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Commissioners get DNR check; agree to sell police dog

BY COURTNEY HUGHETT
Martin County Journal Publisher

Joshua Kush, Resource Specialist with DNR, presented the Martin County Commissioners, at their meeting Tuesday night, November 20, with a check for \$12,788 for timber sales in the Martin State Forest. The money for Martin County was 15 percent of the total sales. \$4,000 will be split among the four fire departments – Lost River, Loogootee, Shoals, and Martin County Emergency Management. The remaining \$8,788 will go into the highway department funds.

Sheriff Travis Roush told the commissioners that Major Andy Burkhardt has submitted his resignation from the sheriff's department. Roush said that Burkhardt has requested to take his police K9, Asher, with him and was willing to pay for the dog. Roush said that he spoke with an independent appraiser who stated that with Asher costing \$7,800 initially, and a police K9 having a working career of eight years, he is

worth \$2,925 since he is five years old. Roush asked the commissioners if they were okay with selling Asher to Burkhardt as the dog is considered county property. Commissioner Dan Gregory asked if the price could be negotiated down. Sheriff Roush replied that Asher was purchased from donations from the community and he didn't feel like it was right to not recoup some of the money used to pay for Asher or his training. He said the money received from Asher would go toward the purchase of another K9 dog, to give to another deputy.

The commissioners unanimously approved the sell of Asher with Commissioner Gregory expressing his reluctance to his vote. The commissioners asked the sheriff to follow-up with them after the purchase was complete.

Tim Hunt, with HWC Engineering, talked to the commissioners about the Community Crossings grant. Hunt's firm was hired by the highway department to help with the grant application. Hunt said he wanted the commissioners



-Photo by Courtney Hughett

The Martin County Commissioners accepted \$12,788 from DNR at their meeting Tuesday night for timber sales from Martin State Forest. From left to right are Commissioners Kevin Boyd and Dan Gregory, DNR Resource Specialist Joshua Kush, and Commissioner Paul George.

to know that there was nothing wrong with the grant application, there just was not enough money to go around. There are 15 counties in the Vincennes district of INDOT. Only three received grant funds – Knox County, Perry

County and Vanderburgh County. This does not include the cities and towns receiving funds.

Hunt said they would go over the application prior to resubmitting it in January (See 'COMMISSIONERS' on page 2)

Martin County's jobless rate ticks up to 2.9 percent

BY COURTNEY HUGHETT
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Martin County's unemployment rate rose slightly in October to 2.9 percent, up from 2.5 percent the month before. The county is the 11th lowest jobless rate in the state, tied with six other counties.

In October, the county had 5,156 residents in the workforce with 149 of them unemployed. In September, there were 5,144 residents able to work and 127 of them were without jobs. In October of last year, Martin County's jobless rate was 2.6 percent with 5,056 residents in the workforce and 133 of them without jobs.

Dubois County's unemployment rate also went up to 2.6 percent in October, up from 2.1 percent in September. The county had the lowest jobless rate in the state for October, tied with Bartholomew and Tipton counties.

In October, the county had 23,335 residents in the workforce with 610 of them unemployed. In September, there were 23,243 residents able to work with 497 of them without jobs. In October of 2017, Dubois County's jobless rate was 2.2 percent with 22,974 residents in the workforce with 511 of them unemployed.

Daviess County's jobless rate also bumped up from 2.3 percent in September to 2.9 percent in October. The county had the 11th lowest jobless rate in the state for October, tied with six other counties.

In October, Daviess County had 16,217 residents in the workforce with 472 of them were unemployed. In September, there were 16,135 residents able to work and 374 of them were without jobs. In October of last year, Daviess County's unemployment rate was 2.5 percent with 15,637 residents able to work and 392 of them without work.

Greene County's unemployment rate moved up to 4.5 percent in October, from 3.8 percent the month before. The county had the fifth highest jobless rate in the state for October, tied with Crawford, Owen and Sullivan counties.

In October, the county had 13,629 residents (See 'RATE' on page 2)

Thanksgiving dinner

Loogootee will host a Thanksgiving Dinner on Thanksgiving Day, Thursday, November 22 from 11 a.m.-2 p.m. in the lower level of St. John's Center, for the community. The dinner is free of charge and anyone is welcome to attend.

Forestry division hosting open houses

The DNR Division of Forestry will host open houses at many of its locations, December 11-13, to share how the division works to protect forests.

At each event, division staff will provide information about recreational activities, major projects, forest resource management, and State Forest planning. Attendees will also be able to speak directly with DNR personnel or submit written comments. Some of the open houses will include a tour of facilities, guided hikes, and interpretive programs. See below for a listing of the open houses and events planned at each property.

"These open houses provide Hoosiers with a chance to receive first-hand information about how the State Forests are working to provide diverse wildlife habitat, forest products and recreational opportunities," State Forester John Seifert said. "They also allow us to receive valuable feedback from our neighbors and users about State Forest management. I encourage everyone who has an

interest to participate."

Events and open houses include:

Martin State Forest: December 12, 3:30 to 6:30 p.m. at the Martin State Forest main office off U.S. 50, approximately four miles northeast of Shoals. Visitors can view the newly renovated Martin Lake shelter house or join the forester at 4 p.m. for a short winter hike. Call 812-247-3491 for more information.

Owen-Putnam State Forest: December 11, 3:30 to 6:30 p.m. at the property office, which is five miles west of Spencer and less than one mile north of S.R. 46. There will be a forester-led, short winter hike at 4 p.m. Call 812-829-2462 for more information.

Clark State Forest/Deam Lake SRA: December 11, 3:30 to 6:30 p.m. at the Clark State Forest office, which is one mile north of Henryville on U.S. 31. Topics that will be highlighted include campground and gun range improvements. There will be a one-mile, forest- (See 'FORESTRY' on page 2)



Eagle Place opens

-Photo provided

Eagle Place Apartments, owned by Hoosier Uplands, officially opened their doors last Wednesday with a ribbon cutting ceremony. The 20 apartments are located in the former Elementary East building on Church Street in Loogootee and are now available for rent. They are available for anyone age 55 or older. For information, call (812) 883-5368.

Happy
Thanksgiving
from The Hughett Family
Josh, Courtney, Wyatt & Alex

RATE

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idents in the workforce with 608 of them unemployed. In September, there were 13,506 residents able to work and 511 of them without jobs. In October of last year, Greene County's jobless rate was 3.9 percent with 13,345 residents able to work and 518 of them without jobs.

The top ten spots in the state with the lowest unemployment numbers for October were: Tipton, Dubois and Bartholomew counties at 2.6 percent; Adams County at 2.7 percent, and Wells, Steuben, LaGrange, Kosciusko, Gibson and Boone counties at 2.8 percent.

The top ten spots in the state with the highest unemployment numbers for October were: Vermillion County at 5.3 percent, Fayette County at 5.1 percent, Lake County at 4.9 percent, Vigo County at 4.6 percent, Crawford, Greene, Owen and Sullivan counties at 4.5 percent, LaPorte County at 4.3 percent, and Scott County at 4.2 percent.

Indiana's unemployment rate stands at 3.5 percent for October and remains lower than the national rate of 3.7 percent. With the exception of one month when it was equal (October 2014), Indiana's unemployment rate now has been below the U.S. rate for more than five years. The monthly unemployment rate is a U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) indicator that reflects the number of unemployed people seeking employment within the prior four weeks as a percentage of the labor force.

Indiana's labor force had a net increase of 5,303 over the previous month. This was a result of a 2,411 increase in unemployed residents and an increase of 2,892 employed residents. Indiana's total labor force, which includes both Hoosiers employed and those seeking employment, stands at 3.40 million, and the state's 65.1 percent labor force participation rate remains above the national rate of 62.9 percent.

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

Employment by Sector

Private sector employment has grown by more than 25,500 over the year, and has increased by 3,400 over the previ-

ous month, primarily due to gains in the Private Educational and Health Services (2,500) and the Construction (1,500) sectors. Gains were partially offset by losses in the Leisure and Hospitality (-2,500) and the Other (-100), which includes Mining and Logging, IT and Other Services sectors. Total private employment reached a preliminary record highpoint of 2,713,200, which is 24,300 above the official December 2017 peak. The new October 2018 peak, like all data within this report, is subject to monthly revisions and annual benchmarking. In addition, preliminary Construction jobs are at the highest level since April 2008.

FORESTRY

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er-led winter walk at 4 p.m. Call 812-294-4306 for more information.

Harrison-Crawford State Forest: December 11, 3:30 to 6:30 p.m. at the recently renovated property office. The office is located off S.R. 462, just past the gatehouse for O'Bannon Woods State Park. Call 812-738-7694 for more information.

Ferdinand/Pike State Forest: December 12, 3:30 to 6:30 p.m. at the Ferdinand office which is off S.R. 264, approximately four miles northeast of Ferdinand. There will be a 4 p.m. walking tour of the forest's lakeside recreational sites. Call 812-367-1524 for more information.

Morgan-Monroe/Yellowwood State Forest: December 12, 3:30 to 6:30 p.m. at the Training Center at Morgan-Monroe State Forest off S.R. 37, approximately six miles south of Martinsville. There will be a tour of the renovated visitor center at 4 p.m. Call 765-342-4026 for more information.

Green-Sullivan State Forest: December 13, 3:30 to 6:30 p.m. at the property office on S.R. 159, approximately 1.5 miles south of Dugger. There will be a 4 p.m. tour of the campground and lake restoration project. Call 812-648-2810 for more information.

Property staff is also available during normal business hours. Go to the Division of Forestry's webpage (dnr.IN.gov/forestry/3631.htm) for contact information.



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Auction donation

Noel Harty and Mark Graber who served as auctioneers for the recent Cropp Auction presented \$3,000 to Shoals School for the students' help setting up for the auction. The money will be split three ways between the shop/agriculture class, the cheerleaders and the culinary arts class - the groups who helped. From left to right are Shoals High School Principal Kindra Hovis, Haylie Wyman, Dakota Holt, Cassidy Witt, Audrey Gibson, Noel Harty, Evan Wagoner and Mark Graber.

COMMISSIONERS

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uary. Commissioner Paul George said they may want to replace some of the bridges with more roads. Hunt replied that the commissioners needed to keep in mind that the roads cannot be used if they contain failing bridges. George reminded County Attorney Dave Lett that they wanted to have a closed-door meeting to discuss the grant application on December 3 and requested that Lett get a meeting notice out.

Hunt said the county will find out if they are awarded grant money in April of next year and the money will arrive around the first few weeks of August. Hunt said he felt confident that the county would receive funds next round and that anyone receiving funds this year could not apply again in January.

Community Corrections Director Kathy Collins announced that Amy Money, the program director at community corrections, has submitted her resignation. Her last day will be December 31. Collins told the commissioners that Money has served as the CASS instructor, liaison with PRIDE/PIBS at Shoals Schools, and started the jail treatment program. Recently, she spearheaded the Continuous Qual-

ity Improvement (CQI) team. "Amy has been such a driving force for our community corrections and her dedication and drive to improve not only our agency, but more importantly, the lives of our clients will forever be appreciated. We wish Amy the best in her future endeavors, and know that whatever the path is, she will be an asset," said Collins.

The community corrections advisory board has approved Ramona Simmons to take Money's place. Collins said she will start now so she can be trained by Money before her departure.

Highway Superintendent Leo Padgett reported that they have received 76 tons of salt so far for the winter months. They ordered 100 ton.

Sheriff Roush reported that there are currently 84 inmates in the jail with 24 of them from Vigo County.

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Obituaries

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JOYCE MILLS

Joyce Evelyn Mills entered into eternal rest on November 15, 2018 at Memorial Hospital and Health Care in Jasper. A resident of Shoals, she was 87.



She was born in Rusk, Indiana on December 15, 1930; daughter of Chriss Stanfield and Zette (Powell) Stanfield. She married Frederick "Kenny" Mills on October 30, 1949 and he preceded her in death on August 2, 2009.

Joyce was a 1948 graduate of Shoals High School and long-time member of Beechwood Christian Church. She was a homemaker and enjoyed crafts and painting.

She was also preceded in death by her parents, sister, Olive Wherry; five brothers, Claude, Bill, Ray, Quentin and Gene Stanfield; and son, John Mills.

She is survived by two sons, David Keith Mills (Elaine) of Jasper and Kenneth R. Mills (Donna) of French Lick; six grandsons, Nathan, Kevin, Michael, Jody, Matt and Daniel Mills; four great-granddaughters and one great-great-grandson.

The funeral ceremony was conducted by Bro. Joe Crow on Tuesday, November 20 at Brosmer-Kemple Funeral Home. Burial followed in the Anderson Cemetery in Shoals.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to the Anderson Cemetery Fund, c/o Greg Benge, 5239 Emmons Lane, Shoals, IN 47581.

PRENTISS "BUTCH" KELLY

Prentiss Wayne "Butch" Kelly passed away Sunday, November 18, 2018 at his home. A resident of Montgomery, he was 74.

He was born February 27, 1944 in



Masonville, Kentucky; son of the late Prentiss and Loraine (Clark) Kelly. Butch was a United States Army veteran and was stationed in South Korea during the Vietnam War. He retired from Peabody Energy as a heavy equipment operator. He worked for various coal mines in his 35-year career.

He had many hobbies including fishing and hunting. He also enjoyed radios, especially, CB radios.

He was preceded in death by his parents and brothers, Phil and Steve Kelly.

He is survived by his wife of 22 years, Linda Kelly; daughter, Krystal (Rick) Davis; grandchildren, Heaven and Krissy Sanders; step-children, Shawn (Jennifer) Coffey, Steve (Sarah) Coffey, Lucas Coffey, Vadney Coffey and Heather Brewer; step-grandchildren, Sabastian Coffey, Caitlin Spears, Cierra Spears, Gage Coffey, Joy Coffey, Moriah Coffey, Briella Coffey, Thomas Callahan, Landen Brewer and Austin Brewer.

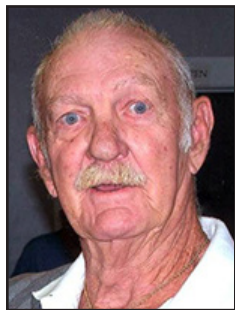
Visitation will be held Saturday, November 24, 2018 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at Blake & Wagler Funeral Home in Montgomery.

Condolences can be made online at www.blakefuneralhomes.com. Arrangements were provided by Blake & Wagler Funeral Home.

STANLEY MILLER

Stanley Ray Miller passed away at 5:25 p.m. Friday, November 16, 2018, at Majestic Care of North Vernon. A resident of Scipio, he was 78.

He was born September 30, 1940, in Scipio; the son of Ora Orvine and Delores Bannister Miller. He married Wilma Capes on March 5, 1960. She survives.



STANLEY MILLER

He graduated from Hayden High School in 1959 then worked for Cummins, Inc. for 30 years. He was a member of Scipio Presbyterian Church. He liked playing golf and watching sports as well as family vacations.

Stanley is survived by his mother, Delores Miller of North Vernon; his wife, Wilma Miller of Scipio; two daughters, Sandra Denise (Mark) Kasting of Vallonia and Shelly Lynn (Von) Miller of Scipio; a son, Kenneth Ray (Dana) Miller of Shoals; a sister, Vicki Spencer of Sardinia; a brother, Donald (Sue) Miller of Florida; eight grandchildren, Joshua Lakins, Trent R. Miller, Kyle Miller, Tracie Miller, Mya Miller, Shelby Miller, Terra Sweet and Tiffany Burton; and six great-grandchildren, Gwyn and Reed Lakins, Elijah Anderson, Xavier Wood, Janessa and D.J. Cardinal.

He was preceded in death by his father, Ora Orvine Miller.

A funeral service began today, Wednesday, November 21, at 1 p.m. at Sawyer-Pickett Funeral & Cremation Services. Mr. Tom Judd officiated. Burial will be in Scipio Cemetery.

Memorials may be made through the funeral home to the Hayden Museum or Our Hospice of Jennings County.

LESA STIVERS

Lesa Stivers passed away at 3:25 p.m. Tuesday, November 13, 2018 at St. Vincent Hospital in Evansville. A resident of Loogootee, she was 58.

She was born May 3, 1960 in Marion; daughter of the late Robert and Wanda Mae (Holland) Colvin.

Lesa was employed by NSWC Crane as an Acquisition Management Specialist. She was a proud supporter of

the Federal Employed Women.

She was a proud military wife for 21 years as her husband, Jeff, was serving in the United States Army. She loved camping, gardening and taking motorcycle rides. She also enjoyed traveling and cooking for family gatherings. Lesa loved her grandchildren and cherished every moment spent with them.

Lesa was preceded in death by her parents, Robert and Wanda Mae (Holland) Colvin.

She is survived by her husband of 38 years, Jeffrey Stivers of Loogootee; sons, Clint (Kristen) Stivers of Lebanon, Dustin (Courtney) Stivers of Louisville, Kentucky and Tyler (Brittany) Stivers of Huntingburg; grandchildren, Blair and Ava Stivers, Addilyn and Warren Stivers and Delilah and Logan Stivers; siblings, Theresa (Scott) Edwards, Jeff Colvin and Sheila (Tom) Hudson; aunt, Leona Mathias; mother-in-law, Theresa Andis; sisters-in-law, Laura Kelly and Tonya Stivers.

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated by the Very Rev. J. Kenneth Walker on Saturday, November 17 at St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church in Loogootee. Burial followed in St. Peter Catholic Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations can be made to Norton Children's Hospital in Louisville, Kentucky.

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

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Martin County Sheriff's Department log

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 12

9:29 a.m. - Received a report of a domestic dispute in Loogootee. Loogootee Chief Rayhill and Captain Dant responded.

10:16 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Shoals. Shoals Fire and Martin County Ambulance responded. Martin County Ambulance transported the subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

1:38 p.m. - Received a dog complaint south of Loogootee. Animal Control Officer Hughett responded.

1:48 p.m. - Received a report of a domestic dispute in Loogootee. Loogootee Chief Rayhill and ISP Trooper Lents responded.

4:50 p.m. - Received a dog complaint in Loogootee. Animal Control Officer Hughett responded.

7:04 p.m. - Received a report of a car-deer accident south of Loogootee. Deputy Shinn responded.

10:50 p.m. - Received a report of an accident east of Loogootee. Deputy Shinn, Shoals Fire, and Martin County Ambulance responded. No one was transported.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 13

12:14 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance near Shoals. Martin County Ambulance and Shoals Fire responded. The subject was transported to IU Health in Bedford with assistance from IU Health Ambulance.

9:00 a.m. - Received an animal complaint near Loogootee. South Region responded.

9:57 a.m. - Captain Dant took four inmates to court.

11:18 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded but did not transport.

1:55 p.m. - Captain Dant took four inmates to court.

2:49 p.m. - Received a report of an accident east of Shoals on US 50. Sergeant Keller, Captain Dant, Sheriff Roush, Shoals Fire, Martin County Ambulance, ISP Trooper Beaver, ICO Doane, and the Martin County Coroner responded.

4:10 p.m. - Town Marshal Eckert assisted a motorist with a vehicle unlock in Shoals.

5:54 p.m. - Received a report of a car-deer accident east of Shoals on SR 150. Deputy Shinn responded.

7:25 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded but did not transport.

7:52 p.m. - Deputy Shinn assisted a motorist in Loogootee with a vehicle unlock.

11:12 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Shoals. Shoals Fire and Martin County Ambulance responded. The subject was transported to Daviess Community Hospital.

11:32 p.m. - Received a report of a reckless driver in Loogootee. Loogootee Captain Hennette responded.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 14

7:08 a.m. - Received a report of an accident in Loogootee. Loogootee Chief Rayhill responded.

9:02 a.m. - Received a report of smoke in a business in Loogootee. Loogootee Fire responded.

12:38 p.m. - Loogootee Chief Rayhill assisted with a funeral detail in Loogootee.

2:03 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin Coun-

ty Ambulance responded but did not transport.

4:47 p.m. - Received a report of an accident south of Loogootee. Deputy Seymour responded.

5:20 p.m. - Received a dog complaint in Loogootee. Animal Control Officer Hughett responded.

5:51 p.m. - Received a request for a welfare check near Shoals. Town Marshal Eckert, Martin County Ambulance, and Shoals Fire responded. All was okay.

6:15 p.m. - Received a report of an accident east of Shoals. Martin County Ambulance, Shoals Fire, and Deputy Shinn responded.

7:10 p.m. - Received a report of a slide off east of Shoals. Deputy Shinn, Deputy Seymour, and Shoals Fire responded.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 15

2:08 a.m. - Received a report of a tree down on SR 450. Shoals Fire removed the tree.

3:45 a.m. - Received a report of a tree down east of Shoals. Shoals Fire removed the tree.

4:07 a.m. - Received a report of a tree down on US 50, east of Shoals. Deputy Wright and Shoals Fire responded.

4:57 a.m. - Received a report of a tree down north of Shoals. Shoals Fire responded.

6:12 a.m. - Received a report of a tree down near Shoals. Martin County Highway responded.

6:56 a.m. - Received a report of a tree down on SR 150, east of Shoals. Shoals Fire responded.

7:16 a.m. - Received a report of a reckless driver on US 50, west of Shoals. Captain Dant responded.

7:19 a.m. - Received a report of an accident in Shoals. Captain Dant responded.

7:55 a.m. - Received a report of a tree down near Loogootee. County Highway responded.

8:55 a.m. - Captain Dant took one inmate to court.

8:57 a.m. - Received a report of an accident east of Shoals. ISP Trooper Qualkenbush responded.

12:58 p.m. - Captain Dant took four inmates to court.

1:20 p.m. - Jail Commander Abel took one inmate to the doctor.

1:30 p.m. - Received a report of an abandoned vehicle west of Shoals. Major Burkhardt responded.

1:32 p.m. - Received a report of horses out north of Loogootee. Major Burkhardt responded.

1:35 p.m. - Major Burkhardt assisted a motorist with a vehicle unlock in Shoals.

2:23 p.m. - Jailer Lents took one inmate to the doctor.

2:34 p.m. - Captain Dant took three inmates to court.

2:57 p.m. - Received a request for a welfare check near Shoals. Major Burkhardt responded.

3:20 p.m. - Captain Dant took one inmate to court.

4:03 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded but did not transport.

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

6:10 p.m. - Received a report of a domestic dispute in Shoals. Town Marshal Eckert, Major Burkhardt, and Deputy Seymour responded.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 16

4:10 a.m. - Received a report of a house fire north of Shoals. Shoals Fire, Lost River Fire, Loogootee Fire, Williams Fire, Deputy Wright, and Martin County Ambulance responded.

6:06 a.m. - Received a report of a car-deer accident on US 50, east of Loogootee. Deputy Wright responded.

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

9:07 a.m. - Loogootee Officer Keller performed a vehicle identification check in Loogootee.

9:32 a.m. - Jail Commander Abel took one inmate to the doctor.

10:42 a.m. - Received a report of an accident in Loogootee. Loogootee Officer Keller and Major Burkhardt responded.

11:15 a.m. - Received a horse complaint near Shoals. Animal Control Officer Hughett responded.

1:03 p.m. - Major Burkhardt performed a vehicle identification check in Shoals.

1:29 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance, Loogootee Officer Keller, and ISP Trooper Beaver responded. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

2:04 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Crane. Martin County Ambulance and Greene County First Responders responded. The subject was transported to Greene County General Hospital.

2:12 p.m. - Received a request for a welfare check in Shoals. Major Burkhardt responded, and all was okay.

5:45 p.m. - Received a report of a truck dumping trash in Shoals. Town Marshal Eckert and Deputy Seymour responded.

6:45 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance north of Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance, Crane First Responders, and Deputy Seymour responded. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

7:00 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance south of Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded and was assisted by Dubois County Ambulance.

8:57 p.m. - Received a report of a disturbance in Loogootee. Loogootee Officer McBeth and Deputy Seymour responded.

9:40 p.m. - Received a report of a disturbance north of Shoals. Deputy Wright responded.

10:16 p.m. - Received a report of a car-deer accident on US 50, west of Shoals. Deputy Seymour responded.

11:17 p.m. - Received a report of a reckless driver near Loogootee. Loogootee Officer McBeth responded.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 17

1:01 a.m. - Received a report of a suspicious vehicle near Shoals. Town Marshal Eckert responded.

4:18 a.m. - Deputy Wright assisted the Orange County Sheriff's Office with a transport.

4:49 a.m. - Received a report of horses out near Loogootee. Deputy Wright responded.

8:46 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance, Loogootee Officer Todd, Major Burkhardt, and the Martin County Coroner responded.

10:34 a.m. - Received a report of illegal hunting near Loogootee. Major Bur-

hardt and ICO Doane responded.

11:19 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance north of Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance transported the subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

11:37 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance near Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance, Loogootee Fire, and Major Burkhardt responded. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 18

1:01 a.m. - Received a report of a disturbance in Shoals. Deputy Wright and Deputy Seymour responded.

9:56 a.m. - Received a medical alarm call in Shoals. Captain Dant responded and assisted the individual.

10:35 a.m. - Received a report of illegal hunting east of Shoals. Captain Dant, ICO Doane, and ISP Trooper Lents responded.

11:11 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance transported the subject to St Vincent's Hospital in Bedford.

12:46 p.m. - Received a report of an altercation in Shoals. Captain Dant and ISP Trooper Lents responded.

2:26 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance, Loogootee Fire, and Loogootee Officer Norris responded.

The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

3:35 p.m. - Received a report of a small brush fire south of Loogootee. Haysville Fire responded.

Real estate transfers

Ross S. Johnson, of Martin County, Indiana to **Richard D. Hoffman and Pamela K. Hoffman**, of Martin County, Indiana, a part of Lot 87 in Campbell and Breen's Addition to the Town of Loogootee, Indiana.

Rosemary Stanley, of Lawrence County, Indiana to **Ellis D. Wisdom and Mary L. Wisdom**, of Lawrence County, Indiana, a part of the northeast quarter of the southeast quarter of Section 24, Township 5 North, Range 3 West, Martin County, Indiana, containing 4.925 acres, more or less.

Charles D. Hellums, of Martin County, Indiana to **Nicholas J. Fawks and Tina M. Fawks**, of Martin County, Indiana. Parcel I: A part of the east half of Section 4, Township 1 North, Range 3 West, Lost River Township, Martin County, Indiana, containing 31.91 acres, more or less. Parcel II: A part of the east half of Section 4, Township 1 North, Range 3 West, Lost River Township, Martin County, Indiana, containing 2.267 acres, more or less.

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COURT NEWS

CRIMINAL CONVICTIONS & SENTENCINGS

October 23

Neil Jason Sipes, convicted of non-support of a dependent child, a Class D Felony and operating a vehicle while intoxicated endangering a person with a passenger less than 18 years of age, a Class 6 Felony. Sentenced on the first count to serve 2 years with 0 days suspended. Defendant received 24 months of probation. Sentenced on the second count to 547 days with 465 days suspended and credit for 41 actual days previously served plus 41 Class A credit days. Defendant received 12 months of probation.

October 30

Tre A. Blanton, convicted of domestic battery, a Class 6 Felony. Sentenced to serve 547 days with 429 days suspended and credit for 59 actual days previously served plus 59 Class A credit days. Defendant received 14 months of probation.

Ricky W. Cox, convicted of dealing in marijuana, a Class 6 Felony. Sentenced to serve 365 days with 351 days suspended and credit for 7 actual days previously served plus 7 Class A credit days. Defendant received 11 months of probation.

Joseph R. Miller, convicted of possession of methamphetamine, a Class 6 Felony. Sentenced to serve 547 days with 477 days suspended and credit for 35 actual days previously served plus 35 Class A credit days. Defendant received 14 months of probation.

November 8

Dane R. Bolin, convicted of possession of methamphetamine, a Class 6 Felony. Sentenced to serve 547 days through Martin County Community Corrections with 0 days suspended and credit for 132 actual days previously served plus 132 Class A credit days.

CRIMINAL CHARGES DISMISSED

October 23

Neil Jason Sipes, neglect of a dependent, a Class 6 Felony, dismissed; possession of marijuana, a Class B Misdemeanor, 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, interference with the reporting of a crime, a Class A Misdemeanor, dismissed; criminal mischief, a Class B Misdemeanor, dismissed.

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

November 8

Dane R. Bolin, obstruction of justice, a Class 6 Felony, dismissed; possession of marijuana, a Class B Misdemeanor, dismissed; possession of paraphernalia, a Class C Misdemeanor, dismissed.

November 9

Denny Junior Childress, possession of marijuana under 30 grams, a Class A Misdemeanor, dismissed; operating a vehicle without ever being licensed, a Class C Misdemeanor, dismissed; operating a vehicle with a schedule I or II controlled substance or its metabolite in the body, a Class C Misdemeanor, dismissed.

Cassandra B. Cole, driving while suspended, a Class A Misdemeanor, dismissed.

Patrick J. Fuhs, operating a vehicle with a .08 BAC, a Class C Misdemeanor, dismissed; operating a vehicle while intoxicated with prior within 5 years, a Class D Felony, dismissed.

John D. Hill, theft, a Class D Felony, amended from conversion, a Class A

Misdemeanor, dismissed.

Andrew D. Hobson, operating a motor vehicle without ever receiving a license, a Class C Misdemeanor, dismissed.

David E. King, criminal mischief, a Class B Misdemeanor, dismissed.

Paul E. Merritt, driving while suspended prior conviction, a Class A Misdemeanor, dismissed.

Adam H. Russell, driving while suspended, a Class A Misdemeanor, dismissed.

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

November 13

Charles W. Needs III, driving while suspended, a Class A Misdemeanor, dismissed.

CIVIL COURT New Suits Filed

November 7

LVNV Funding, LLC vs. Mattie Hall, civil collection.

CIVIL COURT JUDGMENTS

November 7

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Portfolio Recovery Associates, LLC and against the defendant Chelsy Fraley in the amount of \$1,041.48.

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Portfolio Recovery Associates, LLC and against the defendant Shelly Humbert in the amount of \$989.21.

November 13

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Atlantic Credit & Finance Inc. and against the defendant Galen Knepp in the amount of \$6,208.73.

November 16

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Portfolio Recovery Associates, LLC and against the defendant Ashley Hembree in the amount of \$1,462.83.

SMALL CLAIMS COURT New Suits Filed

November 13

Medical of Dubois vs. Brian McIntosh, complaint.

Medical of Dubois vs. Christianne M. Hughes, complaint.

Medical of Dubois vs. Robert Weigle, complaint.

Medical of Dubois vs. Martha R. Weaver, complaint.

Medical of Dubois vs. Brett D. Van-Hise, complaint.

SMALL CLAIMS JUDGMENTS

October 30

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff

Loogootee Police log

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 12

1:02 a.m. - Caller reported a civil complaint.

8:35 a.m. - Caller reported a lost or stolen wallet.

11:30 a.m. - Female reported a civil complaint.

5:53 p.m. - Caller reported a property damage accident on Broadway Street.

8:46 p.m. - Caller reported a speeding vehicle on US 231.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 13

9:15 a.m. - Caller reported a low hanging tree Bloomfield Road.

11:45 a.m. - Chief Rayhill responded to a business alarm.

5:02 p.m. - Captain Hennette responded to a residential alarm.

6:49 p.m. - Caller reported a reckless driver on US 231.

11:32 p.m. - Caller reported a reckless driver on Park Street.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 14

7:08 a.m. - Caller reported a property damage accident on Broadway Street.

9:02 a.m. - Loogootee Fire was paged out to Wendy's reference a burning odor.

12:20 p.m. - Caller reported an item in the road near Fairview Drive.

12:38 p.m. - Chief Rayhill assisted with a funeral procession.

5:40 p.m. - Captain Hennette responded to a residential alarm.

7:58 p.m. - Caller reported a reckless driver on Hwy 50.

9:58 p.m. - Female requested transient assistance.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 15

1:30 a.m. - Officer Floyd assisted ISP with a warrant arrest.

3:09 a.m. - Officer Floyd responded to a 911 hang-up in Country Court.

2:20 p.m. - Female reported a theft of medication.

5:15 p.m. - Female reported a stray

Hoosier Accounts Service and against the defendant Joshua Stoll in the amount of \$1,733.58.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

November 9

Nathan K. Cox of Shoals and Jessica D. Winger of Shoals.

dog in Shaded Estates.

6:40 p.m. - Caller reported a reckless driver on US 231.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 16

2:43 a.m. - Loogootee Fire was paged out for a burning odor on a furnace.

8:15 a.m. - Male requested extra patrol.

9:07 a.m. - Male requested a vehicle identification check.

10:42 a.m. - Female reported a hit-and-run accident. The other driver was located.

1:28 p.m. - First responders were requested on Walnut Street for a medical call.

7:09 p.m. - First responders were requested on 1300 East for a medical call.

8:57 p.m. - Caller reported a suspicious male behind the Ruler Store.

11:17 p.m. - Caller reported a reckless driver on Broadway Street.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 17

8:46 a.m. - First responders were requested on East Broadway Street for a medical call.

11:37 a.m. - First responders were requested on Hwy 50 for a medical call.

3:15 p.m. - Caller requested a welfare check on a male.

9:35 p.m. - Caller reported a child custody issue.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 18

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

2:26 p.m. - First responders were requested on East Broadway Street for a medical call.

3:45 p.m. - Officer McBeth responded to a business alarm.

8:45 p.m. - Caller reported a reckless driver on Hwy 50.

9:05 p.m. - Officer McBeth cited a male into court for driving while suspended.

ARRESTS

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 12

10:21 a.m. - James Barnard, 38, of Shoals, was arrested by Loogootee Chief Rayhill and charged with battery. He is being held without bond.

2:29 p.m. - Diovionne Banks, 29, of Bedford, was arrested by Deputy Shinn on a Martin County warrant and is being held without bond. Assisting with the arrest was Reserve Deputy Kidwell.

2:29 p.m. - Jordan Davis, 30, of Loogootee, was arrested by Loogootee Chief Rayhill and charged with possession of methamphetamine, invasion of privacy, and maintaining a common nuisance. He is being held without bond.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 13

12:30 a.m. - Geoffrey Hager, 40, of Franklin, was arrested by ISP Trooper Nolan and charged with operating while intoxicated prior and is being held without bond.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 15

1:30 a.m. - Kelly Winger, 56, of Loogootee, was arrested by ISP Trooper Nolan on a Martin county warrant and is being held without bond. Assisting with the arrest was Loogootee Officer Floyd.

1:30 a.m. - Donna Denny, 59, of Loogootee, was arrested by ISP Trooper Nolan on a Martin County warrant and

is being held without bond. Assisting with the arrest was Loogootee Officer Floyd.

11:30 a.m. - James Hardesty, 26, of Shoals, was arrested by Captain Dant on a Martin County warrant and is being held without bond.

3:09 p.m. - Amanda Krodel, 28, of Shoals, was returned from community corrections and is being held without bond.

6:34 p.m. - Travis Bauernfend, 38, of Shoals, was arrested by Town Marshal Eckert and charged with domestic battery and is being held without bond. Assisting with the arrest were Major Burkhardt and Deputy Seymour.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 16

11:12 a.m. - Steve Lewis, 58, of French Lick, was arrested by ISP Trooper on a Martin County warrant and is being held without bond.

12:15 p.m. - Travis Salmon, 26, of Loogootee, was arrested by Loogootee Officer Keller and charged with possession on a legend drug, possession of marijuana, and resisting arrest. He is being held without bond.

1:49 p.m. - Gary Hughes, 33, of Paoli, was arrested on a Martin County warrant and is being held without bond.

1:49 p.m. - Luana Roberts, 38, of

Paoli, was also arrested on a Martin County warrant and is being held without bond.

2:13 p.m. - Eric Salmon, 23, of Loogootee, was arrested by ISP Trooper Lents and charged with impersonating an officer and is being held without bond.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 17

4:59 p.m. - Jerrad VanMeter, 25, of Loogootee, was arrested by ISP Trooper Lents and charged with neglect of a dependent, operating while intoxicated controlled substance, and possession of marijuana. He is being held on a \$25,000 10% bond.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 18

3:50 a.m. - Mindy Holt, 36, of Shoals, was arrested by Deputy Wright and charged with public intoxication, disorderly conduct, battery, resisting law enforcement, possession of marijuana, and possession of paraphernalia. She is being held without bond. Assisting with the arrest was Deputy Salmon.

12:50 p.m. - Waylon Winger, 30, of Shoals, was arrested by ISP Trooper Lents and charged with illegal possession of a syringe, possession of marijuana, possession of methamphetamine, and possession of paraphernalia. He is being held on a \$25,000 10% bond.

More Neat Stuff

By Ann Ackerman



During an impassioned sermon about death and final judgment, the pastor said forcefully, "Each member of this church is going to die and face judgment."

Glancing down at the front pew, he noticed a man with a big smile on his face.

The minister repeated his point louder. "Each member of this church is going to die and face judgment!" The man nodded and smiled even more.

This really got the preacher wound up. He pounded the pulpit emphatically when he came to the ultimatum: "Each member of this church is going to die and face judgment!!!"

Though everyone else in the congregation was looking somber, the man in front continued to smile.

Finally, the preacher stepped off the platform, stood in front of the man and shouted, "I said each member of this church is going to die!"

The man grinned from ear to ear.

After the service was over, the preacher made a beeline for the man. "I don't get it," the preacher said in frustration. "Whenever I said, 'Each member of this church is going to die,' your smile got bigger. Why?"

"I'm not a member of this church," the man replied.

1. Going to bed early
2. Not leaving my house
3. Not going to a party

My childhood punishments have become my adult goals.

THOUGHTS

*I start the day with Cap'n Crunch and end the day with Captain Morgan because apparently, I want to be a pirate.

*I thought the dryer made my clothes shrink. Turns out it was the refrigerator.

*I'm not saying your perfume is too strong. I'm just saying the canary was alive before you got here.

*Anyone who doubts the commitment of teachers should visit a school on Halloween.

*A weasel walks into a bar. The bartender says, "Wow, I've never served a weasel before. What can I get you?"

"Pop," goes the weasel.

*My stomach is FLAT. The L is just silent.

*Being on a horse puts you a little closer to Heaven. Being bucked off does the same thing.

*The main function of the little toe on your foot is to make sure that all the furniture in the house is in place.

*The fact that there's a highway to Hell and only a stairway to Heaven says a lot about anticipated traffic makers.

*Finally, the end of election commercials – now maybe we can find out who burned down Cheryl's she shed.

*Thank goodness I don't have to hunt for my own food. I don't even know where Tacos live.

MORE THOUGHTS

*Help someone. You might be the only one who does.

*If you have a family that loves you, a few good friends, food on your table, and a roof over your head, you are richer than you think.

THOUGHT FOR THANKSGIVING

An old Cherokee told his grandson, "My son, there is a battle between two wolves inside us all. One is Evil. It is Anger, Jealousy, Greed, Resentment, Inferiority, Lies and Ego.

The other is Good. It is Joy, Peace, Love, Hope, Humility, Kindness, Empathy, and Truth. The boy thought about it and asked, "Grandfather, which wolf wins?"

The old man quietly replied, "The one you feed."

Make someone smile today!

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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

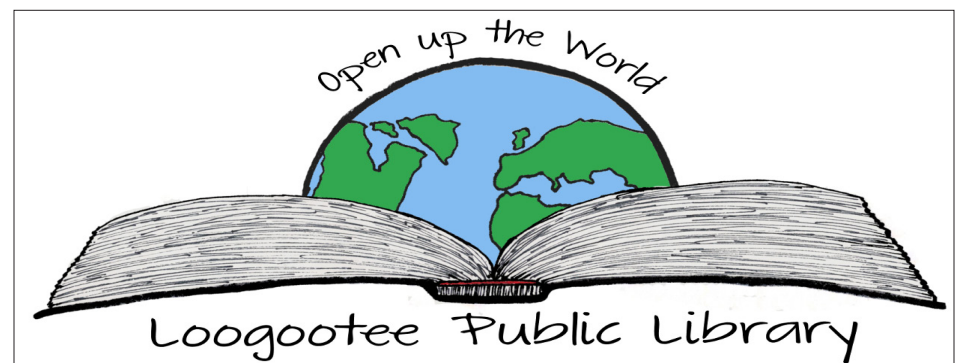
The Martin County Solid Waste Board holds their monthly meetings on the third Wednesday of each month at 6 p.m. at the recycling center located at 500 Industrial Park Drive in Loogootee. The meetings are open to the public and anyone is invited to attend.

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

The library will be closed on Thursday, November 22 for Thanksgiving.

During the upcoming Christmas Stroll on December 2, the library will have a soup supper from 4-8 p.m. at the Loogootee Methodist Church. Please stop by and enjoy some hot homemade 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 p.m. and the library will receive free books. On Monday, December 3 from 12-6 p.m., Kelci Swartzentruber will continue the Usborne Book Fair at the library.

On Tuesday, December 11, at 6 p.m., Richard Moss, M.D. will have a book signing at the library. His new book "A Surgeon's Odyssey" tells of a young man's decision to forgo comfort and financial security for the adventure of a lifetime, pitting himself against the specter of overwhelming suffering and illness. It narrates the unique journey of a cancer surgeon who, against conventional wisdom, embarked on a pil-

grimage of healing and experienced surgical triumphs and setbacks amidst some of the most beguiling and fascinating cultures in the world.

The library has recently switched to Evergreen Indiana 3.2 Webclient (integrated library system) and the staff has been busy learning the new features. One huge feature is staff can access it anywhere they have internet access. There has been a few "hiccups" so bear with us while the Indiana State Library tech department works them out.

New Books

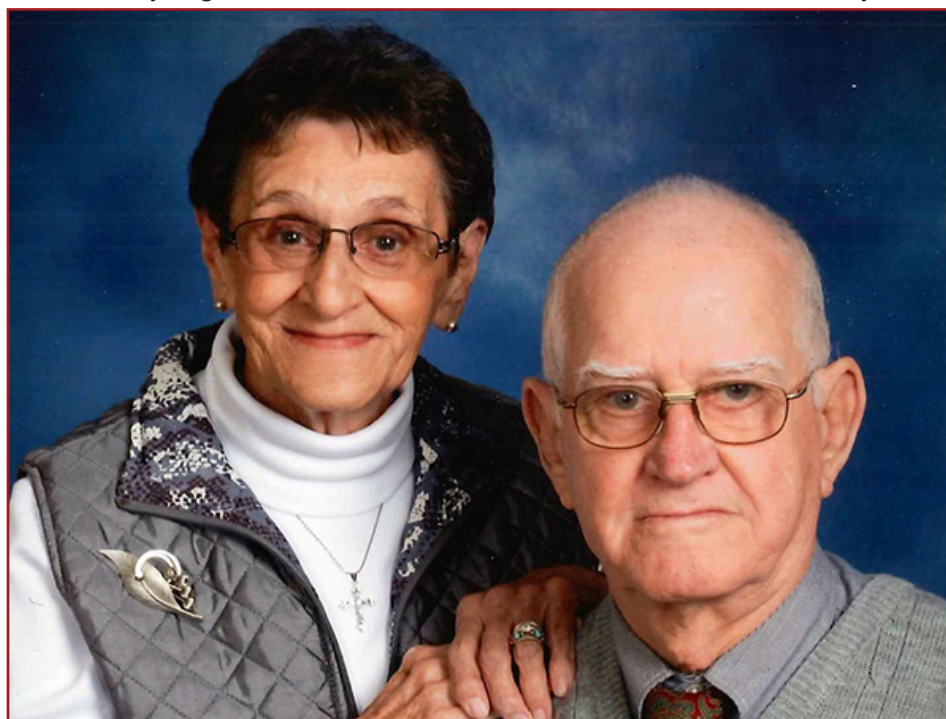
Mystery: "Target" by James Patterson and "Homeward Hound" by Rita Mae Brown.

Fiction: "Beauchamp Hall" by Danielle Steel and "Tony's Wife" by Adriana Trigiani.

Inspirational Fiction: "A Seat by the Hearth" by Amy Clipston and "Tell Her No Lies" by Kelly Irvin.

Non-Fiction: "Becoming" by Michelle Obama.

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.



Clarks celebrate 65 years of marriage

Ira G. Clark and Carolyn R. Gregory will celebrate their 65th wedding anniversary on November 25. They were married on November 25, 1953 at the Glendale Methodist Church in Glendale. Ira and Carolyn have three children, Marsha (Ed) Neal of Freelandville, and Greg (April) Clark and Susan (Terry) Wittmer, both of Loogootee. They also have five grandchildren, Chris Bledsoe, Mackenzie Weaver, Taylor Wittmer, Conner Wittmer and Sydnee Wittmer and one great-grandson, Gaven Bledsoe.



Making A Difference

MARTIN COUNTY COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

By Curt Johnson
MCCF Executive Director



--YOUTH AND THE FUTURE --
 "We cannot always build the future for our youth, but we can build our youth for the future." – Franklin D. Roosevelt

Youth. Future. Those two words belong together for so many reasons. Youth have so much to look forward to. Youth have choices to make to get to their future. The youth are our future, whether we try to build it for them or we prepare them for it.

-- WE HAVE AN INTEREST --
 We all have a vested interest in helping our youth to learn, grow and become capable adults. They will be making decisions that affect our community, our county, and beyond. And they will be impacting our own lives when we adults will be relying on them for our care and well-being. It's important that we be a part of their growth.

So how can we help? As parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles, friends, mentors, and any other adult close to our youth, you guide and shape them. You should know that everything you do teaches them about adult life and guides them toward their own future. We need to be sure that we are positive role models. We can also encourage our youth's involvement in organizations that focus on youth values, growth and development.

-- IMPACCT --
 One such organization in Martin

County is a group of Shoals High School youth called IMPACCT, meaning Inspired, Motivated, Passionate, And Committed Christian Teens. The words in the group's name embody their values. They see hope for their future, they have reason to improve themselves and their community, and they have a fervor to be the best Christians and young adults that they can be. These youth are developing themselves based upon solid values and examples from adults and mentors who are just as eager to help them grow. These youth are learning to become our future leaders.

-- MCCF HELPS --
 The MCCF is pleased to be able to help these youth grow and, at the same time, be such an inspiration for others. Shown in the picture is IMPACCT sponsor Jessica Hert receiving a \$300 grant from Annette Taylor (MCCF Board member) to support their efforts as they build for the future.

-- MORE INFORMATION --
 For more information about the MCCF, please contact the Executive Director, Curt Johnson, at 812-295-1022 or mccf@cfpartner.org.

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



Pictured in the front row (left to right) are IMPACCT sponsor Jessica Hert, Annette Taylor (MCCF Board member), Mary Dixon, Ruth Wright, Haley Fischer, Olivia Stoll, Lori Albright, Ashley Albright, Alyssa Howell, and Lindsey Robinson. In the back row are Levi Albright, Clay Brett, Jackson Allbright, Klayton Tichenor, Evan Wagoner, Caleb Belcher, Ryan Hawkins, Max Fischer, and Robert Sullivan. Not pictured is Melanie Hawkins.

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City of Loogootee Laborer Position

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Requirements are, but not limited to:

- Must possess a valid Indiana driver's license
- Candidate must be a team player, willing to train in all aspects of the Public Works Department, water treatment and distribution, wastewater treatment and collection, street department and parks and recreation department
- Candidate must be willing to work outside in all climates of weather year-round, lift and move heavy objects without difficulty, compute simple math problems
- Must know how to work with and around power tools, heavy equipment and machinery in a safe manner and have excellent communication skills.
- Must have a high school diploma or equivalent
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- On the job training provided, no experience necessary. Preference may be given to candidate with a CDL and/or heavy equipment skills.

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 Deadline for job application is Monday, December 3, 2018 at 4 p.m.

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In the Garden

By Ralph Purkhiser
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Ice came to the Hoosier Hills last week, bringing damage to many trees and shrubs. Since the growing season is effectively over, pruning should not now result in new growth. It should be safe to cut out any broken branches and to do selective pruning to give the plant a better shape. The weight of the ice caused some trees to bend. Most returned upright when the ice melted, but some may be permanently bowed. In that case, you may have to make a decision about whether the new shape is tolerable or if the plant needs to be removed.

I normally like to leave my ornamental grasses through the winter. The birds love the seeds in the plumes and the stalks provide great places for birds and other wildlife to hunker down for warmth during the cold winter nights. The plumes are also beautiful when frosted, especially at dawn and dusk. However, some of the grass clumps were mashed to the ground by the ice and have not returned to their normal form. I will probably go ahead and remove those clumps.

Another job looming for coming weeks is winterizing the rose beds. I am not a fan of the finicky tea roses, but even some of the other roses need some special consideration to get through a Hoosier winter. In general, roses that are grown on their own roots are more winter hardy than grafted roses. For most of the hardy shrub roses, simply cutting back the tall canes that could break when winds blow is all it takes to get them ready for winter. Grafted roses require more work. (That is why I am not a big fan.) The graft must have protection from the cold. The most common way to do that is by mounding mulch or leaf mold around the plant, covering the graft at least six inches deep. Leaf mold may blow away, so one needs to check the plants periodically. Hardwood mulch is my preferred mulch and will stay in place through the winter. Another option is buying those styrofoam cones that are often displayed in garden centers. These may look better for a

while, but they are hard to keep in place when winds blow. You can use bricks or stones to hold them down, but they still somehow manage to break and blow away. Another alternative is to construct tubes with hardware cloth or chicken wire and place them around the roses. You may then fill them with shredded leaves, pine needles or mulch. Remember, whatever covering you choose, it has to be removed in the spring when new growth begins.

I recommend waiting until the ground is frozen to put the mulch on. Some other plants will also benefit from a protective mulch layer during the winter, especially those plants that were put in during the fall. When we get alternating freezing and thawing, the ground will cause the roots of the plants to heave, sometimes pushing them completely out of the ground. This is known as heaving and is probably the main reason that new plants do not survive the winter. The trick is to prevent the frozen soil from thawing. That can be done by applying a layer of mulch over the frozen soil. The mulch will act as insulation, keeping the soil surface frozen and preventing heaving.

As Thanksgiving approaches, I think of the successes in this year's garden for which I am thankful. The white beauty berry bushes had berries for the first time. They were not spectacular, but I know that they will continue to mature, and the crop will be better next year. I am thankful that I had a good crop of salsify. This is a root crop, sometimes called oyster plant, from which my mother made a rich soup. I have not yet made soup, but I plan to do so soon. This is the first time I have grown salsify for many years, so I am happy with the results. Winter lingered well into April, but that cool weather meant that the spring bulb flowers had a longer season than usual. I had daffodils from the middle of February until early May. The year had challenges, but I still had continual flowers and vegetables. I have a lot for which I am thankful. Count your blessings.

NRC approves fees for McCormick's Creek Centennial Cabin

The Natural Resources Commission (NRC) approved rental fees for the new Centennial Cabin at McCormick's Creek State Park at its meeting yesterday at Fort Harrison State Park.

The approved fees are \$199 a night plus tax for Sunday through Wednesday; \$209 plus tax per night for Thursday through Saturday, and \$219 plus tax per night for holidays. The 1,400-square-foot, three-bedroom furnished cabin, which overlooks McCormick's Creek Cove Nature Preserve, has three bedrooms, air conditioning, heat, a full-size kitchen and dining area. Year-round reservations can be made at camp.IN.gov or 866-622-6746.

The NRC also approved amendments to Information Bulletin # 2, Roster of Indiana Animals, Insects, and Plants that are Extirpated, Endangered, Threatened, or Rare (aka "Special Concern"), as proposed by the Division of Fish & Wildlife (DFW). The amendments update the non-rule policy to reflect changes that already had been made by administrative rule as well as removing the Northern leopard frog from the special concern list and adding the plains gartersnake to the special concern list for reptiles.

DFW's approved changes included adding the three species of bats that were added to the state's endangered species list earlier this year — little brown bat, Northern long-eared bat and tri-colored bat; adding rufa red knot to the list of endangered species of birds and removing osprey; and removing the following mussel species — pyramid pigtoe, orangefoot pimpleback, pink mucket, tubercled blossom, longsolid and white wartyback — from the list of endangered species of invertebrates because all are considered to be extirpated from Indiana.

The NRC also approved the Division of Hearings' proposed amendments regarding the NRC's role regarding conservancy districts. The amendments clarify the notification of other state agencies regarding the establishment of such districts, or the addition of territory, addition of purpose, and dissolution of existing conservancy districts.

Regarding 2019 meeting dates, the NRC approved January 15, March 19, May 21, July 16, September 17 and November 19. Each meeting will be at Fort Harrison State Park in Indianapolis.

The NRC also granted preliminary adoption to amendments from the Division of Entomology & Plant Pathology (DEPP) regarding aquatic invasive species and from the Division of Law Enforcement regarding extending a no-boating zone in Lake Michigan near Whiting.

The first amendment from DEPP would add two species to the list of prohibited invasive aquatic plants (312 IAC 18-3-23). The two species are starry stonewort and water soldier. The second amendment would repeal 312 IAC 18-3-21, which governs the control of another aquatic invasive plant, hydrilla. The purpose of that proposal is to eliminate redundancy. Hydrilla is already listed a prohibited invasive in 312 IAC 18-3-23 (6).

DNR Law Enforcement's amendment to 312 IAC 5-8-2 would extend the no-boating zone in Whiting, off Whihala Beach County Park's East Swimming Beach, from 200 feet to 300 feet. The purpose is to ensure safety of participants on the "Whoa Zone" from passing

watercraft. The zone is an in-water fitness challenge course recently added by the City of Whiting. The proposal seeks to make permanent an emergency rule signed in 2017 and renewed this year.

The NRC's Division of Hearings will now cause publication of a Notice of Intent to adopt the rules that received the NRC's preliminary adoption and will submit fiscal analyses prepared by DEPP and DNR Law Enforcement to the State Budget Agency (SBA). The proposed rules will soon be added to the NRC's Rulemaking Docket (nrc.IN.gov/2377.htm), which includes a link to an online comment form. If the SBA approves the fiscal analyses, public hearings will be scheduled to allow for additional public comment. Ultimately, the amendments, along with the public comments, will be sent back to the NRC for consideration for final adoption.

The NRC is an autonomous board that addresses topics pertaining to the DNR. More details on these actions are available at nrc.IN.gov/2350.htm under "November Agenda."

The NRC is a 12-member board that includes the DNR director, heads of three other state agencies (Environmental Management, Tourism Development, and Transportation), six citizens appointed by the governor on a bipartisan basis, the chair of the DNR's advisory council, and the president of the Indiana Academy of Science. The Academy of Science president and the agency heads, other than the DNR director, may appoint proxies to serve the commission in their absences.

Record number of tickborne diseases reported in 2017

New data from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) show tickborne diseases are again on the rise. In 2017, state and local health departments reported a record number of cases of tickborne disease to CDC, 59,349 cases, up from 48,610 in 2016. Reported cases of Lyme disease, anaplasmosis/ehrlichiosis, spotted fever rickettsiosis (including Rocky Mountain spotted fever), babesiosis, tularemia and Powassan virus disease all increased from 2016 to 2017.

While the reason for this increase is unclear, a number of factors can affect tick numbers each year, including temperature, rainfall, humidity, and host populations such as mice and other animals. Tick densities in any year will vary from region to region, state to state, and even county to county. Numbers of reported tickborne disease cases are also impacted by healthcare provider awareness, testing, and reporting practices. Finally, during any given year, people may or may not notice changes in tick populations depending on the amount of time they or their pets spend outdoors.

Additional Resources:

2017 Tickborne Disease Surveillance Data: www.cdc.gov/ticks/data-summary/index.html

Notifiable Infectious Diseases and Conditions Annual Data Tables: www.cdc.gov/nndss/infectious-tables.html#tabs-2-2

Information about Lyme disease surveillance: www.cdc.gov/lyme/stats/surveillance.html

Ticks web site: www.cdc.gov/ticks/

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