



Festival of Bands

The annual Festival of Bands was held Monday at North Knox High School. Several schools participated including Loogootee and Shoals High Schools.

-Photo by Jennifer Wagler

Downey wins only contested race in Tuesday's Election

There was only one contested race in yesterday's municipal election in the City of Loogootee. Roger Downey (D) defeated Marty Tarrh (R) for the Loogootee City Council At-Large seat, 220 votes to 83. Downey will replace current council member at-large Fred Dupps who he defeated in the Primary in May.

In uncontested races, Carroll Rayhill will hold on to his city council district three seat, Ruth Smith will take the place of Ron Gilbert in district two, and Tim "Biggin" Lawrence will replace Rick Norris for city



ROGER DOWNEY

council district four. Loogootee Mayor Noel Harty also ran unopposed in both the Primary and General Elections. Clerk-Treasurer Nancy Jones defeated her opponent, Gianna Armstrong, by three votes in the Primary and then ran unopposed in yesterday's election. Of the 1,912 registered voters in the four precincts that cast ballots, Perry 1, 2, 3, and 4, only 16 percent showed up to vote, or 308 voters. There were a total of 62 straight party ballots cast, 49 Democrat and 13 Republican.

City of Loogootee	Perry 1	Perry 2	Perry 3	Perry 4	TOTALS
Mayor					
Noel D. Harty (D)	74	71	27	39	211
Clerk-Treasurer					
Nancy (McAtee) Jones (D)	69	54	26	39	188
City Council District 1					
Teresa M. Nolley (D)	73	66	26	38	203
City Council District 2					
Ruth Smith (D)	65	62	25	39	191
City Council District 3					
Carroll Rayhill (D)	78	67	26	40	211
City Council District 4					
Tim "Biggin" Lawrence (D)	66	61	23	38	188
City Council At-Large					
Roger Downey (D)	77	70	25	48	220
Marty Tarrh (R)	29	23	11	20	83

Future city council members question current members

BY COURTNEY HUGHETT
Martin County Journal Publisher

Two Loogootee City Council members who will take office in January questioned the council members they are replacing at last Wednesday night's special meeting. The special meeting was called to discuss employees' insurance for next year and accumulated sick time for employees. Incoming council members Roger Downey (who was elected last night) and Teresa Nolley were present in the audience.

Council member Rick Norris, who serves as a city police officer and leaves office in January, brought forth information on the increase in insurance premiums starting January 1. He told the council that with no changes to the current policy, there will be a 16 percent increase in premiums or an extra \$30,000. He said a lesser plan would actually be more expensive to the city because it would require an increase in health saving account payments to employees.

The council voted to stick with the current policy underwritten by Signa with the 16 percent increase. Council member Fred Dupps noted that the city employees have an excellent benefit package that is very rare anywhere else.

Council member Rick Norris also recommended changing the amount of sick days an employee can accumulate before they have to use them or lose them. Right now, once an employee reaches 240 hours of accumulated sick leave, they have to use any future sick leave or they lose it. Employees receive 48 hours a year. He said this promotes absenteeism. He said that in the past, before the new handbook, employees could have 952 days of accumulated sick leave but once they leave employment, through retirement or quitting, what they haven't used is gone.

Norris recommended increasing the sick leave accumulation from 240 hours to 640 hours, which would be four months of paid time off. He said this would benefit an employee who is off due to a sickness or injury that can't come back to work right away.

The council and members of the audience discussed ways employees might "work" the system to manage to use days prior to leaving employment permanently. Norris noted that

someone could always find a way to "work" the system, no matter what they are given.

Council member Richard Taylor made the motion to increase the accumulated sick leave to 640 hours.

Council member Fred Dupps said he struggles with the large increase.

Council member Rick Norris said the 640 is less than what they used to get and less than most other municipalities and he seconded the motion.

Roger Downey, from the audience, questioned whether Rick Norris should be voting on a matter that directly affects him since he is an employee of the city. Norris replied that it doesn't affect him as an individual, it affects all the city employees.

Downey added that Carroll Rayhill was also voting and one of his children is an employee of the city. He said he was curious as to why Council Member Ron Gilbert was not present at the meeting or why he wasn't informed of the meeting because he is the only other council member, besides Fred Dupps, that doesn't have a relative working for the city.

Downey said he is not saying the city employees don't deserve what is being recommended, he just wonders why the council is voting on it now, when four members are going to be leaving office at the end of the year and four new people are coming in. He said he's not the only person asking this question, as there are several residents who are curious as well.

Council member Rayhill said he just feels that if a police officer is injured, they should have ample time to get healed and get back to work, without worrying about not having income coming in.

Teresa Nolley, who was in the audience and will also take one of the council seats in January, noted that there is really no amount of money that can compensate a police officer for what they sacrifice every day. She said she agrees with Downey though that it seems like a lot of things are getting pushed through in a short amount of time to benefit city employees. She said she doesn't understand why Gilbert was not present at the meeting and why a special meeting was called in the first place.

Council member Norris replied that the in- (See 'COUNCIL' continued on page 2)

Veterans Parade to be held Saturday

On Saturday, November 7, the Auxiliary of the Shoals American Legion Post 61 will be hosting a Veterans Appreciation and Recognition Parade in Shoals. All veterans of all generations and wars are welcome and encouraged to participate in this parade, and to stop by the Shoals Legion afterward for a reception. In case of extreme inclement weather, the parade will be cancelled, but the reception will still be held.

The parade will start at the Shoals Christian Church on Main Street at 2 p.m. Everyone who would like to show their appreciation to local veterans are encouraged to line Main Street from the church to the post office. All local veterans are encouraged to attend and walk or ride in the parade, and the Loogootee Post, as well as

other service organizations, will have Color Guards participating. Everyone is encouraged to wear red, white and blue, and to carry a flag as a sign of support and appreciation.

Anyone can put an entry in the parade, simply by either notifying the contact person, or simply by showing up at the assembly area. Please make the theme of the entry patriotic in style and color. Cars, trucks, SUVs, golf carts, tractors, etc. are all welcome to participate, as well as anyone who wants to walk the parade route.

Points of contact for the activities are Norma Baker at 812-388-6641 and Theresa Fuhrman at 812-631-1044. Please contact these Auxiliary members for any questions or suggestions.

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Commissioners hire highway employees

The Martin County Commissioners met Tuesday, October 27.

Kathy Collins, Community Corrections Director, came before the commissioners for approval of an assignment on a previously signed contract. The case management software is currently contracted with Paperless Business Solutions. Paperless Business Solutions has merged with Corisoft. In order to continue with the case management software the county must sign a new agreement with Corisoft. Commissioner Gregory made a motion to approve the assignment from Paperless Business Solutions to Corisoft. Commissioner Boyd made the second. All were in favor and the motion passed.

Bruce Lemmon, Department of Corrections Commissioner, presented a performance bonus check for \$25,523.22 to the department on Monday. Director Collins thanked the Loogootee Tribune, Shoals News and other interested agencies for attending the check presentation.

Sheriff Travis Roush informed the commissioners there are currently 43 inmates in the security center.

Leo Padgett, highway superintendent, submitted his two-week work schedule. All employees attended the IPEP Safety Seminar. The department recently purchased a fork lift from state surplus for \$500. They have also started the Natchez Road project. Superintendent Padgett recommended hiring Jonathan Haulk and Grady Key as the new full time CDL drivers. The commissioners decided to hire only two employees at this time and possibly hire another at the end of their probationary period pending financial availability. Commissioner Gregory made a motion to hire Jonathan Haulk and Grady Key as full-time employees. President George made the second. All were in favor and the motion passed. All applications will be kept on file. Superintendent Padgett thanked Commissioner Gregory for submitting his list of roads he would like paved for next year.

Attorney Dave Lett submitted an agreement regarding the City of Loogootee contracting with the sheriff's department for dispatch services. The City of Loogootee will be invoiced twice a year for a total of \$12,000 per year. Commissioner Boyd made a motion to the agreement between the City of Loogootee and the Martin County Commissioners. Commissioner Gregory made the second. All were in favor and the motion passed.

Auditor Roush updated the commissioners on the tax sale held Friday, October 16, 2015. The tax sale resulted in the collection of \$133,265.37. Of the eleven properties offered at the tax sale all but two sold, both being the Strike Zone Bowling Center. Commissioner Gregory made a motion to approve Resolution 2015-25, a Resolution Establishing the Intent to Conduct a Commissioners' Sale to Sell Tax Sale Certificates for Properties that are Severely Delinquent in Payment of Property Taxes with the minimum bid being \$100 of each property. Commissioner Boyd made the second. All were in favor and the motion passed.

The Dental Health Options contract was tabled.

President George spoke with Jenny Dearwester earlier in the week and Martin County did not receive the housing grant.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:36 p.m. with a motion by Commissioner Gregory and seconded by President George. All were in favor and the motion passed. The next commissioners' meeting will be Tuesday, November 10 at 6 p.m.



Trunk or Treat -Photo by Bill Whorrall, www.billwhorrall.com
Trunk or Treat was held last Friday night at St John's Lutheran Church in conjunction with the city's Halloween Parade.

COUNCIL

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insurance probably could have waited until the November meeting. He said the insurance agent was supposed to be in attendance for the meeting but he had a prior commitment.

"Just seems like we are pushing a lot of increases through here all of the sudden," said Nolley.

Mayor Harty wanted it noted that the sick leave does not affect elected officials so he was not trying to push through anything to benefit himself.

The council discussed tabling the issue of changing the accumulated sick leave until the November meeting when Gilbert can be present to vote. They also then discussed another recommendation from Norris on changing how new employees receive vacation time. Right now, they have to work 12 months to get a week's vacation. Norris recommended changing that so they could get a few hours each two-week pay period. This issue was also tabled until the next meeting Monday night, November 9 at 5:30 p.m.

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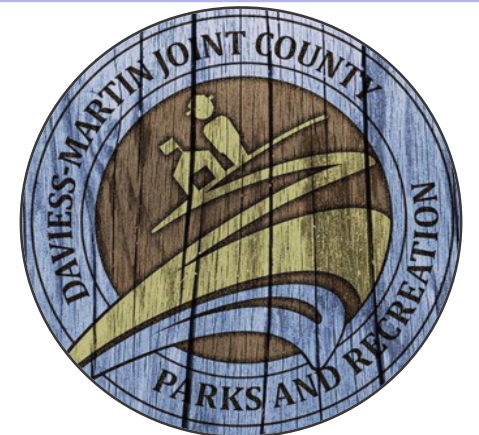
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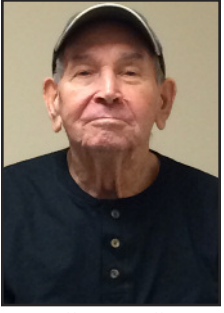
OBITUARIES

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CLETUS TEDROW

Elmer Cletus Tedrow passed away Tuesday, October 27, 2015 at the Memorial Hospital and Healthcare Center in Jasper. A resident of Shoals, he was 84.



CLETUS TEDROW

He was born March 5, 1931 in Alfordsville; the son of the late Edgar and Dortha (Witt) Tedrow.

He was previously employed by Lindsey's Ford Tractor Sales, Monon Railroad Company, and he retired from his greatest joy, woodworking. He was a lifelong Martin County dairy and grain farmer. He attended Martin County Schools and was a member of the Fraternal Order of Eagles #2442.

He is survived by daughters Connie Benson of Salem; Cheryl and Tim Beyers of Shoals; Rick and Rhonda Tedrow of Dubois; Mark and Renee Tedrow of Shoals; Bob and Vicky Tedrow of Shoals; and Brian and Susan Tedrow of Shoals; 11 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren; and one sister, Dorothy "Midge" Collins of Shoals.

He is preceded in death by his parents, two sisters, Eva Feller and Mary Montgomery; and brothers, Paul, Marion and Kenny Tedrow.

The funeral service was held Monday, November 2 at Queen-Lee Funeral Home in Shoals. Burial followed in Pleasant Valley Cemetery.

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

ELMER SWARTZENTRUBER

Elmer "Spark" Swartzentruber went to his Heavenly home at 8:33 a.m. Monday, November 2, 2015 at Memorial Hospital and Healthcare Center. A resident of Montgomery, he was 92.

He was born December 25, 1922 in Daviess County; son of the late Louis and Katherine (Swartz) Swartzentruber.

He was a member of Providence Mennonite Church and active in the congregation many years serving as elder, song leader and Sunday School teacher. He worked with his father farming and then for many years as a carpenter. He retired at age 65 from Crane Construction. He continued his carpentry skills in the community and volunteering on mission, disaster and relief trips throughout the U.S. He always found time to use his exceptional talents on many special projects for his family.

He is survived by his wife, Alta (Miller) Swartzentruber whom he married December 31, 1944; daughters, Judi (Owen) Wagler of Jerome, Michigan; Marla (Gayle) Armes of Scottsdale, Arizona; Donna Yoder of Jasper, Treva (Simon Jr.) Wagler of Jerome, Michigan; and Beth (Roger) Walton of Iron Station, North Carolina; 14 grandchildren and 18 great grandchildren; four siblings; three in-laws; numerous nieces, nephews, other relatives and many friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Louis and Katherine (Swartz) Swartzentruber; two sisters and nine in-laws; son-in-law, Randall Yoder and two great-grandsons.

Funeral services will be conducted at 2 p.m. Friday, November 6 at Providence Mennonite Church in Montgomery. A private family burial will follow in the church cemetery.

Visitation will be held Thursday, November 5 from 2 p.m. to 8 p.m. and Friday, November 6 from 1 p.m. until 2 p.m. at Providence Mennonite Church in Montgomery.

In lieu of flowers donations may be made to Providence Mennonite Church in Memory of Elmer Swartzentruber or Galilean Home, P.O. Box 880, Liberty, KY 42539.

Condolences may be made online at brocksmithblakefuneralhomes.com.

Brocksmith-Blake & Wagler Funeral Home in Montgomery is in charge of arrangements.

MARJORIE ARVIN

Marjorie Arvin passed away at 7:40 a.m. October 29, 2015 at Memorial Hospital and Health Care Center. A resident of Loogootee, she was 92.



MARJORIE ARVIN

She was born April 19, 1923 in Barr Township; daughter of the late John Vincent and Theresa (Gootee) Ash.

She had worked for Reliance Shirt Factory and the Odon Poultry House. She cooked for the Sisters of Providence in Joliet, Illinois. She then focused her life as a successful wife, mother and homemaker.

She babysat for many families over the years and influenced many children during her babysitting years. She was a wonderful cook and baker. She brought her family and community together by a good meal and a glass of tea. Marjorie loved sports, especially the Barr-Reeve Vikings and St. Louis Cardinals. She was a member of St. Martin Catholic Church, where she was a member of the St. Martin Rosary Altar Society. She was an honored recipient of the Brute Award which was awarded by the Bishop of the Evansville Diocese.

She is survived by her children, Jane Ann Davis of Loogootee, Sharon Coppinger of Loogootee, Don (Lucy) Arvin of Indianapolis and Ernie Arvin of Jasper; daughter-in-law, Karen Arvin of Anderson; grandchildren, Sara (Jay) Standlee, Nick Arvin, Lee Ann (Nick) Winger, Brian (Sarah) Coppinger and Holly (Andy) Fralley; 13 great-grandchildren; sister-in-law, Rita Ash and brother-in-law, Frank Matthews, both of Loogootee.

She was preceded in death by her husband in 1990, Joseph C. Arvin; son, Larry Arvin; parents, John Vincent and Theresa (Gootee) Ash; siblings, Ernestine (Francis) Hunter, Jim (Marg) Ash, John Ash, Mary (Murel) Seal, Alice Matthews, Joe (Ida Mae) Ash and Jerry (Carol) Ash.

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated by Very Rev. J. Kenneth Walker on Monday, November 2 at St. Martin Catholic Church in Whitfield. Burial followed in the church cemetery.

In lieu of flowers memorial contributions may be made to Lange-Fuhs Cancer Center or St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church.

Brocksmith Blake Funeral Home in Loogootee was in charge of arrangements. Condolences may be made online at brocksmithblakefuneralhomes.com.

STEPHEN HUFF

Stephen R. Huff passed away at 10:16 p.m. Monday, November 2, 2015 at his home. A resident of Loogootee, he was 62.

He was born December 2, 1952 in Anderson; son of Bob and Rosella (Karr) Huff.

He was a veteran of the United States Army. He was a supervisor and plant manager at Loogootee Manufacturing. He loved his family, especially his grandchildren.

He is survived by his wife, Stephanie (Vest) Huff of Loogootee; children, Joshua (Andrea) Huff of Loogootee, Stephanie K. (Brian) Gregg of Anderson and Andy (Savannah) Aiman of Loogootee; grandchildren, Kennedy, Haley and Londyn Huff, Addyson, Ayden, Anistyn and Anderson Aiman and Brett and Brianna Gregg; great-grandchild, Brayden Gregg; mother, Rosella Huff of Anderson; brothers, David (Susie) Huff, Mark Huff and Joe Huff, all of Anderson and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his father, Bob Huff.

Funeral services will be conducted at 1 p.m. Saturday, November 14 at Loogootee United Methodist Church. Burial will follow in Goodwill Cemetery.

Visitation will be held Saturday at 11 a.m. until time of service at the church.

Condolences may be made online at brocksmithblakefuneralhomes.com. Brock-

smith-Blake Funeral Home in Loogootee is in charge of arrangements.

THERESA RYAN

Theresa Cecilia Ryan, formerly of Lexington, Kentucky, passed away peacefully surrounded by her family at 12:34 a.m. Thursday, October 29, 2015. A resident of Loogootee, she was 89.

She was born October 22, 1926 in Chicago, Illinois; daughter of the late Hugh and Cecilia (Toale) Martin.

She was a believer of the catholic faith. She was an avid bowler.

She is survived by five sons, James (Chris) Ryan of Deland, Florida; Michael (Patty) Ryan of Lexington, Kentucky; John (Julie) Ryan of Cameron Park, California; Edward Ryan of Cape May, New Jersey;

and Joe (June) Ryan of Loogootee; two daughters, Kathleen Ryan (Don Whitesell) of Downers Grove, Illinois and Jeanne Ryan of Dallas, Texas; 18 grandchildren and several great-grandchildren; two sisters, Mary Willhoit and Celia Brain, both of Chicago, Illinois and one brother, Patrick Martin of Chicago, Illinois.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Edward Ryan; parents, Hugh and Cecilia (Toale) Martin; one sister and three brothers.

Graveside services were conducted Tuesday, November 3 at St. Joseph Catholic Cemetery in River Grove, Illinois.

Condolences may be made online at brocksmithblakefuneralhomes.com. Brocksmith-Blake Funeral Home in Loogootee handled the arrangements.

Surviving the Holidays Program

No matter how long it has been since you lost a loved one, grief is particularly painful this time of year. Join the Surviving the Holidays Program November 23 at Loogootee United Methodist Church, 208 W. Main Street. The goal is to not only help you survive the holidays, but learn to enjoy them again!

While enjoying refreshments, you will view video interviews with top Christian experts on grieving during the holiday season

Martin County Safe Community Campaign event

Police officers serving Martin County from both local and state agencies are planning a community appreciation event for January 16, 2016. The event, which will be called the Martin County Safe Community Campaign, will bring the community and its police officers together for a day of fun and information sharing. As a way to further help and unite the community, officers are teaming up with the Martin County area food banks for a food drive during the event. Food bank volunteers will be accepting food items and monetary donations throughout the day.

This first time community event will be held at the Martin County Community Building and will feature officers and infor-

national displays from the Martin County Sheriff's Office, Indiana Conservation Officers, Indiana State Police, Indiana Excise Police, Community Corrections, Shoals Police Department, and the Loogootee Police Department. Several law enforcement vehicles including a Humvee, ATVs, and an air boat will be on display as well as other tactical and rescue gear.

The event will be free to the public and will feature several law enforcement speakers and programs as well as food and door prizes. Some of the programs include kid's self-defense, meth awareness, and a police K9 demonstration. Please make plans now to show your support for area law enforcement and our community.

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COPS & COURT

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Martin County Sheriff's Department log

MONDAY, OCTOBER 26

3:50 a.m. - Received an alarm call in Loogootee. Loogootee Sgt. Norris responded and all was clear.

7:47 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance north of Shoals. Martin County Ambulance, Sheriff Roush, Captain Dant, Shoals Fire Department, and Coroner Franklin responded.

9:06 a.m. - Captain Dant picked up an inmate in Lawrence County for court.

9:12 a.m. - Received a dog complaint near Shoals.

9:45 a.m. - Received a report of turkeys running loose east of Shoals. Chief Deputy Greene responded.

11:03 a.m. - Received a report of a tree down east of Shoals. The Martin County Highway Department responded.

12:40 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Shoals. Martin County Ambulance, Shoals Fire Department, Sheriff Roush, and Chief Deputy Greene responded.

1:10 p.m. - Received a report of an accident in Loogootee. Loogootee Chief Rayhill responded.

3:24 p.m. - Received a report of a brush fire near Shoals. Shoals Fire Department, Martin County Ambulance, and Chief Deputy Greene responded.

4:22 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Loogootee Fire Department and Martin County Ambulance responded. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

6:15 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance transported the subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

10:38 p.m. - Sgt. Keller assisted a motorist in Loogootee.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 27

8:15 a.m. - Captain Dant transported one inmate from Clay County.

10:00 a.m. - Chief Deputy Greene took three inmates to court.

10:40 a.m. - Received a call of a tree blocking part of US 231, north of Loogootee. The state highway department was contacted.

10:55 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance transported the subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

11:06 a.m. - A missing person was located in Shoals. Major Burkhardt, Indiana State Police, and Martin County Ambulance responded. The subject was picked up by family members.

11:25 a.m. - Sheriff Roush took one inmate to court.

12:05 p.m. - Chief Deputy Greene took one inmate to Lawrence County.

2:52 p.m. - Received a report of a cow out on US 50, west of Shoals. The owners were contacted.

3:26 p.m. - Received a report of trees down on US 231, south of Loogootee. Martin County Civil Defense, Major Burkhardt, and Corporal Baker responded.

4:37 p.m. - Received a report of a stolen vehicle near Shoals. Major Burkhardt responded.

7:38 p.m. - Received a report of a car-deer accident near Loogootee. Corporal Baker responded.

8:25 p.m. - Received a report of trees across the road north of Shoals. Corporal Baker removed the tree.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 28

1:03 a.m. - Received a dog complaint in Loogootee. Loogootee Sgt. Norris responded.

2:17 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance transported the subject to Daviess Community Hospital.

9:20 a.m. - Captain Dant took one inmate to court.

10:18 a.m. - Received a report of trash on the roadway south of Loogootee. Captain Dant responded.

11:20 a.m. - Sheriff Roush took one inmate to court.

5:16 p.m. - Received a report of a domestic situation east of Shoals. Sheriff Roush, Major Burkhardt, and Deputy Salmon responded.

8:31 p.m. - Received a report of trees down on SR 550. Shoals Fire Department responded and removed the tree.

9:15 p.m. - Received a report of a car-deer accident on US 50, west of Shoals. Deputy Salmon and Town Marshal Eckert responded.

11:35 p.m. - Received a domestic complaint in Loogootee. Corporal Baker and Loogootee Officer Nolan responded.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 29

12:50 a.m. - Received a report of an alarm east of Loogootee. Corporal Baker and Loogootee Officer Nolan responded.

3:20 a.m. - Received a report of a car-deer accident east of Shoals. Corporal Baker worked the accident.

7:41 a.m. - Received a report of a car-deer accident on US 50, west of Shoals. Chief Deputy Greene responded.

8:59 a.m. - Received a report of an alarm in Loogootee. Indiana State Police Trooper Lents and Chief Deputy Greene responded. All was okay.

9:16 a.m. - Chief Deputy Greene assisted a motorist north of Shoals.

10:16 a.m. - Sheriff Roush took one inmate to court.

11:58 a.m. - Deputy Salmon assisted a motorist in Crane.

2:39 p.m. - Received a dog complaint in Loogootee. Loogootee Chief Rayhill took the call.

4:34 p.m. - Received a report of an alarm east of Loogootee. Deputy Salmon responded and all was okay.

6:55 p.m. - Received a report of two cars racing on US 50, near Loogootee. Loogootee Police Department was notified.

11:02 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance near Shoals. Shoals Fire Department and Martin County Ambulance responded. The subject was transported to Daviess Community Hospital.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 30

4:53 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded but did not transport.

7:40 a.m. - Received a report of vandalism in Loogootee. Loogootee Police Department was advised.

8:25 a.m. - Received a report of an injured deer just north of Loogootee. Loogootee Captain Akles responded.

9:28 a.m. - Received a report of vandalism in Loogootee. Loogootee Captain Akles responded.

10:30 a.m. - Received a report of horses running loose south of Loogootee. Chief Deputy Greene responded.

1:12 p.m. - Received a report of a disabled semi north of Loogootee on US 231. Sheriff Roush and Chief Deputy Greene assisted.

2:04 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance transported the subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

2:57 p.m. - Received a report of illegal dumping of trash north of Shoals. Major Burkhardt took the call.

4:10 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded and transported the subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

4:44 p.m. - Received a report of a reckless driver on US 50, east of Loogootee. Deputy Salmon took the call.

6:53 p.m. - Received a report of two lost children in Shoals during trick or treating. Sheriff Roush located the children.

7:11 p.m. - Received a report of a car-deer accident on US 231. Deputy Salmon responded.

8:34 p.m. - Received a report of a domestic situation east of Shoals. Major Burkhardt, Sheriff Roush, and Deputy Salmon responded.

10:06 p.m. - Received a report of a domestic disturbance in Loogootee. Corporal Baker and Loogootee Officer Nolan responded.

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2:07 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Loogootee Fire Department, Loogootee Officer Nolan, and Martin County Ambulance responded. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

1:04 p.m. - Received a report of harassment in Loogootee. Loogootee Officer Todd responded.

4:27 p.m. - Received a dog complaint east of Shoals. Sheriff Roush answered the call.

5:10 p.m. - Received a request for a welfare check east of Loogootee. Corporal Baker and Sheriff Roush responded. Corporal Baker transported the subject to Good Samaritan Hospital.

5:35 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Shoals. Martin County Ambulance and Sheriff Roush responded. No one was transported.

6:56 p.m. - Received a report of a stranded motorist in Shoals. Sheriff Roush and Shoals Fire Department responded.

7:00 p.m. - Received a report of a tree across US 50, east of Shoals. Shoals Fire Department responded and removed the tree.

7:47 p.m. - Received a report of a structure fire near Shoals. Shoals Fire Department, Martin County Civil Defense, and Martin County Ambulance responded.

8:11 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Shoals. Martin County Ambulance was dispatched.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 1

1:14 a.m. - Received a report of an alarm in Shoals. Corporal Baker responded.

1:34 a.m. - Received a report of a suspicious vehicle in Loogootee. Corporal Baker and Loogootee Sgt. Norris responded.

4:32 a.m. - Received a report of a speeding vehicle in Shoals. Corporal Baker took the call.

5:20 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance east of Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded but did not transport.

6:07 a.m. - Received a report of a reckless driver in Shoals. Corporal Baker responded.

8:28 a.m. - Received a report of a fire rekindling near Shoals. Shoals Fire Department responded.

11:46 a.m. - Received a report of a tree across the road near Shoals. Shoals Fire Department responded and removed the tree.

12:25 p.m. - Received a report of an accident near Shoals. Captain Dant responded.

9:00 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded and transported the subject to Daviess Community Hospital.

JAIL BOOKINGS

MONDAY, OCTOBER 26

10:54 a.m. - Kyla Greene, 30, of Loogootee, was arrested by Sheriff Roush for child neglect and is being held on a \$25,000 10% bond.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 27

10:30 a.m. - Christina Bolinger, 43, of Brazil, was arrested by Captain Dant on a Martin County warrant and is being held without bond.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 28

12:53 p.m. - Sarah Andis, 33, of Shoals, was arrested by Captain Dant on an Orange County warrant and is being held without bond.

3:13 p.m. - Lindsey Hawkins, of Shoals, was arrested by Major Burkhardt on a Dubois County warrant. Sheriff Roush assisted with the arrest.

3:16 p.m. - Brandon Crowder, 33, of Shoals, was arrested by Major Burkhardt on a Dubois County warrant. Sheriff Roush assisted with the arrest.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 29

4:10 p.m. - Jasmine Cunningham, 34, of Loogootee, was arrested by Deputy Salmon on a Martin County writ. Her bond was \$208.90.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 30

8:50 a.m. - James Ringer, 34, of Loogootee, was arrested by State Trooper Lents on a Clark County warrant and is being held on a \$5,000 bond.

9:21 p.m. - Darrin Boyd, 20, of Shoals, was arrested by Major Burkhardt for domestic battery. He is being held on a \$25,000 10% bond. Sheriff Roush assisted with the arrest.

Real estate transfers

Cletus Tedrow, of Martin County, Indiana to **Tedrow Wood Products, Inc.**, of Martin County, Indiana, part of the southwest quarter of the southwest quarter of Section 8, Township 2 North, Range 3 West, Halbert Township, Martin County, Indiana, containing 0.51 acre, more or less.

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Loogootee Police log

MONDAY, OCTOBER 26

3:50 a.m. - Sgt. Norris responded to a residential alarm.

11:30 a.m. - A male came on station with questions about a protective order.

4:29 p.m. - First responders were requested on SE 1st Street for a medical problem.

7:18 p.m. - Caller reported a reckless driver on Hwy 50.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 27

10:59 p.m. - Caller reported a disturbance on Broadway Street.

11:30 a.m. - Chief Rayhill assisted with a funeral procession.

4:52 p.m. - Caller reported a phone scam.

9:41 p.m. - Officer Nolan responded to a 911 hang-up.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 28

1:03 a.m. - Caller reported a dog complaint.

3:00 p.m. - Caller reported a phone scam.

11:35 p.m. - Caller reported a domestic dispute in Redwing Trailer Court.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 29

12:50 a.m. - Officer Nolan responded to a business alarm.

11:30 a.m. - Male came on station requesting an officer for a property exchange. Chief Rayhill assisted.

2:00 p.m. - Chief Rayhill assisted child protective services.

6:56 p.m. - Caller reported a reckless driver on Hwy 50.

7:09 p.m. - Caller reported property damage.

8:22 p.m. - Caller reported suspicious activity on SW 1st Street.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 30

7:40 a.m. - Caller reported vandalism.

8:30 a.m. - Caller requested an officer in regards to a domestic situation.

9:28 a.m. - Caller reported vandalism to his daughter's vehicle.

11:52 a.m. - Caller reported a phone scam.

4:32 p.m. - Caller reported a possible intoxicated driver.

8:15 p.m. - Caller reported a theft from a vehicle while parked at China Wok.

8:52 p.m. - Caller reported a reckless driver in US 231. Officer Nolan stopped the vehicle and spoke with the driver.

10:12 p.m. - Received a report of a domestic dispute on Queen Street.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 31

2:07 a.m. - First responders were requested on Sycamore Street for a medical call.

1:04 p.m. - Caller reported phone harassment.

6:47 p.m. - Caller reported vandalism to her vehicle.

8:35 p.m. - Caller reported a dog complaint.

10:30 p.m. - Caller reported an animal complaint.

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1:34 a.m. - Caller reported a suspicious vehicle on Park Street.

6:09 p.m. - Caller reported a domestic dispute on Park Street.

9:08 p.m. - Caller reported a dispute in Bowling Trailer Court.

Accident reports

MONDAY, OCTOBER 26

12:50 p.m. - Mary M. Walton, of Loogootee, was operating a 2006 Chevy in Toy's Auto parking lot when she backed into a pole. Chief Rayhill investigated.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 27

9:15 p.m. - Billie Pohl, of Mt. Carmel, Illinois, was operating a 2013 Nissan on Broadway Street when he changed lanes and struck a 2012 Chevy operated by Justin S. Davis, of Loogootee. Captain Hennette investigated.

Multistate foodborne disease outbreaks sicken thousands

Multistate outbreaks cause more than half of all deaths in foodborne disease outbreaks despite accounting for only a tiny fraction (3 percent) of reported outbreaks in the United States, according to a new Vital Signs report released yesterday by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

The leading causes of multistate outbreaks – Salmonella, E. coli, and Listeria – are more dangerous than the leading causes of single-state outbreaks. These three germs, which cause 91 percent of multistate outbreaks, can contaminate widely distributed foods, such as vegetables, beef, chicken and fresh fruits, and end up sickening people in many states.

“Americans should not have to worry about getting sick from the food they eat,” said CDC Director Tom Frieden, M.D., M.P.H.

“Top-notch epidemiology and new gene sequencing tools are helping us quickly track down the source of foodborne outbreaks – and together with our national partners we are working with the food industry to prevent them from happening in the first place.”

The Vital Signs report analyzed data from CDC's Foodborne Disease Outbreak Surveillance System during 2010-2014. CDC scientists compared the number of illnesses, hospitalizations and deaths from outbreaks in two or more states with those from outbreaks that occurred in a single state. They found that the 120 multistate outbreaks during the five-year study period were responsible for 11 percent of all foodborne outbreak illnesses, 34 percent of hospitalizations and 56 percent of deaths. An average of 24 multistate outbreaks occurred each year, involving two to 37 states.

Other highlights from the report on multistate foodborne outbreaks during 2010-2014 include:

Salmonella accounted for the most illnesses and hospitalizations and was the cause of the three largest outbreaks, which were traced to eggs, chicken and raw ground tuna.

Listeria caused the most deaths, largely due to an outbreak caused by contaminated cantaloupe in 2011 that killed 33 people.

Imported foods accounted for 18 of the 120 reported outbreaks. Food imported from Mexico was the leading source in these outbreaks, followed by food imported from Turkey.

The Vital Signs report recommends that local, state, and national health agencies work closely with food industries to understand how their foods are produced and distributed to speed multistate outbreak investigations. These investigations can reveal fixable problems that resulted in food becoming contaminated and lessons learned that can help

Martin County Court News

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

CRIMINAL COURT

New Charges Filed

September 30

Courtney D. Rhyne, two counts of driving while suspended.

Kevin G. Ervin, operating a vehicle while intoxicated, operating a vehicle with an ACE of .08 or more, operating a vehicle with a schedule I or II controlled substance or its metabolite in the body, habitual vehicular substance offender sentence enhancement.

October 5

Brandon C. Lindsey, operating while intoxicated, operating a vehicle with an ACE of .08 or more, illegal consumption of an alcoholic beverage.

Quinton T. Redding, illegal consumption of an alcoholic beverage.

October 7

Jordan Davis, resisting law enforcement, auto theft, false informing, and two counts of criminal mischief.

October 14

Billy L. Harbison, leaving the scene of an accident, false informing.

Billy J. Roberts, Jr., intimidation, pointing a firearm.

October 19

Tangela M. Gleason, operating a motor vehicle without ever receiving a license.

James D. Abel, operating a vehicle while

intoxicated, two counts of driving while suspended, habitual vehicular substance offender sentence enhancement.

Kevin G. Ervin, battery resulting in serious bodily injury, battery with moderate bodily injury, and two counts of resisting law enforcement.

October 23

Kevin D. Holt, criminal confinement, intimidation, battery, disorderly conduct.

October 26

Richard E. Dooley, III, possession of marijuana, possession of paraphernalia, illegal possession of an alcoholic beverage.

Theodore Nicholson, reckless driving and criminal recklessness.

Mary L. Burress, criminal recklessness.

Nathan R. Jones, two counts of driving while suspended.

October 27

Kyla D. Greene, neglect of a dependent.

CIVIL COURT

New Suits Filed

October 21

Credit Acceptance Corp. vs. Tanner S. Bough and Danielle L. Bough, civil collection.

October 23

Discover Bank vs. Ginger R. Nichols, civil collection.

October 26

Susan E. Ford vs. Jarret W. Ford, petition for dissolution of marriage.

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In the Garden

By Ralph Purkhiser
Purdue University Master Gardener

My recent visit to the Missouri Botanical Garden in St. Louis was just a brief stopover. However, it was enough to convince me that I need to plan a more lengthy visit. It was not my first visit, but it has been more than a decade since I visited this remarkable garden.

Founded in 1859 by philanthropist Henry Shaw, the Missouri Botanical Garden is one of the oldest public gardens in the United States. It is also one of the few horticultural sites that is both a Historic Landmark and is on the National Registry of Historic Places.

Even though the annuals have been removed from the Victorian Garden and other areas, the beauty of the gardens was stunning. The reason is that the bones of the garden are impressive. There are many trees, including deciduous trees, conifers and broadleaf evergreens. Some are national championship trees of their species. There are also numerous buildings and structures, including Victorian houses, solariums and even a mausoleum. All add architectural interest to the gardens.

The botanical garden is actually a collection of many individual gardens, linked by winding walkways. Some gardens are dedicated to single genera, including a rose garden, an iris garden and a lily garden. Others are dedicated to a particular use, including a vegetable garden and a children's garden. One garden includes a collection of plants mentioned in the Bible.

Perhaps the best known gardens at the Missouri Botanical Garden are the Chinese and Japanese gardens. Both include structures, water gardens and plants typical of Asian gardens. They have one of the largest collections of bonsai specimens in the world. The gardens are accented by a moon

USDA announces \$210 million to be invested in renewable energy infrastructure through the Biofuel Infrastructure Partnership

Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack last Wednesday announced that the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) is partnering with 21 states through the Biofuel Infrastructure Partnership (BIP) to nearly double the number of fueling pumps nationwide that supply renewable fuels to American motorists. In May 2015, USDA announced the availability of \$100 million in grants through the BIP, and that to apply states and private partners match the federal funding by a 1:1 ratio. USDA received applications requesting over \$130 million, outpacing the \$100 million that is available. With the matching commitments by state and private entities, the BIP is investing a total of \$210 million to strengthen the rural economy.

"This major investment in renewable energy infrastructure will give Americans more options that not only will suit their pocketbooks, but also will reduce our country's environmental impact and bolster our rural economy," said Vilsack. "The Biofuel Infrastructure Partnership is one more example of how federal funds can be leveraged by state and private partners to deliver better and farther reaching outcomes for taxpayers. The volume and diverse geographic locations of partners willing to support this infrastructure demonstrate the demand across the country for lower cost, cleaner, American-made fuels. Consumers will begin to see more of these pumps in a matter of months."

The 21 states participating in the BIP include Colorado, Florida, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Louisiana, Maryland, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, North

Carolina, North Dakota, Ohio, Pennsylvania, South Dakota, Texas, Virginia, West Virginia, and Wisconsin. The amount awarded to each state is available at: www.fsa.usda.gov/programs-and-services/energy-programs/bip/index. The final awards being announced today are estimated to expand infrastructure by nearly 5,000 pumps at over 1,400 fueling stations.

A typical gas pump delivers fuel with 10 percent ethanol, which limits the amount of renewable energy that consumers can purchase. The new partnership will increase the number of pumps, storage and related infrastructure that offer higher blends of ethanol, such as E15, E85, and even intermediate combination blends.

USDA's Office of the Chief Economist just released a comprehensive report on ethanol. The report, titled U.S. Ethanol: An Examination of Policy, Production, Use, Distribution, and Market Interactions, brings clarity to the complex interaction of ethanol production with agricultural markets and government policies. The corn ethanol industry is the largest biofuel producer in the country, with production increasing from about 1.6 billion gallons in 2000 to just over 14 billion gallons in 2014, stimulating economic activity in rural communities. Visit www.usda.gov/oce/reports/energy/EthanolExamination102015.pdf to read the complete report.

BIP is administered by the USDA Farm Service Agency. For more information, visit www.fsa.usda.gov/programs-and-services/energy-programs/index.

My companions and I wandered about the gardens for several hours, but could see only a small portion of the gardens. This destination really needs a full day to appreciate all it has to offer. If the grounds there are not enough, one may extend the visit by going to the neighboring Tower Grove Park. Any garden lover will be thrilled by visiting this vast historical garden. It is a great place for a day trip or a weekend getaway.

Even the gift shop is a tourist destination. The shop includes a bookstore with more horticultural books than I have ever seen in one place. I could have spent an entire afternoon in just that section. The shop also offers a variety of plants, pots, garden art and even clothing. In short, about anything that would interest a gardener can be found in the gift shop.

gate, lanterns and even an arched bridge, similar to the one made famous by the Monet paintings. A pond fed by streams and waterfalls teems with beautiful koi. Garden visitors are encouraged to get a close-up look at the fish by purchasing food to feed to them at several locations.

MBG is also known for its huge climatron. This large geodesic dome is filled with plants of the tropical rain forest. It is used for both education and research. It serves as a depository for many endangered plants and may help keep some plants from becoming extinct.

While the Missouri Botanical Garden is a place to enjoy the beauty of nature, it is also a place of scientific research. Besides the climatron, there are other buildings dedicated to botanical research. The staff collect information on new and old cultivars of vegetables, trees, shrubs and perennial and annual flowers.

Back in October we talked about taking an inventory of your pastures, hay, and other feed stuff and weighing that against what your ruminant livestock would be requiring until next spring. I hope that everyone has at least considered that recommendation and sharpened the pencil. If animal numbers have changed, which they often do, or the inventory of hay or forages has changed, then it is never a bad idea to reevaluate it again. I have certainly picked up more forage that can be stockpiled with the recent rains, which is a game changer.

Grazing Bites

By Victor Shelton
NRCS State Agronomist/Grazing Specialist

The fall grass is a little greener after some small rain showers in late October. It is always surprising how fast grass responds to a little bit of water. I didn't take the time to actually take any clippings, but after two small rains, which together totaled more than I'd had since July, the regrowth was very obvious and I would estimate an increase of 400-500 pounds of dry matter per acre where, of course, good stop grazing heights were maintained. There was less growth in areas that happened to be grazed closer than I like, especially around watering sites that are used for more than one paddock. I could still use rain and would gladly take it. As long as moderate temperatures stick around and moisture is present, we have potential to grow some more grass.

The last drought map for Indiana, posted on October 27, shows a good portion of the state listed as "abnormally dry" and a little more than a third is still in a "moderate drought." The next drought map will be released on the 5 of November. You can check it out by going to <http://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/Home.aspx>.

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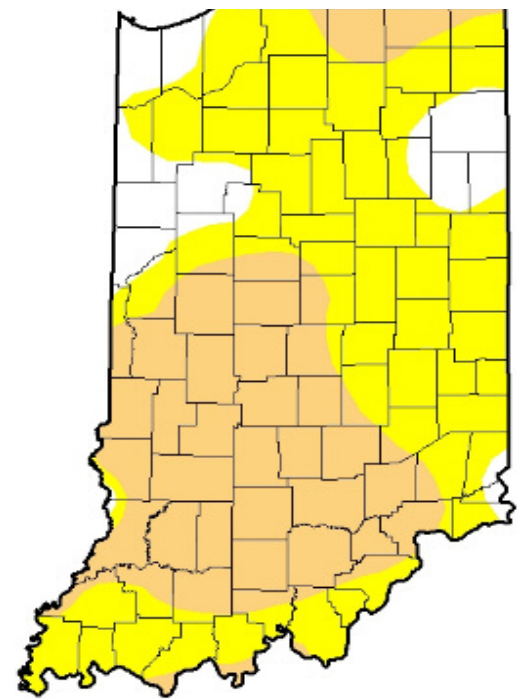
I spoke with one producer recently that had decided to graze some of his annuals he had planted in a crop field. He had a beautiful stand of turnips and oats. The time frame those oats and turnips will be good for grazing is somewhat limited and dependent on how long it is to a very hard freeze. It generally has to get down to 20 for a night or two to kill the oats. They can still be grazed, but quality falls quickly.

The entire time that the cows are grazing the annuals, you are resting the pasture that you would have been grazing and hopefully continuing to grow some forage. Forages throughout the state are still growing some and have not gone into winter dormancy yet. However, dormancy is not too far away now, especially for the northern part of the Indiana.

Just a little more about the grazing of cover crops, especially if the cover crop has been planted with financial assistance from NRCS. Grazing it can be positive move as long as the primary purpose of the cover crop is not compromised. Grazing must not cause any additional compaction problems, erosion, and/or rutting, and there must be adequate live plant material left behind. This live plant residual is needed for adequate growth for the primary purpose(s) of the planned cover crop, such as adequate cover for erosion control, winter survival, and adequate leaf area available for termination; sufficient root growth to reduce compaction and recycling nutrients; etc.

Dry or frozen soils are the ideal conditions to graze cover crops. The livestock should not be grazing the cover crop under wet soil conditions unless a large amount (>2 tons/acre) of mature vegetation is present. These larger amounts are normally only accomplished from a summer planting. The key here is to not increase compaction...at all...nor to cause pugging that will cause erosion or hinder no-till planting of the cash crop next spring.

The cover crops also need adequate growth available before any grazing is initi-



Intensity:

Yellow: D0 Abnormally Dry

Orange: D1 Moderate Drought

ated. The start grazing height will vary some according to the species, but generally a minimum of eight (8) inches of growth is recommended for most species and rarely would you want to graze it down any lower than four (4) inches. Maintaining adequate live plant residual is critical for keeping the plant growing and serving the intended primary purpose. Some annuals may not have enough growth on them in the fall to graze due to date planted or plant species.

Livestock should not be left in any one area for a long period. Ideally, livestock should be moved or allocated new forage every one to two days. Larger allotments can be utilized, but expect slightly less efficiency. Livestock can remove vegetation very fast so keep a keen eye on the cover crops to make sure they are not overgrazed. The cover crop should be checked every day, whether moving the livestock or not.

OK, back to the inventory. I got sidetracked on cover crops there for a minute. Besides knowing how much hay you have on hand, you should also really know the quality of that hay. Will it meet the nutritional requirements of the livestock you are feeding it to? I listened to Dr. Ron Lemnager, Purdue Extension beef specialist last month talk about the abundance of poor quality early hay and as normal and he is right on target. "A lot of hay got rained on; that reduces both quality and yield." He also talked about common themes for low quality hay, especially first cutting; it includes rained on hay, (sometimes multiple times), not cut until mature, and baled too wet causing heat damage and or mold. Poor quality hay lowers intake and increases waste.

Besides looking at the color (presence of seed heads, weeds, and or mold) and smell of the hay, a forage analysis will tell you exactly what you have. Hay should be sampled in "lots" which would include hay harvested in different time frames, on different farms, and different forages. Use a forage probe. These are often available through your local Extension Office, and collect at least 20 subsamples per lot. Package it up and send to a certified lab. It generally costs about \$20 per sample. Once you have the information back on your hay, you can match nutrient analysis to animal requirements and supplement as needed. Purdue Extension is always willing to help you figure out where shortfalls occur and how to balance those out. Energy is most commonly the factor that is lacking.

Keep on grazing!

Purdue vet: Cattle farmers should watch for anaplasmosis

BY EMMA HOPKINS
Purdue University News Service

Beef and dairy producers in Indiana should watch their herds carefully this fall for signs of the blood disease anaplasmosis, a Purdue animal health specialist says.

The disease causes severe and potentially fatal anemia in cattle but poses no threat to humans.

"If you have, or suspect anaplasmosis, work closely with your herd veterinarian to develop effective treatment and control programs," said Bethany Funnell, clinical assistant professor of veterinary medicine. "Death of an adult is often the first sign noticed in a herd infection."

The disease is caused by the parasites *Anaplasma marginale* and *Anaplasma centrale*. Tetracycline is the most common treatment. Symptoms in cattle include weight loss, loss of appetite, high fever, dehydration, constipation, pale mucous membranes inside eyelid and vulva, jaundice, abortion in pregnant cows and aggressive behavior. The disease is more common among middle-aged animals, with most fatal cases occurring between 6 and 8 years old.

Anaplasmosis in cattle is spread by parasites such as biting flies and wood ticks. Wet weather in the spring may have created ideal breeding conditions for the insects that carry the disease.

Herds may also become infected by de-

horning, ear-tagging, castration, injection and other equipment that has not been disinfected between uses on different cows.

"Data shows that a syringe used on an infected cow could infect six out of the next 10 animals injected using the same syringe," said Ron Lemenager, a Purdue Extension beef specialist.

The disease is found in both beef and dairy herds but is less common in dairy herds.

Early treatment of the disease is key to keeping cattle alive. Funnell recommends that producers in high and moderate infection areas consider vaccinating young cattle against anaplasmosis because symptoms are often not seen in cattle younger than a year old.

Funnell said clearing infection requires long-term antibiotic therapy, and producers should consult their herd veterinarians to decide on an appropriate course.

Time from exposure to clinical signs of anaplasmosis in cattle is 3-6 weeks, and some cattle may become asymptomatic carriers, meaning they could carry the disease without showing any signs of it.

Asymptomatic - or "carrier" - animals are less vulnerable to a full-blown infection, so producers might want to consider exposing all of their cattle if the infection rate in the area is high, in effect vaccinating the animals against a serious infection. If the infection rate in a region is moderate to low

(Indiana is considered low), it could be possible to clear the infection from a herd without exposing the animals.

In areas where infection is high, Funnell said producers should consult with their veterinarians as soon as possible to plan an appropriate course of action.

She noted that transporting cattle carrying anaplasmosis might be difficult because some state animal regulations may require a negative test for the infection before transport. To find out if an area is highly infected, Funnell suggests producers consult local

food animal veterinarians and regional Extension educators.

Lemenager said that handling animals infected with anaplasmosis could present challenges because of their weakened systems.

"If you're herding these cattle, you're going to need to bring them up easy, because they don't have enough oxygen, being anemic," he said. "If they get too excited, these cows could die."

For more information on anaplasmosis in cattle, contact Funnell at 765-494-8548, or bfunnell@purdue.edu.

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scriptions, features exclusive photos from all over the state. Included are shots from McCormick's Creek, Potato Creek, Clifty Falls, Turkey Run, Prophetstown and Pokagon state parks; Gene Stratton-Porter State Historic Site; Carroll and Marion counties; and Stockdale Mill, which is near Roann, in Wabash County.

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By Ann Ackerman



DOG RULES FOR HUMANS

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2. You must feed me every goodie you eat.
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4. Let me outside even though I just came in. There was an area I forgot to sniff.
5. I can sleep anywhere I choose even if it means you trip over me.
6. Don't shhhh me from barking while you are on the phone. I heard the wind blowing the leaves.
7. Don't move me while sleeping sideways in the middle of the bed. You have enough room on the edge.
8. Don't think you can leave the room without me.
9. If it lands on the floor it's MINE!
10. You will never pee alone again.

Police: "You were going fast."
Me: "I was trying to keep up with traffic."
Police: "There isn't any traffic."
Me: "I know! That's how far behind I am."

PONDERISMS

1. Dance like no one is watching. Sing like no one is listening. Eat pizza like someone might take it away from you at any moment.
2. I leave my house messy so that when my friends visit, they leave feeling way better about their own housekeeping skills. Yep, I'm that good a friend. Just sayin'.
3. We might not party like we used to, but if we take a nap, we can party till dark!
4. My superpower is holding onto junk for years and throwing it away a week before I need it.
5. I hate it when I think I'm buying ORGANIC vegetables, but when I get home they're just REGULAR donuts.

6. I was at the bar last night and the waitress screamed, "Anyone know CPR?" I yelled out, "Heck, I know the whole darn alphabet." Everyone laughed . . . well, except for one guy.
7. When I retire I'm going to enjoy my life and live off my savings. Not sure what I'm going to do on the second day though!
8. A household hint: Stop dusting and you can use your coffee table as a message board.
9. My idea of a Super Bowl is a toilet that cleans itself.
10. Whenever I have a problem I sing. Then I realized that my voice is a lot worse than my problem.
11. Cleaning the house with kids is like brushing your teeth while eating Oreos.
12. Bad Day? Remember, you aren't 6,000 miles from home, in 120 degree heat, carrying 100 pounds of gear, in full uniform. Salute the troops.

POEM FOR VETERANS' DAY

by Joseph Ackerman
To all, who served the homeland,
In the wars both not and then,
Enduring trials and tribulations
For us, so we might win.
Many gave their lives for freedom
Over land, sky, and sea.
We have this day to remember
Those, who kept us free.
So, press on, all you soldiers
For the red, white, and blue.
You're deep within our thoughts today!
Godspeed! We salute you!

Happy Birthday to my baby brother,
Brooks, on what would have been your 59th
birthday. Miss you.

Make someone smile today!

Tri-Kappa looking for scholarship applicants

The state organization of Tri Kappa will award a variety of scholarships to college students throughout Indiana in the spring. Each state scholarship will be awarded in the amount of \$1,000. Tri Kappa has provided scholarship awards since 1914 acknowledging students on the local, province and State levels. Chapters, provinces and the State organization combined, currently give nearly \$500,000 annually honoring academic achievement.

State Scholarship Chair is currently seeking applicants for the following:

Twelve \$1,000 academic scholarships will be awarded and additional at-large scholarships could be awarded dependent upon the funds available. To apply students must be currently enrolled in a baccalaureate or graduate program, having completed at least one academic year. Criteria used by the Tri Kappa selection committee are academic achievement, strong goals, extracurricular activities, work experience and volunteer service. (One scholarship per province, Loogootee-Shoals is Province III)

Two \$1,000 Key Scholarships are available to students throughout the state. These are directed to those students who have no previous degree beyond high school and have had a lapse in their education for at least five years. Any student enrolled in an accredited school offering an associate or baccalaureate degree, who has completed at least one semester, may apply. Criteria used by the Tri Kappa selection committee are strong goals, work experience and volunteer service since high school.

Two \$1,000 Fine Arts Scholarships will be awarded statewide to students majoring in art, dance, drama, or music. To apply, students must be currently enrolled in an accredited baccalaureate or graduate degree

program, having completed at least one academic year.

The \$1,000 Twanette Nutter Fleming Music Award stipulates that the applicant must be enrolled in a fully accredited course of study leading to a degree to teach music in a private, public, or parochial school, having completed at least one academic year.

Our area has numerous college students who are talented and would qualify for these scholarships. Tri-Kappa is hopeful that those students will be brought to their attention so they may begin the process of submitting an application for state Tri Kappa scholarships.

Students wishing to apply for any of these scholarships are encouraged to contact Audrey Robinson at 812-296-1924.

Deadline to submit Scholarship Applications to Delta Tau Chapter of Tri Kappa is Friday January 8. That will provide the committee time to vote on the applications, put the packages together and submit to State Scholarship Committee by the February 1 deadline.

The Tri Kappa State Scholarship Committee will meet in early spring to select the recipients of the above mentioned scholarships.

In addition to the state scholarships, the Loogootee-Shoals, Delta Tau Chapter of Tri Kappa also provides two local scholarships in the amount of \$500 each; one to a graduating Loogootee High School Student and one to a graduating Shoals High School Student with proof of college enrollment for the 2016-17 Fall Semester. Applications for those high school scholarships can be obtained from your high school counselor or by contacting Audrey Robinson 812-296-1924.

Calendar of Events

Stormwater Utility meeting

The Loogootee Stormwater Utility Board will meet Thursday November 5 at 4 p.m. in the council meeting room of the municipal building.

Surviving the Holidays program

Surviving the Holidays program to be offered at Loogootee United Methodist Church on Monday, November 23 at 6 p.m. Plan to attend and bring a friend. Call 295-3049 to register.

Veterans Day closing

Hoosier Uplands and the Martin County Health Department Immunization Clinic will be CLOSED on Wednesday, November 11 in observance of the Veterans Day holiday.

Sons of the Revolution meeting

The Indiana Society Sons of the American Revolution, Daniel Guthrie Chapter will hold their 4th quarter meeting on November 17. This meeting will be held in the basement of the Free Methodist Church on 4th Street in Bedford. Dinner will begin at 6 p.m. and the meeting at 7 p.m. All are welcome to attend.

Talk to a lawyer clinic

The next talk to a lawyer telephone clinic will take place Thursday, November 5 from 4:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. DST (5:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. EST). With the holidays fast approaching, have those legal answers ready for when the family plays trivial pursuit. Volunteer attorneys will be available to talk to the general public and give out free legal advice, guidance and answer general legal questions regarding Indiana law. To contact talk to a lawyer, the telephone numbers are: (812) 618-4845 and 888-594-3449. Since 2002, thousands of callers have participated. This event is free and takes place the first Thursday of every month.

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.

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Solid waste board

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

Humane society meetings

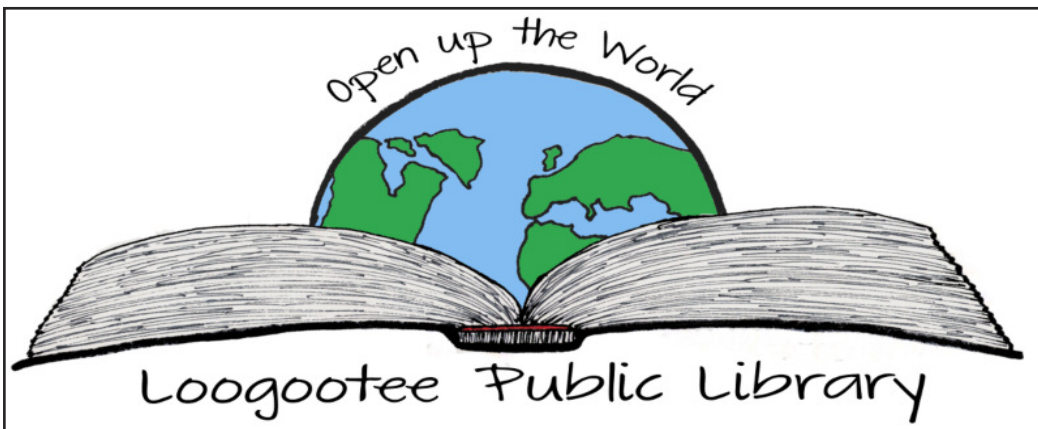
The Martin County Humane Society meets on the third Friday of the month at the animal shelter at 507 N Oak Street in Loogootee, at 7 p.m. Members of the humane society are invited to attend. To find out how to become a member, email mchs@frontier.com.

Tourism meetings

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

Soil and Water meetings

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



BY DARLA WAGLER

Librarian, Loogootee Public Library

Recently, I ran a total circulation report for October 2010 to 2015, the circulation (materials in the library that have been checked out) numbers keep increasing which is represented in the table below. Top row is the year the materials were checked out. The bottom row is the total number of materials that were checked out in the month of October of that year. In addition, there are approximately 175 eBooks downloaded each month that isn't figured into this total.

October 2010-2015

2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
282	309	977	1,599	1,887	2,898

New books

Mystery Fiction: "The Golem of Paris" by Jonathan Kellerman and "The Crossing" by Michael Connelly.

Fiction: "The Bazaar of Bad Dreams" by Stephen King.

DVDs: "Insurgent", "Pitch Perfect 2", "San Andreas", "Hot Pursuit", "Strange Magic", "Barbie in Rock and Royals", "Max", "Wildflower", and "Pixels".

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.

High School Equivalency Classes being offered

High School Equivalency Classes are in Loogootee at the Work One office on Monday and Thursday from 1:30 p.m. until 4:30 p.m. Prospective students should show up at the beginning of class and plan to stay for 2.5 to 3 hours to register and begin assessment testing.

There is no preregistration. Registration paperwork is filled out on the first day of class. This class offers High School Equivalency, college prep for placement tests, employment skill test prep, and classes for the free Work Indiana training programs. Anyone interested may call Vicki Conrad at 812-936-2881 or the local Work One office at 812-295-2722.

Open enrollment began November 1

Open Enrollment for policies both on and off the federal Marketplace began on November 1, 2015. The Indiana Department of Insurance (IDOI) encourages Hoosiers to shop and compare different plan options to find a plan that best meets their health needs and budget. For 2016, there is an average of a 12.6 percent decrease in the cost of the second-lowest cost silver plan. Hoosiers receiving premium tax credits (PTC) could see a significant insurance in their costs if they remain on the same plan because of the way the federal government calculates PTC.

Hoosiers should take the following steps to ensure they select the right plan:

REVIEW: Review your current coverage.

UPDATE: Update your Marketplace application, particularly the amount of household income and household members.

COMPARE: Compare your current plan with other plans available in your area.

CHECK: Check to make sure that your physician and prescription drugs are covered by the plan you are considering.

SELECT: Select a plan that best meets your health needs and budget.

ENROLL: Enroll in a plan and pay the first month's premium by December 15, 2015 for coverage to begin on January 1.

IDOI encourages Hoosiers to review their current coverage to make sure it continues to best fit their health needs and budget. Hoosiers also should compare their current plan with other plans available in their county. In 2015, the average consumer in the nation who compared and switched plans saved money on his net premium. Hoosiers can see which insurance companies are offering plans in their county at

www.in.gov/healthcarereform/2500.htm.

If you are currently enrolled in a Marketplace plan, you also should update your Marketplace application. In particular, verify that the household income and household members listed on your application are correct in order to receive the correct amount of premium tax credit and avoid future tax penalties.

Go to www.healthcare.gov to review a plan's prescription drug coverage and provider network. Provider networks can vary between plans and can change from the previous plan year. Hoosiers should pay close attention to which doctors and hospitals are in-network for the specific plan they are considering to ensure access to their providers and avoid higher out-of-network charges.

Open Enrollment continues through January 31, 2016. However, you must both enroll in a plan and pay the first month's premium no later than December 15, 2015 for your coverage to begin on January 1, 2016.

Agents and navigators are available to help Hoosiers with each step of the enrollment process. A list of Marketplace-certified agents is available at www.cms.gov/CCIIO/Programs-and-Initiatives/Health-Insurance-Marketplaces/a-b-resources.html. A list of navigators in each Indiana county is available at www.in.gov/healthcarereform/2468.htm. You can call the Marketplace Call Center during the enrollment process at 1-800-318-2596, and additional information also is available at www.in.gov/healthcarereform/.

About the Indiana Department of Insurance

The Indiana Department of Insurance (IDOI) protects Indiana's insurance consumers by monitoring and regulating the financial strengths and market conduct activities of insurance companies and agents. The IDOI monitors insurance companies and agents for compliance with state laws to protect consumers and to offer them the best array of insurance products available. The IDOI also assists Hoosiers with insurance questions and provides guidance in understanding how insurance policies work.

State health officials announce first Indiana influenza death of 2015-16 season

State health officials are reporting the first influenza-associated death in Indiana for the 2015-2016 flu season. No additional information about the patient will be released due to privacy laws.

Although this death has occurred early in the flu season, state health officials report influenza, or flu, activity is currently minimal in both the state and country. Hoosiers are encouraged to take this time to get a flu vaccine.

"Unfortunately, this is a sad reminder that influenza can be very serious and deadly, and our sympathies go out to the patient's family," said State Health Commissioner Jerome Adams, M.D., M.P.H. "Though our flu activity is minimal so far, people shouldn't get complacent about the flu. Getting your flu vaccine is a safe and effective way to prevent serious influenza illness in yourself and others."

State health officials say everyone age 6 months and older should get a flu vaccine each year. People can help prevent the spread of flu by washing their hands frequently and thoroughly, avoiding touching their eyes, nose and mouth with their hands and staying home when sick.

Influenza is a viral infection of the respiratory tract. It is spread by respiratory droplets released when infected people cough or sneeze nearby or when people touch surfaces or objects contaminated with those infectious respiratory droplets. People can also become infected by touching surfaces or objects contaminated with influenza viruses and then touching their eyes, mouth or nose.

Flu symptoms include:
fever of 100 degrees Fahrenheit or greater
headache

fatigue
cough
muscle aches
sore throat

Although anyone can get the flu, some people are at higher risk of flu-related complications, such as pneumonia, hospitalization and death. High-risk individuals include pregnant women, young children (especially those too young to get vaccinated), people with chronic illnesses, people who are immune-compromised and the elderly.

"Anyone with a baby in the house should get vaccinated," Dr. Adams said. "It's the best way to protect newborns who are too young to receive a vaccination."

Healthcare workers also are urged to get a flu vaccine to reduce their risk of transmitting illness to their patients.

Health officials say Hoosiers should practice the "Three Cs" to help prevent the spread of flu and other infectious diseases:

Clean: Properly wash your hands frequently with warm, soapy water.

Cover: Cover your cough and sneeze into your arm or a disposable tissue.

Contain: Stay home from school or work when you are sick to keep your germs from spreading.

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

Hoosiers who do not have health care coverage or access to a doctor are encouraged to check availability for the new Healthy Indiana Plan—HIP 2.0—by visiting www.HIP.IN.gov or calling 1-877-GET-HIP-9.

Governor commends schools and teachers after Indiana's students outpace the nation

Governor Mike Pence last Wednesday issued the following statement after learning Indiana's National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP) results have outpaced the national average at every level.

"Every Hoosier should be proud that Indiana's kids and teachers have once again outperformed their peers in this year's 'national report card,'" said Governor Pence. "This success is a testament to our world-class teachers in classrooms all across our state, who work each and every day to inspire students to be successful. Our student proficiency ratings continue to outpace the national average and Indiana now ranks well above the national average at every level. It is clear that by raising education standards in Indiana, we are setting the bar high for Hoosier students."

NAEP, known as the nation's report card, is taken by students across the nation and is widely recognized as the largest nationally

representative assessment used to compare student performance across the nation. The test shows what America's fourth and eighth grade students know and can do in math and reading. Indiana's students ranked higher than the national average in all four categories; fourth grade math ranked 3rd in the nation, fourth grade reading ranked 14th in the nation, eighth grade math ranked 10th in the nation, and eighth grade reading ranked 15th in the nation. Indiana's proficiency rating is now ranked in the top half in all four categories for both subjects and grades.

Governor Pence signed the biennial budget for fiscal years 2016 and 2017, which increased K-12 education funding by \$480 million. Following this significant increase in investment, K-12 funding now makes up 52% of the state biennial budget. Governor Pence also prioritized \$70 million in teacher performance grants, ensuring that good teachers are better paid.

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Students, staff of the month

-Photo provided

Loogootee Elementary recently chose the students of the month and staff member of the month for October. In the front row from left to right, are Mason Britton, Julianna Baker, Kylie McBeth, Carter Hilderbrand, Madison Davis, Callaway Inman, and Khloe Dills. In the second row, from left to right, are Staff Member of the Month Mrs. Shannon Wagler, Montana Scales, Aurbrey Gilbert, Avery Brock, Kaylenn Fralley, Luke Venters, and Jacob Allen. Not pictured were Ashley Green and Gunner Fox.

Arts Commission to expand 2016 Poetry Out Loud competition to include original compositions

The Indiana Arts Commission (IAC) announced it will expand the 11th annual Poetry Out Loud Indiana State Finals competition to include an opportunity for contestants to submit original work.

Late last month, the National Endowment for the Arts announced it would encourage state champions taking part in the Poetry Out Loud National Finals to take part in an optional competition called "Poetry Ourselves." This companion event will give students another opportunity to showcase their creative talents.

"Many of our Poetry Out Loud contestants write their own poetry in addition to reading and reciting the works of published poets," said Sarah Fronczek, IAC Poetry Out Loud program coordinator. "Adding this dimension to the State Finals will give them another creative outlet."

The IAC is encouraging schools to include opportunities for students to submit original work for separate judging during the State Finals. Original work will not be required for a school to participate in the competition, or for school champions to take part. However, schools must be participating in the State Poetry Out Loud contest to be able to submit original poetry.

"Just as with the National Finals, we envision this as an entirely separate component to the State Finals," Fronczek explained. "The original poems will be judged by separate judges, and there will be separate awards. Schools whose champion

does not wish to submit an original poem may submit a poem by another student at the school, but only one submission will be accepted for each school registered in Poetry Out Loud."

Registration is currently open for the 2016 competition. Schools must register in advance to take part in Poetry Out Loud. For more information on how to register for Poetry Out Loud, contact Sarah Fronczek by email to sfronczek@iac.in.gov or call 317-232-1274.

For more information about Poetry Out Loud and the school registration form, visit www.in.gov/arts/2422.htm. Registration for schools is open until November 30, 2015, and information on local winners is due by January 22, 2016.

The state champion receives a \$200 cash prize and an all-expenses paid trip to Washington, D.C. to compete in the Poetry Out Loud National Finals. The state champion's school receives a \$500 stipend to purchase poetry books.

A total of \$50,000 in scholarship awards and school stipends will be awarded at the Poetry Out Loud National Finals, with a \$20,000 college scholarship awarded to the national champion.

The National Poetry Out Loud competition began in 2006. The program is designed to encourage youth to learn about great poetry through memorization and performance, which helps students master public speaking skills, build self-esteem and internalize an appreciation for American literary heritage. Poetry Out Loud is co-sponsored by the NEA and the Poetry Foundation.

The IAC wishes to thank the Indiana Department of Education and our State Poet Laureate, George Kalamaras for their support of Indiana Poetry Out Loud.

The Indiana Arts Commission is dedicated to the vision of the arts everywhere, every day, for everyone in Indiana.

Miss VU Scholarship Pageant to celebrate 50th year

The Miss Vincennes University Scholarship Pageant will celebrate its 50th anniversary on November 14 at 8 p.m., at the Red Skelton Performing Arts Center.

Indiana's longest consecutively running pageant and the only televised pageant in the state, the Miss VU Scholarship Pageant is a preliminary step toward the Miss Indiana title whose winner is then eligible to participate in the national Miss America Scholarship Pageant.

Each semi-finalist will participate in five areas of competition: private interview conducted prior to the pageant, on-stage question, lifestyle and fitness in swimsuit, evening wear, and talent. In addition, each will present information about her platform - a socially significant issue or cause on which she works to raise public awareness.

Joining ten Miss VU contestants on stage will be Miss VU 2015 Kearston Anderson and 23 Miss VU Princesses, ranging in age from 4 to 10 years of age. The master of ceremonies will be Will Akins, a Music Theatre major from Merrillville.

Tickets are now on sale at the Skelton Center Box Office for \$10 for adults and \$5 for seniors, non-VU students and children. VU students are admitted free with ID and VU faculty and staff receive two tickets with ID. The Box Office phone number is 812-888-4039.

The ten Miss VU contestants include Kenadi Ader, Sullivan; Ashley Boruff, Arcadia; Kalita Carie, Vincennes; Miranda Dunahee, Bridgeport, Illinois; Shawna Foster, Vincennes; Tailon Graber, Montgomery; Julia Heatherly, Bedford; Bonnie Hinkle, Monroe City; Annalise Miller, Vincennes, and Haley Sulawske, Evansville;

Joining the contestants on stage will be Miss VU Princesses Kinley Andrews, 4, the daughter of Nathan and Jennifer Andrews; Hope Ault, 4, the daughter of Matt and Shawna Ault; Alexis Bailey, 6, the daughter of Chris and Tiffanie Bailey; Maggie Boger, 6, the daughter of Cody and Tessa Boger; Addison Chattin, 7, the daughter of Ryan and Sarah Chattin; Juleanne Clark, 4, the daughter of Ryan and Breanne Clark; Kaylyn Dreiman, 9, and Maycie Dreiman, 7, the daughters of Benjamin Dreiman and Kacy Phillips; Claudia Ellerman, 6, the daughters of Tim and Amanda Knoy Ellerman; Danielle Elliott, 10, the daughter of Chad and Danielle Elliott; Mallory Froeschke, 9, the daughter of Mike and Rachelle Froeschke; Adelynn Lange, 7, and Olivia Lange, 5, the daughters of Jonathan and Christina Lange; Maxi Belle Kirkwood, 5, the daughter of Tyler and Savannah Kirkwood; Ella McCormick, 6, the daughter of Will and Brittney McCormick; Jaylynn McDaniel, 6, the daughter of Josh and Marianne McDaniel; Trinity Merydith, 8, the daughters of Phillip and Jessie Merydith; Brynley Millsbaugh, 6, and Jayda Millsbaugh, 10, the daughters of Joe and Megan Millsbaugh; Kyndall Quarterman, 8, the daughter of Bryan and Shelby Quarterman; Ava Seals, 6, and Brielle Seals, 4, the daughters of Christopher and Melissa Seals, and Delaney Stafford, 4, the daughter of Josh and Christy Stafford.

MEET THE MISS VU CONTESTANTS Kenadi Ader is the daughter Paul and Deborah Ader of Sullivan. She is a Fashion Merchandising major and is the recipient of a VU Presidential Scholarship. She is a graduate of Sullivan High School where she was participated in the Dance Team and National Honor Society. She will dance to "Fight Song" for her talent and her platform is 4-H.

Ashley Boruff is the daughter of David Boruff and Melissa Young. She is Music Theater major with a minor in Costume Construction. She is a graduate of Tipton High School where she participated in Show Choir and was active in children

ministry and mission trips. She is singing "Wishing You Were Here Again" for her talent and her platform is Mission Work.

Kalita Carie is the daughter of Rodney and Kristie Carie of Vincennes. She is a Culinary Arts and Business Management major. She was homeschooled and has been active in her church with youth groups and volunteering with the food pantry. She will sing "Born for This" for her talent and her platform is Speak up, Speak out.

Miranda Dunahee is the daughter of Jim and Jill Dunahee of Bridgeport, Illinois. She is a Surgical Technology major and participates in the VU Blazerettes Dance Team. She graduated from Red Hill High School where she participated in in dance, Pep Band and Concert Band. She will perform a dance to the song "Dangerous" for her talent and her platform is Scoliosis Awareness.

Shawna Foster is the daughter of Jerry Foster of Bridgeport, Illinois and Cynthia Foster of Vincennes. She is an Earth Science Education major and participates in the Earth Science Club, Student Government, and Beta Xi Sorority. She graduated from South Knox High School where she participated in Choir, Spanish Club, soccer and track. She will sing "How Great Thou Art" for her talent and her platform is Recycling for a Greener Environment.

Tailon Graber is the daughter of Mark and Amy Graber of Montgomery. She is a Homeland Security major and is involved in the Fellowship of Christian Athletes. She graduated from North Daviess High School where she participated in softball and the National Beta Club. She will perform a hip hop dance routine to "Boss" for her talent and her platform is Step up and Believe.

Julia Heatherly is the daughter of John Heatherly and Mary Frye of Bedford. She is a Social Work major and participates in the Social Work Club and chair's the club's March of Dimes campaign. She graduated from Mitchell High School where she participated in musicals and was a Special Olympics volunteer. She will sing "How Can it Be" for her talent and her platform is the March of Dimes.

Bonnie Hinkle is the daughter of Clay and Julie Hinkle of Monroe City. She is an Audio Recording major. She graduated from Rivet High School where she participated in tennis and music. She will play guitar and sing "Me and Bobby McGee" for her talent and her platform is Musical Therapy for Veterans.

Annalise Miller is the daughter of Dan and Lisa Miller of Vincennes. She is a Chemical Science major and participates in the Chemistry Club, musical theater, and is employed at the Skelton Center. She is a graduate of Lincoln High School where she was in musical theater, Student Council, National Honor Society, band and choir. She will sing "Never Say Goodbye"

from Tale of Two Cities for her talent and her platform is the Best Friends Animal Society.

Haley Sulawske is the daughter of Mike and Connie Sulawske of Evansville. She is an Environmental Science and Geography major and a VU Cheerleader. She graduated from North High School where she participated in cheerleading, musicals, Concert Choir and the North Militia. She will perform "Brave" by Sara Bareilles for her talent and her platform is Stay True to You.

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