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Never forget

The Loogootee American Legion held a program for Veterans Day, with the traditional 21-gun salute, on the square in Loogootee on Sunday. The time established at the end of WW1, when the Armistice was signed on November 11.

-Photo by Courtney Hughett

County council talks transition with prosecutor

BY COURTNEY HUGHETT
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The Martin County Council met Tuesday night, November 13. Prosecutor Mike Steiner led off with a request for \$10,000 for transition expenses for the prosecutor's office. Steiner said that when he became prosecutor, he had moved a significant amount of his personal office furniture into the office and he would be taking it with him when he goes. He said he was not sure if newly-elected prosecutor Aureola Wright had her own furniture to bring but a portion of the additional money request was for Wright to purchase new furniture if needed.

Steiner also told the council that he would need more money for next month for a new server for the prosecutor's office. He said that the company who maintains the server said they will no longer be servicing his type of server, with software upgrades and security patches, after the first of the year so he would need to replace it. He also noted that he had spoken to Aureola Wright, to involve her in the process, and she had agreed to go forward with the new serv-

er. Wright, who was in the audience, spoke up saying that actually, she had asked Steiner to hold off on replacing the server until she could look into it more. Steiner replied that he must have misunderstood her and had already purchased the new server, but he would call and see if he could put the order on hold. Wright said she had sent an email to Steiner on November 9 asking him to wait. Steiner again said he would see if

City considered for assisted living facility

BY COURTNEY HUGHETT
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The Loogootee City Council met Tuesday, November 13. Mayor Noel Harty reported that the assisted living facility director will come to the city to look at sites next week and consider what will work. Mayor Noel Harty said they are used to having the land donated or sold to them for very little, so they will be looking into ways to help fund purchasing land, if it gets that far.

Mayor Harty reported that the city didn't receive any grant funds from the Community Crossings grant and they plan to reapply in January. Part of

he could put the order on hold.

Council Member Rich Summers asked if another county office could use his old server. Steiner replied that since he was told it could no longer be serviced, he assumes it is worthless now.

Wright said that Steiner is still prosecutor, so she appreciates him including her in the decision making but she just wanted more time to look into the tech- (See 'PROSECUTOR' on page 2)

what was applied for included work on stormwater issues. The council went ahead and opened a paving bid from E&B Paving despite being unable to do the work now. The bid was \$104.50 per ton for 836 tons laid in place.

The park board only received one estimate for the electrical work that needs done at the park. They are working to get more bids.

The council approved closing Butcher Boulevard and Church Street for the Christmas Parade on December 2. They have asked INDOT for permission to close JFK Avenue.

Police Chief Kelly Rayhill said he has (See 'CITY' continued on page 2)

Shoals receives road grant; Loogootee, county denied

Martin County received zero funds for this round of the Community Crossings grant, applied for a few weeks ago. Loogootee also received zero. The Town of Shoals received \$150,563.62.

Last year, Martin County received \$670,000, the City of Loogootee received \$75,000 and the Town of Shoals did not apply.

According to the highway department clerk, the state only had \$100 million available to give and had \$237 million in requests (444 communities). The highway department will reapply in January.

283 Indiana cities, towns and counties received a combined \$100 million in state-matching funds for local road projects through the Next Level Roads:

Community Crossings Initiative

"Infrastructure plays a vital role in taking Indiana to the Next Level, and that includes everything from our interstates down to the last mile—including our local roads, bridges and sidewalks," Gov. Holcomb said. "When it comes to building and maintaining our infrastructure, we're in this together for the benefit of all Hoosiers. I am encouraged by the immediate impact of this program and look forward to hundreds more projects funded by Community Crossings taking shape in the coming months."

Now in its third year, Community Crossings has awarded nearly \$400 million in state matching funds to local governments for construction projects. In 2018, 444 communities applied for

funds making this year's call for projects highly competitive.

"Community Crossings helps cities, towns, and counties take care of what they have and plan for the future," said INDOT Commissioner Joe McGuinness. "Three years into the program, the state has partnered with local governments to improve thousands of road miles and dozens of bridges. The impact has been significant and felt across all 92 counties, and I'm excited for that impact to continue with this round of projects."

Community Crossings was created by the Indiana General Assembly in 2016. Funds for the program are awarded from the state's local road and bridge (See 'GRANT' on page 2)

Shoals School Board discusses bus route, administrator raises

The Shoals School Board met last Thursday, November 8.

Dianna Ragsdale opened the floor to patrons to comment on the agenda. A presentation was given by the Rox Stars Robotics Team of Luke Troutman, Lillie Bauer, Malachi McNabb and Kemily Wininger. This year's theme for competition is space. The Rox Stars chose to focus on how to cut down on depression in astronauts. They came up with an idea to put pictures of the astronaut's families and friends on the packages of food that they will eat every day. This will give them a little bit of home every time they stop for a meal.

The superintendent recommended to hire a new aide in the elementary to work in the special education (severe) room. The board approved.

The superintendent recommended to hire a technology coach to help teachers integrate technology into their classrooms. This will be paid for with a Title IV Grant that was received this year. The board approved.

Lori Flynn submitted her letter of resignation to become effective on January 1, 2019 following her FMLA leave. The board accepted.

The following coaching recommendations were made and approved: Brian Turpen to coach 5th grade girls' basketball, Misty Tharp to coach 6th grade girls' basketball and Jill Holt to be a volunteer for elementary volleyball.

Paula Wigand was approved as a substitute for the elementary.

Audrey Gibson and Jessica Hert, varsity cheer sponsors, requested permission to sell old pom-poms and uniforms at the upcoming basketball games. \$5 each for pom-poms and \$10 each for old uniforms. The board approved.

A field trip request was presented by the Senior Class Sponsors. The request is for an overnight field trip to Pigeon Forge, Tennessee, leaving on May 17 and returning on May 19, 2019. The board approved.

Bailey Bros donated \$100 to the veteran's program and German American donated \$100 to the Robotics program.

This year the bus drivers that were up for contract renewal were offered \$20 more per day on their current contract if they renewed. The driver's that accepted the extension are: Route #1 Kimberly Albright, Route #4 John Gore, Route #5 Keith Emmons, Route #6 Ted Emmons, Route #7 Miranda Albright and Route #12 Cecil Ragsdale. They have agreed to purchase a 2003 or newer bus if they do not already have one. A motion to accept these contract renewals with the adjustments was made by Eva George and seconded by Bill Bauer. Motion passed 4-0-1 with Dianna Ragsdale abstaining.

This left route #9 the only route up for bid. The description of Route #9, bid specifications for 2019-2023 and a request to post a bid notice were presented to the board. The board approved.

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Commissioners open bids for highway supplies, roofs, choose health insurance

The Martin County Commissioners met Wednesday, November 7.

The commissioners approved repairs to be made on West River Road and requested DURAPATCH be placed along Mt. Olive Road.

County Attorney Dave Lett opened the bids which were submitted for various supplies for the highway department for 2019. E&B Paving, Asphalt Materials, Rogers Group, E3 Bridge, Indian Creek Quarry, Erosion Resources and Supply, Mulzer Crushed Stone, Cave Quarries and Civilcon submitted bids. All bids were taken under advisement.

Andy Ringwald, Civil Defense, requested government email addresses. At this time, he and Monty Wolf are using personal email addresses for business. Auditor Abel stated she would get their county emails set up and notify him when completed.

Joshua Hughett, Animal Control Officer, advised that the recipient of a recent animal control citation has been given an extension of 30 days.

Hughett also presented the sheriff's department report stating there are currently 70 inmates housed at the jail including 25 from Vigo County.

Attorney Lett opened the bids for roof replacement and or repairs for the jail and the courthouse. Bids were submitted by Bunkum Valley, Cornett Roofing and Building Associates. A discussion followed regarding the variety of roofing systems available. Brody Showalter, Building Associates, provided information on the different types of roofing materials and their values. All bids were taken under advisement. Attorney Lett said the commissioners have the right to negotiate the bids so no prices will be released at this time.

Bridget Redmon, ISU/Colonial and Ky Yarling, ISU/Colonial, approached the commissioners with the new quotes for the county health premiums for 2019. A discussion followed regarding the different options available. The original quote received contained a 20 percent increase over the current year premiums. The representatives requested that Anthem reevaluate the original quote and it was lowered to a 12 per-

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matching grant fund. To qualify for funding, local governments must provide local matching funds, 50 percent for larger communities or 25 percent for smaller communities, from a funding source approved for road and bridge construction. They must also submit an INDOT-approved asset management plan for maintaining existing roads and bridges.

State law requires annually that 50 percent of the available matching funds be awarded to communities within counties with a population of 50,000 or fewer. State lawmakers identified long-term funding for Community Crossings as part of House Enrolled Act 1002, passed by the legislature and signed into law by Gov. Holcomb in April 2017.

Beginning in 2019, INDOT will make it more convenient for local communities to pursue Community Crossings grants by offering two calls for projects per year. Moving forward, INDOT will accept project applications in January and July each year, with a given community being eligible to apply for up to \$1 million once per year during the call of their choice.

The list of all communities receiving matching funds in 2018 is online at www.in.gov/indot/communitycrossings.

cent increase (\$71,000). A 10 percent increase for employees. Given the number of claims in 2018, it was expressed that this was a good concession from Anthem. Other avenues were sought but had a substantial increase. The dental and vision rates will remain the same for 2019. The premiums for the county provided life insurance and long-term disability insurance will also retain the 2018 rates. The commissioners approved Anthem Blue Cross Blue Shield.

Auditor Abel advised the commissioners that the lighting project has been completed at the courthouse. It was thought that the lighting in the courtroom had previously been upgraded so it was not included in the original quote. It has been requested that Duke Energy supply an additional quote to upgrade the courtroom lighting as well. The modification to the sprinkler system has also been completed.

Abel submitted the requested quotes to the commissioners for the remodeling project in the upstairs of the courthouse. They approved bids from Wagler & Sons Construction in the amount of \$11,533.38 for remodeling at the auditor's office and \$2,403.75 to replace the acoustic ceiling tiles. They chose Michael Clifton to paint following the remodeling for \$3,976 and Joe Ogg for flooring in the amount of \$4,976.64.

A service contract agreement for Joshua L. Ausbrooks was presented to provide maintenance for the county-owned generator at the Martin County 4-H grounds in the amount of \$5,200 per year. The commissioners voted 2-0-1 with Commissioner Gregory abstaining from the vote.

The courthouse will be closed Thursday, November 22 and Friday, November 23 for Thanksgiving.

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dispatchers that cannot work weekends due to having a second job plus some others who are looking elsewhere for work or off for medical reasons. Rayhill recommended hiring Kyle Long as a part-time dispatcher. Long is 18 years old and is interested in having a career in law enforcement. The board of public works and safety approved the hiring.

According to Superintendent Bo Wilson, IDEM is cracking down on cross connections with water utilities. He has been working with Water Solutions Unlimited and they have given a proposal for \$55 per hour for 130-200 hours until project is complete. Also, the city would have to pay mileage. It is estimated not to exceed \$10,000. Mayor Noel Harty asked if there is another company the city could get a quote from. Wilson said he wasn't sure, however, the cross connection issue is very complex and Water Solutions Unlimited specializes in this work. Mayor Noel Harty recommended getting another quote and discuss it again next meeting.

A piece of equipment at the water treatment plant, that handles the bleaching of the water to make it drinkable, needs replacement parts. The cost is \$8,200 for both components. They have not been replaced for 15 years. The council approved.

Suez gave a presentation at last month's meeting to provide water tower maintenance and painting over the next 19 years for \$680,000. The board of works decided to get a second quote.

The board of public works also agreed to put a stop sign at the corner of Walker and Vine streets, by the senior apartments to deter speeding vehicles. It will be a three-way stop.

PROSECUTOR

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nology in the office prior to changes being made. Steiner said he doesn't care about the server after January 1, but he wanted to make the transition as smooth as possible and have Wright ready to start working on January 2.

Wright replied that she really appreciates that, she just wants more time to find out what happens to the data on the server because it is county property. She said she didn't know if it was on the iCloud or if there are backup tapes. Steiner agreed and said he lets RTC handle that because he is not knowledgeable about technology.

The council approved the \$10,000 request. Steiner said he would hold off using any of the money for the new server until Wright was on board.

Steiner thanked the council for working with him over the years and the kindness they have shown him. The council also thanked Steiner.

Commissioner Paul George, on behalf of the highway department, and highway clerk Terri Alcorn, approached the council about transferring \$28,000 from the highway's stone account into the equipment account so they could purchase a 2011 International 4400 with a snow plow for \$60,500. It has 130,000 miles. The remaining funds are already available in the equipment account. George also noted that the highway department only has one payment remaining on a financed truck and one payment on the Gradall and they will have no more equipment obligations.

Sheriff Travis Roush spoke to the council about some additional money he will need. He will not be available for the next meeting due to being in sheriff school. One of the requests is for money for courthouse security – to pay a deputy for the rest of the year to patrol the courthouse. Roush said he will use current deputies on a rotation. He also asked if the courthouse security deputy was included in the 2019 budget. Auditor Bobbie Abel said it was not and the council would have to approve an additional money request. Roush said the council needs to consider that because he doesn't want to start the position only to end it January 1. Council Member Summers said unless he is mistaken, the council has already committed to funding the position for next year. (Editor's note: An executive meeting was held in September, closed to the public and press, however no decision was ever discussed or voted on in an open meeting approving courthouse security.)

Roush also said that his Public Safety LOIT (Local Option Income Tax) money was running low and some costs associated with deputies' pay, inmate meals, and animal control would have to finish off the year out of the general fund.

Sheriff Roush also reported that they have made \$150,000 this year by housing out-of-county inmates and they may end up with \$30,000 more before the end of the year.

Commissioner Paul George told the council that Martin County was denied any funding for this round of the Community Crossings grant. He said they will apply again in January and he would like to have an executive meeting to discuss which roads and bridges would be included in that application. He said they were told that the grant was denied because Martin County has received funding for the last two years and they had too many bridges included in the application and not enough roads. Courtney Hughett, with *The Journal*, asked if George meant a special meeting and not an executive meeting. George replied that he meant an executive meeting. Hughett asked why a closed-door meeting would be needed to discuss roads. George replied that he also planned to talk about bids for the jail and courthouse roof projects. Council Member Randy Winger said there are only four reasons a closed-door meeting could be held, and he requested that Auditor Bobbie Abel contact the county attorney to see if this meeting would qualify under those reasons. Council Member Lynn Gee said she would be unable to make the meeting and furthermore was out of office at the end of the year. She suggested that newly-elected Council Member Sheri Bowling attend in her place since she would be making any decisions starting next year. Hughett, with *The Journal*, asked if a non-sworn in council member could attend a closed-door meeting. Council Member Rich Summers said that anyone can attend a closed meeting if invited. They decided to plan a meeting, which is closed to the public, on Monday, December 3, prior to their regular council meeting.

The council approved an additional appropriation request from the circuit court for \$1,200 for transcripts and depositions, \$6,500 in the commissioners' budget for health insurance opt-out payments, \$3,000 from the commissioners' budget for payments for juveniles in institutions, \$4,500 from the commissioners' budget for the recent tax sale and \$150 for the recorder's office for their telephone bill. Recorder Rhonda Sanders said the phone company increased her bill without her knowledge and she has been unable to get it back to where it was. All the additional money requests came out of the general fund. The council also approved \$8,000 for CEDIT (county economic development income tax) to pay for health insurance premiums for the rest of the year.

Council Member Warren Albright was not present for the meeting.



Thank You!

I am immensely grateful to the residents of Martin County for honoring me with your recent vote. I am deeply moved by the expression of confidence and sincerely appreciate your willingness to entrust me with the responsibility of serving as Martin County Prosecutor.

-Aureola Wright

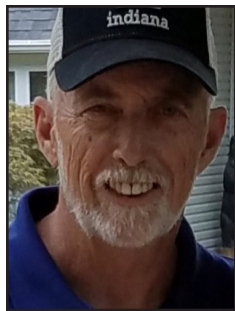
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THOMAS HOLT

Thomas E. Holt, formerly of Terre Haute, passed away at 3 p.m. Monday, November 12, 2018 at his home. A resident of Loogootee, he was 72.



He was born September 16, 1946 in Washington; son of the late Dwight and Lola (Townsend) Holt.

THOMAS HOLT Tom graduated from Wiley High School in 1964. While he was in high school, he participated in baseball, football, basketball and track. After high school he joined the United States Navy and served his country for three years. He then was employed by Eli Lilly for 30 years as a lab assistant and worked in fermentation.

He enjoyed playing Texas Holdem and playing men's senior league baseball. He loved outdoor activities such as mushroom hunting, fishing, boating and golfing. He adored spending time with his family, friends and grandsons. He loved eating breakfast at the local diners with the guys.

Tom was preceded in death by his parents, Dwight and Lola (Townsend) Holt; niece, Morgan Holt.

He is survived by his wife of 17 years, Mary (Kern) Holt; children, Jason (Amanda) Holt and Kristi (David) Pruitt; grandsons, Evan W. Holt and Thomas M. Holt; siblings, Patty (Dennis) Kane and David Holt.

Visitation will be held Friday, November 16 from 10 a.m. to noon at Blake Funeral Home in Loogootee and Saturday, November 17 from 10 a.m. to noon at Mattox-Wood Funeral Home in Terre Haute.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations can be made Helping Hearts Hospice or the IU Simon Cancer Center Research Program.

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

RALPH CHRISTMAS

Ralph Wayne Christmas went to be with his Lord at 4 a.m. Wednesday, November 7, 2018 at his home. A resident of Evansville, he was 52.

He was born December 26, 1965 in Washington; son of Lucky Hayes Christmas and Peggy Alvinia (Ware) Christmas who both preceded him in death. He had one brother, Raymond Christmas, and one brother-in-law, Dan Wittmer, who also preceded him in death.

Ralph is survived by his sisters, Carole Wittmer and Cindy Henderson; brother-in-law John Henderson; and several nieces and nephews.

Per Ralph's wishes cremation was chosen and a graveside service will be held at Goodwill Cemetery, North Line Street, Loogootee, on November 21 at 10 a.m.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions can be made to Ferguson-Lee Chapel of Thorne-George Family Funeral Home, P.O. Box 63, Bedford, IN. 47421 to help cover final expenses. Online condolences may be sent to the family at www.FergusonLee.com.

PEGGY ARVIN

Margaret "Peggy" Louise Arvin passed away surrounded by her family at 5:32 p.m. Thursday, November 8, 2018. A resident of Loogootee, she was 73.

She was born September 4, 1945 in Washington; daughter of the late William and Margaret (Duncheon) Feagans.

She graduated from Montgomery High School in 1963. She was a member of St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church and a former member of St. Martin Catholic Church where she was a member of the Altar Society.

She retired from NSWC Crane as a freight rate specialist. She was an amazing seamstress and loved her family and grandchildren. She blessed everyone who crossed her path and will be dearly missed by many.

She was preceded in death by her parents, William and Margaret Feagans; grandson, Derek Arvin; and brother, Bill Feagans.

She is survived by the love of her life, Paul "Cutter" Strange; her children, Ray (Dana) Arvin of Washington, Tom (Chris) Arvin of Mooresville and Jacque (Scott) Fehd of Evansville; grandchildren, Patrick Arvin, Benjamin Lambert, Shayna Arvin, Allison Lambert, Robyn Arvin, Kaitlyn Arvin, Jessica Fehd, Evan Fehd, Jordan Drake, Cameron Drake (her godchild), Allison Drake, Daniel Strange, Michael Strange, Nicholas Strange, Joseph Strange, Tessa Strange, Alexis Strange, Mallory Strange, Tyler Grady and Austin Grady; siblings, Ed (Connie) Feagans of Martinsville and Mary Teresa (Wilmer Dale) Miller of Montgomery; sister-in-law, Janice Feagans of Loogootee; Paul's children, Paula (Marty) Drake, Denny (Lisa) Strange, Carl (Helen) Strange and Kevin (Sherry) Strange; and many nieces, nephews and cousins.

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated by the Very Rev. J. Kenneth Walker this morning, Wednesday, November 14, at St. Martin Catholic Church. Burial followed in St. Peter Catholic Cemetery.

The family would like to thank Memorial Hospital ICU, IU Health PCU/ICU and Heart to Heart Hospice for the loving care that Peggy received during her illness.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations can be made to the Daviess Community Foundation - Derek Ray Arvin Scholarship.

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

HAZEL PIELEMEIER

Hazel L. Pielemeier went to be with her Lord and Savior Jesus Christ at 11:10 p.m. Tuesday, November 6, 2018 at Loogootee Healthcare and Rehabilitation Center. A resident of Loogootee, she was 91.

She was born June 25, 1927 in Daviess County, near Loogootee; daughter of the late Herman and Emilie (Albaugh) Pielemeier.

Hazel received her education at Loogootee Schools, Vincennes University and Indiana University. She taught Home Economics at Bruceville High School, Shoals High School and finally Loogootee High School where she retired. She was a lifelong member of the Loogootee United Methodist Church and sang in the church choir for many years. She also enjoyed being a part of the Marco Singers. She was active in the Martin County 4-H for many years.

Hazel was preceded in death by her parents, Herman and Emilie (Albaugh) Pielemeier; and siblings, Carl Pielemeier, Bob Pielemeier and Helen Pielemeier.

She is survived by her brothers, Roy Pielemeier and Bill (Jeanette) Pielemeier; nieces and nephews, Terry (Janet) Pielemeier, Alan (Cindy) Pielemeier, Jay (Kari) Pielemeier, Dean (Vicki)

Pielemeier, Robert (Brenda) Pielemeier, Annette (Mark) Bohnert, Janice Pielemeier, Shannon Pielemeier and Marlene Pielemeier.

A joint memorial service for Hazel and Helen Pielemeier will be conducted at 10:00 a.m. Saturday, December 8, 2018 at the Loogootee United Methodist Church. Burial will follow in Goodwill Cemetery. No visitation will be held.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations can be made to the Loogootee United Methodist Church or the Hindostan United Methodist in memory of Herman and Emilie Pielemeier.

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

BILL DICKEY

William David (Bill) Dickey, former Shoals resident, passed away on the morning of November 10, 2018, at Gentry Park Senior Living in Bloomington, after a very difficult year of illness. He was 77.



He was born January 28, 1941, in Indianapolis; son of Charles A. and Inez P. (Neighbors) Dickey. He married Judy Dickey on January 24, 1981, and she preceded him in death in 2017.

He attended Arsenal Technical High School in Indianapolis, graduating in 1958, and remained in Indianapolis until moving to Shoals in 1980.

Bill was employed by Citizens Gas and Coke Utility for over 45 years, first as a service man, and later in a technical capacity after returning to school and graduating in 1990 from Ivy Tech with Phi Theta Kappa Honors, earning an Associate of Applied Science Degree in Electronics Technology.

He was a 38-year member of Shoals Eagles Aerie #2442, serving as Past Worthy President and 10-year Secretary and Trustee. He also served the State of Indiana F.O.E. in various offices, becoming Indiana State President in 2013-14 Fraternal Year. He served the Grand Aerie as Central Regional President and as Election Chairman at the Grand Convention. He was nominated to the Indiana Eagles Hall of Fame in 2016. Bill's passion was fundraising for Eagle charities throughout the state. He co-founded the Blues Brother Revue and Showtime Security to help raise significant funds. He was most proud of the fundraising work of his and Debbie Staley's State Project for Camp Riley. This project raised \$250,000 and the endowment created from this will sponsor five campers every year at Camp Riley, in perpetuity.

Bill was the ultimate entertainer, a talented singer, and a guitar and keyboard player. He played in numerous bands beginning in his early 20's, in the Indianapolis night club circuit, until his early 60's, in and around Southern Indiana, and during that time played everything from Rock and Roll to Funk to Country. He enjoyed karaoke as well and blew everyone away with his antics on stage. Hand Bill a microphone and he could really get a crowd going! At family gatherings, it was a given that Bill would play guitar and sing, and his mother, her seven beautiful sisters, and many cousins would get in on the act. Oh, the harmonies that would come from those sing-a-longs!

Bill is survived by his children, Diana Matthews-Summerton (Larry) of Bedford, Linda Machura (Frank) of Portage,

Teresa Dickey of Indianapolis, Paula Wainwright of Plainfield, and William D. Dickey II of Indianapolis; as well as Judy's beloved children, Pamela Baker (Brent) of Washington, Bradley Howell (Lana) of Montgomery, and Mary (Pfetscher) Reese (Mike) of Evansville. All of these children combined provided Bill and Judy with a legacy of 22 grandchildren, 36 great-grandchildren, and one on the way.

In addition to the love of his life, Judy, he was preceded in death by his parents, and his sister Carolyn Greenan (Bill), as well as many other great friends and members of his extended family. There should be a rowdy game of Euchre or 500 Rummy going on in Heaven right now, along with a lot of laughter, singing and dancing that were common-place when everyone got together in this life.

Services were held at the Queen-Lee Chapel in Shoals this morning, Wednesday, November 14.

The Queen Lee Chapel in Shoals was in charge of the arrangements.

Donations to the IU School of Medicine, to help advance the research in dementia related brain disease, lieu of flowers, are appreciated. Checks payable to Alzheimer Disease Research in Pathology MEMO LINE: IUF-ACCT: 0380009961, may be mailed to: Alzheimer Disease Research in Pathology, c/o Francine Epperson, Dementia Research Laboratory, Indiana University School of Medicine Department of Pathology, 635 Barnhill Drive, MS A-142, Indianapolis, IN 46202-5120.

DENNIS JONES

Dennis James Jones passed away unexpectedly on November 8, 2018 at 12:23 a.m. at the Daviess Community Hospital in Washington. A resident of Shoals, he was 79.

He was born on September 25, 1939 in Loogootee; the son of the late Carl and Lucille H. (Himsel) Jones. He married Linda G. Steele in December 5, 1991, and she survives.

Dennis graduated from Loogootee High School in 1957. He was a professional engineer having earned a degree in Mechanical Engineering from Purdue University. After graduating, he worked for The Boeing Company in Huntsville, Alabama and in Dayton, Ohio where he helped test and develop the fuel tank for the Saturn V Rocket and the Lunar Rover for NASA's moon missions. Returning to Indiana, he went to work for the Naval Weapons Support Center, Crane from which he retired in 2009. Dennis held two patents. In his retirement years, he enjoyed developing inventions, working in the garden and planting trees. He was an avid reader and car enthusiast, having owned in his younger years both a Corvette and a Porsche. He followed Purdue football and basketball with great enthusiasm. He and Linda have welcomed numerous dogs and cats into their home and have hosted unnumbered birds, squirrels, rabbits, deer and other wild creatures in their backyard. He was a member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints.

Dennis is survived by his wife, Linda and her family, Gaye and Steve Sorrells of Montgomery and their children as well as by numerous beloved cousins from the Himsel and Jones families. He will be so greatly missed. He is preceded in death by his parents.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, November 13 at the Queen-Lee Chapel in Shoals with Bishop Tracy Bailey officiating. Burial followed in the Spring Hill Cemetery in Shoals.

Martin County Sheriff's Department log

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 5

6:10 a.m. - Received an animal complaint in Shoals. Animal Control Officer Hughett responded.

8:18 a.m. - Received a report of theft north of Loogootee. Captain Dant responded.

8:38 a.m. - Received a request for ambulance in Shoals. Martin County Ambulance responded and transported one subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

8:45 a.m. - Received a report of residential fire in Shoals. Shoals Fire Department, Martin County Ambulance, Captain Dant, ISP Trooper Beaver and ISP Trooper Qualkenbush responded.

10:36 a.m. - Received a report of reckless driving on Highway 231, south of Loogootee. Loogootee Captain Hennessee responded.

10:45 a.m. - Received a report of civil issue in Shoals. Sheriff Roush responded.

11:12 a.m. - Captain Dant assisted a motorist with vehicle unlock in Loogootee.

11:13 a.m. - Received a report of property damage in Loogootee. Loogootee Captain Hennessee responded.

1:11 p.m. - Received an animal complaint in Loogootee. Animal Control Officer Hughett responded.

1:26 p.m. - Received a report of cattle out on U.S. Highway 50, west of Shoals. Sergeant Keller, Captain Dant and Shoals Fire Department responded.

1:46 p.m. - Received a report of accident on U.S. Highway 50, west of Shoals. Sheriff Roush, Sergeant Keller, Captain Dant, Shoals Fire Department and Martin County Ambulance responded.

1:54 p.m. - Received an animal complaint in Shoals. Animal Control Officer Hughett responded.

2:06 p.m. - Received a report of civil dispute in Loogootee. Loogootee Chief Rayhill responded.

3:15 p.m. - Received a request for ambulance in Shoals. Martin County Ambulance, Shoals Fire Department and Sergeant Keller responded. Martin County Ambulance transported one subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

4:11 p.m. - Received a report of domestic dispute south of Loogootee. ICO Mann and Captain Dant responded.

4:55 p.m. - Received a request for ambulance south of Shoals. Martin County Ambulance responded.

8:40 p.m. - Received a report of tree down on Buckley Road. Shoals Fire Department responded and removed the tree.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 6

1:30 a.m. - Received a request for ambulance north of Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance and Loogootee First Responders responded. Martin County Ambulance transported two subjects to Daviess Community Hospital.

6:09 a.m. - Received a report of car-deer accident south of Loogootee. Deputy Reed responded.

7:46 a.m. - Received a report of reckless driving on Highway 450, east of Shoals. Sergeant Keller responded.

7:57 a.m. - Sergeant Keller assisted a motorist with vehicle unlock in Shoals.

8:27 a.m. - Received an animal complaint on U.S. Highway 231, south of Loogootee. Sergeant Keller responded.

8:48 a.m. - Received a report of reckless driving in Loogootee. Loogootee Chief Rayhill responded.

9:52 a.m. - Received a report of possible hostage situation in Crane. Sheriff

Roush, Sergeant Keller, Deputy Wright, Loogootee Chief Rayhill, Prosecutor Steiner, ISP Trooper Weir and Martin County Ambulance responded.

12:05 p.m. - Received a report of reckless driving on U.S. Highway 150, east of Shoals. Deputy Seymour responded.

12:36 p.m. - Received an animal complaint in Loogootee. Animal Control Officer Hughett responded.

1:07 p.m. - Received a report of reckless driving on U.S. Highway 450, east of Shoals. Sergeant Keller responded.

4:35 p.m. - Received a report of abandoned vehicle in Shoals. Deputy Seymour responded.

5:51 p.m. - Received a request for ambulance in Shoals. Martin County Ambulance and Shoals Fire Department responded. Martin County Ambulance transported one subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

9:35 p.m. - Received a request for ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded and transported one subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 7

2:54 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance and Loogootee First Responders responded. Martin County Ambulance transported two subjects to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

6:42 a.m. - Received a report of car-deer accident near Shoals. Deputy Reed responded.

8:46 a.m. - Received a report of accident in Loogootee. Loogootee Chief Rayhill responded.

9:09 a.m. - Received a request for ambulance in Shoals. Martin County Ambulance and Shoals Fire Department responded. Martin County Ambulance transported one subject to Daviess Community Hospital.

10:20 a.m. - Received a request for an officer assist with property exchange in Shoals. Sergeant Keller responded.

10:36 a.m. - Received a request for ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded and transported one subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

11:33 a.m. - Received a domestic complaint in Crane. Sergeant Keller responded.

12:40 p.m. - ISP Trooper Beaver and Captain Dant assisted a motorist on U.S. Highway 50, west of Shoals.

1:13 p.m. - Received a report of reckless driving on U.S. Highway 231, north of Loogootee. Indiana State Police responded.

1:35 p.m. - Sheriff Roush and Captain Dant assisted a motorist on U.S. Highway 50, west of Shoals.

6:15 p.m. - Received an animal complaint in Loogootee. Animal Control Officer Hughett responded.

6:15 p.m. - Received an animal complaint in Loogootee. Deputy Shinn and Animal Control Officer Hughett responded.

7:55 p.m. - Received a report of reckless driving in Shoals. Deputy Shinn responded.

11:04 p.m. - Received a request for ambulance in Shoals. Martin County Ambulance, Shoals Fire Department and Deputy Reed responded. Martin County Ambulance transported one subject to Daviess Community Hospital.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 8

7:30 a.m. - Captain Dant assisted a motorist on U.S. Highway 231, south of Loogootee.

10:20 a.m. - Captain Dant took three inmates to court.

11:54 a.m. - Received a report of civil dispute in Loogootee. Loogootee Chief Rayhill responded.

12:04 p.m. - Received a report of theft in Crane. Captain Dant responded.

12:25 p.m. - Major Burkhardt completed a vehicle identification check in Shoals.

12:43 p.m. - Received a report of property damage and reckless driving in Shoals. Sheriff Roush responded.

1:01 p.m. - Received a request for a welfare check in Loogootee. Loogootee Chief Rayhill responded. Everything checked out okay.

1:05 p.m. - Captain Dant took one inmate to court.

2:08 p.m. - Received a request for ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded and transported one subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

6:06 p.m. - Received a report of car-deer accident on U.S. Highway 231, north of Loogootee. Deputy Seymour responded.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 9

1:20 a.m. - Received a request for ambulance in Shoals. Martin County Ambulance and Shoals Fire Department responded. Martin County Ambulance transported one subject to Daviess Community Hospital.

2:28 a.m. - Received a request for welfare check south of Shoals. Deputy Shinn responded. Everything checked out okay.

10:16 a.m. - Major Burkhardt took one inmate to court.

2:00 p.m. - Major Burkhardt took one inmate to court.

2:22 p.m. - Received a request for ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance and Loogootee Fire Department responded.

2:34 p.m. - Received a report of civil dispute in Shoals. Major Burkhardt responded.

5:03 p.m. - Received a request for vehicle identification check north of Loogootee. Deputy Shinn responded.

7:30 p.m. - Received a request for ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded.

10:44 p.m. - Received a request for ambulance in Shoals. Martin County Ambulance, Shoals Fire Department and Deputy Seymour responded.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 10

12:28 a.m. - Received a report of commercial burglar alarm east of Loogootee. Deputy Seymour responded. Everything checked out okay.

11:59 a.m. - Received notification of a controlled burn near Shoals.

12:18 p.m. - Received a report of theft in Loogootee. Loogootee Officer Todd responded.

1:41 p.m. - Received a report of reckless driving on U.S. Highway 50 in Shoals. Sergeant Keller responded.

2:46 p.m. - Received a request for ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance and Loogootee Fire Department responded.

4:25 p.m. - Received a request for welfare check in Loogootee. Sergeant Keller and Loogootee Officer McBeth responded. Everything checked out okay.

6:15 p.m. - Received a report of car-deer accident on U.S. Highway 550. Deputy Shinn responded.

10:50 p.m. - Received a request for ambulance in Loogootee. Martin Coun-

ty Ambulance, Loogootee Fire Department and Southwest Medical responded. Southwest Medical transported one subject to Daviess Community Hospital.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 12

5:00 a.m. - Received a report of property damage and theft in Shoals. Deputy Seymour responded.

9:24 a.m. - Received an animal complaint on U.S. Highway 150. Animal Control Officer Hughett responded.

1:27 p.m. - Received an animal complaint South of Shoals. Animal Control Officer Hughett responded.

8:00 p.m. - Received a request for ambulance in Shoals. Martin County Ambulance and Shoals Fire Department responded. Martin County Ambulance transported one subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

9:00 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance south of Shoals. Martin County Ambulance and Shoals Fire Department responded. Martin County Ambulance transported one subject to Daviess Community Hospital.

9:19 p.m. - Received a request for ambulance in Loogootee. Southwest Medical and Loogootee Fire Department responded. Southwest Medical transported one subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

10:20 p.m. - Received a report of a suspicious vehicle on U.S. Highway 550. Deputy Shinn and Reserve Deputy Gibson responded. Everything checked out okay.

ARRESTS

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 6

11:38 a.m. - John Willoughby, 33, of Crane, was arrested by Sergeant Keller and charged with criminal confinement and intimidation. He is being held without bond. Sheriff Roush, Loogootee Chief Rayhill, Deputy Wright, Prosecutor Steiner and ISP Trooper Weir assisted with the arrest.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 7

3:45 p.m. - Dale Jones, Jr., 37, of Huron, was arrested by ISP Trooper Beaver on a department of corrections hold and is being held without bond.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 8

5:13 p.m. - Amanda Rodriguez, 34, of Minnesota, was arrested by ISP Trooper Lents and charged with possession of methamphetamine with a firearm. She is being held without bond. Loogootee Officer Floyd, Deputy Reed and K-9 Virka assisted with the arrest.

5:27 p.m. - Nathaniel Wright, 37, of Loogootee, was arrested by ISP Trooper Lents and charged with possession of methamphetamine with a firearm, illegal possession of a syringe, possession of marijuana and possession of paraphernalia. He is being held without bond. Deputy Reed, K-9 Virka and Loogootee Officer Floyd assisted with the arrest.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 9

12:00 a.m. - Russell Peek, 34, of Shoals, was arrested by Deputy Shinn and charged with operating while intoxicated with a BAC greater than 0.15 and operating while intoxicated-endangerment. He is being held on a \$20,000 10% bond.

6:18 p.m. - Derek Gilbertson, 37, of Mitchell, was arrested by ISP Trooper Lents and charged with operating while intoxicated-prior and operating while intoxicated with a BAC greater than 0.15. He is being held on a \$25,000 10% bond. Assisting with the arrest were Sheriff Roush and Major Burkhardt.

COURT NEWS

CRIMINAL CONVICTIONS & SENTENCINGS

October 18

Stuart M. Barrett, convicted of possession of methamphetamine, a Class 6 Felony and operating a vehicle while intoxicated endangering a person, a Class A Misdemeanor. Sentenced to serve 547 days with 399 days suspended and credit for 74 actual days previously served plus 74 Class A credit days. Defendant received 13 months of probation.

CRIMINAL CHARGES DISMISSED

October 18

Stuart M. Barrett, possession of a narcotic drug, a Class 6 Felony, dismissed; unlawful possession of a syringe, a Class 6 Felony, dismissed; operating a vehicle with a schedule I or II controlled substance or its metabolite in the body, a Class C Misdemeanor, dismissed.

October 30

Tre A. Blanton, possession of marijuana, a Class B Misdemeanor, dismissed.

Joseph R. Miller, possession of marijuana, a Class B Misdemeanor, dismissed.

November 1

Jacob M. Melton, aggravated battery, a Class 3 Felony, dismissed; domestic

battery resulting in serious bodily injury, a Class 5 Felony, dismissed.

CIVIL COURT

New Suits Filed

October 31

Crane Credit Union vs. Bradley Carver, civil collection.

November 1

Citibank vs. Michael Carr, civil collection.

November 2

Discover Bank vs. Ethan M. Lechner, civil collection.

Portfolio Recovery Associates, LLC vs. Henry H. Kent, civil collection.

Michael W. Jewell vs. Teresa L. Jewell, petition for dissolution of marriage.

November 5

Shakara Graber vs. Brandon Graber, petition for dissolution of marriage.

SMALL CLAIMS COURT

New Suits Filed

November 1

Hoosier Accounts Service vs. Jaime L. Browder, complaint.

Hoosier Accounts Service vs. Eric L. Moffatt, complaint.

Hoosier Accounts Service vs. Miranda L. Beaver, complaint.

Hoosier Accounts Service vs. Thomas R. Flynn, complaint.

Hoosier Accounts Service vs. Brandon D. Wildman, complaint.

Martin County real estate transfers

George Thomas Mudd, of Martin County, Indiana to **George Thomas Mudd and Janice L. Mudd**, of Martin County, Indiana, a part of the south half of the northwest quarter of Section 30, Township 3 North, Range 4 West, located in Martin County, Indiana, containing .79 acres.

Carroll L. George and Roberta H. George, of Martin County, Indiana to **Ross S. Johnson**, of Martin County, Indiana. Tract I: A part of the southeast quarter of the northeast quarter of Section 31, Township 4 North, Range 3 West, containing 1.02 acres, more or less. Tract II: Part of the southeast quarter of the northeast quarter of Section 31, Township 4 North, Range 3 West, containing .33 acres, more or less.

Richard A. Burch, of Martin County, Indiana to **Richard A. Burch and Joni D. Parker-Burch**, of Martin County, Indiana, 7.5 acres in Section 13, Township 3 North, Range 5 West, except sections containing 0.4990 and 0.1269 acres, more or less.

Richard David Grey, of Ohio County, Indiana to **George Turoci and Marie Turoci**, of Montgomery County, Indiana, a tract of land in the southeast quarter of Section 31, Township 3 North, Range 3 West, containing 3 acres, more or less.

Franklin D. Cobb, of Martin County, Indiana to **Zachery D. Carwile and Alexandra L. Carwile**, of Martin County, Indiana, a part of the southwest quarter of the northeast quarter of the southwest quarter of Section 1, Township 3 North, Range 4 West, containing 1 acre, more or less.

Nicholas Alan Strange, of Martin County, Indiana to **Nicholas Alan Strange and Chelsey D. Strange**, of

Martin County, Indiana, a part of the east half of the southeast quarter of Section 36, Township 2 North, Range 5 West, containing 3.45 acres, more or less.

Brian L. George, Robert A. George, and Michael K. George, of Martin County, Indiana to **Carroll L. George and Roberta H. George**, of Martin County, Indiana. Tract I: A part of the southeast quarter of the northeast quarter of Section 31, Township 4 North, Range 3 West, containing 1.02 acres, more or less. Tract II: Part of the southeast quarter of the northeast quarter of Section 31, Township 4 North, Range 3 West, containing .33 acres, more or less.

Loogootee Police log

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 5

10:36 a.m. - Caller reported a reckless driver on US 231.

11:13 a.m. - Female reported property damage on East Main Street.

2:06 p.m. - Caller reported a child custody issue.

5:15 p.m. - Male reported locating a suspicious item.

9:13 p.m. - Caller reported a reckless driver on Hwy 50.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 6

8:48 a.m. - Caller reported a reckless driver on Hwy 550.

9:52 a.m. - Chief Rayhill assisted the county with a hostage situation in Crane.

12:36 p.m. - Female reported a dog complaint.

5:10 p.m. - Caller reported a property damage accident in Country Court.

8:23 p.m. - Male reported a child custody issue.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 7

2:54 a.m. - First responders were requested on Locust Street for a medical call.

8:50 a.m. - Caller reported a property damage accident in the Harvest Health parking lot.

12:05 p.m. - Chief Rayhill tagged an abandoned vehicle on Sheridan Street.

1:00 p.m. - Female came on station to report problems with a juvenile.

4:45 p.m. - Male reported a road closure.

6:24 p.m. - Male reported a property damage accident on US 231.

6:45 p.m. - Caller reported a domestic dispute on Broadway Street.

7:49 p.m. - Male requested a vehicle identification check.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 8

11:54 a.m. - Female requested a male be removed from her residence.

1:01 p.m. - Caller requested a welfare check on a female.

8:10 p.m. - Caller reported suspicious activity on Sheridan Street.

10:34 p.m. - Caller reported a speeding vehicle on Hwy 50.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 9

9:23 a.m. - Caller reported a property damage on East Broadway Street.

3:15 p.m. - Captain Hennette responded to a business alarm.

8:27 p.m. - Caller reported a property damage accident on US 231.

9:05 p.m. - Caller requested a welfare check on a male.

10:06 p.m. - Caller reported loud music in Shaded Estates.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 10

12:18 p.m. - Caller reported a theft of gas from Circle K.

2:46 p.m. - First responders were requested in Bowling Trailer Court for a medical call.

9:15 p.m. - Caller reported loud music in Shaded Estates.

10:55 p.m. - First responders were requested on Hwy 50 for a medical call.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 11

9:23 a.m. - Caller reported a reckless vehicle on US 231.

4:55 p.m. - Caller reported a child custody issue.

7:35 p.m. - Caller reported a speeding vehicle on Hwy 50.

9:23 p.m. - First responders were requested on Cedar Street for a medical call.

10:13 p.m. - Caller reported a speeding vehicle on US 231.

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More Neat Stuff

By Ann Ackerman



My husband took our dog to the veterinarian and sat in the waiting room with the other dog owners.

Suddenly, the street door opened a few inches and an authoritative voice called, "Better get a tight hold on your animals."

Everyone grasped his pet protectively, nervously wondering what sort of brute was to be led in. The door opened slowly – and in walked the mailman.

He dropped some letters on a table, grinned, and walked out.

THOUGHTS:

*You know how retirement homes play music of the residents' era in the lobby (Benny Goodman, Frank Sinatra, etc.) One day our nursing homes will be playing Twisted Sister and Motley Crue in the lobby.

*One of the shortest wills ever written: "Being of sound mind, I spent all my money."

*My wife texted me a selfie in a new dress and asked, "Does this make my butt look big?"

I texted back, "Noo!"

My phone autocorrected my response to, "Moo!"

Please send help.

*There's a fine line between a numerator and a denominator. Only a fraction of people will find this funny.

*Technically, if you don't cut the cake and just eat the whole thing with a fork, you still only had one piece.

*Police came around last night and told me my dogs were chasing people on bikes. My dogs don't even had bikes.

*You are not really drunk until you are speaking fluent Ozzy Osbourne.

*Dust is what gives a home a warm and fuzzy feeling.

*My dog does this amazing thing where she just exists and makes my whole life better because of it.

10 TIMES YOU'LL ONLY UNDERSTAND IF YOU'RE A SPORTS MOM:

1. You're the biggest fan and everyone knows it.

2. Your car is your home away from home.

3. Your kids are constantly hungry.

4. You wonder where all your money goes.

5. Your kids smell and they're proud of it.

6. Scheduling anything is a total nightmare.

7. Showers are frequent.

8. The homework struggle is real.

9. You help them find the positive in every loss.

10. Someday, you'll miss the days of sideline cheering.

Ever notice the similarities between man and man's best friend?

*Both take up too much space on the bed.

*Both have irrational fears about vacuuming.

*Neither tells you what's bothering him.

*Neither of them notices when you get your hair cut.

*Neither understands what you see in cats.

EAST RIDDLES:

*What do you get when you cross a Lhasa Apso and a Collie? A collapse, a dog that folds for easy transportation

*What do you get when you cross a Pointer and a Setter? A Poinsetter, a traditional Christmas pet

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FINAL THOUGHTS:

*If your religion makes you hate someone, you need a new religion.

*Asking teachers to follow scripted curriculum is like asking artists to paint by numbers.

Make someone smile today!

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Loogootee School Board meeting

The Loogootee School Board will meet Thursday, November 15 at 5 p.m. in the meeting room off the superintendent's office. The meeting is open to the public.

Lion Backers soup supper

The Loogootee Lion Backers will hold a soup supper on Friday, November 16 at 5 p.m. in the high school cafeteria prior to the LHS boys' scrimmage which begins at 6 p.m. Free will donation for your choice of chili, vegetable soup, potato soup, chicken noodle soup, hot dogs, desserts, tea, lemonade, and water.

Sons of the American Revolution meeting

The quarterly meeting of the Indiana Society Sons of the American Revolution, Daniel Guthrie Chapter will be held Tuesday, November 20. Dinner will begin at 6 p.m. with the meeting at 7 p.m. They will be taking up a collection of monies and food for the local food pantries. The meeting will be held at 630 R Street in Bedford. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Chamber meeting

The Martin County Chamber of Commerce will hold their monthly meeting on Wednesday, November 21 at noon at Pizza Junction in Loogootee. The door prize this month is from Bowling Manufacturing and the guest speaker will be Megan Ritterskamp, Invasive Species Specialist, with Dubois, Daviess, and Martin county Soil and Water Conservation Districts.

Loogootee Christmas Parade

The Annual Loogootee Christmas Parade will be held Sunday, December 2. The theme for this year is "A Farm House Christmas". Start time is 6 p.m. Line-up will begin at 5 p.m. at the Loogootee High School Parking lot. In case of inclement weather, the parade will be postponed until Sunday, December 9. If interested in having a float in the parade, contact the Loogootee Mayor's office at 812-295-4770.

Food pantry hours

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

5-6:30 p.m.

Free lunch for kids

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

SOAR Tutoring

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

Tourism meetings

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

Humane society meetings

The Martin County Humane Society meets on the third Friday of the month at the animal shelter at 507 N Oak Street in Loogootee, at 5:30 p.m.

Solid waste board

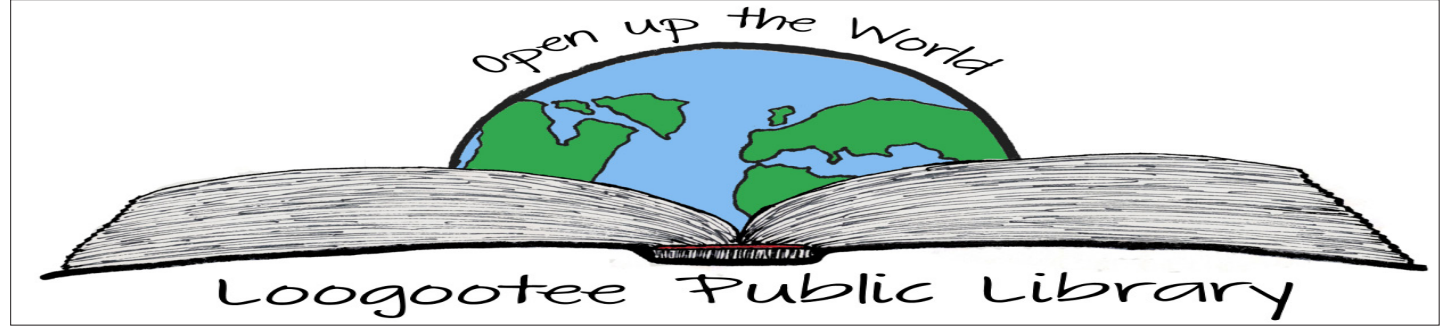
The Martin County Solid Waste Board holds their monthly meetings on the third Wednesday of each month at 6 p.m. at the recycling center located at 500 Industrial Park Drive in Loogootee. The meetings are open to the public and anyone is invited to attend.

Soil and Water meetings

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

Attention Senior Citizens

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



BY DARLA WAGLER

Librarian, Loogootee Public Library

On, Monday, November 19 from 5-5:30 p.m., the library will have "BINGO for BOOKS" on Thanksgiving themed Bingo cards. Kids age 2-6 are welcome to attend but you need to pre-register. There is a limit of 10 kids.

Kids ages 7 and up are invited to attend a "Scarecrow Canvas Painting" program at the library on Monday, November 26 from 5-6 p.m. Registration is required. Limit 10.

During the upcoming Christmas Stroll on December 2, the library will have a soup supper from 4-8 at the Loogootee Methodist Church. Please stop

by and enjoy some hot soup (Broccoli Cheddar, Chicken Noodle, Chicken Corn, Chili, Taco, or Vegetable). Hot dogs and Brats will be available as well as yummy homemade desserts. Donations accepted for the food. All proceeds benefit the library. Also, Kelli Mathies will be set up for an Usborne Book Fair from 4-7:30 and the library will receive free books. On Monday, December 3 from 12-6 Kelci Swartzentruber will continue the Usborne Book Fair at the library.

New Books
Mystery: "Past Tense" by Lee Child, "You Don't Know Me" by Mary Higgins Clark, "Look Alive Twenty-Five" by Janet Evanovich, and "Heads You

Win" by Jeffrey Archer.
Fiction: "Sea of Greed" by Clive Cussler, "Night of Miracles" by Elizabeth Berg, "Elevation" by Stephen King, and "The Noel Stranger" by Richard Paul Evans.

Inspirational Fiction: "His Promise" by Shelley Shepard Gray, "A Season of Grace" by Lauraine Snelling, "Jerusalem's Queen" by Angela Hunt.
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.

Thank You

to everyone who voted for me for Martin County



Clerk. I truly appreciate your faith in me and will continue to do my best to serve the residents of Martin County for the next four years.

Sincerely,
Gerald Montgomery

-Paid for by Gerald Montgomery

Radius Indiana concludes first-ever site selector trip to Japan

Radius Indiana traveled to Japan last week to meet with Japanese governmental and business professionals to discuss foreign investment in the Radius region. This was Radius's first-ever international site selector trip, as the organization continues its outreach program efforts to broaden and diversify its economic development program.

Radius Indiana President and CEO Jeff Quyle, along with a team of 10 people from the Radius region and surrounding communities, were abroad for nine days, meeting with more than a dozen companies to spread education and awareness of the region.

The group traveled to Tokyo, Nagoya and Osaka before returning to Indiana. Radius met with a variety of companies, ranging from automobile manufacturers to trading and policy organizations. The Radius region is already home to over 300 manufacturers, with space and opportunity to grow that number.

The Indiana presenters shared information about the Radius region, detailing the top core industries of the region, workforce development and natural resources available in the area. Education has been a top priority for Radius over the course of the past two years, and this trip served as an opportunity to share the outreach program abroad.

"We found that our audiences were extremely interested in hearing about the evolving and increasing workforce training programs available in our state and region," said Jeff Quyle, CEO and president of Radius Indiana. "In addition to Vincennes University, Ivy Tech, ROI and state workforce training programs, we discussed I-69, Crane and other relevant characteristics that make us open for new business growth."

Radius had a meeting with JETRO Osaka to present the advantages and

incentive programs available for companies conducting business in Indiana. This seminar was a unique opportunity, allowing the Indiana presenters to discuss business incentives on both the state and local level with dozens of companies who attended, as well as providing examples of exactly how these programs could benefit direct foreign investment in Indiana.

The Japan-America Society of Indiana (JASI) and Larry Ingraham, President of Ingraham & Associates, served as important resources of information and provided translations for printed material prior to the trip. The group learned about the Japanese business culture in the months leading up to the trip, and those resources helped the attendees maximize the value of their trip.

"This trip was educational for both sides," said Salem City Councilman Justin Green. "We listened to the businesses that we met, and we understand them better. At the same time, we mentioned the Radius region to dozens of business leaders who had never heard of us before. I think the companies who will be ready to come to the U.S. will remember our community."

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. Formed in 2009, Radius Indiana also serves as a point of contact in Indiana for Naval Support Activity Crane and leads regional collaboration by leveraging the diverse assets of Southwest Central Indiana to drive attraction, retention and expansion of business, thereby increasing employment and investment opportunities and quality of life within the region.

Purdue@Westgate wins award for accelerating economic development in Indiana

BY TOM COYNE
Purdue University News Service

Purdue@Westgate, a collaboration among WestGate Authority, Naval Surface Warfare Center Crane Division (NSWC Crane), Purdue University and Purdue Research Foundation, launched last year to advance educational, research and development, and technology commercialization has been recognized for accelerating economic development in Indiana.

The Indiana Association of Regional Councils, which represents 15 regional planning organizations throughout the state, announced Friday (November 9) that it was presenting Purdue@Westgate, which is based next to Naval Surface Warfare Center Crane Division (NSWC Crane) in south central Indiana, with its Accelerating Economic Development Award.

"It is great to see Purdue@Westgate being recognized for having an impact on economic development a little more than a year after getting started," said Greg Deason, senior vice president for entrepreneurship and place making for the Purdue Research Foundation. "We thought we could replicate the success we've had at Purdue in creating startups jobs, and this award shows we are headed in the right direction."

Since Mitch Daniels was named president of Purdue in 2013 and changed the university's system for cultivating and supporting startups and technology transfer, Purdue has reached record numbers of patents, licenses and technology commercialization based on university research. Purdue has raised its profile as an entrepreneurial hub as students, faculty and staff have created more than 200



Scott Massey, CEO of Purdue-affiliated startup Heliponix, gives a pitch at the State of Indiana Technology Showcase held at Purdue@Westgate in July. Heliponix is seeking to redefine "farm-to-table" when it comes to garden vegetables by making an appliance that fits under a kitchen counter and grows produce year-round. (Image provided)



Ben Wrightsman, CEO of the Battery Innovation Center (BIC), which has a mission to accelerate innovation in the field of battery technology and Tesla at a monthly event held at Purdue@Westgate that offers an opportunity for entrepreneurs to network with other entrepreneurs and service providers. (Image provided)

new companies with nearly \$350 million in funding in those five years.

Purdue@Westgate has copied some of those same ideas, such as creating its own version of the Purdue Foundry, a commercialization accelerator founded in 2013. Its four-part program led by entrepreneurs-in-residence, is designed to help innovators turn ideas into businesses.

Purdue@Westgate also has received tech transfer support from Purdue Office of Technology Commercialization, which operates one of the most comprehensive technology transfer programs among the nation's leading research universities. Purdue@Westgate also offers Purdue Polytechnic CareerMaker™ to help businesses develop workforce talent, monthly Spirited Entrepreneur networking events to provide a forum to share ideas and connect with other entrepreneurs and recently held the State of Indiana Technology Showcase, modeled after PRF's Technology Showcase, where dozens of pioneering innovations available for licensing, ranging from medical devices to analytical tools, were presented.

"Being recognized by the professionals of IARC is a great privilege and one that we need to share with our partners from the region that have rallied around the initiative," said Jason Salstrom, director of Purdue@WestGate. "We need to work hard to continue to build on the momentum, supporting life-improving innovation, and creating 21st century jobs for Hoosiers."

More than 50 NSWC Crane inventors recognized for novel technology

Naval Surface Warfare Center, Crane Division (NSWC Crane) inventors were recognized for their innovations during the fifth annual Invention and Technology Showcase on November 13. The showcase featured the intellectual property (IP) and innovations of more than 50 NSWC Crane scientists and engineers.

"This Invention and Technology Showcase features the cutting-edge work, research, and development NSWC Crane subject matter experts do for the Warfighter," says Captain Mark Oesterreich, the Commanding Officer for NSWC Crane. "Congratulations to each inventor on their hard work this past fiscal year. Each invention showcased improves the efficiency and effectiveness of our armed forces as well as protects the lives of servicemen and women."

Dr. Kyle Crompton and Noah Roberts were named NSWC Crane Technology Transfer (T2) and Patent Contributors of the Year for their T2 program efforts. Dr. Crompton produced critical results by using tools available at the T2 office to partner with academia and industry. Roberts was recognized for using patents to make swift enhancements, modifications, and repairs to immediate problems in the field.

Since the first showcase in 2014, nearly 300 diverse technologies have been featured across NSWC Crane's mission areas and technical capabilities.

Protecting these inventions saves time and money and allows Warfighters direct access to the latest technology.

"NSWC Crane scientists and engineers create mission-critical technology for the Department of Defense," says Brooke Pyne, the Technology Transfer and Small Business Innovation Research Manager for NSWC Crane. "If this vital technology is not protected, the government might have to buy it back from industry in order to use it. By protecting technology in the beginning, costly barriers are eliminated and Warfighters get the tools they need when they need it."

Pyne says NSWC Crane's IP portfolio benefits the public and region.

"The portfolio includes more than 560 pieces of IP available for public commercialization and licensing," says Pyne. "Entrepreneurs, small business owners, and large corporations can implement a Crane technology to maximize their business. The vast Crane IP portfolio also creates opportunities to engage with diverse industry partners and academia."

NSWC Crane's T2 Program helps link federal research and development to academic institutions and businesses in the private sector. A Cooperative Research and Development Agreement (CRADA) provides the formal mechanism between the federal laboratory

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



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-- WHAT IS PHILANTHROPY? --
 I was looking at some goals of the MCCF and one of those is "to teach philanthropy." If you never had a need to understand it, you may just have a general idea. And even then, it is an idea that is put into practice. So, you may be close.

To start with, did you know that "philanthropy" is a Greek term which, directly translated, means "love of mankind." Philanthropy is an idea, event, or action that is done to improve quality of life and usually involves some sacrifice as opposed to being done for a profit motive.

Acts of philanthropy include volunteering time to a charitable cause (such as food bank), using your skills and talents to further one of those causes, or donating money to a charity. It's giving of your time, your talent, and your treasure. That definition is pretty simple when you get down to it.

-- A PHILANTHROPIST --
 So, it follows that a philanthropist is someone who practices philanthropy. Even though by definition being a philanthropist is "pretty simple", it is not always an easy thing to put into practice.

-- TIME, TALENT, TREASURE --
 Of the three philanthropic acts, time is available to everyone. We all have 24 hours in a day. The hard part is finding some of that time to volunteer somewhere. But the time is there to use when volunteering becomes a priority.

And talent? Most all of us have something we are good at. It could be as sim-

ple as just listening to people who need someone to talk to. You can use your skills and/or that knowledge you've developed to benefit your community.

And when it comes to your treasure (i.e., money), that can be as hard as any of the three parts of philanthropy. An amount to donate to a charity is one that is right for you and your situation. It can be anonymous, so give what you can. No amount is too small, or too large for that matter; it all adds up over time.

-- NEIGHBORS --
 We are fortunate to have many philanthropists in our community, each giving in their own way, most quietly and unassuming. Whether you know it or not, your neighbors are likely to be one of these people. You are likely one of these people as well.

-- RECOGNITION --
 Each year the MCCF officially recognizes someone who meets the definition of a philanthropist. Our "Philanthropists of the Year" for 2018 are Jason and Pam Loughmiller. They have time and again given of their time, talent and treasure. And much of that has been quietly behind the scenes, making a difference in the lives of those around them. We also have often seen them out-and-about, giving of their time and their talent, whether participating in community meetings, taking care of a neighbor or a friend, helping those they work with, or volunteering with some charitable organization.

-- THE LOUGHMILLERS --
 Having Jason and Pam Loughmiller in our community, working alongside us, gives you a comfort and confidence that not only comes from our experiences with them, but also comes with the smile they readily share. The time, talent, and treasure they have given makes them one of Martin County's most admired and respected couples and very deserving of this recognition as our 2018 Philanthropists of the Year. Thank you, Jason and Pam.

-- MORE INFORMATION --
 For information about how the MCCF can help with your desire to do some more good within our community, 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](https://twitter.com/MartinCountyCF), and "like" the MCCF Facebook page at www.facebook.com/mcccommunityfoundation.

ANIMAL SHELTER
Pet of the Week



BUTTERS is a male very large adult cat, around 6 years old. Lazy but very sweet. Adoption fee is \$40. The Martin County Humane Society Animal Shelter is located at 507 N. Oak Street in Loogootee. For info, visit www.humanesocietyofmartin-county.org.

Some of the volunteers who have contributed 500 hours or more through RSVP. Seated, Shirley Dillon and Alma Henson. In the middle, from left to right, are Ina Patterson, Mark Bault, Theresa Bault, Betty Jean Raber, Karen Sponn, Carol Gregory, Nancy Haag, Faryl Armstrong, Gary Elsten, Barb Fyfe-Risch, and Becky Kremp. In the back row, from left to right, are Tom Peter, Don Spillman, Sheila O'Maley, Karen Taggart, Mary Wildman, Jean Survance, Lisa Hendrixson, Sharon Ellkins, Jan Steimel, Lois Schnarr, Beth Franklin, and Betty Huelsman.

RSVP recognizes senior volunteers in Martin, Daviess counties

On Monday, November 5, the RSVP Volunteer Center held the annual Volunteer Recognition Banquet at the Gasthoff Amish Village. 250 volunteers and community supporters attended, and volunteers were recognized for outstanding service to Daviess and Martin counties.

400 senior volunteers contributed 104,246 hours of service by working in food pantries, thrift stores, hospitals, nursing facilities, schools, museums, parks, and on projects throughout the community. They led classes to prevent falls in older adults, screened the vision of adults and children, prepared meals, provided transportation, and helped those in need on a daily basis.

56 volunteers were recognized for providing more than 500 hours of service in the last year.

The RSVP Board of Directors chose

a Volunteer of the Year from both Daviess and Martin counties. In Martin County, the husband and wife team of Mark and Theresa Bault were honored for their commitment to serving those in their community. Mark and Theresa work at the Loogootee United Methodist Church food pantry, the Martin County Toy Store, participate in food preparation projects, and provide companionship and transportation for the homebound and those in nursing facilities. They are active in their church and have been RSVP Volunteers for seven years.

Lois Schnarr is the Daviess County Volunteer of the Year. She works at Feed My Sheep, St. Vincent DePaul, area nursing facilities, as mentor for Friends for Kids and has worked on many local projects. She has been an RSVP Volunteer for 12 years.




Mark and Theresa Bault of Loogootee and their family - Martin County Volunteers of the Year.



Lois Schnarr of Washington and her family - Daviess County Volunteer of the Year.

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EOE



The leaves that provided such beauty only a week ago are now mostly on the ground. There is still a certain beauty in that. I guess I will never get beyond the childhood tradition of raking the leaves into a pile and then running and jumping in.

I was reading an article in a Kansas State University publication recently which warned that we should rake leaves off of lawns frequently, as a mat of leaves is detrimental to a lawn. While that is true, sometimes a mat of leaves is actually helpful. If you have an area where you would like to put a new flower bed next summer, piling leaves there will go a long way toward killing whatever vegetation is there now. I would go so far as to suggest doing this under trees that put out surface roots, such as maples. It is difficult to maintain a lawn under trees. Grass needs sunlight, and the canopy of trees usually results in a thin lawn. I would suggest that replacing that part of the lawn with a planting bed is a good option. It is also a good way to put all of the leaves to use. You may rake or blow the leaves from the surrounding lawn into piles under the tree. The leaves will help hold down the grass or weeds that grew beneath the trees.

Another tried and true option is to use your lawn mower to mulch the leaves into tiny pieces that will be quick-

er to break down into compost. You may still use the resulting leaf mold to smother vegetation and the tiny pieces will actually remain in place better than the whole leaves. I like to mow the lawn, running the mower so that the discharge blows the leaves into the area beneath the trees. The piles may be irregular and you may need to use a rake to smooth things out a bit, but that is a lot easier than raking the leaves by hand completely.

If you have a mulching mower and your leaf coverage is not dense, you may be able to just mow over the leaves and leave them on the lawn. The tiny leaf particles will break down over the winter and provide nourishment for the lawn and the trees.

If you do not want to use the leaves to create new beds and they are too heavy to leave on the lawn, I still suggest that it is good stewardship to find another way to recycle the leaves from your yard. Putting leaves in plastic bags and putting them into landfills is simply a bad idea. If you are a town-dweller, many municipalities will use a vacuum to pick up the leaves you rake or blow to the side of the street. They will then take the leaves and other items sucked up somewhere to decompose.

If you are not in an area where the leaf-removal service is offered, you may start your own composting operation or perhaps start one within your neighborhood. It is a fact that leaves mulched into smaller particles will break down faster, so I strongly suggest doing that in some way. Many leaf vacuums have built-in mulching capability, reducing a large pile of leaves into a much smaller pile. If you do not have a mulcher and cannot use a lawnmower for that purpose, you may use a string trimmer to break down your leaves. The easiest way to do this is to put the leaves into a metal barrel or trash can and lower the string trimmer into the container. It is easier to do this in small batches, but it is an effective way to chop up the leaves.

I often get questions about including walnut leaves in any form of compost. Walnut leaves, like all parts of walnut trees, contain juglone, which is a natural herbicide. It is the reason that not many plants will grow beneath black walnut trees. However, the juglone in the leaves is not really strong and if fewer than 25% of the leaves are from walnuts, there will not likely be a noticeable amount of juglone in the resultant mulch.

Leaf removal is one of the necessary tasks of autumn. Remember to rake at least one pile for jumping. It is as natural as compost. You know the kid in you wants to do it.

Purdue Extension offering 2019 Master Gardener Course

If you enjoy gardening and like “helping others grow”, make plans to be a part of the upcoming Purdue Master Gardener course.

The Purdue Master Gardener Program is a volunteer training program which offers an extensive course in horticulture in exchange for a donation of volunteer hours to teach others what you have learned. The program is hosted by Purdue Extension in Dubois, Perry, and Spencer Counties, and is open to anyone wanting to learn more about horticultural topics.

The multi-week course will be held on Thursday afternoons from 2-5 p.m. EST/1-4 p.m. CST, beginning January 10 and running through April 11. The course will be held at the Spencer County Youth & Community Center, located at 1101 E. CR 800 N. in Christy, IN.

Participants will be exposed to a wide range of subjects including soil

and plant science, diagnosis of plant problems, pesticide safety, composting, and the culture of vegetable, flower, landscape, lawn, and fruit plants.

An early-bird registration fee of \$125 per person is available through December 14, when the fee increases to \$135 per person. The registration fee covers items such as speakers, materials, badges, and refreshments. Couples or family members who wish to take the course together and share reference materials can register for \$200 per couple through December 14, or \$210 per couple after.

If you would like to join our 2019 class of gardeners, please contact Purdue Extension-Spencer County at (812) 362-8066 or nheld@purdue.edu to request an application. If you have any additional questions, you can locally contact the Purdue Extension - Dubois County office at (812)482-1782 or kjeck@purdue.edu.

2019 DNR special events schedule available

The 2019 Department of Natural Resources special event schedule is now available at StateParks.IN.gov/3282.htm or on the DNR calendar at calendar.dnr.IN.gov. The calendar includes special events at state parks and state forest recreation areas across the state.

You can request an electronic copy of the calendar by emailing special-events@dnr.IN.gov. You can request a hard copy by calling 317-232-4140. Events are also posted at nature centers and park gates.

Some state parks also offer periodic electronic newsletters with event details. A list of these is at public.govdelivery.com/accounts/INDNR/subscriber/new.

Highlights on the 2019 calendar include the winter dog hike at Brown County State Park on February 2, the Full Moon 5K at Patoka Lake August 16, and “Hoots and Howls Weekend” at Mounds State Park on October 25-

Indoor archery lesson, fun shoot at Patoka Lake

Meet the naturalist and other certified archery instructors at the Patoka Lake Nature Center for a beginner to intermediate archery lesson on Saturday, December 15 from 9 a.m.-noon. This event is open to adults and youth ages 8 and up. All archery equipment will be provided. Participation is limited to the first 15 registrants. Register by calling the Patoka Lake Nature Center at 812-685-2447. Cost is \$5/person. Join in a friendly archery competition at 11:30 a.m. using the skills learned at the lesson.

For more information regarding this program or other interpretive events, please call the Nature Center at 812.685.2447.

Patoka Lake (stateparks.IN.gov/2953.htm) is at 3084 N. Dillard Road, Birdseye, IN 47513.

27. Easter egg hunts, paddling events and fireworks are also on the schedule among other events.

“In addition to these special events, our interpretive naturalists offer a wide range of hikes, talks and other outdoor experiences to introduce Hoosiers to our natural and cultural resources throughout the year,” said Ginger Murphy, deputy director of Indiana State Parks.

For camping reservations, visit Camp.IN.gov (available 24 hours) or call 1-866-6CAMPIN (1-866-622-6746) between noon-8 p.m. Reservations can now be made year-round up to six months in advance to ensure that you have your favorite campsite.

For reservations at Indiana State Park Inns, visit IndianaInns.com or call 1-877-LODGES1 (1-877-563-4371).

Eagle Watch at Patoka Lake

Feel the wind of an eagle’s wings while experiencing the world of eagles in Indiana with indoor & outdoor programs at Patoka Lake Nature Center on Saturday, January 5, 2019 from 10 a.m.-4:30 p.m. E.S.T. during the 31st annual Eagle Watch. Featured will be a resident bald eagle and other live raptors. Dana Reckelhoff, DNR Patoka Lake Interpretive Naturalist, will share the life and story of these amazing birds of prey. Join Brian Finch, Patoka Lake Wildlife Specialist and his team on driving tours to hot spots for eagle viewing. Allisyn Gillet, Indiana’s Non-game Bird Biologist will share the history of the 1980’s Eagle Reintroduction Program and the success of this species! Discover interesting information about eagles found in your part of the state. Other short topics include flight and osprey. A catered meal will be provided. Kid’s activities and crafts will be available from 12:30-4 p.m.

Cost is \$15/person. Advanced registration is required and can be submitted by calling the Patoka Lake Nature Center at (812)685-2447. Dress for the weather and don’t forget to bring binoculars, spotting scopes, and cameras! Have vehicles fueled for the driving tour. This event is limited to the first 55 registered participants.

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SHOALS

(Continued from page one)

The superintendent presented a contract from Administrator Assistance for a data coach for approximately one day a week for 17 weeks. This would start in the second semester and will be paid with grant funding. The board approved.

The superintendent presented a recommendation to partner with Equitable Education Solutions on a School Improvement Grant. This grant will help to improve graduation pathways. The contract was presented to the board for approval. The contract was approved.

The high school principal recommended April 27, 2019 for the prom date and the board approved.

The following salary considerations were presented from the superintendent. The superintendent recommends a \$600 stipend for all non-certified staff. A recommendation for a \$2,000 per year increase to the Kindra Hovis and Austin Malone's salary was given. A recommendation to increase Shannon Wagoner's salary by \$1,000 was given. The recommendations were accepted by the board.

The superintendent made note that the state will be giving the teacher stipends in the next couple months following the release of school letter grades.

High School Principal Kindra Hovis took time to congratulate all the Beta Club members that went to convention this year. They won the Golden Key Award this year as the school that had the highest increase in members. They won 29 awards, which included nine championship awards and the Golden Ticket for Brooklyn Dobson. The champions all received an invite to the National Beta Convention in Oklahoma. The school was contacted by the Loogootee City Mayor to help clean out the estate of George and Barbara Cropp. The house and its contents are set for auction. The students got to experience so much history as they packaged up items and were commended on their excellent behavior. The shop class has built a mobile chicken coop that is visible at the back of the build-

ing. Mr. Kent is on to his next project, a miniature play house. Mrs. Hovis thanked Dr. Roush for allowing her to attend a leadership conference. She plans on compiling all her new information and working on implementation in the upcoming year. Mrs. Hovis congratulated Ryan Hawkins and Kendra Howard on becoming school winners for the Wendy's High School Heisman contest. Ryan was selected as a state finalist. Kendra Howard also received the award for her 1,000th dig in her HS volleyball career. Pep Club is bringing back the Soap and Towel Game. It will be on November 16 and will showcase the girls' and boys' basketball teams. Please bring laundry soap and towels for entrance. The cheerleaders are up to 16 and one cheer lifter this year. Mr. Kirtland has been selected to serve as a leader on the InsideOut Initiative for IHSAA. They are one of the very few schools who have started to implement this program. Upcoming events in the high school are Thanksgiving Break starts November 21 and Beta Cocoa and Canvas is on November 27th in the cafeteria. December events are the Robotics teams first competition in Bedford on December 8 and Homecoming on December 14. Mrs. Hovis thanked the board for hosting a dinner for the soccer team for their accomplishments this year, the culinary classes for preparing the food for fall festival, REMC for their donation to our athletic department and the Shoals Business Association for their monetary donation to our shop and art departments.

Middle School Principal Austin Malone had some news about middle school attendance. The 6th and 8th grade almost reached 98 percent for the month of October. Mid-terms is November 14th followed by Thanksgiving break the next week on November 21st. The Lunch "Activity" Time which consists of 15 minutes at the end of lunch period is being moved to inside in the MPR. Due to the large number of students in the middle school, the MPR is too small to accommodate them all. There is now a rotation schedule that

is being used and is posted in the hallways around the middle school. Mr. Malone has created a Lunch Entertainment Playlist on YouTube to play on the TV's that are in the cafeteria during lunchtime. There are sports highlights, roller coaster videos, crazy stunts and Dude Perfect, etc. on the playlist. The playlist is public on YouTube so that the parents can check out what their students are watching. Our Facebook Stats are reaching some new heights. People reached: 3,461; engagements: 3,272; video views: 514 (not including the Middle School Minute)

The Top of the Rox are chosen for citizenship, respect, attendance, leadership qualities, positive attitudes, classroom participation, responsibility, work ethic, extracurricular activities and academics. The Top of the Rox for October were 6th grade: Morgan Crossen and Ralph Holman, 7th grade: Taylor Turpin and Keaton Brett, 8th grade: Wyatt Asbell and Cade Brett. There has been a new form of tobacco going around the school. The new trend is called Juuling. There have been several devices and many cartridges discovered in the last month. There are new policies that have been enacted to ensure that our students are not partaking in this habit. In addition to automatic suspension, the police will be issuing tickets to minors caught with tobacco or other paraphernalia. Hoods are also no longer allowed to be worn in the middle school. You can wear hoodies, but the hood is not permitted up while inside the building. ISTEP 10 retest begins next week. The window for testing is November 12-December 11. Any student that did not past the English 10 or Math 10 portion of their test will be retesting. The school has been chosen to take the NAEP (National Assessment of Educational Progress) this year. The 4th grade will start this test on February 26th. This test in no way affects funding, teacher accountability or the letter grade. BETA team convention winners were: Luke Troutman 2nd in 7th grade math, Skylar Smith 1st in 8th grade math, Lydia Cook 2nd in speech,

Hannah Cook 1st in 6th grade English/language arts, Nick McCracken 3rd in 8th grade science, Ava Jones 3rd in digital art and Kylie Murray 3rd in fiber arts. Club awards this year included Spotlight Your Club 1st, Banner 1st, Marketing Design 1st and Scrapbook 2nd. A special thanks goes out to Reva Troutman for leading the kids throughout the year and at convention. Donations for the Harder family are still being taken through tomorrow. A special thanks again to Reva Troutman and Shannon Wagoner for all their hard work with the Beta club and through convention. Also, a special thank you to Lorna Troutman for the tons of donations that she provides to the school for PRIDE pass drawings and giveaways, it is much appreciated.

The superintendent reported that they are still in discussions over health insurance premiums. They hope to have them settled in the next week or so. They will be brought to the December board meeting. Dr. Roush extended a big good luck to the Robotics team as they prepare for their first competition this year in Bedford on December 8. Dr. Roush congratulated the Beta sponsors and participants on another great year at convention. They just completed another early release day for professional development. The focus of this PD was on the state mandated Computer Science. The ROI Team is in full swing. They have completed stage one and are currently compiling all of the data from stage one interviews with the Mitchell and Orleans teams. Dr. Roush will bring another update to the December board meeting. After following national news about the recent increase in stop arms being run, they are pricing cameras to put on the stop arms. This cost comes out to potentially \$3,000 per bus. The discussion that followed came up with the possibility to have one bus equipped to see how they would work and hold up in the elements. The December board meeting was discussed and the date was changed to the Wednesday before on December 12.

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Indiana Missing Children Poster Contest

The Indiana State Police is proud to partner again in 2019 with the U.S. Department of Justice in promoting the National Missing Children's Day Poster Contest. In 1983, President Ronald Reagan proclaimed May 25th as National Missing Children's Day. This day is dedicated to encouraging parents, guardians, caregivers and all concerned individuals with the well-being of children to make child safety a priority. It also serves as a reminder to continue our efforts to reunite missing children with their families and loved ones. It also serves as an occasion to honor those that are dedicated to this very noble cause. The National Missing Children's Poster Contest provides an opportunity for schools, law enforcement, and parents/guardians to discuss and promote child safety.

The state winner will receive a national award certificate from the U.S. Department of Justice and their poster will be selected to go to the national judging competition. The national winner, along with his/her parents and teacher, along with the state manager will be invited to Washington, D.C. to participate in the U.S. DOJ's National Missing Children's Day ceremony.

Some important facts about the contest:

There is NO LIMIT on the number of

posters a school can submit.

Only 1 poster per student is allowed for submission.

Students who submit posters MUST be in the 5th grade.

Artwork should reflect the theme "Bringing Our Missing Children Home." This phrase MUST appear somewhere on the poster.

The theme may be depicted in the artwork through one or a combination of illustrations and can be created using media such as acrylics, watercolor, pencils, charcoal, magic markers, spray paint, crayons and pastels. Digitally produced images, collages, cut-outs and stamping WILL NOT be eligible for consideration.

The finished poster MUST measure 8 1/2 X 14 inches.

The poster must be submitted with a COMPLETED application, which includes a description of the poster and a brief biography of the artist.

All poster contest rules can be found at <https://ncjtc-static.fvtc.edu/Resources/RS00005796.pdf>

Deadline for submissions from participating organizations to be received by state manager Torie Harris is February 1, 2019.

To learn more about the National Missing Children's Day Poster contest visit: www.ojjdp.gov/missingchildrensday/

2018 "Best of Indiana" Winners

The results are in! Lt. Governor Suzanne Crouch and the Indiana Office of Tourism Development (IOTD) announced the winners for the 2018 Best of Indiana people's choice campaign.

Best State Park: Turkey Run State Park, Marshall

Best Museum: The Children's Museum of Indianapolis

Best Burger: Brew Burger, Jasper

"With all the terrific choices that Hoosiers were able to pick from, I am not sure how they were able to narrow it down to the winners in each category," Crouch said. "Our state parks are gorgeous, we have fabulous local restaurants and great museums to visit. Now that the 'Best of' has been selected, visitors and residents alike can enjoy the greatest burger, museum and state park Indiana has to offer."

Best of Indiana - State Parks and Recreation Areas

Turkey Run State Park is famous for its canyons and natural trails. Voted number one by Hoosiers, visitors to Parke County have the chance to explore sandstone gorges and scenic views along Sugar Creek.

Nicknamed the "Little Smokies", Brown County State Park is Indiana's largest state park. It encompasses nearly 16,000-acres of rugged hills, ridges and ravines. It's considered a hot spot for leaf landscapes, mountain biking and horseback riding in Indiana.

Indiana's first state park, McCormick's Creek State Park in Spencer, topped the list at number three. Visitors can explore limestone canyons, diverse forest trees and scenic waterfalls.

Best of Indiana - Museums

The New York Times called it one of the "Ten Coolest Museums in the World", and Hoosiers say it's their top choice. The Children's Museum of Indianapolis topped the list for Best of Indiana - Museums. Explore

five floors of fun and excitement at the world's largest children's museum. From the Dinosphere to Beyond Spaceship Earth and the new Riley Children's Health Sports Legends Experience.

Named after Hoosier astronaut Gus Grissom, the Grissom Air Museum in Peru was second on the list. Visitors can get an up-close look at aircraft from World War II to present day, jump into a cockpit and climb up inside a security tower.

Topping the list at number three, was Indiana's first Smithsonian Institute affiliate, Conner Prairie. It's an interactive museum in Fishers where visitors can immerse themselves in the stories of Indiana through hands-on experiences and programs both indoors and outdoors.

Best of Indiana - Burgers

In Jasper, locals say an all-day café, which uses local products and places an emphasis on a family-friendly environment, is the place with the best burger. The Brew Burger at Brew is an 8-ounce hamburger and includes smoked bacon, cheddar cheese, coffee BBQ sauce, and is topped with a brioche bun and perfectly crispy onion ring.

Hoosiers voted two burgers from the Fort Wayne area as their second and third favorites around the state. The PB Burger at Bravas is crafted with homemade peanut butter, bacon, pickled peppers, mayo, white cheddar smothered over a patty on a pretzel bun. The Big Buster at Don Hall's Hollywood Drive-In is a double decker with cheese, shredded lettuce and their special sauce.

Nominees for all three categories were recommended by members of Indiana's travel, tourism and hospitality industry. To see all of the best of Indiana winners through the years, visit <https://visitindiana.com/best-of-indiana/winners/>.

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The Martin County Community Foundation would like to thank our guest speakers Ken Frye, a MCCF founding Board Member, and Dan Gregory, our first Executive Director. Also congratulations to our Philanthropists of the Year, Jason and Pam Loughmiller, and their inspiring words

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