

## County council cuts \$841,000 from proposed 2015 budgets

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The Martin County Council was tasked with cutting \$841,000 from the proposed 2015 budget during hearings last Monday and Tuesday, September 8 and 9, \$250,000 from the general fund, \$321,000 from the highway department, and \$270,000 from the county's share of CEDIT (county economic development income tax). The total cost of all proposed budgets, as was requested, was \$7,627,295 and at the end of the budget hearings that was reduced to \$6,728,124.

The council, for the second year, are funding the Martin County Alliance for Economic Growth which includes the salary of Director Tim Kinder. The total amount the county is paying for the Alliance next year is \$119,500 which includes Kinder's salary. The amount approved for the 2014 budget was \$101,918.

The commissioners budget was cut from \$358,000 to \$288,000 in the general fund and from \$617,792 to \$511,042 in COIT (county option income tax).

Since a majority of departments put in raises for their employees each year, most of the budget cuts were from eliminating those raises. All county employees received a five percent raise earlier this year. No raises were given for next year. The council discussed the possibility that a health savings account/opt out distribution can be made in 2015 similar to the one given this year.

The clerk's office budget was cut minimally from \$140,805 to \$137,297. The auditor's office budget was reduced from \$99,003 to \$94,777. The treasurer's

budget was cut from \$73,527 to \$70,672. The recorder's office budget was decreased from \$57,854 to \$53,897. The assessor's budget was cut from \$67,093 to \$63,949. The coroner's budget decreased from \$22,700 to \$21,978. The budget for the election was decreased from \$42,460 to \$41,280. The courthouse budget was cut from \$70,099 to \$69,802.

The surveyor's budget was increased from \$36,490 to \$37,110 as was the council's budget from \$29,166 to \$30,166. Civil defense's budget also went up slightly from \$45,040 to \$46,040.

The veteran service officer's budget decreased from \$14,100 to \$12,300. The extension office was cut from \$55,305 to \$54,815.

The sheriff's department requested \$475,609 but received \$427,060. The jail budget was cut from \$471,003 to \$421,820. The prosecutor's office budget was decreased from \$84,773 to \$61,814. The circuit court requested \$205,659 but received \$168,301. The probation department's budget was decreased from \$105,457 to \$104,957. The Title IV-D budget, which handles child support enforcement, was decreased from \$77,790 to \$66,806. Community corrections budget was unchanged at the requested \$122,600. Community corrections is operated with grant funding.

Teresa Harder, Joe Williams and Fred Woods explained the happenings with the soil and water conservation district. They are applying for two grants to share with other counties. The department requested \$25,465 but it was reduced to \$24,486.

Solid Waste Director Laura Albertson (See 'CUTS' continued on page two)

## Loogootee Superintendent explains how school funding has decreased over time

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Loogootee Superintendent Joan Keller explained to the school board last night, September 16, the changes in the 2015 budget. Dr. Keller gave the board a breakdown of how funding has decreased since 2009, due to enrollment numbers going down. She said that the count of students in 2009 was 1016.5 students (kindergarteners count as half a student each) and the amount provided by the state based on that count was \$6,835,773. The following year, in 2010, the enrollment dropped to 966 students decreasing the funding to \$6,833,032. The state did re-ghosting at that time which didn't take funding away immediately when students left the school, but 20 percent over a five-year period. Also, \$69,000 was given in 2009 and 2010 as part of a prime time grant to pay for instructional assistants.

Keller explained that the state took away three percent from schools in January of 2010 but put in place a restoration grant.

Loogootee received \$91,830 for that grant. The school also received a small schools grant of \$87,963. Both of those grants were included in the \$6.8 million received in 2010.

In 2011, the school's enrollment dropped again to 957 so the state support decreased to \$6,763,752 which included \$69,000 for the prime time grant, \$134,984 for the restoration grant, and \$87,087 for the small schools grant.

In 2012 enrollment dropped yet again to 922 students but after a lawsuit filed by four schools, the state took away re-ghosting. When students left a school to go to another, the money for that student followed immediately and not over a period of time. Prime time monies dropped to \$34,547 and the restoration grant and small schools grant were taken away. The total tuition support for 2012 was \$6,065,273.

In 2013 the enrollment count stayed the same at 922 but state funding was reduced to \$5,955,583 due in part to the prime time (See 'FUNDING' continued on page two)

## Literacy is a family affair

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

Parents are children's number one role model. Whatever the parents do, the children will want to do. Children start learning before birth and continue to learn throughout their entire lives. Reading skills start with the awareness that words contain many sounds. This is called phonemic awareness which is crucial to learning phonics in the early grades. Children develop their phonemic awareness by developing their vocabulary. Here are fun and easy ways to develop early skills and help children thrive in today's society.

Let children help with activities, chores, and errands in your everyday life. As you work together, explain what you are doing and why. Show them – describe what you are showing – tell them what it is called. Listen to their questions and give them plenty of time to understand your answers. Explore other ways of getting the activity done. They will learn basic life skills as well as vocabulary, problem solving, and creative thinking as they get to do their most favorite thing in the world – be with you.

Children love stories, especially stories about family members. Create "books" of the family stories. Younger children can draw pictures. Older children can add words or sentences. Encourage your children to "read" the family story books. It's okay to get crazy and make up goofy stories. Try silly rhymes. Turn it into a song. Have fun!

Get caught reading. Your children want to do what you do. Read every day – and let

### Word sounds are easy?

The bandage was **wound** around the **wound**.

The farm was used to **produce** **produce**.

The dump was so full that it had to **refuse** more **refuse**.

He could **lead** if he would get the **lead** out.

The soldier decided to **desert** his **dessert** in the **desert**.

Since there is no time like the **present**, she thought it was time to **present** the **present**.

She did not **object** to the **object**.

Tell me: why is it that when the stars are out, they are visible and when the lights are out, they are invisible?

them catch you doing it. Invite them to join you. Read aloud to them. Let them read aloud to you. Young children can make up a story based on the pictures they see. Even babies can look where you point, helping them learn eye control.

Take the family to the library and get library cards. Use the library card to check out books to read at home. The Evergreen system allows you to request books that are not in your local library. The books are sent to your library and then returned to their home library when you are done with them. This is a great way to have access to thousands upon thousands of books at no additional cost to the family. While you are at the library, pick up a calendar of upcoming (See 'SOAR' continued on page two)

## Shoals School Board discusses staff changes, field trips, bus contracts

Meeting minutes provided by Andrea Qualkenbush, Shoals Community School Corporation Secretary

The Shoals School Board met last Thursday, September 11. Board member Tony Cundiff was not present for the meeting.

The board approved the following personnel actions:

-Bridgette Boyd, Benjamin Flinn, and Shannon Montgomery as substitutes during the 2014-15 school year.

-Danny Roush and Anita Letterman for lawn care.

-Resignation of Aimee Farhar from the position of junior high volleyball coach. Board member Christy Farhar abstained from the vote but it passed 3-0-1.

-Jennifer Mauntel to transfer to multi-categorical teacher

-Leeza Adams to transfer to primary special education teacher

-Tim Sorrells as eighth grade boys' basketball coach

-Clarence Brown as seventh grade boys' basketball coach

-Luke Harmon as sixth grade boys' basketball coach

-Josh Sexton as fifth grade boys' basketball coach

-Billy Baker as boys' junior high basketball volunteer

-Cory Brassine as boys' junior high basketball volunteer

-Bryson Abel, Mark Armstrong, Dylan Irwin, and Mike Cooper as boys' elementary basketball volunteers

-Michaela Jones as girls seventh and eighth grade girls' basketball coach

-Scott Hert as sixth grade girls' basketball coach

-Ken Miller as sixth grade girls' basketball volunteer

-Angie Sango as girls' fifth grade basketball coach

-Mike Fischer as girls' fifth grade basketball volunteer

-Missy Hawkins as high school cheer sponsor and varsity soccer attendant

-Ashley Hawkins as junior high cheer sponsor

-Anna Shepherd as elementary cheer sponsor

The board approved ratifying the 2014-15 Teachers' Association Master Contract. Teachers will receive a \$600 stipend plus an additional \$100 per month for family insurance plan. The board also approved a \$500 stipend for non-certified staff for the 2014-15 school year.

The board approved the following field trips:

-Mr. Dahlen's English 12 class to Indianapolis on October 3 to see a play

-Students in grades 10 and 12 to visit West-Gate at Crane on October 6

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# SOAR

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children and family activities.

SOAR sponsors several programs that help children with reading and vocabulary skills. Head Start families participate in a SOAR workshop that encourages family reading activities to earn reading cushions and a chance to win a reading chair created by local artist Bill Whorrall. First graders receive reading-for-pleasure books from the SOAR Put Your Nose in a Book program. When your first grader brings the book home, read it with your family (wearing the clown nose given with the book as you "put your nose in a book"). Check the cover of the book. It will be part of a series of books written for young readers. Order other books in the series from Scholastic or check them out of the library (remember the Evergreen system).

Third graders receive free dictionaries from the SOAR dictionary project. Ask your third grader to show the family how to find a word in the dictionary. Read the meaning of the word and make up a story using the word as many times as possible. Fourth graders receive free thesauruses from the SOAR thesaurus project. Look up a word in the thesaurus; then make up sentences using each of the alternate words suggested.

Karen Whorrall, vice-president of the SOAR Board of Directors, conducts classes to help high school students prepare for the SAT exam. SAT scores affect college admissions and scholarship offers. Whorrall reports, "I have heard from previous stu-

dents who attended the SAT classes that their scores improved by up to 350 points." SAT prep classes begin Wednesday, October 8, 7-9 p.m., and run for four weeks. Interested students should contact their guidance counselor to register for the class.

SOAR is a free adult tutoring program that promotes family literacy. Whorrall, who is also a long-time tutor for SOAR recently spoke about the challenges of raising a family in today's society and the multitude of responsibilities a parent has. As she addressed how SOAR tutoring affects family life, she stated, "It is so much more than reading. It is about being competent in life. We are able to help parents improve their skills in so many areas that have a ripple effect through the entire family."

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

Free tutor training is scheduled for October 7 and 9. Anyone interested in becoming a tutor can email martincountysoar@hotmail.com or call 812-709-1618 to reserve a seat.

SOAR family literacy projects are made possible through funding by the Martin County Community Foundation.

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.

# CUTS

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submitted her budget to the council for review. Albertson put in for a three percent raise for employees and noted they have not had one since 2004. She explained to the council that since Crane is no longer recycling at the center, they have lost around \$70,000. She said they were using two semis a week and that has decreased to two a month. Albertson said that she is working on other ways to bring in money to the recycling center such as collecting film plastic or shrink wrap which has a high selling price right now. The total budget of the solid waste is \$534,572 and the council approved.

Darla Wagler, Loogootee Public Library Director, submitted her proposed budget of \$213,887. Wagler explained that since the library has expanded the tax base to bring in more money, they have been able to hire a part-time children's librarian and increase hours. They have also set aside money to do remodeling which will include moving the bathroom and adding on. The council approved the library budget.

The council also approved several non-binding budgets.

Candace Roush, Shoals Community School Superintendent, reviewed her submitted budget of \$7,295,841. She explained the increase in the capital project fund is due to the roof needing replaced.

Other non-binding reviews approved were the City of Loogootee budget of \$1,169,924, the Town of Shoals proposed budget of \$403,300, the Town of Crane proposed budget of \$85,803, Center Township's proposed budget of \$40,466, Halbert Township's proposed budget of \$57,185, Lost River Township's proposed budget of \$38,570, Mitcheltree Township's proposed budget of \$35,810, Perry Township's proposed budget of \$107,314, Rutherford Township's proposed budget of \$42,902, Shoals Public Library's proposed budget of \$57,567, and Loogootee Community School's proposed budget of \$9,141,786.

Terri Alcorn, Highway Clerk and Commissioner President presented the highway budgets. The highway submitted a budget of \$1,768,861 with \$321,000 needing to be cut. They will submit an additional appropriation to decrease the budget in 2014 by \$155,000. The remaining \$166,000 was decreased from the insurance line item. With

that change the highway budget was approved. The cumulative bridge budget of \$234,875 and local road & street budget of \$172,000 was approved as submitted.

The budget adoptions will be held Monday, October 6 at the regular scheduled meeting at 6 p.m.

# FUNDING

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funding decreasing to \$15,086.

In 2014 there were two enrollment counts. The first one was 908.5 students and the state said they would pay \$6,041,748. The second count in February decreased to 898.5 so what was actually received in tuition support was \$5,893,654.

For 2015, the initial amount to be received was \$5,825,090 based on an estimated enrollment of 878. Keller said the actual enrollment count came in at 888 which would change that amount to \$5,903,726 but it is not yet finalized. The special education student count is not until December so Keller said that could change the number also.

Keller also explained the calculation process and the fact that the school is still receiving \$300 per student over the base amount. She said this will reduce over the next three years. She said this will only change if the state decides to give schools more funding.

In the proposed budget for 2015 from property taxes include: \$299,988 in debt service, \$262,844 for retirement and severance, \$836,024 for capital projects, \$701,200 for transportation, \$65,313 for bus replacement. Keller said without knowing what the assessed value of property will be, it is difficult to know what the final numbers will be.

The total amount requested by the school for the 2015 budget is \$9,141,786 with \$2.2 million of that coming from property taxes.

The budget will be adopted at the October 21 meeting which starts at 5:30 p.m.

Keller and the board were asked why they think enrollment continues to decline. Keller replied that a decline is seen in all small schools and is due to a variety of reasons such as jobs, housing and industry. She said there is no one thing that can be blamed.

In other business, the board officially accepted the resignation of varsity boys' basketball coach Mike Wagoner, who actually

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-Mr. Dahlen's English 11 class to Indianapolis on December 5 to see a play

-Academic Competition Schedule

-Junior high volleyball and cross country teams to take a field trip to Paoli Bowling on September 12 after school.

The board approved the music department to sell Century Resource products as a fundraiser September 10-22, 2014.

The board accepted a \$400 donation from Hoosier Uplands to the school nurse. The board thanked Hoosier Uplands for the generous donation.

The board approved the following facility usage requests:

-REMC Annual Membership Meeting on April 9, 2015

-Angel Tree Committee to use the cafeteria for gift wrapping and distribution in December with fees waived

Mrs. Roush provided the board with a copy of the school improvement plan for information only, no board action was required.

The board approved the teacher evaluation plan.

Several comments and questions were heard from current contracted bus route drivers during patron input.

The board and Mrs. Roush discussed school bus route contracts. 2014-15 is the last year of the current contract cycle. The board approved by consensus, the timeline outlined below for the process of re-bidding school bus route contracts for the next four-year contract period.

October 9, 2014 - Approval of bus route descriptions and bid specifications

October 15, 2014 - First publication of "Notice to Bidders"

October 22, 2014 - Second publication of "Notice to Bidders"

October 27, 2014 - Begin accepting bids for bus route contracts

November 12, 2014 - Final date to accept bids for bus route contracts

November 12, 2014 - Public bid opening

November 13, 2014 - Award bus route

resigned last Friday. The board thanked Wagoner for his dedication to Loogootee Schools. The board will hold a special meeting September 25 to hire a new coach.

Also, Jon Casper's resignation as shop and geography teacher was accepted, effective September 26. The board thanked Casper for his years of service to the school and all of the volunteer work he has done in extracurricular activities.

Sports positions filled were:

-Leslie VanHoy as volunteer volleyball coach retroactive to September 3

-Katie Kidwell as junior high cheer coach

-Sarah Allen as elementary cheer coach

-Shannon Wagler, Debbie Hayes, and Jill Toy as volunteer cheer coaches

The board approved the beta club to go to Indianapolis on November 14 and 15 for the state convention.

The board approved the elementary to do a chili dinner and book fair and breakfast with Santa.

Keller told the board that she has been in contact with Youth First, a counseling organization out of Evansville. She said she didn't know if the board would be interested in utilizing their services so she did not proceed any further. The board recommended she find out more information and bring it back at the next meeting. The estimated cost of a counselor is \$26,000.

The board approved the school disposing or selling of surplus equipment, much of which is 10-plus years old.

Courtney Hughett asked if the schools are taking bids for photographers that take school pictures. The principals responded that they have used the same company for many years. Hughett suggested that bids be taken to make the process more competitive and possibly get prices down as she felt they were way too expensive. The board suggested the principals look into that for next year and even find a local photographer if possible.

contracts

The board approved a request from Paul George to use his school bus to transport a wedding party from the Dover Hill Christian Union Church to the Martin County Community Building.

Mrs. Roush submitted additional requests from the Peoples Family for the Robert Peoples 5K Run for Hope scheduled for September 20, 2014. The board approved the requests.

Mrs. Roush requested permission to close out several grants by September 30, 2014. The board approved.

Mrs. Roush provided the board with a list of broken or unusable items recommended for disposal or donation. The board approved.

Mrs. Roush updated the board on the anticipated use of the second portion of the safety grant for 2015. She explained that they plan to have a panic button installed in the high school office as well as a keyless entry system for interior doors corporation wide.

The board approved an amendment to the 2014-15 junior/senior high student handbook to add the student drug testing policy.

Lucas Calhoun, junior/senior high school principal, and Austin Malone, elementary principal, reported on the following:

-Thanks to Hawkins Health Center for the very generous donation

-Thanks to the Padanaram community for great visit and brunch

-Thanks to Reuben Montgomery and Wayne Underwood for working hard on getting keyless entry system up and running

-National Anthem Day, Farm Fair, Picture Day, NED Show

-Growth Data, ITEP and New State Direction

-Pride Passes

-Two respect and responsibility presentations scheduled for October

-Fall sports underway with students showing good school representation and sportsmanship

-Teacher committees making great strides

Superintendent Roush reported on the following:

-Agriculture program for Shoals and Loogootee schools is making more progress

-Indiana No Child Left Behind waiver was accepted for the state of Indiana

-Budget adoption will be at the October board meeting

-State Superintendent Glenda Ritz will be coming to visit on October 16

-Thank you to Leo Altmeyer for a donated piano

-Thank you to the Padanaram community for the wonderful breakfast and hospitality.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:50 p.m. The next meeting of the board will be October 9 at 5 p.m.

## Two Shoals food businesses inspected

The following restaurant inspections were done by Julia Albright, of the Martin County Health Department. The information listed is verbatim from the inspection report and all were routine inspections. A violation that has been found from one inspection to the next will be labeled with "repeat violation".

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**RJ's Food Mart, Shoals**

One critical violation

-Temperature of items in Frigidaire cooler in deli area 48 degrees

**Bo-Mac's, LLC, 408 4th Street, Shoals**

No violations noted.

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# OBITUARIES

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## DONALD CRANE

Donald F. Crane died at 7:15 p.m. Monday, September 15, 2014 at his home. A resident of Loogootee, he was 95.



DONALD CRANE

He was born November 8, 1918 in Martin County; the son of George S. and Mamie (Winger) Crane.

He married his first wife; Violet 'June' (Pruett) Crane, and she preceded him in death in 1965.

He then married his second wife, Beulah (Hughes) Crane, and she preceded him in death in 2004.

He was a lifelong resident of Martin County and Loogootee and lived within five miles of his birthplace. He had a major impact on the City of Loogootee and its citizens through his business and philanthropy. He was born in Loogootee and besides a stint in the Army during WW II, he spent his entire life in Martin County. He graduated in 1936 from Loogootee High School and was the first athlete in any LHS sport to make it to the state in any sporting event, having done that in the shot put.

He worked with his father after high school in the company business, which was remodeling and building homes. Don's father, George, originally farmed in the Killion Mill Valley of West Central Martin County, but soon abandoned that lifestyle and moved his family to Loogootee. He joined the service during WW II and would eventually command an all-black engineering and construction regiment in New Guinea.

Upon his return to Martin County, he resumed his construction career with his father until 1955 when he bought the family business. That same year Donald and Glenn (Red) Nolan began a successful construction business that moved from just building houses to include motels, post offices, churches and an assortment of other commercial buildings. The Crane-Nolan partnership disbanded in the middle 1970's, but Donald continued in business with his son David. The local construction company has now moved out of Loogootee but still operates in Washington and Evansville as Tabor-Crane Construction. The Crane Construction Company built many homes in Loogootee and helped many people by financing those homes until they could secure a bank loan. Don is a member of the Loogootee United Methodist Church and he enjoyed golfing in good weather, showing up at his office every day to enjoy a fine cigar and a good book. Since the 1970's Crane Construction has completed projects in virtually every county south of Indianapolis and adjoining states.

He is survived by two daughters, Terri Youngs of Vincennes and Marta Crane of Howenwald, Tennessee; one son, David F. Crane of Nashville, Tennessee; two stepdaughters, Joanna Gurchiek of Gulf Breeze, Florida and Jana Judd of Floyd Knobs; 15 grandchildren, 19 great grandchildren and one great-great grandchild. There is an additional great grandchild due in February of 2015.

He was preceded in death by his parents, George S. and Mamie (Winger) Crane; his first wife, Violet 'June' (Pruett) Crane; his second wife, Beulah (Hughes) Crane; one daughter, Debra K. Crane; one brother, Forrest H. Crane; and an infant sister.

Funeral services will be conducted at 11 a.m. Saturday, September 20 at the Loogootee United Methodist Church. Burial will follow in Goodwill Cemetery in Loogootee.

Visitation will be from 5 p.m. until 8 p.m. Friday, September 19 at the Donald Crane residence located at 11331 U.S. Highway 231 South of Loogootee. It will be the first house on the right as you leave Loogootee going south on US Highway 231. There will be visitation from 9:30 a.m. until the hour of service on Saturday at the Loogootee United Methodist Church.

In lieu of flowers memorial donations

may be made to the Loogootee United Methodist Church. Online condolences may be made at [www.brocksmithblakefuneralhomes.com](http://www.brocksmithblakefuneralhomes.com)

## JAMES LUNDY

James R. Lundy died at 2:14 a.m. Tuesday, September 9, 2014 at his home. A resident of Loogootee, he was 67.

He was born on August 18, 1947 in Swiss City; the son of William and Joyce (Weaver) Lundy.

He was a former Guard at Putnamville Prison in Putnamville, Indiana and he also worked at the Terre Haute Saw Mill. He was a Korean Army Veteran and he enjoyed fishing, watching trains, the Indy 500 and the Indianapolis Colts.

He is survived by his mother, Joyce Sheffield of Ft. Mead, Florida; one son, James Lundy II of Brazil, Indiana; two daughters, Nicole and husband, Ed Brown, of Loogootee and Chris and husband, Dean Radcliff, of Shoals; two brothers, Ed Sheffield of Linton and William Lundy of Washington; one sister, Ruth Ann House of Linton, six grandsons and one granddaughter.

He was preceded in death by his father, William Lundy.

The body of James R. Lundy was cremated and a memorial service will be conducted at a later date. Brocksmith-Blake Funeral Home in Loogootee is in charge of arrangements.

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

## JOHN BRADLEY

John Bradley passed away at 1 p.m. Friday, September 12, 2014 at Emerald House. A resident of Washington, he was 95.



He was born on September 23, 1918, in Loogootee; the son of Leatha (Queen) and Leo Bradley. He married Margaret (Zinkan) Bradley on October 1, 1946 and she survives.

He retired from Crane and was a U.S. Army veteran serving in World War II. He belonged to St. Peter Catholic Church, Fourth Degree Knights of Columbus, American Legion Post 121 and St. Vincent DePaul Society. He had received the Brute Award from the Diocese of Evansville and the Laetare Award. In 2014 he received an award for 35 years of service on the Fourth Degree Catholic Calendar.

He enjoyed gardening, his faith and spending time with his family.

He is survived by his wife of almost 68 years, Margaret (Zinkan) Bradley; a daughter, Elaine (Barry) Phemister of Indianapolis; grandchildren, Belinda (Mike) Loureiro of Westfield and Amy Phemister of Indianapolis; great-grandchildren, Haley Loureiro, AJ Loureiro, Elizabeth Loureiro, all of Westfield; a brother, Ernest Bradley of Loogootee; sisters, Mary Jane Ryan of Montgomery, Stacia Padget of Bramble, Ruth James of Washington, and Irene Zins and Clara Bradley, both of Loogootee.

He was preceded in death by three sisters, Louise Ward, Agnes Hauser and Inez Bradley.

A mass of Christian burial was celebrated Saturday, September 13 at St. Peter Catholic Church with Rev. James Koressel officiating. Burial followed in St. Peter Cemetery with military rites by the Washington American Legion and VFW.

Arrangements were made through Ed Lee Mortuary. Online condolences may be made at [www.edleemortuary.com](http://www.edleemortuary.com).

Memorial donations may be made to St. Vincent DePaul, 815 E. Main Street, Washington, IN 47501, St. Peter's Catholic Church, P.O. Box 10, Montgomery, IN 47501 or the American Heart Association.

## THOMAS ALLEN

Thomas J. Allen passed away at 8:20 a.m. Wednesday, September 10, 2014 at St. Charles Health Campus in Jasper. A resident



THOMAS ALLEN

of Jasper, he was 82.

He was born March 12, 1932 in Daviess County; the son of Dale and Mae (Raney) Allen. He married Delores Harder on September 16, 1951 and she survives.

He was a farmer in Daviess County and retired from JOFCO where he had worked for many years. He was a member of Christ Lutheran Church in Haysville and the Line Masonic Lodge in Jasper.

He is survived by his wife, Delores Allen; a daughter, Janet Doscher and husband, Kevin, of Cannelburg; three sons, Paul Allen of Jasper, Lonnie Allen and wife, Carolyn, of Washington, and Terry Allen and wife, Pamela, of Jasper; 14 grandchildren; 26 great-grandchildren; seven sisters, Joyce Martin of Washington, Betty Kelley of Bloomington, Illinois; Emma Harder of Washington, Lucille Arvin of Washington, Della Shelton of Rockport, Camilla Peterson of Mesa, Arizona; and Mary Lottes of Loogootee; and a brother, A.F. Allen of Jasper.

He is preceded in death by one grandson, one great-granddaughter; three brothers, Robert "Bob" Allen, Junior Allen and Birtle Allen; and three sisters, Beatrice Schnarr, Leola Hornaday and Wanda Mae Schnarr. One brother and one sister died in infancy.

Funeral services were held Monday, September 15 at Christ Lutheran Church in Haysville with Rev. Timothy Kraemer officiating. Burial followed in Oak Grove Cemetery in Daviess County.

Becher-Kluesner North Chapel in Jasper was in charge of arrangements.

Memorial contributions may be made to Christ Lutheran Church or to the American Heart Association. Condolences may be made at [www.becherkluesner.com](http://www.becherkluesner.com).

## WILLIAM "BILL" TERRY

William "Bill" Terry died at 6:10 p.m. Saturday, September 13, 2014 at Johnson's Christian Village. A resident of Silversville, he was 87.

He was born February 8, 1927, in Martin County; the son of George Earl and Lillian Thelma (Mitchell) Terry. He married Norma Anabel Craig on March 24, 1945, and she preceded him in death on June 20, 2014.

He was a member of the Silversville Missionary Baptist Church for 71 years where he served as deacon, trustee, song leader, and church caretaker. He retired as a motor vehicle supervisor at NAD Crane after 31 years; he had also been a school bus driver for the NLCS Corp. and co-owner of Terry Brothers Trucking with his brother Bob. He was a U.S. Army veteran serving in World War II. He was known as the watermelon man, selling melons under the tree in the yard.

Survivors include one son, William Duane



BILL TERRY

Terry and his wife, Julia, of Fayetteville; two daughters, Judith Karen Bailey of Silversville, and Jeaneen Sharon Sons and her husband, Steve, of Bedford; grandchildren, Monte, Marty, Michael, Stephanie, Whitney, Courtney,

Greg, and Niki; great-grandchildren, Brenna, Layna, Chase, Braden, Britan, Kendal, Bailey Ann, Hayden, Gage, Colton, and Katie; two brothers, Gene Terry of Ohio, and James Terry and his wife, Judith, of Bedford; sister-in-law, Marcella Terry of Columbus; and several nieces and nephews. He is preceded in death by his parents; his wife; grandson, William Kent Bailey; son-in-law, Larry Bailey; brothers, John and Bob Terry; and sisters, Mildred Terrell and Mary Ruth McCollum.

Graveside services were conducted this morning, Wednesday, September 17 in the Silversville Missionary Baptist Cemetery with Pastor Phil Thorne officiating. Military rites were accorded at the graveside by members of the American Legion Gillen Post 33.

Day & Carter Mortuary was in charge of arrangements. Family and friends are invited to sign the guest book and light a candle in memory of Bill at [www.daycarter.com](http://www.daycarter.com)

## MONICA RYAN

Monica A. Craft Ryan passed away unexpectedly at 2:48 a.m. Monday, September 16, 2014 at Daviess Community Hospital. A resident of Shoals, she was 48.

She was born March 10, 1966 in Detroit, Michigan; the daughter of David and Mary (Quigley) Craft. She married Lawrence E. "Larry" Ryan on October 22, 1994 in Bedford and he survives.

She was a 1984 graduate of Shoals High School and received an associate's degree from Vincennes University in 1986. She was formerly employed by Memorial Hospital in Jasper as a physical therapist assistant. She attended the First Baptist Church in Bedford and Crane Village Church.

She is survived by her husband, Larry of Shoals; daughter, Jessica Elizabeth Ryan of Shoals; parents, David and Mary Craft of Shoals; two brothers, David (Lenora) Craft II and Edward L. (Marlena) Craft, both of Shoals; two nieces, Stephanie and Sara Craft of Shoals; and father-in-law, Thomas J. Ryan of Bedford.

She was preceded in death by her mother-in-law, Opal "Polly" Ryan.

Visitation will be held from 4-8 p.m. Friday, September 19 at Queen-Lee Funeral Home in Shoals. The funeral service will be held at 11 a.m. on Saturday, September 20 at the funeral home. Cremation will follow.

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

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## Martin County Sheriff's Department log

### MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 8

10:28 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee.

2:40 p.m. - Received a report of a property damage accident in U.S. 150 near Morgan Curve Road.

5:12 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Shoals.

11:45 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Shoals.

### TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 9

8:28 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee.

## Loogootee Police Department log

### MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 8

6:01 p.m. - Caller reported property damage.

### TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 9

1:54 a.m. - Sgt. Norris responded to a business alarm.

2:22 a.m. - Received a report of suspicious persons on SE 3rd Street.

12:45 p.m. - Caller reported a suspicious vehicle on Broadway Street.

2:00 p.m. - Captain Hennessee completed a vehicle identification check.

2:25 p.m. - Caller reported a dog complaint.

7:00 p.m. - Caller requested assistance in removing people from his house.

8:03 p.m. - Caller reported a domestic dispute on North Line Street.

### WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10

9:00 a.m. - Caller reported a theft from her vehicle.

5:03 p.m. - Caller reported a child custody issue.

5:16 p.m. - Caller reported a disturbance on Park Street.

5:33 p.m. - Caller reported a female refusing to leave property on Dewey Street.

### THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 11

12:38 a.m. - Caller reported property damage on SW 3rd Street.

4:36 p.m. - Caller reported a speeding vehicle on Church Street.

2:19 p.m. - Caller reported a noise complaint on Dewey Street.

4:55 p.m. - Received a report of a theft in Loogootee.

6:06 p.m. - Received a report of a civil disturbance in Cale.

9:55 p.m. - Received a report of vandalism in Shoals.

11:19 p.m. - Received a report of a domestic dispute in Shoals.

### WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10

12:43 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Shoals.

5:17 p.m. - Received a report of a property damage accident on Windom Road.

6:27 p.m. - Caller requested Officer Nolan check a residence for a possible runaway.

### FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 12

8:30 a.m. - Caller reported property damage on Acton Street.

8:45 a.m. - Caller reported illegal dumping.

2:13 p.m. - Loogootee Fire was paged out to Wood Street for smoke coming from a residence.

7:47 p.m. - Caller reported a dog complaint.

6:22 p.m. - Caller reported a theft of fuel from Chuckles.

8:38 p.m. - Caller reported a suspicious male on North Line Street.

8:43 p.m. - Caller requested a welfare check on a female.

### SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 13

4:13 p.m. - Caller reported a possible intoxicated driver on US 231.

5:28 p.m. - Caller reported a speeding vehicle on Queen Street.

6:24 p.m. - Received a report of a possible intoxicated driver on Hwy 50.

### SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

8:28 a.m. - Captain Akles responded to a business alarm.

12:55 p.m. - Caller reported a theft of a phone.

8:10 p.m. - Caller reported harassment.

10:45 p.m. - Received a report of a property damage accident on U.S. 150.

### THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 11

2:09 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Shoals.

7:31 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee.

10:37 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee.

### FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 12

5:09 p.m. - Received a report of a property damage accident on State Road 450.

7:32 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance on Witt Lane. Martin County Ambulance and Shoals First Responders were dispatched.

7:54 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance at on US 231. Martin County Ambulance responded.

8:26 p.m. - Received a report of a car-deer accident on Hwy 50. Deputy Baker responded.

### SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 13

9:30 a.m. - Received a report of a dog complaint on Poplar Street. Deputy Burkhardt spoke with the dog's owner.

10:12 a.m. - Received a report of a gas leak on Broadway Street. Loogootee Fire Department responded.

11:10 a.m. - Received a report of a disturbance on Ironton Road. Deputy Burkhardt and Loogootee Officer Akles responded.

11:12 a.m. - Received a report of a domestic dispute in Loogootee. Loogootee Officer Akles responded.

11:14 a.m. - Received a report of a theft on Queen Street. Loogootee Officer Akles responded.

4:32 p.m. - Received a report of an intrusion alarm on 2nd Street in Shoals. Deputy Burkhardt responded. All was okay.

7:55 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance on Queen Street. Subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital by Martin County Ambulance.

### SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

5:20 a.m. - Received a report of a car-deer accident on Highway 450. Deputy Baker responded.

8:28 a.m. - Received a report of an alarm on Broadway Street. Loogootee Officer Akles responded.

12:55 p.m. - Received a report of a theft on Park Street. Loogootee Officer Akles responded.

9:15 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Bowling Trailer Court. Martin County Ambulance responded and transported the subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

10:15 p.m. - Received a report of loud music on Park Street. Deputy Baker responded.

10:30 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance on Lower Circle Drive. Martin County Ambulance and Shoals First Responders responded.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 15

5:02 a.m. - Received a report of an alarm on North Line Street. Loogootee Officer Hennessee responded. All was okay.

6:05 a.m. - Received a report of a vehicle broken into on Hwy 50. Chief Deputy Dant responded.

7:59 a.m. - Received a report of a domestic dispute on Church Street. Loogootee Chief Rayhill responded.

## Jail bookings

### WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10

12:57 a.m. - Jeremy Cooper, of Paoli, was arrested by Martin County Deputy Harmon on an Orange County warrant.

### FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 12

11:10 a.m. - David Terry, of Shoals, was arrested on battery charges and transported to the Martin County Jail.

### SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 13

7:25 p.m. - Richard Ervin, Jr. was arrested by Loogootee Police for breath test refusal and habitual traffic violator.

## Accident reports

### MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 8

1:54 p.m. - Kimberly M. Howell, of Loogootee, was backing a 1999 Chevy from a parking spot on the public square when she backed into a 1992 Pontiac operated by Sandra Waid, of Loogootee. Captain Hennessee investigated.

### WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10

10:53 a.m. - Jose Valdels, of Loogootee, was operating a 1993 Chevy on Broadway Street when his vehicle struck the rear of a 2008 Chevy operated by Mary Lankford, of Loogootee. Lankford complained of pain and was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital. Valdels was cited no driver's license. Captain Hennessee was assisted by Chief Rayhill and the Loogootee Fire Department.

11:31 a.m. - Alice Wildman, of Loogootee, was operating a 2013 Dodge in the Dollar General parking lot. Wildman was backing her vehicle and struck a 2009 Lexus operated by Pha Q. Lam, of Loogootee. Chief Rayhill investigated.

## Real estate transfers

Linda Sue Weideman, of Monroe County, Indiana; Russell Eugene Qualkenbush, of Martin County, Indiana; and Randall B. Qualkenbush, of Hamilton County, Tennessee to Joan M. Qualkenbush, of Martin County, Indiana, three acres in Section 6, Township 2 North, Range 3 West.

Bradley K. Cunningham, of Martin County, Indiana to Shayne A. Crist, of Martin County, Indiana, Lot Number 151 and the west one-half of Lot Number 152 in the town, now City of Loogootee, Indiana except a strip of land 15 feet in width off of the east end thereof.

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# Martin County Court News

## CRIMINAL CONVICTIONS & SENTENCING September 4

Zachary S. Gonya, convicted of possession of marijuana in the amount of less than 30 grams, a Class A Misdemeanor and operating a vehicle with a schedule I or II controlled substance or its metabolite in the body, a Class C Misdemeanor. Sentenced on the first count to 365 days in the Martin County Security Center with 333 days suspended and credit for 16 actual days previously served plus 16 good time credit days. Defendant received 11 months of probation. Sentenced on the second count to 60 days in the Martin County Security Center with 0 days suspended and credit for 30 actual days previously served and 30 good time credit days. Defendant received 11 months of probation.

### September 8

Thomas J. Ehrman, convicted of residential entry, a Class D Felony and criminal mischief, a Class A Misdemeanor. Sentenced on first offense to serve 1.5 years in the Martin County Security Center with all days suspended except 88 actual days previously. Defendant receive no credit days. Sentenced on the second offense to serve 1 year in the Martin County Security Center with 1 year suspended. Defendant received 12 months of probation.

## CRIMINAL CHARGES DISMISSED September 9

Dillon M. Norman, intimidation, a Class C

Felony, dismissed; possession of methamphetamine, a Class D Felony, dismissed; maintaining a common nuisance, a Class D Felony, dismissed; pointing a firearm, a Class A Misdemeanor, dismissed; possession of marijuana, a Class A Misdemeanor, dismissed.

## CIVIL COURT New Suits Filed September 4

Kathy Dee Kalb vs. Robert Lee Kalb, petition for dissolution of marriage.

### September 5

National Collegiate Student Loan vs. Shameh Redman and Marc Redman, civil collection.

State Farm Insurance Co. ASO Mark A Taylor vs. Angelia Chastain, civil tort.

Katie D. Densmore vs. Kevin C. Densmore, petition for dissolution of marriage.

### September 8

American Acceptance Co., LLC vs. Dominia Truelove, civil collection.

Midland Funding, LLC vs. Angela Callison, civil collection.

### September 9

Crane Federal Credit Union vs. Justin D. Whaley, civil collection.

## CIVIL COURT JUDGMENTS

### September 9

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Wells Fargo Bank and against the defendants Charles R. and Pamela M. Chrisman for mortgage foreclosure in the amount of \$60,478.79.

## SMALL CLAIMS COURT

### New Suits Filed

#### September 3

Carolyn F. and Monroe F. Terry vs. James M. Browder, Jr., complaint.

Renewing Management, Inc. vs. Jacqueline Harner, complaint.

#### September 4

James A. Jones vs. Tom and Christina Potts, complaint.

September 5

Verlin Wagler vs. Gary and Michelle Johnson, complaint.

## SMALL CLAIMS JUDGMENTS

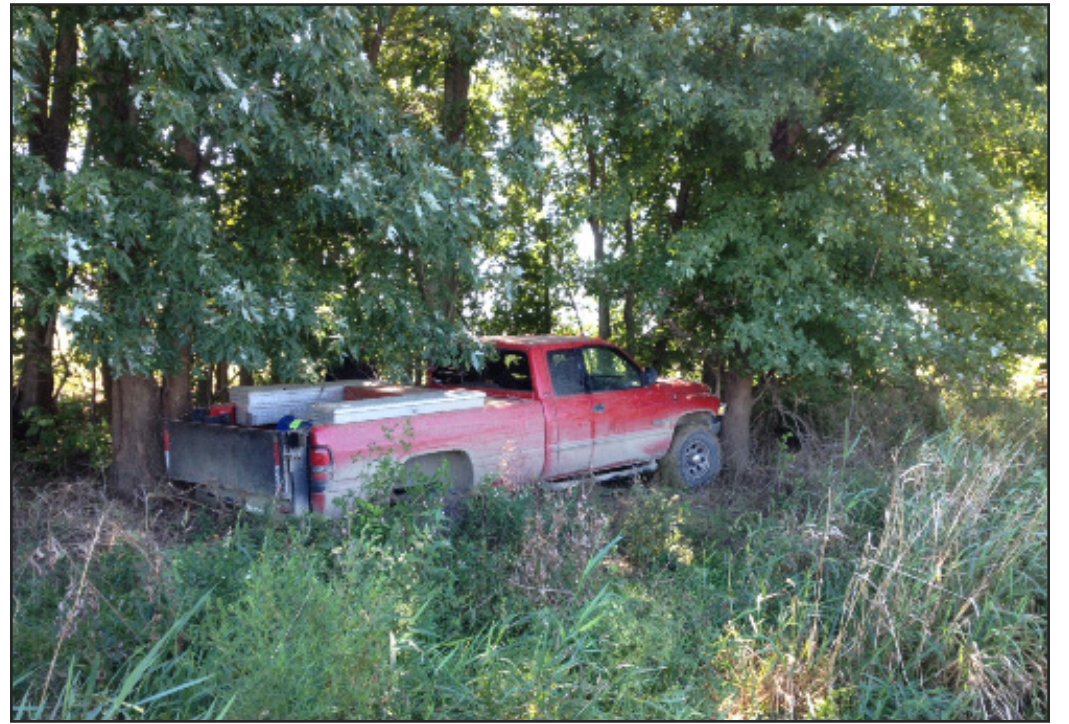
### September 9

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Hoosier Accounts Service and against the defendant Cherri Bentley in the amount of \$1,371.38.

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Hoosier Accounts Service and against the defendant Clinton H. Burgess in the amount of \$5,130.15.

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Hoosier Accounts Service and against the defendant Jennifer Carrico in the amount of \$6,094.

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Hoosier Accounts Service and against the defendant Shawn Harker in the amount of \$4,531.32.



-Photo provided

Shown above is the vehicle of Aaron Byers that had been driven through a cornfield and crashed into a tree.

# State police investigate homicide in northern Daviess County

The Indiana State Police is investigating an early morning homicide one mile west of Elnora. At 5:09 a.m., a state trooper responded to a call of a traffic accident with injuries on County Road 300 East, approximately one quarter mile south of State Road 58.

While approaching the scene, the trooper was informed by two pedestrians that they saw a male with injuries walking south along CR 300E. The trooper drove south but was unable to locate a crash or the injured male. After turning around and checking the area again, the trooper discovered Aaron Michael Byers, 40, Elnora, lying along the corn field on the west side of the roadway. Byers was unresponsive.

Emergency medical personnel and first

responders arrived on scene; however, were not able to revive Byers. He was pronounced as deceased by the Daviess County Coroner.

Byers's vehicle had been driven through the cornfield and crashed into a tree approximately one quarter mile southwest of where he was found. State police detectives and crime scene investigators gathered enough evidence to determine that the death was in fact a homicide and was not a result of the crash. The official cause of death will be determined and released pending an autopsy.

The case remains under investigation. Anyone with information is asked to contact the Indiana State Police Post in Jasper by calling 1-812-482-1441.

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## Great Blue

-Photo by Bill Whorrall, www.billwhorrall.com

Photographer Bill Whorrall captured the above Great Blue Heron recently in Paw-Paw Marsh. Despite their impressive size, Great Blue Herons weigh only five to six pounds thanks in part to their hollow bones—a feature all birds share.

## Learn how to extend growing season with help of Purdue Extension

BY DARRIN PACK  
Purdue University News Service

With the fall harvest approaching, Purdue Extension is reaching out to gardeners and operators of small farms who want to extend their growing season.

Jodee Ellett, Purdue Extension's local foods coordinator, said growing fruits, vegetables and flowers outdoors is possible well into winter with the right expertise and equipment, such as high tunnels - plastic-covered, low-cost structures that are similar to greenhouses.

"High tunnels and other methods enable growers to extend the growing season and even grow year-round in Indiana under plastic sheeting," Ellett said.

Purdue Extension is offering a series of free webinars and workshops providing essential how-to and background information on topics related to year-round growing.

They are:

\* NCRS High Tunnel Program: 10-11 a.m. EST, September 23. The webinar will be presented by Adam Heichelbech, Environmental Quality Incentives Program specialist of the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Natural Resources Conservation Service. No registration is required. To access the webinar, visit <https://gomeet.itap.purdue.edu/nrcsht/>.

Ellett said growers interested in acquiring season-extending equipment such as high tunnels might qualify for financial and technical assistance through the 2014 Environmental Quality Incentives Program's Seasonal High Tunnel Initiative. More information about the NCRS program is available at [www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/detailfull/national/programs/?cid=stelprdb1046250](http://www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/detailfull/national/programs/?cid=stelprdb1046250)

\* The Influence of Cultural Practices on

## West Boggs renovation should bring anglers, money to community

Article provided by the Indiana Department of Natural Resources

The renovation of West Boggs Lake in Loogootee will not only restore fishing conditions, but also is expected to revive the lake's contribution to the local economy.

West Boggs Lake was once a premier bluegill and bass fishing lake, drawing anglers from 81 Indiana counties, Kentucky, Michigan, and Ohio. Anglers spent an estimated \$1.1 million in the local community in 1999, according to a DNR survey.

The quality of the fishery declined when populations of undesirable fish increased. From 2004 to 2010, the DNR survey found that recreational boating decreased by 11 percent and the number of angler visits de-

creased by 63 percent. The once million-dollar fishery now contributes about \$326,000 annually to the economy.

"Anglers buy bait, food, gas, and lodging in the area, bringing economic gain and tourism to the community," DNR fisheries supervisor Brian Schoenung said. "In a small town, the nearly \$800,000 dollars lost annually can have a big impact."

The fisheries renovation at West Boggs is scheduled for late September, beginning with the removal of adult bass and catfish that will be returned to the lake later on.

Trained DNR staff will apply rotenone in the West Boggs watershed to eradicate remaining fish in the lake. Rotenone is a nat-

urally occurring substance in several plant seeds and stems and is an EPA-regulated piscicide. Rotenone quickly detoxifies in the environment and has virtually no effect on mammals and birds. After the fish eradication, the lake will be allowed to refill. It will be stocked with hatchery-raised game fish and fish salvaged from the lake before the renovation. A similar renovation in 1994 increased the number of angler visits to the lake annually by 71 percent.

"The fisheries renovation will not only make for better fishing, but also has the ability to revitalize a small community," Schoenung said. "Small family-run businesses often depend on these anglers spending funds in their stores."

## Extension helps homeowners, farmers guard against flooding

BY KEITH ROBINSON  
Purdue University News Service

Homeowners and farmers can protect their equipment, other belongings and even lives by understanding that floods can occur in unlikely places, a Purdue Extension disaster education specialist says.

"If you don't think it can happen to you, keep in mind that it has happened to others who thought the same thing," said Steve Cain, Purdue Extension Disaster Education Network homeland security project director.

Parts of Indiana have been hit with deluges of rain in recent days and weeks, raising levels of waterways, especially the Wabash River in western Indiana. The Wabash was at 90 percent capacity this week, according to the U.S. Geological Survey's "Water Watch."

Flooding already has been reported in Porter County in northwest Indiana, Clinton County in central Indiana and Jay and Blackford Counties in the eastern part of the state.

Cain has seen flooding involving more than 60,000 homes since 2008. Some of that involved homes that had never flooded before. He said that when such flooding occurs, it is usually for two reasons:

\* Too much rain has fallen on nearby property too quickly. That happened in Jay County this year and in Shelbyville in 2008. Ten to 18 inches of rain in a few days caused flooding in unlikely areas - and not just from overflowing waterways.

\* New construction of anything from a wall to a home can result in rain runoff to a home that has never flooded before. Cain said homeowners and farmers should take note of recent changes in landscaping, buildings and other structures around the home or farm. Flood insurance may be the only short-term solution to mitigate this type of damage, he said.

"In the long run, examining the potential for flooding from landscape or building changes and taking steps to prevent water from flowing into the home may prevent flooding," he said. "Also, becoming aware

## Indiana sportsmen feed Indiana's hungry

Indiana Conservation Officers are encouraging Hoosier sportsmen to donate part of their 2014-2015 deer harvest to help feed the hungry.

The Sportsmen's Benevolent Fund program, administered by the DNR Law Enforcement Division, provided 269,892 high protein venison meals to help feed hungry Hoosiers during the 2013-2014 deer hunting season. Indiana deer hunters donated 67,473 pounds of venison.

"This program provides an opportunity for our hunters to demonstrate their concern for their fellow man, allows the DNR another management tool for our deer population and provides nutritious meals for those in need," said DNR Law Enforcement Division Director Danny East. "It is a triple win situation."

The Sportsmen's Benevolent Fund received public funding during the 2013 legislative session through a bill presented by

senator's Mike Crider of Greenfield and Brent Steele of Bedford.

Hoosiers Feeding the Hungry, Mother Hubbard's Cupboard and Dubois County Sportsmen's Club have developed a network of participating butcher shops throughout the state. The organizations also have coordinated with food banks serving every county to pick up and deliver the venison. All venison is ground into burger and provided in two-pound packages.

"Thanks to contributions made by Indiana DNR Law Enforcement and deer hunters, we will be able to provide nutritious protein to hunger relief agencies in Indiana," said Debra Treesh, founder of Hoosiers Feeding the Hungry. "Protein is the hardest commodity for the food banks to get."

"Fighting against hunger in Indiana is a concern for us all and it makes me proud that the DNR and Indiana deer hunters are working together to overcome this need," said DNR Director Cameron Clark.

A video about the fund may be viewed at [www.youtube.com/watch?list=PLCUPnu6rbUT\\_hs8QRfuxWcgE09eYcE0e&v=vQoGTR0WW7U](http://www.youtube.com/watch?list=PLCUPnu6rbUT_hs8QRfuxWcgE09eYcE0e&v=vQoGTR0WW7U)

of community planning and how it may affect widespread flooding is important as we experience more varied weather."

Purdue Extension offers the free publication First Steps to Flood Recovery for homeowners. It is available at Purdue Extension's The Education Store at [https://mdc.itap.purdue.edu/item.asp?Item\\_Number=ACS-101-W](https://mdc.itap.purdue.edu/item.asp?Item_Number=ACS-101-W).

Farmers and agricultural retailers can learn how to prepare for a flood by reading Plan Today for Tomorrow's Flood, also offered in The Education Store at <https://mdc.itap.purdue.edu/item.asp?itemID=20037#.UrR1a2RDsSh>.

"These publications can help us prepare for not only the worst-case scenarios but also less-extreme flooding situations that can still cause severe damage to property, equipment and home furnishings and create unsafe conditions," Cain said.

As an example, he explained that farmers storing any hazardous products, such as gasoline, diesel, pesticides and fertilizer, can avoid serious problems by moving them to higher ground or a few feet off the ground, or strapping down their containers so they don't float away. Likewise, homeowners should consider raising water heaters, furnaces and washing machines off the basement floor to better protect them from flooding.

But the primary concern, Cain said, should be protecting lives. He said motorists should be wary of driving through a flooded street because of the difficulty in assessing the depth of the water and how strongly it is flowing. He noted that disaster experts often give this advice: "Turn around, don't drown."

"Indiana has experienced fatalities because people have underestimated the power of flowing water or cannot see road hazards covered by muddy water," Cain said.

More flood resources are available on Purdue Extension's Floods and Storms webpage at: <https://ag.purdue.edu/extension/eden/Pages/flood-info.aspx>.

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"Fighting against hunger in Indiana is a concern for us all and it makes me proud that the DNR and Indiana deer hunters are working together to overcome this need," said DNR Director Cameron Clark.

A video about the fund may be viewed at [www.youtube.com/watch?list=PLCUPnu6rbUT\\_hs8QRfuxWcgE09eYcE0e&v=vQoGTR0WW7U](http://www.youtube.com/watch?list=PLCUPnu6rbUT_hs8QRfuxWcgE09eYcE0e&v=vQoGTR0WW7U)

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# Boosting global corn yields depends on improving nutrient balance

BY NATALIE VAN HOOSE  
Purdue University News Service

Ensuring that corn absorbs the right balance of nitrogen, phosphorus and potassium is crucial to increasing global yields, a Purdue and Kansas State University study finds.

A review of data from more than 150 studies from the U.S. and other regions showed that high yields were linked to production systems in which corn plants took up key nutrients at specific ratios - nitrogen and phosphorus at a ratio of 5-to-1 and nitrogen and potassium at a ratio of 1-to-1. These nutrient uptake ratios were associated with high yields regardless of the region where the corn was grown.

"The agricultural community has put a lot of emphasis on nitrogen as a means of increasing yields, but this study highlights the greater importance of nutrient balance," said Tony Vyn, Purdue professor of agronomy. "We will not be able to continually boost global corn yields and achieve food security without providing adequate and balanced nutrients."

While corn producers in the U.S. have long relied on nitrogen fertilizers to improve yields, they should not overlook other nutrients such as potassium and phosphorus, Vyn said.

"Growers need to be as concerned about the amount of potassium available to their plants as they are about nitrogen," he said.

"Corn's demand for nitrogen and potassium is similar. We need to focus on the nitrogen-potassium balance because that's where we have the greatest deficiency in terms of application, especially in the eastern Corn Belt."

The main obstacles to closing corn yield gaps - that is, reaching the potential yield projected for a particular soil and climate - around the world are the inaccessibility and cost of fertilizers and the inherent nutrient deficiencies of soils in many regions in which corn is grown, said Ignacio Ciampitti, assistant professor of agronomy at Kansas State.

"On the global scale, the potential yield response to balanced nutrient applications is big," he said. "But growers outside the U.S. should also focus on developing an integrated management program that considers factors such as optimum planting dates, plant densities and pest management."

The study revealed a sharp difference in the "indigenous" supply of nitrogen in soils in the U.S. and in other regions. In cases where no additional nitrogen fertilizers were applied, U.S. corn took up an average of 120 pounds of nitrogen per acre - compared with about 52 pounds of nitrogen per acre in regions outside the U.S. The high level of indigenous nitrogen in U.S. soils may be due to factors such as an inherently greater amount of organic matter in the soil, a history of fertilization in the Corn Belt, and the use



Shown above is Tony Vyn, Purdue Professor of Agronomy. (Purdue file photo)

of superior corn hybrids, Vyn said. But despite the higher nitrogen content of U.S. soils, corn plants in the U.S. were not more efficient at absorbing nitrogen fertilizers from the soil than those in other regions. Nitrogen recovery efficiency, the measure of how much applied nitrogen the above-ground portion of a plant absorbs from the soil, was the same - 48 percent - for the U.S. and other parts of the world.

Vyn said nitrogen recovery efficiency in the U.S. is not higher partly because increasing fertilizer application rates can create a "declining return." The more fertilizer applied, the more difficult it becomes to extract the same percentage of the nutrients in the corn.

Optimizing the timing of applications and

developing alternate nitrogen sources may improve the recovery efficiency of U.S. corn production systems, he said.

Data collected from 1976 to 2012 also revealed that the efficiency with which individual corn plants absorbed and used nitrogen, potassium and phosphorus stayed relatively consistent despite plants being grown at much higher densities.

"On a per-plant basis, corn plants are not taking up more nutrients than they were in the past," Ciampitti said. "They may be taking up less because they are grown closer together, but they are more efficient at producing more grain with the same amount of nutrient uptake."

Still, growers need to keep an eye on the amount of nutrients removed at harvest to ensure soil nutrient levels don't drop to the point where future yields could suffer, Vyn said.

"Growers should not rely too heavily on modern genetics to give them the yields they expect without spending a considerable amount of effort on maintaining nutrient availability throughout the growing season."

The paper was published online in the Agronomy Journal Monday (September 15) and is available at [www.agronomy.org/publications/aj/articles/0/0/agronj14.0025?highlight=&search-result=1](http://www.agronomy.org/publications/aj/articles/0/0/agronj14.0025?highlight=&search-result=1).

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## Rankings showcase Indiana as a top state for business

Indiana's business climate is best in the Midwest and the seventh best nationwide according to Area Development's Top States for Doing Business Survey. The state was also among the ranking's top-five picks in the skilled labor availability (first), water availability and cost (second), distribution and supply chain hubs (third), rail and highway accessibility (fourth) and corporate tax environment (fifth) categories.

"Indiana's low-cost business environment has put the Hoosier State at the top of the list for private-sector job growth over the past year and now is garnering even more national attention," said Governor Mike Pence. "Since day one, our administration has worked hard to continue making Indiana more and more business friendly. Whether improving affordability, training our workforce or making the perfect location easier to find, Indiana is standing out as the best place to bring jobs, paving the way for an exceptional time of Hoosier job creation and opportunity here in Indiana."

The Area Development Top States for Doing Business Survey, a ranking that gauges the current business climate among the 50 states by site selection consultants, is the latest in a series of national accolades the Hoosier State's business climate has garnered. In July, Indiana ranked seventh best nationwide in the Pollina Corporate Top 10 Pro-Business States for 2014 study, co-published with the American Economic Development Institute.

### In addition, Indiana was recognized in **Skillman announces Radius Indiana wins second education and workforce innovation grant**

Becky Skillman, President/CEO of Radius Indiana, announced Monday that Radius Indiana has earned a University of Indianapolis Center of Excellence in Leadership of Learning (CELL) grant funded by the Indiana Education Roundtable in the amount of \$20,000.

This follows up last year's award of \$75,000 utilized to establish local and regional advisory councils throughout the eight-county Radius Indiana region to examine educational activities, identify best practices, and determine how those models and initiatives may be adapted throughout Southern Indiana.

CELL established the Education-Workforce Innovation Network (EWIN) grants to address the need for the alignment of Indiana's K-12, post-secondary and workforce needs.

"One of the first pieces of information a business considers in making a location decision is the trained workforce available in that area," said Becky Skillman. "The task force established through this grant have been proactively engaged with the business community throughout the region to address the growing need for workers with specific skill sets."

Based on the findings of the research compiled from these councils, a 2nd CELL grant has been awarded to Radius Indiana to further develop career and technical initiatives. The initiatives will foster key collaborations between major employers, educators, and guidance counselors, while developing further strategies to bridge the skills gap by ensuring students and workers are provided with opportunities for career advancement by improving their education, knowledge, and skill levels.

"Workforce challenges are being faced nationwide. Implementing innovative strategies such as these give students access to develop foundational and career skills needed for success aligned with employer's needs," said Joe Timbrook, Radius Indiana Manager and coordinator of the Workforce Advisory Council. "Through these initiatives, we're establishing a pipeline of talent to support the future needs of existing em-

ployers, as well as those considering relocating or expanding to our region."

August as the state with the best business climate in the Midwest and fifth best nationally in Business Facilities' 2014 State Rankings Report, including having one of the strongest across-the-board performances and top 10 rankings in six categories. This included two flagship categories: best business climate and automotive manufacturing strength. The report also noted the Hoosier State's strength in the biotechnology and automotive manufacturing industries, ranking it second and third in the nation respectively.

"When companies consider where to locate new jobs and invest, they examine the same factors these rankings consider," said Victor Smith, Indiana Secretary of Commerce. "From workforce availability to location and infrastructure, to the regulatory environment and business expenses, companies need a place where they can do their best work. Indiana's rise to the top reflects the same conclusion that companies around the world are reaching with their own research—Indiana is a state that works for business."

Indiana's impressive streak in national rankings comes on the heels of Crain's Chicago Business' report earlier this week that shows Indiana as having one of the lowest percentages of state and local taxes paid by businesses. At 3.7 percent, Indiana's gross state product percentage ranks in the top five states in the nation for lowest tax burden, which is lower than the national average of 4.7 percent.

The plan also provides for production of a toolkit of outreach materials to be utilized by Radius Indiana, members of the Radius Regional Workforce and Education Council, and the community when promoting regional career and technical educational opportunities.

Implementation of this phase in workforce and education development is expected to be completed by November 2014.

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

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## The Messmer Report

By District 63 State Representative Mark Messmer



### Statehood Day: A celebration of Indiana's rich history

Indiana has a rich history, and each year on Statehood Day, there is never a lack of things to celebrate. Just as our state is comprised of thousands of individual communities big and small, our rich history is also made up of each of these communities' storied pasts.

For example, did you know that the area we live in used to be considered as part of the Commonwealth of Virginia? In 1787, Congress established the Northwest Territory, which included the current state of Indiana, but it was not until 1818 that the Dubois County we know today was created.

This early development of Dubois County was made successful by its location on early Indian trails, the White and Patoka rivers and also the Buffalo Trace. The Buffalo Trace was a 10 to 20 foot wide path that had been formed by the annual movement of thousands of buffalo from the plains of Illinois to the salt licks of Kentucky. The Trace also served as a road for many early travelers and was the primary road to the Fort and Territorial Capital of Vincennes.

William Henry Harrison, Territory Governor and later U.S. President, used to travel this trail and spend evenings at federal ranger camps at Fort McDonald or Cuzco in Dubois County. A large portion of State Highway 56 east of Haysville is built over the old trace, and to this day, several small cemeteries remain there containing the graves of early settlers and travelers.

Other communities across Indiana also have their own similar, yet unique stories that when pieced together make up the Indiana we live in today. To celebrate this, each year on Dec. 11, Indiana celebrates Statehood Day. This year marks our 198th celebration, and with our bicentennial birthday just two years away, I cannot think of better way to celebrate our statehood than to en-

### Lawson encourages Hoosiers to honor military service

On Monday, Secretary of State Connie Lawson launched the Vote in Honor of a Veteran program. This program is designed to help Hoosiers share a story about the role that service to our country plays in civic participation.

"There are never enough ways for us to say, 'Thank you,' and honor men and women who serve our country. Without the sacrifice and dedication of our nation's veterans and active duty military, Hoosiers would not be able to exercise their freedom to vote for the candidates of their choice," said Secretary Lawson. "I believe we have a duty to honor those who have fought for our freedom and this is one small, but important way we can do that."

This program calls upon Hoosiers to share stories about a veteran or active duty soldier connected to their lives. Each service member acknowledged in the program will receive a letter from Secretary Lawson. The person submitting the application will receive a sticker he or she can wear to honor their service member on Election Day. All veteran

profiles received by the Secretary of State's office will be posted online so we can all share these connections and read about the service of these brave men and women.

"We are pleased to support Secretary of State Lawson's program recognizing our veterans efforts in fighting for freedom and protecting their right to vote. It is most important for each of our citizens to understand the significance and responsibility of voting in each and every election," said James M. Brown, Director of the Indiana Department of Veterans Affairs.

Information can be found at [www.voteinhonorofavet.com](http://www.voteinhonorofavet.com) and can be submitted either through email or the mailing address listed on the application. Applications will be accepted up to and after Election Day; however, the Secretary of State's office only guarantees arrival of the sticker prior to Election Day if the application is received by October 17.

If you have questions about the program, please contact election outreach coordinator Brandan Alford at [voteforavet@sos.in.gov](mailto:voteforavet@sos.in.gov) or at 317-234-8354.

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

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## LHS Tennis defeats Lincoln, WRV

The Loogootee High School Boys' Tennis Teams defeated Vincennes Lincoln last night, Tuesday, September 16. The varsity won 3-2 and the junior varsity also took the win, 2-0.

Head Coach Rick Graves said after the matches, "We knew going into this match that Lincoln would make up for what they might lack in tennis ability with good athletic ability. Their style of play was to be steady and try to force us into mistakes. Overall we showed good patience and won big points when we needed them. Gabe struggled in his first set. I thought he was too tentative. His second set he came out with the mindset to push the tempo and force his style of play. Landon Bell played another very patient match. Mercer-Szady gave him no pace by hitting a lot of slice but Landon was willing to stay in points as long as necessary to win. Landon Diamond and Landon Wittmer got off to a slow start and seemed a bit disoriented. They finally settled down and played like they're capable of playing and really stepped up for us."

The varsity moves to 6-4 on the season and 1-1 in the Blue Chip Conference. The junior varsity is 5-4 overall and 0-1 in the Blue Chip. The teams travel to Barr-Reeve tomorrow night with matches starting at 4:30 p.m.

### Varsity results

Loogootee 3, Vincennes Lincoln 2  
 #1 Singles - Gabe Nolley (L) defeated Mitchell Cooper (VL) 6-4, 6-0  
 #2 Singles - Landon Bell (L) defeated Colton Mercer-Szady (VL) 6-3, 7-6(5)  
 #3 Singles - Ethan Claycomb (VL) defeated Wyatt Wade (L) 6-3, 7-5  
 #1 Doubles - Daniel Black and Trent McCrary (VL) defeated Hayden Bell and Jordan Berry (L) 7-6(1), 6-1

#2 Doubles - Landon Diamond and Landon Wittmer (L) defeated Luke Blackburn and Ryan Combs (VL) 6-4, 6-1

### Junior varsity results

Loogootee 2, Vincennes Lincoln 0  
 #1 Singles - Carson Rayhill (L) defeated Aaron Cardinal (VL) 8-0  
 #2 Singles - Cole Harmon (L) defeated Aaron Cardinal (VL) 8-2

The teams took on White River Valley this past Friday, September 12. The Lions varsity and junior varsity both swept WRV; the varsity 5-0 and the JV 2-0.

Head Coach Rick Graves said, "Tonight's match concluded a really good week of tennis for us. We picked up three dual match wins and won the Mt. Vernon tournament so we're very happy with the way things have gone. We've played a lot of tennis over the last several days so it will be nice to have the weekend off and get recharged for next week."

### Varsity results

Loogootee 5, White River Valley 0  
 #1 Singles - Gabe Nolley (L) defeated Sam Kreiling (WRV) 6-0, 6-0  
 #2 Singles - Landon Bell (L) defeated Kyle Dickinson (WRV) 6-0, 6-0  
 #3 Singles - Wyatt Wade (L) defeated Alex Wolfe (WRV) 6-0, 6-0  
 #1 Doubles - Hayden Bell and Jordan Berry (L) defeated Trey English and Joshua Jones (WRV) 6-0, 6-0  
 #2 Doubles - Landon Diamond and Landon Wittmer (L) defeated Carter Davis & Clay Smith (WRV) 6-1, 6-0

### Junior varsity results

Loogootee 2, White River Valley 0  
 #1 Singles - Seth Wagler (L) defeated Dane Emmons (WRV) 8-0  
 #2 Singles - Brandon Eckerle (L) defeated Dane Emmons (WRV) 6-1



### LOOGOOTE ELEMMENTARY

#### Breakfast

**Thursday, September 18**  
 Cereal, muffin, peaches  
**Friday, September 19**  
 Oatmeal bar, sausage link, pineapple  
**Monday, September 22**  
 Whole grain Pop Tart, banana  
**Tuesday, September 23**  
 Whole grain biscuits and gravy, peaches  
**Wednesday, September 24**  
 Waffle sticks, pears

#### Lunch

**Thursday, September 18**  
 Country fried steak, mashed potatoes, carrots, oranges, bread and butter, milk  
**Friday, September 19**  
 Cheese pizza, French fries, pears, broccoli and cheese, milk  
**Monday, September 22**  
 Burritos, refried beans, lettuce, rice, applesauce, milk  
**Tuesday, September 23**  
 Chicken strips, Texas toast, carrots, rice, pineapple, milk  
**Wednesday, September 24**  
 Turkey and noodles, green beans, salad, peaches, milk

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

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**Thursday, September 18**  
 Country fried steak, pizza or chef salad; mashed potatoes, carrots, oranges, bread and butter, milk  
**Friday, September 19**  
 Spicy chicken, pizza or chef salad, French fries, pears, broccoli and cheese, milk  
**Monday, September 22**  
 Burritos, pizza or chef salad; refried beans, lettuce, rice, applesauce, milk  
**Tuesday, September 23**  
 Chicken strips, pizza or chef salad; Texas toast, carrots, rice, pineapple, milk  
**Wednesday, September 24**  
 Turkey and noodles, pizza or chef salad; green beans, salad, peaches, milk

### SHOALS SCHOOLS

## Lady Lions Volleyball defeats Vincennes Rivet and wins Loogootee Invitational

The Lady Lions Volleyball Team took on Vincennes Rivet at home last night, Tuesday, September 16 and defeated the Lady Patriots in three sets, 25-17, 25-23, and 25-14.

Emily Brookshire led in points with 14 and also had 14 digs. Waylee Wagoner finished with 12 points followed by Lauren Bowling with nine points and nine digs. Breigh LaMar finished with 22 assists while Kylie Hall had 10. Mya Hedrick had 15 kills followed by Emily Bateman with 10 and Paige Walton with six. Kailye Robbins finished with eight digs.

The girls move to 12-3 on the season.

The junior varsity also defeated Rivet in two sets 25-12 and 25-11.

The next match is tomorrow night, Thursday, September 18 at home against North Knox.

The girls participated in the Loogootee Invitational on Saturday, September 13. Teams participating were Loogootee, White River Valley, Eastern Greene, and Borden. The Lady Lions went all the way to the championship against White River Valley and won in three sets, 25-23, 23-25, and 15-4.

Kylie Hall led in points with 12 and also had 14 assists. Waylee Wagoner finished with six points and seven digs, Lauren Bowling had 11 points and seven digs, and Breigh LaMar finished with 11 assists. Emily Brookshire and Kailye Robbins each had eight digs, Mya Hedrick finished with nine

### Breakfast

**Thursday, September 18**  
 Biscuit and gravy, fruit, juice, milk  
**Friday, September 19**  
 Cereal, muffin, fruit, juice, milk  
**Monday, September 22**  
 Cereal, breakfast bar, fruit, juice, milk  
**Tuesday, September 23**  
 Egg patty, hash brown, fruit, juice, milk  
**Wednesday, September 24**  
 Cereal, string cheese, raisins, juice, milk

### Lunch

**Thursday, September 18**  
 Chili, cheese and crackers or whole grain nacho tray or chef salad or deli sandwich, green beans, mandarin oranges, milk  
**Friday, September 19**  
 Fish sandwich, whole grain nacho tray, chef salad or deli sandwich; cole slaw, baked beans, pumpkin squares, milk  
**Monday, September 22**  
 Chicken sandwich, whole grain nacho tray, chef salad or deli sandwich; broccoli and cheese, blueberry fluff, milk  
**Tuesday, September 23**  
 Salisbury steak, whole grain nacho tray, chef salad or deli sandwich; mashed potatoes, pears, roll, milk  
**Wednesday, September 24**  
 Cheese pizza, whole grain nacho tray, chef salad or deli sandwich; salad, sweet potatoes, pineapple, milk

## Loogootee HS Cross Country competes in Washington Invite

The Loogootee High School Cross Country Team competed in the Washington Invitational this past Saturday, September 13. Teams participating were Linton, Loogootee, Mitchell, North Daviess, Owen Valley, Princeton, Shakamak, Shoals, Sullivan, and Washington. Loogootee finished in sixth place.

Individually, Jordan Kaiser finished fourth with a time of 17:02, Jake Simmons finished 28th with a time of 19:05, Jonathan Krzesniak came in 29th with a time of 19:12, Chase Wilcoxon finished 35th with a time of 19:53, Mac Osborne came in 38th with a time of 20:01, and Nick Reinhart finished in 42nd place with a time of 21:47.



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Shown above is a rendering of Vincennes University's Student Center. Ground was broken on the building this past Friday.

## Ground broken for new VU Student Center

Ground was broken on September 12 for a new \$4.35 million Student Center at Vincennes University.

"This new student center will be a place for people to meet, enjoy each other's company, and to learn from each other. Students work hard and they need a place to relax," said Alain Moulari, president of the Student Government Association.

The two-story facility will include a technology café, gaming lounge, study areas, multi-function spaces, visual display boards, indoor fireplace, and outdoor seating areas.

"One of the strengths of this project is that we will have the new Student Center, Student Recreation Center, Aquatic Center, and Physical Education Complex under one roof," said VU President Dick Helton. "This will be a student-centered place to enhance student life."

While the Student Center will add 20,907 square feet, its impact will be much greater due to its location, according to Phil Rath, vice president for Financial Services and Government Relations. "We are actually going to be pulling in an adjacent multi-purpose room and bowling alley renovation, so it will actually be about a 60,000-square-foot center. When you walk into the facility, it will look seamless."

"This is an exciting day for VU. Of all of the hundreds of millions of dollars of proj-

ects we have done, this project may be one of the most exciting because it is about what we are going to do for our students, their social life, and interaction - providing a place also for commuter students where they can interact with our residential students," Rath said.

Mark Michael, Jr., the new student member of the Board of Trustees, said he was proud to cast one of his first trustee votes to construct the facility.

"Student life is important to being a good student. From my own personal experience, I was not very engaged in high school. That is one of the reasons I appreciate VU. When I came here I was able to build who I wanted to be. Having a college life was part of that," Michael said. A former president of the Student Government Association, Michael said that student life at VU has "helped a lot in the development of my leadership skills and self-confidence."

Companies awarded contracts for the project are CDI, Inc., Terre Haute, \$2,749,100 for general construction; Wabash Utilities, Vincennes, \$219,200 for site preparation; Peyronnin Construction, Evansville, \$932,200 for mechanical construction; and HEF Services, Terre Haute, \$457,300 for electrical construction. Construction is expected to take 13 to 17 months.

## Calendar of Events



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Shown above from left to right are Georgette Sutton, Jennifer Wagler, Carolyn Parsons-Downey and Shelly Ringwald. These ladies were also honored with awards at the annual Relay for Life wrap-up meeting.

## Relay 2014 ends, Relay 2015 begins

BY TERRI RESLER  
Martin Co. Relay for Life Committee

As the 2014 Martin County Relay for Life (RFL) came to a close at the end of August, we cannot forget to thank those that helped us with this fight. Our goal was \$33,000 and we made it to just over \$24,000. In our small county we are blessed to have such dedicated friends and family that are able to make Relay what it's about. It makes us more determined to continue the fight. We are celebrating more birthdays and we are getting closer every day and year to finding a cure. We will continue to Finish the Fight.

Martin County Relay for Life teams was treated to pizza at their 2014 Wrap Up. They gathered to discuss the Relay and awards were presented. Top individual fundraiser award given to Georgette Sutton, and top team fundraiser award given to Sutton's Renegades. The spirit award was given to St. John's Lutheran. Team captain of the year award was given to Shelly Ringwald. Volunteer of the year award was given to Carolyn Parsons-Downey and the Heart of Relay award was given to Jennifer Wagler.

Relay couldn't happen without the teams that volunteer to raise money and participate in the event activities. Thank you to those teams: Ringwald Rangers, Life-Savers, Dream Walkers, St. John Lutheran, Doyle Dream Team, Sutton's Renegades, McIntosh Apples, Crusading for a Cure, Relay Committee Team and Chief and the Braves.

Lastly, we have to thank those in the community that donated monetary and in-kind to the event. We thank you from the bottom of our hearts for your continued support. Those that helped take up the fight were: Ader's Inflatables, American Legion Post & Auxiliary #120, Biggin's Place, Blake Storage, Carla's Country Catering, Dorthea Divine, Edward Jones, Fraternal Order of Eagles, Hawkins Health Center, Howell

## Hoosiers encouraged to register for earthquake drill

The Indiana Department of Homeland Security (IDHS) and other partner agencies are encouraging Hoosiers to register and participate in this year's Great Central U.S. ShakeOut, which will be held at 10:16 a.m. on October 16.

The ShakeOut is the largest earthquake drill in the Central United States. It is led by local emergency management agencies, IDHS, the Indiana Geological Survey, the Indiana Department of Education, the Central United States Earthquake Consortium, the Federal Emergency Management Agency and U.S. Geological Survey. The Great Central U.S. ShakeOut is an opportunity to practice safety measures in the event of a large earthquake.

A total of nearly 1.9 million participants have registered so far, and currently Indiana is in the lead with nearly 395,000 registrants. Other states in the region include Al-



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Shown above are Barb Duzan and Karen Whorrall from St. John's Lutheran who were honored with the spirit award.

Law Office, Jay C Food/Ruler Stores, Jeffers Auto Parts, Jones Oil, Knights of Columbus, K of C Ladies Auxiliary, Laurie's Flowers, Loogootee Fire Department, Loogootee Jones Marathon, Loogootee School Corporation, Loogootee Tribune, Loughmiller Machine, Tool & Design, Martin County Community Building, Martin County Credit Union, Martin County Journal, Mattingly Feed Store, McDonalds, Melton's Tree Service, Midwestern Engineers, Inc., My Man "Dutch", Old National Bank, Papa John's, Pizza Junction, Ruxer Ford Lincoln Inc., Shoals News, St. John's Lutheran Church, Stoll's Lakeview Restaurant, The Cake Shop, The Lodge, Thirty One Consultant - Lisa Ader, and United States Gypsum Company

Plans are beginning for the 2015 Martin County RFL. We have volunteers ready to take over leadership and have many other spots to fill, if interested in getting more involved. If you are interested, please contact Carolyn Parson-Downey, Blythe Downey or Shelly Ringwald.

abama, Arkansas, Illinois, Kentucky, Mississippi, Missouri, Ohio, Oklahoma, and Tennessee. Indiana had the most registrants last year with nearly 550,000.

At 10:16 a.m. on October 16, participants should drop to the ground, take cover under a table or desk, and hold on to a table or desk as if a major earthquake were happening. Practicing early is the key to protecting yourself and others during an actual earthquake.

The days leading up to the ShakeOut are a great opportunity to create a preparedness kit that can be used for a variety of situations, not just earthquakes. Disaster kits should include water and food for all members of a household, first aid supplies, flashlights and batteries, necessary medication, items for pets, and extra clothing. For information on how to register, visit GetPrepared.IN.gov.

### 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.

### 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.

### 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.

### SAT preparation classes

SAT preparation classes for college-bound high school students are scheduled for October 8, 15, 22, and 29, from 7-9 p.m. at the Martin County Learning Center. Karen Whorrall teaches these classes to help students improve their chances of getting into the college of their choice and prepare themselves for a career. The cost is \$25, payable the first night. Please sign up with your guidance counselor. These classes are sponsored by the counseling departments of the Shoals and Loogootee High Schools and Martin County SOAR, the adult tutoring program. Class will be repeated in January. For further information, call Karen at 812-388-6639.

### 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.

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### Cub Scout meetings

Cub scout meetings are held at Loogootee United Methodist Church on the first, third, and fourth Monday of each month from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. For more information, contact Bryan Adams at 812-854-7837.

### 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.

### Tourism meetings

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

### Soil and Water meetings

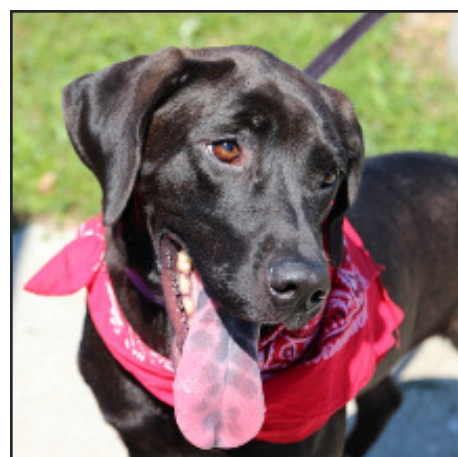
The Martin County SWCD meets the third Monday of the month at the SWCD office located at Martin County Learning Center. Office hours are 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. weekdays except Thursdays when it is closed. Visit www.martinswcd.com or call at 295-3149.

## Dr. Jane Parker appointed to medical staff in Jasper

Psychiatrist Jane Parker, M.D. was recently appointed to the active medical staff at Memorial Hospital and Health Care Center. Dr. Parker received her medical degree at Indiana University School of Medicine. She completed a psychiatry residency at the University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio. Dr. Parker has over 20 years of psychiatry experience in both a private practice and hospital settings. Dr. Parker is board certified by the American Board of Psychiatry & Neurology.

For more information regarding the behavioral health services provided with Memorial Hospital, please contact the Memorial Counseling Center at 812-996-5780.

## Humane Society featured pet



Tara is a three-year-old lab mix. She is very loving and very active. She needs to go to a home where she has plenty of space to run around. Adoption fee is \$60. Tara 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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**Historic Southern Indiana to sponsor teacher workshop**

USI's Historic Southern Indiana and Indiana's Historic Pathways will sponsor "Getting from Here to There: The Story of Southern Indiana's Transportation Routes," a workshop for teachers, from 9 a.m. to 2:15 p.m. EST on Tuesday, October 7 at the Martin County Community Building in Loogootee. The workshop is aimed at third- and fourth-grade teachers but is open to anyone who would like to attend. Participants will discover innovative ways to tell the story of community, early settlement, and westward migration using Indiana's teaching standards. This year's topics include the Indiana Bicentennial, southern Indiana's role in the Civil War and native Indiana plants and animals.

The workshop will include presentations by Perry Hammock, Indiana Bicentennial Commission; Mark Newman, Indiana Office of Tourism Development; Dick Rumph, Jackson County History Center and Bob Zimmerman, Lincoln Boyhood National Memorial. A panel session highlighting classroom project ideas from current teachers also will take place.

**Financial planning for individuals with disabilities**

Many people would agree that financial planning is crucial to one's future. People with disabilities face even more uncertainty. Families and guardians face the question on how to provide long term for their loved ones with disabilities.

These types of questions are one of the reasons why Four Rivers has formed its Family and Guardian Support Group. The support group will host its next meeting Tuesday, September 23 at 6 p.m. Melissa Justice will be the key speaker for the evening. Melissa currently works for The Arc of Indiana as Director of The Arc Master Trust. She will be speaking on what a trust is, who needs one and specifically, The Arc Master Trust I and II. This meeting will be a very informative

session on long term financial planning for families. Registration is \$20 and includes lunch and educational materials. Teachers will receive a box of items representing the history of communities along the byway to use in hands-on lessons with their students.

To register, contact USI Outreach and Engagement at 812-464-1989 or 800-467-8600. Registration also can be completed online at [www.usi.edu/extserv/ssl/regform.asp](http://www.usi.edu/extserv/ssl/regform.asp) with course number HSI950. The deadline to register is Tuesday, September 30.

For more information, contact Historic Southern Indiana at 800-489-4474, 812-465-7014 or [hsi@usi.edu](mailto:hsi@usi.edu).

Historic Southern Indiana, an outreach and engagement project of USI, was created in 1986 to serve the southernmost 26 counties of Indiana. Its goals are to identify, preserve, protect, enhance and promote the historical, natural and recreational resources of the region. It seeks to implement those goals through programs in historic preservation, history education, heritage tourism, community development and scenic byways. Its office is a part of Outreach and Engagement.

These meetings are open to the public, including current families and guardians, as well as other individuals interested in learning more about services that are available. It has also been a way for families to learn from one another.

The group meeting will start with mingling and appetizers, and conclude with a question and answer time and door prizes. The event will be held at Ride Solution's accessible upstairs meeting room located on 1001 East Main Street in Washington. For more information on the event and how to be involved, please contact Four Rivers at 257-1239 or visit [www.frrs.org](http://www.frrs.org).

**SCOUTING MATTERS**  
By Mike Leighty - Odon Troop 481 Scoutmaster

**SOME Thoughts On - OBEDIENT**

The seventh point of the Scout Law is... Obedient. This is not only a tough topic to address but a controversial one. Whether you view it from the biblical application of husbands and wives (be careful with that one) or the application of correction / punishment due to the lack of obedience to authority, you don't have to look very far before engaging in a debate. It is said that obedience is the act of following the rules—all of the rules—all of the time, which I believe is where all the controversy, argument and debate starts especially for children. Think about it. How many times have you heard, "who made that stupid rule" - "who put you in charge" - and the ever so popular, "you're not the boss of me".

I want to approach this topic through the eyes of a child. I think their view is important to understand but I can only draw from my own experiences, which are not yours. We all have instances of required obedience in our lives either through parents, school or sports. I think in my generation the one engrained in my mind has to be, "because I told you so." Clearly this was not a complete answer to an enquiring young mind but the result was cast in stone. To the little kid, this became passive obedience followed by an unquestioning silence to authority. In reality it had less to do with obedience and more to do with surrendering of one persons will to another.

Sadly in those days teachers and coaches expected the same as they tried to move a group of kids towards a set of values or expectations in the classroom, field and court. But let's be clear, this approach had little to do with obedience and everything to do with submission... "do as I say, not as I do". It also sucked most of the fun out of learning or the game, which may not be much different to this day. However, we kids learned to tolerate the approach if we wanted good grades or to play on the team. In retrospect, that's why all the real fun occurred away from the adults and rules; when we kids were allowed to be kids with very few rules and if there were we worked it out among

ourselves.

There is a historical understanding to those days. With 20/20 hindsight I understand why it was as it was. The military service demands obedience from its members. In the 50's, 60's and 70's we had an entire generation of leaders exposed to these high demands. Military obedience was paramount and it left a lasting impression on society. This was the result of a world at war and formed the "Greatest Generation." Don't get me wrong, I'm proud to have grown up in that era of Americanism with my parents, teachers, and coaches. I learned a great deal, however, their approach and methods are no longer a welcomed example in 2014, even though we sure could use some of that regimentation these days. However, the current standard of political correctness would not allow it.

Nonetheless, there is a quality associated with obedience that I think we overlook and I also believe the BSA makes a very solid effort to develop. True obedience is a willingness to obey. This is where it starts. It is an act or practice of recognizing authority and leadership - fostering and maintaining a healthy respect towards leadership - operating in a clear set of established guidelines - and then being compliant to the program. These factors actually make obedience a simple task.

I have explained on many occasions how Boy Scouts is a boy-led, boy-run organization. This is accomplished through a leadership hierarchy, whereas regardless of skill or personality everyone gets their opportunity to lead at several levels as they grow through the program. This rotational model of leadership, of which the boy members elect their own leaders, creates an environment of respectful - teaming with obedience to the model, opposed to one of constant submission to authority or rules. Empowering boys to be leaders is the core of Scouting. Scouts learn by doing, and what they do is lead their Patrols and their Troop. The boys themselves develop a Troop program, then take responsibility for figuring out how they will achieve the goals.

Scouting's value to young people is clear, but the advantages of scouting are not limited to boys. Adults also develop leadership and physical skills with every experience. Operating in the background - in obedience to the BSA model - is the adult leadership providing the direction, coaching, and training that empowers each young man with the skills he will need to lead his Troop. The boys will make mistakes now and then and will rely upon the adult leaders to guide them. But only through real hands-on experience as leaders can boys learn to lead.

If you would like to learn more about the scouting opportunities in your local area, drop me an email at [mike.leighty@centurytel.net](mailto:mike.leighty@centurytel.net) ... place Scouting Matters in the subject line. I will help you make contact with a local scouting unit.

Yours in scouting,  
Scoutmaster Mike

**"Remembering Red" chat with local historians**

The legacy of America's beloved clown, Red Skelton, lives on through Vincennes University's Red Skelton Performing Arts Center and the adjacent Red Skelton Museum of American Comedy.

The Museum will host an informal "Remembering Red" chat on September 20, 1-3 p.m. (EDT), where local Skelton historians Doug Carroll and Mark Kratzner will be on hand. Visitors may drop in at their convenience to share their memories of Red or to enjoy hearing stories about the entertainer.

"Remembering Red" celebrates the legendary performer who passed away on September 17, 1987.

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# The Mayor's Den

By Loogootee Mayor  
Noel Harty



We enjoyed beautiful August weather this year. This month's feature employee is Chief of Police Kelly Rayhill. Chief Rayhill started his law enforcement career in 1995 with the Marion County Sheriff's Department and was then hired in 1997 as a patrolman for the City of Loogootee. He served as K-9 Handler for two years, became the assistant chief in 2000 and in 2001 assumed duties as the chief of police. Chief Rayhill also serves on various boards on both the local and regional level.

August the 1st, I spent most of the day in the office. That evening, Donna Greene graciously agreed to tutor me on making my famous (and yet not so famous) no-bake cookies for the "100 Men Who Cook" fundraiser the next day. Don Greene waited patiently to taste the final product, but I got by him, so had plenty of cookies for the fundraiser! On the 2nd, Lili Lukowski set up her lemonade and cookie stand at city hall, marking her mother's third strokaversary and raising awareness about strokes and survivors like her mother. Lili chooses a different worthwhile cause each year; and this year, she chose our new pool. Amazingly, Lili raised a \$1,000 for the pool fund, earmarking the money so that everyone can enjoy the new facilities. After visiting Lili's stand, I drove to Vincennes University Green Auditorium for the "100 Men Who Cook" event. The evening was action-packed with a variety of delicious foods to choose from, and an auction. It was sponsored by Old National Bank to raise money for the Distinxion basketball program headed up by Steve and Lori Zeller- parents of Luke, Tyler, and Cody Zeller. The "Golden Spatula Award" went to Greg Traylor, who raised over \$700 in tips with his marinated turkey strips. The event, including admission, gratuities and the auction brought in an astounding \$59,000.

Monday the 4th, I spent most of the day in the office and that evening the common council met to discuss the 2015 operating budget. Clerk Treasurer Nancy Jones presented a recommendation to the council and the council voted to approve it. A special thank you to Nancy Jones for all of her hard work on the budget. Tuesday the 5th, the pool committee met with Jill Wininger with St. John Catholic Church to discuss a possible fundraiser in the near future. After the meeting, I went to the Odon "Old Settlers Festival" to attend the parade and concert hosting "Cavern Beat" - a Beatles rendition from the Chicago area. Thursday night the 7th, I went back to Odon for the "Old Settlers Fest." The main events for the evening were the Little Miss and Mister Contest, sponsored by Crane Credit Union and entertainment provided by "Terry Lee and the Rockabilly Band." Unfortunately due to rain, the band was only able to play for a short while. Saturday the 9th, I attended the visitation for Jack Trout at Brocksmith-Blake Funeral Home. I remember Mr. Trout best from my time working at Stoll's Lakeview and many times I would see him there with his family. He was a fine man who will be missed by both his large family and many friends. In the evening of the 9th, I attended the surprise retirement party for fireman Donald Mann, at the Loogootee United Methodist Church. Don dedicated 29 good years of service to the department and we thank him for his service and wish him the very best. Monday the 11th started very somber as I assisted with the funeral of Mr. Keith Yarnell. Mr. Yarnell was a serviceman, a Crane retiree, and a former employee of Loogootee Community Schools; but most of all though he was very good person. That evening was the monthly board of works and common council meetings. Highlights included a presentation from Carla Naum with Milestone Ventures on the proposed housing project located at the former Loogootee Elementary East Building. Also present were Ellen Harper with OCRA and Rex Knight with SIDC to discuss a possible future storm water project. Also attending were Mike Carney, Tim Kinder, and Don

Bowling to speak about the ongoing process of the opening of Bowling Manufacturing.

Mid-morning on Tuesday the 12th, I went to Loogootee Rehabilitation and Health Care Center and the Loogootee Nursing Center to accept very generous donations from both facilities for the pool fund. Thank you to everyone at both facilities. In the afternoon, I went to Loogootee Elementary to do my document duplication duties and then back to city hall to meet with Lt. Eric Thomas and Sparky. On Wednesday the 13th, I met with Ellen Harper and various downtown business owners to discuss the possibility of starting a "Main Street Program" for our city. The program has a lot to offer our community; and we hope we can make it happen. I would like to thank everyone for coming and participating, with special thanks to C. Andrew Kyger for organizing the meeting. That evening, the pool committee met to discuss ongoing fundraising efforts. Thursday the 14th was the quarterly Martin County Community Corrections meeting at the Martin County Learning Center. Following the meeting, I met with Alan Williams, Charlotte Winkler, Charlotte Meyer, and Ruthie Smith to start planning a fun variety show scheduled for Friday, November 7th. In the evening, I headed to Jack Butcher Arena to attend the opening of the 2014 Volleyball season. Our Lions did well and won all of their games. I started Friday the 15th worshipping at church and then headed to city hall to spend the last day with SPEA Intern C. Andrew Kyger or "Andy" as he prefers to be called. Over this past summer, Andy brought a lot of fresh ideas to the table. He also was able to work with one of our new high school interns, Kaiyle Robbins; and as part of her internship, she will try to complete some of the many projects started by Andy. On Andy's last day, we also enjoyed a nice lunch in recognition of his efforts while he was here; and while we will miss him, we wish him well as he returns to college. Andy often remarked about what a wonderful community we have here. We should all feel very proud!

Saturday the 18th I went to Mt. Zion Church to conduct the auction of the late Mary Walker's estate. Mrs. Walker was very thoughtful and left some of her personal collection of glassware, furniture and quilt tops to the church. The auction was attended by approximately 50 bidders. Tuesday the 19th I started the day at Loogootee Elementary performing my document duplication duties. That evening was the monthly school board meeting at LHS, and the main topic was the budget. Then, I came back to city hall to join the pool fund committee for a discussion of the upcoming "Country Day." Wednesday the 20th I met with Sue David for further discussions about "Country Day." At noon, I attended the Martin County Chamber of Commerce bi-monthly meeting, this time at Los Bravos. That evening, the pool committee, clerk-treasurer, city attorney, and I had a phone conference with Umbaugh and Associates and Greenbaum and Doll. The two entities will be doing a lot of the administrative work on the bond process for the pool project. After the phone conference was the monthly solid waste meeting at the Martin County Recycling Center, focusing mainly on personnel.

On Thursday the 21st, I met with Jim Stoughton at the Martin County Chamber Office to discuss operations. After that meeting, I attended customer appreciation day at Tobacco Road. Various items offered for the day were reduced prices on fuel with a round up option (and all proceeds going to the city pool), complimentary sandwiches prepared by our own Bryce Wilson, the Hoosier Lottery Promo Game, and Max the Turtle on sight to greet the many visitors who came by. Following the fun at Tobacco Road, I headed back to city hall for another meeting with Alan Williams and Charlotte Meyer to discuss the upcoming variety show for November. Then, in the evening I went to Northeast Dubois High School to watch

the Lady Lions take on the Jeeps. In the first round, the JV won in three games. In the second round, the varsity won four games! Friday the 22nd, I attended the yard sale at the United Methodist Church to raise money for the food pantry located at the church. Following that, I went my first West Boggs Sewer District Meeting. It was interesting to listen to their discussions of day-to-day operations. In the evening, I attended the reception of Stephanie McAtee at our public library. Mrs. McAtee spent 16 years of dedicated service on the board, and she will be missed.

I started Saturday the 23rd at the auction of the Mary Ann Krodell estate at her home on Butcher Boulevard. I was able to pick a couple bricks - one from the L.B.T.W. and one from the old St. John's Convent. Mrs. Krodell's son, Jeff, even allowed the pool committee to set up and serve food at the auction and we appreciated that. That evening, I attended the fish fry at St. John's Lutheran Church. The fish was great, and I always enjoy visiting with those who show up to support the fundraiser. Following the fry, I headed to the "No Plan B" and "Jackson Young Concert" which was a part of "Country Day and a fundraiser for the pool fund. Despite the inclement weather, a good crowd showed up even though the rain forced relocation to the American Legion Country Club. Special thanks to Sue David and Jennifer Wagler for organizing the event; Old National Bank, Loogootee American Legion, Terri Kelso Insurance, Dairy Queen of Loogootee, and Jason Jones Trucking for their sponsorships; Leslie Doyle and Emma Hert for coming to sing; the American Legion for presenting the colors; and all who purchased tickets and attended. Sunday the 24th was the annual hog roast at St. Martin's and great food and fellowship. I spent Monday the 25th at the office. I started Tuesday the 26th at the elementary preparing document duplication. Then, I went to St. Martin's Catholic Church for the funeral of Rita Lannon. Mrs. Lannon was lifelong member of St. Martin's Catholic Church, a former employee of the Barr-Reeve School Corporation, mother to six children and grandmother to nine. In the evening, the pool committee and I met with Megan Jones and Kyla Greene to discuss the possibility of holding a 5k in the fall for a fundraiser. After the meeting I headed to Jack Butcher Arena for the home opener of the 2014 Volleyball season with the junior varsity hosting the Linton Miners. Our Lions won the first game, fell short in the second, and prevailed in the third. Before the start of the second game, spectators were surprised and delighted as members of the LHS Choir performed our National Anthem under the direction of Choral Director, Drew Grey. In the second game our varsity Lions fell short in three matches, but played very hard and competitive.

Wednesday the 27th started with a meeting with County Councilman Lonnie Hawkins, Tim Kinder with the Martin County Alliance, and Don Schulte Executive Director for WestGate Technology Park to discuss economic development. Following the meeting I went to Ippoliti Law to meet with City Attorney Isha Wright-Ryan and Richard Burch with Midwestern Engineers to discuss the beginning stages of the pool project. In the afternoon, I attended a "Friends of the Library Meeting" with Gordon Grindstaff who is currently working on a book project with the Library. In the afternoon of Thursday the 28th, I met Alan Williams and Charlotte Meyer to continue discussing the upcoming variety show which will be at the LHS Auditorium. Our main focus was on presenters and the date which was previously scheduled for the 8th of November and will now be moved to the 15th of November. In the evening, I attended an informal meeting at West Boggs Park on the proposed restoration of the lake. The Department of Natural Resources looks for the process to stand good for 10-15

years, allowing for ample fish in the lake during this time. After that meeting, I was off to Jack Butcher Arena to watch our Lady Lions take on the Pike Central Chargers. Our Lady Lions prevailed in both matches with a 2-1 game margin in the first round of action and 3-1 margin in the second. Friday the 29th began with a meeting with Lacey Wade, middle school principal at Loogootee Community Schools, concerning a proposed project with the school. Most of the rest of the day was spent working on the day-to-day operations of the office.

On Saturday the 30th I went to Vincennes Lincoln High School where our Lady Lions squared off in action in the Screen Printing Plus Tournament. The Lady Lions fell short in their first round of competition against the Vincennes Lincoln Alices however bounced back to come up on top of the North Daviess Cougars and South Spencer Rebels - ending the day 2-1 and making their record 5-2 so far in the season. Our Lady Lions are to be commended for their ability to play on a hot and humid day with the no air conditioning in the very warm facility. I would like to take this time to wish each and every one of you a very blessed and safe September.

## Enterovirus D68 confirmed by state health officials

State health officials announced last Friday that four Lake County children have been confirmed as having had enterovirus D68 (EV-D68), a respiratory illness which can be serious in individuals with underlying medical conditions, such as asthma. The individuals were treated at University of Chicago Hospital and were previously thought to be residents of Illinois. All four children have been discharged from the hospital.

The Indiana State Department of Health is working with local health departments and hospitals to conduct surveillance for additional cases of EV-D68. Testing for EV-D68 is being conducted at the State Laboratory. On Tuesday, the State health officials announced a higher than expected level of respiratory illness statewide for this time of year.

Indiana joins several other states in this multi-state outbreak, including Missouri, Ohio, Illinois, Kentucky and others. Enteroviruses are very common, with between 10 to 15 million cases occurring in the United States each year. There are more than 100 types of enteroviruses.

Typically, EV-D68 causes upper respiratory illness, such as low-grade fever, cough, runny nose, sneezing and body/muscle aches. Infected individuals generally recover on their own without incident by treating symptoms. However, some individuals, especially those with weakened immune systems or underlying medical conditions, such as asthma, may experience severe complications and require hospitalization with supportive therapy.

Enteroviruses, including EV-D68, are spread through close contact with infected people. Health officials recommend the following tips to prevent the spread of infection:

- Clean: Wash your hands frequently with warm soap and water for at least 20 seconds. Alcohol-based hand sanitizer is not effective in preventing the spread of EV-D68.

- Cover: Cover your cough with your sleeve or a tissue when you cough or sneeze.

- Contain: Prevent spreading illness to others by staying home if you are sick.

- Avoid close contact and sharing cups or eating utensils with those who are ill.

- Disinfect frequently touched surfaces.

Individuals experiencing cold-like symptoms and trouble breathing should contact their healthcare provider right away.

Visit the Indiana State Department of Health at [www.StateHealth.in.gov](http://www.StateHealth.in.gov) for important health and safety information, or follow us on Twitter at [@StateHealthIN](https://twitter.com/StateHealthIN) and on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/isdh1](https://www.facebook.com/isdh1).

## 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 Ubelhor (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 ADVI-  
SORY 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)  
LOOGOOTE SCHOOL BOARD  
DISTRICT 1

Scott W. Hall  
Bobbi Sue Nonte

LOOGOOTE SCHOOL BOARD  
DISTRICT 2

Mary M. Walton  
Larry Craney

Chad M. Wade  
LOOGOOTE 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



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.

## 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

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.mybmvm.com](http://www.mybmvm.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.

## 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



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## Constitution Day

From left, Tom Von Essen, former Fire Commissioner for New York City on 9/11, talks with Alain Moulari, president of the Vincennes University Student Government Association, following Von Essen's speech yesterday at the Red Skelton Performing Arts Center. Speaking about "Leadership in Difficult Times," Von Essen recalled his memories of the terrorist attack and the devastating impact it had on the fire department and the city. Von Essen is currently the senior safety consultant for Honeywell Life Safety and Fire Systems. Moulari holds an associate degree in Law Enforcement from VU and is currently pursuing a bachelor's degree in Homeland Security. The presentation was part of VU's observation of Constitution Day.