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Mr. Kip, the Storyteller, is shown above reading to a Head Start class. He chooses a book that fits into that week's curriculum.

And the word is . . .

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

As Family Literacy Week ends and Literacy Month winds down, our focus this week is on vocabulary – yes, those dreaded word lists you remember from your school days that you were expected to copy, spell, define, use in sentences, etc. The English language contains more than 600,000 words. We have a spoken vocabulary that is a very small subset of this total. Our reading vocabulary is larger than our spoken vocabulary. The goal with new and emerging readers is to build their vocabularies.

Our reading vocabulary includes sight words – words that our brains recognize without have to think about them. 220 words make up 50-75 percent of all written materials. And, only 600 words make up 90% of all written materials. If a reader can

master these sight words, they can read most of what they will encounter. The goal with early readers is to increase their sight word vocabulary so that these words become automatic. This is why it is so important that children are exposed to lots of print material to learn these words early.

SOAR has a reading chair project with Head Start. Bill Whorrall creates a chair that Kip Trotter uses every week when he becomes Mr. Kip, the Storyteller, and reads to Head Start children. He chooses a book that fits into that week's curriculum. Families are encouraged to supplement the curriculum at home by completing family reading activities. They earn an entry for each activity completed. At the end of the term, a family will win the reading chair. The Head Start classes met Mr. Kip and the reading chair earlier this month.

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House bills require jail, community corrections to make changes

BY COURTNEY HUGHETT
Martin County Journal Publisher

The Martin County Commissioners met Tuesday, September 15. Most of the meeting was spent discussing changes in legislature pertaining to inmates.

Sheriff Travis Roush updated the commissioners on HB 1269. The bill makes the department of corrections the authorized representative for applying for Medicaid for inmates who are potentially eligible for Medicaid and who incur medical care expenses that are not otherwise reimbursable. The sheriff is responsible for getting the inmates signed up.

Roush said he is pleased to be outsourcing this process to Lisa Scroggins with Quality Correctional Care, who currently services the medical needs for the inmates at the jail.

Sheriff Roush submitted a rough draft of a contract with Quality Correctional Care and noted the cost would be \$15 per inmate to enroll in Medicaid.

Roush said he is still learning about the bill but inmates who will be in jail for at least 30 days are required to apply. He said it's hard to gauge how long inmates will be in the security center to determine whether they should be enrolled. Roush added that in the long run, having the inmates on Medicaid would save the county money on medical bills.

Pat King, with community corrections, requested permission from the commissioners to apply for a department of corrections grant. King explained that due to HB 1006, the state will be offering a total of \$5 million in grants to counties. The bill changes how felony criminals are placed in local jails.

As part of the grant Martin County is applying for, King said the \$91,813 they are requesting will cover hiring a program manager to handle substance abuse programs. It will also cover a part-time administrative assistant and potential costs of getting an office established for each position.

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Martin County's jobless rate at 3.8 percent for August

BY COURTNEY HUGHETT
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Martin County's jobless rate went down just slightly in August to 3.8 percent, from 3.9 percent in July. The county had the 23rd lowest jobless rate of the 92 Indiana counties for August, tied with Clinton, DeKalb, Gibson, Kosciusko, Montgomery, Pike, Pulaski and Whitley counties.

In August, Martin County had 5,063 residents in the workforce and 193 of them were without jobs. In July, there were 5,131 citizens able to work and 202 of them were unemployed. The county's jobless rate was 5.2 percent in August of last year with 5,014 residents able to work and 262 of them without jobs.

Daviess County's unemployment rate also dropped slightly from July to August, moving from 3.8 percent to 3.5 percent. The county had the sixth lowest jobless rate in the state for August, tied with White, Tipton, Hendricks, and Adams counties.

In August, Daviess County had 15,435 residents in the workforce with 542 of them unemployed. In July, the county had 15,765 residents in the workforce with 605 of them without jobs. In August of last year, Daviess County's unemployment rate was 4.5 percent with 15,367 citizens able to

work and 687 of them without jobs.

Dubois County's unemployment rate also fell slightly to 3 percent in August, down from 3.4 percent the month before. The county had the lowest jobless rate in the state for August.

In August, Dubois County had 23,211 residents in the workforce with 687 of them without jobs. In July, there were 23,409 citizens able to work and 785 of them were without jobs. In August of last year, Dubois County's unemployment rate was 4 percent with 22,416 residents in the workforce and 900 of them jobless.

Orange County's unemployment rate decreased from 5.7 percent in July to 5.4 percent in August. The county had the 12th highest jobless rate in the state for August, tied with Delaware County.

In August, Orange County had 8,497 residents in the workforce and 458 of them were unemployed. In July, there were 8,723 residents able to work and 494 of them were jobless. In August of 2014, Orange County's unemployment rate was 7.4 percent with 8,481 residents in the workforce and 624 of them were unemployed.

Lawrence County's jobless rate dropped from 6.4 percent in July to 6 percent in August. The county had the sixth highest job-

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County council approves money requests

BY COURTNEY HUGHETT
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The Martin County Council met last Monday, September 14. The only items on the agenda were additional appropriations and transfers from various departments.

The council approved an additional appropriation of \$2,000 for the sheriff's department to cover officers' and jailers' salary who provided 24-hour security detail when an inmate was in the hospital for three weeks.

Sheriff Travis Roush also told the council that he is going to need \$8,000 to replace a server that went down. The data in the computers has not been backed up since November. Of the \$8,000, \$4,000 is for a new server, \$3,500 is for backup and an extra \$500 for Cloud backup.

The council approved the second half of a request from Judge Lynne Ellis for public defender fees. \$100,000 was approved at a previous meeting and the second \$100,000 was approved at Monday's meeting.

Judge Ellis said she had to have a meeting with the public defenders because they heard the county was going under and they would not be paid for their services. Ellis said she assured them that they would be paid.

Auditor Roush said that the \$100,000 should cover public defenders through the end of the year.

Ellis also noted that she has another upcoming murder trial that the contract public defenders are not qualified to handle. That will be an additional cost.

The council approved an additional money request of \$208 for the prosecutor

secretary's salary. The salary had been funded in the past through the general fund and the victim assistance grant. The prosecutor's office did not apply for the grant this time so the additional \$208 was needed after the office transferred the rest of the funds from various line items in their budget.

The council approved an additional appropriation for the commissioners' budget for \$10,500 needed for PERF (Public Em-

Commissioners declare burn ban, effective immediately

Due to drought conditions, the Martin County Commissioners, on September 22, declared an emergency burn ban effective immediately. The following activities are prohibited in Martin County:

-Campfires and other recreational fires, unless enclosed in a fire ring with dimensions of 23 inches in diameter by six inches high or larger

-Open burning of any kind using conventional fuel such as wood, or other combustible matter, with the exception of grills fueled by charcoal briquettes or propane

-The burning of debris, such as timber or vegetation, including such debris that results from building construction activities and/or wind storm debris

-The use of burn barrels for any open burning at residential structures

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The burn ban will remain until rescinded by the commissioners.

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Shown above are Loogootee fourth graders receiving their dictionaries and thesauruses from Martin County SOAR. This is an annual program. Below are Shoals fourth graders receiving their books.



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In addition to sight words, we use phonics when we read to sound out unknown words. Hopefully the sound will match a word we have heard, and we will then recognize that word and continue reading the passage. If the word is not recognized through phonics, other strategies and tools are used to comprehend the word. As an example, it is fairly easy to sound out the word "connotation" using phonics. However if you don't know what that word means, your phonics haven't really helped. The goals with emerging readers to give them tools and strategies to comprehend these words.

SOAR provides free dictionaries to all 3rd graders and thesauruses to all fourth graders in Martin County. SOAR volunteers teach the 3rd graders how to use the dictionary to look up the meaning of words and how to use the definitions. The dictionaries also contain sections on the US Constitution, US presidents, every state in the US, major countries in the world, and even the planets in our solar system. Volunteers with SOAR also teach the 4th graders how to use their new thesauruses to look up a word and find other words with similar meanings and words that have opposite meanings.

Visit facebook.com/martin-countysoar to view more pictures of the dictionary project, thesauruses for fourth graders, the reading chair for Head Start, and to learn more about SOAR projects.

SAT classes instructed by SOAR tutor Karen Whorrall begin Wednesday, October 7, 7-9 pm, and run for four weeks. Interested students should contact their guidance counselor to register for the class or can call Karen at 388-6639 for more information. Class fee is \$25, refunded after the student completes all four sessions.

SOAR provides free and confidential adult tutoring in reading, writing, math, work & life skills, and HSE (formerly GED prep). Anyone interested in free tutoring or becoming a tutor can call or text the SOAR office at 812-709-1618 to get more information. Improve your skills, improve your life!



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Kip Trotter, the Storyteller, is shown above with the reading chair painted by Bill Whorrall.

Why is it so hard?

(By Anonymous)

We'll begin with *box*; the plural is *boxes*,
But the plural of *ox* is *oxen*, not *oxes*.
One fowl is a *goose*, and two are called *geese*,
Yet the plural of *moose* is never called *meese*.

You may find a lone *mouse* or a house full of *mice*,
But the plural of *house* is *houses*, not *hice*.
The plural of *man* is always *men*,
But the plural of *pan* is never *pen*.

If I speak of a *foot*, and you show me *two feet*,
And I give you a *book*, would a pair be a *beek*?
If one is a *tooth* and a whole set are *teeth*,
Why shouldn't two *booths* be called *beeth*?

If the singular is *this*, and the plural is *these*,
Should the plural of *kiss* be ever called *kese*?

We speak of a *brother* and also of *brethren*,
But though we say *mother*, we never say *methren*.
Then the masculine pronouns are *he*, *his*, and *him*;
But imagine the feminine: *she*, *this*, and *shim*!

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less rate in the state for August.

In August, Lawrence County had 20,089 residents in the workforce and 1,214 of them were unemployed. In July, there were 20,274 residents able to work and 1,291 of them were without jobs. In August of last year, Lawrence County's jobless rate was 8.3 percent with 20,376 residents in the workforce and 1,692 of them were unemployed.

The top ten spots in the state for lowest unemployment for August went to Dubois at 3 percent, Hamilton 3.1 percent, Bartholomew at 3.2 percent, LaGrange and Boone at 3.4 percent, and White, Hendricks, Daviess, Tipton and Adams at 3.5 percent.

The top ten spots in the state for highest unemployment rate for August went to Vermillion at 6.6 percent, Lake at 6.5 percent, Greene at 6.4 percent, Fayette at 6.3 percent, Sullivan at 6.2 percent, Lawrence at 6 percent, Vigo at 5.8 percent, LaPorte at 5.7 percent, Owen at 5.6 percent, and Blackford and Starke at 5.5 percent.

Indiana's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate declined again in August by 0.1 percent to 4.6 percent. Last month marked the lowest rate of unemployment in the Hoosier State since August of 2007. Additionally, Indiana's labor force increased by 5,629 individuals last month and has experienced a growth of nearly 83,000 since January 2013, which continues to be a Midwest leader. The Hoosier labor force participation rate also increased in August to 63.6 percent and remains a full percentage point

above the national average.

As of August, private sector employment in the Hoosier State remains above all historic peak levels. Despite another decrease in unemployment rate, Indiana shed 5,500 private sector jobs in August. The decline concentrated mainly in the Professional and Business Services sector (-4,900), while the Manufacturing (+300), and Construction (+1,300) sectors experienced growth. Previously reported June and July private sector jobs numbers were revised upward 10,700 by the Bureau of Labor Statistics.

"Indiana's unemployment rate continues to decline in conjunction with large consistent increases in the Hoosier labor force, creating a true decrease in unemployment," said Steven J. Braun, Commissioner of the Indiana Department of Workforce Development. "This is a positive economic trend that stands in stark contrast to our neighboring states, which have experienced decreases in their respective unemployment rates due in part to stagnant or declining labor forces."

Braun also noted weekly claims for unemployment insurance in Indiana are at their lowest levels since 1994.

Employment by Sector

Sectors showing gains in August include: Leisure and Hospitality (2,700), Construction (1,300), and Manufacturing (300). The Professional & Business Services (-4,900), Private Educational & Health Services (-900), Trade, Transportation and Utilities (-900), and Financial Activities (-500) sectors declined in August. Total nonfarm employment increased in August (6,700).

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The commissioners approved applying for the grant. If the grant money is received, King said the program would most likely begin at the first of the year. She said they will have to figure out where to put offices for the new positions.

Resident Dale Tedrow asked about dust control on his road. Commissioner George explained that the new policy for putting down dust control is to have the resident pay half and the county pay half. Tedrow said he pays taxes and he's not giving additional money to have dust control applied. He added that he can't get anything out of the county.

Commissioner George replied, "We've helped you several times and I take a little offense to that."

Tedrow also noted that there will not be any decent county roads until ditches are dug. He said when he drives through Orange and Dubois counties, they have ditching and the roads are much better. He said in Martin County, all the gravel is washing away right after it is put down.

Highway Superintendent Leo Padgett reported that all the roads scheduled to be paved are completed but there are several roads yet to be chipped-n-sealed. Two new

culverts installed on Mt. Pleasant Road have settled and Commissioner George requested they be attended to.

Padgett also told commissioners that he had two employees give their two-week notice. Padgett said he has one employee willing to get their CDL license if the commissioners were willing to pay for it. Commissioner George read the requirements for an operator with CDL license.

Padgett said developers have been expanding the Bellgrade subdivision and a road is in need of paving. The developers told Padgett that they could pave the road at their cost or the highway department could do it and they would reimburse them. The commissioners told Padgett that if he has time then the highway crew could pave the road and then submit bills for reimbursement. The road will be maintained by the county once it is up to county specifications.

Civil Defense Director Cameron Wolf reported that on September 28 at 7 p.m. in the civil defense building, Public Health Coordinator Tony Holt will be holding an infectious disease outbreak planning meeting. The commissioners were encouraged to attend. This will be one of four meetings that are needed in order to be eligible for a grant.

~LETTER TO THE EDITOR~

'Thank you to all involved.'

To the editor of the *Martin County Journal*,

Tonight's (September 22) chili supper was a huge success thanks to many people and businesses. The Shoals Volleyball Team appreciates all the hard work that was put into this fundraiser. Thank you to all involved. And thank you to: the parents for putting this together and making it happen; Cecil Ragsdale and Bo-Mac's for the chili, White River Co-Op for the hot dogs, buns, crackers, and drinks; JayC for the cups, plates, and bowls; RJ's for to-go containers; the cafeteria for letting us use the tables, Mrs. Heckard for the use of her room, parents for working and bringing desserts, Laura Way for spoons and napkins, Rene Wagler for going to get things from the Co-Op and getting roasters; the Christian

Church for use of the roasters; and last but not least, the fans for coming to the dinner and for your support!!

The Shoals Volleyball Team

REQUESTS

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employees' Retirement Fund), to come from the general fund. They also approved requests from the prosecutor's office for an additional \$1,500 for office supplies and \$1,000 for telephone bills. The final additional appropriation approved was \$6,500 in the commissioners' budget for the tax sale. That amount will come from the riverboat revenue fund.

The council approved a transfer from the highway department of \$13,000 from health savings accounts to truck and tractor repair.

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OBITUARIES

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JOAN HARRIS

Joan Lee Harris passed away Tuesday, September 15, 2015, at St. Mary's Medical Center. A resident of Evansville, she was 83.



She was born May 21, 1932, in Loogootee; daughter of the late John Pritchard Moore and Agnes Ione (Lee) Moore.

She was formerly employed by Schroeder Wholesale Company.

She volunteered at the Boys & Girls Club for many years. She was a member of Christ the King Catholic Church, where she had been a Cantor since 1985; a member of the Embroiderer's Guild of America, where she was a past president; and a member of the Washington Square Knots Square Dancing Club. She enjoyed music, needlework, painting, cards, traveling, and reading.

She is survived by her husband of 64 years, Joseph G. Harris, Jr.; daughter, J. Kathleen (Richard E. Jobe) Harris of Evansville; sons, Dr. J. Kim (Kandy Kramer Harris) Harris of Richmond, Virginia and John K. (Cheryl) Harris of Princeton; sister, Elizabeth Dawn Book of Kingstree, South Carolina; grandchildren, Kalah and Nicholas Hirsch, Loren (William) Pritchett Harrison, Jesse, Joshua, David, and Jacob Harris, and Ali Richmer;

great-grandchildren, Rowan Harris, Betzi White, and Danica Hirsch; sister-in-law, Donna (Kenneth) Hedges; and numerous nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents; and sister, Sandra Ripperger.

A Mass of Christian Burial was held Saturday, September 19, at Christ the King Catholic Church, officiated by Fr. Christopher Droste, with entombment in Oak Hill Cemetery at a later date.

Condolences may be made online at www.AlexanderEastChapel.com.

DONNIE MONTGOMERY

Donald "Donnie" Montgomery passed away at 7:50 a.m. on Sunday, September 20, 2015 at the Memorial Hospital and Healthcare Center in Jasper. A resident of the Weisbach Community, he was 65.

Donnie, along with his twin brother, Danny, were born on December 15, 1949 in Lawrence County; sons of Wayne and Beulah (Abel) Montgomery. He attended Shoals Schools and was previously employed at NAD Crane and served in the United States Army during the Vietnam War.

He is survived by a daughter, Julie Montgomery of Shoals; brothers, Kenneth Montgomery, Robert Montgomery of Shoals, and Stanley Montgomery, all of Shoals; and Marvin Montgomery of Haysville; sisters, Wilma

Albright of Shoals, Eileen Sanders of Salem, Ohio; and Nancy Allen of Loogootee; and numerous nieces, nephews and friends.

He is preceded in death by his parents, sister, Ann Baker; brothers, Dennis Shipman and twin brother, Danny Montgomery.

Visitation will be from 11 a.m. Wednesday, September 23 until the hour of service at 2 p.m. at the Queen-Lee Funeral Home in Shoals. Burial will follow in Spring Hill Cemetery.

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

RANDALL WOOD

Randall G. (Woody) Wood passed away at 5:39 p.m. Monday, September 21, 2015 at St. Mary's Medical Center. A resident of Loogootee, he was 70.

He was born January 15, 1945 in Bedford; son of the late Glen E. Wood and Noble and Mary Wanda (Braxton) Williams.

He graduated from Orleans High School and United Electronics Laboratories, INC. in Louisville, Kentucky.

He was the past president of the Bass Club at Crane. He was a member of the Loogootee United Methodist Church. He retired from Crane after 26 years of employment. He enjoyed fishing, NASCAR, reading and watching the History Channel. He adored his family, friends and grandchildren.

He is survived by his wife, Brenda (Arthur) Wood of Loogootee; children, Stacey (David) Gasper of Lebanon, Rachel Wood of Cambridge City, Gary Wood of Bloomington, Brian (Mary) Grindstaff of Franklin, Tennessee; Darin Grindstaff of Shoals and Ginger (Ryan) Tolbert of Cannelburg; 11 grandchildren and one great-grandchild; brother, Rex (Rhea) Williams of Orleans; sisters, Kathy Bentley, Nan Williams and Analee Hanover, all of Orleans and several nieces, nephews and cousins.

He is preceded in death by his daughter, Jenny Wood; granddaughter, Taylor Nolan; sister, Penny Buechler; and parents, Glen E. Wood and Noble and Mary Wanda (Braxton)

Williams.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Friday, September 25 at Loogootee United Methodist Church. Burial will follow in St. John Catholic Cemetery. Visitation will be held from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Thursday, September 24 at Brocksmith-Blake Funeral Home.

Memorial contributions may be made to Loogootee United Methodist Church. Condolences may be made online at www.brocksmithblakefuneralhomes.com.

TAMMY HERT

Tammy Lynn Hert passed away peacefully and surrounded by her loving family at 1:04 a.m. Friday, September 18, 2015. A resident of Shoals, she was 53.



She was born April 15, 1962 in Daviess County; the daughter of the late Carl E. and Frances C. (Salmon) Payne.

She will be remembered for her bright smile and laughter. She was a devoted and loving wife, mother, and grandmother. She was baptized and attended the Powell Valley Church. She also attended The River Church in Shoals.

She is survived by her husband, Larry D. "Rabbit" Hert of Shoals; daughters, Nikki Butler and Melissa Gibson, both of Shoals; grandchildren, Josten, Alysa, Jaelin, Brylei, Trenden, Maeha, Jacob, Colton, Emma and Bryson; sisters, Vicki J. Wetter and Catrina Goldsberry, both of Loogootee; brothers, Dexter Payne of North Carolina and Josh Payne of Loogootee; and numerous nieces, nephews and friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents, and a daughter, Alisha Butler. A funeral service was held Tuesday, September 22 at Queen-Lee Funeral Home. Burial followed in Spring Hill Cemetery.

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

Loogootee Economic Development Brief

Clean Beauty Affluent Residential Small Business Location Family
 By Andy Kyger, Director of Economic Development - City of Loogootee

The local area continues to see low, or what is considered in the economic world as 'full-employment', which does pose challenges for community leaders and business owners in the city.

For the local government, the challenge is in attracting business activity to a place where the numbers make the cost of labor look high. When the majority of people working within the city limits are earning less than \$1,250/month, we all know that this simply is not an accurate reflection of what is going on. Outside business leaders don't have that knowledge though and are left to simply go on what data they do have, all of which suggests that the cost of doing business in Loogootee and the surrounding area would be higher than in other locations.

With low unemployment also comes significant challenges for existing local businesses as they struggle to find and hire people with the necessary qualifications and work ethic.

Now to be clear, there are still a number of folks in the community who are 'under-employed' meaning they are working and working very hard, but are not earning enough in return to really support a household. For example \$1,250 dollars per month income works out to \$15,000 per year, and more than half of the people working in the city limits earn less than this.

How do we fix this imbalance? Well, we could advocate our state and federal government for increases in minimum wage, or we could work in our community to demand our local businesses pay more. There are other options to consider as well. For example, there are a number of open positions which do pay significantly more than minimum wage just a short drive to the south. The challenge is that many of these jobs require some level of knowledge that the average high school graduate does not have. Meaning they require a technical certification or a college degree of some sort or another.

But how do we get people educated? This is where the local governments can have a tremendous impact for the positive. Over the summer, the mayor and I worked with several higher education institutions. Our efforts were focused on how do we get them to partner with us to provide some level of education, whether it be a certification program or other, in our city to open the doors of educa-

tion up to those who would otherwise not have access due to transportation difficulties.

These discussions provided some early promise, and the local government as well as the Martin County Alliance are working to find the necessary community partners to help bring such opportunities to Loogootee.

Do keep in mind that discussions of this nature do take some time, perhaps several years to find the right partners and the right programs, but know that the local government is working on finding these solutions for the community.

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Martin County Sheriff's Department log

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

12:20 a.m. - Received a report of an accident near Loogootee. Deputy McBeth responded.

7:27 a.m. - Received a report of vandalism in Loogootee. Loogootee Captain Hennette responded.

7:55 a.m. - Received a report of an alarm in Loogootee. Loogootee Captain Hennette took the call.

8:09 a.m. - Received a report of an abandoned vehicle near Shoals. Sheriff Roush responded.

9:30 a.m. - Received a dog complaint near Shoals. Sheriff Roush took the call.

10:18 a.m. - Captain Dant transported one inmate from another county to court.

11:17 a.m. - Received a report of a break-in at a Loogootee home. Loogootee Captain Hennette responded.

1:56 p.m. - Received a report of a car damaged by dogs in Loogootee. Sgt. Keller took the call.

2:30 p.m. - Received a report of vandalism to a home east of Loogootee. Sgt. Keller responded.

4:53 p.m. - Received a report of someone hearing gun shots near Crane. Sgt. Keller responded.

6:39 p.m. - Received a report of an accident east of Shoals. Sgt. Keller, Shoals Fire Department, and Martin County Ambulance responded. No one was transported.

8:22 p.m. - Received a report of a possible theft near Loogootee. Sgt. Keller responded.

9:14 p.m. - Received a report of a gas line hit east of Shoals. Sgt. Keller, Shoals Fire Department, and Martin County Ambulance responded.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15

6:32 a.m. - Received a report of a car/animal accident south of Loogootee. Captain Dant responded.

7:48 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance near Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded and transported the subject to Daviess Community Hospital.

8:30 a.m. - Chief Deputy Greene took four inmates to court.

9:35 a.m. - Chief Deputy Greene took one inmate to court.

11:00 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded and transported the subject to Daviess Community Hospital.

11:15 a.m. - Chief Deputy Greene took two inmates to court.

11:40 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded and transported the subject to Daviess Community Hospital.

1:55 p.m. - Chief Deputy Greene took two inmates to court.

3:35 p.m. - Sgt. Keller took one inmate to court.

3:39 p.m. - Captain Dant transported one inmate from Logansport to the Martin County Jail.

3:49 p.m. - Received a report of a drive off without paying in Loogootee. Captain Dant located the vehicle near Shoals.

4:58 p.m. - Received a report of a theft near Shoals. Sgt. Keller took the call.

5:36 p.m. - Received a dog complaint in Shoals. Sgt. Keller responded.

8:09 p.m. - Sgt. Keller assisted a motorist south of Loogootee.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 16

12:58 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance near Shoals. Martin County Ambulance responded but did not transport.

2:25 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded and transported the subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

4:15 a.m. - Received a report of a natural gas odor north of Loogootee. Corporal Baker responded.

6:57 a.m. - Received a report of a reckless driver on US 50 near Shoals. Captain Dant responded.

7:48 a.m. - Received a report of harassment near Loogootee. Captain Dant responded.

8:47 a.m. - Received a dog complaint near Shoals. Captain Dant took the call.

9:40 a.m. - Received a report of vandalism in Loogootee. Loogootee Chief Rayhill responded.

9:59 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance near Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded and transported the subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

1:30 p.m. - Received a dog complaint in Loogootee. Loogootee Chief Rayhill responded.

2:05 p.m. - Received a report of a break-in near Shoals. Major Burkhardt responded.

2:44 p.m. - Received a report of a large tree limb on US 50, east of Shoals. Shoals Fire Department responded and removed it.

4:17 p.m. - Received a report of a shed fire in Loogootee. Loogootee Fire Department and Martin County Ambulance responded.

6:00 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance near Shoals. Shoals Fire Department and Martin County Ambulance responded. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

9:19 p.m. - Received a report of harassment in Loogootee. Loogootee Police Department was advised.

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9:55 a.m. - Received a report of harassment in Loogootee. Loogootee Chief Rayhill responded.

11:46 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded and transported the subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

11:54 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance south of Shoals. Shoals Fire Department 1st Responders, Dubois County Emergency Medical Service, and Martin County Ambulance responded. No one was transported.

12:55 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Loogootee Fire Department 1st responders, Southwest Medical, and Martin County Ambulance responded. Southwest Medical transported the subject to Daviess Community Hospital.

3:35 p.m. - Received a report of an accident south of Loogootee. Haysville Fire and Major Burkhardt responded.

3:45 p.m. - Received a dog complaint near Loogootee. Major Burkhardt responded.

4:29 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance near Loogootee. Major Burkhardt and Martin County Ambulance responded. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

9:24 p.m. - Received a report of a reckless driver in Shoals. Corporal Baker was notified.

10:01 p.m. - Received a report of harassment in Loogootee. Loogootee Officer Nolan responded.

10:32 p.m. - Received a report of a disorderly subject in Loogootee. Loogootee Officer Nolan responded.

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1:26 a.m. - Received a report of a car blocking the road near Loogootee. Loogootee Officer Nolan responded.

5:05 a.m. - Received a report of material on US 231, just south of Loogootee. Corporal Baker cleared the highway.

8:12 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Loogootee Fire Department 1st responders and Martin County Ambulance responded. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

9:00 a.m. - Sheriff Roush took two inmates to court.

12:20 p.m. - Received a dog complaint north of Shoals. Major Burkhardt spoke with all involved.

1:46 p.m. - Received a dog complaint in Shoals. Chief Deputy Greene took the call.

2:30 p.m. - Received a report of a theft in Crane. Major Burkhardt took the call.

3:42 p.m. - Received a report of an accident near Shoals. Sheriff Roush and Major Burkhardt responded.

8:03 p.m. - Received a report of trees across the road south of Shoals. Major Burkhardt and Lost River Fire Department responded and removed the trees.

9:48 p.m. - Received a report of an accident in Shoals. Town Marshal Eckert responded.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 19

12:00 a.m. - Received a report of a reckless driver on US 50. Loogootee Police Department was advised.

9:19 a.m. - Received a report of harassment near Shoals. Major Burkhardt was advised.

9:17 a.m. - Received a report of an accident east of Shoals. Major Burkhardt and Sheriff Roush responded.

10:33 a.m. - Received a report of a trespasser in Loogootee. Loogootee Captain Akles responded.

11:27 a.m. - Received a report of an abandoned car in Loogootee. Loogootee Captain Akles responded.

12:26 p.m. - Received a report of an abandoned car in Loogootee. Loogootee Captain Akles responded.

12:49 p.m. - Received a dog complaint north of Shoals. Major Burkhardt responded.

1:17 p.m. - Received an alarm call near Loogootee. Major Burkhardt responded.

2:41 p.m. - Received a report of a drive-off in Shoals. Major Burkhardt responded.

3:58 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance east of Shoals. Shoals Fire Department and Martin County Ambulance responded. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

6:45 p.m. - Received a report of a reckless driver east of Shoals. Deputy McBeth responded.

7:18 p.m. - Received a dog complaint in Shoals. Deputy McBeth took the call.

7:33 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance near Shoals. Shoals Fire Department and Martin County Ambulance responded. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

8:22 p.m. - Received a report of vandalism in Loogootee. Loogootee Police Department was advised.

9:09 p.m. - Received a report of an accident north of Loogootee. Loogootee Sgt. Norris and Deputy McBeth responded.

11:10 p.m. - Received a report of a possible drunk driver near Loogootee. Deputy

McBeth responded and all was okay.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 20

12:56 a.m. - Received a report of a suspicious vehicle near Loogootee. Deputy McBeth responded.

3:38 a.m. - Received a report of an accident east of Loogootee. Deputy McBeth responded.

3:56 a.m. - Received a report of a drive-off in Loogootee. Loogootee Police Department was notified.

2:22 p.m. - Received a report of a domestic situation in Loogootee. Loogootee Captain Akles responded.

5:58 p.m. - Received a dog complaint near Shoals. Sgt. Keller took the call.

4:23 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded.

4:23 p.m. - Received a report of an accident south of Loogootee. Haysville 1st Responders, Sgt. Keller, and Martin County Ambulance responded. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

9:56 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded but did not transport.

11:27 p.m. - Received a report of a suspicious car in Crane. Deputy McBeth responded.

11:41 p.m. - Received a report of a domestic situation in Loogootee. Loogootee Sgt. Norris responded.

6:15 a.m. - Received a report of a disabled semi north of Loogootee. Captain Dant was unable to locate.

6:20 a.m. - Received a report of an accident in Loogootee. Loogootee Chief Rayhill responded.

Accident reports

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 17

6:20 a.m. - Joseph D. Brantley, of Indianapolis, was in the outer lane on Broadway Street attempting to turn right when he turned and struck a 2013 Freightliner operated by Donald W. Holst, of Otwell. Chief Rayhill was the investigating officer.

4:40 p.m. - Robert M. Lannan, of Loogootee, was operating a 2000 Buick and attempting to turn onto US 231 when he turned and struck a 2009 Dodge operated by Brittany L. Church, of Loogootee. Officer Nolan investigated.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

10:11 p.m. - Connie Flanagan, of Loogootee, was operating a 2001 Dodge in the Marathon parking lot when she backed into a dumpster. Officer Nolan was the investigating officer.

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CRIMINAL CONVICTIONS & SENTENCING September 3

Rory A. Browder, convicted of operating a vehicle with an ACE of .08 or more, a Class C Misdemeanor. Sentenced to serve 40 days in the Martin County Security Center with 0 days suspended and credit for 9 actual days previously served plus 9 good time credit days.

CIVIL COURT New Suits Filed September 10

Bank of America vs. Phyllis G. Waddle, civil collection.

September 11

Tracy L. Parker vs. Glenn A. Cundiff, petition for dissolution of marriage.

September 14

Portfolio Recovery Associates, LLC vs. Paul Steiner, civil collection.

Amy D. Baesel vs. Robert B. Baesel, petition for dissolution of marriage.

September 15

Amber N. McBride vs. Michael R. McBride, petition for dissolution of marriage.

CIVIL COURT JUDGMENTS September 14

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff National Collegiate Student Loan and against the defendants Shameh Redman and Mark

Redman in the amount of \$17,333.92.

SMALL CLAIMS COURT New Suits Filed September 11

Padanaram, Inc. vs. Shawna Vincz, complaint.

September 15

Carl E. Wiscaver, Sr. vs. Sherry Youngblood, complaint.

SMALL CLAIMS JUDGMENTS September 14

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Hoosier Accounts Service and against the defendant Anthony Wilson in the amount of \$1,098.20.

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Hoosier Accounts Service and against the defendant Brian Wagler in the amount of \$686.49.

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Hoosier Accounts Service and against the defendant Allison M. Moore in the amount of \$2,215.94.

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Hoosier Accounts Service and against the defendant Lori L. Moore in the amount of \$1,855.70.

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Hoosier Accounts Service and against the defendant Amy N. Freeman in the amount of \$643.36.

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Hoosier Accounts Service and against the defendant Thomas Lake in the amount of \$1,133.36.

MARRIAGE LICENSES September 16

Mark Anthony Potts of Loogootee and Jessica Renee Clark of Loogootee.

Drop off unused Rx drugs as part of statewide take-back

Indiana Attorney General Greg Zoeller is asking all Hoosiers to clean out their medicine cabinets this week and dispose of unused, unwanted or expired prescription medications.

Prescription drug take-back locations will be available across the state this Saturday as part of National Prescription Drug Take-Back Day, sponsored by the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA).

On Saturday, September 26, Hoosiers can drop off prescription drugs from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at designated locations statewide, including hospitals, police stations, pharmacies and more. Some communities will be hosting take-back sites on Friday to provide additional disposal opportunities.

Locations located near Martin County are:

-Indiana State Police Post, 2209 Newton Street, Jasper

-Ireland Fire Station, 5050 W. Main Street, Jasper

-Huntingburg Police Station, 214 E. 17th Street, Huntingburg

-Celestine Fire Station, 6964 E. SR 164, Celestine

-Vincennes Police Department, 501 Busseron Street, Vincennes

"Our goal is to change the habit of keeping old prescription drugs around the house any longer than they are actually needed," Zoeller said. "Treating these drugs casually furthers the false impression that prescription medications are safe and contributes to the high rates of prescription drug abuse and addiction. Doing your part to ensure you're not facilitating any potential abuse and sending a message to your children that these drugs are dangerous can make a real difference."

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), drug overdoses now surpass car accidents as the leading cause of injury-related death nationwide and in Indiana. More than half of the overdose deaths in Indiana are caused by prescription drugs or heroin.

Zoeller is founder and co-chair of the Indiana Prescription Drug Abuse Prevention Task Force, which was established in 2012 to address this growing epidemic in the Hoosier State. One of the Task Force's goals is to promote safe medication disposal across the state, and Task Force members have worked with law enforce-

ment and pharmacies on an ongoing basis to establish drug take-backs in local communities. To date, all but four of the 92 Indiana counties have permanent prescription drug take-back sites.

"In a recent study, the CDC reported people who are addicted to prescription opioid painkillers are 40 times more likely to be addicted to heroin. The prescription take-back day is an opportunity for people to help reduce the threat," said DEA Assistant Special Agent in Charge Greg Westfall. "To prevent potential theft or misuse, take the time to clean out your medicine cabinet of unwanted or unused prescription drugs and dispose of them properly."

As part of National Prescription Drug Take-Back Day, the Indiana Prescription Drug Abuse Prevention Task Force is partnering with the Indiana State Police to host a drop-off site in downtown Indianapolis on Friday, September 25, at Indiana Government Center North, 100 N. Senate Ave. Prescription medications will be collected from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. More information is available at www.in.gov/bitterpill/files/25th_Take-back.pdf.

Loogootee Police log

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

7:27 a.m. - Caller reported tires slashed on his vehicle.

7:55 a.m. - Captain Hennette responded to a residential alarm.

8:42 a.m. - Captain Hennette responded to a residential alarm.

11:17 a.m. - Received a call of a burglary in Redwing Trailer Court.

5:37 p.m. - Captain Hennette responded to a business alarm.

7:27 p.m. - Caller reported a property dispute on Butcher Boulevard.

9:07 p.m. - Caller reported loud music in the high school parking lot.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15

11:30 a.m. - Caller reported a vehicle all over the road. Chief Rayhill located the vehicle and the driver was sent to a local hospital for low blood sugar.

4:14 p.m. - Caller reported a theft from Jones Oil.

6:10 p.m. - Caller reported someone was in her garage. No items were reported missing.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 16

9:50 a.m. - Received a report of vandalism on SW 2nd Street.

10:00 a.m. - Received a report that locks were cut off at Blake's storage sheds.

11:45 a.m. - Caller reported a dog complaint.

1:00 p.m. - Caller reported a burglary on Grant Street.

2:15 p.m. - Caller reported loose dogs on Butcher Boulevard.

4:17 p.m. - Loogootee Fire was paged out

to a vehicle fire on Garrett Avenue.

5:07 p.m. - Caller reported a disturbance in Redwing Trailer Court.

9:24 p.m. - Caller reported harassment.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 17

10:15 a.m. - Caller reported a phone scam.

10:17 a.m. - Received a report of harassment.

12:20 p.m. - Caller reported a battery.

4:08 p.m. - Received a report of a domestic dispute on Lincoln Avenue.

4:50 p.m. - Caller reported harassment.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

1:26 a.m. - Received a reported of a vehicle partially in the road on US 231. Vehicle was towed to G&M Auto.

4:59 p.m. - Caller requested extra patrol.

Saturday, September 19

10:40 a.m. - Caller requested an officer in regards to a property exchange.

12:26 p.m. - Caller reported a vehicle blocking an entryway.

6:55 p.m. - Caller requested to speak with an officer.

7:33 p.m. - Caller reported a child custody dispute.

8:22 p.m. - Caller reported vandalism to her vehicle.

9:09 p.m. - Received a report of property damage.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 20

3:56 a.m. - Caller reported a theft of fuel from Chuckles.

10:09 p.m. - Sgt. Norris assisted Indiana State Police on a traffic stop.

Real estate transfer

Dale E. Abel and Darcus J. Abel, of Martin County, Indiana to Mark D. Stevens and Sheryl K. Stevens, of Martin County, Indiana, a part of the north half of the northeast quarter of the southwest quarter of Section 12, Township 3 North, Range 5 West, Martin County, Indiana, containing 0.319 acres, more or less.

JAIL BOOKINGS

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

3:01 a.m. - Anthony Raber, 20, of Odon, was arrested by Deputy McBeth and charged with operating a vehicle while intoxicated and minor consumption. His bond is \$20,000 10%.

12:30 p.m. - Waylon McGuire, 25, of Shoals, was arrested by Sheriff Roush on a Martin County warrant.

12:50 p.m. - Louis Bowling, 41, of Pekin, was arrested by Captain Dant on a Martin County warrant. He was held on a \$20,000 10% bond.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 17

1:16 p.m. - Molly Raney, 19, of Loogootee, was arrested by Loogootee Chief Rayhill and charged with theft. She is being held on a \$10,000 10% bond.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

7:09 p.m. - Brian Tharp, 28, of Shoals, was arrested by Major Burkhardt on a Martin County warrant. He is being held on a \$9,000 bond.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 19

3:45 p.m. - Michael Sluder, 38, of Mitchell, was located in Huron, and arrested by Major Burkhardt on a Martin County warrant. He is being held without bond.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 20

8:22 p.m. - Indiana State Police Trooper Johnson on station with Michael Elliott, 43, of Loogootee, was arrested by State Trooper Johnson and charged with operating a vehicle while intoxicated. He is being held on a \$10,000 bond.



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In the Garden

By Ralph Purkhiser
Purdue University Master Gardener

Fall officially arrived on Monday. The cooler weather invites us outside to enjoy our gardens in the waning growing season. It is a wonderful time to gather around the fire pit for a wiener roast and toasting marshmallows.

Last week, we discussed the attributes of the aptly-named beautyberry. The purple berries are one of the focal points of the autumn garden. However, other berries also come into their own in fall and last into winter. Perhaps the best known late season berry is the fruit of the Ilex genus, commonly known as holly. While we may think of holly as a Christmas plant, in the garden, the berries begin to shine in fall. While most of us are familiar with the red berries of English holly, within the genus one may find berries of brown, black, green and, rarely, yellow. Commonly called berries, the fruit is properly called a drupe. They are poisonous to humans, so children should never be left unattended where the bright berries may attract them.

The best known hollies are those with evergreen waxy green leaves and red berries. English hollies and American hollies share those attributes. They may be used as focal points in gardens, with some varieties topping eighty feet. However, they are more often used for hedges. Their spiny leaves make penetration difficult and they respond well to pruning. Although most hollies grow slowly, they are quick to regenerate leaf growth on back wood and will fill in quickly in a hedge.

The evergreen dark green leaves of most hollies are in themselves attractive. However, some leaves may have a blueish color, while variegation with white and yellow may also be found. Since hollies will tolerate considerable shade, the variegated leaves are effective in bringing bright spots to shady areas.

Not all hollies are evergreen. In fact, the deciduous holly, commonly called winterberry, is one of the most attractive hollies in the garden. Also known as brook alder or false alder, the winterberry is native to the eastern United States. It commonly grows in marshy areas. The bright red berries persist long after the leaves have dropped, making the stems of red

berries attractive in the garden and in winter arrangements. The natural growth habit of winterberry is a multi-stem shrub, growing to around eight feet in height. In the wild, they will often form thickets, but they are easily trimmed to remain more compact in cultivation. Through breeding, some cultivars have been bred to grow as small, single-stemmed trees. Since they are native to marshes, they are a valuable tree for landscaping in areas where flooding is common.

Japanese holly lacks both the jagged leaves and red berries of the common species. Sometimes called box-leaved holly because the leaves resemble those of boxwood, Japanese hollies have become common foundation plants. One of the most popular cultivars is the sky pencil holly, which forms a columnar evergreen, often used as corner plants or in pairs to mark entries. The berries of most Japanese hollies are black, earning them the common name of ink-berry holly.

All hollies are dioecious, meaning that both male and female plants are needed for pollination. A single male specimen may be sufficient to fertilize several females. At Sandhill gardens, I have placed the males in out-of-the-way places. Bees are the pollinators responsible for carrying most of the holly pollen, so the male plant need not be next to the female. I have seen some plants in garden centers that have had male limbs grafted onto female plants. However, the expense of the plants is more than that of a male and female plant combination, and if the graft ever fails, one could be left with an unproductive specimen. The only justification for buying such a plant would be if one has room in the landscape for only one plant. If you live in town, a neighborhood may plant one male to pollinate females planted in every yard in the area.

Hollies provide year-round interest in the garden. I am especially fond of the winterberry hollies and, since they are native, highly recommend them for gardens in southern Indiana. They will attract attention in fall and winter. No show garden should be without two (male and female).

Seminar on hunting dog training

The American Hunting Dog Association is offering a free introductory seminar on how to train a hunting dog at Paynetown State Recreation Area on Saturday, September 26.

The 60-minute seminar starts at 3 p.m. at Deer Run Shelter. It will cover genetics, picking the right dog, communication, cues, commands and prompts, delivery to hand, whistle stops, maintenance drills and training the trainer. There will be a brief introduction to clicker and reward-based training, and an overview of positive reinforcement training versus traditional compulsion training.

The seminar is limited to the first 25 people. Walk-up registration is allowed, or participants can reserve a spot at bit.ly/huntingdog.

The seminar is part of a larger event called "Furs. Fins. Float. FUN!" that runs from 2 to 6 p.m. Other activities include falconry presentations, retriever dog demos, open fishing, intro to kayaking, Verein Deutsch-Drahthaar dog demos and wild game stew.

An events schedule is at bit.ly/fursfinsfloat2015.

There is a property entrance fee of \$7 per in-state vehicle and \$9 per out-of-state vehicle. All event activities, including the seminar, are included at no additional charge.

Paynetown SRA is at 4850 South State Road 446, Bloomington, 47401.

CheckIN Game phone number wrong in hunt guide

The phone number for deer and turkey hunters to report their harvested animals is wrong in the printed version of the 2015-16 DNR Hunting & Trapping Regulations booklet.

The correct number is 800-419-1326.

That number appears on page 12 of the booklet but is incorrect on pages 26 and 38.

Hunters are required to register their harvested deer or turkey within 48 hours either online through the DNR's CheckIN Game system (CheckINGame.dnr.IN.gov); finding a check station, license vendor or retailer who will enter the information through CheckIN Game; or by calling 800-419-1326.

The DNR regrets the error and apologizes for any inconvenience it may have caused.

Dubois County crop harvest begins

Corn harvest began in Dubois County this last week as local farmers took advantage of excellent fall harvest weather. Crop surveys completed by Purdue Extension - Dubois County on Friday, September 18, 2015 found local farmers had begun to harvest county crops due thanks to dry, breezy weather with temperatures in the upper 80's.

County corn harvest is currently at 38 percent, with much of this spring's earlier planted corn being harvested throughout the county. Reported moistures for local crops ranged from 19 percent to 26 percent, with dry down times and moistures varying greatly from farm to farm and even field to field due to differences in corn varieties and local soil and field conditions. Fields not experiencing mid-summer flooding have been reported to be at or above normal yields at harvest. Additional farmers are expecting to begin harvest this week as the corn crop continues to mature.

continues to mature.

Soybean harvest has also begun in limited areas of the county, with 3 percent of the crop being harvested with most fields still dropping leaves as plants continue to mature. Double crop soybean growers should scout soybean fields for insects, especially as we move later into the season, as these greener fields will be especially attractive to many soybean pests as full season soybeans continue to dry down.

Limited seeding of winter wheat has begun, with farmers reminded that the establishment of wheat should be after the wheat "fly-free" date of October 7 to significantly reduce the chance of Hessian fly infestations and eventual crop losses. Farmers taking advantage of winter cover crops such as wheat, rye, barley, and other cereal grains should remember that this fly date applies to these crops as well.

Clearing brush vital to preventing irrigation system damage

BY DARRIN PACK
Purdue University News Service

Early fall is a good time to clear brush and trees from around center pivot irrigation systems, a step that could help prevent damage to the equipment, a Purdue and Michigan State irrigation expert says.

"One of the greatest potential economic losses from center pivot irrigation comes from trees collapsing or rolling the spans," said Lyndon Kelley. "Tree limbs as small as 2 inches in diameter can cause a pivot tower to flip or tear off the pivot end boom if branches catch the span V bracing or end."

Branches can also become entangled in the pivot span, causing it to roll and topple the entire structure, he said.

Chemical herbicides are Kelley's first choice for getting rid of brush.

"Brush and tree control herbicides are more effective in early fall as the plants

translocate the pesticide to the roots better than in spring," he said. "Spray additives are important especially in trees and brush with a waxy or oily leaf cover."

Herbicides work best on small trees. Trees that are over five inches in diameter at the trunk, or higher than sprayers can reach, require cutting or girdling. The stumps should be treated with an herbicide to prevent regrowth.

"The important thing is to control brush and trees that are growing in the pivot's travel area since it's far less expensive to manage these obstacles than to repair a crashed pivot," Kelley said.

For more information on brush and tree control, contact Kelley at 269-467-5511 or kelleyl@msu.edu. Additional reference materials are available at <http://ohioline.osu.edu/for-fact/0051.html> and <http://ohioline.osu.edu/for-fact/0045s.html>.

Patoka River National Wildlife Refuge

Celebrate National Refuge Appreciation Day at Patoka River National Wildlife Refuge on Saturday, October 10.

The Refuge offers something for everyone. Learn where you can hunt and fish, hike, canoe or kayak, and where the best spots are for viewing birds and wildlife. Learn about the history of the area, including the Wabash & Erie Canal. See what is being done on the Refuge to help save the Eastern box turtle, and try your hand at turtle tracking.

Native plant and Monarch butterfly gardens, and photographs taken on the Refuge, will be showcased. There will also be a children's activity and free coloring books.

Apply now for reserved waterfowl hunts at DNR properties

Waterfowl hunters can apply online now through Sept. 30 for a chance to hunt at Brookville and Monroe lakes, Goose Pond, LaSalle, Hovey, Kankakee, Kingsbury and Willow Slough fish & wildlife areas and Province Pond Wetland Conservation Area.

Applicants may choose up to five property and date combinations. Successfully drawn applicants will be chosen for one (or more) of their five property and date choices.

Participants must have a party of three hunters to hunt Monroe Lake. On all other

The festivities, held at Maxey Marsh, will run from 8 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. CST.

Informational booths about the various activities on the Refuge will be open throughout the morning.

Bus tours on the Refuge will begin at 8 am and 11 am CST. Seating is limited so be sure to sign up when first arriving at the Refuge.

The Talon Trust will present a raptor program beginning at 10 am CST.

To get to Maxey Marsh from Oakland City, head east on SR 64. Just east of town, look for the signs directing you to the Refuge, Snakey Point, and on to Maxey Marsh.

properties, hunters must be accompanied by at least one but no more than two other hunters.

All hunters must possess a hunting license, state waterfowl stamp, federal waterfowl stamp and a HIP (Harvest Information Program) Number.

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More information and the application system are at dnr.IN.gov/fishwild/5834.htm.

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Hoosiers everywhere have a role in surface, groundwater protection

Indiana is fortunate to have abundant water resources. Our lakes, streams, wetlands and underground reserves are vulnerable to natural and manmade contaminants. In observance of SepticSmart Week, September 21 through 25, the Indiana Department of Environmental Management (IDEM) is reminding Hoosiers that protecting water quality starts right in our own backyards.

Pollutants from the ground, paved surfaces and rooftops can wash into our waterways with melting snow and storm water that wash over the terrain. Examples include excess pesticides and fertilizer that can wash from lawns and plants into nearby rivers and streams. Known as nonpoint source water pollution, this type of pollution is considered the largest source of water contamination today.

Some homes are not located close enough to a sewer system and instead use a septic system to clean up waste water from sinks, bathtubs and toilets. Unfortunately, nutrients and bacteria from overloaded or failing septic systems are also a common source of nonpoint source water pollution. IDEM is joining with the Indiana State Department of Health to remind Hoosiers that regular maintenance is essential to keep septic systems working well. Follow these tips to prevent pollution to nearby lakes and streams and protect the groundwater used for residential wells.

• Know where "it" goes. Educate yourself on the type of waste disposal system that

serves your home. Even where municipal wastewater treatment is provided, some homes may not be connected to the city sewer. Be aware of the type of system that serves your home.

• Don't flush coffee grounds, dental floss, disposable diapers or wipes, feminine hygiene products, cigarette butts or cat litter, which can clog and damage septic systems.

• Don't plant trees near the septic drainfield, to avoid roots from clogging pipes and systems.

• Don't drive or park heavy equipment on the septic drainfield, to avoid compaction and keep soil pores free to treat fluids leaving the system.

• Use the garbage disposal properly and avoid pouring fats and grease down the drain, to avoid clogging the system.

• Be aware that green striping in an otherwise dry lawn, soft spots in the yard during dry weather, and a sewage smell outside the home are all signs of potential septic system failure. Watch for these signs and take action before your septic backs up.

• Work with your county health officials to properly locate septic systems and keep them running properly.

For more information about the common sources of nonpoint source water pollution and how to protect water quality, visit IDEM's website at www.IN.gov/idem/nps/. For more information about onsite sewage disposal systems, visit the Indiana State Department of Health's website at

www.IN.gov/isdh/23283.htm. For more information about SepticSmart Week 2015, visit the U.S. Environmental Protection

Agency's website at <http://water.epa.gov/infrastructure/septic/septicmart.cfm>.

Watch for moisture when drying, storing grain this year

BY EMMA HOPKINS
Purdue University News Service

Grain producers heading into harvest should carefully monitor the moisture level of their crops to help avoid spoilage during storage, a Purdue Extension expert says.

Klein Ileleji, associate professor of agricultural and biological engineering and a grain storage specialist, said excess moisture could be a problem for some crops after record rainfall earlier this season caused flooding and ponding in some parts of the Midwest.

While crops in one part of a field might have a high moisture content due to flooding, crops on higher ground might be drier, he said.

Mixing the grains from different parts of a field could help reduce the chances of spoilage.

"Rather than using the low or high moisture extremes as the basis for setting your final target moisture, use the average moisture," Ileleji said. "That is, mix wet and dry grain batches during harvest and dry them to help reduce moisture variability."

Once the grain is thoroughly mixed, Ileleji

advised running bin aeration fans for 7-10 days so the grain is cooled to the ambient temperature of the surrounding air and moisture levels equalize in the bin. Depending on the weather, bin size and fan specifications, farmers may need to run fans for half a day or more for grain temperatures to reach ambient temperature levels.

"Cooling grain adequately to ambient temperature is an important step in preserving storage life," he said.

Once the ambient temperature is reached, Ileleji recommends "ambient aeration," that is, running the grain fan continuously to cool grain to below 50 degrees Fahrenheit. Temperature cables are useful to monitor grain cooling while deep bin probes or triers are used to sample grain for moisture, he said, especially to ensure that the top 5-6 feet below the surface is adequately dried.

Ileleji offered these grain storage tips:
* If corn is to be stored for a year or less, it should be dried to a moisture content of 14-15 percent. If it is to be stored more than a year, it should be dried to 13 percent. If the corn is of poor quality, those numbers should be reduced by 1 percentage point.

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Loogootee Boys' Tennis wins LHS Invitational

The Loogootee High School Varsity Boys' Tennis Team defeated Barr-Reeve in the championship match this past Saturday to win the Loogootee Invitational.

Head Coach Rick Graves said after the win, "As frustrating as our matches were last week, they were equally satisfying today. I'm really proud of how our team played and the fact that we beat two teams who had previously beaten us during the season. Max and Bailey did a great job winning two, third-set tiebreaks, the first of those winning the match against Bloomfield. Both of our doubles teams were much more aggressive today, which was great to see. Wyatt played some really good tennis. When he is on he's very difficult to beat. He had a bit of a letdown against Bloomfield but regrouped nicely in the tiebreak. His second match may have been the best tennis he's played for us. I can't say enough good things about Trysten Booker. He just kept battling against Gage and never gave up. The match was every bit as close as the scores would indicate. He knew the match was his to win or lose and he did a great job of maintaining his composure and fighting to the very end. Landon Bell had to face two quality opponents and played well but just came up short. Sheldon and Landon played well but like Landon Bell faced two good doubles teams. Overall it was a great day."

Championship results

Loogootee 3, Barr-Reeve 2

#1 Singles - Colten Lottes (BR) defeated Landon Bell (L) 6-4, 6-3

#2 Singles - Wyatt Wade (L) defeated Trent Graber (BR) 6-1, 6-0

#3 Singles - Trysten Booker (L) defeated Gage Wilson (BR) 5-7, 6-4, 1-0(8)

#1 Doubles - Blake Hoover and Jonathon Walker (BR) defeated Sheldon Christmas and Landon Wittmer (L) 6-3, 6-4

#2 Doubles - Max Christmas and Bailey Dearwester (L) defeated Nick Parsons and Mitch Wagler (BR) 6-3, 4-6, 1-0(5)

First round results

Loogootee 3, Bloomfield 2

#1 Singles - Brennan Hughes (B) defeated Landon Bell (L) 6-3, 6-4

#2 Singles - Wyatt Wade (L) defeated Chris Gilmore (B) 6-1, 6-7(5), 1-0(7)

#3 Singles - Trysten Booker (L) defeated Zach Stone (B) 6-3, 6-3

#1 Doubles - Alex Chestnut and Hunter Heaton (B) defeated Sheldon Christmas and Landon Wittmer (L) 6-0, 6-0

#2 Doubles - Max Christmas and Bailey Dearwester (L) defeated Jacob Pyne and Jackson Stone (B) 3-6, 6-2, 1-0(7)

Barr-Reeve 5, Linton 0

#1 Singles - Colten Lottes (BR) defeated Zack Hall (L) 6-1, 6-2

#2 Singles - Trent Graber (BR) defeated

Dave Witty (L) 6-2, 6-1

#3 Singles - Gage Wilson (BR) defeated Evan Slover (L) 7-5, 6-3

#1 Doubles - Blake Hoover and Jonathon Walker (BR) defeated Sammy Robbins and Silas Robbins (L) 6-0, 6-2

#2 Doubles - Nick Parsons & Mitch Wagler (BR) defeated Brayden Alten and Jakob Goodwin (L) 6-0, 6-0

Consolation game results

Bloomfield 5, Linton 0

#1 Singles - Brennan Hughes (B) defeated Zack Hall (L) 6-1, 6-0

#2 Singles - Chris Gilmore (B) defeated Dave Witty (L) 6-3, 6-0

#3 Singles - Zach Stone (B) defeated Evan Slover (L) 4-6, 6-4, 1-0(5)

#1 Doubles - Alex Chestnut and Hunter Heaton (B) defeated Sammy Robbins and Silas Robbins (L) 6-0, 6-0

#2 Doubles - Jacob Pyne and Jackson Stone (B) defeated Brayden Alten and Jakob Goodwin (L) 6-0, 6-0

Last Thursday, the varsity and junior varsity Lions went up against Barr-Reeve. The varsity was defeated 1-4 and the junior varsity lost, 1-2.

"The last couple of matches have been frustrating. We talked after the match and I told everyone I felt like we've taken a little bit of a step backwards. We talked about experience and mental toughness and how that's such a valuable part of the game. We are a relatively young, inexperienced team, and as one of the players put it, our tennis I.Q. isn't quite there yet. By playing these matches I'm hopeful that in the future the experience we're gaining will pay dividends. We had opportunities to win but Barr-Reeve was able to win key points at opportune times to turn us away," said Coach Graves.

Varsity results

Barr-Reeve 4, Loogootee 1

#1 Singles - Colten Lottes (BR) defeated Landon Bell (L) 6-2, 6-1

#2 Singles - Wyatt Wade (L) defeated Trent Graber (BR) 6-4, 6-2

#3 Singles - Gage Wilson (BR) defeated Trysten Booker (L) 2-6, 6-3, 6-1

#1 Doubles - Blake Hoover and Jonathon Walker (BR) defeated Sheldon Christmas and Landon Wittmer (L) 7-5, 7-5

#2 Doubles - Nick Parsons and Mitch Wagler (BR) defeated Max Christmas and Bailey Dearwester (L) 6-2, 3-6, 6-4

Junior varsity results

Barr-Reeve 2, Loogootee 1

#1 Singles - Landon Diamond (L) defeated Cole Butler (BR) 8-6

#2 Singles - Noah Ross (BR) defeated Gavin Wittmer (L) 8-1

#1 Doubles - Cole Butler and Noah Ross (BR) defeated Jake Carrico and Jace Toy (L) 8-6

Loogootee Volleyball Teams on winning streaks

The Loogootee Junior Varsity Volleyball Team were the LHS Invitational Champions this past Saturday, September 19, with wins over Bedford North Lawrence, Shakamak, and North Knox. The girls defeated all three teams in two sets: BNL 25-13 and 25-24; Shakamak 25-14 and 25-6 and North Knox 25-9 and 25-13.

Kashten Burch led in points with 26 and in assists with 27. Maelee Hawkins contributed 19 points followed by Savannah McAtee with 17, Calli Winger with 13 and Katie Sims with 12. Winger led in digs with 20, Sims had six and McAtee had five.

Madisyn Wade led in kills with 12 while McAtee and Tyanna Graber each added nine and Winger finished with seven. Sydney Davis contributed 26 assists in the matches.

Last Friday, the Lady Lions took on

Shoals at home and won in four sets, 25-23, 23-25, 25-18, and 25-15.

Kylie Hall led in points with 20 and in digs with 16. Breigh LaMar led in assists with 18 and also contributed 13 points. Jody Seals added 16 assists and Emily Brookshire finished with 12 digs and 10 points. Julianne Bell led in kills with 15 followed by Emily Bateman with 10 and Breanna Hollaway and Mya Hedrick with five each.

Calli Winger added four digs.

The junior varsity team also defeated Shoals in two sets, 25-8 and 25-9.

Olivia Winger led in points with nine followed by Savannah McAtee with eight (including seven aces), and Katie Sims with eight (four aces). Sydney Davis led in assists with seven and Kashten Burch added four.

Davis also had three kills as did Madisyn



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Service

Students in Ms. Bays' 6th grade class at Loogootee Middle School wanted to do a service project in remembrance of September 11. They had learned that President Obama has designated September 11 as a National Day of Service and Remembrance. They decided to pick up trash around the school property. Many of the students commented that doing something to help others felt great. It is good to do things to clean up our community.



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Shown above is the Shoals Lady Rox Volleyball Team after their tourney win this past Saturday in Borden.

Lady Rox Volleyball win Invitational

This past Saturday, the Shoals Lady Rox Volleyball Team competed in Borden and became the Bethany Burrier Invitational Champions by winning the most sets played. The girls defeated Mitchell in two

sets, 25-21 and 25-20, to win the championship.

Head Coach Rebecca Harmon said after the tournament, "The girls played tough today. We set a goal to fix our errors and come out to beat Mitchell and they accomplished that goal." Harmon also thanked the Shoals Fire Department for the escort through town when they arrived back in Shoals and to Dale Allbright for driving the bus. She also thanked all the fans for the support at the tourney and back in Shoals.

In the Mitchell sets, Taylor Atkison led in kills with seven followed by Megan Hawkins with five, Macey Way with three and Emilee Wagler with one. Way also had two aces and seven digs. Dawn Wright and Hope Baylis each had one ace and Baylis also contributed six digs. Hope Self added three kills and three blocks and Kelsie Graves finished with one block.

The Lady Rox were defeated by Borden on Saturday in three sets, 12-25, 25-22, and 13-15. Atkison finished with six kills, two aces and 11 digs; Graves had six kills and one ace; Way had four kills and two aces, Wright and Wagler each had two aces, and Baylis finished with one ace. Hawkins and Self each contributed one kill.

Wade. McAtee, Maelee Hawkins, and Leonna Hedrick each contributed two kills.

Last Thursday, the varsity Lady Lions defeated North Knox in five sets, 25-20, 26-24, 18-25, 18-25, and 15-12. LaMar led in points with 18 and in assists with 23. Graber added 10 points and Bell contributed nine points and 13 kills.

Hollaway added 10 kills and Hedrick finished with nine.

Seals added 17 assists. Brookshire led in digs with 16 followed by Winger with nine and Hall with eight.

The junior varsity also defeated North Knox in two sets, 25-23 and 25-19.

Sims and Whitworth led in points with nine each followed by McAtee with four. McAtee also contributed six kills followed by Wade with four and Winger and Hawkins with two each. Burch and Davis each had seven assists.

State board of education holds September meeting

The Indiana State Board of Education held its monthly business meeting in Indianapolis. The board heard testimony and took action on many items including establishing criteria for students that must take the high school remediation exam, approved new cut scores for some teacher licensing exams, and approved the release of \$40,000,000 in loans to schools for construction and technology through the Common School Fund.

The board also heard a presentation from the Commission for Higher Education concerning new proposed high school diplomas beginning for students entering high school in the 2018-19 school year. The board will continue studying the proposed new diplomas and Superintendent Ritz requested that a special board meeting be called in October to make a final decision on this proposal. The state board, by law, must make a recommendation to the Indiana General Assembly by December 1, 2015.

"This marks a major shift in education in our state," said Dr. Steven Yager, At-Large State Board Member. "We must closely examine the impact of these proposed new

diplomas on our students, public and private schools, and special student populations. We want to make sure we prepare our children for college or a career, but also give them flexibility to engage their educational curiosity and expand their horizons."

The board also voted on a resolution directing the department of education to calculate A-F accountability grades for the 2014-15 school year based on the rules in place during that school year, including amendments previously approved by the board concerning grades for atypical schools and college and career weighting for high schools. The state board also discussed a new timeline for issuing A-F grades that is currently being developed jointly by the Board, Department of Education, and CTB/McGraw-Hill. The new schedule would deliver final A-F grades on January 18, rather than March/April as originally proposed by the department of education.

Lastly the board voted to approve the cut scores for the CCRA English and Math tests for high school and the NCSC English and Math tests in grades 3-8, and 10 for students with significant cognitive disabilities.

NSWC Crane employee recognized for upgrading ship self-defense capability

A Naval Surface Warfare Center, Crane Division (NSWC Crane) Applied Science and Demand Management Department employee has been named a Program Executive Office Integrated Warfare Systems IWS (PEO IWS) 2.0 award winner. John Jones, who serves as PEO IWS 2E5's installation and asset manager, recently received notification that he was selected to receive the PEO IWS 2.0 2nd Quarter Excellence Award for efforts that were instrumental to bringing improved Electronic Warfare capability to the fleet. Jones is credited with ensuring the successful installation of the AN/SLQ-32(V)6 Countermeasures Set aboard the USS Bainbridge, DDG-96. The upgrade, commonly referred to as SEWIP Block 2 (Surface Electronic Warfare Improvement Program Block 2), provides advanced ship self-defense capability.

"This much-needed upgrade gives our sailors the ability to defend against and defeat modern threats and take back the Electronic Warfare spectrum," Jones noted. The Block 2 upgrade provides increased sensitivity, fine angular resolution, elevation measurement and increased situational awareness, which all help the ship evade or eliminate the threat.

"While this individual award is much appreciated, I really owe a great deal of thanks to numerous people who were central to the success of this installation," Jones said. "This is just one more reminder of how relevant NSWC Crane is to the US Navy. I think I can speak for everyone involved when I say installation of this upgrade re-ignited an incredible sense of pride in country and also resulted in a great deal of satisfaction knowing the ship and her crew are now even better equipped to go into harm's way."



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Shown above in the front row, from left to right, are former POW and POW widows Vernon Meyer, John Bowling, Pearl Bridgewater, Naomi Summerlot, John Frayser, Gene Saucerman, Paul Wagner and Frank Alexander. In the back row, from left to right, are former Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States Commander-in-Chief Bill Thien, NSA Crane Commanding Officer Cmdr. Timothy Craddock and CAAA Commander Col. Jim Hooper.

Crane Hosts POW/MIA Recognition Ceremony

Naval Support Activity Crane joined Naval Surface Warfare Center, Crane Division and Crane Army Ammunition Activity in hosting its annual Prisoner of War/Missing in Action Recognition Day Ceremony on September 17.

Six former POWs and three widows of former POWs were honored during the ceremony, which was attended by the commanding officers of NSA Crane and CAAA. CAAA Commander Col. Jim Hooper spoke of the importance of remembering former POWs and those who are still missing in action.

"I think this ceremony stands as a great reminder to everyone that we will not forget a single man or woman left behind on the battlefield," he said, adding that we owe active duty service members the knowledge that the nation will never give up on them.

Former Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States Commander-in-Chief Bill Thien, who served as the event's guest speaker, added a tribute to those who are still waiting to learn the fates of missing loved ones. "We must remember the sacrifices of their families, which they continue to make," he stressed. "I cannot imagine the loss that I would feel if my mother or father had gone to war and didn't return. I can't imagine reliving the moment when the government

IDHS encourages Hoosiers to complete emergency preparedness survey

The Indiana Department of Homeland Security is continuing to gather information from Indiana citizens about their preparedness levels in the event of a widespread emergency or disaster. IDHS launched a brief survey for Hoosiers to complete so that it can gain a greater understanding of how prepared Indiana residents are and how to help increase that preparedness level.

The 10-minute online survey can be found on the IDHS website at www.in.gov/dhs under the "Featured Topics" section and clicking on "IDHS Citizen Preparedness Survey 2015." All who participate can enter a contest to win a free all hazards/weather radio. Access to the survey has been extended until September 30.

The online survey is designed to emphasize the need for preparedness. September, which is National Preparedness Month, is a time when emergency management and other related partners specially emphasize being ready for an emergency or disaster. Messages during the month will seek to encourage all Hoosiers to take the necessary steps to ensure that their homes, workplaces and communities are prepared for disasters and emergencies of all kinds.

For more information on how to be ready for all type of emergencies, visit Getprepared.IN.gov.

couldn't tell me if my brother or sister was dead or alive. And I can't imagine my grief if that missing person was my son or daughter."

Bloomfield High School NJROTC provided the color guard for the ceremony. A seven-man firing party from the Crane and Odon Veterans of Foreign Wars posts fired three volleys and Taps was played to honor those who are missing and who died in action. The Bloomfield High School choir group, Center Stage, performed several songs during the event.

Following the ceremony, Crane honored its guests at a luncheon where the veterans spoke about their experiences as POWs. Some talked about the conditions they endured during their time of captivity and many expressed gratitude for the annual recognition ceremony, which has allowed them to become better acquainted with one another over the years. Former POW Paul Wagner said that is the reason he tries to attend the Crane ceremony each September.

"I feel sometimes that only other POWs could understand me. For example, I have hallucinations where I hear the guns firing and I'm back in the war. I come to see these people, the other POWs, because what happens most of the time is that their tales are so much worse than mine that I leave here feeling better," he explained.

Team Crane is composed of the host tenant Naval Support Activity Crane and major tenant commands Crane Army Ammunition Activity; Crane Division, Naval Surface Warfare Center; Fleet and Industrial Supply Center, Norfolk, Crane, Indiana; and Naval Facilities Engineering Command Midwest, Detachment Crane.

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By Ann Ackerman



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The boy thought about it and asked: "Grandfather, which wolf wins?"

The old man quietly replied: "The one you feed."

A man once asked his father, "Father how will I ever find the right woman?"

His father replied, "Forget about finding the right woman and concentrate on becoming the right man."

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6. Run, romp, and play daily.
7. Thrive on attention and let people touch you.
8. Avoid biting when a simple growl will do.
9. On warm days, stop to lie on your back on the grass.
10. On hot days, drink lots of water and lie under a shady tree.
11. When you're happy, dance around and wag your entire body.
12. Delight in the simple joy of a long walk.
13. Be loyal.
14. Never pretend to be something you're not.

15. If what you want lies buried, dig until you find it.

16. When someone is having a bad day, be silent, sit close by, and nuzzle them gently.

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WEEKLY HUMOR

1. The officer said, "You drinking?" I said, "You buying?" We just laughed and laughed. I need bail money.
2. How's the diet going? Not good. I had eggs for breakfast. Scrambled? No, Cadbury's.
3. Spelling is the difference between knowing your crap and knowing you're crap.
4. Some people are like clouds. When they disappear, it's a beautiful day.
5. There should be a support group for women who can't put their dishes in the dishwasher dirty.
6. If I can make at least one person smile, or pee their pants a little, or maybe spit out a drink, then my day was not wasted.
7. If robbers ever broke into my house and searched for money, I'd just laugh and search with them.
8. Studies have shown that drinking coffee every day makes you awesome.
9. Life is not a fairy tale. If you lose a shoe at midnight, you're drunk.
10. Oldest child - I make the rules. Middle child - I'm the reason we have rules. Youngest child - The rules don't apply to me.
11. I made a huge "To Do" list for this weekend. I just can't figure out who is gonna do it.
12. Do you think regular dogs see police dogs and think . . . "Oh, heck, it's the cops!?"

Make someone smile today!

Essay contest open to Indiana fourth graders

Attention fourth graders! How do you plan on celebrating the Bicentennial of Indiana? Write an essay and you could be honored at a Statehood Day celebration!

The Indiana State House Tour Office in conjunction with the Indiana Center for the Book and the Indiana State Library is hosting an essay competition to commemorate Indiana Statehood Day 2015, a celebration of Indiana's 199th birthday and the kick-off celebration for our 200th birthday! This year's theme is Hoosier Bicentennial Celebrations. Winners of the Hoosier Bicentennial Celebration essay contest will be honored at the Statehood Day Celebration at one of four participating locations on Friday, December 11, 2015.

The winners, along with their class, will be invited to read his or her essays at one of the four participating locations on December 11 for Indiana's 199th Statehood Day.

Teachers can click the following link for a student lesson plan, www.in.gov/idoa/files/StatehoodDay_EssayContestLessonPlan_2015.pdf

Essays must be postmarked by Friday, October 23, 2015. For essay contest rules and details, visit www.in.gov/idoa/files/StatehoodDay_EssayContestRules_2015.pdf

For additional information about the essay contest visit the Indiana State Library website at <http://in.gov/library/statehood.htm>.

Dr. Bucshon to host first annual Student Leadership Summit

Eighth District Congressman Larry Bucshon, M.D. will host his first annual Student Leadership Summit for high school students in Indiana's 8th Congressional District on Monday, October 5, 2015 at Vincennes University's Green Activities Center, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. EST. The Green Activities Center is located at 1002 N 1st St, Vincennes, IN 47591.

"I'm excited to host my first Student Leadership Summit for high school students here in the Eighth District. We have a great lineup of speakers and leadership activities that will be informative for students who participate," said Bucshon. "I want to encourage high school teachers to nominate students who exhibit strong leadership qualities in their schools and communities to attend. These students are the future of our state and it's my hope that they will leave the summit equipped with new skills and knowledge to help them in their endeavors."

The summit is a unique opportunity for

local high school student leaders to hear a wide range of presentations from individuals and groups who have one-of-a-kind stories to share about how they have achieved success. Students will also have the opportunity to build leadership skills through interactive activities facilitated by the University of Evansville's Leadership Academy.

Presenters will include Congressman Larry Bucshon, M.D., former Indiana Governor and Purdue University President Mitch Daniels, owner of Sievers & Companies Mike Sievers, President and CEO of Bestway Express, Inc. Shepard Dunn, and a panel of currently enrolled college students.

All high schools in Indiana's Eighth Congressional District were invited to nominate any number of students to attend the summit based on criteria they deem appropriate.

Schools who wish to register students or learn more about the Student Leadership summit can do so at: http://bucshon.house.gov/student_summit.

Calendar of Events

Free lunch for kids

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

Boy Scouts and Cub Scouts

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

SOAR Tutoring

Need Skills? SOAR tutors can help! Free and confidential. Call or text Beverly at 812-709-1618 to learn more. Located in the Martin County Community Learning Center Improve Your Skills, Improve Your Life!

Solid waste board

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

Humane society meetings

The Martin County Humane Society meets on the third Friday of the month at the animal shelter at 507 N Oak Street in Loogootee, at 7 p.m. Members of the humane society are invited to attend. To find out how to become a member, email mchs@frontier.com.

Tourism meetings

The MCCC Tourism Committee meets

on the third Wednesday of each month at 7 p.m. in the basement of the Shoals Public Library. The public is invited to attend.

Soil and Water meetings

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

VU students and faculty to perform in "A Gala Concert"

Vincennes University students and faculty will perform in "A Gala Concert" on October 7 at 7:30 p.m. (EDT), at VU's Red Skelton Performing Arts Center. The concert is sponsored by the Department of Music and Theatre. Admission is free and the public is invited to attend.

The concert will showcase a variety of VU student performing groups including the VU Concert Band and Percussion Ensemble, under the direction of Susie Jackson; the VU Brass Ensemble, under the direction of Jason Sulliman; the VU Concert Choir, under the direction of Dr. Matthew Latta; the VU Connection, under the direction of Lisa Miller; and the VU Woodwind Ensemble, under the direction of Eric Bowling. Solo selections will be presented by VU music faculty members.

The evening will include a wide variety of literature ranging from traditional vocal and wind ensemble to jazz/rock tunes, contemporary, and pop selections.

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Concerts highlight the Indiana Music Teachers Association Conference at VU

Vincennes University's Department of Music and Theatre will host the 2015 Indiana Music Teachers Association Conference on the Vincennes Campus, September 25-26. As part of the conference, the public is invited to four public performances at VU's Red Skelton Performing Arts Center. Admission is free.

The VU Festival Chorus will perform September 25 at 4:45 p.m. (EDT). Led by guest conductor Greg Gilpin, the concert will feature 125 students from area high schools, including Vincennes Lincoln, Gibson Southern, Loogootee, Washington, and Scottsburg.

Conference artist Logan Skelton will present a piano recital at 7:30 p.m., featuring the music of Bela Bartok and William Bolcom. A dessert reception will follow in the lobby.

The IMTA and MTNA Commissioned Composer Recital will take place September 26 at 3 p.m. This recital will feature IMTA member Caroline KyungA Ahn's new work titled, "When the Ocean Speaks" for two pianos. The work will be premiered by IMTA members Dr. Claudia Bossard and Dr. Laryssa Tudorica.

Concluding the conference at 3:30 p.m. will be a Winner's Recital featuring students who competed in the Hoosier Auditions and the Opus Festival.

ABOUT IMTA

IMTA continues to support and uphold the standards of teaching to develop programs for students and teachers, committed to the advancement of music education and programs that cultivate professional growth. IMTA is an affiliate of Music Teachers National Association (MTNA). Founded in 1877, IMTA and its 12 associations have continued to offer conferences, pedagogical workshops, student performance and composition competitions, theory and ear training assessment, and non-competitive festivals in order to motivate teachers and students. For more than 120 years, IMTA has fostered the instruction, study, and performance of music. More than 300 individuals throughout the state of Indiana join 20,000 colleagues nationwide to form a unique community of music professionals.

ABOUT THE GUEST ARTISTS

Greg Gilpin began piano lessons at age four and while continuing his music study in piano, trumpet, French horn, and voice, he became an accomplished accompanist for choirs in school and his family's church. By the time he entered college he had developed a strong knowledge of choral music and had directed a church choir for over four years. His first choral works were published while a senior at Northwest Missouri State University, where he earned a degree in Vocal Music Education. After graduation he moved to Indianapolis where he now resides.

Since 1986 Gilpin's career has been musically diverse, continuing in music education as a choral arranger and composer and as a private voice and piano instructor. He

has worked nationally as a choreographer and as a studio musician and back-up singer. By the mid-1990s Gilpin was sought after to conduct national choral events.

Today he is a well-known ASCAP award-winning choral composer and arranger with hundreds of publications to his credit and is a highly respected choral conductor. He performs frequently as a singer with the Indianapolis Symphony Orchestra as well as with recording artist Sandi Patty. He currently is director of educational choral publications for Shawnee Press, Inc., and is a member of ACDA, MENC, AFTRA, SAG, and a Life Loyal Member of Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia.

Logan Skelton is a much sought after pianist, teacher, and composer whose work has received international critical acclaim. As a performer, Skelton has concertized widely in the United States, Europe, and Asia and has been featured on many public radio and television stations including NPR's Audiophile Audition, Performance Today, All Things Considered, and Morning Edition, as well as on radio in China and national television in Romania.

He has recorded numerous discs for Centaur, Albany, Crystal, Blue Griffin, and Naxos Records, the latter on which he performed on two pianos with fellow composer-pianist William Bolcom. A frequent guest at music festivals, Skelton regularly appears in such settings as Gina Bachauer; Amalfi Coast; Gijón; Eastman; Tunghai; Chautauqua Institution; American Romanian; Eastern; New Orleans; Poland International; Indiana University; Hilton Head Island; and the Prague International Piano Masterclasses. He is a popular presenter at music teacher organizations including numerous appearances at MTNA national conventions and EPTA World Piano Conferences, as well as serving as convention artist for state conventions in New York, Illinois, Michigan, Louisiana, North

VU Foundation Dinner is September 30

The Vincennes University Foundation's Annual Dinner will be held September 30, at 6:30 p.m. (EDT), at Green Activities Center. Speakers will include Chuck Johnson, interim president of VU, and Paul J. Wilder, dean of the College of Mathematics, Science, and Engineering.

Tickets cost \$15 and may be purchased by calling 812-888-4354 or in person at the Foundation and Alumni Office in the Dayson Center located at Third Street and College Avenue. Sponsor tables that seat eight are also available for \$120.

"The Foundation is excited to say thank you to our donors, alumni, and friends as we celebrate achievements from the past year. With the help and support of our friends and donors, we will be able to award over \$1.4 million scholarship dollars in 2015-16," states Bumper Hostetler, VU Foundation President.

Carolina, Wyoming, and Iowa. Moreover, he has given countless performances and masterclasses at colleges, conservatories, and conferences throughout the U.S., South Korea, Taiwan, Singapore, China, Italy, Romania, Serbia, Poland, and Czech Republic. He is a frequent juror for international piano competitions. His Centaur Records compact disc, of all 20th century American solo piano music, is titled American Grab Bag: Piano Music of Our Time. American Record Guide described this as a "fascinating recording," commenting on Skelton's "superb, wonderfully subtle, and elegant playing ... Bravo!"

As a composer, Skelton has a special affinity for art song, having composed well over a hundred songs, including numerous song cycles. Critics have noted the close fusion of text and music in Skelton's songs, how words are "... illuminated with brilliance and deep emotional power," American Record Guide. Others have found "... joy - a night unto ecstatic joy... in word and sound-play," Dial M for Musicology. In Fanfare magazine reviews, Skelton as a composer of song has been singled out for his ability to "...plumb the depths of emotion ... these are exquisitely crafted art songs in the American tradition ... we are in the hands of someone who lives and breathes song." His works have been performed throughout the world by a variety of musicians in settings such as Carnegie Recital Hall and Merkin Concert Hall in New York City, Tbilisi in the former Soviet Republic of Georgia, Australia, Sorrento, Italy, as well as numerous cities throughout the United States including Los Angeles, Salt Lake City, Tampa, New Orleans, Lincoln, Houston, Detroit, and many others. He composed the required work for the 1993 New Orleans International Piano Competition. His song cycle Anderson Songs: The Islander, was a recipient of the Music Composition Award from the Mississippi Institute of Arts and Letters.

A devoted teacher, his own piano students have repeatedly won awards in many national and international competitions including Hilton Head; San Antonio; Cincinnati World; Washington; Bartók-Kabalevsky-Prokofieff; Fischhoff; Jacob Flier; Iowa; Frinna Awerbuch; Eastman; Crescendo; Dallas Chamber; Missouri Southern; Los Angeles Liszt; Wideman; Concorso Internazionale di Esecuzione Musicale; Schimmel, Liszt-Garrison; Grieg Festival; Del Rosario; Beethoven Sonata; Ithaca; Piano Arts; Heida Hermanns; Dubois; Schmidbauer; Peabody Mason; Janáček; Seattle; Kingsville; New York; Oberlin; Idyllwild; as well as numerous Music Teachers National Association competitions. His former students hold positions of prominence in music schools and conservatories throughout the world. He was honored by the University of Michigan as the recipient of the prestigious Harold Haugh Award for excellence in studio teaching. He has served on the faculties of Manhattan

School of Music, Missouri State University, and is currently professor of Piano and director of Doctoral Studies in Piano Performance at U-M.

Caroline KyungA Ahn, embracing a wide spectrum of music in style, has been writing pieces that are deeply inspired by natural world. Her music is described as 'entirely delicate and lyrical' yet has strong power that grabs audience's attention. Her recent style shows using more minimalistic approach to music but still greatly focusing on timbre using a lot of repeating and perpetuating motions.

Born in Seoul, Korea, Ahn holds degrees from Yonsei University, Eastman School of Music, and Indiana University. Her compositions include orchestral, chamber, and theatrical works that have been widely performed in South Korea, the United States, Europe, and South America. She is currently appointed as a full time adjunct professor at Indiana Wesleyan University and also serves as a chair for Opus Composition Festival at IMTA.

Ahn She is the recipient of numerous scholarships, awards, and composition commissions. She recently worked on three piano quintet pieces which were commissioned by Thegenbals Music Society. The pieces were performed at Inframince Concert in Seoul, Korea, in May, 2015.

Claudia Bossard, pianist, has concertized as a soloist and chamber musician with performances at the National Taiwan Academy of Arts in Taipei, the Kōngresshaus in Innsbruck, Austria, the American Institute of Music Studies in Graz, Austria, and at museums, colleges and universities in the United States. She has presented numerous lectures and workshops that highlight her research on Sight Reading, Piano Adjudication, Intermediate-Level Slavic Piano Music and Metacognition in Music Education. She currently teaches applied piano and coordinates the class piano program at VU. In addition to teaching piano, she has taught music theory, music appreciation, and film music while on the faculties of Florida Atlantic University, the University of Florida, DePauw University, and Franklin College. Bossard holds a DMA from the University of Miami, an MM from Boston University, and a BM from the University of Florida. A member of IMTA, she currently serves as its immediate past-president.

Larysa Szenk Tudorica, a native of Warsaw, Poland, came to the United States as a Fulbright scholar in 1982 to pursue piano studies at the Indiana University School of Music in Bloomington. She graduated with a master's degree in Piano Performance followed by a doctorate in Piano Pedagogy. In the past she taught at the Pre-College Program at the Indiana University School of Music, the Wabash College and IUPUI, and has worked as an accompanist at St. Mary-of-the-Woods College. Since 2012 she has been working at Indiana State University School of Music as an accompanist and piano instructor.



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THURSDAY: Pork Chops
FRIDAY: Coney Dogs
FRIDAY NIGHT: Mahi Mahi with Pineapple Relish
SATURDAY NIGHT: Maple Brine Pork Tenderloin
SUNDAY: Turkey & Dressing

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