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Hindustan Days this Saturday

HISTORY OF HINDOSTAN PART IV

In honor of Hindostan Days, to be held Saturday, October 2, from 10 a.m.-4 p.m., the Martin County Historical Society will be running articles on the history of Hindostan. The following was submitted by Bill Greene, the son of the writer, Bob Greene, and is the fourth article in the series.

Residents of Hindostan

Benjamin Adams, originally from Newberry Port, Mass. Came to Hindostan in 1820. Married Margaret Watson on February 24, 1825.

Thomas Fairchild

Thomas Wilcox, originally from New Albany. Included in the 1820 Hindostan census.

Mr. and Mrs. Doans, originally from Philadelphia.

James and John Eberling were brick makers at Hindostan in 1836.

Doctor Striclan, originally from Richmond, VA.

Cyrus Goff, originally from Ohio.

Charles Brown, an attorney. Married Elisa Meriom.

Sanford Brown, cabinet maker. Married Elisabeth Clements on December 22, 1825.

John Barnes, originally from New York. Justice of the Peace in 1824. Left Hindostan in 1825 or 1826.

George Athens, a merchant. Died at Hindostan.

Amos Harris, a carpenter.

Reverend Pfeiffer, an Episcopal Clergyman in 1822 and 1823. Left Hindostan in 1825.

Jonathon Brady, originally from Madison, IN. A colored blacksmith.

Simon Thrasher, originally from New York. On the first grand jury at Hindostan.

John C. Clark

Jonathon Prosser, a schoolteacher at Hindostan.

Arnold Andrews

Guy C. Watterman, originally from Boston, Mass. A carpenter. Sketched plans for a jail at Hindostan.

Charles Allen

John Darnell

Isaac Smith, owner Public House of Entertainment.

Nathaniel Hammatt, originally from Boston, Massachusetts, Justice of the Peace and a saddler.

Rufus Brown, Justice of the Peace, probate judge, court recorder for seven years. Appointed treasurer in 1823. The commissioners ordered that the county pay Rufus Brown \$200 for the use of his room for the petit jury, and for his providing firewood in May 1822. Rufus Brown

died on October 26, 1848, at the age of 52 leaving his wife Catherine (Berry). She died in July 1835. Both were buried at the Reilly Cemetery at Mt. Pleasant.

William Foster, listed in the 1820 Hindostan census. His wife was Eliza M. Harris, and they are both buried in the Brooks Cemetery at Mt. Pleasant.

Joseph Clements, listed in the 1820 Hindostan census. He was a tavern owner at Hindostan, the road commissioner and the Justice of the Peace in 1820, 1825, 1833, and 1838. The first court sessions at Hindostan were held in his home. In May 1820, the commissioners ordered that he be paid \$800 for holding the circuit court in his home. In 1823 he was licensed to sell "spirited liquor."

Lewis Rogers, originally from Ohio. He married Sarah Berry on August 4, 1823. They had a son who died at the age of one year old. Sarah died in July of 1878. He was paid \$54 for the rent of his home for the clerk's office in the years 1821-1823. He died on December 25, 1868. He was 79 years old. They are all buried in the Reilly Cemetery at Mt. Pleasant.

William McFee, included in the 1820 census of Hindostan. Died in 1847 and is buried in the Brooks Cemetery at Mt. Pleasant.

Memorial Hospital partners to expand mental health services to Martin County

Memorial Hospital and Health Care Center has been chosen to partner with Indiana University and the School of Public Health to develop a program that will expand psychiatric and mental health services to residents in Martin County, thanks to a four-year, \$789,000 subgrant. The Faith Net program will work with both Memorial Hospital's Martin County clinics and Faith Community Nurses to offer urgent and emergent psychiatric care through in-person and telehealth visits with an advanced nurse practitioner or social worker.



KENDRA FRIEDMAN

This program supports local, rural-based primary care clinics by providing emergency consultation and the promotion of timely mental health services to workplaces, churches, schools, and community spaces. The use of telemedicine to provide these services will allow patients quicker access to care.



SHELBY GORDON

Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner Kendra Friedman is available to provide psychiatric evaluation, medication management, and short-term psychotherapy to patients through this partnership. Social Worker Shelby Gordon has also joined the team to provide social work support for this program.

Kendra Friedman, PMHNP-BC graduated from Dubois High School and received her nursing degree from Purdue University in West Lafayette, Indiana. She received her psychiatric mental health nurse practitioner degree from Indiana University in Indianapolis. Friedman is board certified and worked as a registered nurse in Memorial Hospital's Behavioral Health, Caring Hands Senior Services, and Post-Surgical Services from 2015-2020.

Shelby Gordon, BSW is a graduate of Pike Central High School and received her bachelor's of social work degree at University of Southern Indiana in Evansville. She completed two internships at Deaconess hospitals in Evansville and worked as a case family manager for the Department of Child Services in Petersburg, Indiana.

If you would like more information on this program or would like to inquire about services, please call Kendra Friedman at (812) 631-8421 or Shelby Gordon at (812) 631-2079.

Martin County's jobless rate at 2.8 percent for August

Martin County's unemployment rate edged down to 2.8 percent in August, from 2.9 percent the month before. The county had the ninth lowest jobless rate in the state for August, tied with Adams, Elkhart, Hendricks and Steuben counties.

In August, the county had 5,370 residents in the workforce and 153 of them were without jobs. In July, there were 5,494 residents able to work and 157 of them were unemployed. In August of 2020, Martin County's jobless rate was 4.3 percent with 5,416 residents in the workforce and 231 of them without work.

Daviess County's unemployment rate went unchanged from July to August, standing at 2.6 percent. The county had the fourth lowest jobless rate in the state for August.

In August, the county had 16,482 residents in the workforce and 432 of them were unemployed. In July, there were 16,662 residents able to work and 439 of them were without jobs. In August of last year, Daviess County's jobless rate was 3.8 percent with 16,575 residents in the workforce and 626 of them were without work.

Dubois County's unemployment rate also stayed the same from July to August, at 2.7 percent. The county had the fifth lowest jobless rate in the state, tied with Ohio, Union and White counties.

In August, the county had 22,129 residents in the workforce and 590 of them were unemployed. In July, there were 22,635 residents able to work and 602 of them were without jobs. In August of 2020, Dubois County's jobless rate was 4.9 percent with 22,546 residents in the workforce and 1,109 of them without work.

Greene County's unemployment rate moved from 4 percent in July to 3.9 percent in August. The county had the 26th highest jobless rate in the state for August, tied with Jennings, Newton, Owen, and Switzerland counties.

In August, the county had 13,331 residents in the workforce and 523 of them were unemployed. In July, there were 13,039 residents able to work and 526 of them were without jobs. In August of last year, Greene County's unemployment rate was 6.2 percent with 13,319 residents able to work and 827 of them were unemployed.

The top ten spots in the state for the lowest jobless rate for August were Boone County at 2.4 percent, LaGrange and Hamilton counties at 2.5 percent, Daviess County at 2.6 percent, White, Union, Ohio and Daviess counties at 2.7 percent; and Martin, Steuben, Hendricks, Elkhart and Adams counties at 2.8 percent.

The top ten spots in the state for the highest jobless rate for August were Howard County at 6.8 percent, Lake County at 6.7 percent, LaPorte County at 5.4 percent, Fayette and Miami counties at 5.2 percent, Allen County at 5 percent, Huntington and Orange counties at 4.9 percent, and Delaware and Vigo counties at 4.8 percent.

Indiana's unemployment rate remains unchanged at 4.1 percent for August, and the national rate is 5.2 percent. The monthly unemployment rate is a U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) indicator that reflects the number of unemployed people seeking employment within the prior four weeks as a percentage of the labor force.

Indiana's labor force had a net de-

crease of 2,499 over the previous month. This was a result of a decrease of 813 unemployed residents and a decrease of 1,686 employed residents.

Indiana's total labor force, which includes both Hoosiers employed and those seeking employment, stands at 3.34 million, and the state's 63.1 percent labor force participation rate remains above the national rate of 61.7 percent.

Learn more about how unemployment rates are calculated here: <http://www.hoosierdata.in.gov/infographics/employment-status.asp>.

Employment by Sector

Private sector employment has increased by 72,700 over the year and decreased by 3,400 over the previous month. The monthly decrease is primarily due to losses in the Manufacturing (-4,300) and the Leisure and Hospitality (-2,400) sectors. Losses were offset by gains in the Private Educational and Health Services (1,900) and the All Other, which includes Mining, Logging, Information, and other services except Public Administration (1,100) sectors. Total private employment stands at 2,648,800, which is 91,700 below the December 2019 peak.

Two more residents die due to COVID

The Indiana Department of Health received notification of two additional deaths from the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) for Martin County. The individuals were both adult males. This brings the total number of deaths reported for Martin County to 19. No further information will be released due to privacy laws.

New Indiana Connectivity Program now open

Lt. Gov. Suzanne Crouch and the Indiana Office of Community and Rural Affairs on Monday announced the Indiana Connectivity Program, a new resource designed to help more Hoosiers obtain access to reliable and quality broadband, is now open.

Homeowners and business owners can now apply for consideration. This new tool can connect residents and businesses that lack internet service with internet service providers and assist in the expense of extending broadband to unserved and underserved locations.

"The Indiana Connectivity Program aims to bring high quality broadband service to unserved and underserved Hoosiers," Crouch said. "The last year-and-a-half has shined a light on the severe importance of having everyone connected. This program is a path to bring service to households and businesses that are in internet darkness or have speeds that are not meeting the demands on our students who are eLearning or our workforce teleworking."

Hoosiers and business owners lacking internet connectivity can communicate their interest by entering their address and information into the Next Level Connections portal at in.gov/ocra/broadband.

Hoosiers can also initiate interest by calling the Indiana Broadband Connect Center, which is open on business days

from from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., ET. Hoosiers can reach the call center at 833-639-8522.

"Through this program, we can help more Hoosiers, especially those in rural areas, have better access to quality internet service," said OCRA Executive Director Denny Spinner. "The Indiana Connectivity Program is one more step toward expanding broadband accessibility to all corners of Indiana."

To be eligible, a location must have access to actual speeds of less than 25 Mbps (download) and 3 Mbps (upload). Inputting location information into the Next Level Connections Broadband portal does not guarantee extension of service.

Eligible locations submitted will be available to service providers within 90 days. Next Level Connections Broadband Program funding may be available to assist in expanding internet opportunities to these locations, following a 60-day bidding process. Once awarded, providers must complete their projects within nine months of the contract date.

For more information, visit in.gov/ocra/broadband/icp.

Loogootee Volleyball places 4th in tourney

The Loogootee High School Volleyball Team took fourth place in the Class 1A Showdown this past Saturday, at Blue River Valley. The girls defeated Blue River Valley 25-9 and 25-5 and Morristown 25-13 and 25-10. The girls lost to Lafayette Central Catholic 19-25 and 23-25 and to Wes Del 16-25, 25-20, and 14-16. The varsity record stands at 17-6.

Record is now 17-6. Kyleigh Courter led the team in serving points on the day with 31 and had 27 digs. Kylie VanHoy finished with a team-high 46 kills and had 34 assists, 21 digs and 20 points. Brooklyn Summers led in assists with 68 and had 16 digs. Jocelyn Strange led the team in digs with 35 and had 27 serving points. Abbey Fuhrman finished with 14 kills and eight blocks. Ashlynn Gilbert contributed 18 kills while Haylie Mathies added 12. Grace Lingenfelter ended the day with 16 digs.

Last week, the varsity Lady Lions were defeated by Barr-Reeve in five sets, 25-20, 22-25, 25-11, 21-25, and 9-15.

Brooklyn Summers, Grace Lingenfelter and Kyleigh Courter each had 12 serving points. Summers also finished with 28 assists and Lingenfelter had nine digs. Kylie VanHoy led the team in kills with 21 and also had 18 assists and 13 digs. Jocelyn Strange led in digs with 21 and Haylie Mathies finished with nine kills and Sydnee Wittmer had eight.

The Loogootee Junior Varsity girls were also defeated by Barr-Reeve in two sets, 25-17 and 25-21.

Vittoria Zoia led in serving points with four followed by Breanna Courter with three. Courter also contributed seven kills and five assists. Abigail Nonte finished with 12 assists and Alana Hedrick had six kills.

The varsity Lady Lions defeated Washington last week in three sets, 25-18, 25-12, and 30-28.

Kylie VanHoy led in serving points with 14, in digs with 16 and in kills with 19. She also had 14 assists. Grace Lingenfelter contributed 11 points and Kyleigh Courter added eight. Abbey Fuhrman finished with 10 kills and had three blocks. Brooklyn Summers led in assists with 24, Ashlynn Gilbert had eight kills and Jocelyn Strange had 14 digs.

The junior varsity also defeated Washington in two sets, 25-19 and 25-20.

Abigail Nonte led in serving points with eight and had seven assists. Breanna Courter finished with six serving points, eight assists and six digs. Alana Hedrick contributed five points, five kills and six digs. Vittoria Zoia ended with 10 digs and Lindsey Nolan had six.

LHS Boys' Tennis go into Sectional still undefeated

The Loogootee High School Boys' Tennis Teams defeated Bloomington South on Monday, September 27, right before Sectional action to start. The varsity brought home the win 4-1 and the junior varsity 4-0. The varsity record stands at 18-0 and they will take on Northeast Dubois this evening, Wednesday, September 29 at 5 p.m. in Sectional.

Head Coach Mike Tippery said after the matches, "This was a great tune up for Sectional. Luke and Peyton ran into a top 10 doubles team in the state today. Overall, Bloomington South has a solid team and we played well. We are going to need that same level of play this week if we are to win the Sectional."

Varsity results
#1 Singles Isaac Waggner (L) defeated David Ciucu 6-0, 6-3

#2 Singles Leighton Jeffers (L) defeated Austin Spier 6-1, 6-1

#3 Singles Brandon Bledsoe (L) defeated Alex Walters 6-1, 6-1

#1 Doubles Chris Lian/Mike Asplundh (BS) defeated Luke Nonte/Peyton Bledsoe 6-2, 6-2

#2 Doubles Rory Tippery/Drew Walker (L) defeated Nico Walters/Luka Javanovic 6-2, 6-7 (2), 1-0 (3)

Junior varsity results
#1 Singles Koen Waggner (L) defeated Ethan Peyton 6-3

#2 Singles Koen Waggner (L) defeated Kyle Davis 6-0

#1 Doubles Reece Tippery/Wad Walton (L) defeated Nicky Walter/Zach Handel 8-5

#2 Doubles Reis Whitney/Luke Lengacher defeated Luke Miller/Maddox Grass 8-5

The teams defeated Paoli at home last Thursday, September 23. The varsity and junior varsity both won 5-0.

Varsity results
#1 Singles Isaac Waggner defeated Isaac McBride 6-4, 6-3

#2 Singles Leighton Jeffers defeated Lucas Stroud 6-0, 6-1

#3 Singles Brandon Bledsoe defeated William Milner 6-0-6-1

#1 Doubles Luke Nonte/Peyton Bledsoe defeated Treyvin Street/Ray Minton 6-1, 6-1

#2 Doubles Rory Tippery/Drew Walker defeated Riley Manship/Xander Phelps 6-1, 6-1

Junior varsity results
#1 Singles Koen Waggner defeated Max Bostock 6-3

#2 Singles Alex Diaz defeated Max Bostock 6-3

#1 Doubles Reece Tippery/Wade Walton defeated Josh Zapien/Adin Monroe 6-0

#2 Doubles Reis Whitney/Luke Lengacher defeated Conner Bowman/Dawson Poe 6-0

#3 Doubles Jacob Lengacher/Noah Esch defeated Josh Zapien/Adin Monroe 7-6 (4)

ANIMAL SHELTER Pet of the Week



TODD is a male shepherd mix, 3+ years old. Loves to be outside. Would need to be tested with any potential dog siblings. Adoption fee is \$100. The shelter is open by appointment only for adoptions. For more info or to apply to adopt, visit www.humanesocietyofmartincounty.org.

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OBITUARIES

JOSEPH EARL

Joseph Charles Earl passed away at 10:50 a.m. Tuesday, September 21, 2021, at Memorial Hospital and Healthcare Center. A resident of Loogootee, he was 70.



He was born December 3, 1950, in Council Bluffs, Iowa; son of Joseph Earl and Betty (Pullen) Chevalier.

Joseph served in the United States Army and Army National Guard for eight years. He then joined the United States Navy where he served honorably for 20 years. He was proud of his service and to be a veteran. He was a jail officer for 20 years at the Martin County Sheriffs Department. He loved books, history, working outdoors and gardening.

He was preceded in death by his son, Joseph E. Earl and his grandmother,

Grace Pullen.

Joseph is survived by his wife, Valerie (Eustice) Earl of Loogootee; children, Thomas Earl, Andrew (Vanessa) Earl and Stephanie Earl; grandchildren, Jociah, Devyn, Tanner, Zephaniah and Jordyn Earl; and many great-grandchildren. He is also survived by many maternal family members.

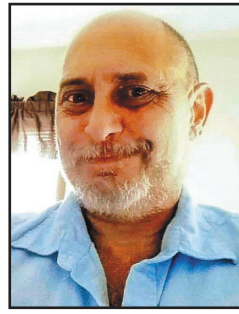
Military rites were held Friday, September 24 at Blake Funeral Home in Loogootee.

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

Blake Funeral Home in Loogootee is honored to serve the family of Joseph C. Earl.

GREGORY SIMS

Gregory Ivan Sims passed September 24, 2021, at Memorial Hospital and



Healthcare in Jasper. A resident of Shoals, he was 58. He was born June 14, 1963, in Washington; son of George Tony and Sue (Pride) Sims. He was a 1981 graduate of Shoals High School, was a veteran of the United States Army, was a member of the Eagles Lodge in Shoals, the Shoals VFW, St. Mary's Catholic Church in Shoals and was bar manager at the Shoals VFW.

Surviving relatives include his mother, Sue Sims; sisters, Penny (Greg) Gibbs and Annette Taylor; brother, Tony Sims; brother-in-law, Roger Atkison; nieces and nephews, Adam (Allie Friederichs)

Atkison, Ryan (Lauren) Atkison, Tyler Gibbs, Trey Gibbs, Tanner Gibbs, Travis (Kaziah) Gibbs, Seth (Courtney) Taylor, Ashley (Cory Spitznagel) Taylor; uncle, Edward Sims and several great nieces and nephews, and cousins.

He is preceded by his father, George Tony Sims; one sister, Debra Atkinson; one brother in infancy; grandparents, Jasper Sims, Lillian Hagerty, Alvin and Bonnie Pride; and several aunts, uncles and cousins.

A memorial service will be held October 16 at 10 a.m. at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Shoals with burial in the Spring Hill Cemetery. Visitation will be from 9 a.m. until the time of service at the church.

The Queen-Lee Chapel of Thorne-George Family Funeral Homes has been entrusted with the arrangements.

Cybersecurity Demo Day hosted at WestGate Academy

Small business owners and students who are interested in pursuing a career in cybersecurity have a new opportunity to network, learn and gain hands-on experience. Purdue@WestGate at the WestGate@Crane Technology Park is partnering with Purdue Manufacturing Extension Partnership and Purdue cyberTAP to host Cybersecurity Demo Day on Tuesday, October 26. The full day, in-person event will feature industry and academic experts, panel discussions, demos and displays in honor of Cybersecurity Awareness Month.

"U.S. Businesses of all sizes experienced over 1,000 data breaches in 2020, and over 50 percent of the U.S. population experienced some form of data compromise impacting the privacy of their personally identifiable information. Cybersecurity is no longer a nice to have capability, but a business imperative. Come learn about current threats and best practices to better secure your business, your customers, and your livelihood at the Purdue@Westgate Cybersecurity Day," said George Bailey, Assistant Director



of Cyber Services at Purdue University cyberTAP.

Individuals from Purdue University, Mantech, NSWC Crane, Eleven Fifty Academy and others will cover featured topics such as the challenges in cyber education, threats to small businesses, compliance with the Department of Defense and awareness of cybersecurity 4.0. Speakers and panel discussions will be broken up throughout the day for the chance of networking and demonstrations during breaks. The event will end with a networking hour with snacks and

drinks provided by Switchyard Brewery. Midwest AI Day has a 3-fold goal:

- Create opportunities and collaborations between NSWC Crane, universities and Indiana businesses

- Promote startup technologies and capabilities within the cybersecurity industry

- Support small businesses/industries reduce risk of cybersecurity threats and compromise.


Register for the event at www.eventbrite.com/e/168730368073.

Register for a FREE company booth at https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfwn75CB1IU_drx6kJN-77w3X3aQh96tBwFVj6rqb-j6k-AYtA/viewform.


View the schedule at <https://westgate-crane.com/wp-content/uploads/Cybersecurity-Demo-Day-Schedule.pdf>.

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Martin County Sheriff's Department log

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 20

1:19 a.m. - Received a report of a tree down east of Loogootee. Martin County Civil Defense responded.

1:59 a.m. - Received a report of a tree limb blocking part of US 50, east of Shoals. Captain Reed responded.

7:25 a.m. - Received a report of a tree down southeast of Shoals. Lost River Fire responded.

8:52 a.m. - Received a report of a tree down on SR 450, north of Shoals. Civil Defense responded.

11:35 a.m. - Major Keller assisted a motorist in Loogootee with a vehicle unlock.

12:39 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance southeast of Shoals. Lost River Fire and Martin County Ambulance responded. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

1:31 p.m. - Received a report of an accident north of Loogootee. ISP responded.

1:37 p.m. - Received a report of a tree down on SR 150, east of Shoals. Major Keller and Shoals Fire responded.

1:57 p.m. - Received a report of an accident west of Shoals. Major Keller responded.

4:14 p.m. - Received a report of a tree down east of Shoals. Lost River Fire responded.

4:49 p.m. - Received a report of a domestic dispute north of Shoals. Sergeant Gibson, Deputy Shaw, Loogootee Officer Means, and ISP responded.

6:00 p.m. - Received a report of illegal dumping north of Loogootee. Sergeant Gibson responded.

9:53 p.m. - Received a report of a tree down south of Loogootee. Martin County Highway was notified.

11:24 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded but did not transport.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 21

12:25 a.m. - Received a report of a domestic dispute north of Shoals. Captain Reed, Sergeant Gibson, Sheriff Roush, Loogootee Officer Means, Town Marshal Eckert, Reserve Deputy Dorsey, ISP Troopers, Indian Creek Fire, Martin County Civil Defense, and Martin County Ambulance responded.

12:40 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded and transported the subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

6:42 a.m. - Received a report of an accident on SR 450, north of Shoals. Captain Reed and Martin County Ambulance responded.

11:30 a.m. - Deputy Seymour took one inmate to court.

4:56 p.m. - Received a report of a domestic dispute near Loogootee. Major Keller, Sergeant Gibson, and Loogootee Officer Means responded.

8:14 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Shoals. Martin County Ambulance transported the subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

11:17 p.m. - Received a report of harassment north of Loogootee. Captain Reed was notified.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 22

12:27 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance southeast of Shoals. Lost River Fire and Martin County Ambulance responded. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

5:37 a.m. - Received an alarm call in Loogootee. Captain Reed responded.

6:17 a.m. - Received a report of an accident on US 50, east of Shoals. Captain Reed, Martin County Ambulance, and Shoals Fire responded.

8:44 a.m. - Received a report of a reckless driver on US 231, near Loogootee.

Loogootee Police responded.

9:00 a.m. - Major Keller assisted a motorist with a vehicle unlock near Shoals.

9:26 a.m. - Received a report of a tree down on US 231, north of Loogootee. Loogootee Chief Floyd responded.

10:02 a.m. - Received a report of a tree down near Shoals. Martin County Highway and Shoals Fire responded.

10:44 a.m. - Received a report of a tree down east of Shoals. Shoals Fire responded.

12:14 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance and Loogootee Fire responded. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

12:50 p.m. - Received a report of a tree down on US 231, south of Loogootee. Martin County Civil Defense responded.

1:22 p.m. - Received a report of a tree down on SR 550. Shoals Fire responded.

2:15 p.m. - Received an alarm call Southeast of Shoals. Sergeant Gibson responded.

2:41 p.m. - Received a dog complaint south of Loogootee. Animal Control Officer Hughett was notified.

3:26 p.m. - Received a dog complaint in Shoals. Animal Control Officer Hughett was notified.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 23

4:00 a.m. - Received a report of a tree down south of Loogootee. Loogootee Sergeant McBeth removed the tree.

4:16 a.m. - Received a report of a suspicious vehicle east of Loogootee. Captain Reed responded.

4:18 a.m. - Received a medical alarm call in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance and Loogootee Sergeant McBeth responded. No one was transported.

9:29 a.m. - Received a report of a theft east of Shoals. Major Keller responded.

10:35 a.m. - Corporal Seymour took two inmates to court.

11:12 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance southeast of Shoals. Lost River Fire and Martin County Ambulance responded. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

12:48 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Shoals. Shoals Fire and Martin County Ambulance responded. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

1:10 p.m. - Corporal Seymour took three inmates to court.

2:20 p.m. - Received a report of a tree down south of Loogootee. Martin County Highway responded.

3:53 p.m. - Received a request for lift assistance east of Shoals. Martin County Ambulance responded but did not transport.

4:24 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Shoals. Martin County Ambulance transported the subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

4:47 p.m. - Received a dog complaint in Loogootee. Animal Control Officer Hughett was notified.

8:50 p.m. - Received a report of an accident east of Shoals. Deputy Wells responded.

11:38 p.m. - Received a noise complaint south of Loogootee. Deputy Shaw responded.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 24

12:35 a.m. - Received a report of an accident on US 231, north of Loogootee. Deputy Shaw and Loogootee Sergeant McBeth responded.

1:47 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance east of Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance and Loogootee Sergeant McBeth responded. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

9:00 a.m. - Received a request for a welfare check north of Shoals. Chief Dep-

uty Greene responded.

11:38 a.m. - Received a report of trespassing north of Shoals. ICO Mann responded.

12:15 p.m. - Received a report of suspicious vehicle south of Loogootee. Major Keller and Loogootee Officer Wells responded.

2:40 p.m. - Received a request for a welfare check north of Shoals. Major Keller responded.

3:00 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Shoals. Martin County Ambulance and Shoals Fire responded. No one was transported.

4:10 p.m. - Received a cat complaint in Shoals. Animal Control Officer Hughett was notified.

7:48 p.m. - Deputy Wells assisted a motorist in Shoals with a vehicle unlock.

11:37 p.m. - Received a noise complaint in Loogootee. Loogootee Officer Means responded.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 25

1:51 a.m. - Received a report of suspicious activity in Loogootee. Deputy Shaw and Loogootee Officer Means responded.

9:41 a.m. - Received a report of an accident in Loogootee. Deputy Wells responded.

12:14 p.m. - Received a dog complaint north of Shoals. Animal Control Officer Hughett responded.

1:10 p.m. - Received a report of an im-

Martin County real estate transfers

Aaron Smith and Brenda Smith, of Martin County, Indiana to **BA Enterprises, LLC**, of Martin County, Indiana. Tract I: Lots Numbered 1 and 2 in Block F in Loogootee Land Company's Addition to the town, now City of Loogootee, Indiana. Tract II: Lots Numbered 15 and 16 in Block F of Loogootee Land Company's Addition to the City of Loogootee, Indiana. Tract III: Lots Numbered 21 and 22 in Roger's Addition to the City of Loogootee, Indiana.

Steve W. Wininger, of Martin County, Indiana to **Joshua K. Wininger**, of Martin County, Indiana, a part of the northeast quarter of the southeast quarter of Section 12, Township 2 North, Range 4 West, lying in Halbert Township, in Martin County, Indiana.

Noel D. Harty, of Martin County, Indiana to **Shannon Trent Fleagle and Mrenda Jenae Fleagle**, of Martin County, Indiana. Tract I: A tract of land in the City of Loogootee, Indiana, containing 0.19 acres, more or less. Tract II: A parcel of land in the City of Loogootee, in the southeast quarter of Section 24, Township 3 North, Range 5 West, containing

paired driver near Loogootee. ISP Trooper Beaver responded.

7:09 p.m. - Received a report of a reckless driver on SR 645 north of Loogootee. Deputy Shaw responded.

9:52 p.m. - Received a request for a disturbance southeast of Shoals. Deputy Shaw, Deputy Hawkins, Deputy Seymour, Loogootee Officer Means, Town Marshal Eckert, ISP Trooper Brummett, ISP Trooper Sexton, Lost River Fire, Martin County Ambulance, and Air Evac responded. The subject was transported to University of Louisville Hospital.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 26

8:17 a.m. - Received a dog complaint in Loogootee. Animal Control Officer Hughett was notified.

2:57 p.m. - Received a report of an accident in Shoals. Town Marshal Eckert responded.

4:25 p.m. - Received a report of an accident in Shoals. Deputy Wells, Martin County Ambulance, and Shoals Fire responded. The subject was transported to Daviess Community Hospital.

5:23 p.m. - Received a dog complaint east of Loogootee. Deputy Wells and Loogootee Police were notified.

9:49 p.m. - Received a report of a disturbance in Shoals. Captain Reed, Loogootee Officer Means, and Martin County Ambulance responded. No one was transported.

.057 acre, more or less.

Byron Albright and Susanna R. Albright, of Martin County, Indiana to **BA Enterprises, LLC**, of Martin County, Indiana, part of the east half of Section 19, Township 3 North, Range 4 West, in Perry Township, Martin County, Indiana, containing 1.19 acres, more or less.

Steven Warren Wininger, of Martin County, Indiana to **Zackary W. Wininger**, of Dubois County, Indiana, a part of the northeast quarter of the southeast quarter of Section 12, Township 2 North, Range 4 West, lying in Halbert Township, Martin County, Indiana, containing 3.255 acres, more or less. Also, part of the northeast quarter of the southeast quarter of Section 12, Township 2 North, Range 4 West, containing 4.6 acres, more or less.

Sonlight Ministries, of Daviess County, Indiana to **Linda J. Kelly**, of Daviess County, Indiana, twelve feet off the north side of Lot Number 5 and Lots Numbered 6, 7, and 8, all in Block 7, Town of Burns City, Martin County, Indiana, and being a part of the east one-half of the southeast quarter of Section 31, Township 5 North, Range 4 West.

The American Legion Post #120 – Loogootee would like to THANK the following businesses for their donation to the Golf Scramble on September 26, 2021:

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We appreciate your support of our Veterans and this event!



Loogootee Police log

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 20

11:19 a.m. - Chief Floyd responded to a domestic disturbance on Bridgewater Street.

3:54 p.m. - Chief Floyd completed a vehicle check.

4:49 p.m. - Officer Means assisted the Martin County Sheriff's Department with a report of a domestic dispute.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 21

12:25 a.m. - Officer Means assisted the Martin County Sheriff's Department with a report of a domestic dispute.

4:56 p.m. - Officer Means responded to a report of a domestic dispute on Scenic Hill Road.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 22

8:44 a.m. - Caller advised of a reckless driver heading north from Whitfield on US 231 South.

9:27 a.m. - Chief Floyd responded to a report of a traffic hazard on US 231 North.

1:23 p.m. - Loogootee Fire Department and Chief Floyd assisted REMC with a power line down on Bellgrade Avenue.

7:24 p.m. - Sgt. McBeth spoke with a complainant regarding possible illegal drug activity.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 23

4:00 a.m. - Sgt. McBeth responded to a report of a traffic hazard on US 231 North.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 24

1:47 a.m. - Sgt. McBeth assisted Martin County EMS with a medical call on Scenic Hill.

11:39 a.m. - Officer Wells responded to a verbal dispute on East Broadway Street.

8:27 p.m. - Officer Means responded to a report of a domestic dispute and possible protective order violation on Scenic Hill Road.

8:46 p.m. - Officer Means responded to a report of trespassers at Country Place Apartments.

11:40 p.m. - Officer Means responded to a noise complaint on Park Street.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 25

1:51 a.m. - Officer Seymour responded to a report of trespassing on East Main Street.

6:40 p.m. - Officer Means responded to a report of an abandoned ATV near a

residence on Eastgate Avenue.

9:46 p.m. - Officer Means responded to an alarm at a local business on West Broadway Street.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 26

12:05 a.m. - Officer Means spoke with a complainant regarding possible illegal drug activity and harassment.

9:49 p.m. - Officer Means assisted the Martin County Sheriff's Department with a report of a juvenile threatening self harm.

ARRESTS

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 21

5:14 a.m. - Vernon Chastain, 59, of Shoals, was arrested by Captain Reed on a Lawrence County warrant and is being held without bond.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 24

2:30 a.m. - Christopher Koontz, 24, of Bloomfield, was arrested by Deputy Shaw and charged with operating a vehicle while intoxicated refusal and is being held on a \$10,000 10% bond.

5:57 p.m. - Christopher Raney, 42, of Jasonville, was arrested on a Martin County warrant and is being held without bond.

5:57 p.m. - Kendra Leighty, 30, of Washington, was arrested on a Martin County warrant and is being held without bond.

7:24 p.m. - Jarle Castro-Ruiz, 43, of Indianapolis, was arrested by Deputy Wells and charged with driving while never being licensed. His bond was set at \$3,000 10%.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 25

8:13 p.m. - Nicholas Guy, 42, of Loogootee, was arrested by Deputy Wells and charged with operating a vehicle while intoxicated and operating a vehicle while intoxicated refusal. He is being held on no bond.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 26

4:13 a.m. - Cleveland Burchett, 19, of Berry, Kentucky, was arrested by Deputy Shaw and charged with operating a vehicle while intoxicated endangerment, operating a vehicle while intoxicated controlled substance, possession of marijuana, possession of paraphernalia, and carrying a handgun without a license. He is being held without bond.

COURT NEWS

CRIMINAL JUDGMENTS AND SENTENCING

September 15

Devaughan R. Mesarosh, convicted of maintaining a common nuisance – controlled substances, a Class A Misdemeanor, amended from a Level 6 Felony and possession of marijuana, a Class B Misdemeanor. Sentenced to serve 365 days with 355 days suspended and credit for 5 actual days previously served plus 5 Class A credit days. Defendant received 11 months of probation.

David L. Hert, convicted of burglary, a Level 5 Felony. Sentenced to serve 1,095 days with the Indiana Department of Corrections with 354 days suspended and credit for 5 actual days previously served plus 1 Class B credit day. The remainder of the 735 days shall be served through Martin County Community Corrections electronic home detention program as long as the defendant remains eligible. Defendant received 12 months of probation.

Taylor Alan Kavanaugh, convicted of possession of methamphetamine, a Level 6 Felony. Sentenced to serve 730 days with the Indiana Department of Corrections with 0 days suspended and credit for 63 actual days previously served plus 63 Class A credit days. Defendant shall serve the remaining 604 days through Martin County Community Corrections electronic home detention program so long as the defendant remains eligible.

September 16

Ryan A. Miller, convicted of operating a vehicle with an ACE of .15 or more, a Class A Misdemeanor. Sentenced to serve 365 days with 347 days suspended and credit for 9 actual days previously served plus 9 Class A credit days. Defendant received 11 months of probation.

September 20

Mackenna N. Gromer, convicted of operating a vehicle while intoxicated, a Level 6 Felony; possession of a controlled substance, a Class A Misdemeanor and possession of marijuana, a Class B Misdemeanor. Sentenced to serve 400 days with 306 days suspended and credit for 2 actual

days previously served plus 2 Class A credit days. Defendant shall serve 90 days on electronic home detention through Martin County Community Corrections as long as the defendant remains eligible. Defendant received 12 months of probation.

CRIMINAL CHARGES DISMISSED

September 15

Devaughan R. Mesarosh, possession of methamphetamine, a Level 6 Felony, dismissed; unlawful possession of a syringe, a Level 6 Felony, dismissed.

David L. Hert, theft, a Level 6 Felony, dismissed.

Taylor Alan Kavanaugh, check deception, a Class A Misdemeanor, dismissed; maintaining a common nuisance – controlled substances, a Level 6 Felony, dismissed; possession of marijuana, a Class B Misdemeanor, dismissed.

September 16

Ryan A. Miller, operating a vehicle while intoxicated endangering a person, a Class A Misdemeanor, dismissed.

September 20

Mackenna N. Gromer, possession of methamphetamine, a Level 6 Felony, dismissed; driving while suspended, a Class A Misdemeanor, dismissed; operating a vehicle while intoxicated endangering a person, a Class A Misdemeanor, dismissed.

CIVIL COURT DISMISSED

September 13

LVNV Funding, LLC vs. Julie Poole, civil collection, dismissed.

SMALL CLAIMS JUDGMENTS

September 20

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Family Dental Care and against the defendant Shannon Carrico in the amount of \$1,056.95.

SMALL CLAIMS DISMISSED

September 15


Indiana Farm Bureau Insurance a/s/o Jilda Tow vs. FedEx Freight, Inc., complaint, dismissed.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

September 17

Terry Edward Wells of Loogootee and Melissa Dawn Wisley of Loogootee.

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More Neat Stuff

By Ann Ackerman



EXERCISE BLOCK FOR SENIORS

1. Place concrete block on floor.
2. Walk around it twice.
3. Sit down! Relax.

You have just walked around the block twice!

An executive was interviewing applicants for the position of divisional manager. He asked each applicant, "What's two plus two?"

The first interviewee was an engineer. He pulled out a slide rule and showed the answer to be between 3.999 and 4.00. He didn't get the job.

The next candidate was a lawyer. She stated that in the case of Jenkins v.

Midwestern Engineers welcomes new employee

Midwestern Engineers, Inc., announces the addition of Jodi Comer to their business development team. Jodi will assist clients across Indiana for the full-service civil engineering and consulting company.



JODI COMER

Following a two-decade career with the Southeastern Indiana Regional Planning Commission, Jodi joins Midwestern with a strong background in grant administration and funding solutions, specializing in the Community Development Block Grant program. Additionally, her experience includes project development and transportation program management.

Jodi and her husband Jason Comer reside in Osgood, where they are active in numerous civic organizations. They are the parents of four sons and their eldest child, Emily, whom they lost as the result of a texting and driving accident. Since the 2011 accident, Jodi has partnered with the St. Vincent's Hospital Trauma Unit to raise awareness of the dangers of distracted driving. She remains an advocate for the Indiana Hands-Free Driving Law enacted in 2020, speaking with high school students in Indiana, Kentucky, and Ohio.

With offices in Loogootee and Indianapolis, Midwestern Engineers, Inc. specializes in water resources and utility infrastructure across the Hoosier State. For more information, or to contact Jodi, please visit www.midwesterneng.com.

Brown, two plus two proved to be four. She also didn't get the job.

The last applicant was an accountant. When the businessman asked, "What's two plus two?" the accountant got up from his chair, closed the door, and asked in a low voice, "How much do you want it to be?"

He got the job.

My wife and I decided we'll need a vacation once the world re-opens. I taped a world map to the refrigerator, gave my wife a magnetic dart, and said, "Wherever it lands is our vacation spot."

Seems we'll be spending two weeks behind the fridge.

SERIOUSISMS

*Remember, anyone can love you when the sun is shining. In the storms is where you learn who truly cares for you.

*My entire life can be described in one sentence: It didn't go as planned, and that's OK.

*No matter what people think of you, always keep singing your own song.

*The most expensive liquid in the world is a tear. It's 1% water and 99% feelings. Think before you hurt someone.

*Some people could be given an entire field of roses and only see the thorns in it. Others could be given a single weed, and only see the wildflower in it. Perception is key to gratitude. And gratitude is essential to a life lived in joy.

*The things you do for yourself are gone when you are gone, but the things you do for others remain as your legacy

*Me at 16: This radio station is playing my song.

Me at 21: This bar is playing my song.

Me now: This grocery store is playing my song.

THOUGHTS

*My friend Jack claims that he can communicate with vegetables. Jack and the beans talk.

*When life gives you lemons, make orange juice and leave the world wondering how you did it.

*I'm on my second guardian angel. My first one quit and is now in therapy.

*Last night I ordered a glass of wine with my dinner and the waiter asked for my ID. I replied, "Do I look that young?" and the waiter said, "No. I just wanted to see if you qualified for the Senior Citizen discount."

Make someone smile today!

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Right to Life paper drive

The next Right to Life Paper Drive/ Aluminum Can Drive will be held Saturday, October 2. In Daviess County, it will be held in the Tractor Supply parking lot in Washington. This is the main location for this paper drive with hours from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. All other locations around the county will be from 9 a.m.-noon. In Martin County, the drive will be held at the Martin County Recycling Center from 9 a.m.-noon. If you could volunteer for one hour, please contact Louis Kavanaugh Jr. at 486-3658 or in Martin County, call Van McAtee at 295-4251. Or attend the day of the paper drive.

St. Vincent Food Pantry

The St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry, on Park Street in Loogootee, is open the fourth Thursday of the month except November and December when they are open the third Thursday. The hours are 8 a.m.-noon and 1-4 p.m.

LUMC Food Pantry

The Loogootee United Methodist Church Food Pantry is open every Thursday (except the fourth Thursday) from 11 a.m.-1 p.m.

Mental Health Task Force

The Martin County Mental Health Task Force meets on the second Wednesday of the month from 1-2 p.m. at the Community Learning Center on the Martin County Fairgrounds.

Celebrate Recovery meetings

Celebrate Recovery meetings will be held every Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. at Redemption Church in Loogootee. This is a Christ-centered recovery program and anyone is welcome to attend.

Local recovery meetings

Wednesdays-Alcoholic Anonymous, Martin County Community Corrections Building at 8 p.m.; Thursdays-Narcotics Anonymous, Redemption Church Loogootee at 8 p.m.; Fridays-Alcoholic Anonymous, Loogootee Municipal Building Loogootee at 8 p.m.

Free lunch for kids

New Beginnings Community Church will be offering a free lunch to all school age children every Saturday. Lunches can be picked up at the fellowship hall of the church, located at 105 Wood St, Loogootee



First-Year Teacher award

-Photo provided

Taylor Conley, fifth grade teacher at Veale Elementary, in Washington, has been chosen as the recipient of the Daviess/Martin Retired Teachers Association First Year Teacher Award for the 2021-2022 school year. DMRTA members Linda Strosnider (left) and Lavana Hand (right) recently presented Taylor (center) with a check for \$100.

no later than 10:30 a.m. Deliveries will begin between 10:30 and 11 a.m. Saturdays.

SOAR Tutoring

Need Skills? SOAR tutors can help! Free and confidential. Call or text Karen 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 5:30 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.

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.

Middle Way House Wrapped in Love Public Art Display

On Friday, October 1, from 5-6 p.m., Middle Way House will start their annual Wrapped in Love Public Art Display in the Monroe County Courthouse lawn.

Just as Middle Way House wraps survivors of domestic violence, sexual assault, and human trafficking in warmth and support, fabric artists lovingly created tree sweaters for dozens of downtown Bloomington trees. The tree sweaters will be prominently hung throughout numerous locations in the heart of Bloomington and feature Middle Way help & crisis line phone number in hopes of raising awareness about domestic violence, sexual assault, and human trafficking. The public art display will span nearly six months, coinciding with the beginning of Domestic Violence Awareness month in October and end March 1st, 2022.

Middle Way House would like to thank their Volunteer Event Chair Erin Hollinden, the fabric artists, and the current top sponsors for all their support.

If you are interested in becoming a Wrapped in Love sponsor, please contact Maddie at development@middlewayhouse.org for more information.

If you are in need of help, please call the Middle Way House confidential 24/7 Help & Crisis Line at (812) 336-0846.

About Middle Way House

Since 1971, Middle Way House has been providing services to people in crisis. Today, Middle Way House provides emergency shelter, a 24/7 help & crisis line, on-scene advocacy, support services for survivors of domestic violence, sexual assault, stalking and human trafficking, transitional and permanent housing solutions for survivors and their families, legal advocacy, and education and prevention programs. Middle Way House serves six counties in southern Indiana (Monroe, Greene, Lawrence, Owen, Morgan, and Martin) and relies on a staff of 70 and a committed volunteer force to provide around-the-clock response and services to those experiencing abuse and assault. It is not necessary that an individual reside in our emergency shelter or transitional housing program to access most of our services. We believe, support, and affirm the identities of ALL survivors. For more information, please visit www.middlewayhouse.org.



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In the Garden

By Ralph Purkhiser,
Purdue University Master Gardener

Autumn officially arrived last week, and many people are busy changing out flower displays for the season. Mums and asters are the traditional headliners, with thousands of these flowers purchased each year. One of the most frequent questions I am asked is why the mums do not return the following year, even though they are sold as “hardy” mums. There are actually several reasons for this, the first being that they may not be hardy to our particular zone. Many of the mums sold by large retailers have been trucked in from large nurseries in Tennessee. The varieties they grow may not be hardy enough for southern Indiana winters and will not come back unless planted in a protected location.

Even if the varieties are hardy enough for Indiana, timing has a lot to do with success in getting mums to return. The earlier you get the plants in the ground, the more time the roots have to acclimate and grow into the surrounding soil. Many people want to use the mums to decorate porches and plant them only after the blooms fade. The chance that the plants will survive is not very high. You may be able to increase the chance of survival with some mulch. You do not want to mulch now but have some mulch available when the ground temperatures drop below the freezing point. The mulch will provide insulation to keep the ground from heaving and making the roots come up out of the soil.

If you really want to have mums that return perennially, you may plan for the option now. I have had some success keeping mums alive in their pots by cutting them back after frost and then keeping the pots in an unheated garage or in another protected location for the winter. You must check them periodically to make sure they do not dry out. Watch for the returning foliage early in the winter, but it will not really grow much until warmer weather returns in the spring. Plant the mums in their intended spot in late April. About the end of May, cut the foliage back. Do it again the first of July. All of those cuttings may be placed in pots of soil and will likely grow into new plants, which also may be planted in the landscape. By planting early in the year, the plants will establish good root systems that will sustain the plants through future winters. After a couple of years, you may find that you have more mums than you want and can either throw away the cuttings or give the new plants to friends.

Another popular fall plant is red fountain grass. Although often placed with the perennials in garden centers, this particular ornamental grass is not hardy to our area. Even with heavy mulch, it

is not likely to make it through an Indiana winter. Enjoy the plumes as long as you want, but you will either have to cut it back and over-winter it in a basement or garage or just buy new plants for next year. You may also save the seeds and plant them inside in early spring to have the red grass for next year. However, be forewarned that seedlings may not exactly give the same red color as the parent plant.

My personal favorite fall flowers are the asters. Since asters are native to more northern climates, they tend to be hardier than mums. Like mums, they may be sheared back in late spring or early summer to keep them shorter and less likely to fall. However, I must admit that I rarely get this done and I love the sprays of purple and pink flowers that tower up to eight feet high. I love the way the asters mix with the goldenrod in my meadow. It is a combination that really tells me that autumn has arrived.

Whether the wild display of the meadow or a neat foundation planting of mums and sedums, the beautiful fall flowers play a role far more important than providing something to please the eye. These late-season flowers are the source of nectar that is necessary to allow migrating monarch butterflies to load up on energy for the long trek south. The bonus is getting to enjoy watching the fluttering of the butterflies in your garden.

DNR plans to stock 67,000 channel catfish this fall

DNR will stock more than 130 public fishing sites across Indiana with approximately 67,000 channel catfish.

State fish hatcheries will begin harvesting channel catfish September 27 and plan to stock them by November 15. These lake and reservoir stockings occur annually or every other year, depending on the number of catfish produced at the state hatcheries and the requests from DNR fisheries management staff.

The catfish stocked will be 8-10 inches in length with some in the 12-14-inch size range. With careful handling and transport, most newly stocked catfish quickly acclimate to their new environment and offer immediate opportunities to interested anglers.

The bag limit for channel catfish is 10 per day, and there is no minimum size limit. Review channel catfish regulations at <https://bit.ly/3hALk96>.

Learn more about catfish fishing at wildlife.IN.gov/fishing/catfish-fishing.

For this year’s fall channel catfish stocking locations, numbers and requested sizes, please visit: wildlife.IN.gov/fishing/indiana-fish-stocking.

Indiana farm fatality summary stresses importance of farm safety

BY ABBY LEEDS
Purdue University News Service

Purdue University’s Agricultural Safety and Health Program released the annual Indiana Farm Fatality Summary with Historical Overview, coinciding with National Farm Safety and Health Week.

The annual observance has been the third week of September since 1944. The program reported 25 work-related on-farm deaths in the state of Indiana in 2020, including one grain entrapment, nine involving tractors and four involving off-road or utility terrain vehicles.

Farm fatalities for the past 50 years continue to trend lower, likely reflecting safer machinery and work practices while also corresponding with a decline in the number of farmers. Despite this encouraging trend, report members urge agriculture workers to remain diligent and follow safety procedures. No Indiana agency documents farm-related nonfatal injuries, but prior research has indicated that approximately one in nine Indiana farms has a farm-work-related injury incident that requires medical attention each year.

Documented incidents involving those age 60 or older account for nearly half of all cases in the past five years, including over half of the victims in 2020.

“Historically, farmers over the age of 60, including many who work only part time, have accounted for a disproportionate number of farm-related injuries. Recent spikes in frequencies of fatalities over the past 10 years makes this population of older farmers a special concern,” the report states.

Bill Field, Purdue agriculture and biological engineering professor and Extension safety specialist, has summarized over 1,100 farm fatalities during his career.

“This annual summary is a somber reminder that our food can come at a cost of lives, health and well-being for farm families,” Field said.

As Hoosier farmers begin to harvest, program members remind farmers to keep safety a top priority. Agriculture safety guides, disaster preparedness resources and the Indiana Farm Fatality Summary can be found at <https://extension.purdue.edu/INPREPared/>.

Monroe Lake hosts annual Ghostly Gathering

Monroe Lake’s popular Halloween special event, Ghostly Gathering, returns to Paynetown State Recreation Area this year on October 22-24.

All event activities are open to both campers and day visitors and do not require any advance sign-up; however, craft activities will be available only while supplies last. Program details are available at bit.ly/ghostlygathering2021.

- Here’s a list of activities by date:
- Friday, October 22
 - Roving Naturalist: Spooky(?) Spiders from 2 to 4 p.m.
 - Ghostly Games and Challenges from 5:30 to 7 p.m.
 - Halloween History and Folktales at 8 p.m.
 - Saturday, October 23
 - Pumpkin Painting from 9:30 to 11 a.m., \$3/pumpkin (cash only).
 - Creepy, Crawly Crafts from 12:30 to 2:30 p.m.
 - Paper Halloween Masks from 4 to 5:30 p.m.
 - Trick-or-Treating from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.
 - Campsite Decorating Contest Judging from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.
 - Ghosts of Indiana State Parks at 8 p.m.
 - Sunday, October 24
 - Roll-a-Frankenstien from 10 to 11:30 a.m.
 - Walk the Spider’s Web from 1 to 2:30 p.m.

Those interested in reserving a campsite for the weekend can do so at camp.IN.gov. Electric sites are already full but non-electric and tent sites are still available.

The daily entrance fee for Paynetown SRA, located at 4850 S. State Road 446, Bloomington, is \$7 per vehicle with Indiana license plates and \$9 per vehicle with out-of-state plates). Indiana State Parks Annual Entrance Permits are also accepted.

Questions about Ghostly Gathering programming should be directed to Jill Vance, Monroe Lake’s interpretive naturalist, at jvance@dnr.IN.gov or 812-837-9967.

Patoka Lake hosts kayak trip at King’s Bridge

Patoka Lake is hosting a guided kayak trip beginning at the King’s Bridge boat ramp on Saturday, October 2 at 9 a.m. Participants should bring their own kayak, life vests, and refreshments for the two-hour paddle. The trip will go upstream from Patoka Lake and visit Grimes Lake Marsh. Bald eagles, beaver and other wildlife have been seen in the area.

Participants should arrive by 8:45 a.m. to sign in and prepare to launch. Non-motorized boat launch permits are required and will be sold at the event for \$5 or can be purchased at the Patoka Lake office from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. daily. For more information, contact the Nature Center at 812-685-2447.

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