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Halbert Township next in historical survey

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The historical survey of Martin County being performed by the DNR and the Indiana State Preservation Office continues with results for Halbert Township recently being released. Downtown Shoals has been labeled an historic district and some details of the buildings downtown have been noted below along with houses in the district. Several more are listed in the survey but not noted below.

Tim Miller, surveyor for Martin County, is currently doing work in Perry Township and that work he says will carry him through the spring. More information on all sites in the historical survey can be found at www.in.gov/dnr/historic/4505.htm.

Halbert Township

Shoals Historic District

Plummer-Ross block – located at 207 Main Street in Shoals and currently housing the Shoals Eagles bingo hall; circa 1910.

Commercial building – located at 302 Main Street in Shoals and currently housing Ethel's Beauty Salon; circa 1940.

Commercial building a/k/a Chevrolet Garage, Sherfick Music Company, and Alco Dime Store – located at 325 Main Street in Shoals and currently housing G&R Variety Store; circa 1926.

Commercial building - located on the west side of the 200 block south of the railroad tracks and currently housing East Fork Water, Inc.; circa 1890/1930.

Star Mill - located on the west side of Water Street south of the commercial building at the west end of 2nd Street; circa 1857; in 1857, the Star Mill was built on the White River by Wilson Chenoweth, Zeno Coffin, and Henry Henley. This made the river slightly easier to navigate by boat, but the river was still shallow and dangerous. The mill at the dam later put many smaller mills out of business and continued operating until 1935. The dam and the mill wheel are gone.

T.V. Albright House – located at 103 High Street in Shoals; circa 1855; listed as a notable property on the historical survey.

Police locate the body of missing Loogootee woman

The body and vehicle of a missing Loogootee woman has been located.

Monday, March 21 at approximately 1 p.m., investigators received a call from a resident in Shoals that lives on the White River. While overlooking the river from his backyard he noticed something under the water that normally is not there. After looking at for awhile he could see that the color kind of matched that of Wanda Warren's vehicle.

Indiana Conservation Officers went out on the river and discovered that it was a purple car but due to the currents of the river and the time of day decided to wait until Tuesday to attempt to recover the vehicle.

Tuesday morning at approximately 11:45 (See 'MISSING' continued on page three)

Chenoweth House – located at 37 Main Street in Shoals; circa 1910.

Commercial building - located on the east side of the 200 block of Main Street in the

north middle part of the block and currently housing The Sugar Shack and Grandpa's Treasures; circa 1890.

Commercial building – located on the east



-Photo provided by the Indiana Division of Historic Preservation and Archaeology

The original Star Mill located on the west side of Water Street was built in 1857. The mill was built on the White River by Wilson Chenoweth, Zeno Coffin, and Henry Henley. The mill at the dam later put many smaller mills out of business and continued operating until 1935. The dam and the mill wheel are gone.



-Photo provided by the Indiana Division of Historic Preservation and Archaeology

The Shoals Public Library, shown above, is listed on the historical survey as outstanding for its historical contribution. It was built in 1914 and has had few alterations.



-Photo provided by the Indiana Division of Historic Preservation and Archaeology

The house above, located on the east side of Progress School Road about 1/10 of a mile south of Highway 550, was built in 1890.

side of the 200 block of Main Street in the northern third of the block and currently housing Sandy's Dining Room; circa 1890.

Commercial building a/k/a Martin County Bank, Shoals Post Office, and hardware store – located on the east side of Main Street north of the parking lot on the northeast corner of Main Street and 2nd Street; circa 1890; the Martin County Bank was the oldest bank in the county which was established in 1887. The second story once had a theatre and a gymnasium. The commercial building to the south is connected to the interior of the bank building; listed as notable property on the historical survey.

Commercial building – located on the east side of the 200 block of Main Street south of a vacant lot south of the railroad tracks and currently housing Nu-Tap; circa 1870; this building is believed to be one of the oldest buildings in Shoals.

Commercial building – located on the east side of the 300 block in about the middle of the block and currently housing the VFW Post 8589; circa 1890.

Commercial building – located at 431 High Street in Shoals and currently housing Queen-Lee Funeral Home; circa 1880.

House a/k/a Martin County Museum – located at 525 High Street in Shoals; circa 1870; the house was once the Martin County Museum; listed as notable property on the historical survey.

House – located at 622 Main Street in Shoals; circa 1870; listed as a notable property on the historical survey.

Shoals Public Library – located on the northeast corner of Highway 50 and High Street; circa 1914; listed as an outstanding property on the historical survey.

Martin Moore House – located at 501 Main Street in Shoals; circa 1870; listed as a notable property on the historical survey.

Residential

House - located on the east side of Progress School Road about 1/10 of a mile south of (See 'HALBERT' continued on page two)

County's jobless rate holds steady

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Martin County's unemployment rate for February rose just a touch from January, going from 7 percent to 7.3 percent. In February, the county held the 87th spot in the county for its unemployment rate. The .3 percent increase in February, however, bumped Martin to 84th place, tied with Tippecanoe County. Seven counties in Indiana have a lower unemployment rate than Martin County.

A year ago, in February 2010, the county's jobless rate stood at 8.3 percent with 5,078 residents in the workforce and 419 without jobs.

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HALBERT



-Photo provided by the Indiana Division of Historic Preservation and Archaeology
The Chenoweth House, shown above, is located at 37 Main Street in Shoals and was built in 1910. The Chenoweth's were owners of the Star Mill to the west.



-Photo provided by the Indiana Division of Historic Preservation and Archaeology
The T.V. Albright House, shown above, located at 103 High Street in Shoals was built in 1855 and is listed as a notable property on the historical survey.

RATE

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According to the report from the Indiana Department of Workforce Development, Martin County had only five more residents in the workforce from January to February. In February, 5,410 were in the workforce with 393 unemployed.

Daviess County's jobless rate only moved .1 percent from January to February, from 5.6 to 5.7. Last month, Daviess County had 14,620 residents in the job market with 830 unemployed.

In January there were 14,647 residents working and 824 not working. Daviess County continues to hang on to the 92nd spot for having the lowest unemployment rate in the state. In February of 2010 the county's rate stood at 6.7 percent.

Dubois County's jobless rate dropped only .4 percent from January to February, going from 6.8 percent to 6.4 percent putting them in 89th place in the state. Dubois County had 19,728 residents with jobs in February and 1,358 without.

In January there were 20,173 residents with jobs and 1,461 without. A year ago,

Dubois County's jobless rate stood at 8.9 percent.

Orange County's unemployment rate went unchanged from January to February, stalled at 10.4 percent and

	Feb. 2010	Jan. 2011	Feb. 2011	Monthly Change
Indiana	10.7%	9.1%	8.8%	-0.3%
U.S.	9.7%	9.0%	8.9%	-0.1%
Illinois	11.1%	9.0%	8.9%	-0.1%
Kentucky	10.9%	10.4%	10.4%	n/c
Michigan	13.5%	10.7%	10.4%	-0.3%
Ohio	10.6%	9.3%	9.2%	-0.1%

Midwest Employment Picture

and tied in the rankings at 33rd place with Howard County; a change from 37th place a month before. In February of 2010 the county's jobless rate was 13 percent.

The five state rankings for the lowest unemployment in the state for February go to Daviess County at 5.7 percent, Knox County at 6.1 percent, Hamilton County at 6.2 percent, Dubois County at 6.4 percent,

and Monroe County at 6.6 percent.

The five state rankings for the highest jobless rate in the state go to Vermillion County at 13.7 percent, Crawford and Fayette counties tied at 12.7 percent, Newton County at 12.6 percent, Franklin County at 12.4 percent, and Jennings and Putnam counties tied at 12.3 percent.

Indiana's preliminary seasonally-adjusted unemployment rate dropped 0.3 percent, to 8.8 percent in February. This marks the first time since December 2008 the state's unemployment rate has been less than 9 percent. Indiana's rate is now just below the national average of 8.9 percent and below that of all neighboring states. Private sector employment in Indiana declined in February, (-1,600).

"The number of Hoosiers claiming state unemployment insurance benefits is less than half the number it was two years ago," said Mark W. Everson, Commissioner of the Department of Workforce Development. "Moreover, new claims for unemployment insurance are now at a level not seen since 2006."

Employment by Sector Sectors showing significant employment gains in February include: Private Education and Health Services (1,300) and Construction (1,200). Sectors showing

significant declines are Trade, Transportation and Utilities (-3,200) and Government (-6,300). Total non-farm employment decreased (-7,900) in February.

This article was written in part with a press release from the Indiana Department of Workforce Development.

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Highway 550; circa 1890.

Cemeteries

Asbel Cemetery - located on the east side of Hopkins Lane south of the farm at the end of the lane; approximately six stones; earliest burial date 1884; most recent burial date 1911; prominent name: Asbel.

Pleasant Valley Cemetery - located on the north side of Highway 550 about 3/4 a mile west of Lacy and about 1/10 a mile east of Progress School Road; approximately 390 stones; earliest burial date 1832; most recent burial date 2010; prominent names: Wilson, Cook, Smith, Harner, Crum; grouped burials: Masons.

Spring Hill Cemetery a/k/a Shoals Cemetery, Saint Louis Cemetery - located on the southeast side of Chicken Farm Road south of Spring Hill Road; approximately 3,000 stones; earliest burial date 1832; most recent burial date 2011; prominent names: Horsey, Chenoweth, Raney; grouped burials: Masons.

Albright Cemetery a/k/a Martz Cemetery - is located on the east side of what once was a part of Goldberry Road southeast of where the farm once was along a deer trail under a dead cedar tree; approximately one stone; burial date 1860; The stone in the cemetery is for a pair of infant twins, Eliza and Elisha Kimbal that died. At the time of surveying, the stone was illegible. The stone may have been moved since it is leaning against a dead cedar tree. According to Nancy Baker there is another infant named Laura A. Douglas that died in 1863 buried in the cemetery. The second stone was not visible at the time of surveying.

Jesse K. Baker Cemetery - located on the end East River Road along a farm road that begins south of the pond at the end of the road and goes southeast into the woods. The cemetery is on the north peak south of the river the along a path off of the farm road; approximately one stone; burial date 1895; name: Jesse K. Baker.

Churches

Brethren Church a/k/a Sampson Hill Bible Church - located on the southeast corner of Lacy Road and Highway 550; circa 1897; the church was built in 1897 as a Brethren church at a cost of \$500.

Shoals Christian Church - located at 602 Main Street in Shoals; circa 1911; the church was organized in the Shoals schoolhouse on December 24, 1868. The congregation built its first church in 1889. The first building was replaced with the current building in 1911. The church parsonage which was the old schoolhouse was destroyed in 1954 and a new parsonage built on highway in West Shoals; listed as an outstanding property on the historical survey.

Shoals United Methodist Church - located on the northeast corner of 5th Street and Main Streets; circa 1900; listed as a notable property on the historical survey.

Apostolic Word Church - located on the south side of 2nd Street southeast of Street Number 5 and east of Highway 150; circa 1930.

St Marys Catholic Church - located at 128 High Street in Shoals; circa 1950;

Miscellaneous

Marker - located south of the Crim Enterprises Building on the north side of Highway 50 east of the White River and west of Water Street; circa 1880/1932; the marker is a stone from Old Pier dated 1880 and marks the location of the first bridge over the White River in Martin County. The marker was erected in 1932 by the Shoals Home Economics Club and the Indiana State Highway Commission.

B&O Railroad Bridge - located over the White River in the middle between Highway 50 and 2nd Street; circa 1910; the bridge has been altered by replacement ties and an added railing. The bridge still uses some of the original piers from the first B&O bridge built in 1857. Some of the piers have been replaced with concrete piers. Next to the bridge is a concrete tower that was used to supply water for steam engine trains. Also next to the bridge is a brick foundation.



-Photo provided by the Indiana Division of Historic Preservation and Archaeology
The building shown above is the present-day Nu-Tap located on the east side of the 200 block of Main Street south of a vacant lot south of the railroad tracks. The building was built in 1870 and is believed to be one of the oldest in Shoals.

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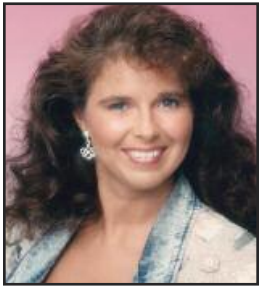
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CHERYL LAGENOUR

Cheryl A. Lagenour passed away on Monday, March 28, 2011 from injuries sustained due to an automobile accident west of French Lick. A resident of Dubois, she was 48.



CHERYL LAGENOUR

She was born August 7, 1962 in Jasper; the daughter of James H. and Helen (Kunz) Newton. She married Jeff Lagenour on May 16, 1981. She was a graduate of Jasper High School Class of 1980 and she also had worked for Kimball

International for 24 years. She enjoyed reading and travelling.

Surviving relatives include her husband, Jeff Lagenour; mother, Helen Newton, of Jasper; sisters, (twin sister) Carol A. Herbig of Ireland and Donna Newton of Dittmer, Missouri; a brother, Richard Newton of El Paso, Texas; several nieces and nephews.

Preceding her in death is her father, James Newton.

A Celebration of Life Memorial Service will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday, April 2, 2011 at the Becher & Kluesner North Chapel in Jasper with the Fr. John Boeglin officiating.

Friends may call from 10 a.m. Saturday until service time at the funeral home.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society or to a favorite charity.

MARVIN MARTIN

Marvin Ray "Buster" Martin passed away on March 26, 2011 at 10:17 p.m. at his home. A resident of Shoals, he was 67.

He was born on September 25, 1943 in Shoals; the son of the late Sharman and Mrytle (Wright) Martin. He married Kathy Pate on November 2, 1996 in French Lick and she survives. Marvin was a handyman, and he loved to fish.

Other survivors include a son, Mark and daughter, Christina; two step-daughters, Kati and Wendy Tuell; three step-sons, Daniel, Everett and Benjamin Tuell; eleven grandchildren; two brothers, Donald Martin of French Lick and Paul Martin of Shoals; and one sister, Pauline Sullivan of Washington.

He is preceded in death by his parents, one son, David Martin; a step-son, David Tuell; and two brothers, Bob and Ted Martin.

A funeral service was held Tuesday, March 29 at Queen-Lee Funeral Home in Shoals with burial following in Spring Hill Cemetery.

Online condolences may be made at www.queenlee.com.

WANDA WARREN

Wanda Mae Warren passed away February 25, 2011. A resident of Loogootee, she was 56.

She was born August 27, 1954 in Orange

County; the daughter of Hughes and Ruby (VanLaningham) Richardson. Wanda was the youngest of nine children. She married Greg Warren on February 14, 1998 at the Shoals United Methodist Church. She was self-employed as a housekeeper of many years, and was well known and respected for her diligent house-



WANDA WARREN

keeping abilities. She formerly attended the Fairview Church in Shoals.

She is survived by her husband, Greg Warren of Loogootee; one son, Nathan Roach of Shoals; grandson, Damon Roach of Shoals; four brothers, Charles Richardson of Paoli, Raymond (Joleen) Richardson of Ramsey, Calvin (Joan) Richardson of Marengo, and Clarence Richardson of Marengo; four sisters, Ethel (Melvin) Nelson of Paoli, Mary Knight of Birdseye, Linda (Kenneth) Ivey of Bedford, and Kay (Loy) Doenges of Hardinsburg, mother-in-law, Pat Allbright of Shoals, an uncle, Hazel (Helen) VanLaningham of Milford; sixteen nieces, nine nephews, many cousins, and friends.

A funeral service was held Saturday, March 26 at Queen-Lee Funeral Home in Shoals. Burial followed in Spring Hill Cemetery.

Online condolences may be made to the family at www.queenlee.com.

Goodwill Cemetery Board holds meeting

The annual business meeting of the Goodwill Cemetery Board was held last Tuesday, March 22 at the German American Bancorp Building.

Those in attendance were President, Ken Woods; Vice President Richard Davis; Secretary/Treasurer, Joy Ausbrooks; and board members, Glen Crim, Malcolm Allen, Ralph Ausbrooks, Rama Dye, Dick Barber, and James Edwards. Other interested persons were Mrs. Donna Allen and Mrs. Bonnie Dye.

The annual Treasurer's Report was read

and upcoming business discussed. April 2 was picked for the Spring Clean-Up date from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. with a rain date of April 9. All grave blankets and Christmas flower arrangements need to be removed before that time. Volunteers will remove blankets and weathered flower arrangements on the 2nd.

Mowing crews will begin shortly and will need to have a clear area around all monuments for grass cutting and trimming. The board asks the public's help with keeping the cemetery clean.

MISSING

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a.m. after several hours of planning a conservation officer went into the water and was able to hook a tow cable to the vehicle. Even though he was touching the vehicle he could not tell if it was Wanda's vehicle or if she was in it. Craney's Wrecker Service slowly winched the vehicle approximately 540 feet to the Shoals boat ramp. Once at the ramp investigators located a body of a female inside.

An autopsy was performed Tuesday evening and the Martin County Coroner's

Office decided to have a forensic dental comparison conducted to verify the identity of the body. Last Thursday, the Martin County Coroner's Office verified that the body in the car was in fact that of Wanda Mae Warren, 57, of Loogootee.

"This investigation was a cooperative effort amongst several agencies," said Chief, Kelly Rayhill, of the Loogootee Police Department. "It is unfortunate that she was found like this but hopefully the family can now have some closure."



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**Bridge replacement on 231** -Photos by Joshua Hughett

Recently, many residents have noticed work being done on Hwy. 231 near Whitfield. According to Cher Goodwin, media representative for INDOT, a bridge is being replaced over Friends Creek. Crews are building a runaround, or new roads around the bridge, in order to prevent traffic being stopped while the bridge is replaced. Motorists will still be able to travel past the worksite without delays. The work is being performed by CLR, Inc. out of Vincennes for \$3.1 million.



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Martin County Sheriff's Department log

Tuesday, March 22

7:29 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Shoals. The subject was transported to Bedford Regional Medical Center.

10:52 a.m. - A female caller reported a property dispute with her ex-husband.

12:27 p.m. - Received a report of something suspicious on a subject's property on Brooks Bridge Road.

12:58 p.m. - Received information about possible drug activity.

2:00 p.m. - Received information on a controlled burn on Mill Road.

2:15 p.m. - Received a report of a possible impaired driver on U.S. 231, south of Whitfield.

2:18 p.m. - Received a call about a possible battery in Loogootee.

6:50 p.m. - Received a report of a possible impaired driver on U.S. 231, northbound from Emmons Cemetery Road area

6:59 p.m. - Received a report of mail tampering.

8:03 p.m. - Received a report from a parent that a juvenile had been struck by a vehicle earlier in the day at the skate park in Loogootee.

9:22 p.m. - Received a report of a missing child on U.S. 231, north of Loogootee. The child was located just a short time later.

Wednesday, March 23

1:42 a.m. - Received a report of a possible prowler at a residence just west of Loogootee. Daviess County Sheriff's Department was contacted.

4:03 a.m. - Received a request to observe for a stolen vehicle from Jasper.

3:37 p.m. - Received a report of a speeding and reckless vehicle on U.S. 50, westbound from Warren's Curve.

4:28 p.m. - Received a request for a vehicle check on Brooks Bridge Road.

4:48 p.m. - Received a call about possible stolen property.

5:01 p.m. - A female caller reported four-wheelers racing on S.R. 550.

6:09 p.m. - Received a report of a juvenile speeding on a four-wheeler in Shoals.

8:00 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Shoals. The subject was transported to Bedford Regional Medical Center.

8:28 p.m. - Received a report of a power outage on Tripp Road.

Unknown time - A report was received of several branches and limbs on U.S. 50, west of the Martin State Forest.

8:59 p.m. - Received a call regarding custody issues.

10:12 p.m. - Received a report of a battery on East River Road.

Thursday, March 24

8:47 a.m. - Received a commercial burglar alarm in Loogootee. Loogootee Police Department was notified.

7:05 p.m. - Received several calls about a stranded semi on U.S. 231, at Farlan. Daviess County was contacted.

Friday, March 25

9:24 a.m. - Received a report of trash thrown along S.R. 450.

10:25 a.m. - A female call from Shoals report harassment by a neighbor.

11:30 a.m. - Received a report of a tree hanging over the roadway on S.R. 450, near Hickory Ridge Hill.

1:10 p.m. - A male subject came on station to report a property dispute.

2:28 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

3:30 p.m. - Received a report of a strong odor of anhydrous just north of Haysville.

4:00 p.m. - Received a report of a missing dog from Jackman Hill Road.

4:02 p.m. - Received a report of a viola-

tion of a protective order.

6:25 p.m. - A female came on station to speak with an officer in reference to a child custody issue.

7:12 p.m. - A male caller requested to speak to an officer about a dispute with a neighbor.

10:50 p.m. - Received a report of a suspicious vehicle in Shoals.

Saturday, March 26

12:05 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. No transport was necessary.

12:10 a.m. - Received a report of a possible impaired driver on U.S. 231, north of Haysville.

11:30 a.m. - A caller requested assistance locating a juvenile last seen riding a bicycle on U.S. 150.

1:20 p.m. - Received a report of a possible impaired driver on U.S. 50, eastbound from Loogootee.

4:17 p.m. - Received a report of tires dumped on the roadway on Anderson Road.

4:37 p.m. - Received a report of individuals on U.S. 231, south of Loogootee, picking up firewood and possibly being a traffic hazard.

5:07 p.m. - Received a call about dogs that have been left behind and uncared for on Swamp Lake Road.

8:12 p.m. - Received a report of a theft.

Sunday, March 27

9:48 a.m. - Received a request for assis-

tance from the ambulance for a subject that had fallen in Loogootee. No transport was necessary.

5:35 p.m. - Received a report of telephone harassment.

5:40 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance on U.S. 231, south of Loogootee. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

6:50 p.m. - Received a report of stolen property from a rental property in Shoals.

Monday, March 28

4:56 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance at Loogootee Nursing Center. The patient was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

11:00 a.m. - Received a report of a possible trespasser.

11:30 a.m. - Received a report of mailbox vandalism Windom Road.

11:57 a.m. - Received a request for extra patrol.

2:07 p.m. - Received a report of mailbox vandalism on Spring Hill Road.

2:17 p.m. - Received a report of a possible impaired driver headed north on U.S. 231 from the U.S. 50 junction.

2:53 p.m. - Received a report of a possible impaired driver on U.S. 50, eastbound from half mile curve.

4:42 p.m. - Received a report of a stolen purse.

5:35 p.m. - Received several calls about a possible impaired driver southbound on U.S. 231, headed into Loogootee city limits.

6:01 p.m. - Received a report of a vehicle that is a possible traffic hazard on Lynwood Street in Shoals.

6:05 p.m. - Received a call about the possible impaired driver at 5:35 p.m. now being located on U.S. 150.

9:18 p.m. - A female caller reported a reckless driver in a semi now stopped at the Marathon in Loogootee.

10:27 p.m. - Received a report of possible prowlers at a residence in Shoals.

11:38 p.m. - Received a commercial burglar alarm in Shoals.

Tuesday, March 29

2:04 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Shoals. No transport was necessary.

7:23 a.m. - A male caller reported unauthorized control of his vehicle.

10:00 a.m. - Received a call from Shoals School Corporation, requesting an officer for a student.

11:07 a.m. - Received a report of a controlled burn in the Martin State Forest area.

Jail bookings

Wednesday, March 23

4:45 p.m. - Derek Mattingly, 22, of Loogootee, was arrested and charged with operating a vehicle while intoxicated.

Saturday, March 26

2:00 a.m. - William A. Kidwell, 31, of Shoals was arrested and charged with operating while intoxicated and possession of a legend drug.

1:48 p.m. - Judy R. Archer, 45, of Odon, was arrested on a Martin County warrant for failure to appear.

4:04 p.m. - David Bobe, 23, of Bedford, was arrested on a Martin County warrant for contempt of court.

4:59 p.m. - Timothy Norman, 44, of Shoals was arrested on a Martin County warrant for failure to appear.

11:00 p.m. - Roy Norman, 32, of Bedford, was arrested and charged with operating while intoxicated.

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Loogootee Police log

Monday, March 21

2:30 p.m. - Female caller requested to speak with an officer in regards to an item loaned to another person.

5:48 p.m. - Male caller stated several kids were riding bikes in his yard. Sgt. Norris spoke with the caller.

Tuesday, March 22

2:18 p.m. - Martin County Sheriff's Department reported a fight in process on East Main Street. This fight involved two females. Chief Deputy Tony Dant and Chief Rayhill investigated. Charges were forwarded to the Martin County Prosecutor's Office.

5:57 p.m. - Female caller reported someone burning near her residence.

8:04 p.m. - A mother called and stated her juvenile son had apparently been slightly struck by another vehicle in the city pool parking lot. Captain Akles investigated.

9:04 p.m. - A male called in a parking complaint on West Washington Street.

Wednesday, March 23

4:10 a.m. - Sgt. Norris located a red Ford Explorer that had been reported stolen from Jasper. A traffic stop was conducted. A male with a thin build fled the scene and was not located.

9:08 a.m. - A transient voucher was completed for gas and food.

10:40 a.m. - A female called and stated someone was burning something near Bloomfield Road.

4:52 p.m. - Male caller reported suspicious activity on North Line Street.

Thursday, March 24

12:45 a.m. - Male caller stated he had kicked out his girlfriend from his residence and did not want any more problems from her.

8:49 a.m. - Martin County Sheriff's Department reported a panic alarm activated at a local business. Chief Rayhill responded and everything was fine.

9:34 a.m. - Male caller reported a potbelly pig loose. A citation was given.

11:46 a.m. - Received a report of a loose dog getting into trash near Truelove Drive.

11:41 a.m. - A female reported being battered by a male the previous night. Chief Rayhill completed a case report.

5:32 p.m. - Received a report of a loose dog on Walker Street.

6:05 p.m. - Mike Hopkins, of Loogootee, reported one of his tires had been slashed. Captain Akles responded.

Jasper ISP Post reports February enforcement activity

The Indiana State Police had the following enforcement activity for February 2011. The Jasper State Police Post covers Crawford, Daviess, Dubois, Martin, Orange, Perry, and Spencer Counties.

Traffic Arrests (tickets) - 630
Warnings - 1,704

Commercial Motor Vehicle moving arrests - 14

DUI Arrests - 13

Total Criminal Arrests - 105

The Indiana State Police would like to encourage people to report illegal drug activity to the Methamphetamine Hotline at 800-453-4756, the Marijuana Tip Line at 888-873-1694, or the Jasper Post at 812-482-1441 or 800-742-7475. Remember if you wish to stay anonymous you can.

Accident report

Saturday, March 26

6:37 p.m. - Lacey N. Holmes, 22, of Odon, was traveling east on U.S. 150 near Natchez, in a silver 2003 Oldsmobile Alero when she lost control of the vehicle and spun 180 degrees before sliding off the edge of the roadway and flipping over into a ditch. The investigating officer was Deputy Joshua Greene.

Martin County Court News

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

CRIMINAL COURT

New Charges Filed

March 14

David S. Lents, invasion of privacy, a Class A Misdemeanor.

CRIMINAL CONVICTIONS AND SENTENCING

February 25

David R. Espie, convicted of operating a vehicle while intoxicated, a Class C Misdemeanor. Sentenced to serve 60 days in the Martin County Security Center with credit for time served. Court suspends 58 days including one day served and day for day good time credit for each day of actual incarceration. Defendant received one year probation.

Shane D. Norrell, convicted of operating a vehicle with a schedule I or II controlled substance or its metabolite in the body, a Class C Misdemeanor. Sentenced to serve 60 days in the Martin County Security Center with 56 days suspended including credit for two days previously served and day for day good time credit for each day of actual incarceration. Defendant received 8 months of probation.

February 28

Jared Wayne Welker, convicted of possession of marijuana under 30 grams, a Class A Misdemeanor. Sentenced to serve 14 days in the Martin County Security Center with zero days suspended including credit for two days previously served and day for day good time credit for each day of actual incarceration. Defendant received no probation.

Rodney Neil Finch, convicted of operating a vehicle with a blood alcohol content of .15 or more, a Class A Misdemeanor. Sentenced to serve 365 days in the Martin County Security Center with 361 days suspended including credit for two days previously served and day for day good time credit for each day of actual incarceration. Defendant received no probation.

March 1

Frank L. Fields, convicted of operating a vehicle with a blood alcohol content of .08 or more, a Class C Misdemeanor. Sentenced to serve 365 days in the Martin County Security Center with credit for time served. Court suspends 361 days including credit for two days previously served and day for day good time credit for each day of actual incarceration. Defendant received 12 months of probation.

March 3

Tina I. Turpin, convicted of operating a vehicle with a schedule I or II controlled substance or its metabolite in the body, a Class C Misdemeanor. Sentenced to serve 60 days in the Martin County Security Center with credit for time served. Court suspends 54 days including credit for three days previously served and day for day good time credit for each day of actual incarceration. Defendant received 12 months of probation.

March 4

John M. Seals, convicted of operating a vehicle with a blood alcohol content of .15 or more, a Class A Misdemeanor. Sentenced to serve 361 days in the Martin County Security Center with credit for time served. Court suspends 359 days including credit for three days previously served and day for day good time credit for each day of actual incarceration. Defendant received 11 months of probation.

March 7

Barbara J. Sanders, convicted of public intoxication, a Class B Misdemeanor. Sentenced to serve 14 days in the Martin County Security Center with credit for time served with zero days suspended including credit for seven days previously served and day for day good time credit for each day of actual incarceration.

March 9

Courtney R. Matthews, convicted of operating a vehicle with a blood alcohol con-

tent of .15 or more, a Class A Misdemeanor. Sentenced to serve 365 days in the Martin County Security Center with credit for time served. Court suspends 363 days including credit for 1 day previously served and day for day good time credit for each day of actual incarceration.

March 16

Joseph L. Campbell, convicted of possession of methamphetamine, a Class D Felony. Sentenced to serve 1.5 years in the Martin County Security Center with credit for time served and remainder of sentence suspended. Defendant received 15 months of probation.

Alan C. Moorhead, convicted of battery resulting in bodily injury, a Class A Misdemeanor and judgment of conviction as a Class A Misdemeanor. Sentenced on both counts to serve 365 days in the Martin County Security Center with 275 days suspended and credit for 90 actual days previously served and day for day good time credit for each day of actual incarceration. Defendant received 8 months of probation.

March 17

Jacob E. Jones, convicted of intimidation, a Class A Misdemeanor. Sentenced to serve 365 days in the Martin County Security Center with credit for time served. Court suspends 307 days including credit for 58 actual days served. Defendant received one year probation.

CRIMINAL CHARGES DISMISSED

February 24

Adam L. Sermersheim, driving while suspended, a Class A Misdemeanor, dismissed.

Dianna L. Freeman, invasion of privacy, a Class A Misdemeanor, dismissed.

February 28

Rodney Neil Finch, failure to stop after accident resulting in non-vehicle damage, a Class B Misdemeanor, dismissed.

March 3

Tina I. Turpin, operating a vehicle without ever being licensed, a Class C Misdemeanor, dismissed.

March 7

Barbara J. Sanders, operating a vehicle while intoxicated with prior OWI within five years, a Class D Felony, dismissed; operating a vehicle while intoxicated with refusal to submit to test, a Class D Felony, dismissed; operating a vehicle while intoxicated, a Class C Misdemeanor, dismissed; resisting law enforcement, a Class A Misdemeanor, dismissed; disorderly conduct, a Class B Misdemeanor, dismissed.

March 9

Joshua A. Phillips, driving while suspended, a Class A Misdemeanor, dismissed.

March 10

Charles P. Davis, illegal consumption of alcoholic beverage, a Class C Misdemeanor, dismissed.

March 15

Michael P. Cundiff, child molesting, a Class A Felony, dismissed.

March 16

Joseph L. Campbell, possession of a switchblade knife, a Class B Misdemeanor, dismissed; maintaining a common nuisance, a Class D Felony, dismissed; dealing in methamphetamine, a Class A Felony, dismissed; visiting a common nuisance, a Class B Misdemeanor, dismissed.

CIVIL COURT

New Suits Filed

March 18

GE Money Bank vs. Latrisha McKibben, civil collection.

CIVIL COURT JUDGMENTS

March 21

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Discover Bank and against the defendant Carla Besaw in the amount of \$1,464.84.

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff The Bank of New York Mellon and against the defendant Aleva Lucas in the amount of \$97,731.78.

March 24

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Discover Bank and against the defendant Clara Smith in the amount of \$16,029.07.

SMALL CLAIMS COURT

New Suit Filed

March 17

David S. Holt vs. Phillip S. Gabhart, complaint.

SMALL CLAIMS JUDGMENTS

March 16

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff James Hart and against the defendant Direct TV Office of General Counsel in the amount of \$449.

March 21

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Heather L. Kidwell and against the defendant Jason L. Moffitt in the amount of \$2,747.26.

March 24

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Shirley Gibson and against the defendants Rory and Charlotte Browder in the amount of \$776.

TRAFFIC TICKETS PAID

March 16 - March 22

Dylan Baker, Paoli, speeding 73 in a 50, \$124.

Greg Baugh, Evansville, speeding 65 in a 50, \$119.

Paul Scheuer, North Vernon, speeding 65 in a 50; alteration by local authority; school, \$119.

Ricky Slough, Worthington, Kentucky, speeding 69 in a 55, \$119.

Shawn Smith, Owensboro, Kentucky, speeding 70 in a 45, \$124.

Eric Temple, Jasper, speeding 70 in a 55, \$119.

Rodger Wilson, Owensboro, Kentucky, speeding 65 in a 50, \$119.

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Martin County real estate transfers

Mary J. Hovis and Delbert J. Howell, of Martin County, Indiana to **Kenneth R. Boyd**, of Martin County, Indiana, Lot Number 213 in Daugherty's Addition to the Town, of West Shoals, now Shoals, Indiana. Except a strip of 10 feet wide of even width off of the North and thereof, subject to right of way of U.S. Hwy. 50.

Frank L. Fields and Pam Fields (also known as Pamela S. Fields), of Hendricks County, Indiana to **Frank L. Fields and Pamela S. Fields**, of Hendricks County, Indiana, the west half of the Southeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of Section 36, Township 3 North, Range 4 West. Also 8.5 acres being a part of the Southwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of Section 36, Township 3 North, Range 4 West. Also a strip of land 7 rods wide and of even width off of the east side of the Southwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of Section 36, Township 3 North, Range 4 West, containing 3.25 acres, more or less. Also, a part of the Northeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of said Section 36, Township 3 North, Range 4 West, containing one acre, more or less. Also, a part of the Southwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of Section 36, Township 3 North, Range 4 West, containing 18 acres, more or less except 2 acres off of the north end thereof that lies in the bottom heretofore deeded to Thomas Gormerly. Also except therefrom a part of the Northeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter as a part of the west half of the Southeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of Section 36, Township 3 North, Range 4 West, and containing 15.968 acres, more or less. Also, a part of the Northeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of Section 38, Township 3 North, Range 4 West, Martin County, Indiana, and containing 1.630 acres, more or less.

Robert C. Jerstad, Michael K. Jerstad, Janet Jerstad Ellert, and Susan H. Guerretaz to **Tim Moffatt and Bill Moffatt**, a part of the Southeast Quarter of Section 4, Township 2 North, Range 3 West, containing 25 acres, more or less.

Randall J. Yoder, of Daviess County, Indiana to **John L. Zehr and Ruth A. Zehr**, of Daviess County, Indiana, the southeast part of the Southeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of Section 24, Township 3 North, Range 5 West, containing fifty hundredths of an acre.

Village Apartments of Shoals, L.P. to Wilson Drive, LLC, part of the south half of the Northwest Quarter of Section 29, Township 3 North, Range 3 West, Martin County, Indiana, containing 1.514 acres, more or less.

Harold Gene Parsons and Ina Louise Parsons, of Martin County, Indiana to **Harold Gene Parsons and Ina Louise Parsons**, of Martin County, Indiana, the north one-half of the Southeast Quarter, except 20 acres of even width off the east side thereof, 60 acres and all the Northeast Quarter lying south of Barn Run Creek, 90 acres, all in Section 33, Township 2 North, Range 4 West.

Woman arrested for stealing \$22,000

On Wednesday, March 23 at approximately 11 a.m., the Indiana State Police arrested a Huntingburg woman for stealing more than \$22,000 from the Indiana Fukang Fur Corporation.

On February 3, the Indiana State Police Criminal Investigation Division launched a criminal investigation after receiving information that Crystal D. White, 33, Huntingburg had allegedly misappropriated approximately \$22,000 of the company's funds.

According to the investigation Crystal had office responsibilities with the company and wrote six company checks to herself without the approval of the company.

Throughout the course of the investigation Detective Troy Fischer was able to obtain enough information for the Dubois Superior Court to issue an arrest warrant for theft for her arrest.

Today shortly after 11 a.m., Trooper Phil Hensley went to Crystal's residence and served the arrest warrant. Crystal was taken into custody without incident and transported to the Dubois County Jail. She is charged with theft, a Class D Felony.

sons, of Martin County, Indiana; Tract I: a part of the Northwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of Section 19, Township 2 North, Range 4 West, containing 2 acres, more or less. Tract II: a part of the Northwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of Section 19, Township 2 North, Range 4 West, containing 6 acres, more or less. Tract III: part of the Southwest Quarter of Section 33, Township 2 North, Range 4 West, containing 100 acres, more or less. Also, the Southeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of Section 33, Township 2 North, Range 4 West, containing 40 acres, more or less. Also, the north part of the Southeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of Section 5, Township 1 North, Range 4 West, containing 2 acres, more or less. Also, the Northeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of Section 5, Township 1 North, Range 4 West, containing 40 acres, more or less. Also, the south part of the Southeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of Section 32, Township 2 North, Range 4 West, containing 30 acres, more or less. Also, the southwest corner of the Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 33, Township 2 North, Range 4 West, containing 21 acres, more or less. Also, the west one half of the Northwest Quarter of Section 33, Township 2 North, Range 4 West, containing 80 acres, more or less. Containing in all of Tract III, 313 acres, more or less.

Harold Gene Parsons, of Martin County, Indiana to **Vicki Lee Dills, trustee of the Harold G. Parsons, Sr. and Ina Louise Parsons Irrevocable Trust**, of Martin County, Indiana, Tract I: a part of the Northwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of Section 19, Township 2 North, Range 4 West, containing 2 acres, more or less. Tract II: a part of the Northwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of Section 19, Township 2 North, Range 4 West, containing 6 acres, more or less. Tract III: part of the Southwest Quarter of Section 33, Township 2 North, Range 4 West, containing 100 acres, more or less. Also, the Southeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of Section 33, Township 2 North, Range 4 West, containing 40 acres, more or less. Also, the north part of the Southeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of Section 5, Township 1 North, Range 4 West, containing 2 acres, more or less. Also, the Northeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of Section 5, Township 1 North, Range 4 West, containing 40 acres, more or less. Also, the south part of the Southeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of Section 32, Township 2 North, Range 4 West, containing 30 acres, more or less. Also, the southwest corner of the Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 33, Township 2 North,

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Ina Louise Parsons, of Martin County, Indiana to **Vicki Lee Dills, trustee of the Harold G. Parsons and Ina Louise Parsons Irrevocable Trust**, of Martin County, Indiana, Tract I: a part of the Northwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of Section 19, Township 2 North, Range 4 West, containing 2 acres, more or less. Tract II: a part of the Northwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of Section 19, Township 2 North, Range 4 West, containing 6 acres, more or less. Tract III: part of the Southwest Quarter of Section 33, Township 2 North, Range 4 West, containing 100 acres, more or less. Also, the Southeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of Section 33 Township 2 North, Range 4 West, containing 40 acres, more or less. Also, the north part of the Southeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of Section 5, Township 1 North, Range 4 West, containing 2 acres, more or less. Also, the Northeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of Section 5, Township 1 North, Range 4 West, containing 40 acres, more or less. Also, the south part of the Southeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of Section 32, Township 2 North, Range 4 West, containing 30 acres, more or less. Also, the northwest corner of the Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 33, Township 2 North, Range 4 West, containing 21 acres, more or less. Also, the west one-half of the Northwest Quarter of Section 33, Township 2 North, Range 4 West, containing 80 acres, more or less. Containing in all of Tract III, 313 acres, more or less.

Harold G. Parsons and Ina L. Parsons, of Martin County, Indiana to **Harold Gene Parsons and Ina Louise Parsons**, of Martin County, Indiana, the north one-half of the Southeast Quarter, except 20 acres of even width off the east side thereof, 60 acres and all the Northeast Quarter lying south of Barn Run Creek, 90 acres, all in Section 33, Township 2 North, Range 4 West.

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Ina Louise Parsons, of Martin County, In-

diana to **Vicki Lee Dills, trustee of the Harold G. Parsons and Ina Louise Parsons Irrevocable Trust**, of Martin County, Indiana, the north one-half of the Southeast Quarter, except 20 acres of even width off the east side thereof, 60 acres and all the Northeast Quarter lying south of Barn Run Creek, 90 acres, all in Section 33, Township 2 North, Range 4 West.

Kevin L. Winger, of Martin County, Indiana to **Kevin L. Winger and Tina Rose Winger**, of Martin County, Indiana, part of the Southwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of Section 8, Township 3 North, Range 4 West, containing 25 acres, more or less.

Wanda Hellums, of Martin County, Indiana to **Sheryl Hellums**, of Martin County, Indiana, 45 feet off of the west end of Lots Numbered 7, 8, and 9 in J.P. Arvin's Addition to Loogootee, Indiana.

Wanda M. Hellums, of Martin County, Indiana to **Sheryl Hellums**, of Martin County, Indiana, a part of the southeast corner of the Northeast Quarter of Section 24, Township 3 North, Range 5 West.

Wanda M. Hellums, of Martin County, Indiana to **Mark D. Hellums and Tracy Stoll**, of Martin County, Indiana, a part of the southeast corner of the Northeast Quarter of Section 24, Township 3 North, Range 5 West.

Roger W. Roller, of Martin County, Indiana to **Dale R. Condra**, of Martin County, Indiana, a part of the Northeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of Section 19, Township 3 North, Range 4 West, containing .46 acre, more or less.

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Week in Review at the Indiana General Assembly

The State Senate continues to move forward with legislative business while the House of Representatives is still at an impasse. As the House Democrats' protest over anti-worker and anti-public school legislation continues to stall House legislative action due to their absence, rallies at the Statehouse draw hundreds of workers and teachers to voice their opposition to those measures.

In an unusual move by the Republican-led Senate, members have begun a chaotic schedule of bill hearings in committees. Senate committee chairs have started to amend multiple bills into one bill and allow House members to participate during the discussion. On Wednesday, the Senate Health and Provider Services Committee considered combining ten different bills into one bill. Senate Democrats expressed concerns that these decisions will add confusion and chaos to the legislative process and hinder the public's ability to participate. Hoosiers have the greatest opportunity to express their views and concerns on pending legislation during committee deliberations.

Much still depends on whether a compromise can be reached in the House that will bring House Democrats back. The following brief summary highlights recent action taken on legislation by the Senate and other Statehouse activities.

State budget now under Senate consideration

The Senate Appropriations Committee has begun its review of the state budget, which will provide funding for state government services for July 1, 2011 through June 30, 2013. As a starting point, members began last week considering the version of House Bill (HB) 1001 that passed the House Ways and Means Committee earlier this session, which has yet to be approved by the full House. In a second meeting, the Superintendent of Public Instruction provided testimony on the major components of his and the governor's education reform agenda. The largest percentage of the state budget goes toward K-12 school funding. The committee also heard presentations from the Commission for Higher Education, State Student Assistance Commission and the Horse Racing Commission. Budget hearings will continue this week.

In addition, the committee received testimony and approved HB 1002, which would allow for the creation of additional charter schools around the state. Charter schools are publicly-funded schools that operate outside the jurisdiction of a school corporation and under different state regulations. Several changes already made to the bill include one that would allow for the conversion of a public school to a charter school if either the school board votes in favor of the conversion or if 51 percent of the parents as well as 51 percent of the teachers sign a petition requesting the conversion. Another change removed language that would allow the mayors of second class cities to sponsor charter schools. The bill now advances to the full Senate for its consideration.

Other education issues under review

The Senate Education and Career Development Committee considered several bills including HB 1341. Another form of school vouchers, this legislation includes a plan to use public funds for tuition at private

schools for special education students. HB 1369 was also reviewed which pertains to merit pay for school administrators and would eliminate the requirement that superintendents hold a teacher's or superintendent's license. In addition, the bill would repeal a requirement that a county superintendent of schools must have five years of successful teaching experience and hold a superintendent's license. Both bills are still under consideration by the committee.

Smoking ban

Legislation which includes a proposed statewide smoking ban received a hearing in the Senate Public Policy Committee. Specifically HB 1018 would ban smoking in public places and in enclosed areas at work. As amended by the House, casinos, bars, nursing homes and fraternal clubs would be exempt from the smoking prohibition. Testimony revealed that Indiana is the only Midwest state that has yet to enact some sort of statewide smoke-free legislation. The committee will continue its review of the bill.

Sentencing overhaul bill in trouble

The governor announced that he will veto a bill aimed at reforming Indiana's criminal sentencing laws if approved in its current form. The original proposal, authored by Senator Lindel Hume, is a result of a year-long study conducted by the Pew Center on the States and the Council of State Governments, in response to the fact that over the past eight years Indiana's prison population grew at a rate three times faster than neighboring states, due in part to lengthy prison sentences. SB 561 in its original form would have saved money and lessened the need for new prisons by reducing sentences for low-level, nonviolent drug offenders. However, the bill now includes an amendment pushed by prosecutors to require those convicted of more severe crimes to serve at least 85 percent of their sentence behind bars. These prisoners are the most expensive for the state to maintain. According to the Indiana Department of Correction, the maximum-security inmate population today is 8,493. Under the amended bill, by 2045, that population would increase by 15,227 prisoners and require new prisons to be built.

Bills signed into law

The governor recently signed several more bills into law including HEA 1133, which provides that an agritourism provider is not liable for the injury or death of a participant if the cause is an inherent risk of the activity. The new law requires warning signs to be posted and a warning notice be included in any contracts signed by participants. Another new law, HEA 1251, requires the Indiana Economic Development Corporation to establish a young entrepreneurs program to promote the business proposals of students in entrepreneurial programs at state universities. In addition, the program must include at least one auction per year in which communities bid for the opportunity to locate a young entrepreneur's start-up business in a particular community.

Upcoming deadlines

April 8 - Deadline for Senate committee hearings on House bills

April 15 - Deadline for Senate to consider House bills

April 29 - By law, session must conclude business and adjourn by midnight

The Messmer Report

By District 63 State Representative
Mark Messmer



Exercising our commitment to Hoosiers
In what is now the fifth week of the House Democrats' strike, the legislators that faithfully show up to work every day to perform the people's business have been able to make good on the announcement made by the House and Senate leaders last week and work together to make progress on pending legislation. Working with our legislative colleagues in the Senate, the House has begun committee hearings on bills that are coming over to us from the Senate. No votes can be taken on any of the bills until my Democrat colleagues return, but we are at least able to receive public input and testimony on these bills and discuss them at some length.

I am sponsoring one of the Senate Bills assigned to a House committee that would bring about cost savings for government agencies. Senate Bill 533 makes changes to design-build projects undertaken by state agencies, which are projects in which a single contractor designs and constructs the projects.

Current law requires a multi-step process that state agencies must follow in which the agency must create a committee to find qualified contractors for the project and select at least three after rating and scoring the contractors and reviewing their bids. After the committee selects three contractors, the agency must then send a request to each contractor for proposed designs for the project. Each contractor must then submit, in two parts, a proposal containing specific items that the agency will then review.

This is a long process for an agency to go through, and it creates added costs for the

agency and for those bidding on them. SB 533 streamlines the process for design-build projects that will cost less than \$1 million by combining steps and adjusting other requirements. Through shortening this process, our public schools, local governments, and other state agencies will all be able to save some money on these projects. Historical data shows that most projects can see a five to 10 percent overall savings using the design-build process.

Many of the bills that we were able to pass in the House before the Democrat walkout began have also been able to progress through the Senate these past few weeks. Six bills that began in the House have already made it through the Senate and signed into law by the governor. One of my bills, House Bill 1297, was unanimously accepted by a Senate committee and now goes to the Senate floor. HB 1297 allows more financial institutions to hold public deposits without any added risk by changing the requirements of financial institutions and how or if they are able to hold public deposits of the state.

I am greatly pleased that we have been able to continue the people's business in at least a limited fashion despite the House Democrats' unwillingness to work. However, I hope that they return soon, because our constitutional obligations to enact a state budget and draw new legislative districts are approaching quickly. By them not returning, they are pushing us closer and closer to a costly special session. I can only hope that my Democrat colleagues will soon come to their senses, end their strike, and return to do the work they were elected to do.

State welcomes hundreds of defense contractors

The Indiana Economic Development Corporation, together with the South Central Indiana regional economic development group, Radius, participated in Crane Division, Naval Surface Warfare Center's (NSWC Crane) Advance Planning Briefings for Industry 2011 this week to recruit more business for Indiana's defense industry.

The event, which was expected to bring more than 450 defense industry leaders from across the country, provided the private sector and academic institutions with information on future NSWC Crane technology efforts and ways to do business with NSWC Crane. NSWC Crane directly employs nearly 3,000 people in southern Indiana and pumps \$2 million a day into the state's economy.

"Indiana's defense industry employs thousands of Hoosiers, not only in southern Indiana, but throughout the state and our efforts this week will be on growing that number through new and expanded relationships with some of the industry's top firms," said Mitch Roob, Secretary of Commerce and chief executive officer of the Indiana Economic Development Corporation.

The IEDC and Radius Indiana delivered

opening remarks at a networking reception this evening. The conference continued yesterday with presentations from NSWC Crane senior leadership. Representatives from companies including General Dynamics, Raytheon, Lockheed Martin, URS and SAIC attended the two-day event.

Indiana is home to a \$6.6 billion defense contracting industry that employs thousands of Hoosiers across the state. Just last month, Gryphon Technologies, an engineering and technical services firm, announced plans to expand its operations in Bloomington, creating up to 60 new jobs by 2013. Last fall, MDV, a grocery distributor for military commissaries, announced plans to invest \$10.6 million to locate a new operation in Bloomington, creating up to 100 new jobs by 2014. The company will supply Indiana commissaries, including NSWC Crane.

About IEDC

Created by Governor Mitch Daniels in 2005 to replace the former Department of Commerce, the Indiana Economic Development Corporation is governed by a 12-member board chaired by Governor Daniels. Mitch Roob serves as the chief executive officer of the IEDC. For more information about IEDC, visit www.iedc.in.gov.

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Public input sought on short, long-term transportation plans

The Indiana Department of Transportation (INDOT) is seeking public input on Indiana's draft Statewide Transportation Improvement Plan and draft Long Range Transportation Plan.

The public and stakeholders are invited to learn more about, and participate in, the short- and long-term transportation planning process at two weeks of regional open houses being held across the state. The open houses are informal, and citizens are invited to show up at any time to speak with INDOT planners one-on-one or have public comments be included in the official record. Open house locations and hours are listed in local times below:

-East Central Indiana: 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. on Tuesday, March 29, at INDOT's Greenfield District Administration Building, 32 South Broadway Street, Greenfield, Indiana.

-Northwest Indiana: 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. on Tuesday, April 5 at INDOT's LaPorte District Office, 315 East Boyd Blvd, LaPorte, Indiana.

-Southeast Indiana: 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. on Thursday, April 7, at INDOT's Seymour District Office, 185 Agrico Lane, Seymour, Ind.

-Southwest Indiana: 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. on Friday, April 8 at INDOT's Vincennes Sub-District Office, 3650 South U.S. Highway 41, Vincennes, Indiana.

-Northeast Indiana: 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. on Monday, April 11 at INDOT's Fort

Wayne Sub-District Office, Conference Room A-B, 5333 Hatfield Road, Fort Wayne, Indiana.

-West Central Indiana: 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. on Wednesday, April 13 at North Montgomery High School, 5945 North U.S. Highway 231, Crawfordsville, Indiana.

Citizens can also review the draft documents and submit written comments through INDOT's website. The draft Statewide Transportation Improvement Program is posted at <http://indot.IN.gov/2926.htm>, while the draft Long Range Transportation Plan will be posted to <http://www.in.gov/indot/div/2035LongRangePlan.htm>. A 30-day public comment period is one of several public involvement steps in developing and finalizing short- and long-range transportation plans.

INDOT is adopting a more flexible and opportunistic planning approach by identifying transportation needs in the timeframe that capital improvement projects can be developed.

Short- and long-range transportation planning is designed to support the state's economy and environment by selecting the most context appropriate transportation solutions for moving people and freight.

Public involvement in the planning process is essential both to determine citizens' transportation priorities and to develop an accountable, efficient transportation system.

Senate Democrats launch redistricting website

Senate Democrats have launched a redistricting website to encourage constituent participation in the redrawing of legislative and congressional district maps. The site focuses on public access and visitor interactivity. Senate Democrats hope that by encouraging public access to redistricting information and seeking public input, they may preserve Hoosiers' best interests and lend accountability to the redistricting process.

At www.SenateDemocrats.IN.gov/redistricting.htm, constituents can learn about the redistricting process and share their thoughts and opinions on how new maps could affect their representation. The new site also provides access to interactive Census maps, Indiana's 2010 Census data and the state's current district maps.

The state has also established three locations where the public can access mapmaking software and Census data to draw their own district maps. On the campuses of Indiana University-Bloomington, Indiana University-South Bend and Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis, members of the public can design their own proposals to share with legislators.

State Senator Tim Lanane (D-Anderson), the Democrat lead in the redistricting effort, says public input is vital in informing legislators how districts can best serve Hoosiers' needs. "Every resident of Indiana is affected by state and federal laws, and they deserve to have representatives in Indianapolis and Washington who truly represent their interests and their community," Sen. Lanane said. "Local perspective is what will make this the most effective process in protecting voter interests."

Each of the four caucuses in the General Assembly will review the data and propose new district maps to account for population shifts within the state. After the proposed

maps are made public, it will be imperative for Hoosiers to review the proposals and provide input on how the new maps could affect voters' rights and access. Maps drawn by this General Assembly will play a part in constituent representation for the next decade.

As this process moves forward, Senate Democrats hope to encourage public input to promote:

- Preservation of neighborhoods
- Preservation of communities of interest
- Protection of minority voters
- Compactness to ensure connection between elected officials and their constituents
- Simply shaped districts

Senate Democrat Leader Vi Simpson (D-Ellettsville) says the caucus will also continue to push for an independent commission to redraw district maps. This year, the measure contained within Senate Bill 468 did not receive a hearing in the Republican-controlled Senate Elections Committee.

"It is disappointing that Indiana has not joined so many other states to allow an independent group to develop proposals," Sen. Simpson said. "It would be a great benefit for voters if the maps were drawn with their best interests in mind, instead of protection of incumbent officials. Competitive races where voters have a real choice of candidates are best for the democratic process."

Currently 21 U.S. states have a redistricting commission that draws a plan for new district maps, advises the legislature on how to draw a plan or acts as a backup if the legislature fails to draw a plan for new maps.

For more information on the Senate Democrat Caucus visit www.SenateDemocrats.IN.gov.

Statewide effort to clean up Indiana roadways begins April 2

Warmer weather means it is time for spring cleaning in the Hoosier State - and Indiana's highways are no exception. This weekend, the Indiana Department of Transportation (INDOT), the Indiana Department of Correction (DOC) and Adopt-A-Highway groups will begin a major statewide effort to clean up Indiana's highways during Trash Bash, from April 2-24, 2011.

Each year, hundreds of tons of trash are collected, sprucing up highways in time for spring. In 2010, 11,083 bags of trash and 79.5 tons of loose debris were collected from state highways and right-of-way areas. A total of 621 Adopt-A-Highway volunteer groups logged 14,975 hours in this effort along with additional hours by available INDOT staff and DOC forces.

"We are happy to be a part of the state's annual Trash Bash effort," said Indiana Department of Correction Commissioner Bruce Lemmon. "Cleaning up Hoosier highways is one of the ways that offenders can give back to the community and turn

doing time into doing good."

INDOT encourages all Hoosiers to keep Indiana's highways clean by following these tips:

Don't litter: Set a good example for everyone, especially children. Be responsible: Carry a litter bag in your car instead of tossing trash out the window. Report it: Report areas where people have illegally dumped garbage to your local transportation, public works or conservation office. Adopt it: Individuals, families, school groups, sports teams, civic groups, scouting organizations, businesses and others are encouraged to participate in Adopt-A-Highway or other highway beautification efforts. For more information on various programs, please contact Linda Loxley at (260) 399-7338.

Motorists should be on the lookout for clean-up crews during Trash Bash. When drivers encounter a work crew they should slow down and remain alert for changing traffic patterns.

Martin County Commissioners take care of bi-weekly business

Minutes provided by Auditor Nancy Steiner

The Martin County Commissioners met Tuesday, March 22.

Michelle Carrico representing SIDC opened the sealed request for quotes (RFQ) and request for proposals (RFP) for the grant for the fire station in Lost River Township. There were four statements of qualifications: DLZ, Inc., RQAW, Schroeder & Associates., and Midwestern Engineers. The only RFP for grant administration was from SIDC. An evaluation committee consisting of one commissioner and two other persons will need to be formed. The commissioners voted to take

the RFQ's under advisement and to accept SIDC as the grant administrator upon the awardment of the grant.

Clerk Julie Fithian, along with Chet Klene of Eagle Accounts Group, explained the advantages of hiring his company to collect the past due docket fees for a percentage of collections. It was decided to approve hiring this company to collect only delinquent child support monies. Currently, this company is servicing 32 counties in Indiana.

EMS/Civil Defense Director Monty Wolf told of the weather spotting class to be held Thursday at the learning center. He said he would be meeting with WTH on Thursday and would check if they can implement a flooding overlay on county maps. Director Wolf will be attending the annual state meeting April 19.

Sheriff Rob Street provided a revised contract with SRI, Inc. to conduct the sheriff's sales. The commissioners approved the contract. Sheriff Street also reported he is trying to get ten to twelve department of corrections inmates.

Judge Lynne Ellis came before the board with estimates for insulating her office against noise. The commissioners voted to go with the lower estimate.

After the second reading Ordinance 2011-04, the Dog Control Ordinance was approved.

Highway Superintendent Jim Williams gave his two-week work schedule. He reported that the tractor and mower has been ordered and a delivery date is expected around June 1.

Extension Educator Jonathan Stevens reported that an Easter Egg Hunt will be held at the community building for children up to age 10 before Easter. Also, two hunter safety courses will be conducted for children in grades 3 through 12.

Where to write or call your elected officials

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Red Cross dinner-theatre fundraiser is this Saturday

The Old Northwest Territory Chapter of the American Red Cross will present "The Golden Age of Murder" dinner-theatre on April 2 at Vincennes University's Green Activities Center.

Doors will open at 5:45 p.m. (EDT) and dinner will be served at 7 p.m. A cash bar will also be available.

Tickets cost \$50 per person and include a \$35 tax-deductible donation to the American Red Cross. To order tickets, call or visit the Red Cross office, 812-882-2204, 316 Main Street, Vincennes. The proceeds will help the Red Cross provide assistance within its local service area.

The performance will feature members of the Big-Little Comedy Company of

Chicago as well as local performers Liz Clinkenbeard, Shannon Dillon, Dennis Everett, Amanda Linn, Jim McCarty, Haley Salitros, and David Skinner. The show is under the direction of Amy Conner.

About the show, "The Golden Age of Murder"

In 1935 Hollywood darling Joan Kelly is at the top of her game - beloved by millions. But her life may not be as golden as everyone thinks it is. On-screen competition, problems at home, an ex-husband, and even the mob threaten her every happiness. And when Joan winds up dead, one private investigator will pull out all the stops to discover how Joan became the star of The Golden Age of Murder.

Happenings at Vincennes University

VU Jasper Campus to host comedy hypnotist Frederick Winters

The Vincennes University Jasper Campus will host a performance by comedy hypnotist Frederick Winters on April 13, at 7 p.m. EDT, at the Jasper Arts Center. Tickets cost \$5 per person and are available at the VUJC Bookstore or at the door the night of the performance. The show is geared toward a college audience but is appropriate for all ages.

Winters started out performing hypnosis at small parties in Chicago, then later at resorts and on cruise ships. Now he performs 200 shows annually. Winters has hypnotized over 155,000 people and entertained over a million. His show will have audiences laughing from beginning to end. More information is available at www.fredrickwinters.com.

For additional information, contact Alli Baer, coordinator of Student Activities, 812-481-5941 or abaer@vinu.edu.

VU Theatre Department to present "The Tempest"

Shakespeare's classic play "The Tempest" will be presented by the Vincennes Univer-

sity Theatre Department April 14-17 at VU's Red Skelton Performing Arts Center. Show times are 7 p.m. EDT on Thursday, 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday, and 2 p.m. Sunday.

Tickets cost \$7 for adults and \$5 for non-VU students and may be purchased in person at the Skelton Center Box Office, by phone at 812-888-4039, or online at www.vinu.edu/redskelton.

"The Tempest" is a shipwreck tale that combines themes of adventure, romance, revenge, comedy, greed, magic, and forgiveness. To add a modern twist to Shakespeare's classic, this production will borrow its setting from the television series "Lost." This show is rated G. Please, no children aged five or under.

The all-student cast includes Eric Johnson and Annalise Miller of Vincennes, Bryant Sweet of Washington, Claudia Bedwell of Robinson Illinois, Steven Dickey of Mt. Carmel Illinois, Amber Allen of Indianapolis, Jacob Wimsett of Rockville, Lauren Malone of Tell City, Tyler Smith of Velpen, Mike Gatlin of Marshall, Mark Hendershot of Nashville, Randall Goldsby of Spencer, and Evan Glassburn of Peru.

Calendar of Events

Bowling tourney for Relay team

Relay For Life Team - Crusading for a Cure will be having a nine-pin bowling tourney at Strike Zone Bowling Alley in Loogootee on Friday, April 8 at 7 pm. The cost is \$15 a person. Pre-registration is not required, but can be done by calling the bowling alley.

Walking for fitness at LUMC

Walking for fitness is held each Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday at the Loogootee United Methodist Church in the Family Center. The program will follow school weather closings. There are devotion discussions every Wednesday at 8:30. All ages are invited, and it is free. Call Sandy Hase-man at 295-9822 with any questions.

Humane society meetings

The Martin County Humane Society meets on the third Tuesday of the month at Loogootee Municipal Building, at 7 p.m. To become a member, contact Martin County Humane Society, P. O. Box 537, Shoals, Indiana 47581, call Don at 296-0952.

Youth football meetings

Martin County Youth Football League meets on the first Wednesday of the month at Pizza Junction at 7 p.m. Questions, call Audrey Robinson at 295-4773.

Recovery support group

The Overcomers Recovery Support Group meets every Tuesday night at 6 p.m. at the Martin County Community Learning

Center.

Martin County ABATE meetings

The Martin County Chapter of ABATE of Indiana meets the third Sunday of every month at 4 p.m. at Sandy's Dining Room on Main Street in Shoals.

4-H Shooting sports

The Martin County 4-H Shooting Sports will have meetings in April. Participants will be instructed on using rifles, archery, muzzleloaders, and shotguns before going to the range to try their skills. Part of the second day will also have instruction on tomahawk and atlatl (an ancient spear). Lunch will be provided each day. Everyone should dress for appropriate weather conditions. The first session is April 2 at the fairgrounds. The second session will be April 16 at the American Legion club across from the White River Co-Op on Hwy 50. Both sessions will start at 9 a.m. and last until approximately 4 p.m. Parents should plan on being there by 3:30 in case of early dismissal. For questions and to sign-up please call Jonathan Stevens at 812-295-2412.

US Route 50 Yard Sale

The 12th Annual Great US Route 50 Yard Sale will be held May 20-22. Organizers are inviting the public and businesses of Route 50 through Martin County to participate in this great coast to coast event. For more info contact Sara Hornback (Martin and Daviess Coordinator) at 812-254-0480 ext. 111 or email shornback@washtimesherald.com.

35th Annual Spirit of Vincennes Rendezvous to be held in May

One of the Midwest's premier Revolutionary War reenactments occurs Memorial Day weekend, May 28-29. The 35th Annual Spirit of Vincennes Rendezvous will take place at the French Commons adjacent to the George Rogers Clark National Historical Park. The popular event annually attracts more than 400 re-enactors along with an estimated 35,000 visitors.

Admission buttons, good for both days of the event, will be available for \$7 each at all Vincennes area financial institutions beginning May 1. Admission at the gate will be \$8 per day for adults and \$2 for children. Buttons purchased at the gate will be \$9 each.

Rendezvous hours are 9 a.m. EDT to 6 p.m. on Saturday and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday.

The Rendezvous celebrates the capture of Fort Sackville by Colonial troops and the subsequent expansion of the United States into the Northwest Territory. Visitors will experience authentic battle recreations, period clothing, foods, and lifestyles of the era. Over 100 authentic merchant and food

booths will have items for sale, and there will also be a living history encampment, children's games, and a wide variety of entertainment.

This year's Rendezvous will also feature events surrounding the War of 1812 confrontation between the Indian leader Tecumseh and future U.S. President William Henry Harrison.

A series of free candlelight tours will be available on beginning at 8 p.m. on May 27 and 28. A Friday tour will take visitors through Indiana's oldest church, the Old Cathedral. Saturday tours will take place at the Vincennes State Historic Sites, Old French House, and Grouseland - home of William Henry Harrison. For those wearing Rendezvous buttons, a free shuttle service will be available.

A Grand Ball will be held at the Vincennes State Historic Sites on Saturday beginning at 8:30 p.m.

More information is available at www.spiritofvincennes.org and the group's page on Facebook.

Want to be a Member of the Martin County Humane Society?



You can be a member of the Martin County Humane Society and never even leave your house! The humane society needs support - members can be silent or active - whichever you have the time for. If you want to help out this worthy cause print and fill out this form and mail, along with your payment, to Martin County Humane Society PO Box 537 Shoals, IN 47581. All donations are tax deductible. The minimum membership fee is \$10 but you are welcome to donate a larger amount if you can! The humane society truly appreciates your support.

Together we can make a difference!

Martin County Humane Society Membership Application

Yes, I want to become an Active Member of the Martin County Humane Society. Please call/email me at _____ if you need volunteers.

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Martin County Kindergarten registration, immunization info

SHOALS KINDERGARTEN ROUND-UP DATES

Shoals Elementary is conducting its annual search for potential kindergartners in preparation for Round-Up. The Round-Up will be held for incoming kindergartners Friday, April 8 at Shoals Elementary from 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Pre-registration is necessary for all students by April 6.

A child must be five years old on or before August 1, 2011, in order to enroll in kindergarten. All eligible children should enroll during Round-Up. Parents should attend Round-Up with their child and bring the child's birth certificate, social security card, and immunization records. Specific schedules of times for arriving at school are as follows: Last names beginning with A-I: promptly at 8:30 a.m.; J-R: promptly at 10 a.m.; and S-Z: promptly at 1 p.m. Each session will last approximately one and one-half hours. Parents are asked to please use the front parking lot (in front of the gym) and enter through the doors of the elementary school by the flagpole.

Physicals will be offered free of charge the day of the Round-Up by a family nurse practitioner. Immunizations will be given free of charge at the Martin County Health Department which is located inside the post office building in Shoals. A physical, complete immunizations, social security card, and birth certificate are all required for entry into

school.

You can pre-register your child for Round-Up via mail at 11749 Ironton Road, Shoals IN 47581, fax at 812-247-9913, or phone at 812-247-2085 on or before April 6. You need to provide the child's name and date of birth, your name, address, and phone number.

LOGOOTEER KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION DATES

Kindergarten registration will be held at Loogootee Elementary on Friday, April 8. The schedule is as follows:

- 9:30 -10:15 a.m. - Last names beginning with A-G
- 10:15-11:00 a.m. - Last names beginning with H-M
- 12:40- 1:25 p.m. - Last names beginning with N-S
- 1:25- 2:10 p.m. - Last names beginning with T-Z

Parents and children should report at the starting time for their name group. Please do not come early.

Parents will drop children off in room 103, and then proceed to the library to complete enrollment forms. While the parents are in the library, children will be screened for beginning kindergarten skills. Parents may pick their child up after they have completed the enrollment forms.

Children must be five years old by August 1, 2011 in order to register for kindergarten. Please be sure to bring a birth certificate and

shot record with you to registration. It is helpful if you can have copies made before registration; however if this is not possible we will make copies for you.

All kindergarten classes at Loogootee Elementary are all day, every day.

Parents will have the opportunity to order their child a kindergarten t-shirt during registration. Students are encouraged to wear these shirts on the first day of school. A sample shirt will be available for preview during registration, and orders will be taken at that time. The shirts are \$8, and must be paid for when ordering. Shirts may be picked up at registration in August.

Current kindergarten students will not have class on April 8. If you have any questions, you may call the Elementary West office at 295-2833.

IMMUNIZATION REQUIREMENTS FOR KINDERGARTEN AND FIRST GRADE STUDENTS

The Martin County Health Department would like to inform parents of children that will be attending kindergarten or first grade this fall (less than seven years of age) that the immunization requirements are as follows:

5 doses of diphtheria-tetanus-acellular pertussis (DTaP), diphtheria-tetanus-pertussis (DTP), or pediatric diphtheria-tetanus vaccine (DT), or 4 doses are acceptable if the 4th dose was administered on or after the 4th birthday;

4 doses of Polio by age 4-6, or three doses are acceptable if the 3rd dose was administered on or after the child's 4th birthday and the doses are all IPV or all OPV

2 doses of measles (rubeola) vaccine on or after the first birthday;

1 dose of rubella (German Measles) vaccine on or after the first birthday;

2 dose of mumps vaccine on or after the first birthday;

3 doses of hepatitis B vaccine, and

2 doses of varicella (chickenpox) vaccine on or after the first birthday and separated by three months or physician written documentation of history of chickenpox disease, including month and year of disease.

Immunizations can be obtained through your child's doctor or The Martin County Health Department. The health department will have a clinic for Kindergarten Round up on Friday, April 8 from 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.

In addition to that date, the health department conducts immunization clinics every Wednesday from 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. and from 12:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. On the first Wednesday of each month the clinic remains open until 6 pm. Please note that other than advertised special clinics, Wednesday is the only day a nurse is available for immunizations. The Martin County Health Department office is located in the Shoals Federal Building (Post Office). Please call 247-3303 if you have any questions.

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 No School – Spring Break
Friday, April 1
 No School – Spring Break
Monday, April 4
 Pancakes, sausage, juice
Tuesday, April 5
 Breakfast pizza, egg, juice
Wednesday, April 6
 Biscuit and gravy, sausage, juice
Lunch
Thursday, March 31
 No School – Spring Break
Friday, April 1
 No School – Spring Break
Monday, April 4
 Chicken sandwich, French fries, peaches
Tuesday, April 5
 Hot dogs, baked beans, pears
Wednesday, April 6
 Chicken nuggets, green beans, mixed fruit, bread
LOOGOOTE INTERMEDIATE AND JR./SR. HIGH SCHOOL
Breakfast
Thursday, March 31
 No School – Spring Break
Friday, April 1
 No School – Spring Break
Monday, April 4
 BBQ rib or pizza, baked beans, cottage cheese, fruit, salad plate, milk
Tuesday, April 5

Spaghetti or pizza, tossed salad, fruit, green beans, salad plate, milk
Wednesday, April 6
 Chicken fried steak or pizza, mashed potatoes, corn, fruit, salad plate, milk
SHOALS SCHOOLS
Breakfast
Thursday, March 31
 Colby cheese omelet, biscuit, juice, milk
Friday, April 1
 Cereal, sweet rolls, juice, milk
Monday, April 4
 Cereal, granola bar, juice, milk
Tuesday, April 5
 French toast, ham, juice, milk
Wednesday, April 6
 Colby omelet, biscuit, juice, milk
Lunch
Thursday, March 31
 Pepperoni pizza, green beans, fruit, milk; choice 4-12: corn dog
Friday, April 1
 Cheese breadsticks with spaghetti sauce, corn, applesauce, milk; choice 4-12: hot dog sandwich
Monday, April 4
 Breaded turkey sandwich, French fries, pineapple, cake, milk
Tuesday, April 5
 Chicken nuggets, mashed potatoes, mixed vegetables, pudding, roll, milk; choice 4-12: cheese pizza
Wednesday, April 6
 Beef and cheese nachos, corn, apple-sauce, milk; choice 4-12: sausage pizza

Classes, programs at the learning center

Computer Applications II
 The Fathers Forever Coalition will be hosting another free computer course on Monday nights April 25 through May 23 from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. The class will go through Microsoft Word, Excel, and PowerPoint as well as creating a resume and cover letter. This is a great class for those who have some computer skills but would like to advance their knowledge of Microsoft Office 2007. Contact the learning center to sign up.
USAJOBS Workshop (Resume Builder)
 The USAJOBS workshop is provided by Bramble Consulting (Darlene Ridgway). USAJOBS is the Federal government's official web site and provides access to more than 30,000 job listings world-wide. This is an online resume training session and will provide applicants with information and advice needed to apply for a government position. USAJOBS Resume Builder allows you to create one uniform resume that provides all the information required by most government agencies. The next workshops will be held on April 7 and April 19 from 6 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. and cost is \$40. Choose the date that is best for you and call Kathy to sign up!
Résumé Writing and career planning
 Need help with your résumé? Darlene Ridgway with Bramble Consulting will offer Résumé Assistance-Level One on April 12 and again on April 28. The class is from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. and cost is \$25. This is a basic course designed for an applicant needing help with the application process for govern-

ment civilian and/or government contractor positions, specifically for NSWC Crane. Applicants need to pre-register no later than the Friday before the scheduled class date. Contact Kathy at the learning center to pre-register.
Sign language class
 Anyone who has completed the Intro to Sign Language class and would like to continue learning this beautiful language can contact the learning center about starting the next level class. If you still remember the basics from the intro class, you are welcome to join. When there is enough interest in the class, we will set the dates.
Overcomers' group
 Indiana Drug Education and Awareness Solutions are conducting an ongoing Overcomers' Recovery Support Group at the center. Meetings are held every Tuesday evening from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m., and newcomers are invited. There is no cost for participation. For further information, contact Jason Underhill at 812-653-1908.
Adult literacy and education
 Do you know someone who could use some help with his or her reading skills? Anyone interested is encouraged to contact SOAR! at 812-709-1618 for further information. For GED-Adult Basic Education, call Vicki Conrad at 812-936-2881.
 Contact: Kathy Kerr, Coordinator, 812-295-2674 or email kkerr8@ivytech.edu. Monday through Thursday 1 p.m. to 9 p.m. and Friday 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

VU to host North/South All-Star Classic April 10

An elite group of Indiana senior basketball players will convene at Vincennes University's P.E. Complex on April 10 for the 23rd annual North/South Indiana All-Star Classic. The basketball doubleheader will feature the girls' teams at 2 p.m. EDT and the boys' teams at 4 p.m. Tickets cost \$10 per person and can be purchased at the door or in advance by calling 812-888-4354 or toll free 800-945-2586.



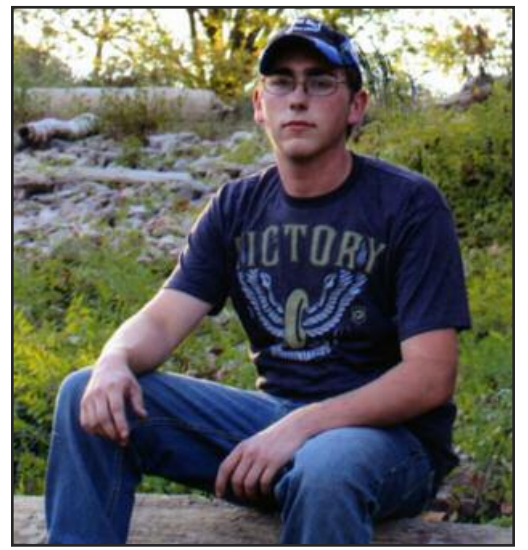
Shoals' Garrett Bateman

The North/South Indiana All-Star Classic is sponsored by Vincennes University, Hoosier Basketball Magazine, and Pacesetter Sports of Terre Haute. The 2011 Classic Game Director is Harry Meeks, VU athletic director. The North girls will be coached by Kokomo's Jason Snyder, and Vincennes Rivet's 2011 state championship coach Tim Young will lead the South team. The North boys will be coached by Hamilton Heights' Chad Ballenger, and Vincennes Rivet's Tim Vieke will coach the South team.

Three IHSAA State Champions are among the 24 girls competing in the first half of the doubleheader. Leading the South girls are standout Mallory Ladd (22.1 ppg) of AAA State Champion Evansville Memorial along with Casandra Brocksmith and Sara Young of class A State Champion Vincennes Rivet. The team has three more 20 ppg scorers as well, including Jama Sharp of Mooresville (22), Shelby Miller of South Central (Elizabeth) (21.4), and Kaila Hulls of Bloomington South (20.1). The North girls' roster includes two standouts that reached the final four of the 2011 AAAA state tournament. They are Purdue frontline recruit Torrie Thornton of Carmel and Indiana State bound guard Jessica Valley of McCutcheon. The North's top two scorers are Katrina Blackmon of Marion (20.8 ppg) and Jamie Drummer of Muncie Central (20).

Twenty-four boys will compete in the second game including the state's leading senior scorer, Austin Richie of Lowell (32.6 ppg). Two other 20 ppg scorers on the North squad are Max Landis of Perry Meridian (25.8) and Logan Thomas of Monroe Central (25.5). High scoring South performers include Rontray Chavis of Princeton (25.2 ppg), Kendall Vieke of Vincennes Rivet (24), Garrett Bateman of Shoals (23.8), Evan Brinkmeyer of Evansville Reitz (22.2), and Eric Stutz of Castle (22.2).

SHOALS 2011 SENIOR Spotlights



JOHN WAY

John Richard Way is the son of Danny and Laura Way and Richard and Kimberly Crowder. His favorite hobby is hanging out with his friends. During high school he was involved in baseball. He says one of his best memories was riding the vocational bus to Bedford every day with Paul and the guys. He also remembers when Terry Newlin drank almost a whole gallon of milk and five donuts on the bus and ended up vomiting in front of the school. After high school John plans to work hard and make the big bucks.



MEGAN MONTGOMERY

Megan Ann Montgomery is the daughter of Marold and Judith Montgomery. Her favorite pastime is participating in Festival of Bands. During high school she has been involved in IMPACCT Club, Beta Club, Academic Club, Spell Bowl, Spanish Club, Special Olympics, and the talent show. Her fondest memory was traveling around the world in the third grade. Megan plans to attend Oakland City University to achieve a degree in primary education.

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Martial arts students advance

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On March 23, Loogootee Martial Arts conducted belt advancement testing. The students pictured with Master Dennis Overall were advanced in belt rank are, from left to right, DeAnna Canell (2nd Kup Red Belt), Master Overall, and Amanda Ferguson (2nd Kup Red Belt).

Indiana State Police Summer Youth Camps

Since 1970, the Indiana State Police has offered summer youth camps for Hoosier youth. The 2011 camp dates have been scheduled and are now being coordinated by the newly created Indiana Troopers Youth Services, Inc. This newly formed organization consists of an active board of directors to include troopers and individuals dedicated to youth services for many years. The Indiana State Police has offered over 40,000 young people an exciting, up close look at law enforcement and the criminal justice system through its youth camps for over 40 years.

The ISP summer youth camps offer informative and rewarding camp experiences for youth from 5th grade through their senior year in high school. Listed below are the dates, locations, and costs for the 2011 camps.

- Career Camp (Grades 9-12)
Vincennes University - July 10-15; cost is \$225

- Trine University - July 10-15; cost is \$225
- Lions Law Camp (Grades 7-8)
Vincennes University - June 15-18; cost is \$140
- Anderson University - July 6-9; cost is \$140
- Respect for Law Camp (Grades 5-6)
Vincennes University - June 9-11; cost is \$125
- University of Southern Indiana - June 16-18; cost is \$125
- Hanover College - June 23-25; cost is \$125
- Anderson College - July 7-9; cost is \$125
- Notre Dame University - July 14-16; cost is \$125

All ISP Summer Youth Camps are co-ed. For more information or to download an application visit the Indiana Troopers Youth Services website at www.trooper.org. It has been said, "The toughest thing about attending an ISP youth camp is leaving."



-Photo by Don Greene

Hundreds of people turned out at the first ever humane society dinner and auction held last Saturday at Loogootee United Methodist Church. More than 200 items were donated by celebrities and businesses that took two and a half hours to auction off.

Humane society benefit nets more than \$7,500

The Martin County Humane Society's Dinner and Auction held last Saturday raised more than \$7,500 for the shelter fund. This puts the total amount raised to build an animal shelter to around \$55,000.

The benefit Saturday night was a huge success with more than 400 people attending throughout the evening. Don Greene, humane society president would like to thank everyone for their support, "Without all of the donations for the auction, and food donations this would not have been possible," he said. "Most of all I would like to thank The Loogootee United Methodist Church, Theresa Abney, Courtney Hughett, Noel Harty, Mike Grant from the Channel

10 News, all the members of the humane society, family members, all the volunteers who helped with getting items for the auction, setting up, serving, cleaning up, and all the people who attended this event." He added a big thank you to all the businesses for the items donated to the auction and the local media for the coverage.

Donations are still being accepted for the shelter. Send your tax deductible donation to Martin County Humane Society P.O. Box 537 Shoals, IN 47581.


Want to be a member of the humane society, active or silent? See the application form on page 9. Membership is a minimum of \$10.



-Photo by Don Greene

Volunteer Lynn Gee worked the ever popular dessert stand at the humane society dinner and auction held last Saturday.

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Loogootee Mayor Don Bowling and his wife, Patti, stopped by the benefit to show their support.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

We are so grateful for the long-term support the Martin County communities have provided

To the editor of the *Martin County Journal*,

There are a number of high-profile issues commanding the attention of Indiana's General Assembly. Right now, decisions are being made about how much to invest in programs and services for people with disabilities - decisions that affect about 90,000 Hoosiers with disabilities and, more specifically, Hoosiers with intellectual and developmental disabilities.

In our current economy, many government programs have been cut or eliminated. These cuts have contributed to what many believe is a growing state of quiet crisis for individuals with disabilities who rely on those vital services and the providers who support them. Right now, the decisions made by Indiana's General Assembly have the power to worsen this crisis or stabilize it by preserving the current available resource and making a commitment to long-term solutions.

INARF, a membership organization of Indiana community providers, has taken the lead in raising awareness of these issues. Right now, the INquietCrisis.org Campaign is educating all Hoosiers about the value that people with developmental disabilities and the providers that support them bring to local communities.

Four Rivers Resource Services is proud to support the efforts of this campaign. We believe that an investment in the services that support the inclusion of individuals with disabilities in our community makes a better Indiana for all Hoosiers. We are so grateful for the long-term support the Martin County communities have provided Four Rivers Resource Services and the individuals we serve. Right now, we ask that you continue your support by joining us in making INquietCrisis.org heard.

Steve Sacksteder
Executive Director
Four Rivers Resource Services

'Doesn't this violate students and families' privacy rights?'

To the editor of the *Martin County Journal*,

Did you know the U.S. Department of Education is using its power to force principals and teachers to monitor your child's

lunchtime chats? In October, 2010, all school officials were sent a letter threatening them with lawsuits if they failed to "monitor and curb students' lunchtime chats and evening Facebook time for expressing ideas and words that are deemed to be harassment of some students." Their mandate stems from the department's "new interpretation" of civil rights laws dealing with harassment. Teachers and principals already have enough to do without adding the job of "eavesdropping" on students.

Doesn't this violate students and families' privacy rights? Doesn't this policy disregard student's constitutional free-speech rights? Won't this bring expensive lawsuits against schools that take funding away from school program operation? Why can't schools continue to choose and use their own anti-bullying policies to manage harassment?

The leading force behind the new regulation is Kevin Jennings, who heads the Education Department's Office of Safe and Drug-Free schools. He founded the Gay Lesbian Straight Education Network, also known as GLSEN, and raised at least \$100,000 for the Democratic presidential candidate in 2008. The administration is asking for \$365 million of your tax dollars in the new budget proposal now before Congress to conduct bullying "surveys" in schools in 2012.

The National School Boards Association responded to the Department of Education letter in December 2010 by stating that schools' legal risks are being expanded under the new rules. Schools can be sued even when they do not know students have made harassing statements! Won't that take tax dollars away from education programs in schools?

For more information on the new regulation, you can check out the Internet using search words "fed instructs schools to facebook creep students", and especially educationnews.org.

Diana Abell
Loogootee

LETTER POLICY

The *Martin County Journal* encourages letters to the editor. Letters, however, should refrain from defaming anyone and must be signed. A phone number must also be included with the letter for verification purposes. Send letters to courtney@martincountyjournal.com or fax to 1-877-471-2907 or mail to P.O. Box 148 Loogootee, IN 47553.

Two Jasper troopers receive awards

Yesterday, the Indiana State Police held the Annual Indiana State Police Recognition and Awards ceremony at the Indianapolis Post. At this ceremony two troopers from the Jasper Post were honored and recognized. Senior Trooper Aaric Correll was named Jasper District "Trooper of the Year," and Trooper Brock Werne received the Jasper District's Life Award for DUI enforcement.

Correll, who is an eleven-year member of the Indiana State Police, was chosen for the award by the command staff at the Jasper Post. Criteria used to give the award included effort in criminal and traffic enforcement as well as community involvement that was performed beyond normal expectations. In 2010 Trooper Correll issued a total of 1,672 tickets and warnings, arrested 26 people for Operating a Vehicle While Impaired, and had 93 criminal arrests and 334 police services. Correll primarily works late shifts in Daviess County. He was awarded a plaque by Indiana State Police Superintendent Dr. Paul Whitesell for his outstanding service.

Trooper Werne, a three-and-a-half-year member of the Indiana State Police received the 2010 Life Award for leading the Jasper Post in DUI enforcement with 80 arrests. Werne was awarded a plaque by Indiana State Police Superintendent Dr. Paul Whitesell for his effort in helping to reduce the number of deaths on Indiana highways.

"Both of the Troopers are an asset to the Indiana State Police and the communities to which they serve, said Lieutenant Don Bolen, commander of the Jasper Post.





ISP TROOPER AARIC CORRELL






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For clarification, East Fork Water, Inc. is responsible for the mains, service lines to the meter and the actual meter, and performs all maintenance and absorbs all water loss in those areas. It is the customer's responsibility to repair if a leak occurs between the meter and the house (or other point of delivery).

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There is no need to purchase insurance for your outside water lines. We have many reputable local contractors that can help with whatever issue you might have, at a reasonable price, without the additional payment each month for water line insurance. PVC pipe is cheap and even if you had to replace your whole line, it would be cheaper than paying a monthly premium to an unknown company in a far-away land.

This is a scam; another way someone has thought to make a buck on your fear of the unknown. We highly recommend you toss that letter and think nothing more about it!

Sincerely,
The Board of Directors
East Fork Water, Inc.

Martin County Ag Day



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Shown above are Wanda (at left) and George Alred (at right) accepting their award from the Ag Day committee for their commitment to the Ag Community.



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Shown above accepting his award from the Ag Day committee for their commitment to the Ag Community is Dan Gregory (at left). His wife Barb was also honored.



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Shown above are Richard and Phyllis Arvin accepting their award from the Ag Day committee for their commitment to the Ag Community.



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America's Farmers Grow Communities is sponsored by the Monsanto Fund to support local farming communities. The program allows farmers to register to win \$2,500 for their favorite community non-profit organization, such as FFA, 4-H, schools, fire departments and other civic groups. One winner was selected in each of 1,204 eligible counties in 38 states and the winners were Dennis and Dawn Walton who chose Martin County 4-H.. From left to right, are Jim Bruner, Martin County 4-H Council President; Troy Clawson, Monsanto Representative; Dennis and Dawn Walton, winner; and Jonathan Stevens, Martin County Extension Agent.

The 15th Annual Ag Day was held last weekend at the fairgrounds. Twenty ag and educational-related businesses were on hand to display and showcase what they do for the community. The Martin County Junior Leaders served breakfast from 8 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.

Each year the Ag Day committee recognizes Martin County residents for their commitment to the Ag community.

This year's winners are George and Wanda Aldred, Dan and Barbara Gregory, and Richard and Phyllis Arvin.

The winners of the Martin County SWCD Ag Day coloring contest for the 2nd graders were: Maddelyn Miller, Mrs. Mathies' class at Loogootee; Mya Miller Mrs. Bauernfiend's class at Shoals; Philip Wagler, Mrs. Slaven's class at Loogootee; Margaret Naumoff, Mr. Inglehart's class at Shoals; Macy McAtee, Mrs. Kavanaugh's class at Loogootee; and Alan Cook, Mrs Guinn's class at Shoals.

National Ag Day in America celebrated its 38th year.



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BriLee Tharp is shown above with one of the goats from the petting zoo at Ag Day.



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The Martin County 4-H Booth at Ag Day was manned by, from left to right, Tia Pennington, Mitch Green, Ashley Hawkins (Miss Martin County), Audra Deckard and Matthew Bruner.



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Winners of the Ag Day coloring contest who were present for the event are shown above with Miss Martin County Ashley Hawkins. From left to right, they are Margaret Naumoff, Mya Miller, and Alan Cook.



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Members of the 4-H Junior Leaders served a breakfast of eggs, sausage, potatoes, biscuit, fruit, and beverage to those in attendance at Ag Day.

New Beginnings Church WEEKLY MESSAGE

BY SHIRLEY CANELL
Pastor's wife

Deciding to be a Disciple.
John 6:66 – 69

What comes to mind when you are asked if you are a disciple of Christ? What did Jesus mean when He said go and make disciples?

It's someone who wants to become like the teacher. Unless you have a strong desire to follow Jesus and become like Him it cannot be said that you are truly His disciple.

Last week we looked at Jesus living in us and what that reality would do to our lives if we would make it part of us. We have talked about the word of God and what it can do and about being a slave to Christ.

Do you remember the story about the rich young ruler? The young man said to Him, "All these things I have kept, what am I still lacking?" Jesus said to him, "If you wish to be complete, go and sell your possessions and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven, and come, follow Me." But when the young man heard this statement, he went away grieving, for he was one who owned much property. Matthew 19:20-22

In the story we saw Jesus does not have levels of followers. He doesn't have the devoted and the leisure and the occasional. He only has one standard that He calls us all to live by. That standard is complete devotion to Him that shows in obedience to whatever He asks.

Jesus calls us to a life of surrender and devotion, a life of submission to him. We can never shake the truth of that. The reality is that we can't do it. The truth is we can never fully be the people Jesus calls us to be, not while there is sin in our lives, not while there is a hint of self-centeredness. Sometimes it seems as though it's impossible to be a genuine disciple of Jesus Christ, to follow him exclusively, love Him above all others, and serve Him devotedly.

To be a disciple of Jesus we need to seek after what Jesus was offering, true bread from

heaven, the bread that fulfills the spiritual hunger and the spiritual thirsts. That bread is faith in all that Jesus is suppose to mean to us. True disciples don't follow Jesus to see what they can get. More miracles, more healing, more tangible things, they even asked in John 6:28, "therefore they said to Him, "What shall we do, so that we may work the works of God?" Jesus answers in verse 29, "This is the work of God; that you believe in Him who He has sent." A false disciple thinks about their fleshy desires, themselves and their own needs rather than looking at the spiritual or being kingdom minded.

Being a true disciple comes with the belief in Jesus' sacrificial death on the cross, which was necessary for eternal life. The debt for sin had to be paid, the consequences for sin is death. Total surrender and belief in what Jesus has done out of love for us.

Many get caught up in the works, they love the works, they love the character but hate His word. There are many who like the idea of Jesus and would follow Him as long as it was to their benefit. Their lives don't match with the word of Jesus so they hate and twist His word because it reveals truths about their own lives and lies.

In John 6:68-69, "Simon Peter answered Him, Lord to whom shall we go? You have words of eternal life. We have believed and have come to know that You are the Holy One of God." Peter's answer gives us insight into what a true disciple is. You have the words of eternal life. True disciples believe with all their heart and lives that the word of God is true. They abide in it, believe in it and come to know that Jesus, was sent by God and He is God. A true disciple understands that He has been chosen to be part of God's kingdom.

John 13:34-35, "A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another, even as I have loved you, that you also love one another. By this all men will know that you are My disciples, if you have love for one another."

John 15:8, "My Father is glorified by this,

that you bear much fruit, and so prove you are My disciples."

John 8:31, "So Jesus was saying to those Jews who had believed Him, "If you continue in My word, then you are truly disciples of Mine,"

Being consumed by prayer, reading the bible, studying God's word, loving one another, bearing fruit and being a part of the Church body are characteristics of being a disciple. The whole of being a Christian is

being a disciple of Jesus Christ, wanting to be able to say what Peter said. Lord to whom shall we go?

Practicing the presence of Jesus, knowing He is right beside you. Praying, Lord share my life, share my trials, share my joys, share my decisions, share my temptations. Lord constantly be involved in my life. Amen. Having constant involvement with Jesus is discipleship. Have faith, be faithful believe that Jesus Christ is the Holy one of God.

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Class attends Bishop's Confirmation Rally

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On Saturday, March 13, the Loogootee UMC Confirmation Class Attended an Indiana Conference of the United Methodist Church Confirmation Rally led by Bishop Mike Coyner at Noblesville. This was an all-day event for youth to learn more about their journey of faith in Jesus Christ. Those attending are shown above. In the front row, from left to right, are Amanda Stice, Renee Whitman, Bishop Mike Coyner, and Bailey Davis. In the second row, from left to right, are Jurnee Davis, Bladen Allbright, Cole Walker, and Seth Wagler. In the back row, from left to right, are Joey Wilson, Aaron Hudson, LUMC Pastor Greg Davis, and Teresa Davis.

Prayer Shawl Ministry to begin

The Loogootee United Methodist Church is starting a new Prayer Shawl non-denominational ministry beginning April 4. On that date, all interested participants should attend the 1st informational meeting at 6 p.m. at LUMC.

Knitters and crocheters, beginners and advanced, are all welcome. Patterns, yarn, needles and hooks will be provided, if needed. Completed shawls will be available

upon request.

Prayer shawls will be crafted and prayed over by the members of the group before presentation to the recipient. Prayer shawl ministry has a long history and are given as gifts of caring, to express empathy, support or happiness.

For more information, call Dianna Overall at 295-2639 or Teresa Davis at 295-2947.

2011 Municipal Election voting, absentee information

Absentee voting in the Martin County Clerk's office will be held on the following days:

Monday, April 4, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Monday, April 11, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Monday, April 18 through Friday, April 29, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Closed Friday, April 22 for Good Friday
Saturday, April 23 and Saturday, April 30, 9 a.m. to noon

Monday, May 2, 8 a.m. to noon
All registered voters in Indiana are eligible to vote absentee-in-person at the county election board office beginning 29 days before Election Day.

In order to vote absentee-by-mail, one of the following must apply:

You have a specific, reasonable expectation that you will be absent from the county on Election Day during the entire 12 hours that the polls are open (6 a.m. until 6 p.m.).

- You have a disability.
- You are at least 65 years of age.
- You will have official election duties outside of your voting precinct.
- You are scheduled to work at your regular place of employment during the entire 12 hours that the polls are open.
- You will be confined due to illness or

injury or you will be caring for an individual confined due to illness or injury during the entire 12 hours that the polls are open.

-You are prevented from voting because of a religious discipline or religious holiday during the entire 12 hours that the polls are open.

-You are a participant in the state's address confidentiality program.

-You are a member of the military or a public safety officer.

Note: Voters voting absentee-by-mail are NOT required to show photo ID.

In order to vote absentee-by-traveling board, one of the following must apply:

-The voter expects to be confined, due to illness or injury, or the voter expects to be caring for a confined person at a private residence, on Election Day.

-The voter is a voter with disabilities and believes their polling place is not accessible to them.

The ballot will be delivered to you by a bi-partisan absentee voter board who will be able to assist you with you ballot.

Voters voting by traveling board are NOT required to show photo ID.

Obtain an application for absentee ballot at [www.in.gov/sos/elections/files/ABS-1_\(2009\)_revision.pdf](http://www.in.gov/sos/elections/files/ABS-1_(2009)_revision.pdf).

Municipal Election 2011 Calendar

April 4, 2011: First day a voter may vote an absentee-in-person at the county clerk's office for the 2011 Primary Election

April 4, 2011: Voter Registration Closes for the 2011 Municipal Primary Election

April 25, 2011: Deadline for absentee-by-mail applications to be received for the 2011 Primary Election

May 3, 2011: Primary Election Day

October 10, 2011: First day a voter may vote an absentee-in-person at the county clerk's office for the 2011 Municipal Election

October 31, 2011: Deadline for absentee-by-mail applications to be received for the 2011 Municipal Election

November 8, 2011: Municipal Election Day

You have the right to vote in Indiana if:

- You are both a U.S. citizen and a resi-

dent of Indiana; and

- You will be at least 18 years of age on or before the next General or Municipal Election, and

- You are not currently in prison after being convicted of a crime; and

- You have lived in the precinct where you vote for at least 30 days prior to the election; and

- You are registered to vote.

Register to vote online by visiting <http://www.indianavoters.com/>. Indiana residents with a valid Indiana driver's license or Indiana state-issued identification card will be able to use this tool to submit a new voter registration application or to update an existing voter registration record.

In addition to registering to vote online, <http://www.indianavoters.com/> provides Hoosiers with the ability to validate their voter registration status, find their polling place location, look into their provisional ballot status information, find county contact information, and determine "Who's on My Ballot?" for an upcoming election.

Perry 1, Perry 2, Perry 3, and Perry 4 polling sites will all be located at St. Johns Center lower level. Polls will be open from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Notice of public test

A public test for the 2011 Municipal Primary Election will be held Monday, April 4 at 1 p.m. in the commissioners' room of the Martin County Courthouse located at 129 Main Street in Shoals.

This public test is open to the general public, Indiana Code (IC3-11-13-22).

2011 Municipal Election candidates

The following is a final list of candidates who filed for the 2011 Primary Municipal Election.

For Crane and Shoals there is no primary, the deadline is in August. For voter registration information contact the clerk's office at 812-247-3651.

SHOALS

Lori Denise Butler, Democrat, Shoals Clerk Treasurer

Ernest "Earl" Boyd Jr., Republican, Shoals Town Council

Roger Lee Abel, Republican, Shoals Town Council

CRANE

Bernard Burl Butcher, Democrat, Crane Town Board

Linda Ann Willoughby, Republican, Crane Clerk-Treasurer

LOGOOTE

Donald Rick Norris, Democrat, Loogootee City Council District 4

James Rich Taylor, Democrat, Loogootee City Council District 1

Loogootee City Council District 1

Harold Green, Democrat, Loogootee City Council District 2

Ronald (Ron) Gilbert, Democrat, Loogootee City Council District 2

Karen Hickman, Democrat, Loogootee City Council District 3

Pat Burcham, Democrat, Loogootee City Council District 3

Dwight Glenn Schultheis, Democrat, Loogootee City Council District 3

John G. Frahley, Democrat, Loogootee City Council District 3

Phyllis Parker, Democrat, Loogootee City Council At-Large

Fred A. Dupps, Democrat, Loogootee City Council At-Large

Noel Dale Harty, Democrat, Mayor

Joe Mattox, Democrat, Mayor

Brian Thomas Ader, Democrat, Mayor

Donald F. Bowling, Democrat, Mayor

Nancy Jones, Democrat, Loogootee Clerk-Treasurer

It is a Crime to Falsify This Ballot or to Violate Indiana Election Laws I.C. 3-11-2-7

**OFFICIAL DEMOCRATIC
PRIMARY BALLOT
May 3, 2011
MARTIN COUNTY, INDIANA
PRECINCT: Perry 2**

To vote, darken the oval to the LEFT of the candidate's name, like this For specific information, refer to the card of instruction posted in the voting booth. If you tear, spoil, deface or erroneously mark this ballot, return it to the election judge and obtain another.

CITY OF LOGOOTE	CITY OF LOGOOTE
FOR MAYOR Vote for One (1) only <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="radio"/> BRIAN T. ADER (10) <input type="radio"/> DON BOWLING (20) <input type="radio"/> NOEL D. HARTY (30) <input type="radio"/> JOE I. MATTOX (40) 	FOR CITY COUNCIL MEMBER DISTRICT 4 Vote for One (1) only <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="radio"/> DONALD (RICK) NORRIS (150)
FOR CLERK - TREASURER Vote for One (1) only <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="radio"/> NANCY (McATEE) JONES (50) 	<p style="font-size: 2em; font-weight: bold;">S A D 3 P L E</p>
FOR CITY COUNCIL-AT-LARGE Vote for One (1) only <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="radio"/> FRED A. DUPPS (60) <input type="radio"/> PHYLLIS A. PARKER (70) 	
FOR CITY COUNCIL MEMBER DISTRICT 1 Vote for One (1) only <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="radio"/> JAMES RICH TAYLOR (80) 	
FOR CITY COUNCIL MEMBER DISTRICT 2 Vote for One (1) only <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="radio"/> RONALD (RON) GILBERT (90) <input type="radio"/> HAROLD L. GREEN (100) 	
FOR CITY COUNCIL MEMBER DISTRICT 3 Vote for One (1) only <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="radio"/> PAT BURCHAM (110) <input type="radio"/> JOHN G. FRALEY (120) <input type="radio"/> KAREN ANNE HICKMAN (130) <input type="radio"/> DWIGHT G. SCHULTHEIS (140) 	

FRONT Card 1 RptPct 20 "Perry 2"

**Deadline to register to vote
is Monday, April 4th!**

File online at www.indianavoters.com or visit the Martin County Clerk's Office in the courthouse in Shoals. For more information contact the clerk's office at 812-247-3651.

Election photo identification laws

Public Law 109-2005 requires Indiana residents to present a government-issued photo ID before casting a ballot at the polls on Election Day.

Your photo ID must meet four criteria to be acceptable for voting purposes. It must:

1. Display your photo
2. Display your name, and the name must conform to your voter registration record. Conform does not mean identical.
3. Display an expiration date and either be current or have expired sometime after the date of the last General Election (November 4, 2008) Including Military IDs with expiration dates of "INDEF"
4. Be issued by the State of Indiana or the U.S. government

Photo identification laws

In most cases, an Indiana driver license, Indiana photo ID card, Military ID or U.S. Passport is sufficient.

A student ID from an Indiana State school may only be used if it meets all of the four criteria specified above. A student ID from a private institution may not be used for voting purposes.

If you are unable or unwilling to present ID meeting these requirements, you may cast a provisional ballot. If you cast a provisional ballot, you have until noon 10 days after the election to follow up with the county election board and either provide the necessary documentation or affirm one of the law's exemptions applies to you.



Hey Kids, Tomorrow is

APRIL FOOL'S DAY

Remember to be nice!

Colorful Jokes

Q - What is a cat's favorite color?
A- "Purr"ple



Q- What did the blueberry ask the banana?
A- How are you peeling?



Knock Knock.
Whose there?
Orange.
Orange Who?
Orange you glad I'm here.



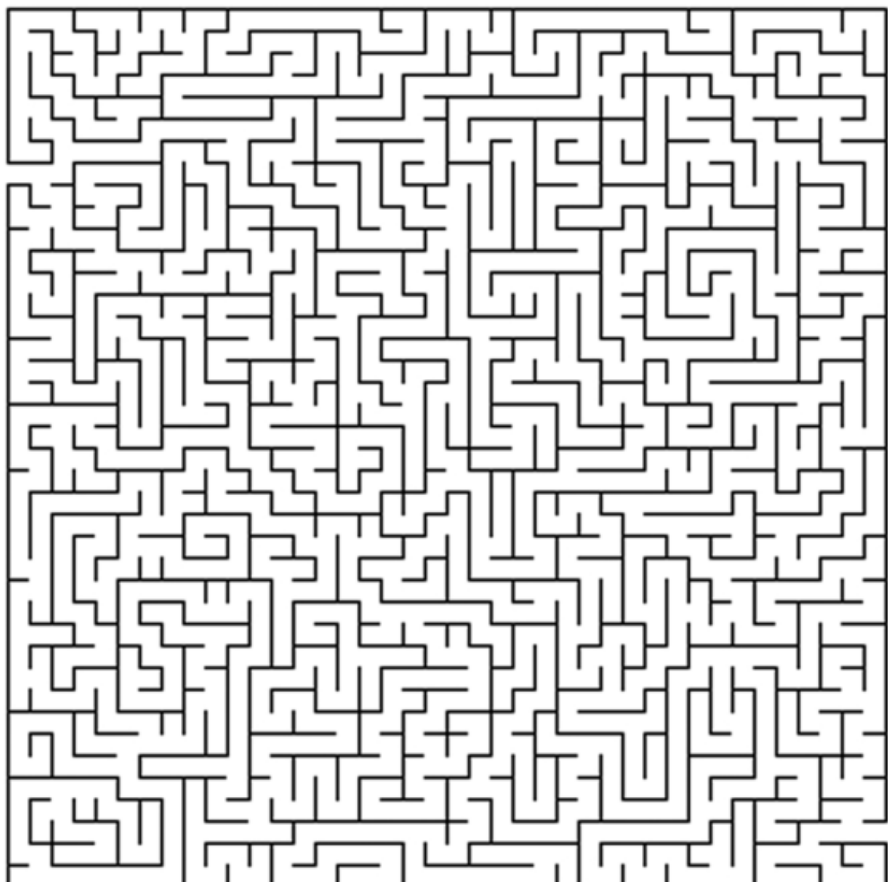
Q- What did the ivy say to the grass?
A- I'm green with envy.



Q- Which colorful planet sits and spins?
A- "Sat"- "Turn" (Saturn).

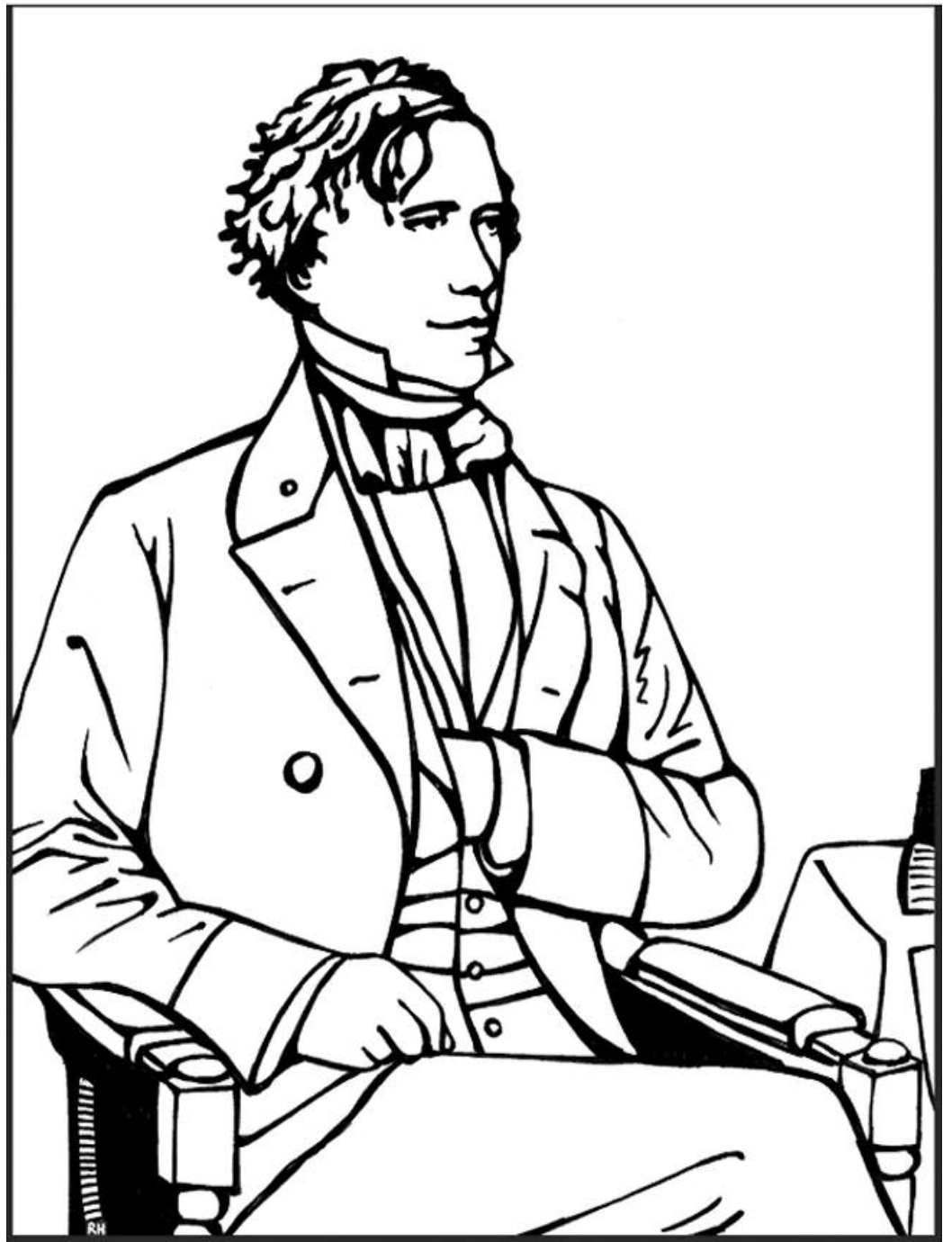


Help the joker get through the maze to the whoopee cushion!



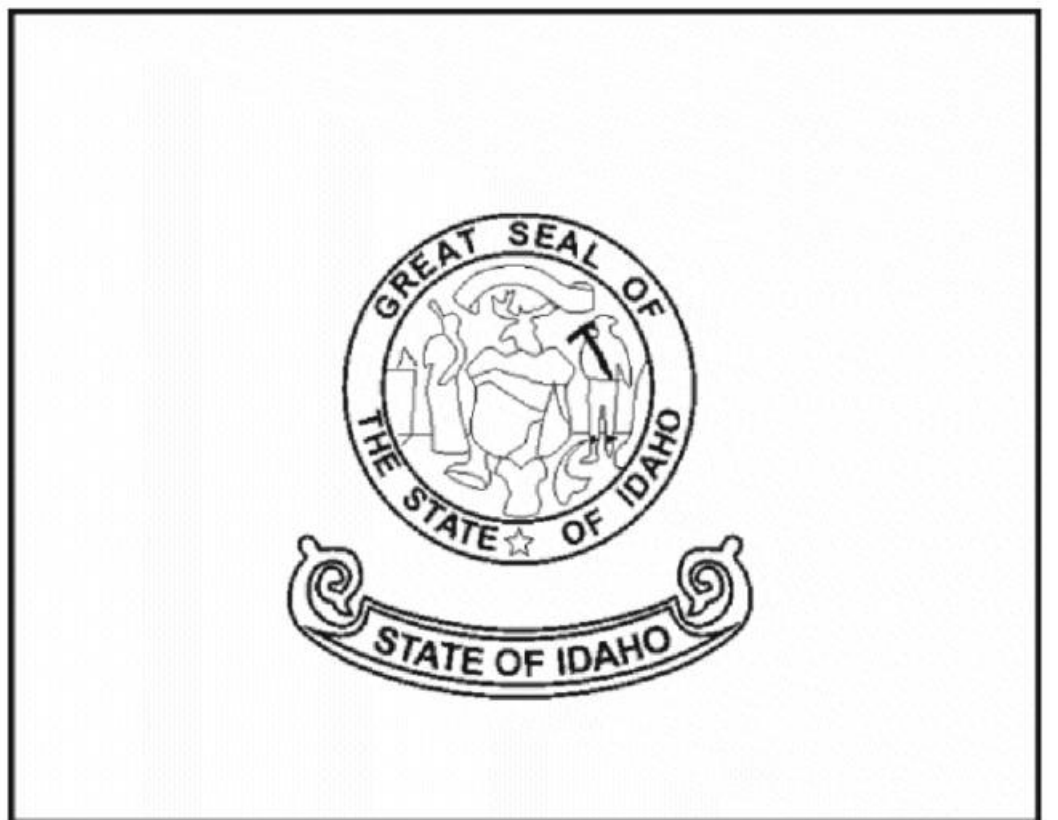
ALL ABOUT THE USA

Hey kids, we are still working our way through all the U.S. Presidents and all of the states.



14. Franklin Pierce 1853-1857

Idaho



Nickname:

Gem State, Spud Government

Motto:

Esto perpetua