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Crane recognized nationally for innovative workforce development program

The Naval Surface Warfare Center, Crane Division (NSWC Crane) Crane Division University (CDU) Team was nationally recognized for its innovative approach to workforce development. The CDU Team was selected from across Naval Sea Systems Command (NAVSEA) Warfare Center Divisions for the 2018 Phil Heiler Award.

"It is an honor to be acknowledged nationally for our workforce development program," says Barb Strahley, Director for CDU. "Our employees facilitate these CDU courses and are able to develop leadership skills alongside their peers outside of the typical work environment."

James Hardin, the Division Manager for Human Resources, says the CDU Team provided a solution for the challenges Crane was currently facing.

"Workforce development is critical to provide the best for the warfighter and uphold national security," says Hardin. "Previous initiatives using outside organizations were costly and enrollment was low, causing these expensive classes to be cancelled. At the same time, a significant number of the Crane workforce was retiring, causing high turnover and creating potential loss of subject matter expertise."

The Crane Division University program solved these problems effectively.

"We realized the vast pool of human and intellectual capital at Crane was a resource," says Hardin. "By using NSWC Crane's subject matter experts, regional colleges and universities, the program has been able to specifically tailor to our workforce needs while providing more courses and reducing cost significantly."

The CDU Team's approach to workforce education is unique in that the program taps into internal NSWC Crane subject matter experts (SME) to



CRANE DIVISION UNIVERSITY

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In addition to the impact this class has had on employees, it is receiving a high-level of interest from other Navy commands and organizations across the country such as Puget Sound Naval Shipyard, NAVSEA Southwest Regional Maintenance Center, and Naval Air Systems Command (NAVAIR) Putuxent River, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services, and NAVSEA SEA05.

The Crane Division University vision is to strengthen the commitment to employee development by becoming a teaching organization. This aligns with NSWC Crane's overall strategic goal of creating a culture of innovation that values leadership and employee engagement.

"This has been a game-changing program strengthening our work culture," says Dr. Angie Lewis, the Corporate Operations Director at NSWC Crane. "We look forward to sharing this strategic solution as a model for organizations nationwide."

NSWC Crane is a naval laboratory (See 'PROGRAM' on page 3)

Safe Community Event -Photo by Pat Daugherty

The 3rd Annual Safe Community Event was held last Saturday at West Boggs Park. The event, designed to mingle emergency services personnel with the public, featured a police K9 demonstration, a SCUBA search and rescue demonstration, and presentations by the fire departments. More than 2,000 pounds of food was also donated by the community to local food pantries. Shown above is Indiana State Police Trooper Jarrod Lents acting as the "bad guy" running from ISP Trooper Steve Sexton's K9 Magill during the K9 demonstration. Lents was wearing a protective sleeve that absorbed Magill's bites. According to the organizers, 200-plus attended the event.

Health department inspects food service

The following restaurant inspections were done by Julia Albright, of the Martin County Health Department. The information listed is verbatim from the inspection report and all were routine inspections, unless otherwise noted. Violations that were seen again from one inspection to the next are noted with "(Repeat violation)" after the entry.

JULY 31

Amish Country Hearth, 1120 W. Broadway Street, Loogootee

One critical violation:

-Raw eggs stored above ready-to-eat cream cheese and spices in the beverage air cooler

Subway, 208 Mill Street, Loogootee

No violations noted.

Family Dollar #21254, 99 Pine Street, Loogootee

No violations noted.

CVS Pharmacy #6883, 402 W. Broadway Street, Loogootee

No violations noted.

AUGUST 31

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

One critical violation:

-Raw hamburger in reach-in cooler over ready-to-eat lettuce, tomato and cheese

Shoals Community Schools, 11741 Ironton Road, Shoals

No violations noted.

B&B Lunch Box, 10302 Freeman Road, Shoals

No violations noted.



Lannan to be guest speaker at Library fundraiser

Brian Lannan will be the guest speaker at the Loogootee Public Library's Pull Up a Chair Auction and dinner on Saturday, October 13 at 6 p.m. at St. John's Center. Tickets are \$20. Lannan is the Senior Director, Guest Experience for Target Corporation. He graduated from Loogootee High School as co-Valedictorian and went on to Indiana University as a Wells scholar, where he studied math, economics, Spanish, and graduated with Highest Distinction. He later graduated from Harvard Business School and has spent the last 13 years in various strategy and insight roles at Target. Brian currently lives in Plymouth, Minnesota with his wife, Lori; daughter, Luisa and son, Parker. Brian is the son of Ken and Jennifer Lannan. Brian is an avid reader of biographies and thrillers. He lettered in tennis and track at Loogootee High School and maintains his love for basketball, developed over the countless games at Jack Butcher Arena.



Lots of laughs

-Photo provided

Jamie Ward, Dean Napolitano, and Conrad Bromberek were the comedians who performed at the Raise the Woof Stand Up Comedy Show last Friday night at Loogootee High School. The show, not well attended, was a fundraiser for the Martin County Humane Society. Napolitano, the headliner of the show, is not only a comedian, he's also an actor and producer, known for Army Wives (2007), Triple 9 (2016) and Transformers: Dark of the Moon (2011).

Radius Indiana launches region's first wage and benefits survey

Radius Indiana is conducting a Wage and Benefits Survey across several counties in southern Indiana--a first for the area. The survey will gather employer pay and benefit information to help create a very accurate, up-to-date understanding of what the real-world labor market is like in southern Indiana.

Approximately 400 companies, with employee size ranging between 1 and 1,000 workers from 15 counties in the region, have been invited to participate in the survey. The survey asks about positions within each company, annual wages, and benefits employees receive and how those benefits translate financially, such as with health and life insurance. Topics such as time-off and leave, vacation, bereavement and paid holidays are also included in the survey.

"This survey will not only help employers in our region create an appropriate competitive work compensation package but will also be used to inform companies and businesses interested in locating or expanding in the Radius region," said Jeff Quyle, CEO and president of Radius Indiana. "We are excited to be able to facilitate this survey for our region and will share our results with the companies completing the survey and each participating county's local economic development organization."

Radius is collaborating with additional counties in the 11-county Re-

gional Opportunity Initiatives (ROI) region of Southwest Central Indiana known as the Indiana Uplands, and counties within the Southwest Indiana Development Council (SWIDC) area to provide a broader regional snapshot of the labor market in southern Indiana.

The consultant on the survey, Kevin Whorton of Whorton Marketing and Research, created the survey framework, and then collaborated with Radius as well as select test companies to develop the final questionnaire. With help from each county's local economic development organization, companies were identified and emailed a unique link to access the survey in mid-September. The full report on the survey's findings is planned for release in early 2019.

While this is the first large-scale Wage and Benefit survey for the region, a similar effort in recent years conducted in Dubois County showed the potential value of capturing this type of data. Dubois Strong has been a strong advocate for the Radius Wage and Benefit survey, which expands on the work of its county-specific survey and broadens the scope and understanding of hundreds of companies located in this part of the state.

"It is very important for businesses to have the best wage and benefit information available to attract and retention employees in a very low unemployment environment," said Ed Cole, President of Dubois Strong.

Museum still raising money for renovations

To help raise funds for the renovation of the Martin County Museum, previously the Martin County Courthouse, the Martin County Historical Society will host an old-fashioned ham and bean lunch on October 13. The renovation project for the courthouse is progressing rapidly, with much work having been done to the exterior of the structure. But there is still a lot of updating and renovation needed for the interior of the building to allow the museum to be open during the winter months.

The ultimate goal for the museum is to have sufficient volunteers to have the museum open several days during the month, and hopefully every weekend. Our mission is to help connect Martin County's past to students, educators, historical organizations, genealogists, and visitors from other areas curious about the history of the county. Completion of the renovation

to the museum will allow the Historical Society to offer educational programs, workshops, conferences, genealogical research, and networking opportunities for all local schools and residents.

The Martin County Historical Society is dedicated to preserving, collecting, storing and interpreting historical information and artifacts. The museum exists to help current and future generations understand their heritage, and to honor past citizens for providing the standard of living they achieved. Residents have a responsibility to our ancestors to continue the progress they made in developing our cities, county and state, and to learn not only from their successes, but also from their mistakes.

The museum provides the current generation that opportunity: to honor our ancestor's achievements, and to better understand their dreams and hopes for future generations.

Retired Teachers Association meets

BY LINDA STROSNIDER
Retired Teachers Association

The Daviess/Martin Counties Retired Teachers Association met September 14 at the Gasthof Amish Restaurant in Montgomery. Those present were Randy Burks, Jane Bolt- inghouse -IRTA President, Art Neiswanger, Nancy Adams, Lawana Hand, Alice Jones, Deborah Rayman, Jodie Parsons, Pat Keefe, Karen Slaven, David Lennen - Area Director, Rita Divine, Linda Britton, Janice Riley, Marilyn Read, Barb Hagar, Aggie Cooper, Linda Strosnider, and program presenter -Patty Allen.

Area Director Dave Lennen gave a summary of IRTA activities that happened over the summer months. He explained what IRT Foundation programs have to offer to the membership. He also announced that the Area Fall Workshop is scheduled for October 8, 2018, at the Gasthof. Each local RTA is encouraged to send as many delegates

as possible. There is no charge for the meal. Contact Dave Lennen to register.

Other business attended to was the announcement that Washington Community Schools teacher, Savannah Julian, was the recipient of the First Year Teacher stipend.

The membership was reminded that the Backpack Program in Martin County will accept nonperishable donations at the November meeting.

Guest speaker, Patty Allen, from the Crane Westgate Academy Building, presented a program on the STEM program (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math). The members participated in an activity demonstrating some of the processes that students experience.

Door prize winners were Art Neiswanger, Barb Hagar, and Marilyn Read.

The next meeting will be held at Stoll's Lakeview Restaurant in Loogootee on November 9, 2018 at 11:30 a.m.



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Staff/Students of the month -Photo provided

The Loogootee Elementary Students and Staff Member of the Month for October were recently chosen. In the front row, from left to right, are Ashton Summers, Wayne Steimel, Fara Fisher, Harley Mumma, Emri Grafton, Knox Jeffers, and Zoe Brown. In the second row, from left to right, are Dayson Taylor, Madison Davis, Mrs. Lynn Bateman, Khloe Dills, and Caleb Park. Not pictured was Blake Stoll.

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Obituaries

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Wednesday, October 3, 2018

WARREN KELLER

Warren Dale Keller age 72, of Washington, passed away Wednesday, September 26, 2018 at the IU Methodist Hospital in Indianapolis. A resident of Washington, he was 72.

He was born June 7, 1946 in Daviess County; son of William and Fern (Davis) Keller. He married Donna Gilfedder on September 5, 1981 in Washington and she survives.

He graduated Shoals High School and Indiana Barber College in Indianapolis. He owned and operated Warren's Barbershop in Shoals, retiring in 2001, was previously a member of the Shoals Church of Christ, a member of the Washington Church of Christ, the NWTFF (National Wild Turkey Federation) and the NRA.

Surviving are his wife, two sons, Kurt (Sara) Kelso of Washington and Alex Keller of Indianapolis; three grandchildren, Zoe Kelso, Kinsey Kelso and Cole Kelso; two brothers, Kenneth Keller of Bloomington and Spencer (Joan) Keller of Shoals; four nephews, Kris, Clint, Trevor and Ryan Keller.

Funeral services were held this morning, Wednesday, October 3 at the Queen-Lee Chapel in Shoals. Burial followed in the Spring Hill Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to: Donate Life Indiana 3760 Guion Rd. Indianapolis, Indiana 42222. The Queen-Lee Chapel of the Thorne-George Family Funeral Homes was in charge of the arrangements.

TONY RAY

Anthony "Tony" Ray passed away September 26, 2018 in Loogootee. A resident of Loogootee, he was 47.

He was born May 29, 1971 in Vincennes; son of William F. Jr. and Barbara (Fox) Ray.

He is survived by his son, Robert Ray of Loogootee; his sister, Sharon "Shelly" Ray of Loogootee; and his aunt, Norma Hart of Washington.

He was preceded in death by his parents, William Jr. and Barbara (Fox) Ray.

Cremation was chosen according to his wishes.

Condolences may be made online at blakefuneralhomes.com. Arrangements were provided by Blake Funeral Home in Loogootee.

MICHAEL SHAW

Michael A. Shaw passed away at 4:31 a.m. Wednesday, September 26, 2018 at Memorial Hospital and Healthcare Center. A resident of Loogootee, he was 51.

He was born February 13, 1967 in Peoria, Illinois; son of Ed Thunehorst and Linda (Washburn) Pennington.

Michael was a United States Army veteran.

While active in the service he was an Army Ranger and part of the 82nd Airborne.

He loved going on cruises and was looking forward to his trip next month. He also enjoyed watching sports on television.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Linda Pennington; and grandparents, Herb and Betty Washburn.

He is survived by his daughters, Lindsay (Shane) Foster and Ashlie Shaw; grandchildren, Gage Foster, Mia Watts, Gracelynn Foster and Addleigh Shaw; father and step-mom, Ed and

INDOT offers scholarships, jobs to engineers in training

The Indiana Department of Transportation is offering civil engineering students scholarships and paid employment during summer breaks and upon graduation.

Students must be accepted or enrolled full time in one of Indiana's certified civil engineering schools and apply using the form at www.INDOT-Scholarship.IN.gov. Applications for the 2019-2020 academic school year must be submitted by December 31, 2018.

INDOT's scholarship program uses federal funds to offer \$3,125 per semester or \$2,083 per trimester for up to five years of post-secondary civil engineering education. Scholarship funds can be applied to educational expenses, fees and books. In return, recipients work for INDOT in full-time, paid positions during their summer breaks and upon graduation.

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Kathy Thunehorst; and sister, Michelle (Bruce) Jones.

Michael's wishes were to be cremated and no services will be held.

Condolences may be made online at blakefuneralhomes.com.

Arrangements were provided by Blake Funeral Home in Loogootee.

Technology (ABET) certified civil engineering programs. Eligible programs include Purdue University Fort Wayne, Purdue University, Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology, Trine University, University of Evansville, University of Notre Dame, University of Southern Indiana, and Valparaiso University.

Learn more about the INDOT Engineer Scholarship program application process at www.INDOTScholarship.IN.gov. Applications for the 2019-2020 school year must be submitted by Monday, December 31.

PROGRAM

(Continued from page one) and a field activity of Naval Sea Systems Command (NAVSEA) with focus areas in Expeditionary Warfare, Strategic Missions and Electronic Warfare. The warfare center is responsible for multi-domain, multi-spectral, full life cycle support of technologies and systems enhancing capability to today's warfighter.

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Martin County Sheriff's Department log

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 24

9:05 a.m. - Received a dog complaint near Shoals. Animal Control Officer Hughett responded.

9:28 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Shoals. Shoals Fire and Martin County Ambulance responded. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

9:54 a.m. - Received a report of an unsecured business in Loogootee. Loogootee Chief Rayhill responded and all was okay.

11:39 a.m. - Received a report of an accident in Loogootee. Loogootee Chief Rayhill responded.

11:52 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance north of Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance transported the subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

12:26 p.m. - Received a report of an accident on SR 150, east of Shoals. Shoals Fire and Chief Deputy Greene responded.

1:16 p.m. - Received a report of a domestic dispute in Loogootee. Loogootee Chief Rayhill responded.

1:58 p.m. - Jail Commander Abel transported one inmate to the doctor.

2:10 p.m. - Received a dog complaint west of Shoals. Animal Control Officer Hughett responded.

2:27 p.m. - Received a cat complaint near Shoals. Animal Control Officer Hughett responded.

7:05 p.m. - Received a report of a domestic dispute in Loogootee. Loogootee Police Department responded.

9:30 a.m. - Received a report of a tree down East of Shoals. Shoals Fire responded and removed the tree.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 25

5:38 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance transported the subject to Daviess Community Hospital.

6:01 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance transported the subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

6:30 a.m. - Deputy Reed assisted a stranded motorist west of Shoals on US 50.

9:20 a.m. - Captain Dant took three inmates to court.

9:36 a.m. - Received a report of a stranded motorist north of Loogootee. ISP Trooper Beaver responded.

9:38 a.m. - Received a report of a domestic dispute in Loogootee. Loogootee Chief Rayhill responded. Martin County Ambulance also responded and transported a subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

10:08 a.m. - Captain Dant performed a vehicle identification check near Shoals.

10:09 a.m. - Received several reports of a truck losing rip rap on US 50 between Shoals and Loogootee. Chief Deputy Greene, Loogootee Chief Rayhill, and ICO Mann responded. Several vehicles received damage from the debris.

11:16 a.m. - Received a report of furniture lying in the roadway on US 50, west of Shoals. ISP Trooper Beaver responded and removed the debris.

11:50 a.m. - Received a report of suspicious activity in Loogootee. Loogootee Chief Rayhill, Loogootee Officer McBeth, and Sergeant Keller responded.

1:00 p.m. - Captain Dant took one inmate to court.

2:00 p.m. - Captain Dant took two inmates to court.

6:05 p.m. - Received a dog complaint in Shoals. Animal Control Officer Hughett responded.

6:30 p.m. - Received a report of a low hanging tree on SR 150, east of Shoals. INDOT was contacted.

7:53 p.m. - Received a dog complaint in Loogootee. Animal Control Officer Hughett responded.

7:58 p.m. - Major Burkhardt assisted a motorist in Loogootee with a vehicle unlock.

8:53 p.m. - Received a report of a suspicious vehicle near Shoals. Town Marshal Eckert and Major Burkhardt responded.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 26

8:41 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance transported the subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

11:40 a.m. - Received a report of a theft in Shoals. Sheriff Roush responded.

12:35 p.m. - Captain Dant took one inmate to court.

1:04 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded but did not transport.

2:08 p.m. - Captain Dant took one inmate to court.

2:10 p.m. - Received a report of an accident in Loogootee. Loogootee Chief Rayhill responded.

2:17 p.m. - Received a report of an abandoned dirt bike east of Shoals. Major Burkhardt responded.

2:41 p.m. - Received a request for a welfare check in Loogootee. Loogootee Chief Rayhill responded.

3:00 p.m. - Captain Dant took two inmates to court.

3:17 p.m. - Received a report of an accident in Loogootee. ISP Trooper Lents responded.

3:20 p.m. - Received a report of an incident in Loogootee. Loogootee Chief Rayhill, Loogootee Fire, Martin County Ambulance, ISP, and the Martin County Coroner responded.

5:30 p.m. - Received a report of an incident in Shoals. Town Marshal Eckert responded.

7:49 p.m. - Received a report of a domestic dispute in Crane. Deputy Seymour and the Greene County Sheriff's Office responded.

8:43 p.m. - Received a report of criminal mischief near Shoals. Deputy Wright responded.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 27

3:39 a.m. - Received an alarm call near Loogootee. Deputy Wright and Loogootee Officer Floyd responded. All was okay.

8:50 a.m. - Received a report of a horse out on East River Road. Captain Dant responded.

9:04 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance transported the subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

9:22 a.m. - Captain Dant performed a vehicle identification check in Shoals.

9:25 a.m. - Sheriff Roush assisted a motorist with a vehicle unlock in Loogootee.

11:13 a.m. - Captain Dant assisted with a funeral detail near Shoals.

2:00 p.m. - Major Burkhardt assisted a person in gaining entry to their home.

8:53 p.m. - Received a request for a welfare check near Loogootee. Deputy Seymour, Loogootee Officer Floyd,

and Martin County Ambulance responded. No one was transported.

10:03 p.m. - Received a report of a reckless driver near Loogootee. Loogootee Police Department responded.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 28

1:04 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance, Loogootee Officer Floyd, and Loogootee Fire responded. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

10:05 a.m. - Received a dog complaint in Shoals. Animal Control Officer Hughett responded.

10:30 a.m. - Received a report of a tree down and on fire east of Shoals. Shoals Fire and REMC responded.

11:00 a.m. - Loogootee Captain Hennessee assisted with a funeral detail in Loogootee.

11:03 a.m. - Received a cat complaint in Shoals. Animal Control Officer Hughett responded.

12:39 p.m. - Received an animal complaint near Shoals. Animal Control Officer Hughett responded.

3:19 p.m. - Received a medical alarm call in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded but did not transport.

8:42 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance near Shoals. Martin County Ambulance transported the subject to Daviess Community Hospital.

10:25 p.m. - Received a report of a suspicious vehicle near Shoals. Deputy Seymour and Reserve Deputy Harmon responded.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 29

11:22 a.m. - Received a report of an injured deer north of Loogootee. Reserve Deputy Gibson responded.

12:22 p.m. - Received a request for lift assistance in Shoals. Shoals Fire and Martin County Ambulance responded. No one was transported.

12:52 p.m. - Received a report of a break-in in Loogootee. Loogootee Officer McBeth responded.

1:50 p.m. - Received a report of a suspicious person in Loogootee. Loogootee Officer McBeth and ISP Trooper Beaver responded.

3:47 p.m. - Received a dog complaint in Loogootee. Animal Control Officer Hughett responded.

7:13 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Shoals. Martin County Ambulance responded but did not transport.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 30

12:07 a.m. - Received a noise complaint in Loogootee. Loogootee Sergeant Norris responded.

3:53 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance transported the subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

ARRESTS

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 24

3:43 p.m. - Courtney Sutton, 28, of Loogootee, was arrested for a probation violation and is being held without bond.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 26

4:59 a.m. - Joseph Miller, 30, of Daviess County, was arrested by Loogootee Officer Floyd and charged with possession of marijuana and a Martin County warrant. He is being held without bond. Assisting with the arrest was K9 Officer Virka.

5:11 a.m. - Danielle Sanders, 24, of Loogootee, was arrested by Deputy Reed and charged with possession of marijuana. She is being held without bond. Assisting with the arrest was K9 Officer Virka.

2:53 p.m. - Delmont Loren Hall, 77, of Loogootee, was arrested by Loogootee Chief Rayhill and charged with operating while intoxicated and is being held without bond.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 28

10:48 a.m. - Tatiana O'Malley, 22, of Evansville, was arrested by Chief Deputy Greene on a Martin County warrant and is being held without bond.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 29

3:38 a.m. - William Moffitt, 41, of Shoals, was arrested by ISP Trooper Nolan and charged with resisting law enforcement and possession of paraphernalia. He is being held on a \$25,000 10% bond. Deputy Wright assisted with the arrest.

3:38 a.m. - Crystal Trambaugh, 36, of Shoals, was arrested by ISP Trooper Nolan and charged with possession of paraphernalia and is being held on a \$25,000 10% bond.

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COURT NEWS

Persons listed on criminal charges are innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

CRIMINAL COURT

New Charges Filed

August 30

Melissa D. Gibson, theft, a Class 6 Felony.

September 4

Timothy E. Epperson, possession of marijuana, a Class B Misdemeanor; possession of paraphernalia, a Class C Misdemeanor.

Kimberly L. Fisher, two counts of battery resulting in bodily injury to a public safety official, Class 5 Felonies; two counts of resisting law enforcement, Class 6 Felonies; residential entry, a Class 6 Felony; theft, a Class 6 Felony.

Tre A. Blanton, domestic battery, a Class 6 Felony; interference with the reporting of a crime, a Class A Misdemeanor; criminal mischief, a Class B Misdemeanor.

Jessica L. Benge, domestic battery, a Class 6 Felony; criminal mischief, a Class B Misdemeanor.

Patty A. Tolbert, theft, a Class 6 Felony.

Andrew J. Wheeler, operating a vehicle while intoxicated endangering a person, a Class A Misdemeanor; operating a vehicle with an ACE of .15 or more, a Class A Misdemeanor.

September 5

Robert L. Weigle, driving while suspended, a Class A Misdemeanor.

Marketa L. Sipp, false informing, a Class A Misdemeanor; operating a motor vehicle without ever receiving a license, a Class C Misdemeanor.

Raven C. Davis, battery, a Class B Misdemeanor.

Neil J. Sipes, non-support of a dependent child, a Class D Felony.

September 10

Andrew R. Hay, two counts of violation of driving conditions, Class C Misdemeanors.

Kayleen M. Harbaugh, invasion of privacy, a Class A Misdemeanor.

George A. Buechlein, counterfeiting, a Class 6 Felony; false government identifications, a Class A Misdemeanor; unlawful use of a police radio, a Class B Misdemeanor; operating a vehicle while intoxicated, a Class C Misdemeanor; operating a vehicle with a schedule I or II controlled substance or its metabolite in the body, a Class C Misdemeanor; possession of marijuana, a Class B Misdemeanor; possession of paraphernalia, a Class C Misdemeanor.

September 12

John M. Mattingly, operating a vehicle while intoxicated endangering a person, a Class A Misdemeanor; operating a vehicle with a schedule I or II controlled substance or its metabolite in the body, a Class C Misdemeanor; possession of marijuana, a Class B Misdemeanor.

Tracy M. French, domestic battery, a Class 6 Felony.

September 17

Dejah L. Watson, operating a vehicle while intoxicated endangering a person, a Class A Misdemeanor; operating a vehicle with a schedule I or II controlled substance or its metabolite in the body, a Class C Misdemeanor; possession of marijuana, a Class B Misdemeanor; possession of paraphernalia, a Class C Misdemeanor; illegal possession of an alcoholic beverage, a Class C Misdemeanor.

Tiffany L. Veilleux, domestic battery, a Class A Misdemeanor.

Joshua D. Tinkle, operating a vehicle

while intoxicated endangering a person, a Class A Misdemeanor.

Rusty E. Stinson, domestic battery, a Class 6 Felony.

Allysha M. Mason-Price, neglect of a dependent, a Class 6 Felony.

Neil Jason Sipes, operating a vehicle while intoxicated endangering a person with a passenger less than 18 years of age, a Class 6 Felony; neglect of a dependent, a Class 6 Felony; possession of marijuana, a Class B Misdemeanor; operating a vehicle with a schedule I or II controlled substance or its metabolite in the body, a Class C Misdemeanor.

September 18

Kailey B. Meadows, possession of marijuana, a Class B Misdemeanor; possession of paraphernalia, a Class C Misdemeanor.

Adam S. Gibson, invasion of privacy, a Class 6 Felony; battery resulting in bodily injury, a Class A Misdemeanor.

September 24

Robert T. Roysden, operating a vehicle while intoxicated endangering a person, a Class A Misdemeanor.

CRIMINAL CHARGES

DISMISSED

September 18

Danny R. Bruner, public intoxication, a Class B Misdemeanor, dismissed.

CIVIL COURT

New Suits Filed

September 20

American Express National Bank vs. Ricky Heckard, civil collection.

September 21

Atlantic Credit & Finance, Inc. vs. Galen Knepp, civil collection.

Portfolio Recovery Associates, LLC vs. Heather Rayhill, civil collection.

U.S. Bank Association vs. Jim R. Sergent, civil collection.

SMALL CLAIMS COURT

New Suits Filed

September 20

Beverly A. Dupps vs. Liberty Mutual, complaint.

SMALL CLAIMS JUDGMENTS

September 14

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Hoosier Accounts Service and against the defendant Dakota W. Compton in the amount of \$2,828.67.

September 24

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Medical of Dubois and against the defendant Bradley Combs in the amount of \$387.91.

October 1

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Hoosier Accounts Service and against the defendant Audery A. Burgess in the amount of \$1,388.04.

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Hoosier Accounts Service and against the defendant Natasha N. Butler in the amount of \$6,118.74.

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Hoosier Accounts Service and against the defendant Wade L. Hurdle, Jr. in the amount of \$1,854.78.

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Hoosier Accounts Service and against the defendant Brandon McKibben in the amount of \$2,365.51.

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Hoosier Accounts Service and against the defendant Anthony Wilson in the amount of \$675.19.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

September 28

Kristina S. Harbison of Loogootee and Cody A. Wallis of Loogootee.

October 1

Alexis Nicole Chestnut of Loogootee and Brandon Michael Ivey of Loogootee.

Loogootee Police log

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 24

11:39 a.m. - Caller reported a property damage accident in the Family Dollar parking lot.

1:16 p.m. - Female reported a domestic dispute on Cedar Street.

2:33 p.m. - Chief Rayhill responded to a business alarm.

5:35 p.m. - Caller reported a speeding vehicle on Hwy 50.

7:19 p.m. - Caller reported a domestic dispute on East Main Street.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 25

8:02 a.m. - Male reported locating a purse on Broadway Street. Owner was located.

9:25 a.m. - Caller reported a child custody issue.

9:38 a.m. - Female requested an officer on Queen Street to remove a male from the residence. Male was later transported to Jasper Memorial.

10:09 a.m. - Caller reported large rocks on Hwy 50.

11:50 a.m. - Caller reported possible drugs on JFK Avenue.

5:45 p.m. - Caller reported a reckless driver on US 231.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 26

4:59 a.m. - Sgt. Norris assisted the county with a drug arrest.

10:30 a.m. - Female came on station to report a theft.

2:10 p.m. - Male came on station to report a reckless driver on Broadway St.

3:15 p.m. - First responders were requested on Cherry Street for a medical call.

9:45 p.m. - Caller requested a welfare check on a female.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 27

3:39 a.m. - Officer Floyd responded to a business alarm.

Martin County real estate transfers

Diane M. Dillon, of Martin County, Indiana to **Veda L. Thompson**, of Daviess County, Indiana, Lots 18 and 19 in Risacher's Second Addition to the City of Loogootee, Indiana.

George W. Payne and Darlene K. Payne, of Martin County, Indiana to **Ashley Marie Westfall and Amanda Kay Miller**, a tract of land being a part of the east half of the southeast quarter of Section 24, Township 3 North, Range 5 West, containing one acre, more or less.

Anna N. Rees, of Martin County, Indiana to **Alan D. Bleemel and Ann L. Bleemel**, of Martin County, Indiana, a part of the northwest quarter of the southeast quarter of Section 36, Township 3 North, Range 5 West, Perry Township, Martin County, Indiana, containing 1.30 acres, more or less.

Joshua D. Kollmeyer, of Martin County, Indiana to **Michael D. Bled-**

soe, of Martin County, Indiana, a part of the northeast quarter of the southwest quarter of Section 24, Township 3 North, Range 5 West, containing 0.24 acres, more or less.

Darvin Wagler and Amy Wagler, of Daviess County, Indiana to **Devon Stoll and Marsha Lynn Stoll**, of Daviess County, Indiana, part of the southeast quarter of Section 11, Township 2 North, Range 3 West, situated in Halbert Township, Martin County, Indiana, containing 27.70 acres, more or less.

Ruth A. Archer, of Marion County, Indiana to **Mark Fields and Mary Fields**, of Martin County, Indiana, a part of the southwest quarter of fractional Section 23, Township 4 North, Range 3 West, Mitcheltree Township, Martin County, Indiana, containing one acre, more or less.

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The Martin County Humane Society is hiring a part-time Shelter Assistant, daytime hours Monday-Friday, 10-12 hours a week. Hours will vary so must be available anytime during the day. Duties include taking dogs/cats to vet appointments, medicating animals, taking dogs out for potty breaks, loading and unloading the spay/neuter transport once a month (which means you must be able to lift heavy dogs), driving cats to Petsense in Jasper as needed, light cleaning, laundry, etc. Pay is \$10 per hour. If interested, visit the shelter for an application. 507 N. Oak Street, Loogootee. **NO PHONE CALLS!** The shelter is open Monday & Wednesday 5-7 p.m. and Saturday 11 a.m.-2 p.m. Applications will be accepted until Wednesday, October 17.

More Neat Stuff



By Ann Ackerman



A young man and woman got married. At the time of their marriage, the husband noticed his wife carried a decently sized metal box and shoved it up at the top of their closet. Curious as he was, the wife told him to never to look in it no matter what the circumstances.

Over the years, he saw that metal box in the closet, but never peered into it for the sake of his wife. One day, though, the wife had a stroke and was rushed to the hospital. As the husband sat grieving at home, he thought of the box, snatched it up, and sped to the hospital where his wife remained with her death coming soon.

The husband bolted to her hospital room and pleaded and begged her to allow him to open the box by her side.

"Well," she said, "I suppose now would be the right time."

The husband unlatched the hook and peered inside. On one side sat two crocheted dolls, and on the other, to his surprise, sat one million dollars!

"Honey, before we got married, my mother gave me this box and told me that whenever I got mad at you, I should go to the bedroom and crochet a doll," said the wife.

The husband was thrilled and thankful. He absolutely couldn't believe his wife had only been mad at him two times!

"That is amazing!" said the husband to his wife.

"Honey, I'm grateful beyond belief you've only been mad at me twice, but how on this earth did you manage to get one million dollars?"

"Oh, honey," said the wife, "That's the money I got from selling the dolls."

At a wedding party recently, someone yelled, "All married people please stand next to the one person who has made your life worth living."

The bartender was almost crushed to death.

My mom as a mom: You get what you get. Deal with it.

My mom as a grandma: Would you like your grilled cheese cut into hearts or stars?

PUNS

*Dogs can't operate MRI scanners but Catscan.

*Turning vegan would be a big missed steak.

*Well, to be Frank, I'd have to change my name.

*Our mountains aren't just funny, they're hilarious.

*Electricians have to strip to make ends meet.

*My mood ring is missing, and I don't know how I feel about that.

*Despite the high cost of living, it remains popular.

*I'm friends with 25 letters of the alphabet. I don't know Y.

*Crushing pop cans is soda pressing.

*In search of fresh vegetable puns. Lettuce know.

*Big shout out to my fingers. I can always count on them.

*Dear Algebra – please stop asking us to find your X. She's never coming back and don't ask Y.

THOUGHTS

*No one runs faster than a toddler who knows they shouldn't have what they're holding.

*Golf – an endless series of tragedies obscured by the occasional miracle.

*Tonight, I'm gonna have possum soup made from Himalayan possum, because I found Himalayan on the road.

*Someone posted they had just baked some synonym buns. I replied, "You mean just like the ones grammar used to make?" Now I'm blocked.

*Triscuits are the perfect snack for anyone who has ever wanted to eat wicker furniture.

Make someone smile today.

ANIMAL SHELTER

Pet of the Week



CATS! The Martin County Humane Society Animal Shelter has 40+ cats available for adoption! Adoption fee is \$40. The shelter is located at 507 N. Oak Street in Loogootee. For info, visit www.humanesociety-ofmartincounty.org.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Pregnancy Center bake sale

The Pregnancy Care Center of Washington will be having a bake sale at both front entrances of the Washington Walmart from noon to 4 p.m. on October 12. For more information, call the center at 812-257-1041.

SPA Craft/Hobby Show

The Shoals Parent Association (SPA) will be holding their 2nd Annual Craft/Hobby Show on Saturday, November 3 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Shoals High School in the auxiliary gym. Concessions will be available. If you would like to reserve your 10 x 10 space for \$25, contact Ann Stewart at 812-709-9338; Lorna Troutman at 812-797-1567 or Bobbi Turpin at 812-709-9234.

LHS Class of 1978 reunion

The Loogootee High School Class of 1978 will hold their 40th class reunion on Saturday, November 10 at the Loogootee VFW. The reunion begins at 5 p.m. with dinner served at 6 p.m. Cost is \$10 per person. Send money to Rick Colvin, 1107 W. Broadway Street, Loogootee IN 47553, by October 19.

Food pantry hours

The Loogootee United Methodist Food Pantry will be open the first, second, third and fifth Thursdays of the month from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. and also the first Monday of the month from 5-6:30 p.m.

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.

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!

Tourism meetings

The MCCC Tourism Committee meets on the third Thursday of each month at 5:30 p.m. at Loughmiller Machine, 12851 E 150 N, Loogootee. The public 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 5:30 p.m.

Solid waste board

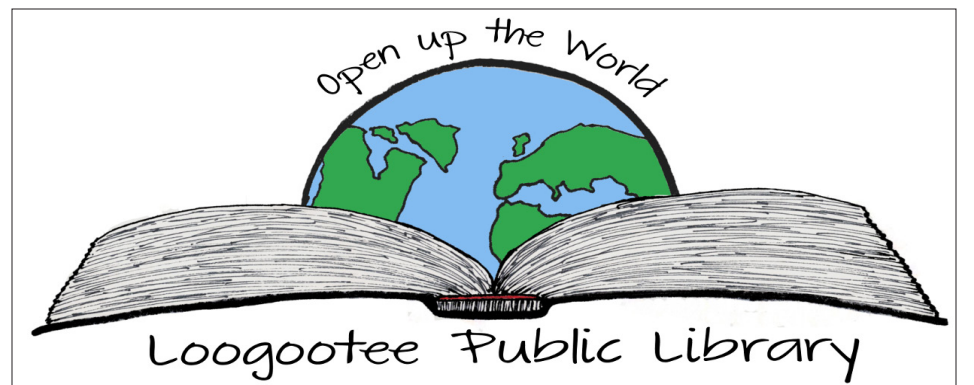
The Martin County Solid Waste Board holds their monthly meetings on the third Wednesday of each month at 6 p.m. at the recycling center located at 500 Industrial Park Drive in Loogootee. The meetings are open to the public and anyone is invited to attend.

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.

Attention Senior Citizens

The Loogootee Senior Citizen Center, located in the annex building attached to JFK Gym on JFK Avenue in Loogootee provides activities for seniors every Monday and Thursday from 8 a.m. to noon. For \$5 a year, seniors can participate in Euchre tournaments, games, puzzles, etc., with other local seniors. Anyone interested is welcome to stop by, there are no age or residency requirements to participate. Seniors are also offered lunch at the Loogootee Senior Center every Monday and Thursday. A freewill donation is requested. Call 812-295-3130 to make a reservation.



BY DARLA WAGLER

Librarian, Loogootee Public Library

You have a chance to vote of your favorite themed painted chair for the Pull Up a Chair auction on October 13 from 6-8 p.m. The chairs are all on display at the library, so you have until October 9 to vote for your favorite. Emily Peak, Visual Arts Coordinator from Jasper Community Arts will vote for her favorite and an Artist's Choice award and a People's Choice award will be presented at the dinner. We will have 40 chairs available at the auction. These chairs would make great birthday and Christmas gifts. Buy one of the kid's themed chairs and donate to your favorite teacher or school.

We received 6 boxes of gently used DVDs recently from Joe Ackerman. His collection included a lot of the classics and we plan to add them to our collection or keep as a 2nd copy in case one gets damaged. We appreciate the generous donation.

We have received lots of donations recently and we are very close to the \$20,000 donation match. Everyone that donated will receive a receipt and those will be mailed in the near future. Every cent of donations will be used toward the new library building.

New Books

Mystery: "Rise of the Mystics" by Ted Dekker.

Fiction: "Blood Communion" by Anne Rice and "Winter in Paradise" by Elin Hilderbrand.

Nonfiction: "Unlearning God" by Philip Gulley.

Inspirational Fiction: "An Hour Unspent" by Roseanna M. White and "Burden of Proof" by Diann Mills.

The library hours are Monday and Tuesday 10-7, Wednesday closed, Thursday and Friday 10-5 and Saturday 9-1. The phone number is 812-295-3713 or check out the website www.loogootee.lib.in.us or like us on Facebook. The library has free Wi-Fi service available for patrons.

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Loogootee Varsity Boys' Tennis win sectional

The Loogootee High School Varsity Boys' Tennis Team won the Loogootee Sectional last Thursday, September 27 against Barr-Reeve, 3-2.

Head Coach Rick Graves said after the win, "The goal from the very first day of practice has been to win the sectional this year. It has been 6 years since we've won a sectional title so we're really excited to get this win. Our seniors have seen this program go from a team with a losing record their freshman year to sectional champions. Nathan Seals was fantastic tonight. He lost to Brycen pretty handily earlier in the season. To see him make that kind of turnaround in a couple of weeks was pretty remarkable. Sheldan and Jordan were solid as usual. They have become one of the best doubles teams we've had at Loogootee. They work well together, adjust to one another and know where they want to go with the ball. Max was playing great and then cramps set in. I have to give him a lot of credit for gutting out the match and to Kayden for making Max work and move under the circumstances. Bailey and Sebastian just couldn't get on track tonight but part of that you have to credit to the way Logan and Tommy played. It's been a long time since we've been able to make the trip to Jasper as a team so we're looking forward to playing in the regional and the challenges that it will bring."

Results

#1 Singles - Kayden Graber (BR) defeated Max Christmas (L) 4-6, 6-4, 0-6

#2 Singles - Jalen Wildman (L) defeated Nathan Hunt (BR) 6-4, 6-1

#3 Singles - Nathan Seals (L) defeated Brycen Graber (BR) 6-4, 6-3

#1 Doubles - Sheldan Christmas and Jordan Wildman (L) defeated Isaac Wagler and Gage Wilson (BR) 6-1, 6-4

#2 Doubles - Logan Graber and Tommy Kidwell (BR) defeated Bailey Dearwester and Sebastian Toy (L) 6-0, 6-3

In the semi-finals of the sectional, the Lions defeated Paoli, 4-1. Barr-Reeve defeated Northeast Dubois 3-2.

"We had another tough match with Paoli, as the scores would indicate. Every match was very competitive, and we had to stay focused and sharp to get the wins we got. Jalen made a great comeback after being down 2-5. He always seems to find a way to win. If you give him a little bit of an opening he's going to take advantage of it. Nathan and Noah played a pretty typical three singles match with some long points and each player waiting the other guy out. I think that's been Nathan's biggest improvement this year that he doesn't try to end points too quickly now and can stay in points longer. Both doubles matches were tight, and I think our experience made the difference tonight. You're basically looking at one service break in each set and that one break can make all the difference in these kinds of matches. We're happy to advance to the final, which should be a good one. The only losses each team has, has been against each other," said Coach Graves.

Results

Loogootee 4 - Paoli 1

#1 Singles - Ashton Minton (P) defeated Max Christmas (L) 6-0, 6-2

#2 Singles - Jalen Wildman (L) defeated Dawson Long (P) 7-5, 6-3

#3 Singles - Nathan Seals (L) defeated Noah Magner (P) 6-3, 7-5

#1 Doubles - Sheldan Christmas and

Jordan Wildman (L) defeated Wyatt Ashley and Shawn Buchanan (P) 6-3, 6-3

#2 Doubles - Bailey Dearwester and Sebastian Toy (L) defeated Marcus Stroud and Kainan Yother (P) 6-4, 6-3

Barr-Reeve 3 - Northeast Dubois 2

#1 Singles - Reece Bauer (NED) defeated Kayden Graber (BR) 6-1, 6-3

#2 Singles - Ethan Ziegler (NED) defeated Nathan Hunt (BR) 6-1, 6-2

#3 Singles - Brycen Graber (BR) defeated Luke Harder (NED) 6-3, 6-4

#1 Doubles - Isaac Wagler and Gage Wilson (BR) defeated Lane Knies and Logan Mehringer (NED) 6-4, 6-2

#2 Doubles - Logan Graber and Tommy Kidwell (BR) defeated Ross Mehringer and Tucker Neukam (NED) 4-6, 7-6(5), 6-3

Prior to sectional play, the Lions swept Wood Memorial on Tuesday, September 25. The varsity won 5-0 and the junior varsity 2-0.

Varsity results

#1 Singles - Max Christmas (L) defeated Paxton Schwomeyer (WM) 6-0, 6-0

#2 Singles - Jalen Wildman (L) defeated Jalen Doerner (WM) 6-0, 6-2

#3 Singles - Nathan Seals (L) defeated James Gates (WM) 6-2, 6-2

#1 Doubles - Sheldan Christmas and Jordan Wildman (L) defeated Braydon Bell and Ryan Memmer (WM) 6-0, 6-0

#2 Doubles - Bailey Dearwester and Sebastian Toy (L) defeated Isaiah Norrick and Alex Poe (WM) 6-1, 6-0

Junior varsity results

#1 Doubles - Jake Carrico and Bryant Eckerle (L) defeated Jacob Elaman and Nathan Lee (WM) 8-1

#2 Doubles - Austin Brittain and Jayden Leatherman (L) defeated Jacob Elaman and Nathan Lee (WM) 6-0



Parsons honored at Class of 2018 banquet

On September 6, Garrett Parsons was honored at a banquet held at the Culinary Arts Center of the Ivy Tech Community College in Indianapolis. Garrett, along with four other graduates, received plaques from the General Motor Corporation for the successful completion of an associate degree in General Motor Service Education. Keith M. Huetti and Jeffery A. Evans, GM ASEP Program Instructors, made the plaque presentations. Steven Bardonner gave the graduation address, encouraging students to always strive for excellence. Attending with Garrett were Tom Kashman, General Manager and Kathy Cameron, Director of Fixed Operations, both from Ed Martin Buick GMC in Carmel and Barbara Hager.

-- ENDOWMENTS --

What exactly is an endowment, and why would a person or group want to start one? The Martin County Community Foundation (MCCF) was established to assist citizens and groups in starting endowments, which are similar to savings accounts, generating interest returns for particular causes. These endowments are simply cash, stocks, IRAs, insurance, real estate, or bequests that are donated for these causes.

-- BENEFITING CAUSES --

Endowments may be to benefit charitable causes or organizations that have done good things and deserve to be funded, or for scholarships in honor of loved ones or for general education purposes. Those benefiting from the endowments must be a church, governmental entity, accredited education institution, or other tax-exempt non-profit organization having a 501(c)3 status.

-- WHY START ONE? --

Almost any good cause would benefit from having an endowment started that can fund it far into the future. Usually endowments are started when someone like you feels compelled enough to begin a permanent fund for something that is important to them. Founding donors want to put their money where their hearts are. You may do this on your own or encourage a group to begin an endowment. Either way, it takes someone with foresight to appreciate the power of this "forever funding", and then to follow through on starting an endowment.

-- THE MCCF'S ROLE --

The MCCF serves as the caretaker of these funds. Part of what the MCCF does is to receive the donation(s), guard that principal so that it continues to grow, and to provide the continuity to administer these funds, forever. Those assets, the endowments, are invested and professionally managed and over time will grow to provide stable income for the beneficiaries or causes to which they are dedicated.

--MCCF ENDOWMENTS --

The MCCF has over 50 endowments that give back to our community in several ways. There are several types of endowments to do this. They are (1) the unrestricted funds that address the changing and emerging needs of Martin County, (2) the scholarships for a wide variety of educational choices, (3) the designated funds to provide support to specific charitable organization, (4) the field of interest funds that address broadly defined areas of concern, and (5) the donor advised funds that allow donors to recommend grants that address those changing and emerging needs in the community.

-- STARTING AN ENDOWMENT --

If you or someone you know is interested in an endowment, please contact the Executive Director, Curt Johnson, at 812-295-1022 or mccf@cfpartner.org.

-- MORE INFORMATION --

You are also welcome to visit our webpage at www.cfpartner.org/mccf.htm, "like" the MCCF Facebook page at www.facebook.com/mcccommunityfoundation, and follow us on Twitter at www.twitter.com/MartinCountyCF.

Small farm and business workshop planned

New and existing farmers and small business operators can learn about the basics of starting and growing a small business at a conference presented by local organizations.

The Dubois County Agribusiness Forum will be held November 8 from 6 to 8:30 p.m. EST at the Dubois County 4-H Fairgrounds Annex, 4157 S. SR 162, Huntingburg, IN. The event is free and open to the public, although registration is required due to limited seating and materials.

Topics will include developing a plan for your business, marketing your business, and the nuts and bolts of business loans and financing. Resources will be available on small farm and business issues, as well as programs available from local institutions and funding sources.

Debra DeCourcy, Indiana Farm Bu-

'Got input' on fishing, hunting and trapping regulations?

The DNR Division of Fish & Wildlife wants to hear your ideas on fishing, hunting, trapping and other fish-and-wildlife-related regulations in Indiana, including special permits.

Through November 1, you can use a convenient online form to contribute ideas and provide input on issues the DNR has identified for consideration.

The form is at: on.IN.gov/gotinput

The form — "Got INput?" — not only allows you to comment on ideas from the DNR Division of Fish & Wildlife, but also allows you to pro-

reau, will explore ways to market a new or existing business, and Brenda Sermersheim, German American Financial Services, will present financial insights into funding your enterprise.

Purdue Extension Educator Kenneth Eck will present the broader picture on what steps are needed when planning a new or expanding an existing business or farm to increase its chances to grow and succeed.

The forum is being hosted by Purdue Extension - Dubois County, German American Financial Services, and Indiana Farm Bureau.

To register for the forum or for more information, contact the Purdue Extension - Dubois County office at 812-482-1782 or duboisces@purdue.edu. Registration is open until November 5.

pose your own ideas on any fishing, hunting or trapping topic.

Got INput users must register with a username and a password.

Input and ideas can also be mailed to: DNR Division of Fish & Wildlife

Attn: Got INput
402 W. Washington St., Room W273
Indianapolis, IN 46204

After November 2, DNR staff will evaluate all comments and determine which ideas to forward for consideration by the Natural Resources Commission.



In the Garden

By Ralph Purkhiser
Purdue University Master Gardener

More fall-like weather recently reminds us that fall is time for transplanting. We still have plenty of good growing weather ahead, and shrubs, trees and perennials planted now will have time to put out good roots that will help them survive the coming winter. In many cases, plants put out in the fall will get the benefits equal to a year of growth toward maturity.

Most garden centers are now in clearance mode. One may be able to purchase plants at a fraction of their original cost. Inspect any plants you buy carefully. You do not want to bring disease into your landscape just because a plant has a bargain price.

If you recall, back in July I took cuttings from several shrubs at Sandhill Gardens. Not all of the cuttings set roots, but the ones that did are ready to become part of the landscape now. These plants from cuttings are not likely to be as large as the ones purchased at garden centers, but they will take off well if planted now. It may be necessary to mark such small plants to ensure that they are not overtaken by weeds. If your rooted cuttings are very small, you may want to consider making a nursery bed in a sheltered location. In such a bed, the young plants will get the benefit of being planted in the ground and may be dug up in a year or two for final placement in the landscape.

During the past summer, I also layered several shrubs. I made small slits in the stems of the plants, and then anchored that cut area on the ground. The parent shrub continued to supply nutrients and water to the branch while adventitious roots developed at the cut and grew into the soil. I can now go and cut the branch from the parent shrub and dig the rooted cutting for transplanting.

Another source for plants is around the perimeter of existing plants. Many shrubs grow by sending up shoots from the spreading roots. In many cases, these roots will still be attached to the original plant, but one may be able to carefully make a cut to separate the sucker from the parent plant. In such cases, it may be best not to disturb the roots of the cutting now but allow the plant to continue growing in place until spring, when it will have developed additional roots.

Regardless of the source of the plants, the transplants need some special care. I recommend using a water-soluble fertilizer that is formulated for transplant-

Hunting seasons beginning in October

- Turkey archery: October 1-28
- Deer archery: October 1, 2018-January 6, 2019
- Red and gray fox: October 15, 2018-February 28, 2019
- Woodcock: October 15-November 28
- Coyote, striped skunk: October 15, 2018-March 15, 2019
- Red and gray fox (trapping): October 15, 2018-January 31, 2019
- Turkey firearms: October 17-28 (in designated counties)
- Youth Waterfowl
 - North – October 13-14
 - Central – October 20-21
 - South – October 27-28

ing. These fertilizers promote good root growth. Using the liquid forms allows one to water in the transplant and helps with settling the soil in the transplant hole to ensure good soil to root contact.

I also recommend making a mulch ring around the new transplant. I start by putting layers of newspaper around the plant to hold down weed growth, then covering the paper with well-aged hardwood mulch. Be sure to keep the mulch a couple of inches away from the transplant. Mulching right up to the plant may invite rodents to gnaw the bark on the transplant. The mulch ring, however, will hold down competition from weeds, will help regulate soil moisture and will help mark the location of your new plant.

It is also a good time to dig and divide many perennials. Some perennials, such as daylilies and hostas, benefit from being divided every three to five years. Without being divided, the plants may become stunted and lose vigor. Other plants really do not need to be divided, but divisions may still be a way to increase the number of such plants in the landscape. Peonies will grow for a century or more without division, but if you want more of a cultivar, now is a good time to dig it up and divide it. Cut back the foliage and dig the clump. Using a sharp knife, cut off some of the tubers, making sure each division has three or four "eyes". Replant the roots no deeper than two inches. In fact, if your peonies have not been blooming well, the most likely reason is that the roots are covered by too much soil. Re-setting at the proper depth will help both the new transplants and the original clump.

Ag Barometer drops to lowest level in two years as farm financial conditions worsen

Agricultural producer sentiment dropped to its lowest level since October 2016 as producers expressed concern over worsening farm financial conditions, according to the latest Purdue University/CME Group Ag Economy Barometer reading. The September barometer reading was 114, down 15 points since August. The barometer is based on a monthly survey of 400 agricultural producers from across the country.

Large declines were also seen in the barometer's two sub-indices, the Index of Future Expectations, which fell 10 points, and the Index of Current Conditions, which fell 25 points, both compared to their respective August readings.

"The barometer readings have been unusually volatile over the past few months," said James Mintert, the barometer's principal investigator and director of Purdue University's Center for Commercial Agriculture. "Concerns about the ongoing impact of trade conflicts, and especially China's tariffs on imports of U.S. ag products, continue to reverberate throughout the U.S. agricultural sector."

Producers indicated that financial conditions on their farms deteriorated significantly as 2018 unfolded and their expectations for the future also weakened. In September, 54 percent of farmers surveyed said their farm's financial condition was worse than a year earlier, up from 38 percent who felt that way in June. The September survey also indicated that 33 percent of producers expect their farm's financial condition to be worse a year from now, up 15 points compared to responses re-

ceived to the same question in June.

Trade conflicts and tariffs continue to be a source of angst among U.S. farmers. When asked whether they expect trade conflicts to lower their farm's net income, more than 70 percent of producers surveyed said they expect lower income in 2018 because of trade disruptions with a large majority of respondents saying they expect an income decline of more than 10 percent.

The negative outlook was particularly noticeable when producers were asked whether now is a good time to make large investments in farm machinery and buildings for their farming operation and on next year's farmland cash rental rates. In September, 78 percent of respondents said it was a bad time to make large investments and just 20 percent said it was a good time to invest, the lowest combined reading on large farm investments since the barometer launched in October 2015. Farmers also indicated that worsening farm financial conditions could weigh on farmland cash rental rates in 2019 as nearly two-thirds of farmers surveyed said they expect to see lower cash rental rates for farmland next year.

Read the full September Ag Economy Barometer report at <http://purdue.edu/agbarometer>. This month's report includes producer's responses to questions about whether the trade conflict is influencing their soybean storage plans and their expectations for farmland values. Additional September barometer analysis can also be found in a video from Center for Commercial Agriculture Director James Mintert at <https://youtu.be/t0d4Y0OXtao>.

How hunters can help monitor for deer disease

Hunters can help monitor the deer populations in northwest and northeast Indiana for chronic wasting disease (CWD) by voluntarily submitting harvested deer to the DNR for testing during the 2018-2019 deer hunting season.

The DNR Division of Fish & Wildlife has established a CWD core surveillance area in Newton County and Lake County south of State Road 2. In those areas, the DNR hopes to sample as many hunter-harvested deer as possible from September 29-December 23, 2018.

CWD enhanced surveillance areas have also been identified in Jasper County, Lake County (north of S.R. 2), and LaPorte, Porter, Pulaski, and Starke counties in northwest Indiana, as well as in Steuben County in northeast Indiana.

Surveillance involves collecting and testing lymph nodes from the neck of deer harvested by hunters and voluntarily submitted for evaluation.

CWD is a serious neurologic disease affecting white-tailed deer, mule deer, elk, and moose. The fatal disease is transmitted directly through bodily fluids like feces, saliva, blood, or urine or indirectly through environmental contamination of soil, plants, food, or water. CWD is found in free-ranging white-tailed deer in several Midwestern states close to Indiana, including

Michigan, Illinois, and Wisconsin. CWD has not been detected in Indiana.

In northwest Indiana, DNR will be collecting samples throughout the season with the help of area processors, taxidermists, and businesses. During weekends beginning September 29, biologists will be stationed at Phil's Truck Stop (3347 S.R. 10, Lake Village, IN 46349) and Jay's Deer Processing (2651 Clifford Road, Valparaiso, IN 46385) to collect samples for CWD testing.

During the week, hunters may submit samples for CWD testing to area Fish & Wildlife Areas, by appointment, during normal business hours. Additionally, partnering processors and taxidermists will be working with DNR to ensure CWD samples are collected for customers wishing to participate in surveillance.

In northeast Indiana, DNR biologists will be collecting voluntary samples for CWD testing from deer harvested within Steuben County at Pigeon River FWA (8310 E 300 N, Box 71, Mongo, IN 46771), by appointment, during normal business hours. Additional locations and hours of operation will be available beginning opening weekend of firearms season.

For more information, to view an interactive map of sampling locations, or to help, visit the DNR CWD webpage at wildlife.IN.gov/9650.htm.

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