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## Honoring the fallen

-Photo by Joshua Hughett

On Memorial Day, this past Monday, the American Legion Post 120 and Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 9395 paid homage to the veterans of all wars with a visit to cemeteries around the county. Shown above is the ceremony at the Truelove United Methodist Church Cemetery.

## Search warrant leads to seizure of methamphetamine, multiple arrests

On Friday, May 24, at 1:38 p.m., Deputy John Wright, with the Martin County Sheriff's Department, was assisting Martin County Department of Child Services at a residence in Shoals, which was occupied by Brandon Stone, 35. Deputy Wright knocked on the front door, while waiting for a response, he smelled the odor of burnt marijuana. Then, Sheriff Travis Roush arrived on scene, also knocked on the door, and smelled the odor of burnt marijuana.

Deputy Wright requested the assistance of Martin County Chief Deputy Prosecutor Mike Fritch to apply for a search warrant for the property, which was granted by the Honorable Martin County Circuit Court Judge Lynne E. Ellis.

While Deputy Wright was applying for a search warrant, Sheriff Roush detained Amanda Krodel, 29, who was staying in a camper on the property. Then, Deputy Andrea Barnett arrived on scene and Krodel informed her she had marijuana in her pocket. Deputy Barnett located marijuana in Krodel's front right pocket and transported her to the Martin County Security Center with no further incident.

Deputy John Wright, Corporal Tyler Reed, Deputy Larry Gibson, and Reserve Deputy Jason Greene executed the search warrant at the property. During the search, officers lo-

cated methamphetamine, controlled substance, marijuana, and paraphernalia. The total weight of the methamphetamine seized was around 6.8 grams.

Brandon Stone was seen driving toward his residence later, and Deputy John Wright, Deputy Larry Gibson, Shoals Town Marshal Todd Eckert, and Loogootee Police Officer Kevin McBeth arrived at his residence and Mr. Stone was arrested and transported to the Martin County Security Center with no further incident.

Brandon Stone was charged with possession of methamphetamine, a Level 5 Felony; possession of a controlled substance, a Class A Misdemeanor; and possession of marijuana, a Class B Misdemeanor.

Amanda Krodel was charged with possession of marijuana, a Class B Misdemeanor and possession of paraphernalia, a Class C Misdemeanor.

All suspects are innocent, until proven guilty in a court of law.

## Correction . . .

In last week's issue of the Martin County Journal, the Shoals High School Valedictorian and Salutatorian were switched. Klayton Tichenor is this year's Salutatorian and Lori Albright is the Valedictorian. The Journal apologizes to the families for the error.

## Loogootee approves dozens of athletic positions

BY COURTNEY HUGHETT

Martin County Journal Publisher

The Loogootee School Board approved several personnel recommendations at their meeting Thursday, May 23. The recommendations were not broken down by individual position, only a list for each program.

The board approved the following personnel actions:

-Retirements of Sharon Cole and Beth Arvin from the cafeteria

-Ellen Dant as summer custodial help

-Zach Arvin and Sean Page as summer technology help

-Ashley Roach as elementary teacher

-Stephanie Stoll as graduation/career coach, a shared position with Bloomfield High School

-Scott Arthur, Jared Rose, Mike Winger, Rob Blackwell, Ed Harder, Hunter Hughes, Eric Brittain, Will Walker, Dylan Arthur, Justin Wagler, Frank Bratton and Gabe Nolley for the baseball program

-Ryan Haywood, Bruce Wade, Josh Jeffers, Andy Marks, Jeff Bledsoe, Michael Foster, Lance Mathias, Chad Wade, Andrew Tedrow, Jordan Divine, Troy Smith, Phil Smith, Andrew Kluesner, Devon Harrell, Todd Humerickhouse, Doug Denson and Justin Carrico for the boys' basketball program

-Brian Whitney, Tyler Walton, Tim Sanders and Kevin Johnson for the boys' golf program

-Mike Tippery, Brad Christmas, Brittany Gibson, Jill Toy, Emily Marks, Sheldon Christmas and Gabe Nolley for the boys' and girls' tennis programs

-Tara Lengacher, Tyra Fuhs, Katie Kidwell, Amber Gilbertson, Shannon Wagler, Debbie Hayes, Hannah Kidwell, Lacy Jeffers, Tiffany Lingenfelter, Nikki Wagoner, and Carlye Crim for the cheerleading program

-Megan Jones and Trevor Guy for

co-ed cross country

-Bill Riley and Erin Bateman for co-ed track

-Amber Smith, Tiffany Lingenfelter, and Lindsay Burch for the dance program

-Brian Smith, Chris Reed, Lonnie Hawkins, Bailey Davis, Andi Sutton, Julianne Bell, Jaymie Toy, Sydney Davis and Tyanna Graber for the girls' basketball program

-Greg Clark, Travis Davis, Tony Graber, Randy Winger, Bailey Davis, Stephanie Chambers, Brady Lingenfelter, Madison Zins, Megan Miller and Kerry Cooper for the softball program

-Shelly Lengacher, Leslie Summers, Blair Baker, Mary Ann Winger, Phil Goodpaster, Kristan Muck, Mya Hedrick, Mindy Rose, Taylor Wittmer, Olivia Winger, Michala Beasley, Denny Wagoner, Gabe Nolley, Molly Johnson, Demariah Chess, Megan Delaney, Christina Ziegler, and Brett Etienne for the volleyball program

Superintendent Chip Mehaffey wanted the board to know that Loogootee High School became a STEM certified school, by the Indiana Department of Education. They will receive a banner from the state to display. Mehaffey said there are five public schools in Indiana with this certification, all in central and northern Indiana.

Alan Knepp, with Myszak and Palmer, gave the board an update on the renovations at the schools. In the elementary, the administration area has been framed in and they are starting to hang drywall. Plumbing is being done in the elementary kitchen and the slab floor will be poured soon. Demolition has started in some restrooms. This week, floors, ceilings and chalkboards will be removed.

In the high school, they are working on the science labs and doing demolition. (See 'LOOGOOTE' on page 2)



## Regional champs

-Photo by Susan Wittmer

The Loogootee Lady Lions Softball Team defeated Northeast Dubois on Tuesday night, May 28, 7-2, to win the Regional title. The girls will now move on to semi-state scheduled for Saturday, June 1 at North Daviess. There will be two games, with the Lions playing the first game at 11 a.m. against West Washington. The championship will start at 7 p.m. Saturday evening.

# Carter's Legacy 5K, Family Fun Day to be held June 8

The 5th annual Carter's Legacy 5K will be held Saturday, June 8. The 5K walk/run is in loving memory of Carter Lee Kerns, son of Alyssa and Ed Kerns. Carter died in a tragic accident the day before his first birthday. Determined to bring good from tragedy, his parents founded the Carter Lee Kerns Memorial Fund, a permanent endowment fund established at the Martin County Community Foundation. Annual payouts from this fund will go to support non-profit organizations that work to enhance the lives of children and families in Martin County. All race proceeds will go to the Carter Lee Kerns Memorial Fund held and administered by the Community Foundation Partnership Inc. on behalf of the Martin County Community Foundation.

Onsite registration begins at 9 a.m. and the walk/run begins at 10:30 a.m. Online pre-registration is available at: <https://runsignup.com/Race/IN/Loogootee/carterlegacy>. Awards will be given for the top three males and females in each category: <16, 16-29, 30-45, 46-69, 70+.

Plaques will be awarded for the top male and female overall. The cost is \$25 for 16+, \$15 for 5-15, under 5 is free. Paid entrants receive a t-shirt, all kids will receive a prize.

### Race Day:

9:00 a.m. - Registration Opens (shirt pick up and onsite registration)

10:30 a.m. - 5K Begins

11:30 a.m. - 5K award ceremony begins

After awards ceremony - Family Fun Day activities begin

We are proud to be part of the 3rd annual Family Fun Day. We are happy to be partnering with West Boggs Park and the Cops and Kids program. The 5K will kick off an afternoon of fun. There will be a bounce house, free lunch (Kids and Cops picnic), a DJ, Touch-A-Truck (we have LOTS of cool trucks), law enforcement meet and greet, K-9 demonstrations, giveaways and a few surprises. This event will occur rain or shine.

Thanks to the generosity of West Boggs Park, the gate fee will be waived for everyone on June 8.

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tion in the library for the media center. They will start demolition on the classrooms, floors, etc. this week.

Furniture has been ordered for all schools and will arrive on July 15. Knepp said they are still on schedule and still on budget for the project. Work is planned to be done by August 9. "It's going to feel like a new space," said Knepp.

The board held a second reading and approved the student handbooks for the 2019-20 school year.

The board approved increasing lunch prices by 10 cents. The elementary lunch will now be \$2.55 and the middle school and high school will be \$2.80.

The board approved the following overnight field trips:

-Senior trip to Washington D.C./New York next year, April 29-May 4

-Boys' high school basketball team to a camp at Indiana Wesleyan, June 21-23

-Volleyball team to a camp at Indiana University on July 12-14

-Lionettes to a Legacy Dance program in Evansville in mid-June

The superintendent reported that there is little to no increase in book, technology, etc. fees for next school year. The board approved the fees.

Next month, the board will meet Wednesday, June 19 instead of the third Thursday as per usual due to the superintendent having another commitment.

## Shoals Alumni Banquet

The Shoals High School Alumni Banquet will be held Saturday, June 29 at the Shoals High School Gym. Doors open at 4 p.m. with a catered dinner served at 6 p.m.

Advance admission price is \$20 per person, \$30 at door without advance reservation. The Classes of 1969 and 1994 will be honored.

To make a reservation please send payment to Mona Child 7669 Hilltop Drive Shoals, IN 47581. Make checks payable to Shoals High School Alumni Association.

Reservations should be made by June 21, 2019.

There will be handicap parking in the rear parking lot.

# CLASSIFIED ADS

## HELP WANTED

### Shoals Varsity Girls' Basketball Coach

Post Date: 5/24/19

Job Expectations/Qualifications: Our basketball coach will be able to do the following tasks

1. Be knowledgeable on all aspects of basketball as a sport
2. Create an environment of positivity and support for our athletes and our programs
3. Plan and setup all aspects of practices and meet management.
4. Maintain and inventory all equipment, warm-ups and uniforms for practice and competition.
5. Schedule practices, departure times for busses and create and distribute expectations for the team.
6. Work fundraising events through Athletic Department
7. Communicate with parents/guardians about expectations, consequences and other important information.
8. Communicate with Athletic Director about results, team management and goals for team improvement.
9. Model professional behavior both with the team and within the community.
10. Uphold and know all rules and regulations of the IHSAA, NFHS and Blue Chip Conference in regards to basketball

Compensation: Stipend position

Apply To: Bryson Abel & Danielle Cornett- Athletic Directors; Shoals Community Schools, 7900 US HWY 50, Shoals, IN-47581; (812)-247-2090, [athletics@shoals.k12.in.us](mailto:athletics@shoals.k12.in.us)

Closing Date: 6/7/19

## YARD SALES

**HUGE BOOK, BAKE & YARD SALE,** Loogootee Public Library, 106 N. Line St., from 8-12 on June 1.

**BURNS CITY TOWNWIDE YARD SALES!** June 8th, 8 a.m.-? Watch for signs. Food will be served on First Road and Third Road.

## HELP WANTED

### JOB OPENING:

### Martin County Community Corrections Case Manager

**Status:** Full-Time

#### Requirements:

1. Have a Bachelor's Degree in a social services field or equivalent work experience.
2. Have experience working with difficult people and/or high stress situations.
3. Be available to work flexible, rotating hours.
4. Possess basic computer/typing skills using common programs such as Microsoft Excel, Word, G-Suite, and a Copier/Fax Machine.
5. Possess a valid driver's license.
6. Pass an initial employment drug screen and a national criminal background check.
7. Demonstrate an ability to work independently and with minimal supervision.
8. Possess organizational and strong interpersonal skills.
9. Possess knowledge of Standard English grammar, spelling and punctuation, and ability to effectively communicate orally and in writing.
10. Follow personnel policies and work rules of the employer/department, including, but not limited to, attendance, safety, drug-free workplace, and personal conduct.
11. Provide public access to or maintain confidentiality of department information/records according to state requirements.

**Core Responsibilities and Additional Duties may be available upon Email request.**

**Please provide a resume, cover letter, references, and letters of recommendation by 4:00 PM on June 15, 2019 to:**

**Martin County Community Corrections  
Kathy Collins, Director,  
211 SE 1st Street, Loogootee, IN 47553  
Fax: (812) 295-4913 or Email: [kcollins@martincounty.in.gov](mailto:kcollins@martincounty.in.gov)**

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# Obituaries

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## MARY JO JONES

Mary Jo Jones died at 8:28 p.m. May 23, 2019, at her home. A resident of Columbus, she was 78.



## MARY JO JONES

She was born February 28, 1941, in Jasper; the daughter of Lester and Virginia Arvin Perkins. She married Dalton E. Jones August 29, 1958 and he preceded her in death on September 9, 2008.

She retired from Personal Finance Company.

Survivors include her daughters, Valerie (Wade) Hooten of Columbus, Constance Lathey of Ohio and Angela (Mike) Wagner of Louisiana, and Claudia Lopez, who she thought of as a daughter; sister, Margaret "Peggy" (Gary) Young of Georgia; seven grandsons and two granddaughters; one great-grandson and one great-granddaughter; and her dog Teddy, who was her best friend and companion.

She was preceded in death by her father, Lester Perkins and mother, Virginia Batchelor; husband, Dalton; son, Billy Gene Jones; brothers, Ronald and Jack Arvin; and a grandson, Shawn Jones.

A visitation was held Sunday, May 26 at Jewell-Rittman Family Funeral Home. Burial will be at Pleasant Valley Cemetery near Shoals at a later date.

Arrangements provided by the Jewell-Rittman Family Funeral Home.

## SUSAN HOLT

Susan Holt passed away Friday May 24, 2019 at Loogootee Health Care and Rehab surrounded by her family. A resident of Loogootee, she was 65.

She was born July 25, 1953 in Daviess County; the daughter of Emil and Beulah (Patterson) Carrico.

Susan was strong in her faith, a member of The Alfordville Assembly of God. She enjoyed painting, making and eating ice cream, but most of all she loved spending time with her family, children, and grandchildren. She spent her life taking care of others and was devoted to ensuring others were put above herself.

She is preceded in death by her parents, Emil and Beulah; her siblings, Mary Rebecca Carrico, Donald Carrico, and Timothy Carrico; and her grandchildren, Seth and Noelle Holt.

She is survived by her husband, Ron Holt of Jasper; her children, Stephanie (Larry) Watkins of Loogootee, Michael (Cindy) Holt of Loogootee, Jamie Grube of Jasper, Phillip (Cherry) Holt of Auburn, Indiana, seven grandchildren, seven great-grandchildren, her siblings, Julie Beck of Ferdinand, David (Mary) Carrico of Huntingburg, and Luke Carrico of Loogootee, and many nieces and nephews.

A funeral service was conducted Tuesday May 28 at Blake Funeral Home with Pastor Jim Goepfner officiating.

Burial followed in Hindostan Cemetery.

Online condolences can be made at [www.blakefuneralhomes.com](http://www.blakefuneralhomes.com).

## IAN MARTIN

Ian Michael Martin passed away at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, May 22, 2019 at his home. A resident of Loogootee, he was 30.



## IAN MARTIN

Ian was a 2007 graduate of Barr-Reeve High School. When Ian was younger, he loved to spend time with his grandpa and helping him around the farm. He would feed the fish and make sun tea for his grandma. As a child he enjoyed summer nights playing with his cousins. Ian enjoyed visiting with his friends and playing video games.

He was preceded in death by his grandparents, Dolores "Dee" and Hayden "Cuddy" Sutton.

He is survived by his mom and stepdad, Debbe and Marvin Osborne of Loogootee; grandpa, James Martin of Loogootee; aunts, Jacquie Catt of Vincennes, Brenda (Jerry) Edwards of Loogootee, Falicia (Tony) Hollaway of Loogootee and Donna (Billy) Haynes of Philpot, Kentucky; cousins, Carl Catt, Kena Vieck, James Edwards, Natalie Edwards, Sarah Knepp, Whitney Edwards, Breanna Hollaway and Rebecca Hollaway.

Funeral services were conducted Monday, May 27 at Blake Funeral Home in Loogootee.

Condolences may be made online at [www.blakefuneralhomes.com](http://www.blakefuneralhomes.com).

## JILL ARTHUR

Gelena "Jill" Arthur passed away at 2:50 p.m. Sunday, May 26, 2019 at Loogootee Nursing Center. A resident of Loogootee, she was 80.

She was born October 15, 1938 in Bloomington; daughter of the late Oath and Dorothy (Close) Henry.

Jill was a believer of the Christian faith. She was a very giving and caring person. She enjoyed riding her bicycle, watching Indiana University basketball and playing cards.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Paul Arthur; siblings, Viola Sowders, Wilma Rumble, Paul Henry, Walter Henry and Warren Henry.

She is survived by her daughter, Cynthia Pendleton of Loogootee; two grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; two great-great-grandchildren; and siblings, Gaylord (Mary) Henry of Bloomington and Byrel Jeffries Hutchinson, Kansas.

Private graveside services will be held.

Condolences may be made online at [www.blakefuneralhomes.com](http://www.blakefuneralhomes.com). Arrangements were provided by Blake Funeral Home in Loogootee.

## BEVERLY BAKER

Beverly Baker passed away at 11:30 p.m. Friday, May 24, 2019 at her home. A resident of Washington, she was 70.

She was born February 8, 1949 in New Orleans, Louisiana; daughter of the late James N. and Joyce (McGuire) Brooks.

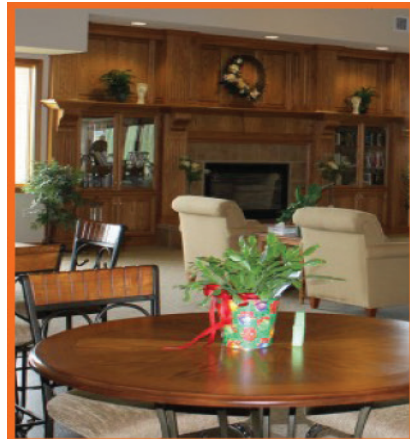
Beverly loved watching General Hospital and The Walking Dead. She also enjoyed crocheting, baking and cooking.

She was preceded in death by her husband, David Baker; parents, James N. and Joyce (McGuire) Brooks; and infant sister, Debra Brooks.

She is survived by her children, Debra Baker of Washington, Nicole Baker of Shoals, Amanda (Terry) Winger of Washington, Jonathan Baker of Washington and Brandie (David Speakman) Baker of Washington; 11 grandchildren and a new grandchild arriving October 2019; three great-grandchildren and another arriving July 2019; siblings, Cindy (Robert) Hawkins of Shoals, Jeffrey (Mary) Brooks of Kentucky and Michael (Rosie) Brooks of Salem, Oregon.

Beverly wished to be cremated and no services will be held.

Condolences may be made online at [blakefuneralhomes.com](http://blakefuneralhomes.com). Arrangements were provided by Blake Funeral Home in Loogootee.



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## Martin County Sheriff's Department log

### MONDAY, MAY 20

3:11 a.m. - Received an alarm call near Loogootee. Corporal Reed and Loogootee Sergeant Norris responded. All was secure.

4:55 a.m. - Received a report of a car-deer accident north of Loogootee, on US 231. Corporal Reed responded.

5:28 a.m. - Received a report of a car-deer accident on US 50, near Loogootee. Corporal Reed responded.

12:00 p.m. - The Greene County Sheriff's Office was on station with one inmate for court.

12:48 p.m. - One inmate was transported from the Knox County Security Center for court.

2:55 p.m. - Received a cat complaint south of Loogootee. Animal Control Officer Hughett was notified.

3:46 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance near Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance transported the subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

6:50 p.m. - Received an alarm call near Loogootee. Loogootee Sergeant Norris responded and all was secure.

9:37 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance near Shoals. Martin County Ambulance responded but did not transport.

11:25 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded but did not transport.

### TUESDAY, MAY 21

1:23 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance north of Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded but did not transport.

11:42 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance near Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded and transported the subject to Daviess Community Hospital.

11:43 a.m. - Deputy Barnett assisted a motorist with a vehicle unlock north of Loogootee.

1:45 p.m. - One inmate was transported to the doctor.

4:15 p.m. - Received a report of a domestic dispute south of Loogootee. Major Keller, Deputy Barnett, Deputy Lents, Deputy Shinn, and ISP Trooper Dick responded.

### WEDNESDAY, MAY 22

1:34 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance near Shoals. Martin County Ambulance transported the subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

5:35 a.m. - Received a report of a tree down near Loogootee. Martin County Civil Defense removed the tree.

8:09 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance north of Shoals. Shoals Fire and Martin County Ambulance responded. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

11:06 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance south of Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance and Haysville Fire responded. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

1:37 p.m. - Received a report of debris on US 50, west of Shoals. Deputy Barnett responded.

2:10 p.m. - Received a dog complaint north of Shoals. Animal Control Officer Hughett was notified.

2:27 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance near Shoals. Martin County Ambulance and Shoals Fire responded. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

7:45 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Deputy Wright, Deputy Barnett, Loogootee

Sergeant Floyd, Martin County Ambulance, and the Martin County Coroner responded.

### THURSDAY, MAY 23

5:45 a.m. - Received a report of a dead deer on the roadway north of Loogootee. Deputy Gibson and Loogootee Sergeant Floyd responded.

6:01 a.m. - Received a report of a car-deer accident north of Loogootee. Deputy Gibson responded.

8:25 a.m. - Received a report of a theft near Shoals. Deputy Wright responded.

8:35 a.m. - Received a report of a tree blocking SR 550 near Loogootee. Sheriff Roush, Chief Deputy Greene, Loogootee Chief Rayhill, and Martin County Civil Defense responded.

8:43 a.m. - Received an alarm call east of Loogootee. Chief Deputy Greene responded.

10:19 a.m. - Deputy Shinn took one inmate to court.

1:08 p.m. - Deputy Shinn took three inmates to court.

2:25 p.m. - Deputy Barnett took one inmate to court.

4:08 p.m. - Received a cat complaint in Loogootee. Animal Control Officer Hughett responded.

7:18 p.m. - Received a report of a disabled semi near Shoals. Sheriff Roush and Deputy Wright responded.

7:29 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance transported the subject to Daviess Community Hospital.

7:43 p.m. - Received a dog complaint in Shoals. Animal Control Officer Hughett was notified.

### FRIDAY, MAY 24

12:34 a.m. - Received a report of a car-deer accident north of Loogootee. Deputy Gibson responded.

12:44 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance and Loogootee Fire responded. The subject was transported to Daviess Community Hospital.

1:38 p.m. - Received a report of a reckless driver on US 231 near Loogootee. Loogootee Captain Hennette and ISP Trooper Beaver responded.

7:47 p.m. - Received a report of a break-in and theft in Crane. ISP Troopers and Deputy Wright responded.

10:00 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Shoals. Shoals Fire and Martin County Ambulance responded. No one was transported.

### SATURDAY, MAY 25

12:38 a.m. - Received a request for lift assistance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded but did not transport.

9:04 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance transported the subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

11:52 a.m. - Received a report of tree limbs blocking the road east of Shoals. Lost River Fire removed the debris.

12:32 p.m. - Received an alarm call near Loogootee. Deputy Lents responded and all was secure.

5:30 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance transported the subject to Daviess Community Hospital.

6:35 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Dubois County Ambulance responded and transported the subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

9:17 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance and officers in Crane. Deputy Lents, Loogootee Sergeant Floyd, Martin County Ambulance, and Crane Fire responded. The subject was transported to Greene County Hospital.

### SUNDAY, MAY 26

6:27 a.m. - Received a report of a car-deer accident near Loogootee. Deputy Lents and Loogootee Sergeant Floyd responded.

6:59 a.m. - Received a report of a woman laying in the street in Shoals. Deputy Lents and Deputy Seymour responded.

7:59 a.m. - Received a report of battery on an individual in Loogootee. Loogootee Sergeant Floyd responded.

10:16 a.m. - Deputy Lents assisted a motorist near Loogootee with a vehicle unlock.

12:30 p.m. - Received a report of an injured eagle near Loogootee. South Region was notified.

1:14 p.m. - Received a report of a stolen vehicle near Loogootee. Deputy Lents and Loogootee Sergeant Floyd responded.

5:52 p.m. - Received a report of property damage in Shoals. Deputy Lents responded.

7:28 p.m. - Received a dog complaint in Crane. Animal Control Officer Hughett responded.

8:09 p.m. - Received a report of a stolen rifle near Shoals. Reserve Deputy Harmon responded.

8:59 p.m. - Received a report of a break-in southeast of Shoals. Major Reed, Deputy Seymour, Town Marshal Eckert, and Reserve Deputy Harmon responded.

## Loogootee Police log

### MONDAY, MAY 20

9:23 a.m. - Male requested a vehicle identification check.

11:09 a.m. - Chief Rayhill responded to a residential alarm.

3:00 p.m. - Male reported a reckless driver on Hwy 50.

6:50 p.m. - Captain Hennette responded to a business alarm.

11:25 p.m. - First responders were requested to McDonalds for a medical call.

### TUESDAY, MAY 21

8:15 a.m. - Captain Hennette tagged several abandoned vehicles.

10:45 a.m. - Caller reported a reckless vehicle on US 231.

2:45 p.m. - Male caller requested a welfare check on a female.

7:45 p.m. - Caller reported a suspicious vehicle on US 231.

8:08 p.m. - Male reported a civil complaint.

### WEDNESDAY, MAY 22

10:09 a.m. - Chief Rayhill responded to a business alarm.

1:55 p.m. - Caller reported a reckless vehicle on Hwy 50.

7:50 p.m. - First responders were requested on Dewey Street for a medical call.

9:45 p.m. - Caller reported a speeding vehicle on Hwy 50.

### THURSDAY, MAY 23

5:45 a.m. - Sgt. Floyd assisted the county with a property damage accident.

8:55 a.m. - Caller reported a tree across the road on State Road 550.

11:00 a.m. - Chief Rayhill, Captain Hennette and K-9 Roxy assisted ISP with a traffic stop.

12:30 p.m. - Female reported a scam.

7:30 p.m. - Caller reported an out-of-control juvenile.

9:36 p.m. - Caller reported possible drug activity.

### FRIDAY, MAY 24

12:44 p.m. - First responders were requested on Locust Street for a medical call.

1:38 p.m. - Caller reported a reckless vehicle on US 231. Officer McBeth located the vehicle.

7:40 p.m. - Caller reported a possible domestic dispute on Cedar Street.

9:45 p.m. - Caller reported a child custody matter.

### SATURDAY, MAY 25

12:57 p.m. - Caller reported a suspicious male on Broadway Street.

2:50 p.m. - Caller reported a civil complaint.

3:43 p.m. - Female reported a counterfeit bill at a local business.

6:15 p.m. - Caller reported a low hanging limb on Broadway Street.

6:35 p.m. - First responders were requested on Cedar Street for a medical call.

6:37 p.m. - Caller reported a reckless vehicle on US 231.

9:22 p.m. - Officer McBeth assisted the county with a domestic dispute.

11:34 p.m. - Caller reported suspicious activity on Queen Street.

### SUNDAY, MAY 26

6:27 a.m. - Sgt. Floyd assisted the county with a car/deer accident.

12:45 p.m. - Caller reported a suspicious vehicle on Hwy 50.

3:55 p.m. - Male requested a vehicle identification check.

7:18 p.m. - Male reported a possible dispute.

9:46 p.m. - Caller reported a reckless vehicle on Hwy 50.



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# COURT NEWS

## CRIMINAL CONVICTIONS & SENTENCINGS

**April 23**

John M. Mattingly, convicted of possession of marijuana, a Class B Misdemeanor. Sentenced to serve 90 days with 90 days suspended. Also 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 with 60 days suspended. Defendant received 180 days of probation.

Chelsa M. R. Wilson, convicted of two counts of possession of a controlled substance, Class A Misdemeanors; possession of marijuana, a Class B Misdemeanor; and possession of paraphernalia, a Class C Misdemeanor. Sentenced on each count to serve 365 days with 363 days suspended and credit for 1 actual day previously served plus 1 Class A credit day. Defendant received 12 months of probation.

**April 24**

George B. Douglas, convicted of possession of methamphetamine, a Class A Misdemeanor, amended from a Level 6 Felony. Sentenced to serve 365 days with 357 days suspended and credit for 4 actual days previously served plus 4 Class A credit days. Defendant received 12 months of proba-

tion.

Keely Nicole McNabb, convicted of driving while suspended, a Class A Misdemeanor and operating a motor vehicle without financial responsibility, a Class A Infraction. Sentenced to serve 116 days with 0 suspended and credit for 58 actual days previously served plus 58 Class A credit days.

Roberta Jean Warren, convicted of possession of methamphetamine, a Level 6 Felony and possession of marijuana, a Class B Misdemeanor. Sentenced to serve 545 days with 423 days suspended and credit for 61 actual days previously served plus 61 Class A credit days. Defendant received 14 months of probation.

## CRIMINAL CHARGES DISMISSED

**April 23**

John M. Mattingly, possession of paraphernalia, a Class C Misdemeanor, dismissed; operating a vehicle while intoxicated endangering a person, a Class A Misdemeanor, dismissed; possession of marijuana, a Class B Misdemeanor, dismissed.

Chelsa M. R. Wilson, possession of a narcotic drug, a Level 6 Felony, dis-

missed; possession of cocaine, a Level 6 Felony, dismissed.

**April 24**

George B. Douglas, possession of paraphernalia, a Class C Misdemeanor, dismissed.

Roberta Jean Warren, false informing, a Class B Misdemeanor, dismissed; possession of paraphernalia, a Class C Misdemeanor, dismissed.

**May 20**

Alejandro G. Garcia, operating a motor vehicle without ever receiving a license, a Class C Misdemeanor, dismissed.

## CIVIL COURT New Suits Filed

**May 15**

Raven C. Davis vs. William J. Shaw, Rheta Shaw and Terry Shaw, civil tort.

**May 17**

Indiana Farm Bureau Insurance vs. Brent Lengacher, civil plenary.

**May 21**

Crown Asset Management, LLC vs. Tina Harbison, civil collection.

## CIVIL COURT JUDGMENTS

**May 22**

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Midland Funding, LLC and against the

defendant Henry Kent in the amount of \$2,642.10.

**May 24**

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Midland Funding, LLC and against the defendant Joseph Miller in the amount of \$1,032.37.

## SMALL CLAIMS COURT

### New Suits Filed

**May 20**

Bruce Hupp vs. Justin Gibson, complaint.

## SMALL CLAIMS JUDGMENTS

**May 22**

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Medical of Dubois and against the defendants Tyler Cooper in the amount of \$444.49 and Robin Stoll in the amount of \$211.49.

## MARRIAGE LICENSES

**May 24**

Nathaniel Matthew Seevers of Auburn and Josey Chantelle Waggoner of Shoals.

Ashton T. Wagler of Loogootee and Kailye N. Robbins of Loogootee.

David S. Bowman of Shoals and Stephanie A. Bowman of Shoals.

Jaleena Graber of Loogootee and Gavin Benock of Loogootee.

## ARRESTS

### TUESDAY, MAY 21

12:03 p.m. - Jessica Bauerle, 37, of Crane, was arrested by Deputy Barnett on a Martin County warrant and is being held without bond.

1:05 p.m. - Aaron Wheat, 34, of Jasper, was arrested by Chief Deputy Greene on a Martin County warrant and is being held without bond.

6:00 p.m. - Jacob Nash, 24, of Loogootee, was arrested by ISP Trooper Dick and charged with domestic battery and is being held without bond.

6:00 p.m. - Elizabeth Grant-Kermode, 29, of Loogootee, was arrested by Major Keller and charged with false informing, resisting arrest, and battery with bodily waste. She is being held without bond.

### FRIDAY, MAY 24

2:33 p.m. - Amanda Krodel, 29, of Shoals, was arrested by Deputy Barnett and charged with possession of marijuana. She was later released on her own recognizance.

5:00 p.m. - Kyndra Schemke, 44, of Loogootee, was arrested by ISP Trooper Beaver and charged with operating a vehicle while intoxicated and is being held on a \$30,000 10% bond. Assisting with the arrest was Loogootee Captain Hennette.

8:57 p.m. - Brandon Stone, 35, of Shoals, was arrested by Deputy Wright and charged with possession of methamphetamine and possession of a controlled substance. He is being held without bond.

### SUNDAY, MAY 26

7:38 a.m. - Breanna Ervin, 20, of Shoals, was arrested by Deputy Lents and charged with possession of marijuana, public intoxication, and possession of alcohol by a minor. Her bond has been set at \$20,000 10%.

11:27 p.m. - Brandi Pottorff, 37, of Shoals, was arrested by Major Reed and charged with residential entry, possession of marijuana, possession of methamphetamine, and possession of paraphernalia. She is being held without bond. Town Marshal Eckert assisted with the arrest.

## White River Military Coordination Alliance moves forward on mapping and communications initiatives

The White River Military Coordination Alliance held its second quarterly meeting in early May and its first session with newly elected officers Chair Gene McCracken, Vice-chair Brianne Jerrels and Secretary Jathan Wright.

The 26-member, multi-county stakeholder and state agency group continued its discussion to develop plans that will support long-term economic growth, increase the area's military value and strengthen relationships between Naval Support Activity Crane and its neighboring communities.

The meeting focused on two major efforts that the Alliance will undertake in the coming months -- encouraging compatible land use around NSA Crane and Lake Glendora Test Facility and improving communication between NSA Crane and communities near the installation. The Alliance has selected two consultants, Tierra Plan and Crafted Communications, to support these key areas of work, and both firms were present at the meeting to introduce their preliminary proposals.

Colorado-based Tierra Plan, which specializes in building web mapping interfaces and online planning tools, will help address recommendations in the 2017 Joint Land Use Study related to compat-

## Real estate transfers

Joyce A. Shonk, of Martin County, Indiana to Billy Walker, of Martin County, Indiana, 55 feet of even width off of the northwest end of Lot Number 44 in the Town, now City of Loogootee, Indiana.

Danny Thomas Fields and Jackie E. Fields, of Martin County, Indiana to Ronald Tavares, of Martin County, Indiana, Lot Number 42 and 43 in the Original Town of Crane.

Shanelle M. Troutman and Kyle D. Troutman, of Martin County, Indiana to Larry Bradley and Shellie Bradley, of Martin County, Indiana, a part of the northeast quarter of the northeast quarter of Section 23, Township 2 North, Range 4 West, containing 2 acres, more or less. Commonly known as 6856 Abel Hill Road, Shoals IN 47581.

ible land use in the 3-mile buffer zone surrounding Crane and Lake Glendora. Tierra Plan's tasks include designing a new Alliance web portal and developing an online land use program compatibility toolkit. These applications will allow residents and conservation partners to identify beneficial programs for landowners and will also give them an avenue to connect directly with Crane and Alliance partners with questions and concerns. In the coming months, Tierra Plan will conduct a pilot program with a small group of community stakeholders to begin testing the toolkit, the public launch planned for fall 2019.

"We are excited to be part of this unique project and bring our expertise in creating online tools to help regional landowners, promote conservation efforts, and support the NSA Crane mission," said Kevin Knapp, President of Tierra Plan. "This is a multi-faceted endeavor, and the Alliance has taken a very thoughtful strategy that combines our technical and planning expertise with Crafted Communications' community outreach strategies."

Bloomington-based public relations and strategic communications firm Crafted Communications was selected to enhance and formalize communication between NSA Crane and the community.

"We've already started gathering input from community members, the Alliance and Crane on priorities and challenges for strengthening communications, and the response has been outstanding," said Amanda Craft, president of Crafted Communications. "It is apparent that we have an engaged group of people that are committed to this effort, and we look forward to working with the Alliance and Tierra Plan in the months ahead."

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## More Neat Stuff



### THOUGHTS

\*Thoughts and prayers going out to anyone trying on their summer clothes.

\*Do what you love, and money will follow. Ate pizza, drank wine, took a 5-hour nap, and took selfies with my dog. Now I wait.

\*Never lie to a woman because she's going to find out anyway. Most women investigate better than the FBI.

\*I do all my stunts, but never intentionally.

\*Let us all take a moment to be thankful that I don't own a taser.

\*A fella once asked me what a hoe-down was like and I told him it's like a shindig but more like a hootenanny. I could tell he was confused because his face went all cattywampus.

\*I did not trip. The floor looked sad, so I thought it needed a hug.

### RIDDLES (Answers at end)

1. What's red and bad for your teeth?

2. Why are hairdressers never late for work?

3. What do you call a belt with a watch on it?

4. Why did Captain Kirk go into the ladies' room?

5. Why did the painting go to jail?

6. What did the banana say to the doctor?

7. What can you give and keep at the same time?

TOTALLY USELESS FACTS – but I thought they were interesting, so here goes.

1. A study suggests that earth had two moons that crashed to form one.

2. The King of Hearts is the only king in a deck of cards without a mustache.

3. You can use hand sanitizer as emergency deodorant.

4. You can't taste food unless it's mixed with saliva.

5. The world produces more than 1.5 times enough food to feed everyone on the planet.

6. "Columella Nasi" is the space between your nostrils.

7. A single cloud can weigh 1.1 million pounds.

8. Fruit snacks are made shiny using the same wax used on cars.

9. Aspirin works faster when you chew it.

10. The part of your back you can't reach is called the "Acnestis."

11. Nearly every ear of corn has an even number of rows.

12. Pumas, panthers, cougars, and mountain lions are all the same animal.

13. You're more productive in warm spaces.

14. Birds don't urinate (but they poop a lot).

15. Fruit Loops are all the same flavor.

16. Cats and dogs can be allergic to humans.

17. Tonsils can grow back after be-

ing removed.

18. There are only 18 minutes of action in the typical baseball game.

### ANSWERS

1. A brick

2. Because they know all the short cuts

3. A waist of time

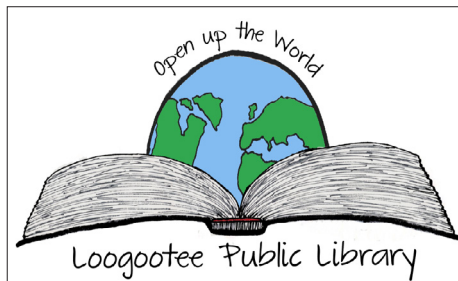
4. Because he wanted to go where no man had gone before

5. It was framed

6. I'm not peeling well

7. A cold

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### BY DARLA WAGLER

Librarian, Loogootee Public Library

On Saturday, June 1, from 8 a.m.-noon, the library will have a Book/Bake & Yard Sale sponsored by Friends of Loogootee Library (FOLL) at the library. There will be a lot of nice gently used books, household items, toys, small appliances, puzzles, furniture, and misc. Homemade cookies, brownies, pies and other scrumptious items will be available to purchase. I am in the process of weeding several books from the collection that will be available at the book sale. All donations go toward new library.

A Universe of Stories kicks-off with a street dance on Saturday, June 1 from 7 p.m.-8 p.m. DJ Little Big Sound will supply the tunes. Parents and grandparents are invited to bring their kids for some dancing, hula-hoop, and Limbo fun.

### New Books:

Mystery Fiction: "Dark Storm" by Karen Harper, "The Summoning" by Heather Graham and "A Plain Vanilla Murder" by Susan Wittig Albert.

Fiction: "It's a Christmas Thing" by Janet Dailey, "Hot Shot" by Fern Michaels, and "Queen Bee" by Dorothea Benton Frank.

Nonfiction: "Furious Hours: Murder, Fraud, and the Last Trial of Harper Lee" by Casey Cep, "The Pioneers" by David McCullough, and "Sea Stories" My Life in Special Operations" by Admiral William McRaven.

Inspirational Fiction: "A Second Chance" by Linda Byler and "Driftwood Bay" by Irene Hannon.

DVDs: "The Meg", "The Upside", and "How to Train Your Dragon: The Hidden World".

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

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### WestGate Authority meeting

The WestGate Crane Authority will hold a meeting Wednesday, May 28 at 9 a.m. at the WestGate Academy to discuss a Budget Pro Forma.

### Food pantry hours

The Loogootee United Methodist Food Pantry will be open the first, second, third and fifth Thursdays of the month from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. and also the first Monday of the month from 5-6:30 p.m.

### Free lunch for kids

New Beginnings Community Church will be offering a free lunch to all school age children every Saturday. 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.

### Community Foundation Grantseeker Meeting

The Martin County Community Foundation will offer information about the 2019 Impact Grant Cycle on Tuesday, June 18 at the Community Learning Center on the Martin County 4-H fairgrounds.

Details of the 2019 grant cycle will be shared and changes to the grant application process will be reviewed beginning at 4 p.m. in the meeting room. A question and answer session for new and experienced grantseekers will follow; all groups interested in applying are encouraged to attend.

The Martin County Community Foundation Impact Grant Cycle is open to 501(c)(3) non-profit organizations, governmental entities, and educational institutions serving the residents of Martin County. To RSVP for the meeting, call Curt Johnson, Director, at (812) 295-1022 or email [mccf@cfpartner.org](mailto:mccf@cfpartner.org) by Friday, June 14, 2019.

### Summer Lunch Program

Shoals Community Schools has announced that they will be participating in the Summer Food Service Program (SFSP). Free meals will be made available to all children 18 years of age and under and to persons over 18 years who are enrolled in state-approved educational program for the mentally or physically disabled. The Summer Food Service Program will start July 15 and run through August 2. Breakfast will be served 7:30-8 a.m., and lunch 11 a.m.-noon. Adults may purchase at meal for \$3. Meals will be provided at a first come, first serve basis at the cafeteria of the Shoals Community Schools.

a.m. Saturdays.

### SOAR Tutoring

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### Humane society meetings

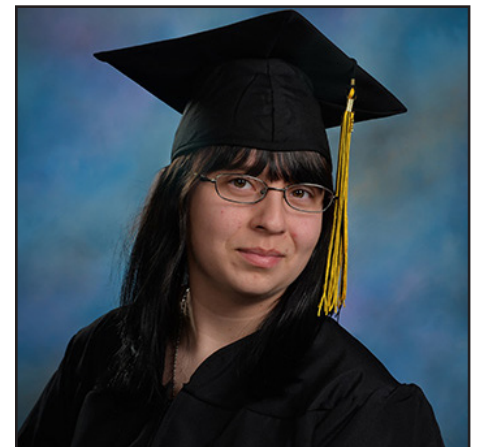
The Martin County Humane Society meets on the third Friday of the month at the animal shelter at 507 N Oak Street in Loogootee, at 5:30 p.m.

### Solid waste board

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

### Soil and Water meetings

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



### Gaines graduates

Madelyn Rose Gaines-Holt graduated from Murphy High School, in North Carolina, on Friday, May 24. Maddy is the daughter of Tony and Amy Holt and is formerly of Shoals. Maddy's future plans include attending community college majoring in business and then transferring to obtain a degree in biology. Thank you cards have been sent but in case they miss anyone, the family would like to thank the friends and family that sent cards, gifts, etc. to Maddy in celebration of her graduation. A special thanks to Pat, Lisa and Luke Farhar, Sheila Doty and Julia Albright attended the graduation celebration in North Carolina.

## Wallace Veterinary Clinic VACCINATION CLINICS

MONDAY, JUNE 3

Shoals Fire Station parking lot 3:30-5 p.m.

THURSDAY, JUNE 4

Dover Hill Methodist Church parking lot 3:30-5 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 5

Bateman Schoolhouse Lost River Township 3:30-5 p.m.

THURSDAY, JUNE 6

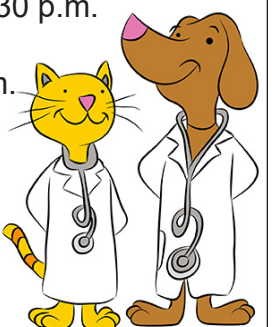
Wallace Vet Clinic front lawn 3:30-5:30 p.m.

FRIDAY, JUNE 7

Wallace Vet Clinic front lawn 1:30-6 p.m.

This year, we will be doing the 5-way with leptospirosis or corna K9 booster for \$15; 5-way feline for \$20; and rabies 1yr/3yr K9 and feline for \$10.

(1 yr to 3yr rabies depends on vaccination history. Pet must be current or within 30 days of past rabies vaccination due date to qualify for 3 yr vaccination. We will not have the ability to look at your history at clinic sites around Martin County, only at the office, or if you have your past vaccination certificate with you at the time of vaccination.



# 2019 Seniors



# SHOALS HIGH SCHOOL

# LOGOOTEER HIGH SCHOOL



# 2019 Senior SPOTLIGHTS



**SAMANTHA HEMBREE**

Samantha A. Hembree, daughter of Roger and Jessica Hembree, was born on July 5, 2000. While in high school, Samantha enjoyed Media Publication and taking senior pictures. Samantha's favorite memory was making some good friends. After graduation, Samantha plans to get a well-paying job.



**JORDAN FROMME**

Jordan Fromme, son of Ryan and Brenda Fromme, was born on December 30, 1999. In high school, Jordan was active in the Shoals Robotic Team, and participated in track and field. Jordan's favorite memory is hanging out with friends and doing after school activities. After graduation, Jordan plans to attend Ivy Tech for Software Programming and Software Development.



**KYLE LONG**

Kyle Warren Long is the son of David and Starletta Long. After graduation, Kyle plans to attend the Police Academy. While in high school, Kyle participated in Intern (11-12).



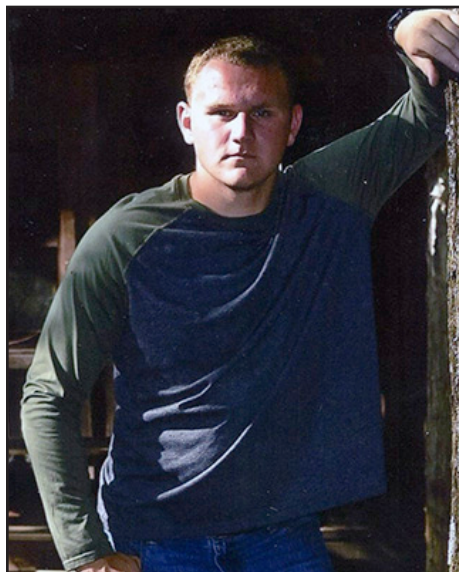
**ERIKA FELLERS**

Erika Elaine Fellers is the daughter of Alicia Burris and Kent Fellers. After graduation, Erika plans to attend USI to study Elementary Education. While in high school, Erika participated in Cadet Teach (11-12), FACS (9-10), Recycling (9-10), Pep Club (9-10), Show Choir (10-12), and Spanish Club (9-10).



**TRISTAN PETERSON**

Tristan Peterson, son of Brian and Rochelle Peterson, was born on September 12, 2001. During high school, Tristan was active in Beta, Band, Baseball, Robotics, Spanish Club, SADD Club, Film Club, and Gaming Club. His favorite memory while in school was hanging out with his friends. After graduation, Tristan plans to attend college and get a job.



**TANNER DOANE**

Tanner Doane, son of Eric and Tish Doane, was born July 13, 2000. While in high school, Tanner was active in soccer, baseball, and Beta. His favorite memory was winning Blue Chip in soccer. After graduation, Tanner plans to enlist in the Military.



**MARCUS LUKENS**

Marcus James Lukens is the son of Bill and Treva Lukens. After graduation, Marcus plans attend a place of higher education to become a car mechanic. While in high school, Marcus participated in FFA (9), track (9,10), Cadet teach(11), and job shadow (11), and Intern (11,12).



**OLIVIA WININGER**

Olivia Rose Winger is the daughter of Tim and Brenda Winger. After graduation, Olivia plans to attend Vincennes University to study nursing. While in high school, Olivia participated in Fellowship of Christian Athletes (10-12), Lionettes (9-10), Musical (11-12), Right to Life (10-12), Spanish Club (9-12), Beta Club (9-12), Chorus (12), Pep Club (9-12), SADD (9-12), Job Shadow (10), Show Choir (11), Student Co. (9-12), Track (10), and Volleyball (9-12).



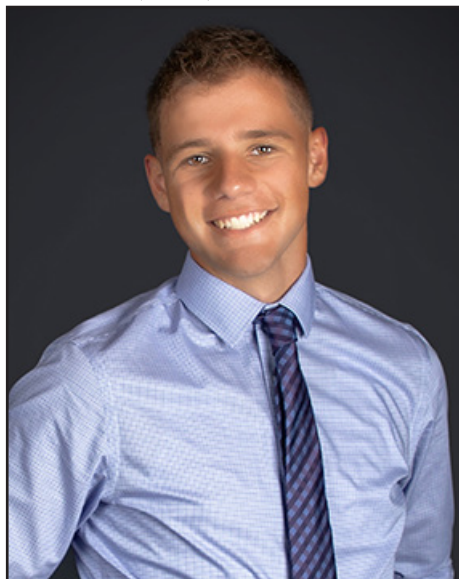
**JOSH RICHARDSON**

Joshua Richardson, son of Curt and Jenny Richardson, was born October 19, 2000. During high school, Joshua was active in Band and Spanish Club. His favorite memory is the proud feeling he got when he got his license and drove to school for the first time. After graduation, Joshua wants to go to college for an Associate's degree and find a job that he loves.



**KENDRA HOWARD**

Kendra Howard, daughter of Leanna Williams and Clay Howard, was born on July 26, 2001. While in high school, Kendra was involved in several activities. She was active in Volleyball, SADD Club, Pep Club, Student Council, Student Athletic Leadership Team, Beta, Softball, FFA, Travel Volleyball, and was one of their class officers. Her favorite memory is the four years that she played volleyball. Kendra's plans after graduation are to become an Emergency Nurse.



**MAX CHRISTMAS**

Maxwell Lannan Christmas is the son of Dan and Shelley Christmas. After graduation, Maxwell plans to attend Harvard University to study biomedical engineering. While in high school Max participated on the Math, Science, Fine Arts, and Interdis academic teams. He was also a member of FCA (10-12), Spanish Club (9-12), Beta Club (9-12), Pep Club (9-12), SADD (9-12), Spell Bowl (9-11), Job Shadow (11-12), and Student Council (9-12). He was also class president (9-10), class secretary (11), class VP (12). Max was the President of Beta Club (12), the Vice President of Beta Club (11), the Founder of Diabetes Club (11-12), and the Secretary of Student Council (12). He played Golf (9-12), Basketball (9), and Tennis (9-12).



**RECECCA HOLLAWAY**

Rebecca Linn Hollaway is the daughter of Tony and Felicia Hollaway. After graduation, Rebecca plans to attend a place of higher education to study business. While in high school, Rebecca participated in Intern (11), Spanish Club (9-12), Beta Club (9-12), Pep Club (12), SADD (9-12), Cadet Teach (10), Job Shadow (11,12), Student Council (9,12) SADD Representative (9-11), Basketball (9,10).



## In the Garden

By Ralph Purkhiser  
Purdue University Master Gardener

Working with intelligence is always better than working hard, not that there is anything wrong with working hard. In fact, the intelligent way sometimes is still hard work. However, I admit that I am lazy enough to appreciate labor-reducing techniques. Mulching in the garden reduces the amount of weeding that one must do later. In the vegetable garden, the use of plastic sheeting may greatly reduce the amount of weeding and may have other desirable effects.

While growing through plastic sheeting may be done on open ground, it is especially effective in raised beds. In open ground, there is always going to be an end of the plastic, and weeds will grow there. In raised beds, the plastic may cover the entire bed and the walkways between beds may have their own mulched surface, virtually eliminating the need to weed.

The drawback to growing through plastic is that it limits what can be added to the soil during the growing season. Therefore, it is important to get things set before putting the plastic down. In raised beds, it is easier to control the quality of the soil. If using a bed that has been in place for a while, you should add some compost or some new soil. You do not need to work it into the existing soil—the worms will do that for you. You may also wish to put in some slow-released fertilizer.

Another major problem with plastic sheeting is that while it prevents evaporation, eventually the plants will need more moisture and moisture will not go through the plastic. One solution is to put soaker hoses into the bed before applying the plastic. Then, when

moisture is needed, one merely needs to attach the garden hose to the end of the soaker hose and turn it on for a few minutes. Another way to water is to use watering cones. These devices may be purchased at gardening websites or garden centers. They usually are made to fasten to a bottle. I have used 2-liter soda bottles with the bottoms cut off to function as a funnel. The cones may be inserted through small holes cut in the sheeting and water may be poured into the bottles when needed. When using this method, the cones are usually placed right next to the plant, allowing the water to go directly to the root zone. If you want to spend a little more money, there are also grow-rings that have a hole in the middle for the plant and form a shallow pan around the plant. The bottom of the grow-rings have several sharp straws that pierce the plastic and allow water to flow to the root area. These devices will catch rain or may be filled when water is needed.

Whatever watering system you decide to use, the next step is to put the plastic in place. For mulch, do not use clear plastic, which may act as a greenhouse and actually allow the weeds to grow beneath the sheeting. Black plastic has been the choice of most gardeners, but in recent years, red plastic has come into use for tomatoes. The results from trials using red plastic have been mixed, but many believe that the red plastic reflects light wavelengths that help with ripening of tomatoes. The plastic will have to be held in place using bricks, boards or other weights around the edges. Using a knife or scissors, cut a small x where you wish

to put a plant. For this type of planting, it is better to use small transplants, not more than eight inches tall. One has to carefully get the plant into the soil without tearing the hole in the plastic too large, which would allow weeds to grow through.

Most crops that are grown from transplants may be grown in this way. Commercial growers often use this method when growing melons and cucumbers. I have grown sweet pota-

toes this way in the past and plan to do so again this year. Fertilization will require the use of liquid fertilizer applied in the watering system or using foliar feeding.

Once this system is in place, little effort is needed through the growing season. Root crops grown this way will require that the tops be cut away and the plastic rolled up before harvesting. A little extra effort now may save a lot of work later.

## DNR finds oak threat in store rhododendrons

The Indiana DNR confirmed last week that it has intercepted plants containing a fungal pathogen that kills oak trees, sudden oak death (SOD), for the first time in about 10 years.

Inspectors from the DNR Division of Entomology & Plant Pathology detected SOD (*Phytophthora ramorum*) in several varieties of rhododendrons being sold in Columbus, Noblesville, South Bend, Sullivan and Tippecanoe.

SOD has killed large tracts of oaks on the West Coast. SOD has not been established in the Midwest, to date. SOD can kill standing oak trees, which could happen if SOD-positive rhododendrons were planted within about 6 feet of a standing oak.

SOD travels in more than a hundred species of host plant material. It causes some browning of the leaves in the host but does not kill it. For a list of those plants see the following [www.aphis.usda.gov/plant\\_health/plant\\_pest\\_info/pram/downloads/pdf\\_files/usdaprlst.pdf](http://www.aphis.usda.gov/plant_health/plant_pest_info/pram/downloads/pdf_files/usdaprlst.pdf)

If you have purchased rhododendrons in the last four weeks in these communities, call 1-866-NO-EXOTIC (663-9684) or call the local county extension office at 1-888-EXT-INFO (1-888-398-4636) for instructions.

The DNR is destroying all rhododendrons from the source nursery, Park Hill Plants (Oklahoma), and any other host plants that were co-mingled with them. In addition, the DNR is quarantining the sale of four other common SOD host plants (viburnum, azalea, camellia, and pieris) for further testing to determine if they contain SOD. Testing will determine if other species are infested and require destruction.

This is an ongoing investigation, and guidance could change as more information is gathered.

To learn more about SOD, see: [www.aphis.usda.gov/aphis/ourfocus/plant-health/plant-pest-and-disease-programs/pests-and-diseases/phytophthora-ramorum/sod](http://www.aphis.usda.gov/aphis/ourfocus/plant-health/plant-pest-and-disease-programs/pests-and-diseases/phytophthora-ramorum/sod)

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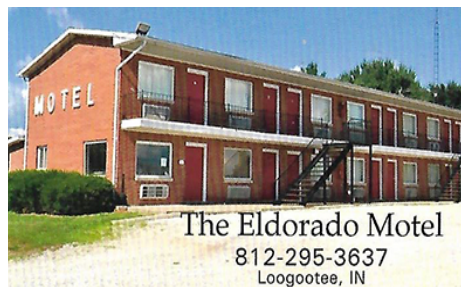
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