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Shoals part of first-ever state dual credit programs through DWD

The Indiana Office of Work-Based Learning and Apprenticeship announced on April 8 a partnership with COSMOS, the collaboration of Shoals, Mitchell, and Orleans schools, in developing two Indiana State Earn and Learn programs in education careers and pre-nursing.

Starting with the class of 2025, students who participate in these programs will receive Ivy Tech dual credits, multiple nationally recognized industry certifications, and opportunities for paid work-based learning with local business partners.

Indiana State Earn and Learn programs, or SEALs, are one of the highest forms of comprehensive work-based learning programs available in Indiana and are celebrated as best practice across the state and country.

The April 8 ceremony was held at Gus Grissom Memorial Museum in Mitchell.

In 2020, the Indiana Office of Work-Based Learning and COSMOS began the planning stages of offering two new career and technical education opportunities to students. Typical of the innovative educational practices of COSMOS, the programs are collaborative between schools and industry and meet the local economic demands of the region.

The Education Professions SEAL will be the first of its kind for the Office of Work-Based Learning and Apprenticeship. The Pre-Nursing/CNA SEAL will partner with local health career providers like Trilogly and Ascension St. Vincent Dunn, providing students will clear options for post-graduation work and higher education obtainment. With both a teacher and nursing shortage hitting Indiana, students will have more opportunities to gain career insight and experiences while earning a wage and serving their community.

Superintendent of Mitchell Schools, Dr. Grant Comer, shared his thoughts on the project, "A core component of COSMOS' mission is the promotion of in-

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Shoals School Board handles monthly business

The Shoals School Board met April 8. Board members in attendance were Drexel Turpin, Eva George, Jenell Hoffman, Jerry Braun and Sam Boyd. Staff in attendance were Dr. Candace Roush, Amanda Heckard, Kindra Hovis, Austin Malone, Shannon Wagoner, and Reva Troutman. No patrons were present.

The board approved the following personnel recommendations:

- Josh Neideffer's resignation from the custodial position
- Reva Troutman for the art position
- Cammie Sanders as high school summer school teacher
- Taylor Atkison as junior varsity volleyball coach
- Jill Holt as varsity assistant volleyball coach
- Kacey Jones as 8th grade volleyball coach
- Lindsey Douglas as 7th grade volleyball coach

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-Photos by Shelley Christmas

Shown above are the Loogootee Prom king and queen candidates. In the front row, from left to right, are Macy McAtee, Brooklyn Jones, Mackenzie VanHoy, Jaelyn Walker, and Isabelle Waggnier. In the back row, from left to right, are Aaron Dant, Jordan Wildman, Conner Wilcoxon, Austin Brittain, and Jalen Wildman.

LHS Prom this Saturday

Loogootee High School will hold Grand March and Prom on Saturday, April 17. The Grand March will take place at Loogootee High School beginning at 6:30 p.m. Students participating will be provided with six tickets to share with family members who would like to attend the Grand March.

At the conclusion of Grand March, the junior and senior classes will crown their royalty. The students were asked to nominate members of their class. The junior class princess candidates are Annalise Powell, Kylie VanHoy, Katie Callison, Madison McAtee, and Tessa Bradley. Prince candidates are Sam Ausbrooks, Luke Nonte, Jonathan Whitworth, Ethan

Todd, Billy Boyd, and Kaden Wolf. The senior class voted to nominate Jaelyn Walker, Isabelle Waggnier, Mackenzie VanHoy, Macy McAtee, and Brooklyn Jones for queen candidates and Aaron Dant, Austin Brittain, Jordan Wildman, Jalen Wildman, and Conner Wilcoxon for king candidates.

The Prom will begin at 7:30 p.m. at the Simon J Graber Community Building in Odon. All students must be present by 8 p.m. The event is open to any junior/senior student and their guest only and will last until 10:30 p.m. The junior parents will host a Post Prom at the same location beginning at 10:30 p.m. The Post Prom

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Shown above are the Loogootee Prom prince and princess candidates. In the front row, from left to right, are Annalise Powell, Madison McAtee, Kyle VanHoy, Katie Callison, and Tessa Bradley. In the back row from left to right are Jon Whitworth, Kaden Wolfe, Sam Ausbrooks, Luke Nonte, and Ethan Todd.

Resident angry with city for telling her to get rid of her rabbits

BY COURTNEY HUGHETT
Martin County Journal Publisher

The Loogootee City Council meeting Monday night, April 12, centered around rabbits and building issues. Ashley Webster, of Loogootee, said she was approached recently by Building Commissioner Tim Hudson who told her she had to get rid of rabbits on her property. According to Webster, Hudson told her to remove them in seven days or he would remove them. Webster said that she was told that the rabbits were classified as a "beast of burden" which are prohibited in the city, according to the city's ordinance. Webster said rabbits do not at all fall under the definition of "beasts of burden". She said the rabbits are for 4-H for her kids, which is allowed under the city's ordinance. She does have rabbits she raises to eat but said those are kept at Lark Ranch, outside the city. Webster said she has been harassed by the building commissioner on behalf of Loogootee Mayor Noel Harty. She told the mayor that he should resign if this is the way he wants to run the city. She said Hudson is used as the mayor's "attack dog" and she deserves an apology for being yelled at on her property in front of her kids. She said it's not the job of the building commissioner to take away her rabbits. Webster said she called other cities around Loogootee and many of them allow rabbits as long as they are cleaned up after and cared for.

Mayor Harty told Webster that they have no issue with the rabbits if they are 4-H projects or pets. He added that everyone knows he is an animal lover.

Webster asked why she was threatened with a fine if this is the case.

The mayor said he was sorry if she was misinformed and added that he never yelled at or harassed her.

"I think I got failed here," said Webster. She asked if she is going to be left alone now about the rabbits.

Building Commissioner Hudson responded by saying Webster was never sent a violation letter and added "that's all I'm going to say."

Webster asked again if she will be left alone about her rabbits.

Mayor Harty said that he will meet with the city attorney and the building commissioner and report back to her.

Hudson talked to the council about hiring companies to clean up properties and then billing the property owner. Council Member Nolley said she feared getting stuck with a bunch of bills that are unpaid. Hudson replied that residents complain about nothing being done in the city with dirty properties and it falls back on him. He said he needs direction from the council on what to do.

The council agreed to approve the ordinance related to hiring outside companies to clean up properties.

Discussion then moved on to a burned house on North Oak Street. According to Hudson, a violation letter, via certified mail, has been sent to the property owner and the property will be labeled condemned. The property owner has not responded however Hudson said they did

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Making A Difference

By Curt Johnson
MCCF Director



-- WHY THE MCCF? --

In previous columns I have talked about the endowments managed by the Martin County Community Foundation (MCCF) and various sources to fund those endowments, including donations from our community members who wish to improve the quality of life within Martin County. But why do people choose to give through a community foundation like the MCCF?

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--1-- We are a local organization with deep roots in the community.

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and can facilitate even the most complex forms of giving.

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--10-- We are a community leader, coordinating resources to create positive change and pulling together community members who care about our County.

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You are also welcome to visit our webpage at www.cfpartner.org and "like" the MCCF Facebook page at www.facebook.com/mcccommunityfoundation.

DUAL CREDIT

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novation through partnerships," he said. "This program and the quality partnerships represented fits the mission's definition. The SEAL program will prove the greatest gains that can only occur when school and business collaborate, innovate, and work together. Greater gains will be possible through the continued encouragement and support of agencies like the Indiana Office of Work-Based Learning and Apprenticeship and the Governor's Workforce Cabinet."

Superintendent of Shoals Dr. Candace Roush added, "Small schools are often striving for ways to maintain their own identity but also provide the benefits and course offerings of larger schools. The SEAL program between the three schools continues to demonstrate that small schools can come together and share programs and resources in a very successful way."

Additionally, Superintendent of OCS James Ellis said, "Orleans Community Schools is excited about the opportunities that the SEAL program provides for the students in COSMOS. The partnership between Shoals, Mitchell and Orleans Schools has allowed all three school corporations to grow in ways that each couldn't by themselves. COSMOS will continue to seek out partnerships and opportunities that will benefit our students going forward. We are also thankful for the support that the Indiana Office of Work-Based Learning and Apprenticeship and the Governor's Workforce Cabinet have given to COSMOS and to its students."

Tina Peterson, President of Regional Opportunity Initiatives Inc. and a major supporter of COSMOS, said, "Working collectively, the three districts that comprise COSMOS have seen possibility where others might have only seen barriers. Working together, these three districts in neighboring counties have blurred the lines and sharpened their focus. They have shown that innovative pathways across districts can not only

become a reality but also provide more equitable and accessible opportunities for students. We are inspired by the way COSMOS has leveraged the ROI Ready Schools initiative to provide pathways for students into high-demand, high-opportunity career fields available right here in the Indiana Uplands. It's a game changer for students, employers, and the region."

SEALs are Indiana's state-level apprenticeship and pre-apprenticeship programs. They are designed to deliver work-and-learn experience for participants along with the skills and certifications that employers value. These programs are geared toward both adult and youth populations and satisfy Indiana's new graduation pathway requirements.

For more information about the COSMOS SEAL, or SEALs in general, visit the OWBLA website at <http://www.in-wbl.com/> or email the Office of Work-Based Learning and Apprenticeship at wbl@dwd.in.gov.

PROM

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will last until 1 a.m.

Due to the circumstances surrounding the COVID-19 pandemic, it was uncertain until recently whether the school would be allowed to host a Prom during the spring semester. Similar to last school year, the junior parents stepped up and prepared to host a Prom/Post Prom celebration in case the school was once again unable to sponsor the event. In light of those circumstances, the Simon J Graber building was previously reserved for the event and prepared to host LHS. With the safety of students in mind, it was determined that hosting both events at the same location would eliminate travel between the celebrations.

The school will provide transportation for any student who needs a ride to the dance. Should you have any additional questions regarding the Grand March, Prom, or Post Prom, please contact the Loogootee High School office at 812-295-3254.

SHOALS

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-Chris Boswell as varsity soccer coach
-Reva Troutman as junior varsity soccer coach and varsity soccer assistant coach

-Cody Douglas as middle school soccer coach

-Andrew Beaver as varsity and middle school boys' and girls' cross country coach

-Ed Farhar, John Harder and Mike Clouse as middle school baseball volunteer coaches

-Kyle Turpin as varsity girls' basketball coach

The elementary principal recommended Rebecca Rollins and Leeza Adams to provide remediation for IREAD3 Students June 1 to June 4. The board approved. They also approved Mimi Hawkins, Megan Hawkins, Christin Johnson, and Sandra Hovis to provide summer school for students K-5.

The varsity girls to go to Bloomington League in June and play summer games in June and July

The Midwest Elite Basketball Camp will be held at Shoals for 5-12th grades June 21, 22, and 23rd.

3rd and 4th girls' basketball practice during April and May will be led by Megan Hawkins.

The high school volleyball team will go to Franklin College July 16 and 17 for camp and stay overnight.

The superintendent recommended the school allow the Covid online option to continue for the 2021-2022 school year for current students with at least a "C" average. The board approved.

Shoals Post Prom parents requested to use the practice gym for Post Prom on April 24. The board approved.

Superintendent Roush presented a resolution to oppose House Bill 1005, titled "School Choice Matters". The board approved.

The board approved the following fundraiser requests:

-Shoals Volleyball team to sell shirts March 24 through April 9.

-Class of 2023 to sell trash bags in bulk from April 26 until May 7. The anticipated funds will go towards prom, graduation, and the senior trip.

-Prom students to sell grand march tickets (up to 4) for \$1 each. The anticipated funds will go towards next year's prom.

-Junior class to sell magazines. The anticipated funds will be used for graduation and senior trip.

Junior High Principal Austin Malone began with the upcoming ILEARN testing that the students are preparing for. The teachers have been in CPI this past week, that Dr. Roush was able to set up at the school in which Terra Boyd was the staff facilitator. To provide more STEM opportunities, the Purdue Extension office will be at the school for about four weeks for their Clover Gaming Connection beginning on Monday. Rox Request is always open for donations as well as the need for more Cass counselors which is open to anyone who is interested. NWEA scores have seen great improvement among the students. A big thank you to Lorna Troutman for providing ice cream to all students the day before spring break, Terra Boyd for her excellent CPI training, and Tammy Cooper and Eileen Dawson for providing lunches to the COVID online test takers. Then lastly, thank you to Josh Neideffer for cleaning classrooms and always being kind to the students. He will be greatly missed.

Elementary Principal Shannon Waggoner opened with exciting news that elementary enrollment has reached 304. They are now down to 32 days until the end of the school year. IREAD 3 has had great results. Leah Bullock has done a phenomenal job with the students. ILEARN coming up will begin April 19.

NWEA will be completed in May. Multiple teachers have been attending digital fab lab training. Upcoming events include preschool registration on April 16. Preschool Graduation will be on April 21 at 1:30 p.m. Awards day (grades 3-5) will be May 25 at 1 p.m. IREAD remediation will be June 2-4. Summer camp which will be an amazing time for any student interested, will be held June 21 through July 9. If interested, please contact the office as spots are limited. A big thank you to Myrna Greene. She goes above and beyond for the students and they really appreciate everything she has done for them. She has made a difference in many students' lives.

High School Principal Kindra Hovis was excited to share that all high school students are now back in person. The Spring Fling was a success as well as the freshman orientation. They had approximately 50 enrollments. Overall enrollment in the high school is continuing to grow. The master schedule was emailed out in January and will be finalized before the end of the school year. Jug Rox Make a Difference Day will be on April 14. They had 50-plus students sign up and will be going to eight locations so far. Upcoming events: Area Academic Meet (virtual) on April 20. Prom will be on April 24. The theme will be "Hollywood Nights". Homecoming/Senior night will be April 30. AP Exams are scheduled for May 3-6. The band spring concert will be May 11 at 7 p.m. Lastly, a big thank you to Reva Troutman, she has jumped right in and done a fantastic job working with the students while Danielle is out. Also, they are excited to welcome Baby Cornette!

Superintendent Dr. Candace Roush notified the board of a new school partnership with Vincennes University and the Mitchell and Orleans Schools. She talked about the three schools coming together to launch two new SEALs. SEAL stands for Student Earn and Learn which will allow students to combine dual credit college courses and local paid apprenticeships. The first two SEALs will be in education and nursing.

She notified the board that the school does have plans to continue the summer lunch program similar to last year. The school will also be working on some AC units and the middle school ceilings over the summer.

Finally, she thanked custodian Josh Neidiffer for his years of service to the Shoals School Corporation.

Before adjourning, Reva Troutman wanted to thank the board for giving her a chance. She is thankful that she can give back to the community and teach at the school where she graduated from.

Also, the board wanted to thank Josh Neidiffer for his years of service at the school.

The meeting adjourned at 6:49 p.m.

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OBITUARIES

TIMOTHY TAYLOR

Timothy Gene Taylor passed away Tuesday April 6, 2021 surrounded by his family at Memorial Hospital and Healthcare Center in Jasper. A resident of Loogootee, he was 41.



TIMOTHY TAYLOR

He was born September 1, 1979 in Bedford; son of Timothy Austin Taylor and Brenda Jean (Day) Hard-

wick.

Tim worked various jobs at Bedford Stone Mill, Indiana Creek Stone, and as a heavy equipment operator at White Stallion Coal Mine.

He enjoyed driving fast, four-wheelers, working as a mechanic, and watching tractor pulls.

He is preceded in death by his stepfather, Tim Hardwick and his grandparents, Barbara Day and Maxine and Paul Hopkins.

Tim is survived by his children, Destiny Lilly, Lexie Taylor, and Amanda Taylor; his parents, Brenda Hardwick and Timothy (Becky) Taylor; his siblings, Mike (Jackie) Taylor, Mark (Hillary) Hedge, Tiffany (Matt) Gingerich, Jon (Kelsey) Hedge, Lacey Wilson, and Matt Taylor, and many nieces and nephews.

A funeral service was held Friday April 9 at Blake Funeral Home in Loogootee. Burial followed in Poplar Grove Cemetery in Shoals.

Memorial contributions can be made, in lieu of flowers, to Blake Funeral Home to help with funeral costs.

Arrangements provided by Blake Funeral Home in Loogootee. Online condolences can be made at www.blakefuneralhomes.com.

ROBERT OSBORNE

Robert R. Osborne passed away Saturday, April 10, 2021 at his home along with his grand dog, Shorty Boy. A resident of Loogootee, he was 72.



ROBERT OSBORNE

He was born January 22, 1949 in Owensboro, Kentucky; son of the late James M. Sr. and Elloise (Roberts) Osborne.

Robert loved his grandchildren and playing with them. He enjoyed the outdoors, gardening, and grilling.

He was preceded in death by his second wife, Roxanna Faye Groff Bombrisk Osborne; daughter, Debora Stewart; parents, James and Elloise Osborne; brothers, James Edward Osborne and James M. "Chade" Osborne; nephews, Jeremy Osborne, Jason Seitz and Ian Martin.

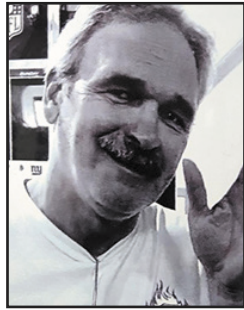
Robert is survived by his children, Tammy (Wayne) Ritchey of Loogootee, Emily Osborne of Alfordsville and Andrew Osborne and fiancé, Rachele Love, of Loogootee; grandchildren, Brookelinn Rose Osborne, Kylar James Dare, Jaxon Andrew Osborne and Avaya Faye Osborne; siblings, Charles L. Osborne of Loogootee, Don (Brenda) Osborne of Washington, Marvin (Debbe) Osborne of Loogootee, Mariann (Ali) Hamzeh of Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates and Brenda K. (Mike) Sanders of Oaktown; many nieces and nephews.

A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. Friday, April 16 at Blake Funeral Home in Loogootee.

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

PHILIP WININGER

Philip A. Wininger passed away Wednesday, April 7, 2021 at his home. A resident of Washington, he was 60.



PHILIP WININGER

He was born March 22, 1961 in Evansville; son of Shirley A. (Baxter) and Philip M. Wininger. Philip worked for Hillcrest Supply and had spent two years in Indiana National

Guard. Phillip loved to ride is Harley Davidson Motorcycle.

Philip is survived by his father, Philip M. of Washington; five brothers, Spencer "Craig" Wininger of Kansas, Wayne Wininger, Shannon (Lori) Wininger, Shane Wininger and Ernie (Marcee) Wininger, all of Washington; three sisters, Shelly Grubb of Vincennes, Stephanie (David) Bowman of Shoals and Serena (Mike) of Franklin, Ohio; seven nephews, Shawn (Tijania) Wininger of Indianapolis, Aaron Wininger and Gregory Aldrich, both of Washington; Joshua Wininger of Springville, KC; (Hannah) Wininger of Texas, Tyler Coleman of Washington and Andrew Erb of Franklin, OH; twelve nieces Christin (Levi) Wyant of Vincennes, Tabitha Wininger of Washington, Nikki (Ethan) Ice of Vincennes, Whitney (Craig) Jellison of Loogootee, Brittany Wininger of Nashville, Tennessee; Tiffany (Tyler) Forbey of Otwell, Kendal (Lance) Bledsoe of Montgomery, Dionna Coleman, Olivia Wininger, Adrienne Wininger, Jadalynn Wininger, all of Washington and Autumn Erb of Franklin, Ohio; 12 great nieces and nephews and many aunts, uncles, cousins and friends.

He is preceded in death by his mother; niece, Stormy Aldrich; nephew, Loren Aldrich and sister-in-law, Susan Wininger.

A funeral service was held Tuesday, April 13 at Ed Lee Mortuary North Chapel with Pastor Sandy Ivers officiating. Entombment followed at Sugarland Memory Gardens.

Condolences can be sent to the family online at www.edleemortuary.com. All arrangements were entrusted to Ed Lee Mortuary.

HAROLD CROUSE

Harold L. Crouse, formerly of Martin County, passed away Tuesday, April 6,



HAROLD CROUSE

2021 at VA Medical Center in Fort Wayne. A resident of Fort Wayne, he was 85.

He was born February 7, 1936 in Greene County; son of the late Walter and Gladys Crouse.

He was a member of Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception. He also served in the United States Army.

Harold owned H.L. Crouse Construction in Perrysburg, Ohio for 30 years. He loved to read, build houses and NASCAR.

He is survived by wife, Angie Crouse; siblings, Paul, Gerald, Bud, Richard, Marilyn, and Maxine; and many nieces and nephews.

He is preceded in death by five siblings. A Mass of Christian Burial was held Friday, April 9 at Cathedral of Immaculate Conception.

Memorial contributions may be made to Catholic charities.

GILBERTA HARPER

Gilberta Lucille Harper passed away peacefully Wednesday, April 7, 2021 at Parkview Christian Care in Odon. A resident of Odon, she was 95.



GILBERTA HARPER

She was born December 11, 1925 in Charleston, Missouri; daughter of Gilbert and Helen (Bechtel) Clagg.

Lucille married her loving husband, Floyd E. Harper, on December 8, 1942.

Lucille was a member of Shepard's Chapel. She was a devoted wife and mother. Her joy in life was taking care of her home and family. Lucille liked playing Euchre, Bingo and going to yard sales.

Family left to cherish the memory of Lucille include two sons, Virgil (Wanda) Harper of Loogootee and Dennis (Kaye) Harper of Paxton, Illinois; three daughters, Patricia (Jim) Ziegler of Effingham, Illinois; Carolyn Sue (Jim) Clay of Ft. Wayne and Gaylynn (Oliver B.) Arvin of Shelburn; 11 grandchildren; 22 great-grandchildren and three

great-great-grandchildren.

Lucille was preceded in death by her parents; her husband of 67 years, Floyd Harper; one great-grandson, Gavin Harper; brothers, Homer Pembleton, Charles Pembleton, Clarence Clagg, Bill Clagg and Richard Hanners.

A graveside service will be held May 1, 2021 at 2:30 p.m. at Kilgore Cemetery in Raglesville.

The Harper family has entrusted all arrangements to the Meng Family Funeral Home in Odon. Condolences and memories may be shared online at www.mengfuneralhome.com.

ALAN ALLBRIGHT

Alan Dale Allbright passed away at his residence April 10, 2021. A resident of Shoals, he was 69.

He was born in Washington on October 3, 1951; son of Roger and Mildred (Walton) Allbright. He married Ruth Ann Crowder on June 1, 1973 at the Shoals United Methodist Church.

He was a 1969 graduate of Shoals High School, was a retired school bus driver for Shoals Community Schools and previously built log homes.

"Dale" was an active member of The Shoals Church of the Cross where he enjoyed playing in the Praise Band, drove the bus for many community events and enjoyed traveling, especially to visit family in North Carolina, and camping.

He is survived by his wife, Ruth Ann; one brother, Ronald (Shelley) Allbright of French Lick; one sister, Angela (Richard) Sanders of Shoals; and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

A private service with his family will be held at a later date with burial in the Spring Hill Cemetery.

The Queen-Lee Chapel of the Thorne-George Family Funeral Homes has been entrusted with the arrangements.

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Martin County Sheriff's Department log

MONDAY, APRIL 5

12:28 a.m. - Received a report of a prowler in Crane. Sergeant Gibson, Sergeant McBeth, and Greene County Sheriff's Office responded.

6:56 a.m. - Received a report of a prowler in Crane. Deputy Flanagan and Loogootee Captain Hennette responded.

9:13 a.m. - Received a report of a break-in, in Shoals. Town Marshal Eckert responded.

1:18 p.m. - Received a report of an impaired driver on US 50. Loogootee Captain Hennette and ISP Trooper Nolan responded.

1:35 p.m. - Received a report of a suspicious person in Loogootee. Loogootee Captain Hennette responded.

5:12 p.m. - Received a report of a suspicious person in Loogootee. Loogootee Assistant Chief Rayhill and Deputy Wells responded.

5:39 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance transported the subject to Bloomington Hospital.

6:15 p.m. - Deputy Wells assisted the department of child services with a welfare check in Loogootee.

6:17 p.m. - Received a report of a woods fire southeast of Shoals. Lost River Fire and Martin County Ambulance responded.

11:35 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance east of Loogootee. Captain Reed, Deputy Wells, Loogootee Fire, and Martin County Ambulance responded. No one was transported.

TUESDAY, APRIL 6

7:55 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance south of Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance and Loogootee Fire responded. No one was transported.

9:02 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded but did not transport.

10:03 a.m. - Major Keller assisted a motorist in Shoals with a vehicle identification check.

11:29 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded but did not transport.

11:30 a.m. - Deputy Seymour took two inmates to court.

1:01 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Major Keller and Martin County Ambulance responded.

1:14 p.m. - Received a report of a gas line hit in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance, Loogootee Fire, Loogootee Chief Floyd, and Major Keller responded.

1:33 p.m. - Deputy Seymour took one inmate to court.

1:58 p.m. - Received a report of an accident near Shoals. Chief Deputy Greene and Town Marshal Eckert responded.

2:30 p.m. - Deputy Seymour took one inmate to court.

3:59 p.m. - Received a report of an accident in Loogootee. Loogootee Police responded.

5:50 p.m. - Received a report of an accident north of Loogootee. Deputy Wells responded.

6:54 p.m. - Received an alarm call in Loogootee. Loogootee Police responded.

6:39 p.m. - Received a report of trash dumping near Shoals. Deputy Wells responded.

9:20 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Loogootee Fire and Martin County Ambulance responded. No one was transported.

9:36 p.m. - Received a noise complaint in Shoals. Chief Deputy Greene, Captain

Reed, and Deputy Wells responded.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 7

6:54 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance, Captain Reed, and Loogootee Captain Hennette responded. The subject was transported to Daviess Community Hospital.

11:42 a.m. - Received a report of a suspicious person near Shoals. Major Keller and Deputy Seymour responded.

12:19 p.m. - Major Keller assisted a motorist south of Loogootee with a vehicle unlock.

1:11 p.m. - Chief Deputy Greene assisted a motorist in Loogootee with a vehicle unlock.

3:00 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance transported the subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

4:31 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance east of Shoals. Chief Deputy Greene, Deputy Lents, Shoals Fire, and Martin County Ambulance responded. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

8:20 p.m. - Received a report of a suspicious vehicle in Loogootee. Loogootee Police responded.

9:56 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Loogootee Fire and Martin County Ambulance responded. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

THURSDAY, APRIL 8

5:28 a.m. - Received a report of a vehicle on US 50 with equipment violations. Captain Reed responded.

6:15 a.m. - Received a report of a tree down south of Shoals. Martin County Highway was notified.

8:41 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance and Loogootee Fire responded. The subject was transported to Daviess Community Hospital.

8:53 a.m. - Received a dog complaint in Shoals. Major Keller responded and Animal Control Officer Hughett was notified.

10:00 a.m. - Deputy Seymour took two inmates to court.

11:30 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance near Shoals. Shoals Fire and Martin County Ambulance responded. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

1:30 p.m. - Deputy Seymour took two inmates to court.

4:25 p.m. - Chief Deputy Greene assisted a motorist in Loogootee with a vehicle unlock.

5:05 p.m. - Loogootee Police assisted a motorist with a vehicle identification check in Loogootee.

5:25 p.m. - Received a report of harassment north of Loogootee. Chief Deputy Greene responded.

8:15 p.m. - Received a report of reckless driving southeast of Shoals. Chief Deputy Greene was notified.

8:48 p.m. - Received a report of a car-deer accident on US 231, near Loogootee. Deputy Flanagan responded.

11:59 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Crane. Crane Fire and Martin County Ambulance responded. The subject was transported to Greene County Hospital.

FRIDAY, APRIL 9

12:19 p.m. - Received a report of a brush fire near Shoals. Corporal Barnett and Shoals Fire responded.

1:10 p.m. - Deputy Seymour took two inmates to court.

5:48 p.m. - Deputy Lents assisted a motorist south of Loogootee with a vehicle identification check.

6:43 p.m. - Received a report of reckless driving east of Loogootee. Deputy Lents and Chief Deputy Greene responded.

10:30 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Shoals. Shoals Fire and Martin County Ambulance responded. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

11:57 p.m. - Received a report of a disturbance in Loogootee. Loogootee Officer Seymour responded.

SATURDAY, APRIL 10

4:06 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance near Shoals. Sergeant Gibson, Shoals Fire, and Martin County Ambulance responded. No one was transported.

5:05 a.m. - Received a report of a disturbance east of Shoals. Sergeant Gibson, Deputy Flanagan, and Loogootee Officer Seymour responded.

5:22 a.m. - Received a report of a reckless driver on US 231, south of Loogootee. Loogootee Officer Seymour responded.

7:35 a.m. - Received a report of an accident south of Loogootee. Deputy Wells, ICO Mann, Haysville Fire, and Martin County Ambulance responded. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

1:43 p.m. - Received an alarm call in Shoals. Town Marshal Eckert responded.

ed, and all was secure.

2:22 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance north of Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded.

2:25 p.m. - Received a report of a break-in in Crane. Deputy Lents responded.

4:14 p.m. - Received a report of a yard fire near Shoals. Shoals Fire responded.

6:46 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Shoals. Deputy Lents and Martin County Ambulance responded. The subject was transported to IU Health in Bedford.

6:56 p.m. - Received a report of a structure fire east of Loogootee. Loogootee Fire, Shoals Fire, Martin County Civil Defense, Martin County Ambulance, State Fire Marshall, and the Martin County Coroner responded.

SUNDAY, APRIL 11

12:10 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded and transported the subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

2:56 p.m. - Received a report of a suspicious person near Shoals. Town Marshal Eckert responded.

3:37 p.m. - Received a report of a disturbance east of Shoals. Deputy Wells responded.

4:53 p.m. - Received a report of a reckless driver east of Shoals. Town Marshal Eckert responded.



By Shoals Town Council President Cary D. Albright

Councilman's Corner

Update on actions your council has taken the first 99 days of 2021!

Local government gets it done faster than 100 days!

-Grants, wayfinding and award for town signage and severe weather warning siren.

-Beautification Board and Park Board received several grants also.

-No smoking in building policy.

-Exterior of property's are tidier and in order.

-Shop is more organized/less clutter.

-Monthly meetings organized/streamlined.

-2019 - clean up resolution update passed (charged for if the town cleans up property).

-2020- unfit dwellings ordinance update passed to coincide with property clean up ordinance.

-Park and beauty boards more empowered.

-Local business engagement.

-Clear communication with employees (written work orders from council).

-Park developments (Exploring future park development located in east and west Shoals)

-Built a foundation and relationship with the school. (Working relationship between industrial trades class and town hall building updates).

-Inter-county agency relationships being built.

-Better safety and security measures being taken in the utilities departments.

-Accounting software installation (more accurate accounting of your tax money).

-Community outreach and information provided more and transparent.

-Issued seven property clean up violations and two unfit dwellings violations..

This is a team effort from you council and clerk-treasurer, and town marshal. Grant writing is a very time consuming and daunting process done by our clerk treasurer, beautification and park board members. This is all done on their own free time (unpaid time)!

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COURT NEWS

CRIMINAL CONVICTIONS AND SENTENCING

April 1

Gerald B. Emmons, convicted of domestic battery, a Level 6 Felony. Sentenced to serve 540 days with 538 days suspended and credit for 1 actual day previously served plus 1 Class A credit day. Defendant received 14 months of probation. Also convicted of invasion of privacy, a Class A Misdemeanor. Sentenced to serve 14 days with 0 days suspended and credit for 7 actual days previously served plus 7 Class A credit days.

April 5

Tristan L. Fitch, convicted of operating a vehicle while intoxicated causing serious bodily injury, a Level 5 Felony. Sentenced to serve 730 days with the Indiana Department of Corrections with 365 days suspended. Defendant shall serve 365 days through Knox County Community Corrections Home Detention Program. Defendant received 12 months of probation.

CRIMINAL CHARGES DISMISSED

April 1

Gerald B. Emmons, intimidation, a Level 6 Felony, dismissed; invasion of privacy, a Class A Misdemeanor, dismissed.

April 5

Dylan V. Bruner, possession of marijuana, a Class B Misdemeanor, dismissed; criminal recklessness, a Class B Misdemeanor, dismissed; leaving the scene of an accident, a Class B Misdemeanor, dismissed; reckless driving, a Class C Misdemeanor, dismissed.

CIVIL COURT

New Suits Filed

April 1

Melanie D. Wilson vs. James E. Wilson, petition for dissolution of marriage.

April 5

Kelsey P. Miller vs. Tyler G. Miller, petition for dissolution of marriage.

Harold J. Henninger vs. Christine L. Henninger, petition for dissolution of

marriage.

SMALL CLAIMS COURT

April 1

Kevin Boyd vs. Brooke McMackins and Jon Deckard, complaint.

April 6

Ashley Bearden vs. Jack Van Bearden, complaint.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

April 8

Lindsey Nixon of Loogootee and Travis Craney of Loogootee

Dylan Bruner of Shoals and Nikki Williams of Loogootee

Gordon L. Davis of Shoals and Wilma J. Barnes of Shoals

Citizen sting operations create dangerous situations and hamper law enforcement

Recently, Indiana has seen an increase in the number of social media ‘vigilante’ groups attempting to go after suspected online predators without the support of law enforcement. While these groups may have the best intentions in mind, operating outside the scope of law enforcement can be extremely dangerous for both themselves and others.

Private “investigations” created through this kind of activity where citizens pretend to be minors in order to lure and then confront suspected online predators (which they usually live stream on social media) face legal challenges and other hurdles that impact whether charges could be filed. When citizens take matters into their own hands, it can usually be harmful to a successful prosecution, leading to someone who may well have been guilty walking free.

Law enforcement officials are the only ones qualified to conduct these kinds of investigations. Having gone through extensive training, these officials know the right techniques in collecting and preserving the digital evidence that is necessary to prosecute these kinds of cases.

Martin County Prosecutor Aureola S. Wright wants to encourage the residents of Martin County not to take the law into their own hands. These citizen sting operations could lead to injury or death to the person attempting to expose a suspected predator, the person they are confronting or innocent bystanders. Confrontations of this nature are capable of turning violent quickly. Vigilantes also open themselves up to potential lawsuits for libel and slander should the person they are going after, decide to bring a lawsuit.

If a resident has a reason to suspect someone may be attempting to lure minors online, please pass that information along to local law enforcement who can then conduct a legal investigation, collect the necessary evidence which, if warranted, will lead to charges and a prosecution.



Safety grant -Photo provided

The Indiana Public Employers’ Plan, Inc. (IPEP) announced Martin County as a recipient of its 2021 safety grant award. IPEP partnered with Deputy Auditor Teresa Winger among others, along with David Welch with German American, to maximize opportunities to promote a safe work environment and assist with stretching their risk management resources. The grant funds will be used to purchase safety equipment or safety training programs that will reduce or limit workers compensation exposure. IPEP was created in 1989 as a risk-sharing pool for public entities, as a response to the need for public employers to find affordable workers’ compensation coverage. IPEP has grown to provide workers’ compensation claims administration for more than 700 public entities including cities, towns, counties and schools.

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Loogootee Police log

MONDAY, APRIL 5

6:56 a.m. - Assistant Chief Rayhill assisted the Martin County Sheriff’s Department with a domestic disturbance in Crane.

12:40 p.m. - Caller advised of a traffic control issue on West Main and Wood streets.

1:23 p.m. - Assistant Chief Rayhill responded to a report of an erratic driver entering Loogootee on US 50 East.

3:00 p.m. - Caller requested extra patrol due to threats he had received.

3:02 p.m. - Assistant Chief Rayhill spoke with an individual in reference to blocking a driveway.

10:37 p.m. - Officer Wells responded to a residential burglar alarm.

11:32 p.m. - First responders were dispatched to a medical call on Dover Hill Road.

TUESDAY, APRIL 6

9:42 a.m. - First responders were dispatched to a medical call on US 231 South.

11:33 a.m. - First responders were dispatched to a medical call on Bloomfield Road.

1:15 p.m. - Caller reported a gas line that had been hit.

2:29 p.m. - Caller reported a disturbance on North Line Street.

4:00 p.m. - Captain Hennette responded to a property damage accident in CVS parking lot.

6:52 p.m. - Loogootee Fire Department

responded to an active smoke alarm at the Loogootee High School.

9:26 p.m. - First responders were dispatched to a medical call on Vine Street.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 7

11:37 a.m. - Chief Floyd responded to a report of trespassing.

6:29 p.m. - Sgt. McBeth responded to a report of an erratic driver entering Loogootee on US 50 East.

8:20 p.m. - Caller reported an unknown vehicle in his driveway.

9:07 p.m. - First responders were dispatched to a medical call on Redbud Street.

THURSDAY, APRIL 8

8:46 a.m. - First responders were dispatched to a medical call on Vine Street.

6:16 p.m. - Chief Floyd completed a vehicle check.

FRIDAY, APRIL 9

10:24 a.m. - The Martin County Sheriff’s Department advised of a repossession that is taking place.

5:43 p.m. - Caller requested assistance with getting personal items from a residence.

11:57 p.m. - Officer Seymour responded to a report of a disturbance on Ackerman Drive.

SATURDAY, APRIL 10

6:06 p.m. - Caller reported a line down that could be a traffic hazard on Bloomfield Road.

7:00 p.m. - Loogootee Fire Department responded to a residential fire on SR 550.

Martin County real estate transfers

Phyllis Panko, of Martin County, Indiana to **Aaron Smith and Brenda Smith**, of Martin County, Indiana, Lots Number 21 and 22, in Roger’s Addition to the City of Loogootee, Indiana, having the dimensions of about 60 feet by 120 feet each.

James R. Tompkins, of Martin County, Indiana to **Dylan Street**, of Martin County, Indiana, a part of the southwest quarter of Section 18, Township 3 North, Range 4 West, in Perry Township, Martin County, Indiana, containing 0.995 acre, more or less.

Timothy C. Sorrells and Cynthia G. Sorrells, of Martin County, Indiana to **Aaron Smith and Brenda Smith**, of Martin County, Indiana. Tract I: Lots Numbered 1 and 2 in Block F in Loogootee Land Company’s Addition to the Town, now City of Loogootee, Indiana. Tract II: Lots Numbered 15 and 16 in Block F, Loogootee Land Company Addition to the City of Loogootee, Indiana. Also and eight foot strip of even width along the north side of Lot 16 in Block F, Loogootee Land Company Addition to the City of Loogootee, Indiana.

David R. Knepp, and David R. Knepp and Mary Ruth Knepp to Craig Knepp and William H. Neese, a part of the north half of the northwest quarter of Section 27, Township 4 North, Range 3 West, Martin County, Indiana, containing 69.75 acres, more or less.

Thomas William Tiffany, of Martin County, Indiana to **Evan D. Reed**, of Martin County, Indiana, the west half of Lot Number 77 in Keck’s Addition to the Town, now City of Loogootee, Indiana.

Joseph S. Coleman, of Martin County, Indiana to **Julie R. Coleman**, of Martin County, Indiana, a part of the southwest quarter of the southeast quarter of Section 5, Township 1 North, Range 4 West, situat-

ed in Rutherford Township, Martin County, Indiana, containing 0.78 acre, more or less.

Timothy L. Martin, of Johnson County, Indiana to **Dana L. Hall**, of Warrick County, Indiana. Tract I: A part of Section 24, Township 3 North, Range 5 West, containing 0.28 acres, more or less. Tract II: A part of Section 24, Township 3 North, Range 5 West, containing 0.14 acre, more or less. Tract III: A part of Section 24, Township 3 North, Range 5 West, containing 0.14 acre, more or less.

Aaron D. Smith, of Martin County, Indiana to **Aaron Smith and Brenda Smith**, of Martin County, Indiana, a part of the southwest quarter of the northeast quarter of Section 24, Township 3 North, Range 5 West, Martin County, Indiana, containing 0.60 acre, more or less.

ARRESTS

MONDAY, APRIL 5

4:03 p.m. - Brad Beasley, 56, of Odon, was arrested by ISP Trooper Nolan and charged with operating a vehicle while intoxicated and operating a vehicle while intoxicated endangerment. His bond has been set at \$15,000 10%.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 7

12:55 a.m. - Jason Wagler, 46, of Loogootee, was arrested by Loogootee Chief Floyd and charged with operating a vehicle while intoxicated, driving while suspended, and invasion of privacy. His bond has been set at \$15,000 10%. Assisting with the arrest was Captain Reed and K9 Officer Virka.

SATURDAY, APRIL 10

12:43 a.m. - Nathaniel Hart, 19, of Loogootee, was arrested by Deputy Lents and charged with operating a vehicle while intoxicated and is being held on a \$15,000 10% bond.

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More Neat Stuff



As most of you know, I'm a dog person and even though I love all animals, I have found cats to be more difficult to own and care for. When I saw the following article, I remembered the only time I tried to give KitKat (the feline that lived in my house when I bought it) a bath and one attempt was enough for me.

HOW TO WASH A CAT:

1. Put both lids of the toilet up and add 1/8 cup of pet shampoo to the water in the bowl.
2. Pick up the cat and soothe him while you carry him towards the bathroom.
3. In one smooth movement put the cat in the toilet and close the lid. You may need to stand on the lid.
4. At this point, the cat will self agitate and make ample suds. Never mind the noises that come from the toilet, the cat is actually enjoying this!
5. Flush the toilet three or four times. This provides a "Power-Wash" and "Rinse."
6. Have someone open the front door of your home. Be sure that there are no people between the bathroom and the front door.
7. Stand well back, behind the toilet as far as you can, and quickly lift the lid.
8. The cat will rocket out of the toilet, streak through the bathroom, and run outside where he will dry himself off.
9. Both the toilet and the cat will be sparkling clean.

Yours sincerely, The Dog

THOUGHTS

*Sometimes Alexa ignores me or makes me repeat myself three times, or doesn't do what I ask, so I'm claiming her as a dependent on my taxes.

*Everyone has the power to make someone happy. Some do it by entering the room, while some do it by leaving.

*Old age is like underwear – it creeps up on you.

*Wine improves with age. The older I get, the more I like it.

*Got up at 5 a.m., five-mile run completed, came back prepared for a vegetable smoothie for breakfast. Don't remember the rest of the dream.

*Where can I find a microwave that doesn't beep so loud it lets my family know I'm eating again.

*If you see a toilet in your dream, do not use it.

*The officer said, "You're staggering. I said, "You're quite handsome yourself."

We just laughed and laughed. I need bail money.

NICE THOUGHTS

*Don't get all worried about getting older. Our age is merely the number of years the world has been enjoying us.

*Good things come to those who work their butts off!

*You know all those things you've always wanted to do? You should go do them.

*There are two things you should never waste your time on – things that don't matter and people who think that you don't matter.

*Be the reason someone feels welcomed, seen, heard, valued, loved and supported.

*Doing nothing is hard. You never know when you're done.

Make someone smile today!

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Loogootee School Board meeting
The Loogootee School Board will meet Thursday, April 15 at 5 p.m. in the LHS Media Center. The meeting is open to the public.

St. Vincent Food Pantry

The St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry, on Park Street in Loogootee, is open the fourth Thursday of the month except November and December when they are open the third Thursday. The hours are 8 a.m.-noon and 1-4 p.m.

Mental Health Task Force

The Martin County Mental Health Task Force meets on the second Wednesday of the month from 1-2 p.m. at the Community Learning Center on the Martin County Fairgrounds.

Celebrate Recovery meetings

Celebrate Recovery meetings will be held every Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. at Redemption Church in Loogootee. This is a Christ-centered recovery program and anyone is welcome to attend.

Local recovery meetings

Wednesdays-Alcoholic Anonymous, Martin County Community Corrections Building at 8 p.m.; Thursdays-Narcotics Anonymous, Redemption Church Loogootee at 8 p.m.; Fridays-Alcoholic Anonymous, Loogootee Municipal Building Loogootee at 8 p.m.

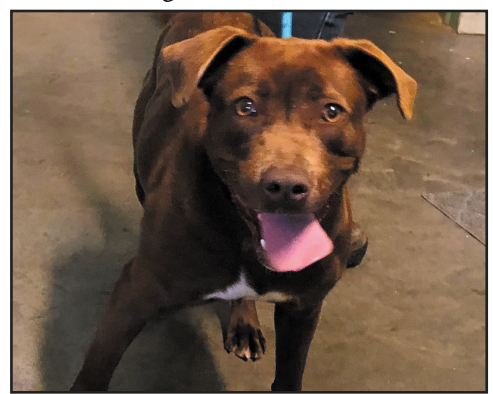
Free lunch for kids

New Beginnings Community Church will be offering a free lunch to all school age children every Saturday. Lunches can be picked up at the fellowship hall of the church, located at 105 Wood St, Loogootee no later than 10:30 a.m. Deliveries will begin between 10:30 and 11 a.m. Saturdays.

SOAR Tutoring

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in the Martin County Community Learning Center Improve Your Skills, Improve Your Life!

Solid waste board

The Martin County Solid Waste Board holds their monthly meetings on the third Wednesday of each month at 5:30 p.m. at the recycling center located at 500 Industrial Park Drive in Loogootee. The meetings are open to the public and anyone is invited to attend.

Soil and Water meetings

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



BY DARLA WAGLER

Librarian, Loogootee Public Library

Vincennes University Adult Basic Education offers free GED/HSE classes at the library on Tuesday and Thursday from 8:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m. Students are welcome by appointment so please contact Vicmary Jimenez-Bene at jimenez.vicmary@gmail.com. William Hamblin teaches beginner computer classes on Tuesday from 2-3 p.m. (he helps with tablets and laptops too). If you want to learn computer skills, please get signed up because I don't know how long we can offer this service.

We still require patrons to follow our facemask policy for now. The computers are available during operating hours, study rooms are available, and we are providing more programming.

New Books

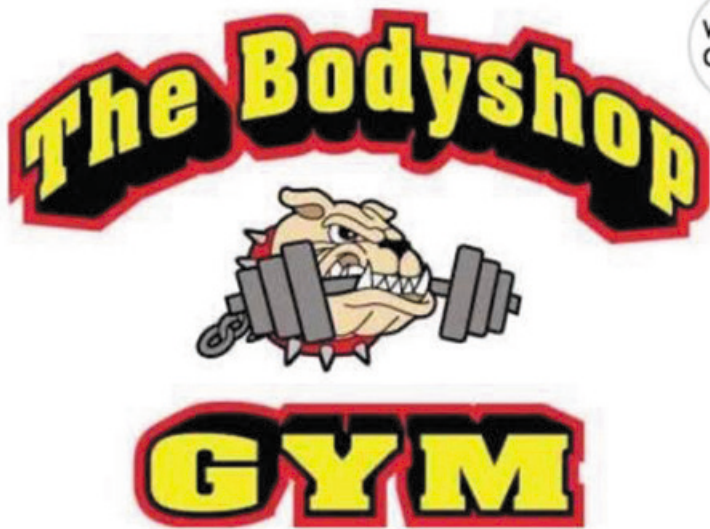
Mystery: "Ocean Prey" by John Sandford, "Turn a Blind Eye" by Jeffrey Archer, "Miss Julia Happy Ever After" by Ann B. Ross, "Innocent Betrayals" by Teresa Haag, and "Three Missing Days" by Colleen Coble.

Fiction: "A Piece of the Moon" by Chris Fabry.

DVDs: "Fear of Rain", "All My Life", "Don't Tell a Soul", and "Monster Hunter".

Library hours: Monday 10-7, Tuesday 10-5, Closed on Wednesday, Thursday 10-7, Friday 10-5, and Saturday 9-1. The library phone number is 812-295-3713 and check out the website www.loogootee.lib.in.us or like us on Facebook. The library has free Wi-Fi service available for patrons.

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Entrepreneurs, inventors and start-ups invited to participate in second royalty-free pitch competition

Entrepreneurs, inventors and start-ups can pitch innovative proposals to south-western Indiana defense and economic development industry leaders on June 23 at Radius Indiana's second annual "Crane IP Defense Innovation Pitch Competition" with royalty-free IP.

The competition offers unprecedented, royalty-free opportunities to commercialize the patented technologies and concepts developed at Naval Surface Warfare Center-Crane Division, Indiana's only federal research laboratory. Individuals or teams are invited to develop an innovative proposal for one of the intellectual property areas selected for the competition.

"Our desire is that businesses and entrepreneurs will be able to make use of these technologies, which will ultimately lead to job creation and economic growth," said Jenna Dix, technology transfer director at NSWC Crane. "The engineers and scientists at Crane create valuable technology to help the men and women who protect our nation, and we would love to see this technology be applied to increase innovation in our communities."

The competition is hosted by Radius Indiana, in coordination with Elevate Ventures, Naval Surface Warfare Center-Crane Division, Indiana Innovation Institute, and the Indiana Small Business Development Center. Entrepreneurs will have the opportunity to connect with industry leaders from these organizations, and cash prizes totaling \$7,000 will be available to the top three contestants. Additional prize funds will be available for

competitors with locations in the Radius region of southern Indiana.

"Radius continues to make important investments in small business and entrepreneurship," said Keeley Stingel, vice president of innovation and economic development at Radius Indiana. "The continuation of the pitch competition and the strength of the relationships between our partners positions our region and defense ecosystem to attract top talent and emerging technologies."

Virtual informational sessions given by NSWC Crane's Technology Transfer program on April 29 and May 11 are available for participants in advance of the competition. The sessions will provide an overview of available technologies and highlight opportunities for engaging with Crane and include an introduction to Crane's IP portfolio. Participants can also receive individual coaching sessions through the resources of Elevate Ventures and ISBDC.

"Pitch competitions give entrepreneurs valuable feedback, new connections, and increased confidence ahead of future ventures," said Hunter Hawley, the winner of Radius Indiana's 2019 regional pitch competition and CEO of Blueprint Stats. "Radius delivers all three in this event, and the environment is fun, supportive and competitive."

The competition is free for participants. Entrants will receive a template to create a slide presentation for the competition.

The registration deadline is June 1, 2021. Visit www.radiusindiana.com to learn more and register for the competition.

Matthew 5:16 Day marks 10th year

This year marks the 10th year the community will share Matthew 5:16 Day with others. "In the same way, let your good deeds shine out for all to see, so that everyone will praise your heavenly Father." Matthew 5:16 Day was first held in French Lick in 2009 as a day of community service where people worked to shine Christ's love through good deeds around for the Springs Valley area, and Loogootee was added in 2010 and Shoals joined in 2015 to this day of service. This year on Saturday, May 8 from 8-12 p.m. will be Matthew 5:16 Day, even though it may look a little different this year due to the pandemic.

Volunteers will meet at Loogootee Christian Church at 8 a.m. There will be a variety of jobs to choose from.

All workers will be wearing a yellow t-shirt to make them stand out in the communities. Each volunteer is asked to give your t-shirt size when you sign up. Churches who would like to be a part of the day can contact Chris Walker at 812-295-6275 or email christinewalker1986@gmail.com. Churches are asked to help pay for the cost of t-shirts for their volunteers.

Anyone interested in signing up to volunteer on Matthew 5:16 Day should do so at their church by April 25.



Emergency relief grant

-Photo provided

The Salvation Army received a Martin County Community Foundation Emergency Relief Fund grant for \$2,500 to be used for emergency assistance to Martin County residents in need. Shown from left to right is MCCF Director Curt Johnson presenting the grant check to Salvation Army members Nancy Whitman and Judy Survance.



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HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT SUMMER HELP

The Martin County Highway Department is accepting applications for a Part-Time Summer Employee. Employment not to exceed 20 weeks. Applicants must have a valid driver's license. A pre-employment drug screen will be required. Applications can be picked up and submitted to the Martin County Highway Department, 10753 Sherfick School Rd., Shoals. Deadline for submitting applications is April 26, 2021 at 3:30 pm.

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Loogootee Girls' Tennis defeated at Invitational

The varsity Lady Lions Tennis Team were defeated in the final game of the Loogootee Invitational last Saturday, April 10. The girls beat Pike Central in the semi-finals 5-0 but lost to Gibson Southern in the final matches, 1-4. Super tie-breakers were played in lieu of third sets.

Head Coach Mike Tippery said, "This was a great match that could have gone either way. In the end, Gibson Southern capitalized on their opportunities to win the match."

Semi-Final results

Loogootee 5, Pike Central 0
 #1 Singles: Annalise Powell (L) defeated Ella McGuire 6-0, 6-0
 #2 Singles: Kieragen Napier (L) defeated Shelby Keeker 6-0, 6-0
 #3 Singles Madison McAtee (L) defeated Jaine Sallee 6-1, 6-0
 #1 Doubles Katie Callison/Caitlin Carrico (L) defeated Kenley Beck/Zoey Davis 6-1, 6-0
 #2 Doubles Grace Foddrill/Grace Gingerich (L) defeated Reagan Craig/Ella Adams 6-1, 6-3

Gibson Southern 3, Bloomfield 0
 #1 Singles Kylee Shelton vs. Gracia Jones match suspended due to rain
 #2 Singles Brooklyn Bucher vs. Sydney Purcell match suspended due to rain
 #3 Singles Helen Kiesel (GS) defeated Thalda Uland 6-1, 6-1
 #1 Doubles Laynie Graham/Lillie Booth (GS) defeated Kinley Moody/Lucy Allen 6-1, 6-1
 #2 Doubles Kymi Reeder/Holly Gonyer (GS) defeated Emma Vaught/Lilli Doris 6-0, 6-0

Finals results
 Gibson Southern 4, Loogootee 1
 #1 Singles Gracia Jones (GS) defeated Annalise Powell 4-6, 7-5, 1-0 (5)
 #2 Singles Kieragen Napier (L) defeated Sydney Purcell 6-0, 6-1
 #3 Singles Helen Kiesel (GS) defeated Kalea Fleming 6-3, 6-3
 #1 Doubles Laynie Graham/Lillie Booth (GS) defeated Katie Callison/Caitlin Carrico 4-6, 6-2, 1-0 (5)
 #2 Doubles Kymi Reeder/Lilly Schmitt (GS) defeated Grace Foddrill/Madison McAtee 6-7 (9), 6-3, 1-0 (5)
 No consolation match was played.
 Last Thursday, the Loogootee varsity

girls defeated South Knox, 3-2. The junior varsity also won, 2-1. "This was a nice win for us. South Knox has a good team. They made us earn the victory," said Coach Tippery.

Varsity results

#1 Singles Ella Hays (SK) defeated Annalise Powell 6-1, 7-5
 #2 Singles Kieragen Napier (L) defeated Madi Ziegler 6-1, 6-0
 #3 Singles Abby Cunningham (SK) defeated Grace Gingerich 6-1, 6-0
 #1 Doubles Katie Callison/Caitlin Carrico (L) defeated Morgan Beard/Kaitlyn Williams 6-3, 6-4
 #2 Doubles Madison McAtee/Grace Foddrill (L) defeated Grae Cramer/Meredith Hays 6-4, 6-0
Junior varsity results
 #1 Singles Mikenna Jones (L) defeated Kinley Beard 6-5
 #2 Singles Anna Provines (SK) defeated Linsey England 6-0
 #1 Doubles Kalea Fleming/Morgen Wolfe (L) defeated Kinley Beard/Anna Provines 8-4

Last Wednesday, the varsity Lady Lions swept North Daviess, 5-0. The junior varsity also brought home a win, 2-1.

"The skies opened up just as we arrived, but I was happy the sun came out and we could get this match in. After an hour-plus delay and limited warm up time, we played well out of the gate and kept it going throughout the match," said Coach Tippery.

Varsity results

#1 Singles Annalise Powell (L) defeated Abigail Geisler 6-4, 6-1
 #2 Singles Kieragen Napier (L) defeated Elaina Morgen 6-0, 6-0
 #3 Singles Caitlin Carrico (L) defeated Madison Ramsey 6-0, 6-0
 #1 Doubles Katie Callison/Grace Gingerich (L) defeated Austyn Miller 6-0, 6-0
 #2 Doubles Morgen Wolfe/Grace Foddrill (L) defeated Perla Garcia-Mejia/Emma Sargent 6-0, 6-0
Junior varsity results
 #1 Singles Bella Laughlin (ND) defeated Abbie Fischer 6-3
 #1 Doubles Madison McAtee/Olivia Dant (L) defeated Bella Laughlin/Haley Blevins 6-4

#2 Doubles Maddie Fischer/Lauren Holt (L) defeated Haley Blevins/Brooklyn Hollis 6-0

Last Tuesday, April 6, the varsity team swept Linton 5-0. The junior varsity didn't play.

Coach Tippery said, "After a tough loss to Forest Park last Friday, it was nice to get back on the courts. We worked on some things in practice Monday, and I saw improvement on those things today. We still have a long way to go but are headed in the right direction."

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pick up the letter. He provided a quote from a company who would push the house down for \$500. Hudson said the grass is very tall however they can't get someone in to mow it due to the debris around the property. The council agreed to bill the property owner for the demolition and if unpaid, they will place a lien on the property. Mayor Harty noted that the way the house is now, it is unsafe. He said knocking it down will at least help with the safety issue.

City Attorney Isha Wright-Ryan said it's the first she is hearing of the issue and requested time to check into the law prior to any work being done. The council went ahead and approved the \$500 contingent on Wright-Ryan giving the go ahead.

Hudson also informed the council that letters went out to residents in the city who were in any way blocking sidewalks. He said 80 percent of the residents cleared the obstructions. He requested the city set aside money to repair the sidewalks now that they are no longer blocked. Mayor Harty said they may be able to use American Recovery Act funds. Hudson said there is also issue with residents driving and parking on curbs and sidewalks. He asked if the police can start writing tickets now that the city has cracked down on obstructing the sidewalks. The mayor said they can talk to the chief of police and see what they can come up with.

A couple residents in the audience asked why the city is suddenly concerned with residents parking on sidewalks

Varsity results

#1 Singles Annalise Powell (L) defeated Ellie Brewer 6-2, 6-0
 #2 Singles Kieragen Napier (L) defeated Bailey Near 6-0, 6-0
 #3 Singles Grace Foddrill (L) won by forfeit 1-0
 #1 Doubles Katie Callison/Grace Gingerich (L) defeated Henley House/Cassidy Goodman 6-3, 6-3
 #2 Doubles Morgen Wolfe/Madison McAtee (L) defeated Maddy Hazelwood/Savanna Neal 6-0, 6-2

when those sidewalks haven't been in existence in a long time. One resident said that if the city plans to maintain or replace the sidewalks then that is understandable but to start issuing letters out of the blue doesn't make since. He said that there are buildings downtown on the square that are crumbling, and nothing is done about those. "Some things are noticed, and some things are turned a blind eye to," he said.

The mayor replied that they are aware of the issues with buildings downtown and have been in contact with those property owners.

Clerk-Treasurer Roger Downey reported the city will received \$560,000 from the American Recovery Act to reimburse the city for lost revenue related to COVID-19. The money can be spent through 2024. He provided the council with a list of expenditures that qualify for use of the money.

Council Member Teresa Nolley asked if Downey knew how much the city lost due to COVID. Downey replied that he doesn't have that information at this time.

During the board of public works and safety meeting, prior to the city council meeting, the board tabled a list of unpaid water bills that were uncollectable. Board Member Rick Norris said he would like to look over the list before the board approves writing off the amounts. He said he knows several of the people on the list and sees them often.

Fire Chief JD Flynn requested to get quotes for a used rescue truck or tanker due to their current model being outdated. The council gave permission.

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ANDREW BOSELL

Andrew James Bosell is the son of Crystal Bosell and Robert Bosell. After graduation, Andrew plans to attend Vincennes University to study cyber security. While in high school, Andrew participated in Track (9-10).



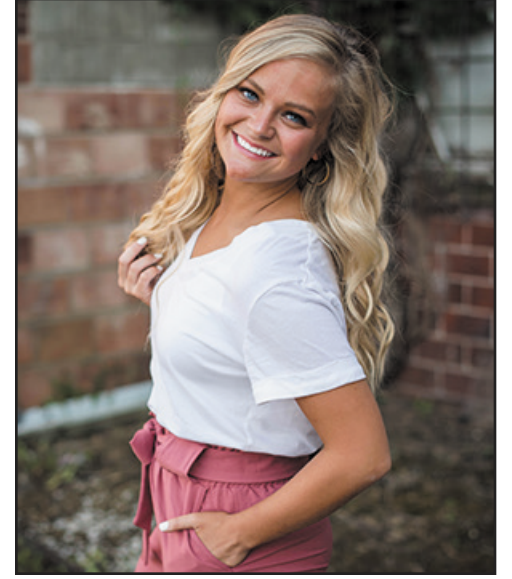
MATTHEW POOLE

Matthew R Poole is the son of Brandon and Julie Poole. After graduation, Matthew plans to attend Purdue University to study computer and information technology. While in High School, Matthew participated in Band (9-12), Beta Club (9-12), French Club (10-12), Intra BBall (11), Job Shadow (11), Stu Council (10-12), and Tennis (10-12).



ASHLYN HOLT

Ashlyn Danielle Holt is the daughter of Michael and Cindy Holt. After graduation, Ashlyn plans to attend Vincennes University to study nursing. While in high school, Ashlyn participated in Musical (11-12), Beta Club (9 and 12), Chorus (9-12), SADD (11-12), Yearbook (9), Student Council (11-12), Show Choir (10).



MACY MCATEE

Macy Jade McAtee is the daughter of Mike and Cindy McAtee. After graduation, Macy plans to attend Purdue University to major in Business and Minor in Marketing and Finance. While in high school, Macy participated in Band (9-12), Cheerleading (12), FCA (10-12), Lionettes (11-12), Musical (9-12), Right to Life (9-11), Spanish Club (9-12), Beta Club (9-12), Chorus (9-10), Recycling (9), Pep Club (9-12), SADD (9-12), Yearbook (12), Student Council (9-12), Show Choir (9-10), Track (9), Girls Basketball Manager (10-12), Cross Country (9-12), Class Secretary (12), and Class Treasurer (9).



JULIUS CASTRO

Julius Ray Castro is the son of Jessica and Jason Cagle. After graduation, Julius plans to enter the military in the branch of the US Navy. While in high school, Julius participated in Show Choir (9), Tech Theatre (10-12), Track (9-12), and Cross-Country (9).



JATELIN NICHOLSON

Jatelin Nicholson is the daughter of Jimmy Nicholson. After high school Jatelin will be entering the workforce. While in high school, Jatelin has participated in Chorus (10-11).



CADEN CHANDLER

Caden E Chandler is the son of Sara Gibson and Chad Chandler. After graduation, Caden plans to attend VUJC. While in high school, Caden participated in Musical (9-12), Chorus (9-12), French Club (9-11), Job Shadow(11-12), and Show Choir (10,12)



BRYANT ECKERLE

Bryant James Eckerle is the son of Jeff and Karla Eckerle. After graduation, Bryant plans to pursue higher education but is undecided where he will attend. While in high school, Bryant participated in Chorus (9-12), Musical (9-12), Spanish Club (9-11), Job Shadow (11), Student Council (10), and Show Choir (9-11). Bryant also participated in Baseball (9-12), Basketball (9-12), and Tennis (9-12).

2021 Seniors



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ELIJAH MCCARTY

Elijah McCarty is the son of Heather Evans. He has two siblings, Gabbi and Jacob McCarty. While in high school, Elijah participated in Beta Club. His favorite memory is making piñatas in Spanish class. After graduation, Elijah plans to attend college.



NICOLAS SANGO

Nicolas Marciano Sango is the son of Marciano Sango and Angela Smith. He has one sibling, Leila Sango. His favorite high school memory is when Mr. Dahlen told us stories about his time in the United States Navy. After graduation, Nicolas plans to go to college and major in forestry.



KAROLINE TEDROW

Karoline A. Tedrow is the daughter of Jennifer and Charlie Tedrow. After graduation, Karoline plans to study psychology at Indiana University. While in high school, Karoline participated in Musical (9-12), Spanish Club (9-12), Beta Club (9-12), Chorus (9-12), GSA (11-12), Job Shadow (11), Student Council (9-12), Twin Rivers (12). Karoline also participated in Softball (9) and Cross Country (9) and was Girls Basketball Manager (10-12), Volleyball Manager (12), and Cross Country (10-11).



MATTIE MILLIGAN

Mattie Lynn Milligan is the daughter of Mike and Katie Milligan. After graduation, Mattie plans to further her education to study marine sciences. While in high school, Mattie participated in Beta Club (9-12), Chorus (9-12), Yearbook (9-10), Musical (9-12), Student Council (10-12), Show Choir (11), GSA (11-12), and Tennis (9).