normal, especially for this time of year and with adequate rest between grazing periods, some increase in production should be expected. I read one time that the time to relax is when you don't have time for it. I think this is also true for the rest required for our pastures; they need rest when it is really hard to allow for it. How much different can adequate rest be for forages than little or no rest?

First of all, we need to remember that only green, growing leaves carry out photosynthesis. You have to have that solar panel there and enough of it to efficiently collect sunlight. Those leaves collect energy from the sun and convert it into chemical energy which is then combined with other elements to form protein, carbohydrates and fats. The plant grows. The plant is now a food source.

So, how do we maximize production and quality? It starts with maximizing plant growth. Without limitations of water and or nutrients, how does an ungrazed or un-harvested plot of forages compare to a continuously grazed site and a rotation that maximizes intake at quality timeframes and adequate rest periods in between? I have to revisit this myself sometimes. Is it worth all the effort?

A stand of forage that is not harvested or grazed reaches maturity on its own accord, and usually surprisingly fast. Manipulation of that vegetation by grazing, clipping or mowing, at any interval, stimulates new growth. Whether it ends up in additional growth or retardance is highly influenced by, guess what, residual leaf area...stop grazing heights.

Mature forage left alone, somewhat depending on the type of forage we are talking about, reaches the majority of its growth potential fairly early with a greatly reduced amount of late season tillering. It produces nice deep roots, but has no real motive to try and grow much more because it has already reached its seasonal requirement of producing seed, replenishing energy reserves, and OK, I'm done growing and ready for a long winter's nap.

When we start to remove leaf area, we create a situation in which we are manipulating the plant's natural undisturbed growth pattern. The plant in return needs to regrow leaves that were removed, to restore utilized energy and grow new roots that have died back due to lost supporting leaf area. More live leaf area equals more live roots. Root growth is closely related to forage production. Plants maximize the most root growth when no more than about 50 percent of their leaves are removed. This is where the old adage of "take half and leave half" comes from. The plants then need adequate rest to regrow the lost solar panel which in turn produces new root growth. There is always dieback of some roots when leaves are removed. Remove leaf area and the plant will prune roots back that it can no longer support.

Severe grazing or overgrazing maintains reduced leaf area, reducing the solar panel, reducing root mass and will result in reduced regrowth potential. A field that is cut for hay can potentially have some reduced production due to the high percentage of leaf area removed and thus root dieback slowing regrowth. Mowing heights influence the timeframe of regrowth with no surprise. Fields left with adequate residual according to the forage, will have quicker regrowth and increased production potential over one that was scalped.

So, the more live residual is maintained

(e.g., 3-4 inches for most tall cool season forages, such as orchardgrass, 2-3 inches for most short season forages, such as bluegrass, and 6-8 inches for most warm season forages) and the more plants are not allowed to produce mature seed, and without consideration of lack of adequate moisture and/or nutrients, the higher the potential production. How much different are the grazing systems? That depends on how good we are at maintaining those ideal stop grazing heights, how much rest is provided between grazing periods, and nutrient availability are the main things we can manage. Moisture (for the most part unless irrigated), soil type, and other factors which can also influence production, and the amount of good sunlight are harder to manipulate.

If all other factors are the same, a well-managed grazing system like described above will normally produce forage of consistently higher quality and potentially about 40-50 percent higher usable production over a continuously grazed system. If you maximize soil organic matter and the nutrient availability with such management, there is potential to double usable forage production. Double production on your farm and you can reap the benefits just like you doubled your acreage.

Don't forget about stockpiling. Start deferring acreage now for grazing this late fall and winter. Tall fescue may have some issues, but nothing stockpiles or holds its nutritional value better than tall fescue and it will hold that value pretty much all winter. The more you can stockpile, the longer you can graze later on, and you also increase forage production in the process.

Annuals can still be planted for fall and winter grazing. The combination of cereal rye, oats, and turnips is hard to beat. The oats and turnips have great growth early in the fall with adequate moisture and the cereal rye provides good winter cover and something to graze in the spring. Annuals can be a part of a pasture renovation program or can be planted on available and suitable cropland. Care should be used to make sure that crop fields will not have negative impacts from being grazed. This often requires dry or frozen soil conditions and short usage.

It is also a good time to start taking an inventory of available forage, hay and other feeding opportunities and see if you will have enough available for the number of livestock you wish to maintain over winter. Not enough? Find or create additional feed or plan to adjust your livestock numbers. I have no idea what kind of winter is ahead of us, but I'd rather be prepared than not.

Enjoy this summer weather and keep on grazing!

### Reminders & Opportunities

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

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

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(317) 232-6981 or [skennedy@dnr.in.gov](mailto:skennedy@dnr.in.gov).

The deadline for proposals is Friday, October 3, 2014 at 5 p.m. This is not a post-mark deadline; all proposals must be received at the DHPA by the deadline.

If you plan to hand-deliver your proposal, please be advised that all visitors to the Indiana Government Center-South must enter via the Public Entrance at 302 W. Washington Street and pass through a metal detector. In addition, security at the Department of Natural Resources now requires visitors to check in at the reception desk near the escalators and the 2nd floor DNR main office. The reception desk is staffed from 8:15 a.m. to 4:45 p.m. Visitors may be asked to leave deliveries with the reception desk. Please plan accordingly and allow plenty of extra time to clear these security check points.

## Livestock producers urged to enroll in disaster assistance program by September 30

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Indiana Farm Service Agency (FSA) State Executive Director, Julia A. Wickard, encourages producers who have suffered eligible disaster-related losses to act to secure assistance by September 30, 2014, as congressionally mandated payment reductions will take place for producers who have not acted by that date. Livestock producers who have experienced grazing losses since October 2011 and may be eligible for benefits but have not yet contacted their local Farm Service Agency (FSA) office should do so as soon as possible.

The Budget Control Act passed by Congress in 2011 requires USDA to implement reductions of 7.3 percent to the Livestock Forage Disaster Program (LFP) in the new fiscal year, which begins October 1, 2014. However, producers seeking LFP support who have scheduled appointments with their local FSA office before October 1, even if the appointment occurs after October 1, will not see reductions in the amount of disaster relief they receive.

"All livestock producers who experienced forage losses during the summer of 2012 drought are eligible to apply for this Farm Bill program," said Wickard. "If a producer believes they suffered a livestock grazing loss in 2012, they should contact their local FSA office by September 30 and have their name added to an appointment calendar. A producer's payment will be impacted by sequestration beginning October 1," said Wickard.

USDA is encouraging producers to register, request an appointment or begin an LFP application with their county FSA office before October 1, 2014, to lock in the current zero percent sequestration rate. As an additional aid to qualified producers applying for LFP, FSA has developed an online registration that enables farmers and ranchers to put their names on an electronic list before the deadline to avoid reductions in their disaster assistance payments. This online register is an alternative to visiting or contacting the county office. To place a name on the LFP online register, visit <http://www.fsa.usda.gov/disaster-register>.

Producers who already contacted the county office and have an appointment scheduled need do nothing more.

"In just four months since disaster assistance enrollments began, we've processed 240,000 applications to help farmers and ranchers who suffered losses," said Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack. "Eligible producers who have not yet contacted their local FSA office should stop by or call their local FSA office, or sign up online before October 1 when congressionally mandated payment reductions take effect. This will ensure they receive as much financial assistance as possible."

The Livestock Indemnity Program, the Tree Assistance Program and the Nonin-

sured Disaster Assistance Program Frost Freeze payments will also be cut by 7.3 percent on October 1, 2014. Unlike the Livestock Forage Disaster Program, applications for these programs must be fully completed by September 30. FSA offices will prioritize these applications, but as the full application process can take several days or more to complete, producers are encouraged to begin the application process as soon as possible.

The Livestock Forage Disaster Program compensates eligible livestock producers who suffered grazing losses due to drought or fire between October 1, 2011 and December 31, 2014. Eligible livestock includes alpacas, beef cattle, buffalo, beefalo, dairy cattle, deer, elk, emus, equine, goats, llamas, poultry, reindeer, sheep or swine that have been or would have been grazing the eligible grazing land or pastureland. Producers forced to liquidate their livestock may also be eligible for program benefits.

Additionally, the 2014 Farm Bill eliminated the risk management purchase requirement. Livestock producers are no longer required to purchase coverage under the federal crop insurance program or Non-insured Crop Disaster Assistance Program to be eligible for Livestock Forage Disaster Program assistance.

To learn more about USDA disaster relief program, producers can review the 2014 Farm Bill fact sheet at [www.fsa.usda.gov/farmbill](http://www.fsa.usda.gov/farmbill), the LFP program fact sheet, <http://go.usa.gov/5JTk>, or contact their local FSA office.

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

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# Purdue Extension's 2015 ag outlook webinar set for September 12

BY KEITH ROBINSON  
Purdue University News Service

Purdue Extension and the Purdue Center for Commercial Agriculture will present their "Agricultural Outlook 2015" webinar September 12 to help farmers, land owners, suppliers and others interested in agriculture make better business decisions in the coming year. The webinar, to begin at 8:30 a.m. EDT (7:30 a.m. CDT), can be accessed at [www.kaltura.com/tiny/mhwmn](http://www.kaltura.com/tiny/mhwmn).

The program, free to the public, will be presented by Purdue University professors of agricultural economics James Mintert and Corinne Alexander. Mintert also is director of the Center for Commercial Agriculture.

"Yield prospects for the state are among the best in the country, and this means the grain handling and processing industries will be at full capacity," Mintert and Alexander wrote in a preview of the outlook. "Prospects for record total Indiana production of corn and record high soybean yields are good, although late-season rainfall and early frost still present threats to yields."

Grain and soybean prices in 2014-2015 will be much lower than in recent years, creating a challenging environment for Midwest crop farmers, the economists said. As part of the webinar, Mintert and Alexander will discuss strategies for marketing this year's corn and

soybean crops. As farmers and agribusiness managers are starting to think about what to plant in 2015, Mintert and Alexander will share Purdue's preliminary estimates of costs for 2015 crops along with expected net returns for each crop.

The webinar also will provide an updated economic outlook for livestock producers.

"Livestock producers' income prospects turned up sharply with record-high livestock prices and lower feed costs," Mintert and Alexander noted. The livestock sector is entering an era of recovery following several difficult years. How rapidly livestock producers respond to this recovery by expanding their herds and how quickly that affects prices will be addressed during the webinar.

The economists also will explore one of the most important issues for next year - land values and cash rents. They will provide insight into whether higher yields this fall will offset lower prices and provide more farm income, or less. "The level of income this year can influence land values and cash rents for 2015, but expected returns for 2015 crop production and interest rates are expected to be more important," they said. "Results from this year's Purdue Land Values Survey suggest that Indiana land values have topped out, and it looks like some adjustment in land values and cash rents will get underway in the year ahead."

# Fish at Ford Hoosier Outdoor Experience, September 20-21

Surveys say nearly 250 people fished for the first time at last year's Ford Hoosier Outdoor Experience at Fort Harrison State Park in Indianapolis.

So no matter what activities you try for the first time at this year's event, plenty of other people are likely to be doing the same. Trying outdoor activities is the purpose of the sixth annual Ford Hoosier Outdoor Experience, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., September 20-21.

Parking, entry and all activities are free to participants. The roughly 50 activities include archery, target shooting, mountain biking, paddling, and much more. Participants can bring their own food or purchase food at reasonable prices from on-site vendors. All food vendors will offer credit card payment options.

An estimated 32,000 men, women or children participated last year. Plenty of room awaits in the state park's spacious

1,700 acres. The Ford Hoosier Outdoor Experience is presented by the DNR and the Indiana Natural Resources Foundation.

Online advance registration at [hoosier-outdoorexperience.IN.gov](http://hoosier-outdoorexperience.IN.gov) is requested to assist the presenters and activity providers with staffing and planning. Watch for event updates there or at [Facebook.com/HoosierOutdoorExperience](http://Facebook.com/HoosierOutdoorExperience).

If you already enjoy outdoor sports and recreation and want to help others learn to enjoy them as much as you do, sign up to volunteer at <https://2014outdoorexperiencevolunteer.eventbrite.com>. For questions about volunteering, contact volunteer coordinator Cheryl Hampton, (317) 233-1002, [champton@dnr.IN.gov](mailto:champton@dnr.IN.gov).

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## National unemployment at 6.1 percent for August

Total nonfarm payroll employment increased by 142,000 in August, and the unemployment rate was little changed at 6.1 percent, the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics reported last week. Job gains occurred in professional and business services and in health care.

### Household Survey Data

In August, both the unemployment rate (6.1 percent) and the number of unemployed persons (9.6 million) changed little. Over the year, the unemployment rate and the number of unemployed persons were down by 1.1 percentage points and 1.7 million, respectively.

Among the major worker groups, the unemployment rates in August showed little or no change for adult men (5.7 percent), adult women (5.7 percent), teenagers (19.6 percent), whites (5.3 percent), blacks (11.4 percent), and Hispanics (7.5 percent). The jobless rate for Asians was 4.5 percent (not seasonally adjusted), little changed from a year earlier.

The number of long-term unemployed (those jobless for 27 weeks or more) declined by 192,000 to 3.0 million in August. These individuals accounted for 31.2 percent of the unemployed. Over the past 12 months, the number of long-term unemployed has declined by 1.3 million.

The civilian labor force participation rate, at 62.8 percent, changed little in August and has been essentially unchanged since April. In August, the employment-population ratio was 59.0 percent for the third consecutive month but is up by 0.4 percentage point from a year earlier.

The number of persons employed part time for economic reasons (sometimes referred to as involuntary part-time workers) was little changed in August at 7.3 million.

These individuals were working part time because their hours had been cut back or because they were unable to find a full-time job.

In August, 2.1 million persons were marginally attached to the labor force, down by 201,000 from a year earlier. (The data are not seasonally adjusted.) These individuals were not in the labor force, wanted and were available for work, and had looked for a job sometime in the prior 12 months. They were not counted as unemployed because they had not searched for work in the 4 weeks preceding the survey.

Among the marginally attached, there were 775,000 discouraged workers in August, little changed from a year earlier. (The data are not seasonally adjusted.)

Discouraged workers are persons not currently looking for work because they believe no jobs are available for them. The remaining 1.4 million persons marginally attached to the labor force in August had not searched for work for reasons such as school attendance or family responsibilities.

### Establishment Survey Data

Total nonfarm payroll employment increased by 142,000 in August, compared with an average monthly gain of 212,000 over the prior 12 months. In August, job growth occurred in professional and business services and in health care.

Professional and business services added 47,000 jobs in August and has added 639,000 over the past year. In August, management of companies and enterprises gained 8,000 jobs. Employment continued to trend up over the month in administrative and support services (+23,000), architectural and engineering services (+3,000), and in management and technical consulting services (+3,000).

Employment in health care increased by 34,000 in August. Within the industry, offices of physicians and hospitals added 8,000 jobs and 7,000 jobs, respectively. Social assistance employment continued to trend up over the month (+9,000) and has expanded by

104,000 over the year.

Within leisure and hospitality, employment in food services and drinking places continued to trend up in August (+22,000) and is up by 289,000 over the year.

Construction employment continued to trend up in August (+20,000). This is in line with its average monthly job gain of 18,000 over the prior 12 months. In August, employment trended up in specialty trade contractors (+12,000) and construction of buildings (+7,000).

Manufacturing employment was unchanged in August, following an increase of 28,000 in July. Motor vehicles and parts lost 5,000 jobs in August, after adding 13,000 jobs in July. Auto manufacturers laid off fewer workers than usual for factory retooling in July, and fewer workers than usual were recalled in August. Elsewhere in manufacturing, there were job gains in August in computer and peripheral equipment (+3,000) and in nonmetallic mineral products (+3,000), and job losses in electronic instruments (-2,000).

In August, retail trade employment was little changed (-8,000). Food and beverage stores lost 17,000 jobs; this industry was impacted by employment disruptions at a grocery store chain in New England. Elsewhere in retail trade, automobile dealers added 5,000 jobs.

Employment in other major industries, including mining and logging, wholesale trade, transportation and warehousing, information, financial activities, and government, showed little change over the month.

In August, the average workweek for all employees on private nonfarm payrolls was 34.5 hours for the sixth consecutive month. The manufacturing workweek edged up by 0.1 hour to 41.0 hours, and overtime was unchanged at 3.4 hours. The average workweek for production and nonsupervisory employees on private nonfarm payrolls was 33.7 hours for the sixth consecutive month.

Average hourly earnings for all employees on private nonfarm payrolls rose by 6 cents in August to \$24.53. Over the year, average hourly earnings have risen by 2.1 percent. In August, average hourly earnings of private-sector production and nonsupervisory employees rose by 6 cents to \$20.68.

The change in total nonfarm payroll employment for June was revised from +298,000 to +267,000, and the change for July was revised from +209,000 to +212,000. With these revisions, employment gains in June and July combined were 28,000 less than previously reported.

## The Messmer Report

By District 63 State Representative  
Mark Messmer



### Honoring the heroes among us

It is hard to believe that it has been 13 years since the United States experienced the largest foreign attack on American soil. Like all of you, I can remember exactly where I was and what I was doing when I heard the tragic news.

My wife Kim and I had just gotten home from a trip to Scotland on September 10. The next day, I went to my Tuesday morning Kiwanis meeting, as I did every week, and that is where I watched the heart-wrenching footage of what was unfolding in New York City and Washington D.C. I could not believe that just one day before, Kim and I had come through Boston Logan Airport, where American Airlines Flight 11 and United Airlines Flight 175 departed from that fateful morning.

While we did not allow a cowardly act of terrorism to shake our resolve, it was undoubtedly a day which changed us all, forever. I think many of us realized that in that moment, we needed to ensure that justice was done and that those who were responsible were held accountable for their actions. Across the nation, many young men and women selflessly volunteered to ensure those responsible were brought to justice, and I want to thank those military members as well as anyone who served for their dedication to protecting this great country.

Last year, a new nonprofit organization was founded to honor Hoosier veterans and educate others on their outstanding achievements. Since the founding of our nation, thousands of men and women have served this country with distinction, during both times of war and times of peace. To recognize these brave heroes, the Indiana Military Veterans Hall of Fame (IMVHOF) will soon induct its very first class of honorees on Veteran's Day.

At what will now become an annual banquet,

15 inductees will receive the prestigious Hall of Fame Medallion of Honor. In order to be considered, a veteran must have been born in Indiana, entered military service from Indiana or have lived in Indiana for at least eight years. Nominees must also have an honorable discharge from their military service and have no felony convictions.

If you know someone you would like to see recognized, either living or deceased, there is still a short time to make a nomination. A nomination packet must be completed and received by September 30 and can be found online at [www.imvhof.com](http://www.imvhof.com).

Unfortunately, our community is no stranger to fallen heroes. In 2006, Corporal Eric Leuken of Dubois selflessly gave his life for his country during a combat operation in Iraq. Eric was just 23 years old and planned to marry his girlfriend when he returned. Just six years later, Cpl. Alec Terwiske, also of Dubois, was also killed while serving in Afghanistan during Operation Enduring Freedom. He was just 21 years old.

It is imperative that we keep the memories of these young Hoosiers alive as they truly sacrificed everything to defend America's borders and protect our way of life. I am proud to see Indiana taking the initiative to recognize those who have worn and continue to wear the uniform.

As we reach the anniversary of 9/11, I urge you all to take pause not only to remember our men and women in uniform, who continue to fight for our freedom, but also to simply be thankful for the ideals of this country that we were born into. Today and every day, may God continue to bless America and her veterans.

Rep. Messmer (R-Jasper) represents portions of Daviess, Dubois, Pike and Martin counties.

## Global consumer electronics manufacturer Haier opening tech center in Evansville

Haier America, a division of the multinational home appliance and consumer electronics manufacturer Haier Group, announced plans Monday to locate its North American Tech Center here, creating 50 new high-wage jobs by 2015.

Headquartered in New Jersey, Haier America will initially establish a new 30,000-square-foot product research and development tech center in Evansville. With facility renovations to begin immediately, the new tech center is expected to open its doors by early 2015, focusing on support and development for Haier's North American market including appliances, home comfort products and home entertainment products.

"Indiana has quickly become a center for

innovation, with companies like Haier America choosing Hoosiers to lead their product development," said Governor Mike Pence. "With their decision, Haier America will gain a central U.S. location, along with taxes and other business expenses designed for affordability. These high-tech jobs are perfect for Indiana, a state where our workforce has the skills and knowledge needed to design products for homes across America."

Haier America currently employs more than 300 associates across the country, with its parent Haier employing more than 70,000 people around the world. Haier America will begin hiring engineers, designers, lab techs, model makers and other professionals this fall.

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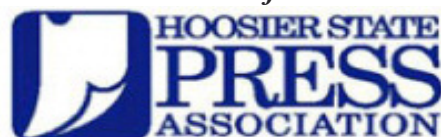
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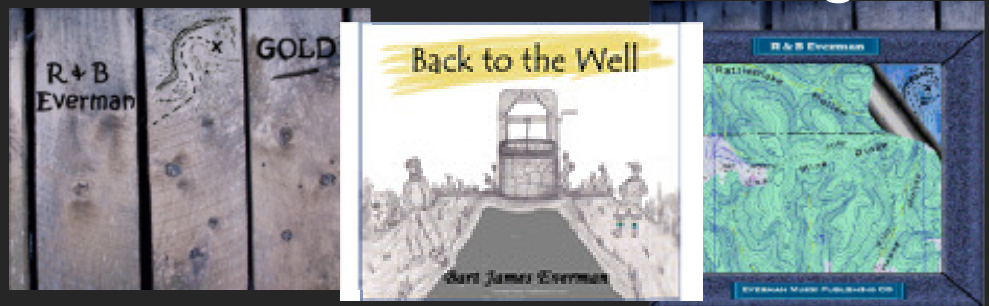
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## Loogootee Tennis wins Mt. Vernon Invitational

The Loogootee High School Boys' Tennis Team competed against North Daviess last night, Tuesday, September 9. The varsity swept the Cougars 5-0 and the junior varsity also won 2-0.

Head Coach Rick Graves said after the match, "I thought we played pretty well tonight. Coming off a full weekend of tennis it wouldn't have surprised me if we had had a bit of a letdown, but everyone played well. Our experience was really the key tonight. Our guys had more tennis experience and used that to our advantage. I like how we're playing at this point in the season."

The varsity moves to 3-4 overall on the season and 1-1 in the Blue Chip Conference. The junior varsity is 2-4 on the season and 0-1 in the Blue Chip.

### Varsity results

Loogootee 5, North Daviess 0  
 #1 Singles - Gabe Nolley (L) defeated Trevor Wikle (ND) 6-0, 6-0  
 #2 Singles - Landon Bell (L) defeated Trent Bowman (ND) 6-3, 6-3

#3 Singles - Wyatt Wade (L) defeated Bradley Blevins (ND) 6-0, 6-3  
 #1 Doubles - Hayden Bell and Jordan Berry (L) defeated Ethan Hawk and Jeff Mayfield (ND) 6-3, 6-0

#2 Doubles - Landon Diamond and Landon Wittmer (L) defeated Thomas Bryant and Craig Parsons (ND) 6-0, 6-0

### Junior varsity results

Loogootee 2, North Daviess 0  
 #1 Singles - Brandon Eckerle (L) defeated Austin Graber (ND) 8-0  
 #2 Singles - Cole Harmon (L) defeated Austin Graber (ND) 8-0

The team participated in the Mt. Vernon Invitational this past Saturday. Loogootee finished in first place with a score of 18 followed by Evansville Central in second with 16 points, Mt. Vernon and Vincennes Rivet in third place with eight points each and Evansville Mater Dei in fifth place with five points.

Coach Rick Graves said after the match, "I'm really proud of our team for winning this

### Loogootee Cross Country competes in Bloomfield Invite

The Loogootee Cross Country Team traveled to Bloomfield last night, Tuesday, September 9 to participate in their invitational. Teams running were Bloomfield, Loogootee, Lighthouse Christian, Martinsville, and Shoals.

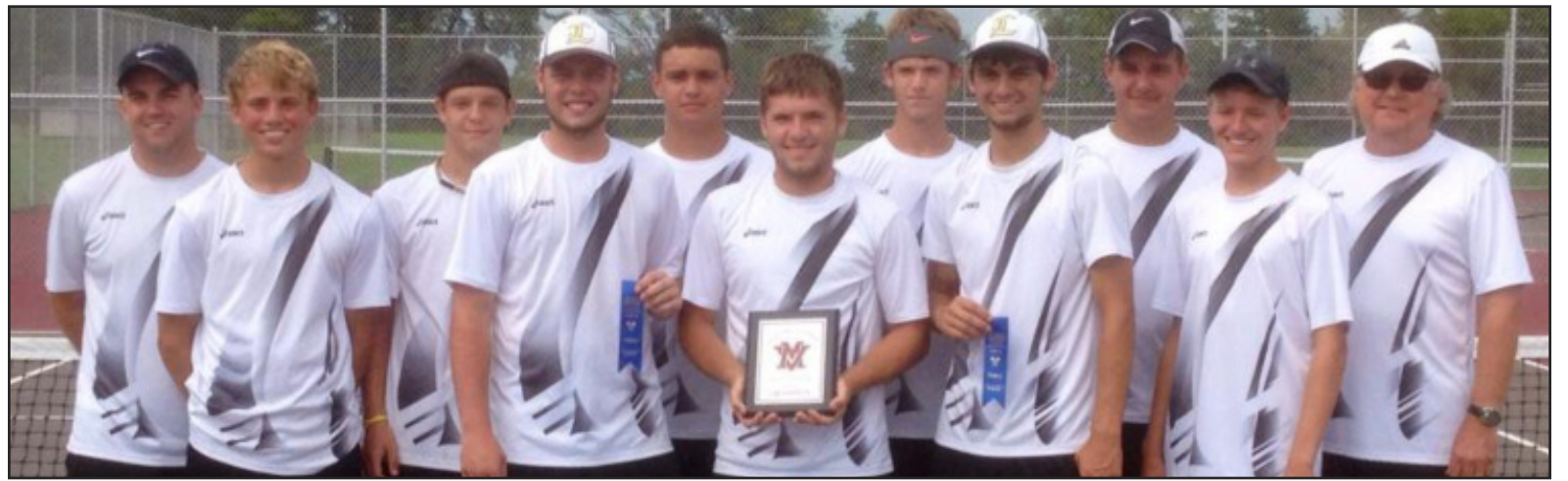
Loogootee freshman Jordan Kaiser finished fourth with a time of 19 minutes. Jonathan Krzesniak came in 12th with a time of 21:14, Jake Simmons finished 15th with a time of 21:49, Chase Wilcoxon came in 17th with a time of 22:28, Mac Osborne finished 18th with a time of 22:34 and Nick Reinhart finished 21st with a time of 24:22. Others placing were Paul Hill in 23rd and Tristan Jones in 26th.

### 26th Tristan Jones

The team held their only home meet on September 2 at Boggs Park against Shoals. It was also Senior Night. Seniors on the team are Chase Wilcoxon, Mac Osborne, Paul Hill and Dameon Early. Loogootee freshman Jordan Kaiser finished in first place with a time of 19:09 followed by Chase Wilcoxon in second with a time of 20:40, Jonathan Krzesniak in third with a time of 20:55, Jake Simmons in fourth finishing in 21:22, and Mac Osborne in fifth with a time of 23:03.

Other Loogootee runners placing were Nick Reinhart in eighth, Paul Hill in 10th and Tristan Jones in 11th.

"It was a great meet for the guys today on Senior Night. Jordan ran very well and Chase really kicked it into gear. Nearly everyone on the team ran their personal best time for the course. This was the first meet we have had without the extreme heat and I like what I saw. Being one of the harder courses the team will run this year I am very pleased with their performances," said Coach Adam Tompkins.



-Photo provided

Shown above are the LHS Tennis players that competed in the Mt. Vernon Invitational last Saturday. In the front row, from left to right, are Landon Bell, Jordan Berry, Gabe Nolley, Hayden Bell and Wyatt Wade. In the back row, from left to right, are Coach Noah Callahan, Seth Wagler, Gavin Wittmer, Landon Diamond, Landon Wittmer and Coach Rick Graves.

tournament. I thought we had a chance to do well but I think our guys exceeded expectations." Coach felt that Gabe Nolley was pretty dominant in his first two matches but then competed against Jared Hamilton, one of the best players in the area, in the final match. "Gabe played hard and hit well with him but Jared was too strong," he said.

Coach commended Landon Bell for coming back and playing two good matches after an early loss. "He showed good patience and didn't try to force shots," he said. He added that Wyatt Wade has been playing better lately and he and his opponent from Central were evenly matched. "If not for a few unforced errors the outcome might have been different," he said.

Landon Diamond and Landon Wittmer had a shaky start in their first match but turned things around. "I think winning two matches in super tiebreaks shows the progress they're making," said Coach Graves.

Coach also recognized Hayden Bell and Jordan Berry for coming through again for the team. "I'm not sure they knew the tournament was theirs to win with a win in the finals but they played really good, smart doubles and got the final win we needed," he said. "Their confidence seems to grow with each match. It was a very satisfying day of tennis for us."

### 1st round results

#1 Singles - Gabe Nolley (L) defeated Brett Weizapfel (MD) 6-0, 6-0  
 #2 Singles - Owen Newman (EC) defeated Landon Bell (L) 6-2, 6-1

### Semi-final results

#1 Singles - Gabe Nolley (L) defeated Noah Salaman (MV) 6-0, 6-0  
 #2 Singles - Landon Bell (L) defeated Logan Pierce (MD) 6-1, 6-1  
 #3 Singles - Wyatt Wade (L) defeated Nathan Burke (MV) 6-0, 6-1

#1 Doubles - Hayden Bell and Jordan Berry (L) defeated Garrett Kitterman and Luke Steinhart (MV) 6-2, 4-6, 1-0(10)  
 #2 Doubles - Landon Diamond and Landon Wittmer (L) defeated Jacob Howard and Brandon McLarty (MV) 1-6, 6-1, 1-0(9)

### Finals results

#1 Singles - Jared Hamilton (EC) defeated Gabe Nolley (L) 6-1, 6-1  
 Nolley - 2nd Place  
 #2 Singles - Landon Bell (L) defeated David Evans (VR) 6-0, 6-3  
 Bell - 3rd Place  
 #3 Singles - Nick Angermier (EC) defeated Wyatt Wade (L) 7-5, 4-6, 1-0(5)  
 Wade - 2nd Place

#1 Doubles - Hayden Bell and Jordan Berry (L) defeated Ben Templin and Thomas Vieke (VR) 6-4, 6-3  
 Bell & Berry - 1st Place

#2 Doubles - Landon Diamond and Landon Wittmer (L) defeated Mitch Hall and Michael Scofield (MD) 6-3, 5-7, 1-0(7)  
 Diamond & Wittmer - 1st Place

The teams took on Forest Park last Thursday, September 4. The varsity won 3-2 but the junior varsity was defeated 3-4.

"I couldn't be more proud of our number one doubles team. They just would not lose. We easily could have folded after dropping

that first set tiebreak but Hayden and Jordan got a couple of early breaks in the second set and used that momentum to get that set. We dug a big hole in the third set getting down 2-5 but Hayden and Jordan kept fighting back. We had multiple match points against us in the set and the tiebreak but they kept fighting and finally came out on top. I'm also really pleased with the way Gabe continues to play. Tonight he picked up the pace a bit, which is what I think he needs to do more regularly. Wyatt put together a really good match. He's hitting the ball well right now," said Coach Graves.

### Varsity results

Loogootee 3, Forest Park 2  
 #1 Singles - Gabe Nolley (L) defeated Matt Miller (FP) 6-1, 6-1  
 #2 Singles - Blake Emmert (FP) defeated Landon Bell (L) 6-2, 6-1

#3 Singles - Wyatt Wade (L) defeated Dillon Hasenour (FP) 6-0, 6-1

#1 Doubles - Hayden Bell & Jordan Berry (L) defeated

Matthew Nonte & Travis Nord (FP) 6-7(4), 6-2, 7-6(7)

#2 Doubles - David Lusk & Aaron Meyer (FP) defeated

Landon Diamond & Landon Wittmer (L) 6-2, 6-1

### Junior varsity results

Forest Park 4, Loogootee 3

#1 Singles - Collin Hochgesang (FP) defeated Seth Wagler (L) 8-3

#2 Singles - Zach Wendholt (FP) defeated Carson Rayhill (L) 8-0

#3 Singles - Seth Wagler (L) defeated Forest Park 6-3

#4 Singles - Carson Rayhill (L) defeated L. Brosmer (FP) 6-2

#5 Singles - Gavin Wittmer (L) defeated A. Welp (FP) 6-1

#1 Doubles - R. Brown and L. Hoffman (FP) defeated Trysten Booker and Gavin Wittmer (L) 8-3

#2 Doubles - D. Lusk and G. Tretter (FP) defeated Jorge Aura' Camarena and Brandon Eckerle (L) 8-4

### VU Fall Family Weekend is September 12-14

Vincennes University's Fall Family Weekend, September 12-14, includes a variety of activities for students and family members, including the VU Tube Race on the Wabash River. Most events are free and the public is invited to attend. Fall Family Weekend will kick off on Friday with a groundbreaking ceremony for the new Student Center at 10:30 a.m. (EDT), near the P.E. Complex. At 9 p.m. there will be Bingo at the Student Union Food Court and food and prizes will be available.

Saturday events lead off with the Farmer's Market which opens at 8 a.m. at the Riverfront Pavilion. Just a block away, on Patrick Henry Drive, will be a Chili Cook-Off and tasting begins at 1 p.m. with winners announced at 3 p.m.

Touted as "Indiana's most unusual spectacle in racing," the VU Tube Race will begin at noon at Kimmell Park where ten-member teams of VU students and employees will launch homemade innertube crafts and propel them to the finish line at the George Rogers Clark National Historical Park. The winners will be announced at 2:15 p.m. back at

### Shoals Soccer team falls to Chargers

The Shoals Soccer Team lost to Pike Central last night, Tuesday, September 9 in a hard-fought battle, 2-4. In the first half, the Rox had five players shoot at goal face. With ten minutes remaining in the first half, Kyle Courtright passed to Enoch Redman who put the ball right in the side of the goal. Tyler George had 10 saves in the first half and letting only three goals pass.

The second half, Shoals came out better prepared and ready to take the game back. According to Coach Mitch Green, Caleb Sanders, center, had some nice plays. Courtright scored the Rox second goal with 12 minutes left in the game but it wasn't enough to catch up.

George ended the second half with 12 saves at the goal.

Patrick Henry Drive. A picnic will begin at 12:30 p.m. with entertainment provided by Humming House starting at 1 p.m.

VU President Dick Helton will greet students and guests at a reception on the Aquatic Center Patio at 3:30 p.m. Saturday activities will conclude back on campus with an 8 p.m. performance by magician Mat Franco at VU's Red Skelton Performing Arts Center. Tickets cost \$10 adults and \$8 non-VU students and seniors. Franco is recognized for creating interactive presentations for his audiences that allow for spontaneity and improvisation. Fall Family Weekend will conclude with a Worship Service on Sunday, 10:30 a.m., at Maria Creek Chapel.

### LHS Volleyball defeats North Daviess, WC

Last night, Tuesday, September 9, the Loogootee Varsity Volleyball Team defeated North Daviess in three sets, 25-17 25-9 25-15. Breigh LaMar led in assists with 17 followed by Kylie Hall with 14. Hall also had eight points. Mya Hedrick finished with 13 kills, Julianne Bell had nine kills, and Paige Walton had six. Emily Brookshire had 12 digs and eight points followed by Waylee Wagoner with 11 digs and nine points and Kailye Robbins with 10 kills and nine points. Lauren Bowling finished with nine points.

The team moves to 8-2 on the season and 2-0 in the Blue Chip Conference. The junior varsity team also won in two sets, 25-13 and 25-16.

Last Thursday, the varsity team took on Washington Catholic at home winning in three sets, 25-13, 25-17, 25-19.

LaMar led with 10 points and 22 assists. Robbins had nine points, five digs, and two kills and Bowling finished with eight digs and six points. Bell had nine kills, Hedrick, Wagoner and Candice Clark each had three; and Walton, Savannah McAtee and Bate-man had two digs each.



## Notes from the WIC Nutritionist

BY ELIZABETH WHITE  
Martin County WIC Nutritionist

The dairy food group consists of all fluid milk products and many foods made from these milk products. The dairy group provides many nutrients that you need every day. These nutrients are potassium, vitamin D, calcium, and protein. It is very important for children and adolescents to consume the recommended amount of dairy daily since this is when bone mass is being built. Intake of low fat dairy has been found to reduce the risk of osteoporosis, cardiovascular disease, type 2 diabetes, and high blood pressure in adults.

When choosing dairy products, you should buy fat-free (skim) or low fat (1%). This will allow you to get all the great benefits from the dairy without the fat. Children 2-3 years should have 2 cups per day. Children 4-8 should have 2 ½ cups per day.

1 cup milk = 1 cup yogurt = 1 ½ ounces hard cheeses (mozzarella, parmesan, Swiss,

## Music, food, fun at Dubois County ALL-IN Event

The Vincennes University Jasper Campus will host a free community event on September 16 to launch ALL-IN, a new program designed by Indiana Humanities in Dubois County.

From 5 to 7 p.m. (EDT), the event will feature fun, family-friendly challenges from Advanced Manufacturing & Technology Center's eight humanities-based categories: Explore, Discover, Read, Remember, Participate, Connect, Reflect and Dream. Participating Dubois County organizations and community groups will bring the challenges to life by adding their own local flavor.

VUJC Dean Alan Johnson said the event will cater to all age groups and demographics. "From sharing when your family first moved to Dubois County on the Indiana-iversary timeline to listening to music from a different country, there's something for families, young professionals, students, new residents, and people who have lived here all their lives," he said.

Attendees will have the chance to participate in challenges and in an interactive ALL-IN game show featuring WITZ's Jim

## A Matter of Balance class to be held

Have you turned down a chance to go out with family or friends because you were concerned about falling? Have you cut down on a favorite activity because you might fall? If so, A Matter of Balance: Managing Concerns About Falls is a program for you.

Fear of falling can be just as dangerous as falling itself. People who develop this fear often limit their activities, which can result in severe physical weakness, making the risk of falling even greater. Many older adults also experience increased isolation and depression when they limit their interactions with family and friends. A Matter of Balance can help people improve their quality of life and remain independent.

A Matter of Balance is an eight-week class designed to reduce the fear of falling and increase activity levels among older adults. Participants learn to set realistic goals to increase activity, change their environment to reduce fall risk factors, and learn simple exercises to increase strength and balance.

Generations is offering A Matter of Balance: Managing Concerns About Falls from 5 to 7 p.m., on eight consecutive Thursdays starting September 18th at the Montgomery Fire Station/Town Hall. This program is offered free of charge, but pre-registration is required. A workbook is provided and refreshments are served.

The class is limited to 15 people. Call Kim Fields at 812-296-0788 to reserve your spot or for more information.

cheddar = 2 ounces processed cheese (American) = 2 cups cottage cheese = 1 ½ cups ice cream = 1 cup calcium fortified soy milk. Reference: choosemyplate.gov

Another step in helping the obesity epidemic in America, starting in October women and children over 2 years will only be able to choose skim or 1% milk. Only women and children with certain risk factors will be able to choose 2% milk. Remember as I have said above, both skim and 1% milk has all the needed nutrients that milk provides without the extra fat. Also starting in October, children under 2 years with certain risk factors will have the option to choose lower fat milk.

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

O'Neal as the emcee.

Indiana Humanities President and CEO Keira Amstutz will present an overview of ALL-IN to familiarize Dubois County participants with the new program and how they can participate even after the night concludes. It's the first launch party for the program outside of Indianapolis.

"We love working with Dubois County because of its rich history and excitement about the future," Amstutz said. "When we started looking at areas across the state to launch ALL-IN, this community was at the top of our list. We can't wait to connect with residents, learn more about its history, and help envision its future."

Indiana Humanities created ALL-IN ([www.IndianaHumanities.org/ALL-IN](http://www.IndianaHumanities.org/ALL-IN)) to further its mission of connecting people, opening minds, and enriching lives by encouraging people to think, read, and talk. It was inspired by the Indiana Civic Health Index in 2011 that revealed a perplexing paradox:

While Hoosiers are more likely than other Americans to belong to a civic organization, participate in a school group or attend church, Indiana ranked 45th in the nation in terms of neighbors working together to solve community problems.

"Hoosiers are spending more time than most Americans in groups, but we're not working together to solve problems," said Amstutz. "We saw this as a tremendous opportunity to try to bring people together to have more substantive conversations about problems facing our communities - especially as we gear up for our state's bicentennial in 2016."

Dubois County partner organizations include VUJC, City of Jasper, City of Huntington, Town of Ferdinand, Dubois County Emerging Leaders, Jasper Arts Council, Jasper Chamber of Commerce, Jasper Public Library, Purdue Extension Dubois County, and Sisters of St. Benedict.

Indiana Humanities connects people, opens minds, and enriches lives by creating and facilitating programs that encourage people to think, read, and talk. Learn more at [www.indianahumanities.org](http://www.indianahumanities.org).

## High school equivalency prep

High School Equivalency exam preparation classes are held at the Work One site in Loogootee. Class times are Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday from 1:30 p.m. until 4:30 p.m. New students are being accepted to prepare for the High School Equivalency test, which is now TASC (Test Assessing Secondary Completion). T

he new test is more difficult, but the good news is, students only have to answer a small percentage of questions to pass.

Anyone wishing to take classes can obtain more information by calling or texting 812-606-2056 Monday through Thursday from 9 a.m. until 4:30 p.m.

## Calendar of Events

### Shoals School Board meeting

The Shoals School Board will meet Thursday, September 11 at 5 p.m. in the central administration office. Some items on the agenda include ratification of teachers' association master contract, school improvement plan, teacher evaluation plan, school bus route contracts discussion, and salary considerations. The meeting is open to the public.

### Clothing distribution for children

U.S. Ministry will have the distribution of new socks and underwear for school-age children on Saturday, September 20 from 9 a.m. to noon at New Beginnings Community Church. Anyone with questions, please call 812-709-2525. If you would like to donate please call the same number.

### Fall baseball

Instructional Fall Baseball for 9- and 10-year-old boys will be held Saturday from 1:30-3 p.m. at the Loogootee Little League field. Anyone with questions, call Charlie at 812-617-5244.

### City special meeting

The Loogootee Board of Public Works and Safety special meeting originally scheduled for this past Monday has been changed to Wednesday, September 17 at 5 p.m. The purpose of the meeting is to hold a public hearing on the city selling the land they purchased on the corner of JFK Avenue and Church Streets, by the railroad tracks. Anyone wishing to weigh in on the subject is asked to attend.

### Relay for Life needs volunteers

A meeting will be held Thursday, September 11 at 6 p.m. in the Martin County Community Learning Center for anyone who might be interested in being on the 2015 Martin County Relay for Life Committee. More people are always needed to assist the current committee. Everyone is invited to attend and help make Relay 2015 bigger and better.

### Cub Scout meeting

A Cub Scouts Pack meeting will be held Wednesday, September 10 at 6:30 p.m. at the Loogootee Park. Anyone still wanting to join the scouts is welcome to attend and meet den leaders. For more info call, Bryan Adams at 812-854-7837.

### Scout Bear Den meetings

Cub Scouts Bear Den (3rd graders) meetings are held the first, third, and fourth Mondays of the month at 6:30 p.m. in the Loogootee United Methodist Church. For more info, call Bryan Adams at 812-854-7837.

### TEA Party meeting

J. Travis Roush, Republican candidate for Martin County Sheriff, will be the guest of the Martin County TEA Party at their next meeting Thursday evening, September 18 at 7 p.m. The meeting is held in the Shoals Public Library Basement and is open to the public.

### September is Literacy Month

Celebrate Literacy Month in Martin County. Read every day. Read any time, any place. Read just for fun. Read to learn something new. Read with a friend or with your family. Literacy matters! Your skills affect your health, finances, job, home, and family. Literacy affects everyone. So does illiteracy. Improve your skills, improve your life. Call or text Martin County SOAR at 812-709-1618 to find out more.

### Boy Scouts

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

### SOAR Tutoring

Need Skills? SOAR tutors can help! Free and confidential. Call or text Beverly at 812.709.1618 to learn more. Located in the Martin County Community Learning Center Improve Your Skills, Improve Your Life!

### Solid waste board

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

### Humane society meetings

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

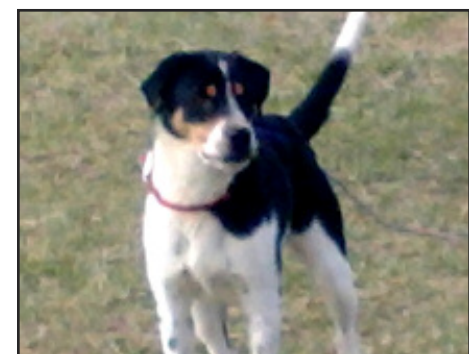
### Tourism meetings

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

### Soil and Water meetings

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

## Humane Society featured pets



Roni is a shepherd/rottweiler mix, around 5 years old. She loves people and really loves to eat! She tends to get jealous of other dogs getting attention around her so she would be best suited as an "only dog". Adoption fee is \$60. Roni has been spayed and is up to date on her vaccinations. If interested in adopting, stop by the shelter at 507 N. Oak Street in Loogootee. Shelter hours are Monday and Wednesday from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. and Saturday 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. or by appt. any day except Sunday. The shelter is currently not taking in any cats until some are adopted.

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## CANDIDATES 2014

The following are the candidates on the ballot for the 2014 General Election.

### INDIANA SECRETARY OF STATE

Elizabeth "Beth" White (D)  
Karl Tatgenhorst (L)  
Connie Lawson (R)

### INDIANA STATE AUDITOR

Michael A. Claytor (D)  
John Schick (L)  
Suzanne Crouch (R)

### INDIANA STATE TREASURER

Mike Boland (D)  
Michael L. "Mike" Jasper (L)  
Kelly Mitchell (R)

### US CONGRESS DISTRICT 8

Tom Spangler (D)  
Andrew Horning (L)  
Larry D. Bucshon (R)

### STATE SENATE DISTRICT 39

Steve Lindsey (D)  
Eric Bassler (R)

### STATE REP. DISTRICT 62

Jeff Sparks (D)  
Ashley A. Keith Qualkenbush (L)  
Matt Uebelhor (R)

### STATE REP. DISTRICT 63

Mike Braun (R)

### MARTIN COUNTY RACES

#### PROSECUTING ATTORNEY

C. Michael Steiner (D)

#### CLERK

Gerald D. Montgomery (R)  
Ann Marie(Baker) Stewart (D)

#### ASSESSOR

Carolyn S. McGuire (R)

#### SHERIFF

Robert F. "Rob" Street (D)

J. Travis Roush (R)

### COMMISSIONER DISTRICT 2

Paul R. George (D)

### COUNTY COUNCIL DISTRICT 1

Randy L. Winger (D)

Bruce Fithian (R)

### COUNTY COUNCIL DISTRICT 2

James A. "Buck" Stiles (R)

### COUNTY COUNCIL DISTRICT 3

Barbara D. McFeaters (R)

Richard A. Burch (D)

### COUNTY COUNCIL DISTRICT 4

Lynn Gee (D)

Karen A. Hickman (R)

### HALBERT TOWNSHIP TRUSTEE

Exzelia Montgomery (R)

### PERRY TOWNSHIP TRUSTEE

Ernie S. Canell (R)

Jason Hennette (D)

### RUTHERFORD TOWNSHIP

TRUSTEE

Terry J. Street (D)

### CENTER TOWNSHIP TRUSTEE

Charles S. Hamilton (R)

### MITCHELTREE TOWNSHIP

TRUSTEE

James Norman Pup (R)

Tammy Jo Gore (D)

### LOST RIVER TRUSTEE

Mildred C. Brown (R)

### HALBERT TOWNSHIP ADVISORY

BOARD (Vote for three)

Travis Montgomery (R)

Stevie J. Horton (R)

Kimberly Albright (R)

### PERRY TOWNSHIP ADVISORY

BOARD (vote for three)

Paul C. Crew (R)

Charles Blanton (R)

Jason Riggins (R)

Julie Green (D)

Sue Hunt (D)

Brandi Hennette (D)

### RUTHERFORD TOWNSHIP

ADVISORY BOARD (vote for three)

Jeffrey R. Horney (D)

Lonnie Survance (D)

### CENTER TOWNSHIP ADVISORY

BOARD (vote for three)

Gerald L. Wilcoxon (R)

Kenneth L. Brett (R)

Larry L. Downs (R)

### LOST RIVER TOWNSHIP ADVISORY

BOARD (vote for three)

Alice Dianne Butler (R)

Keith Emmons (R)

### MITCHELTREE TOWNSHIP

ADVISORY BOARD (vote for three)

Sharon K. Belcher (R)

Charity (Belcher) Tolbert (R)

Dan J. Butler (R)

### LOOGOOTEE SCHOOL BOARD

DISTRICT 1

Scott W. Hall

Bobbi Sue Nonte

### LOOGOOTEE SCHOOL BOARD

DISTRICT 2

Mary M. Walton

Larry Craney

Chad M. Wade

### LOOGOOTEE SCHOOL BOARD

DISTRICT 3

Brent D. Courter

### SHOALS SCHOOL BOARD

DISTRICT 1

Dianna L. Ragsdale

### SHOALS SCHOOL BOARD

DISTRICT 4

Eva Nadine Neeley

## Election Calendar 2014

### Saturday, September 20, 2014

DEADLINE for the county election board to mail general election absentee ballots to voters who have already filed an application with the county election boards.

### Monday, October 6, 2014

DEADLINE, at county voter registration office's close of business for a voter to register or to transfer registration in the county voter registration office.

### Tuesday, October 7, 2014

First day that a voter may vote an absentee ballot before an absentee voter board in the office of the circuit court clerk.

### Friday, October 10, 2014

End of pre-election campaign finance reporting period. (except candidates for statewide office)

### Friday, October 17, 2014

DEADLINE, by noon, to file pre-election campaign finance reports. (except candidates for statewide office)

### Thursday, October 23, 2014

First day a confined voter, a voter caring for a confined person at a private residence, or a voter with disabilities may vote an absentee ballot before an absentee voter board at the voter's residence or place of confinement.

### Saturday, October 25, 2014

Absentee voter board in the office of circuit court clerk must be open at least 7 hours to permit absentee voting. However, in a county with a population of less than 20,000, the county election board may reduce hours to a minimum of 4 on this date.

### Monday, October 27, 2014

DEADLINE, by 11:59 p.m. for the circuit court clerk to receive mailed, hand-delivered, or faxed absentee ballot applications requesting to vote absentee by mail.

### Saturday, November 1, 2014

Absentee voter board in the office of the circuit court clerk must be open for at least 7 hours to permit absentee voting. However, in a county with a population of less than 20,000, the county election board may reduce hours to a minimum of 4 on this date.

### Monday, November 3, 2014

DEADLINE, by noon, for the circuit court

## Rules for voter ID on Election Day

Each voter must provide government-issued photo ID to a precinct election officer (the inspector, one of the judges, poll clerks, assistant poll clerks, or the election sheriffs) before signing the poll list. Only one of each of the precinct election officers nominated by the Democratic Party and the Republican Party is entitled to ask the voter to provide photo ID.

The ID must fit the following criteria:

1. The voter's ID displays the voter's photo.

2. The voter's name on the ID must conform to the name on the voter registration record. Conform does not mean match identically. For example, people not only use their given first name or common nicknames for their first name but also substitute their middle name for their given first name. People also commonly substitute an initial for their given first or middle name. Below are examples of names that would conform to "Robert John Crew":

Robert John Crew, Robert J. Crew, Robert Crew, R. John Crew, R. J. Crew, Bob John Crew, Bob J. Crew, Bob Crew, John Crew, J. Crew

3. With one exception, the voter's ID must contain an expiration date and either still be current or have expired sometime after the date of the most recent General Election (November 6, 2012):

Military IDs with expiration dates of "INDEF" meet this requirement

The following IDs need NOT contain an expiration date, as long as they comply with the other requirements: IDs issued by the U.S. Department of Defense, a branch of the uniformed services, the Merchant Marine, or the Indiana National Guard

4. The voter's ID must be issued by the



clerk to receive mailed, hand-delivered or faxed absentee ballot applications from confined voters or voters caring for a confined person requesting delivery of a ballot by an absentee voter board.

DEADLINE, by noon, for a voter to file an absentee ballot application with the circuit court clerk to vote in-person in the clerk's office.

DEADLINE, 11:59 p.m., for a confined voter, a voter caring for a confined person, or a voter with disabilities to vote an absentee ballot before an absentee voter board at the voter's place of confinement.

### Tuesday, November 4, 2014

GENERAL ELECTION DAY Polls are open 6 a.m. to 6 p.m., prevailing local time.

### Tuesday, November 18, 2014

DEADLINE, by noon, for a candidate to file a verified election recount or contest petition.

### Monday, December 1, 2014

Voter Registration Opens First day the circuit court clerk may receive absentee ballot applications from most voters for the 2015 municipal primary election.

### Monday, December 31, 2014

End of annual reporting period for 2014 for campaign finance reports.

### Wednesday, January 21, 2015

DEADLINE, by noon, for all candidate committees, legislative caucus committees, and political action committees to file annual campaign finance reports for 2014.



## 5 THINGS YOU NEED TO KNOW FOR ELECTION DAY

**1 PLAN AHEAD** Visit [www.IndianaVoters.com](http://www.IndianaVoters.com) or call 1-866-IN-1-VOTE (866-461-8683) to check your voter registration and polling place. You may also call the Indiana Election Division at 1-800-622-4941, your county clerk or county board of voter registration.

**2 Polls are open Election Day from 6:00 am to 6:00 pm, prevailing local time.**

**BRING PHOTO ID** A voter must provide an Indiana state government-issued or federal government-issued photo ID before casting a ballot. An Indiana Driver's License, Indiana Photo ID card (available free of charge for voting purposes from the BMV), US Passport, or Military ID is sufficient. The ID must:

1. Display the **voter's photo**;
2. Display the **voter's name**, and the name must conform to the voter's registration record (conform does NOT mean identical);
3. Display an **expiration date** and be current or have expired sometime after the date of the last General Election (except for certain military IDs).

**3 VOTE EARLY** by taking advantage of your county's **absentee voting** options.

Voters who qualify may vote absentee by mail or absentee by traveling board by completing the absentee ballot application and returning it to your county election office.

**4 PAY ATTENTION** Look at the signs at your polling place for directions on how to use the voting machines, a list of your voting rights, information on provisional ballots, and instructions for filing a complaint if your rights have been violated.

**5 KNOW THE LAW** Every polling place is required to have facilities and voting machines accessible to elderly voters and voters with disabilities.

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State of Indiana or the U.S. government. In most cases, an Indiana driver's license, Indiana photo ID card, Military ID or US passport is sufficient.

NOTE: The address on the voter's photo ID does NOT need to match the address on the voter registration record. However, certain "first time" voters who registered by mail will be required to provide additional documentation that DOES match their address on the voter registration record

If the voter is unable or unwilling to present a photo ID that meets these requirements, the voter may cast a provisional ballot

If the voter does not already have a valid photo ID, the voter can obtain an Indiana photo ID card free of charge from any Bureau of Motor Vehicles license branch. For more information, please contact the BMV at (317) 233-6000 or visit their website [www.mybmv.com](http://www.mybmv.com)

NOTE: All BMV locations that normally issue driver's licenses and ID Cards will have extended hours on Election Day from 6 a.m. to 7 p.m. and the day before Election Day from 8:30 a.m. to 8 p.m.00000

## Voting locations

Saint John's Center – Perry 1, 2, 3, 4, and 6

Saint Martin's Church Hall – Perry 5 & Rutherford

Bramble Conservation Center- Perry 7 & Crane

Dover Hill Christian Union Church-North Center & Mitcheltree

Saint Mary's Church Hall- East Memphis, West Memphis, South Center, Lost River, North Halbert, South Halbert, Southeast Halbert