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Loogootee Mayor's raise prompts debate

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A division was present at the special meeting of the Loogootee City Council Tuesday night, October 24 when it came to how much of a raise to give Mayor Noel Harty. The council had discussed, at the August meeting, what kind of raises they wanted to give city workers and elected officials. The issue was tabled until the city had a better handle on what health insurance was going to cost.

Last night, Clerk-Treasurer Nancy Jones read the mayor's recommendations which included a 50-cent per hour increase for most city workers, including police, water/sewer department workers, mayor's secretary, and pool managers and lifeguards. The recommendation for the assistant utility clerk and the pool concession workers was 25 cents per hour. As far as elected officials, the mayor recommended a \$250 a year increase for each council member and \$250 a year increase for the city attorney. He left his own raise up to the city council. Clerk-Treasurer Jones recommended 50 cents per hour for herself and 50 cents per hour for her deputy.

Council Member Ruth Smith expressed that she was against receiving a raise as a council member. She said she felt she was paid well enough for what she does as a council member and would prefer to see her raise divided amongst the city employees. She also said she believed the mayor deserved more than just 50 cents more per hour and she asked the mayor what he would like to get. The mayor said he was leaving it up to the council.

Smith noted that the mayor didn't get a raise last year. She suggested 50 cents and that was open for debate by the other council members. Council Member Carroll Rayhill said he would like to see it a little higher than 50 cents.

"Then I want mine higher too, if his goes up," said Clerk-Treasurer Jones.

"Well, I knew that was coming," replied Council Member Rayhill.

"Here we go," said Council Member Roger Downey.

Mayor Harty asked Jones if she got a raise last year. She said she did. The mayor then asked her how she could justify getting another raise this year if she got one last year and he did not.

Jones replied that one year the mayor got a much larger raise than she did. She then said never mind, 50 cents is what she recommended for herself and she is sticking to it.

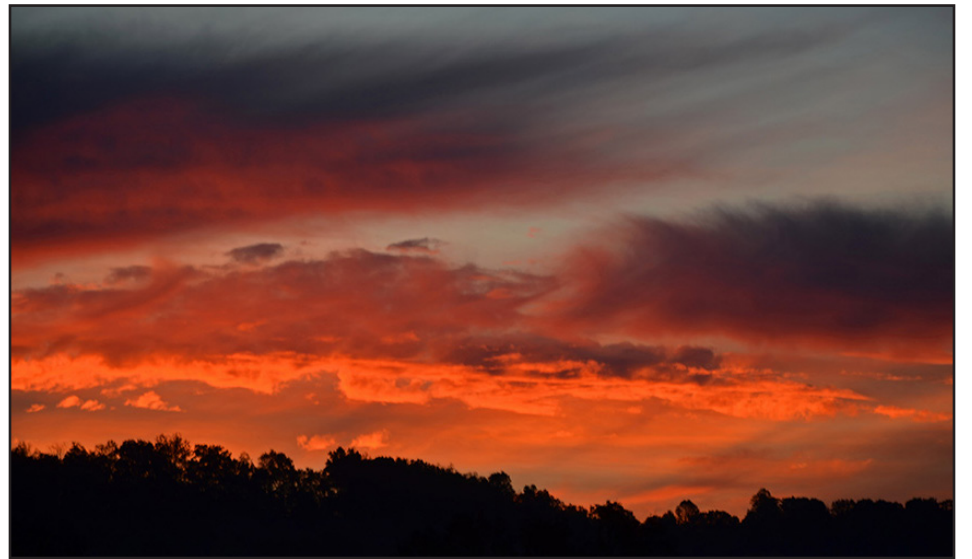
Rayhill said he was basing his decision on the fact that the mayor did not get a raise last year and he spends a lot of time in the office. He said he would like the mayor to get a dollar raise.

Smith said she agreed and asked Clerk-Treasurer Jones if she would be happy if they increased her raise to 75 cents. Jones replied that 50 cents is fine with her and she doesn't expect to receive more of a raise than the other city employees.

Council Member Downey said he is happy with a 50-cent increase for the mayor.

Council Member Rayhill then made a motion to give the mayor a one dollar per hour increase.

Rayhill was asked what motion he was making and whether it included the mayor and clerk-treasurer's recommendations as well. Rayhill said it did. (See 'DEBATE' continued on page 2)



Fall sky

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According to the Farmer's Almanac, the first real frost for Southern Indiana is scheduled for November 3. With the days getting shorter, Daylight Saving Time will kick in on November 5 with everyone "falling back" one hour.

County's jobless rate ticks down to 3.1 percent

Martin County's unemployment rate went down just a bit to 3.1 percent in September, down from 3.5 percent the month before. The county had the 23rd lowest jobless rate in the state for September, tied with eight other counties. In September, there were 5,008 Martin County residents in the workforce with 155 of them unemployed. In August, there were 5,127 residents able to work and 180 of them unemployed. In September of last year, Martin County's jobless rate was 4 percent with 5,095 residents in the workforce and 204 of them without jobs.

Dubois County's jobless rate also dropped from 3.1 percent in August to 2.6 percent in September. The county had the second lowest jobless rate in the state for September, tied with LaGrange County. In September, there were 23,088 Dubois County residents in the workforce with 600 of them unemployed. In August, there were 23,681 residents able to work and 723 of them without jobs. In September of 2016, Dubois County's unemployment rate was 2.9 percent with 23,069 residents in the workforce with 659 of them unemployed.

Daviess County's unemployment rate moved from 3.3 percent in August to 2.8 percent in September. The county had the eighth lowest jobless rate in the state for September, tied with Hamilton and Steuben counties. In September, the county had 15,810 residents in the workforce with 436 of them without jobs. In August, the county had 16,098 residents able to work and 535 of them unemployed. In September of last year, Daviess County's unemployment rate was 3.1 percent with 15,705 residents in the workforce and 487 of them unemployed.

Greene County's unemployment rate dropped to 4.6 percent in September, down from 5.2 percent the month before. The county had the fifth highest jobless rate in the state for September. In September, the county had 13,481 residents able to work and 618 of them were unemployed. In August, there were 13,371 residents in the workforce and 697 of them were without jobs. In

September of 2016, Greene County's unemployment rate was 5.5 percent with 13,739 residents in the workforce and 762 of them unemployed.

The top ten spots in the state with the lowest unemployment rate for September were Elkhart County at 2.5 percent, LaGrange and Dubois counties at 2.6 percent, Kosciusko, Decatur, Bartholomew and Adams counties at 2.7 percent; and Steuben, Hamilton and Daviess counties at 2.8 percent.

The top ten spots in the state with the highest unemployment rate for September were Vermillion County at 5.5 percent, Lake County at 5.3 percent, Fayette County at 5 percent, Newton County at 4.8 percent, Greene County at 4.6 percent, Huntington County at 4.5 percent, and Delaware, LaPorte, Lawrence and Starke counties at 4.3 percent.

Indiana's unemployment rate stands at 3.8 percent for September and remains lower than the national rate of 4.2 percent. With the exception of one month when it was equal (October 2015), Indiana's unemployment rate now has been below the U.S. rate for four full years. The unemployment rate is a U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) indicator that reflects the number of unemployed people as a percentage of the labor force. Indiana's labor force had a net increase of 6,105 over the previous month, which was a result of 9,688 more seeking employment, and a 3,583 decrease in employment. Indiana's total labor force stands at nearly 3.34 million, and the state's 64.5 percent labor force participation rate remains above the national rate of 63.1 percent.

In addition, Indiana's initial and ongoing unemployment insurance claims are at historical lows.

Employment by Sector

Private sector employment has grown by more than 24,900 over the year, and has increased by 8,200 over the previous month, primarily due to gains in the Trade, Transportation and Utilities (4,300) and the Leisure and Hospitality (1,800) sectors. Total private employment stands at 2,693,700 and is 16,800 above the November 2016 peak.

Trick-or-Treat night

The City of Loogootee Trick-or-Treat night will be held on Halloween, Tuesday, October 31 from 6-8 p.m. The following businesses have been noted by Mayor Noel Harty to be "safe stops" for trick-or-treaters to visit: the mayor's office in the municipal building, Loogootee Fire Department, Century 21, St. John Catholic Church, Loogootee United Methodist Church, IFix-Screens&Things and Kern's Insurance, St. John's Lutheran Church (with Maranatha Tabernacle and New Beginnings Community Church), Loogootee Healthcare & Rehab, CVS, McDonald's, and the Loogootee Public Library.

Accident results in death of Shoals man

On October 18, at approximately 2:10 p.m., the Martin County Sheriff's Office received a report of a vehicle rollover accident resulting in the death of a Shoals man, 43-year-old Juan Terry.

State Road 450 was closed for around two and a half hours do to powerlines being down over the highway.

Two witnesses in separate vehicles were both traveling northeast on State Road 450, just north of Hickory Ridge Road, and both drivers reported that the vehicle, a 1998 Dodge, was traveling southwest on State Road 450 at a high rate of speed and crossed the center line almost hitting the first witness head on. Terry swerved abruptly and avoided the collision.

Terry then over corrected and crossed

the centerline nearly hitting the second witness head on where he over corrected a final time causing the truck to slide sideways and run off the roadway striking an electric pole.

When the truck impacted the pole, it caused the pole to snap into two pieces and the truck to flip over onto its top.

Terry was not wearing a seatbelt at the time of the accident resulting in him being partially ejected and trapped under the vehicle. Martin County Deputy Coroner Mark Franklin pronounced Juan Terry deceased at the scene and he was transported to Queen Lee funeral home in Shoals.

Assisting agencies were the Shoals Fire Department, Martin County EMS, and Daviess Martin REMC.

DIVISION

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Council Member Smith said she felt backed into a corner with that motion because it included all raises, even the city council's. She said she could not second the motion because she didn't feel the council needed to have a raise. The motion died due to a lack of a second.

Council Member Smith asked if they could do a separate motion for the mayor's salary and then one for the mayor and clerk-treasurer's recommendations. No one responded.

Council Member Nolley made a motion to approve all the mayor's recommendations and clerk-treasurer's raise but only increase the mayor's pay by 50 cents.

Council Member Downey seconded the motion and it passed 3-2 with Council Member Tim Lawrence voting for and Council Members Ruth Smith and Carroll Rayhill voting against.

Don Greene shouted from the crowd that the council members were "jokers" and said they don't deserve a raise.

Council Member Teresa Nolley said she is okay with the council receiving a raise because they have not received one in five years (Editor's note: the council received a \$300 raise in 2015).

Greene then began to cuss asking "what the hell the council does every year" and answered his own question with "not a damn thing".

Clerk-Treasurer Jones told Police Chief Kelly Rayhill that he may need to escort Greene from the room so the

council could move on to other business.

Mayor Harty came to Greene's defense telling Jones that it's not her decision who needs to be removed from a meeting.

"We can be professional, can't we?" asked Council Member Downey. Downey then told Greene that he doesn't have to agree with the council's decision but he doesn't have to be rude to them.

Greene then called the council "a joke" and said at election time, he will be campaigning against those he disagreed with.

Council Member Carroll Rayhill then said that Greene wasn't being rude and that he only made a comment.

Council Member Downey said Greene was calling the council names and Greene, from the audience, called the council members "jokers" again. "There it is again," said Downey.

Council Member Nolley said they hear from a lot more residents than those who attend the meetings. Greene replied that he attends the council meetings every month and he cares about what happens in the city.

Council Member Downey asked Greene if he thinks they don't. Greene replied, "No, I really don't."

"That's really sad," replied Downey.

Clerk-Treasurer Jones jumped in and changed the subject.

The mayor's salary is currently \$39,104 per year or \$18.80 per hour. The new rate would be \$19.30 per hour.

The clerk-treasurer is paid \$37,065 a year or \$17.82 per hour. Her new rate will be \$18.32 per hour.

The mayor and clerk-treasurer, along with other full-time non-elected employees, also receive health insurance and other benefits not factored into their hourly wage.

The city council is currently paid \$4,500 per year or \$375 per meeting (regular monthly meetings only, does not include any special meetings held such as Tuesday night). Their new salary will be \$4,750 per year. The council does not receive health insurance or other benefits.

The council also approved, in the salary ordinance, adding two positions to the fire department, a captain and a lieutenant at \$650 per year. No raises were given for firefighters, they will continue to receive \$35 per run, \$20 per meeting they attend, and \$200 a year for clothing/gas.

In other business, Public Works Superintendent Bo Wilson spoke to the council about the West Boggs lift station located in West Boggs Park. He said that since the city took over West Boggs Sewer District, they are partially responsible for the lift station and it needs to be redone. He is estimating the cost to be around \$70,000 with the city paying 60 percent and the Daviess-Martin Park Board paying the rest. He said if the lift station is ignored and gets bad enough, the Indiana Department of Environmental Management will come in and the city

will be responsible for the entire rehab project. He said no action is required of the council at this time, he just wanted to bring it to their attention.

The council voted to spend \$20,000 to replace the concrete on the police department side of the municipal building. The work will be done this year.

The council voted to appoint Larry Fellers to the Loogootee Board of Zoning Appeals.

ANIMAL SHELTER Pet of the Week



Bianca is a female tiger stripe/calico adult cat, very sweet. The animal shelter has more than 40 cats! Adoption fee is \$40. The animal shelter is open Monday and Wednesday 5-7 p.m. and Saturday 11 a.m.-2 p.m. The shelter is located at 507 N. Oak Street in Loogootee. To see all available animals, visit www.humanesocietyofmartincounty.org.

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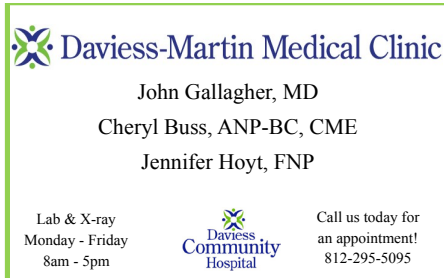
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STEVEN BLEDSOE

Steven Eugene Bledsoe passed away on Friday October 20, 2017 at his residence surrounded by family. A resident of Loogootee, he was 51.



He was born on April 9, 1966 in Washington; son of Norma Kay Lannan Hughes and the late Billy Gene Bledsoe. He worked at Montgomery

Montgomery Welding as a welder and repair man. He had a great love for nature and animals. He enjoyed hunting, fishing, and cooking.

Steven is survived by his wife of 21 years, Jane L. (DeLancey) Bledsoe; his mother, Norma Kay Lannan Hughes, of Loogootee; his siblings, Lisa G. Losurdo, Dennis E. Bledsoe, Dana K. Bledsoe, all of Georgia; and numerous, aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, and cousins.

He is preceded in death by his father, and his grandparents.

Steven was cremated according to his wishes. Gravesite rights will be performed at Hindostan Cemetery Saturday, October 28 at 11 a.m. with his uncle Michael Lannan officiating.

Arrangements provided by Blake Funeral Homes in Loogootee.

ROSA MILLER

Rosa Miller passed away at 8:05 p.m. Sunday, October 22, 2017 at her home. A resident of Montgomery, she was 88.

She was born October 29, 1928 in Daviess County; daughter of the late Simon and Magalena (Wagler) Kemp.

She married Amos Miller August 14, 1948 and he preceded her in death.

She was a member of First Mennonite Church. She enjoyed quilting, sewing and gardening. She loved to spend time with her children and grandchildren. Rosa was the last living member of her Kemp family.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Amos Miller; parents, Simon and Magalena (Wagler) Kemp; siblings, Katie (1st husband, Henry and 2nd husband, Jacob) Stoll, Edith (Eli) Wagler, Adeline Slaubaugh, Leroy Kemp and Dave Kemp.

She is survived by her children, Betty (Levi) Knepp of Cannelburg, Mary Lou (Daryl) Swartzentruber of Loogootee, Larry Miller, Pauline (Tom) Shofner, Robert (Dianna) Miller, Donald Miller, all of Montgomery; and Judy (Paul) Arvin of Loogootee; 11 grandchildren, Sheila (Chris) McCracken, Kevin Knepp, Michelle (Jim) Kain, Amy (Bryant) Trambaugh, Heather Shofner, Ashley (Kyle) Smith, Keith Shofner, Jordan (Jayna) Miller, Joshua Miller, Maggie Arvin and Grant Arvin; 11 great-grandchildren, Caleb, Brayton and Bryce (Leslie) McCracken, Lauren, Aiden and Brock Kain, Carson, Coen and Kayla Trambaugh, Austin Smith and Adriannah Arvin; brother-in-law, Eli Slaubaugh of Ohio and sister-in-law, Miriam Kemp of Cost Rica.

Funeral services will be conducted at 10 a.m. Thursday, October 26 at First Mennonite Church in Montgomery. Burial will follow in the church cemetery.

Visitation will be held Wednesday, October 25, from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. and 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. at First Mennonite Church and Thursday, October 26 from 9 a.m. until the time of service at the church.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to First Mennonite Church.

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

Arrangements were provided by Blake & Wagler Funeral Home in Montgomery.

IDA MAE SWARTZENTRUBER

Ida Mae Swartzentruber passed away at 5:05 a.m. Saturday, September 16, 2017 in Evansville. A resident of Montgomery, she was 86.

She was born in Daviess County on March 22, 1931; daughter of the late Peter R. and Mary (Knepp) Wagler. She married Daniel Swartzentruber on July 2, 1949, and they had six sons, and three daughters. She was a charter member of Providence Mennonite Church in Montgomery and also attended Bahia Vista Mennonite Church in Sarasota, Florida. Ida Mae was a devoted Christian and mother, faithful wife and a friend to all that knew her.

She is survived by her children, Elvin Dale (Debbie), Gary Wayne, Sharon Ruth (Terry) Lengacher, Regina Joy (Greg) Chaney, all of Montgomery; Kenneth Eugene (Clara Mae) of Elnora, Daniel Ray (Peg) of Goshen, Edward Lee (Coleen) of Washington, Shirley Ann (Dale) Gerkin of Loogootee, and Mark Alan (Janet) of Sara-

sota, Florida; 25 grandchildren, 38 great-grandchildren, four great-great grandchildren, and her siblings, Rosa (Herman) Graber, Annie (John) Yoder, Leah (Harvey) Graber, Henry (Sarah Catherine) Wagler, Leroy (Clara) Wagler, Peter R. Jr. (Barbara) Wagler, Wilbur (Virginia) Wagler, Mary Ruth (Alva L.) Knepp, and Delilah Jean (Jacob) Graber.

She is preceded in death by her husband, Daniel Swartzentruber; her parents, and her brothers, Homer and Raymond Wagler.

Funeral services were conducted at Tuesday, September 19 at Providence Mennonite Church with Kevin Swartzentruber officiating. Burial followed in the church cemetery.

Arrangements were provided by Blake and Wagler Funeral Home in Montgomery.

JEAN ELLIS

Jean Ellis passed away at 7:47 p.m. Saturday, October 21, 2017 at Memorial Hospital and Health Care Center. A resident of Loogootee, she was 89.

She was born January 12, 1928 in Loogootee; daughter of the late Earl and Catherine (Gootee) Mills.

She was a member of St. Joseph Catholic Church and the St. Joseph Altar Society. She enjoyed quilting and sewing, gardening, reading and baking.

She is survived by her husband of 68 years, Jim Ellis; children, Alan J. Ellis of Washington, Patricia Parsons and Diane Padgett, both of Loogootee and Mary Kay Perkins of Jasper; grandchildren, Denise (Allen) Henninger and Chris Parsons, both of Loogootee, Derek Parsons and Leigh Benjamin of Odon, Brian (Julie) Padgett of Loogootee, Matt (April) Padgett of Columbus, Haley (Brandon) Witte of Washington and Brooke Perkins of Jasper; nine great-grandchildren; siblings, Glenn Mills of Greenwood, Norene Lucas of Seattle, Washington; Alice Payne of Beech Grove, Ed (Sue) Mills of Lynden, Washington and Earl (Ruth) Mills of Loogootee; sisters-in-law, Dianna Mills of Vero Beach, Florida and Norma Mills of Greenwood; and numerous nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her son, Stephen James Ellis; parents, Earl and Catherine (Gootee) Mills; siblings, Eileen (Leo) Nolan, Elma

Rose (Everett) Hansen, Anna B. (Ray) Farmer, Jim Mills, Bob Mills and Regina Mills; sister-in-law, Juanita Mills; and brothers-in-law, Earl Lucas and Bill Payne.

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated by Very Rev. J. Kenneth Walker at 10 a.m. this morning, Wednesday, October 25 at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Bramble. Burial followed in the church cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to St. Joseph Catholic Church Cemetery Fund or the Alzheimer's Association.

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

BRENDA PORTER

Brenda J. Porter entered into eternal rest on October 17, 2017 at IU Health Paoli Campus in Paoli. A resident of West Baden Springs, she was 72.

She was born in Whitesburg, Kentucky on July 5, 1945; daughter of Morris and Mattie (Lucas) Sergent.

She loved spending time with her family, but her greatest joy was taking care of her grandchildren.

She is survived by four sons, Dean Combs of Loogootee, Wayne Combs of French Lick, Mark Combs of Paoli, and Charlie Haulk of West Baden Springs; three daughters, Vivian Gabrel of Eckerty, Nancy Asbell of West Baden Springs, and Sondra Emmons of French Lick; six brothers, Jimmy Sergent and Jesse Sergent of Shoals, Randall Sergent and Jay Sergent of West Baden Springs, Claude Sergent of Paoli, and Rick Sergent of Loogootee; three sisters, Rita Lawrence of Huntington, Freda Underhill of French Lick, and Glenda Spurlan of Paoli; 21 grandchildren, 18 great-grandchildren, and two great-great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents, two brothers, Vernon and Phillip Sergent and one sister, Linda Hall.

Cremation was chosen and a memorial service was held Friday, October 20 by Rev. Darrell Wineinger at the Nazarene Annex Building in West Baden Springs.

Arrangements are in the care of Brosmer-Kemple Funeral Service, French Lick, Indiana. 47432. Condolences may be made on their Facebook page at Brosmer-Kemple Funeral Home or at their website www.brosmer-kemplefuneralhome.com.



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1:47 a.m. - Received a report of a domestic in Loogootee. Loogootee Sergeant Norris responded.

8:25 a.m. - Chief Deputy Greene took one inmate to the Daviess County Court.

9:18 a.m. - Captain Dant assisted a motorist near Loogootee.

11:00 a.m. - Captain Dant assisted the department of child services with an investigation near Loogootee.

8:48 p.m. - Received a report of a disturbance in Shoals. Sergeant Keller and ISP Trooper McBeth responded.

10:03 p.m. - Deputy Reed performed a vehicle identification check north of Shoals.

10:16 p.m. - Received a medical alarm call in Loogootee. Loogootee Fire, Martin County Ambulance, and Sergeant Keller responded.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 17

9:18 a.m. - Jail Officer Wehinger took one inmate to the doctor.

9:40 a.m. - Received a report of a theft near Shoals. Captain Dant responded.

10:00 a.m. - Captain Dant took two inmates to court.

10:00 a.m. - Sheriff Roush took two inmates to court.

10:40 a.m. - Sergeant Keller took three inmates to court.

11:40 a.m. - Sergeant Keller took one inmate to court.

12:45 p.m. - Received an alarm call in Loogootee. Loogootee Chief Rayhill responded and all was okay.

1:30 p.m. - Sergeant Keller took two inmates to court.

4:00 p.m. - Major Burkhardt responded to a report of trespassing and vandalism east of Shoals.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 18

7:55 a.m. - Loogootee Chief Rayhill assisted a motorist in Loogootee.

8:50 a.m. - Jailer Emmick took one inmate to the doctor.

9:00 a.m. - Captain Dant took two inmates to court.

9:45 a.m. - Received a report of a theft in Loogootee. Loogootee Chief Rayhill responded.

10:00 a.m. - Received a report of an accident in Loogootee. Captain Dant responded.

10:58 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance north of Shoals. Shoals Fire and Martin County Ambulance responded. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

11:39 a.m. - Received a report of an accident in Loogootee. Loogootee Officer McBeth responded.

11:55 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance near Shoals. Chief Deputy Greene, Shoals Fire, and Martin County Ambulance responded. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

1:15 p.m. - Major Burkhardt was at the Shoals School for Red Ribbon planning.

2:00 p.m. - Received a report of debris on US 50, west of Shoals. Chief Deputy Greene removed the debris.

2:50 p.m. - Received a report of an accident on SR 450, near Shoals. Chief Deputy Greene, Reserve Deputy Gammon, Captain Dant, Sheriff Roush, Shoals Fire, Martin County Ambulance, and the Martin County Coroner responded.

3:55 p.m. - Received a report of a domestic in Loogootee. Loogootee Officer McBeth responded.

3:57 p.m. - Received a report of a gas main damaged in Loogootee. Sheriff Roush and Loogootee Fire responded.

8:21 p.m. - Received a report of a car-

deer accident on SR 150 near Shoals. Chief Deputy Greene responded.

9:12 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Crane. Martin County Ambulance and Crane Fire responded. The subject was transported to Daviess Community Hospital.

9:45 p.m. - Received a report of a car-deer accident near Shoals. Major Burkhardt responded.

10:05 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance near Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded and transported the subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 19

10:20 a.m. - Received a report of cows out on SR 450. Chief Deputy Greene responded.

10:30 a.m. - Sheriff Roush took two inmates to court.

10:39 a.m. - Received a report of illegal dumping south of Shoals. Chief Deputy Greene responded.

12:42 p.m. - Received a dog complaint in Crane. Animal Control Officer Hughett responded.

1:46 p.m. - Major Burkhardt took three inmates to court.

2:54 p.m. - Received a report of speeding semis east of Shoals. Major Burkhardt responded.

2:54 p.m. - Major Burkhardt took two inmates to court.

3:10 p.m. - Received a request for lift assistance near Shoals. Sheriff Roush, Shoals Fire Chief Hamby, and Martin County Ambulance responded.

4:28 p.m. - Received an alarm call north of Shoals. Major Burkhardt responded and all was okay.

5:15 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.

6:12 p.m. - Received a dog complaint south of Loogootee. Animal Control Officer Hughett responded.

7:22 p.m. - Received a report of a theft south of Shoals. Major Burkhardt responded.

7:28 p.m. - Received a noise complaint in Loogootee. Loogootee Police Department responded.

8:22 p.m. - Received an alarm call in Loogootee. Loogootee Police Department responded.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 20

1:14 a.m. - Received a report of a transformer fire east of Loogootee. Loogootee Fire and Martin County Civil Defense responded.

2:17 a.m. - Received an alarm call in Loogootee. Loogootee Officer Floyd and ISP Trooper Beaver responded. All was okay.

8:33 a.m. - Received an alarm call near Shoals. Sheriff Roush responded and all was okay.

10:33 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance near Loogootee. Loogootee Fire, Loogootee Officer McBeth, and Martin County Ambulance responded. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

12:01 p.m. - Received a report of trash on US 50. Major Burkhardt and Loogootee Officer McBeth responded. The subject was located. All trash was removed from the highway.

12:18 p.m. - Received a report of a disturbance in Loogootee. Loogootee Officer McBeth, Major Burkhardt, and Martin County Ambulance responded.

2:25 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance near Shoals. Martin County

Ambulance and Shoals Fire responded. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

2:55 p.m. - Major Burkhardt assisted a motorist near Shoals on US 50.

3:39 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Loogootee Fire and Martin County Ambulance responded. The subject was not transported.

6:59 p.m. - Received an alarm call in Loogootee. Deputy Salmon and Loogootee Officer Floyd responded. All was okay.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 21

11:00 a.m. - Received a report of harassment in Loogootee. Loogootee Officer McBeth responded.

3:27 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance near Shoals. Martin County Ambulance transported the subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

4:09 p.m. - Received a dog complaint south of Loogootee. Animal Control Officer Hughett responded.

5:01 p.m. - Sergeant Keller assisted a motorist near Loogootee.

9:00 p.m. - Deputy Salmon assisted a motorist near Loogootee.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 22

4:33 a.m. - Received a report of a runaway juvenile from Shoals. All area units responded.

9:18 a.m. - Received an animal complaint near Loogootee. Animal Control Officer Hughett responded.

12:45 p.m. - Sergeant Keller took the juvenile runaway in to custody. The juvenile was released to the Southwest Juvenile Facility.

3:08 p.m. - Received a dog complaint in Shoals. Animal Control Officer Hughett responded.

3:42 p.m. - Loogootee Sergeant Norris assisted a motorist in Loogootee.

6:07 p.m. - Sergeant Keller performed a vehicle identification check near Loogootee.

6:13 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.

6:41 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Deputy Reed, Loogootee Sergeant Norris, and Martin

County Ambulance responded. The subject was transported to Daviess Community Hospital.

6:47 p.m. - Received a report of vandalism near Shoals. ISP Trooper McBeth responded.

7:25 p.m. - Received a report of a domestic near Shoals. Deputy Reed and ISP Trooper McBeth responded.

10:50 p.m. - Received a report of an accident in Shoals. Deputy Reed responded.

11:49 p.m. - Jail Commander Abel on station with one inmate from the hospital.

11:54 p.m. - Deputy Reed assisted a motorist in Shoals.

ARRESTS

MONDAY, OCTOBER 16

2:36 a.m. - Autumn Roberts, 37, of Loogootee, was arrested by Deputy Reed and charged with operating while intoxicated with a controlled substance and endangerment. She is being held on a \$20,000 10% bond.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 17

3:09 a.m. - Jason Hudson, 37, of Shoals, was arrested by Deputy Reed and charged with possession of meth and maintaining a common nuisance. He is being held without bond. Assisting with the arrest were K9 Officer Virka and ISP Trooper Beaver.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 18

2:03 p.m. - Tonia Holman, 48, of Loogootee, was arrested by Captain Dant and charged with theft and is being held without bond. Assisting with the arrest was Loogootee Officer McBeth.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 21

3:41 a.m. - Aaron L. Johnson, 22, of Loogootee, was arrested by Loogootee Officer Floyd and charged with operating a vehicle while intoxicated.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 22

1:39 p.m. - Lowell Sanders, 37, of Loogootee, was arrested by ISP Trooper Lents and charged with operating while intoxicated endangerment.

8:36 p.m. - James Plano, 49, of Shoals, was arrested by Deputy Reed and charged with domestic battery and strangulation. He is being held without bond. K9 Officer Virka and ISP Trooper McBeth assisted.

Martin County real estate transfers

Rodney A. Bell and Mary L. Bell, of Dubois County, Indiana to **John P. Norris, Terry L. Norris, and Donna Sue Norris**, of Martin County, Indiana, Lot Number 4 in Oliver and Taylor's Addition to the City of Loogootee, Indiana and 10 feet of even width off of the south side of Lot Number 5 in Oliver and Taylor's Addition to the City of Loogootee, Indiana.

Roger L. Robinson, of Martin County, Indiana to **Roger L. Robinson and Veronica J. Robinson**, of Martin County, Indiana, a part of the southwest quarter of the northeast quarter of Section 24, Township 4 North, Range 5 West, Martin County, Indiana, contain-

ing 1 acre, more or less.

Robert Dean Bierbaum and Christy Ann Bierbaum, of Lawrence County, Indiana to **Cody Hert**, of Martin County, Indiana, a part of the northeast quarter of the southwest quarter of Section 31, Township 3 North, Range 3 West, containing 3 acres, more or less.

Michael D. Elliott and Vonda M. Elliott, of Martin County, Indiana to **Michael D. Elliott and Vonda M. Elliott**, of Martin County, Indiana, a part of the southwest quarter of the southeast quarter of Section 12, Township 2 North, Range 5 West, Perry Township, Martin County, Indiana, containing 4.162 acres, more or less.

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COURT NEWS

CRIMINAL CHARGES DISMISSED

October 16

Mark A. Taylor, maintaining a common nuisance – controlled substances, a Class 6 Felony, dismissed; possession of a controlled substance, a Class A Misdemeanor, dismissed.

CIVIL COURT New Suits Filed

October 17

Central Mutual Insurance Company vs. Arley Dixon, civil plenary.

CIVIL COURT JUDGMENTS

October 12

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Cavalry SPV I, LLC and against the defendant Larry R. Ziegler in the amount of \$26,011.

October 19

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Wells Fargo Bank and against the defendant Mark A. Wathen for mortgage foreclosure in the amount of \$72,211.89.

October 23

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Centurion Federal Credit Union and against the defendant John R. Hauschild, Jr. in the amount of \$12,960.91.

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Crane Credit Union and against the defendant Andrea M. Qualkenbush in the amount of \$10,575.59.

SMALL CLAIMS JUDGMENTS

September 25

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Toy's Auto Parts, Inc. and against the defendant Getchell's Auto in the amount of \$1,708.46.

October 16

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Crane Credit Union and against the defendant Teresa G. Jorgensen in the amount of \$3,939.55.

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Toy's Auto Parts, Inc. and against the defendant Josh Padgett in the amount of \$628.09.

October 23

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Toy's Auto Parts, Inc. and against the defendant Bright Family Farms in the amount of \$1,046.10.

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Crane Credit Union and against the defendant Paul G. Dowdy in the amount of \$3,582.30.

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Crane Credit Union and against the defendant Rick B. Griffin in the amount of \$4,447.41.

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Crane Credit Union and against the defendant Emily A. Guy in the amount of \$6,599.95.

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Toy's Auto Parts, Inc. and against the defendant Hancock Trucking in the amount of \$3,418.71.

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Crane Credit Union and against the defendant Dewey Jones in the amount of \$1,968.65.

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Toy's Auto Parts, Inc. and against the defendant Padgett Remodeling in the amount of \$300.62.

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Crane Credit Union and against the defendant Karl E. Phillips in the amount of \$1,003.57.

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Toy's Auto Parts, Inc. and against the defendant Charles Sutche in the amount of \$187.65.

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Crane Credit Union and against the defendant Sandra L. Winger in the amount of \$1,669.81.

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Toy's Auto Parts, Inc. and against the defendant Yancey's VW Specialists in the amount of \$299.64.

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Crane Credit Union and against the defendant Kimbria Young in the amount of \$950.22.

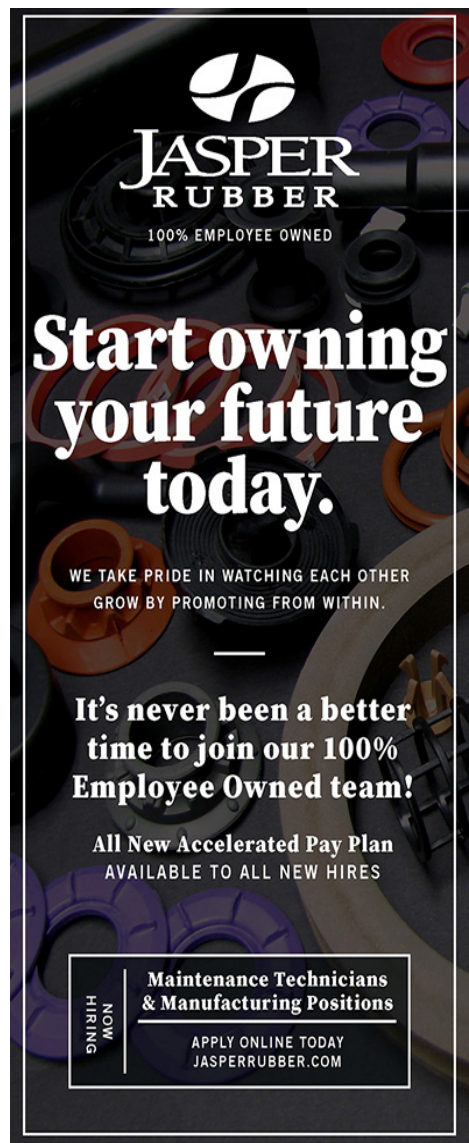
Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Toy's Auto Parts, Inc. and against the defendant Roy Zimmerman in the amount of \$449.32.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

October 24

Bryan M. Wise of Loogootee and Sherrie L. Harder of Loogootee.

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Loogootee Police log

MONDAY, OCTOBER 16

1:47 a.m. - Male caller requested an officer assist in removing another male from his residence.

9:45 a.m. - Caller reported locating a loose dog. Animal Control was contacted.

4:11 p.m. - Caller reported he was going to have a controlled burn.

7:38 p.m. - Caller reported possible drug activity.

8:12 p.m. - Male caller requested to speak with an officer regarding a domestic issue.

10:17 p.m. - First responders were requested at Larkin Apartments for a medical call.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 17

12:50 a.m. - Caller requested a welfare check on a male.

12:10 p.m. - Male came on station for a vehicle identification check.

12:45 a.m. - Chief Rayhill responded to a business alarm.

3:30 p.m. - Caller reported a vehicle had run a bus stop arm. Captain Hennessee located the vehicle. Michael T. Hayes, 42, of Loogootee, was cited for reckless driving, no driver's license when required and possession of marijuana.

10:14 p.m. - Caller reported a reckless driver on Hwy 50.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 18

7:55 a.m. - Caller reported a semi with an equipment problem on the vehicle. Chief Rayhill located the vehicle.

9:45 a.m. - Female employee reported a theft at Circle K.

11:39 a.m. - Caller reported property damage.

3:59 p.m. - Caller reported a domestic dispute at Larkin Apartments.

4:00 p.m. - Loogootee Fire was paged out to a busted gas main on Broadway Street.

7:18 p.m. - Male caller reported property damage to his yard.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 19

10:15 p.m. - Chief Rayhill responded to a business alarm.

4:50 p.m. - Caller reported a theft.

5:19 p.m. - First responders were requested on JFK Avenue for a medical call.

7:30 p.m. - Caller reported loud music on Popular Street.

8:23 p.m. - Officer Floyd responded to a business alarm.

9:50 p.m. - Officer Floyd assisted a motorist.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 20

1:05 a.m. - Officer Floyd assisted the county with a suspicious person on US 231.

1:14 a.m. - Loogootee Fire was paged out to Hwy 50 for a transformer on fire.

2:17 a.m. - Officer Floyd responded to a business alarm.

10:33 a.m. - Officer McBeth assisted the ambulance service.

12:18 p.m. - Caller reported a suspicious person at the Marathon Station.

12:40 p.m. - Caller reported an abandoned vehicle on East Main Street.

3:39 p.m. - First responders were requested on Hwy 50 for a medical call.

7:00 p.m. - Officer Floyd responded to a business alarm.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 21

11:03 a.m. - Female reported a violation of a protective order.

2:45 p.m. - Officer McBeth responded to a business alarm.

8:02 p.m. - Caller requested a welfare check on a male.

10:55 p.m. - Caller reported a possible intoxicated driver on Hwy 50.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 22

10:15 a.m. - Officer McBeth responded to a business alarm.

5:09 p.m. - First responders were requested on US 231 for a medical call.

6:51 p.m. - First responders were requested on Queen Street for a medical call.

7:05 p.m. - Caller reported a possible water leak.

7:15 p.m. - Caller requested an officer assist in getting personal property back to a male.

Indiana State Police Partners with the DEA for the 14th Drug Take Back Day

On Saturday, October 28 the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) is sponsoring the 14th nationwide "Prescription Drug Take Back" initiative. The "Take Back" initiative seeks to prevent prescription drug abuse and theft through proper disposal of prescription drugs.

Collection sites will be set up nationwide for expired, unused, and unwanted prescription drugs which will be properly disposed of without threat to the environment. This program is for liquid and pill medications. Needles, new or used, will not be accepted for disposal. This service is free and anonymous with no questions asked.

Last April Americans turned in 450 tons (900,000 pounds) of prescription drugs at almost 5,500 sites operated by the DEA and more than 4,200 of its state and local law enforcement partners. Overall, in its 13 previous Take Back events, DEA and its partners have taken in over 8.1 million pounds—more than 4,050 tons—of pills.

This initiative addresses a vital public safety and public health issue. Medicines that languish in home cabinets are highly susceptible to diversion, misuse, and abuse. Rates of prescription drug abuse in the U.S. are alarmingly high, as are the number of accidental poisonings and overdoses due to these drugs. Studies show that a majority of abused prescription drugs are obtained from

family and friends, including from the home medicine cabinet. In addition, Americans are now advised that their usual methods for disposing of unused medicines—flushing them down the toilet or throwing them in the trash—both pose potential safety and health hazards.

Once again, the Indiana State Police are pleased to partner with the DEA, and as in the past, the drugs may be dropped off at any Indiana State Police Post, except the Toll Road Post. The event will be on Saturday, October 28th, between the hours of 10 a.m. and 2 p.m.

Also, the Indiana State Police will host a drop off site on Friday, October 27, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. inside the Indiana Government Center North public entrance off of Robert Orr Plaza in Indianapolis. This is between the government north and south buildings, immediately west of the State Capitol building.

To locate the state police post closest to your home or business, visit <http://www.in.gov/isp/2382.htm>.

To find other locations in Indiana or across the U.S. that are participating in the Drug Take Back initiative, visit https://www.deadiversion.usdoj.gov/drug_disposal/takeback/index.html.

The Drug Take Back events are the safe, popular and responsible way for the public to legally and dispose of prescription drugs. No questions asked.



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Making A Difference
MARTIN COUNTY COMMUNITY FOUNDATION
 By Curt Johnson
 MCCF Executive Director



4-H NEWS

By Stacy Brown
 Martin County Purdue Extension Educator



-- WANT TO HELP? --

So, maybe you have been thinking about how you can help your community? How you can do your part, no matter how big or how small? You've probably heard that giving of your time, your talent, and your treasure are ways that you can do just that. The amount of each that you give is purely dependent upon you as an individual, unique in your own way. If giving of your treasure, no matter how big or how small, is something that you want to pursue, the MCCF has some great giving options. Last week, I explained endowments. We can help you help others with several types of these endowment funds. Choose the one that's right for you.

-- UNRESTRICTED FUNDS --

The unrestricted funds are perhaps the most impactful of the types of funds. You can use your gift to meet ever-changing community needs, including future needs that often cannot be anticipated at the time your gift is made. We evaluate all aspects of community well-being, such as education, health and human services, civic and historical affairs, the arts and culture, recreational activities, and more. The flexibility of your unrestricted gift enables our local Board and staff to respond to the community's most pressing needs, today and tomorrow. The MCCF Open Grant cycle is when community organizations can present their current needs to the MCCF.

-- FIELD OF INTEREST FUNDS --

You can also target your gift to address needs in an important area of community life, such the arts, economic development, or at-risk youth. You identify your personal interest area when making your gift; our board awards grants to community agencies and programs that are making a difference in the area you select.

-- DESIGNATED FUNDS --

With designated funds, you can direct your gift to a specific agency or purpose. You can provide ongoing funding for a youth organization, a church, a social service agency, or an arts group. Virtually any nonprofit charitable organization may be supported by such a fund. You identify the recipient you wish to benefit through your gift; our staff manages the annual distribution of the funds.

-- DONOR ADVISED FUNDS --

If you want ongoing involvement in the use of your gift, a donor advised fund is for you. You work with our professional grantmaking staff, identifying ways to use dollars from your fund to address the issues and needs you care about most. Your recommendations are submitted to the board of directors for approval; we then distribute the grant dollars.

-- SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS --

And lastly, but certainly not the least, you can designate your gift to benefit students seeking opportunities to better themselves through education. You may define guidelines for candidacy, the advisory committee, the school, and/or the award itself. We ensure that scholarships are awarded accordingly.

-- ESTABLISH A FUND --

Any of these funds can be established in your name, or in the name of your family, your organization, or anyone you wish to honor. There are minimum amounts for funds, whether for a specific "named fund" of a person(s) or for a more generic fund title. All grants distributed from your fund, today and in the future, are then awarded to charities and/or the purpose identified with the fund. It's a great way to always be involved with, and be remembered, for your community investment, no matter how big or how small.

-- GIVE TO A FUND --

You can also give to any of the already established funds managed by the MCCF. There are a wide variety of organizations, fields of interest, scholarships, and, of course, the very flexible unrestricted funds. Any amount can be donated to funds that already exist. Your gift can be what is just right for you. And these gifts can also be made in memory or honor of a loved one.

-- MORE INFORMATION --

For more information about giving to available funds or how to establish a fund, please contact the MCCF Executive Director, Curt Johnson, at 812-295-1022 or mccf@cfpartner.org. You are also welcome to visit our webpage at www.cfpartner.org/mccf.htm, follow us on Twitter at www.twitter.com/MartinCountyCF, and "like" the MCCF Facebook page at www.facebook.com/mccommunity-foundation.

4-H Enrollment Has Begun!

Believe it or not, it's already time to enroll in 4-H for the 2017-2018 year. Did you know that 4-H is more than agriculture and home economics? We have a robotics club open to grades 3-12, a tractor club, a shooting sports club, and so much more. If you have an interest in writing, cake decorating, teaching, home design, or baking, you need to join 4-H! Are you looking to do more community service in Martin County, then Junior Leaders is the club for you? Are you hoping to earn scholarships for college or present confidence at your first job interview? 4-H can help with that as well. You just need to join!

Enrolling is easy, just go to www.4honline.com and follow the prompts to re-enroll if you are renewing your membership as a 4Her. If you have any questions, please call the office. If you will be a new 4-Her, please call the Extension Office at 812-295-2412 for assistance in enrolling. Currently enrolled volunteers must also re-enroll before the deadline on January 15. Enrolling early is important in receiving all the latest news and information from Purdue Extension.

Incredible Wearable Program at Shoals Public Library

The Extension Office will be working Shoals Public Library to present Incredible Wearables on Tuesday, November 7 from 10 a.m.-12 p.m. This program is open to youth ages 8-13 and teaches them how to build a fitness tracker and record body functions for better health. There is no cost for the program. Please call the library at 812-247-3838 to reserve your spot.

Junior Leader Call Out

Interested in strengthening your leadership skills? Want to help out in the community? Do you like to have fun? If you answered yes to any of these questions, Junior Leaders is for you! Any 7th- 12th grader may sign up to be a Martin County 4-H Junior Leader. The club meets at least once a month at the Martin County Learning Center.

As a Junior Leader you perform acts of community service such as bingo with nursing homes and helping with the Christmas Toy Store. You also serve as a youth leader for younger 4-Hers by doing demonstrations on projects, camp counseling, and running kid related events at the fair. All of this helps you build life and leadership skills. It also looks great on college and job resumes. Junior Leaders also have a lot of fun. Each year the club has some meetings while eating out, playing miniature golf, or bowling. To celebrate there is a

completion trip at the end of year.

If you are ready to join or just want to learn more, come to our next meeting on Sunday, November 19 at 4 p.m. at the learning center. If you have any questions, please contact the Extension Office at (812) 295-2412.

Scholarship and Resume Workshop Offered to High School Students

There will be a two-day scholarship and resume workshop offered to youth in grades 9-12 on December 2 and 9 from 1-4 p.m. at the Martin County Learning Center. Day one of the workshop will be reviewing successful resumes, preparing for interviews, and scholarships offered through 4-H. The second day participants will submit resumes for proofing and participate in a mock interview. Please register by November 27 as space is limited. The workshop is free to youth who enroll in 4-H before November 27. There is a \$15 fee for all non-4-Hers. Please call the Extension Office at 812-295-2412 for more information and to register.

Extension Office Offers Programs for Classrooms and Other Youth Organizations

The Martin County Extension Office offers programs for classrooms and other youth organizations in STEM subjects, the arts, and leadership. This year's National Youth Science Challenge is Incredible Wearables. Students get the chance to build a wearable fitness device that tracks heartrate, steps, and other functions. Other programs offered are Captain Cash, a grade school program focused on money management; Makers, activities related to science, technology, engineering, and math; and Arts Management, a high school program focused on the business side of working in the arts. If you are interested in bringing any of these programs to your classroom or group, please contact Stacy at (812) 295-2412.

Horse and Pony Club Tack Auction

The Martin County 4-H Horse and Pony Club will be hosting a tack auction on Saturday, October 28 at 6:30 p.m. The sale will take place at the Martin County Community Building at the 4-H Fairgrounds. Tack will be provided by Jimmy Sorrells and Jerry Sidebottom will be the auctioneer. All funds raised will go to the horse and pony club.

Upcoming Events

- 4-H Council meeting, November 2 at 6:30 p.m. at the MC Learning Center
- Jolly Jug Rox meeting, November 13 at 6 p.m. at Hindostan Church
- Junior Leaders meeting, November 19 at 4 p.m. at MC Learning Center



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The 4-H Martin Marksmen Shooting Sports Club received archery equipment, backstops and other equipment and supplies with the grant that was awarded from the NRA. In the front row, from left to right, are Russell Mauder and Aiden Sheetz. In the back row, from left to right, are Wyatt Asbell, Gage Gilbert, Alexis Rush, Cade Maschino, Austin Gilbert, and Trenton Sanders.

More Neat Stuff



By Ann Ackerman



Ok, I promise, these will be the last Halloween jokes. Believe it or not, there are people who enjoy them. My friend, Angie, shares them with some of her co-workers where they do volunteer work in Indianapolis. Keep up the good work. The world needs more people like you.

Halloween Rules for Seniors: You know you are too old to Trick or Treat when:

10. You keep knocking on your own front door.

9. You remove your false teeth to change your appearance.

8. You ask for soft high fiber candy only.

7. When someone drops a candy bar in your bag, you lose your balance and fall over.

6. People say: "Great Boris Karloff Mask," and you're not wearing a mask.

5. When the door opens you yell, "Trick or . . ." and you can't remember the rest.

4. By the end of the night, you have a bag full of restraining orders.

3. You have to carefully choose a costume that doesn't dislodge your hairpiece.

2. You're the only Power Ranger in the neighborhood with a walker.

And the number one reason Seniors should not go Trick or Treating . . .



The following changes have been made to the veteran's van policy and are effective immediately. Runs already on October's calendar will remain but all new runs must adhere to the new policy. The veterans' van will only transport to Indianapolis and northern clinics on Tuesday and Thursday. The veterans' van will only transport to Louisville and New Albany on Wednesday and Friday. The veterans' van will only transport to southern clinics on Mondays. The veterans' van will NOT leave the recycling center earlier than 7 a.m. Appointments to Indianapolis and northern clinics need to be made between 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Appointments to Louisville and New Albany need to be made between 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Appointments to southern clinics need to be made between 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Veterans having procedures that involve anesthesia must have a family/friend ride along. The veterans' van will not transport for surgeries and will only transport one way for overnight stays. This may be an inconvenience to start but if you make the VA hospitals and clinics scheduling your appointments aware of these conditions they will work with you.

1. You keep having to go home to pee.

Vampire Jokes

Q: Why was the girl afraid of the vampire? A: He was all bite and no bark.

Q: What does a vampire never order at a restaurant? A: A stake sandwich...

Q: Why do vampires need mouthwash? A: They have bat breath...

Q: How many vampires are in this room? A: I don't know, I can't Count Draculas.

Q: What's a vampire's favorite fast food? A: A guy with very high blood pressure...

Q: Why did Dracula take cold medicine? A: To stop his coffin

Q: What is a vampire's favorite holiday? A: Fangsgiving

Q: What happened when the two vampires finally met? A: It was love at first bite!

Q: Do vampires bite family? A: Only if they are blood brothers.

Ghost Jokes

Q: What is a ghost's favorite mode of transportation? A: A scareplane...

Q: Why is a ghost such a messy eater? A: Because he is always a goblin.

Q: What are ghosts' favorite kind of streets? A: Dead ends

Q: What kind of makeup do ghosts wear? A: Mas-scare-a.

Q: Where do ghosts buy their food? A: At the ghost-ery store

Q: Where do ghosts mail their letters? A: At the ghost office

Q: What's a ghost's favorite ride at the carnival? A: The roller ghoster

Q: What do ghosts eat for breakfast? A: Boo-Berries.

Q: What do ghosts eat for dinner? A: Spookgetti

Q: What do you call a ghost's mom and dad? A: Transparents

Skeleton Jokes

Q: Why didn't the skeleton go to see a scary movie? A: He didn't have the guts.

Q: What did the witch say to the skeleton when he was lying? A: "I know you're lying because I can see right through you."

Q: Why did the skeleton cross the road? A: To go to the body shop.

Q: Why did the skeleton go to a BBQ? A: For the spare ribs.

Q: Why was the skeleton a bad archer? A: Someone stole his bone and marrow.

Q: Why is the skeleton never mad? A: Because nothing gets under his skin!

Q: Why do skeletons dislike wind? A: They don't. It goes right through them!

A: Why can't skeletons pick a fight? B: They don't have the guts to do it.

Q: Why didn't the skeleton go to the Halloween party? A: Because he had no body to go with.

Make someone smile today!

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Fall Harvest Festival

The Loogootee United Methodist Church, at 208 West Main Street, will host their annual Fall Harvest Festival on Tuesday, October 31 from 6-8 p.m. The event will include games, face painting, prizes, food, and story time. Children through sixth grade must be accompanied by an adult.

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.

Hobby/craft show

The Shoals Parent Association (SPA) is hosting a Hobby/Craft Show on Saturday, November 4 at the Shoals High School from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. There is vendor space, 10x10, available for \$25. If you are interested or have questions, contact Bobbi Turpin at 812-709-9234, Ann Stewart at 812-709-9338 or Lorna Troutman at 812-388-6757.

Heath fair

A community health fair will be held Saturday, November 4 from 7 a.m. to 11 a.m. at Berea Mennonite Church, located at 216 S. Main Street in Cannelburg. The health fair is sponsored by Daviess Community Hospital, Parkview Village Christian Care and WAMW. For more information, contact 812-636-3000.

Fish fry

A fish fry and silent auction will be held Friday, November 10 from 5-8 p.m. at Parkview Village Christian Care in Odon. Music by Barefoot Sunday will begin at 6:30 p.m. Proceeds will benefit the Parkview Village Activity Department.

AL-ANON meetings

AL-ANON, a support group for those impacted by substance abuse, meets every Thursday at 8 p.m. at Loogootee Redemption Church.

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 Wednesday of each month at 7 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. Members of the humane society are invited to attend.

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 free-will donation is requested. Call 812-295-3130 to make a reservation, so enough food is prepared.

Christmas Toy Store sponsored by area Christian churches

The Christmas Toy Store will be held on Saturday December 16 in the Fellowship Hall of the Loogootee United Methodist Church, 208 West Main Street, in Loogootee. Again this year, the event will be a truly community Christian event because it is being co-sponsored by the St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church, the Loogootee United Methodist Church, the Hindostan United Methodist Church, the St. John Lutheran Church, New Beginnings, the Shoals United Methodist Church, and Maranatha Tabernacle Assembly of God. If any other Martin County churches are interested in participating, please contact Curt Johnson at 812-296-7013.

The Christmas Toy Store is full of all kinds of toys donated by parishioners and church members, local businesses and the Crane Navy "Toys for Tots" program. Last year toys and "stocking stuffers" were given away to nearly 500 children. And there were several bicycles of all sizes given away to some lucky children.

Eligible shoppers and children – Parents and legal guardians ONLY, who reside in Martin County, are eligible to shop for eligible children. Children are eligible for toys if they are 17 years old or younger on December 25, 2017 and a resident of Martin County.

Sign-up locations and dates – Sign-ups are from October 30 through November 24, 2017 at the following four locations. Do not sign-up more than once.

-St. Vincent De Paul Store, 516 Park Street in Loogootee

-Hoosier Uplands, Main and 2nd Street in Shoals

-Loogootee Library

-Shoals Library

-Loogootee United Methodist Church

Shopping times – Shopping times for the parents or legal guardians are from 8:30 to 2:30. Shopping times will be assigned as 8:30, 9:00, 9:30, 10:00, etc. until the last shopping time at 2:30. People will select an available shopping time when they sign up.

Radius takes the region to site selectors

Radius Indiana economic development leaders took information and insights about their southern Indiana region to Indianapolis for a day as hosts of an educational session for site selectors from six companies. The October session is part of Radius's 2017 outreach program to raise awareness about the business strengths and opportunities in the eight-county region.

The leaders from Southern Indiana spoke to business advisors about available sites and buildings in the region, as well as the demographics and the quality of the workforce that powers the existing businesses in the eight counties.

Radius Indiana President and CEO Jeff Quyle welcomed the group with an overview of the regional assets available to companies looking to locate in the area such as WestGate@Crane Technology Park and the I-69 Corridor. Other Radius staff members, and five local economic development leaders from Daviess, Dubois, Greene, Martin, and Washington counties joined Quyle to discuss the latest developments in the regional economy.

"This event allowed us to showcase the region and our individual communities to a group of premier site selectors in Indiana. I was able to share

information about Martin County's scenic beauty, as well as the technology and innovation that guide our community, which truly make Martin County a place where nature and tech connect," said Tim Kinder, executive director of the Martin County Alliance for Economic Growth.

Kinder added that the Radius outreach events facilitate promotion of the entire region and help counties that have often been overlooked raise awareness for economic development initiatives.

Among those site selectors in attendance was Indianapolis-based KSM Location Advisors, which works with companies across the country to maximize state and local incentive packages and help them make fully informed location decisions.

"This lunch was simply a great event," said Garth Brazelton, chief operating officer for KSM Location Advisors. "It was a great venue to get updates from Radius and the local economic development organizations about their sites and the bright economic future for Southern Indiana."

Representatives from the region's counties have taken an active role in the Radius outreach program this year, and plans are already underway to schedule more site selector events for 2018 as a regional team.

Radius Indiana endorses Midstate Corridor

Radius Indiana announced on Monday its support for the Midstate Corridor, which is planned as an interstate-level route connecting U.S. Highway 231 in southern Dubois County to a point along I-69 in the north.

Also known as the I-67 Corridor, the proposed highway would increase connectivity in the eight-county Radius region, create opportunities for economic development, and add valuable new infrastructure to the region's list of economic assets.

"A new Midstate Corridor would provide a powerful economic engine for rural southwest central Indiana. Our region would attract more businesses and existing companies would expand. We could expand the workforce due to easier commutes, and bring more tourists to our world-class attractions," said Former Indiana Lt. Gov. and Chair of the Radius Indiana Board of Directors Becky Skillman.

The regional initiative led by OFS Brands President and CEO Hank Menke has been working to set up the groundwork for the connection since 2012; Menke leads the I-67 Development Corporation. The group is now spearheading growth of a Regional Development Authority in order to move the project up on the priority list with the Indiana Department of Transportation.

The State Legislature passed a bill this year that allows municipalities participating in a regional development authority to create a fund specifically for regional infrastructure projects - such as the Midstate Corridor. The legislation also permits RDAs to apply

for federal FASTLANE grants from the U.S. Department of Transportation, which fund road and bridge projects.

"We have taken another important step in the recent formation of the Midstate Corridor Regional Development Authority, which will allow local investment to partner with INDOT to drive the necessary planning and construction of this important four-lane limited access highway through Dubois and other area counties to eventually connect to I-69," said Menke.

While no final route has been established, the corridor was named a Tier 2 project by the state's Blue Ribbon Commission in 2014, a committee that determined which transportation projects needed to be done and when they should be completed. Tier 2 projects are targeted for completion in six to eight years.

"We applaud the work of the I-67 group and its tireless efforts for the Midstate Corridor. We will continue to monitor the project's progress and its impact on our region as proposed routes are studied. Finally, we look forward to being partners with others in the region to help improve the prospects for action on this highway," said Radius Indiana President and CEO Jeff Quyle, who will join the private sector I-67 Development Corporation Advisory Board.

ABOUT RADIUS INDIANA: Radius Indiana is a regional economic development partnership representing eight counties in Southern Indiana: Crawford, Daviess, Dubois, Greene, Lawrence, Martin, Orange, and Washington.



Much cooler weather moved into the Hoosier Hills this week, reminding us that there will be an end to the growing season sooner or later. We have passed the "safe" frost date of October 10 and a frost is possible at any time now.

Until then, active plant growth will continue, however at a slower rate than during the summer, when warmer temperatures and longer daylight hours contribute to rapid plant growth. I have had several people ask recently about doing some pruning and my advice is to wait until the trees and shrubs have been forced into dormancy by a freeze. Of course, if there is storm damage, one should go ahead and cut out that damaged material, but pruning to shape a tree or shrub or to limit its size needs to wait. When a plant that is still in active growth stage is pruned, it triggers a response in the plant that results in new growth. This late in the season, that new growth will not have time to harden off, and the freeze that will eventually happen will damage that material. If there is a lot of such material, as one would expect after shaping a shrub, it could do some permanent damage or possibly result in the death of the plant.

Still, there is plenty of gardening work to be done. If you have been taking advantage of the end of season plant sales at nurseries and garden centers, you need to get those plants in the ground soon. Even when top growth is stopped by a hard freeze, root development will continue. It is important that plants have time to acclimate to their new sites before the ground freezes, so the sooner they get in the ground, the better the chance for survival. When planting this time of the year, I usually surround the plant with a thick layer of newspaper and top it with just enough shredded bark mulch to hold the paper in place. Wait until we have had a hard ground freeze to apply more mulch. Winters in southern Indiana always have fluctuating temperatures. The alternating

freezing and thawing of the soil results in heaving, which may force the root zone of plants out of the ground. Should that happen, a subsequent freeze would cause damage to the roots and likely kill the plant. As strange as it may sound, the best thing for the plant is for the ground to remain frozen. Placing a thick layer of mulch around the plant when the ground is frozen will act as insulation and will prevent the ground from warming quickly when we get those warm days. That will prevent the heaving and will save the plants.

It is also time to plant spring-flowering bulbs. As long as the bulbs have enough time to put out some roots, they will be fine. I have planted bulbs in January on a warm day and had success with them. I do not advocate waiting that long, but be assured that you still have plenty of time to plant bulbs. If you go to stores to purchase bulbs, inspect them carefully. Make sure the bulbs you select are solid. Also, avoid bulbs that are sprouted. Plant bulbs at a depth double the diameter of the bulb. This may be accomplished using a bulb auger or bulb planter or one may dig a large hole and plant several bulbs at one time. This method allows one to plant bulbs in a wire basket if rodent damage is a concern. It also allows layering of different types of bulbs to create an area where there will be a garden of successive blooms in the spring. Even if not using a planting basket, one may wish to lay some chicken wire on top of the area to discourage digging by cats or wild animals.

As you finish with garden tools, prepare them for winter storage. Clean off all soil and use a light sandpaper to remove any rust. Go ahead and sharpen tools that need to be sharpened and coat them with a light oil. One may also use the sandpaper on wooden handles and rub some mineral oil on them. Next spring, you will be glad you took care of the tools before storing them.



Fall Campout 2017

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Local Loogootee Cub Scout Pack 444, along with Shoals Cub Scout Pack 491, held a fun and spooky campout this past weekend, October 21 and 22, at the Per-simmon Shelter House located at Boggs Lake. Hot dogs and marshmallows over the fire, hiking, games, costumes, and camper trick or treating made for good times and lots of bonding among the scouts. To find more information about Cub Scouts or Boy Scouts in your area, please visit <http://hoosiertrailbsa.org/> or find them on Facebook at group name Loogootee Cub Scout Pack 444.

Specials at The Lodge

Wednesday: Baked Spaghetti

Thursday: Braised Pork Chops

Friday: Fried Catfish

Friday night: Bacon Wrapped Tenderloin

Saturday: Ham and Beans w/Cornbread

Saturday night: Deep Fried Blue Gill

Sunday: Peppered Steak



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BRENT COURTER



JOY GIBSON

We are very pleased and honored to have Brent Courter (Edward Jones) and Joy Gibson (retired after 50 years of service to Old National Bank) as the keynote speakers for the Martin County Community Foundation Annual Dinner. The event will be held in the Martin County Community Building.

Brent and Joy both have a long history of serving the county, not the least of which is being founding board members for the Martin County Community Foundation. Since then, they have time and again shown that they care about Martin County. Each will have a story and a perspective to tell that may give us an insight of how we, too, can make a difference and improve the quality of life for those around us.

Tickets will not be sold at the door!

Tickets (\$20) must be purchased by Wednesday, November 1st, and are available at: German American Bank, The Shoals News, The Loogootee Tribune, Old National Bank (both Shoals and Loogootee), or MCCF Board Members: Vicky Bauernfiend, Jerry Braun, Liz Chattin, Melissa Courter, Brian Esch, Dan Gregory, Terry Hasler, Alan Lagree, Candace Roush, Phillip Smith, Annette Taylor, and Curt Johnson

Thanks to our Event Sponsors!!

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