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Loogootee Class of 1970 takes on beautification challenge

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The Loogootee Class of 1970 graduated more than 50 years ago. A tight-knit group, their graduation wasn't the happiest of times, with optimistic thoughts of running headlong into the future. Back then, the 1970 graduating class was the first to be a part of the consolidation between St. John's and Loogootee. A contentious time in the city, the consolidation came with quite a bit of turmoil and unrest. The "new" Class of 1970, that consisted of 107 students, also had to worry that they would be drafted to go to war. They didn't know who would go to Vietnam and if they did go, who would not come back. Several classmates did end up going into military service, and one of them, Tom Hickman, didn't come back. He died in August of 1970. Others in the school who lost their lives included Mick Smith, Tim O'Conner, Charles Conover and Jim Hembree.

Several months ago, the Loogootee Beautification Board challenged graduating classes of Loogootee to come up with a project to improve the appearance of the city. The Class of 1970, headed up by Kay Summers, Kenny Frye, and Dan Gregory, decided to place 70 flags on the downtown square to honor Memorial Day, graduation and their class. With the fountain construction still ongoing on the square, they decided to go with 26 flags instead, all constructed by classmates. They will also be adding five KIA (killed in action) flags to honor their lost classmates or classmates' family members.

Last Friday, May 27, class members gathered on the square to erect the flags. They talked of old times and the classmates they have lost. Kenny Frye, wearing his Army jacket, pulled a letter from his pocket that was given to him by Kevin Guy, the best friend of Tom Hickman. It

was the last letter Hickman wrote before he was killed in Vietnam, a few weeks after that letter was written. Hickman said in his letter that he had less than a year left to serve and couldn't wait to get home. Frye teared up while reading the letter and someone commented that it may start raining. Frye replied that it was okay because he would know those were "tears from heaven."

The flags will be placed multiple times a year, for a few days each time, including Memorial Day, Flag Day, the Loogootee Summerfest, Independence Day, Labor Day, Patriots Day and Veterans Day.

Frye said the Class of 1970, in his eyes, was a "metaphor for good things." He explained that over the last 50 years, the class has banded together for various reasons to do as much good as they can to improve their community. One way was creating a scholarship through the Martin County Community Foundation that had a base start amount of \$25,000. He said it took a while but they managed to gather that minimum and now that benefits a Loogootee student each year.

Frye joked that they were the best class to come out of Loogootee which got a laugh from his classmates. "I'm not sure how much time we have left together," said Frye. "But we always have one another."

Caucus for auditor

The Martin County Democratic party will be holding a caucus on Wednesday, June 15 at the Martin County Courthouse in Shoals at 6 p.m. to appoint a new auditor of Martin County. Any individual that is interested in this position will need to submit a CEB 5 form to Chairman Roger Downey, no later than 72 hours before the Caucus. Please contact Chairman Downey at 812-639-8106 for the form or with any questions.



-Photo by Courtney Hughett

Some members of the Loogootee High School Class of 1970, who participated in decorating the square last Friday, are shown above. From left to right are Rita Divine, Kenny Frye, Richie Arvin, Bryan Buchta, Doug Divine, Barbara Boyd, David Lett, Bob Dages, Connie Shipman, Kevin Guy, Barbara Gregory, Rae Greene, Kay Summers and Dan Gregory.

Commissioners discuss paving, corridor, library funds request

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The Martin County Commissioners met Tuesday, May 31.

Highway Secretary Terri Alcorn reported East River Road is still closed. She also submitted bids for Community Crossings projects for Sawmill Road from Valley Road to Graded Road and County Road 158 from 1300 feet west of Hwy. 231 to Highway 231.

County Attorney Dave Lett opened the bids. Milestone Contractors' bid for Sawmill Road was \$254,797.95 and County Road 158 was \$99,502.05 for a total of \$354,300. E&B Paving for Sawmill Road was \$206,000 and County Road 158 for \$77,500 for a total of \$283,500. The bids will now be taken under advisement and decided on at the next meeting. The expected project completion is October 7 and October 21 of this year, for each project. The county only received \$252,318 in community crossings funds, with the match, so there is a \$30,000 shortage. A representative from HWC, who was in the audience, said they will have to adjust the work to be done.

County Attorney Lett also provided the commissioners with contracts from USI Consultants and HWC Engineering to provide ADA (Americans with Disabilities Act) compliance to include reviewing publicly accessible buildings, providing cost estimates and creating a transition plan. HWC's bid was not to exceed \$15,000 and USI's was for \$13,900. Commissioner Paul George asked if there are any hidden costs. Attorney Lett said he didn't believe so as each contract lined out what each company would do. The commissioners voted to go with USI Consultants. The money will come from the highway department budget pending the county council's approval.

Prosecutor Aureola Vincz, who could not attend the meeting, sent a statement clarifying what she said at the last meeting about eliminating the deputy prosecutor

position in her office. Vincz said in her statement, "prior to the election of Prosecutor Vincz, the prosecutor's office had a prosecutor, a chief deputy prosecutor, and a permanent part-time deputy prosecutor. Prosecutor Vincz requested the part-time deputy prosecutor become a temporary full-time deputy prosecutor to help process the pending caseload at the time. Prosecutor Vincz is now ending that request so that the temporary full time deputy position can remain a permanent part-time deputy prosecutor position as those previously pending cases have been processed by around 43 percent. The IVD (child support) department received "Most Improved County in the State" award, the state awarded around \$35,000 in back claims, and the insufficient fund program recovered over around \$26,000 for the local business owners awaiting restitution."

Resident Jason McCoy came back to the commissioners to ask if they have come to a consensus regarding the Mid-States Corridor. At the last meeting, Commissioner George said he was against the corridor, but Commissioners Aaron Summer and Cody Roush were not completely decided. At Tuesday night's meeting, Commissioner Roush said he is against it now and he feels the same as Commissioner George about its negative impact to Martin County. Commissioner Summers said he is also against it and does not see how it will help the county.

Commissioner George said the property lost due to the corridor will cost Martin County \$270,000 in property tax revenue and he would like to get a letter together from the commissioners to send to the state expressing their opposition to the road.

McCoy said proponents will argue that the economic impact would far exceed the lost property tax revenue, but he doesn't see it based on what has happened in other locations where a highway went through. He said the commis- (See 'COMMISSIONERS' on page 2)



Memorial Day 2022

-Photos by Joshua Hughett

On Memorial Day, Monday, May 30, the American Legion Post 120 and Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 9395 paid homage to all deceased veterans with visits to nine cemeteries around the county. The ceremony included reading the names of all military service men and woman who were laid to rest in each cemetery. Shown above is the service at Truelove Church Cemetery on Monday afternoon.

Martin County General Election COMMISSIONERS

The Martin County General Election will be held November 8, 2022. The party chairmen have until July 3, 2022, to select a candidate to fill any offices that are currently unopposed on the ballot. If you are interested in filling a ballot vacancy you can call Democrat Chairman Roger Downey at 812-639-8106 or Republican Chairman Millie Brown at 812-639-7733. If you are interested in running as an Independent, you have until June 30, 2022, to submit petition and candidate forms. You can call the Martin County Clerk's Office at 812-247-3651 for more details. The filing period to file for school board begins July 27, 2022, and ends August 26, 2022, at noon. If you are interested in becoming a candidate for any of these offices, please contact the clerk's office for more information.

The following local candidates will appear on the ballot:

- Assessor - Carolyn Sue McGuire, Republican
- Clerk - Julie Fithian, Republican
- Commissioner District 2 - Paul R. George, Democrat; DeAndra Magdaleño, Independent
- County Council District 1 - Jordan Dant, Republican
- County Council District 2 - Jim Hamby, Republican
- County Council District 3 - Monty Gregory, Republican; Richard Summers, Democrat
- County Council District 4 - Andrew Beaver, Republican
- Judge - Isha E. Wright-Ryan, Republican
- Prosecutor - Aureola S. Vincz, Republican
- Sheriff - Josh Greene, Republican
- Crane Clerk/Treasurer - Linda Ann Willoughby, Republican

Crane Town Council - Ronald L. Barker, Republican; Henry J. Lauders, Republican; Charles H. Parcels Jr, Republican; Roy Vaught, Independent

Shoals Clerk/Treasurer - Sierra Rutledge, Democrat

Shoals Town Council - Roger Lee Abel Jr., Republican; Cary D. Albright, Republican; Richard (Rick) Gibbs, Republican; Micky Hawkins Crew, Democrat; Walter Holt, Democrat; Cecil L. Ragsdale, Democrat

Center Township Trustee - Ann Marie Stewart, Republican

Center Township Board - Norma J. Baker, Republican; Dean Crandall, Republican; Matthew Sullivan, Republican

Halbert Township Trustee - Exzelia Montgomery, Republican

Halbert Township Board - Kimberly L. Albright, Republican; Stephanie (Stevie) Horton; Travis L. Montgomery, Republican

Lost River Township Trustee - Mildred C. Brown, Republican

Lost River Township Board - Alice Dianne Butler, Republican; Keith Emmons, Republican; Bruce Fithian, Republican

Mitcheltree Township Trustee - Tammy Jo Gore, Democrat

Mitcheltree Township Board - Kay Belcher, Republican; Becky Sellers, Republican; Charity (Belcher) Tolbert, Republican

Perry Township Trustee - Jason Hennette, Democrat

Perry Township Board - Anthony J. (Tony) Dant, Democrat; Julie Green, Democrat; Brandi Hennette, Democrat

Rutherford Township Trustee - Terry J. Street, Republican

Rutherford Township Board - Danny F. Berry, Republican; Jeff Horney, Republican; Virgil Scott Street, Democrat

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sioners of Dubois County handpicked the RDA (Regional Development Authority) board which is the driving force behind the corridor. He said Martin County officials were not invited to join the board because Dubois County wanted people who are for the corridor. He said anyone joining the RDA was required to pay a large amount of money also. He said, again, that he is for the corridor if it brings something to the county but he's just not seeing that.

Commissioner George asked the county attorney to draft a letter. Attorney Lett said he will get with the commissioners to get direction from them on what they want to include.

The commissioners then voted officially that they were against the Mid-States Corridor.

Loogootee Librarian Darla Wagler talked to the commissioners about the \$12,720 in county ARPA (American Recovery Plan Act) funds she had requested to replace the library's server. She said the library received \$18,000 of their own ARPA funds but the guidelines they were given required them to use the money for COVID-related expenses. She said they added air filtration systems to each room. She said the current server in the library was purchased in 2017 and has become obsolete. They currently have wi-fi extended to the end of their parking lot and

they would like to extend it further, to St. Vincent de Paul and the food pantry parking lots. She said COVID caused an increased demand for wi-fi service and the increased wi-fi service in their parking lot caused juvenile visitors at all hours of the night which then resulted in vandalism. Their security cameras also use the wi-fi internet service. She also noted that when a class from the junior high recently came into the library to do a report, using their Chromebooks, the server crashed. She said they have simply outgrown it.

Commissioner George said he thought the ARPA board had already approved the library's request. Wagler said she had heard that but was asked to come to the meeting to give the reasons why the server was needed.

Auditor Bobbie Abel confirmed the ARPA board did approve the \$12,720 request. The commissioners then officially voted on giving the library the funds.

At the end of the meeting, Commissioner George read a statement regarding Auditor Abel and her resigning her position. He thanked her for her time as auditor and all that she accomplished for the county during her tenure.

The next commissioners meeting will be held Tuesday, June 14 at 6 p.m. The meeting is starting a half hour later due to an executive session being held at 5 p.m.

Martin County real estate transfers

Stephen Padgett, of Martin County, Indiana to **Stephen Padgett and Tracy A. Talley**, of Gibson County, Indiana, Lot Number 11 in plat known as Scenic Hill in Section 19, Township 3 North, Range 4 West, in Martin County, Indiana.

Karen S. Bergman, of Martin County, Indiana to **Karen S. Bergman and Ryan S. Bergman**, of Martin County, Indiana, a part of the east half of the southwest quarter of the northwest quarter of Section 12, Township 1 North, Range 3 West, containing 4 1/3 acres, more or less.

Tobias N. Lengacher, of Martin County, Indiana to **Stephen Padgett**, of Martin County, Indiana, Lot Number 11 in plat known as Scenic Hill in Section 19, Township 3 North, Range 4 West, in Martin County, Indiana.

Michael J. McAtee, of Martin County, Indiana to **Jordan Clark**, of Martin County, Indiana, Lot Number 19 and 17 1/2 feet off of the west side of Lot Number 18 in Oliver and Taylor's Addition to the City of Loogootee, Indiana.

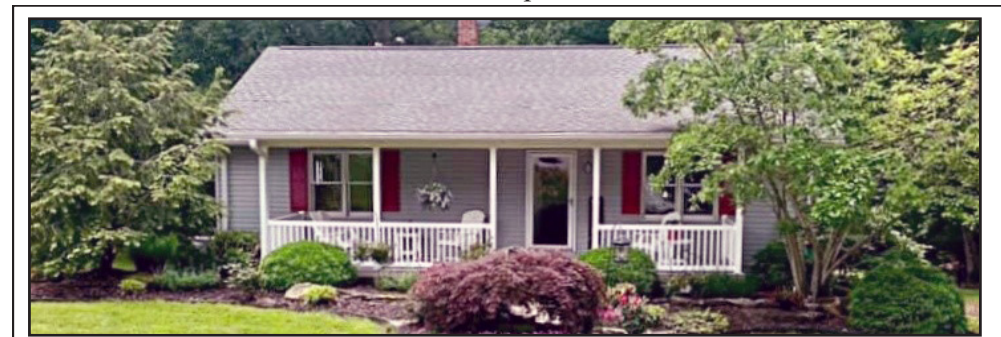
Duane Wagler, of Daviess County, Indiana to **Alex G. Winger and Virginia R. McGuire**, of Martin County, Indiana, a part of the southeast quarter of the northeast quarter of Section 8, Township 3 North, Range 3 West, lying in Halbert Township, Martin County, Indiana, containing 1.40 acres, more or less.

Robert E. Sloan, of Martin County, Indiana to **DSEL Properties, LLC**, of Daviess County, Indiana, Lot Number 55 in the original Town of Crane.

Crane Construction Corp., of Martin County, Indiana to **Brittain Properties, LLC**, of Martin County, Indiana, Lots Numbered 17 and 18 in Campbell and Breen Addition to the Town, now City of Loogootee, Indiana.

Dora J. Sinks, of Martin County, Indiana to **The Ronald L. Sinks and Dora J. Sinks Revocable Living Trust**, for property commonly known as 12308 Bex Lane, Mitchell, Indiana 47446, Martin County.

David B. Tuttle and Julie B. Tuttle, of Martin County, Indiana to **Autumn L. Terry and Jamie N. Cronin**, a part of Lot 19 and Lot 20 in Stiles Addition to Shoals, Indiana, more commonly known as 902 Lower Circle Drive, Shoals IN 47581.



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THURSDAY, JUNE 9
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FRIDAY, JUNE 10
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PATRICIA MEYER

Patricia A. "Pat" Meyer passed away at 12:05 a.m. Thursday, May 26, 2022, at St. Charles Health Campus in Jasper. A resident of Jasper, she was 86.

Pat was born in Loogootee on June 9, 1935; daughter of Lee and Florence (Street) Opel. She married Delbert Meyer on September 9, 1954, in St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Haysville. He preceded her in death on December 25, 2008.

She retired from Wabash Plastics in Evansville after 20 years of service.

Pat was a charter member of Redeemer Lutheran Church in Jasper. She enjoyed gardening, cooking, visiting French Lick, and spending time with family and friends.

Surviving is one son, Douglas Meyer

(Cheryl) of Indianapolis; two daughters, Angela Meyer (Nancy Eisenberg) Hawthorn of Woods, Illinois and Ann Bontrager (Melvin) of Victoria, Texas; and two grandchildren, Kevin Meyer, and Patricia Sobczak.

Preceding her in death beside her husband were four brothers, Wayne, George, Donald, and Dennis Opel.

A funeral service was held Saturday, May 28 at the Becher-Kluesner North Chapel in Jasper, with burial to follow in St. Paul Cemetery in Haysville.

Memorial contributions may be made to Redeemer Lutheran Church or a favorite charity.

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

DEBBIE BRATTON

Deborah Faye Bratton passed away Thursday, May 26, 2022, at her home. A resident of Loogootee, she was 48.

She was born February 24, 1974, in Bedford; daughter of Dallas and Diane

(Sheetz) Gilbert.

For 27 years, Debbie was employed at the Loogootee Nursing Center. She began her career as a CNA, then QMA and lastly completed her Associates Degree to become an LPN. Debbie was a loved healthcare professional to her community and touched many people's lives.

Debbie was a member of the Loogootee United Methodist Church, where she was active in the Children's Church and Pioneer Club. She enjoyed crossword puzzles, reading and spending time with her family.

She was preceded in death by her father, Dallas Gilbert.

Debbie is survived by her husband, Shannon, of Loogootee; sons, Kendall Bratton, Kirk Bratton, and Kasey Bratton, all of Loogootee; mother, Diane Gilbert of Loogootee; brother, David (Brandi) Gilbert of Shoals; sister, Dana Gilbert of Loogootee; and numerous aunts, uncles, cousins, nephews and niece.

Funeral services were held this morning, Wednesday, June 1 at the Loogootee United Methodist Church. Burial followed in Goodwill Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions can be made to payable to the Loogootee United Methodist Church for the Kasey Bratton Trust Fund or the Loogootee United Methodist Church.

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

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CHRISTIE BOLLIER

Christie M. Bollier passed away on Sunday May 15, 2022, at Lenoir Hospital in North Carolina. A resident of Snow Hill, North Carolina, she was 48.

She was born May 13, 1974, in Bloomington; daughter of Dan and Carolyn (Arvin) Hoffman.

Christie liked to keep in touch and hear about her family in Indiana. She texted her father every morning. Christie recently came to visit her family. She worked at various convenience stores as a clerk.



CHRISTIE BOLLIER

She is preceded in death by her mother, Carolyn Hoffman who passed away on June 14, 2018.

Christie is survived by her father, Dan Hoffman; her children, Sabrina Wildman, Summer Walker, and Lilly

Morgan; her grandchildren, Chloe Morning, Electra Wildman, Serenity Wildman, and Hunter Lee Walker; her siblings, Richard (Pam) Hoffman, Paula (Dave) Mitchell, and Nathon Hoffman (Loretta Allen); and several nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.

A graveside service was held this morning, Wednesday June 1, at Community Cemetery in Haysville with Rev. Timothy Kramer officiating.

Arrangements entrusted to Blake Funeral Home in Loogootee.

Online condolences can be made at www.blakefuneralhomes.com.

Prosecutor Aureola Vincz urges Hoosiers to drive carefully over the summer

During the first three months of this year, 209 Hoosiers have been killed in car crashes, a 17 percent increase in traffic fatalities compared to the same time period over the last five years.

Over the summer and holidays when more people are on the roads, Prosecutor Aureola S. Vincz wants the residents of Martin County to put an emphasis on driving safely and driving sober. Data shows that the number of traffic fatalities and injury crashes increases during the summer so now is the time to emphasize safe driving.

Since the pandemic began, traffic fatalities have been increasing as motorists have been driving faster and fewer drivers and passengers are wearing seatbelts, according to data from the Indiana Department of Transportation. Doing simple things like slowing down while driving and making sure everyone in the car is wearing a seatbelt could end up saving

lives.

"All of us need to be more cognizant when we are out on the roadways, especially during the summer with so many people heading out on vacations or visiting family. Don't become another statistic and don't throw your life away by speeding or driving while under the influence. This is also a good reminder to say something if you see something. If you observe another motorist driving recklessly, call law enforcement. If you know someone is under the influence, do not let them get behind the wheel. By working together, we can make sure everyone has a safe and enjoyable summer," said Vincz.

The prosecutor gave a special thank you to the law enforcement and first responders keeping us safe. "I'm proud to be a part of a team working to enhance Martin County through public safety and seeking justice," she said.

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Martin County Sheriff's Department log

MONDAY, MAY 23

12:21 a.m. - Received a report of a suspicious person in Loogootee. Loogootee Officer Seymour was notified.

7:42 a.m. - Received a report of a reckless driver south of Loogootee. Major Keller was notified.

8:27 a.m. - Received a dog complaint in Shoals. Animal Control Officer Hughett was notified.

8:30 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded.

9:56 a.m. - Received a report of a suspicious vehicle southeast of Shoals. Sergeant Gibson responded.

11:00 a.m. - Major Keller took one inmate to court.

11:29 a.m. - Received a report of a reckless driver east of Shoals. Town Marshal Eckert responded.

12:52 p.m. - Sergeant Gibson assisted a motorist in Shoals with a vehicle identification check.

1:24 p.m. - Deputy Flanagan took one inmate to court.

3:03 p.m. - Jail Commander Pressley took one inmate to court.

4:49 p.m. - Received a report of a burglar alarm north of Loogootee. Corporal Wells responded.

5:18 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance northwest of Shoals. Shoals Fire Department and Martin County Ambulance responded. The patient was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

5:20 p.m. - Received a dog complaint east of Shoals. Animal Control Officer Hughett was notified.

5:54 p.m. - Received a dog complaint in Shoals. Animal Control Officer Hughett was notified.

7:15 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance northwest of Shoals. Corporal Wells, Shoals Fire Department and Daviess County Medic 4 responded but did not transport.

TUESDAY, MAY 24

12:30 a.m. - Received a report of a suspicious person south of Loogootee. Corporal Wells, Captain Reed and Loogootee Officer Sims responded.

6:36 a.m. - Received a report of a car-deer accident southwest of Shoals. Captain Reed was notified.

7:40 a.m. - Deputy Flanagan assisted a motorist southeast of Loogootee with a vehicle identification check.

9:38 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded. The patient was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

10:30 a.m. - Deputy Long took two inmates to court.

12:52 p.m. - Deputy Long took one inmate to court.

2:01 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded. The patient was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

2:05 p.m. - Jail Commander Pressley took one inmate to court.

3:08 p.m. - Received a dog complaint in Crane. Animal Control Officer Hughett was notified.

4:10 p.m. - Received a request for a welfare check in Crane. Deputy Flanagan responded.

4:40 p.m. - Received a report of a theft in Shoals. Town Marshal Eckert and Sergeant Gibson responded.

5:46 p.m. - Received a request for a welfare check in Loogootee. Major Keller, Deputy Flanagan, Loogootee Officer Sims, Loogootee Reserve Officer Long and Martin County Ambulance re-

sponded. The patient was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

6:48 p.m. - Received a report of a suspicious vehicle southeast of Shoals. Major Keller, Deputy Flanagan, Loogootee Officer Sims and Loogootee Reserve Officer Long responded along with Orange County law enforcement.

7:27 p.m. - Received a hawk complaint east of Loogootee. Indiana Conservation Southern Region was notified.

7:31 p.m. - Received a report of an accident north of Loogootee. Deputy Flanagan and Major Keller responded.

8:25 p.m. - Received a report of a fire southwest of Shoals. Sergeant Gibson, Deputy Hawkins, and Shoals Fire Department responded.

9:17 p.m. - Received a report of a suspicious person north of Loogootee. Loogootee Officer Sims and Loogootee Reserve Officer Long responded.

9:19 p.m. - Received a report of a suspicious vehicle south of Loogootee. Deputy Hawkins responded.

10:21 p.m. - Received a report of a controlled burn south of Loogootee.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 25

5:07 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance east of Shoals. Shoals Fire Department and Martin County Ambulance responded. The patient was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

6:22 a.m. - Received a report of an accident east of Shoals. Captain Reed and Shoals Fire Department responded.

8:03 a.m. - Received a dog complaint in Loogootee. Animal Control Officer Hughett was notified.

9:55 a.m. - Received a report of an accident southeast of Shoals. Major Keller, Sergeant Gibson and Martin County Ambulance responded but did not transport.

10:35 a.m. - Received a panic alarm in Loogootee. Loogootee Chief Means and ISP Master Trooper Lents responded.

10:37 a.m. - Received a report of a tree down east of Shoals. INDOT was notified.

2:00 p.m. - Received a report of a suspicious person north of Loogootee. ISP was notified.

3:16 p.m. - Received a report of a fire alarm in Loogootee. Loogootee Fire Department responded.

3:50 p.m. - Deputy Flanagan assisted a motorist in Shoals with a vehicle identification check.

4:16 p.m. - Received a report of a stranded vehicle south of Loogootee. Deputy Flanagan responded.

4:19 p.m. - Received a dog complaint east of Loogootee. Animal Control Officer Hughett was notified.

4:29 p.m. - Received report of a burglar alarm north of Loogootee. The property owner was contacted.

5:07 p.m. - Received a dog complaint southwest of Shoals. Animal Control Officer Hughett was notified.

5:19 p.m. - Received a report of an accident south of Shoals. Deputy Flanagan responded.

THURSDAY, MAY 26

6:31 a.m. - Received a report of an accident west of Shoals. Captain Reed responded.

8:13 a.m. - Received notification of a silver alert. All Martin County law enforcement were notified.

11:53 a.m. - Received a report of a tree down east of Shoals. Martin County Highway Department was notified.

1:00 p.m. - Deputy Long took two inmates to court.

1:20 p.m. - Received a report of a stolen vehicle near Crane. Deputy Flanagan responded.

1:59 p.m. - Received a hawk complaint south of Loogootee. Indiana Conservation Southern Region was notified.

2:00 p.m. - Deputy Long took one inmate to court.

2:32 p.m. - Deputy Long took two inmates to court.

3:57 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Deputy Flanagan, Deputy Long, Loogootee Fire Department and Martin County Ambulance responded. The patient was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

4:17 p.m. - Received a request for a welfare check in Shoals. Deputy Flanagan and Deputy Long responded.

4:20 p.m. - Deputy Flanagan assisted a motorist in Loogootee with a vehicle identification check.

6:43 p.m. - Received a report of a disturbance in Loogootee. Deputy Flanagan, Loogootee Officer Sims, Loogootee Reserve Officer Wells and Dubois County EMS responded.

6:47 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Shoals. Martin County Ambulance responded but did not transport.

7:01 p.m. - Received a report of a suspicious person northeast of Shoals. Deputy Flanagan, Reserve Deputy Dorsey, Indian Creek Fire Department, and IU Health Bedford EMS responded.

7:12 p.m. - Received a report of a tree down east of Loogootee. Loogootee Reserve Officer Wells responded.

7:30 p.m. - Received a report of a fire east of Shoals. Shoals Fire Department and REMC responded.

7:53 p.m. - Received a report of a tree down southeast of Shoals. Shoals Fire Department responded.

8:17 p.m. - Received a report of a tree down east of Shoals. Reserve Deputy Shaw responded.

9:03 p.m. - Received a report of water on roadway southeast of Shoals. INDOT was notified.

9:15 p.m. - Received a report of a tree down south of Shoals. Lost River Fire Department responded.

9:36 p.m. - Received a report of a tree down east of Shoals. Reserve Deputy Dorsey responded.

10:09 p.m. - Received a report of damage to roadway. Martin County Highway Department was notified.

FRIDAY, MAY 27

12:06 a.m. - Received an air traffic complaint east of Shoals. Deputy Hawkins and Reserve Deputy Shaw responded.

1:18 a.m. - Received a report of a tree down north of Loogootee. Civil Defense responded.

6:11 a.m. - Received a report of a fire south of Shoals. Shoals Fire Department, Deputy Hawkins, Chief Greene and REMC responded.

7:38 a.m. - Received a report of an accident in Shoals. Chief Greene responded.

10:00 a.m. - Received a report of a tree down northeast of Shoals. Martin County Highway Department was notified.

11:24 a.m. - Received a report of damage to roadway east of Shoals. Martin County Highway Department was notified.

11:24 a.m. - Received a report of an accident in Loogootee. Corporal Wells and Martin County Ambulance responded but did not transport.

11:25 a.m. - Received a request for a welfare check west of Shoals. Corporal Wells responded.

1:37 p.m. - Received a report of a reckless driver north of Loogootee. All Martin County law enforcement were

notified.

4:49 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Shoals. Shoals Fire Department and Martin County Ambulance responded. The patient was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

5:39 p.m. - Received a report of a tree down west of Shoals. Corporal Wells, Loogootee Officer Erwin, and Shoals Fire Department responded.

7:24 p.m. - Received a report of a tree down east of Shoals. Shoals Fire Department responded.

9:48 p.m. - Received a report of a reckless driver east of Shoals. Deputy Hawkins responded.

9:02 p.m. - Received a report of a stolen vehicle in Crane. Deputy Hawkins and Crane Naval Base were notified.

9:27 p.m. - Received a report of a suspicious vehicle in Shoals. Deputy Hawkins was notified.

10:27 p.m. - Received an accidental 911 call.

SATURDAY, MAY 28

7:00 a.m. - Received a report of a burglar alarm in Loogootee. Loogootee Officer Erwin responded.

8:38 a.m. - Received an accidental 911 call.

8:39 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Shoals. Martin County Ambulance responded but did not transport.

12:16 p.m. - Received a report of a stolen vehicle in Crane. Crane Naval Base was notified.

12:55 p.m. - Received a report of an accident north of Loogootee. Loogootee Officer Erwin and Deputy Long responded.

1:10 p.m. - Received notification of a statewide silver alert. All Martin County law enforcement were notified.

3:28 p.m. - Received a report of a suspicious vehicle north of Loogootee. All Martin and Daviess County law enforcement were notified.

6:02 p.m. - Received notification of a statewide silver alert. All Martin County law enforcement were notified.

7:08 p.m. - Received a dog complaint in Crane. Deputy Hawkins and Loogootee Officer Sims responded.

7:12 p.m. - Received a dog complaint in Crane. Deputy Hawkins and Loogootee Officer Sims responded.

8:38 p.m. - Received a report of a reckless driver north of Loogootee. Deputy Hawkins was notified.

9:06 p.m. - Received a report of a reckless driver north of Loogootee. Loogootee Officer Sims was notified.

9:17 p.m. - Received a request for a welfare check northwest of Shoals. Deputy Hawkins and Loogootee Officer Sims responded.

11:54 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Loogootee Fire Department and Martin County Ambulance responded. The patient was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

SUNDAY, MAY 29

2:40 a.m. - Received notification of a silver alert cancellation.

2:56 p.m. - Received a dog complaint in Crane. Animal Control Officer Hughett was notified.

4:34 p.m. - Received an accidental 911 call.

5:53 p.m. - Received a dog complaint in Loogootee. Animal Control Officer Hughett was notified.

10:03 p.m. - Received a report of a home being broken into and property stolen at a residence in Loogootee. Captain Reed and Loogootee Officer Sims responded.

COURT NEWS

CRIMINAL COURT

New Charges Filed

April 28

Jason Wade Smoot, driving while suspended, a Class A Misdemeanor; false informing, a Class B Misdemeanor.

Blaine J. Laughlin, battery resulting in moderate bodily injury, a Level 6 Felony.

May 2

Sage Samual Earl Banks, operating a motor vehicle without ever receiving a license, a Class A Misdemeanor.

Billy Dean Wildman, failure to register as a sex or violent offender, a Level 6 Felony; failure of a sex/violent offender to possess identification, a Class A Misdemeanor.

May 4

Andrew A. Crouchman, leaving the scene of an accident, a Class B Misdemeanor.

May 10

Cecorra R. Holt, public intoxication, a Class B Misdemeanor.

May 11

Christian Shane Hernandez Harrington, driving while suspended, a Class A Misdemeanor; possession of marijuana, a Class B Misdemeanor; possession of paraphernalia, a Class C Misdemeanor.

Matthew A. Day, sexual misconduct with a minor, a Level 5 Felony; institutional criminal mischief, a Class A Misdemeanor.

May 13

Alias Rian Kessling, failure to return to lawful detention, a Level 6 Felony; intimidation, a Class A Misdemeanor; resisting law enforcement, a Class A Misdemeanor.

May 16

Jacob T. Day, resisting law enforcement, a Level 6 Felony.

May 17

Brian M. Hammons, possession of methamphetamine, a Level 6 Felony; possession of marijuana, a Class B Misdemeanor; possession of paraphernalia, a Class C Misdemeanor.

May 18

William M. Osborne, operating a vehicle with an ACE of .15 or more, a Class A Misdemeanor; operating a vehicle while intoxicated, a Class C Misdemeanor.

Brandon C. Richardson, voyeurism, a Level 6 Felony; distribution of an intimate image, a Class A Misdemeanor.

Felix Omar Gonzalez Padilla, possession of methamphetamine, a Level 6 Felony; knowingly or intentionally operating a motor vehicle without ever receiving a license, a Class C Misdemeanor; possession of paraphernalia, a Class C Misdemeanor.

May 19

Ryan J. Mattingly, battery by means of a deadly weapon, a Level 5 Felony; criminal recklessness, a Level 6 Felony; leaving the scene of an accident, a Class A Misdemeanor.

May 20

Caleb H. Truelove, invasion of privacy, a Class A Misdemeanor.

Riley L. Hutson, resisting law enforcement, a Level 6 Felony; resisting law enforcement, a Class A Misdemeanor.

May 23

Donald B Miller, reckless driving, a Class C Misdemeanor.

Vonda L. Taylor, operating a vehicle while intoxicated endangering a person, a Class A Misdemeanor; resisting law enforcement, a Class A Misdemeanor; public intoxication, a Class B Misdemeanor; refusal to submit to breath or chemical test, a Class C Infraction.

Conner J. Brock, resisting law enforcement, a Level 6 Felony.

May 24

Darren J. Lannan, domestic battery, a Class A Misdemeanor; invasion of pri-

vacy, a Class A Misdemeanor.

Steven J. Davidson, possession of marijuana, a Class B Misdemeanor; possession of paraphernalia, a Class C Misdemeanor.

CRIMINAL CONVICTIONS

& SENTENCING

May 18

Angela M. Matthewson, convicted of check deception, a Class A Misdemeanor. Sentenced to serve 365 days with 295 days suspended and credit for 35 actual days previously served plus 35 Class A credit days. Defendant received 10 months of probation.

Codie M. Staats, convicted of battery resulting in bodily injury to a pregnant woman, a Level 5 Felony. Sentenced to serve 1,189 days with the Indiana Department of Corrections with 730 days suspended and credit for 344 actual days previously served plus 115 Class B credit days. Defendant received 24 months of probation.

William Joseph Vaughan, convicted of operating a vehicle while intoxicated endangering a person, a Class A Misdemeanor; leaving the scene of an accident, a Class B Misdemeanor; and refusal to submit to breath or chemical test, a Class C Infraction. Sentenced on the first count to serve 36 days with 0 days suspended and credit for 18 actual days previously served plus 18 Class A credit days. Sentenced on the second count to serve 36 days with 0 days suspended and credit for 18 actual days previously served plus 18 Class A credit days. No additional time sentenced on the third count.

May 24

Billie J. Groff, convicted of operating a vehicle while intoxicated, a Level 6 Felony. Sentenced to serve 364 days with 0 days suspended and credit for 182 actual days previously served plus 182 Class A credit days.

Larae L. Nunn, convicted of possession of methamphetamine, a Level 6 Felony. Sentenced to serve 365 days with 239 days suspended and credit for 63 actual days previously served plus 63 Class A credit days. Defendant received 8 months of probation.

CRIMINAL CHARGES DISMISSED

May 2

William E. Nugent, driving while suspended, a Class A Misdemeanor, dismissed.

May 18

Codie M. Staats, criminal confinement, a Level 6 Felony, dismissed; intimidation, a Class A Misdemeanor, dismissed; interference with the reporting of a crime, a Class A Misdemeanor, dismissed.

May 24

Billie J. Groff, operating a vehicle with an ACE of .08 or more, a Level 6 Felony, dismissed.

Larae L. Nunn, possession of paraphernalia, a Class C Misdemeanor, dismissed.

CIVIL COURT

New Suits Filed

May 19

Discover Bank, Inc. vs. Eric King, civil collection.

May 24

Specialized Loan Servicing, LLC vs. Mary J. Edwards, William G. Edwards, and unknown occupants, if any, mortgage foreclosure.

CIVIL COURT JUDGMENTS

May 18

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Portfolio Recovery Associates, LLC and against the defendant Kathren Kluemper in the amount of \$1,316.17.

May 24

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Capital One Bank and against the defendant Jonathon Taylor in the amount of \$3,203.05.

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Midland Credit Management, Inc. and against the defendant Sidney Laurent in the amount of \$1,643.47.

SMALL CLAIMS COURT

New Suits Filed

Loogootee Police log

MONDAY, MAY 23

12:21 a.m. - Caller reported two suspicious individuals at a local business.

8:26 a.m. - Chief Means responded to a property damage accident on Westwood Drive.

3:40 p.m. - Assistant Chief McBeth responded to a report of possible illegal drug activity.

3:57 p.m. - A subject came to the station and reported harassing texts from an unknown source.

TUESDAY, MAY 24

12:10 p.m. - Assistant Chief McBeth responded to a property damage accident on East Broadway Street.

5:46 p.m. - Officer Sims assisted Martin County EMS with a medical call.

6:48 p.m. - Officers Sims and Long assisted the Martin County Sheriff's Department with a pursuit beginning with officers in Orange County.

7:53 p.m. - Officer Long assisted the Martin County Sheriff's Department at the scene of an accident.

7:56 p.m. - Officer Sims responded to a report of an erratic driver in the areas of the city park.

9:26 p.m. - Officer Sims completed a welfare check on a person walking on US 231 North.

11:14 p.m. - Officer Sims assisted the Martin County Sheriff's Department with a vehicle stop.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 25

10:04 a.m. - Officer Erwin responded to an alarm at a local business.

3:15 p.m. - Loogootee Fire Department responded to an alarm at a local business.

4:27 p.m. - Assistant Chief McBeth assisted a stranded motorist on US 231 South.

6:55 p.m. - Officer Seymour completed a vehicle check on a boat.

THURSDAY, MAY 26

9:39 a.m. - Officer Wells completed a

May 19

Hoosier Accounts Service vs. Nathaniel D. Crays, complaint.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Stephen T. Shout of Shoals and Rebecca M. Turpin of Shoals.

vehicle check.

1:11 p.m. - Officer Wells responded to a hit-and-run accident in the CVS parking lot.

4:00 p.m. - First responders were dispatched to a medical call at a local business.

6:43 p.m. - Officers Seymour and Wells responded to a report of a fight in progress at a local business.

FRIDAY, MAY 27

11:23 a.m. - Chief Means responded to a property damage accident on West Broadway Street.

4:36 p.m. - Officer Sims assisted the Martin County Sheriff's Department with a warrant arrest.

11:47 p.m. - Officer Sims assisted the Martin County Sheriff's Department with a traffic stop.

11:53 p.m. - Officer Sims completed a security check.

SATURDAY, MAY 28

7:00 a.m. - Officer Erwin responded to a residential burglar alarm.

8:27 a.m. - Officer Erwin completed a welfare check.

12:55 p.m. - Officer Erwin assisted the Martin County Sheriff's Department at the scene of a property damage accident.

7:11 p.m. - Officer Sims assisted the Martin County Sheriff's Department with a civil dispute.

9:06 p.m. - Officer Sims responded to a report of a possible impaired driver near Loogootee on US 231 North.

9:36 p.m. - Officer Sims assisted the Martin County Sheriff's Department on a welfare check.

11:57 p.m. - First responders were dispatched to a medical call on Southwest First Street.

SUNDAY, MAY 29

10:03 p.m. - Officer Sims responded to a report of a residential breaking and entering and theft.

ARRESTS

MONDAY, MAY 23

11:35 a.m. - Brandon Richardson, 33, of Loogootee, was arrested by Deputy Flanagan on a Martin County warrant. He is being held on a \$15,000 10% bond.

TUESDAY, MAY 24

12:02 a.m. - Steven Davidson, 33, of Cannelburg, was arrested by Corporal Wells on a Martin County warrant. He is being held on a \$15,000 10% bond.

1:15 a.m. - Charles Kline, 48, of Loogootee, was arrested by Corporal Wells and charged with public intoxication. He is being held on a \$5,000 10% bond.

2:08 p.m. - Jaylon Knepp, 22, of Cannelburg, was arrested by Deputy Long on a Daviess County warrant. He is being held without bond.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 25

11:07 a.m. - Tangelia Hunt-Browder, 49, of Shoals, was arrested by Sergeant Gibson and charged with possession of methamphetamine, possession of paraphernalia, neglect of dependent x2, resisting law enforcement with a vehicle. She is being held on a \$15,000 10% bond.

12:04 p.m. - Shannon Blankenship, 46, of Tell City, was arrested on a Martin County warrant. She is being held without bond.

1:14 p.m. - Lisa Chandler, 59, of Shoals, was arrested by Loogootee Offi-

cer Erwin and charged with possession of methamphetamine. She is being held on a \$15,000 10% bond.

THURSDAY, MAY 26

7:16 p.m. - Roger Salmon, 34, of Loogootee, was arrested by Loogootee Reserve Officer Wells and charged with domestic battery, battery in the presence of a minor x2, battery, resisting law enforcement, and animal cruelty. He is being held on a \$30,000 10% bond.

FRIDAY, MAY 27

1:42 p.m. - Steven Goodpaster, 34, of Lagro, Indiana, was arrested by Loogootee Officer Erwin and charged with driving while suspended - prior. He is being held on a \$10,000 10% bond.

5:00 p.m. - Joshua Benton, 46, of Shoals, was arrested by Corporal Wells on a Martin County warrant. He is being held without bond.

SATURDAY, MAY 28

9:48 a.m. - Jeremiah Zollman, 30, of Cannelburg, was arrested by Loogootee Officer Erwin and charged with possession of methamphetamine and possession of paraphernalia. He is being held on a \$15,000 10% bond.

SUNDAY, MAY 29

3:58 p.m. - Cecorra Holt, 24, of Shoals, was arrested by Loogootee Officer and charged with residential entry, criminal mischief, resisting law enforcement. She is being held without bond.

COMMUNITY & EVENTS

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Free community meal
The Loogootee Christian Church, at 206 Sherman Street, is having their monthly free meal for the community on Thursday, June 2, from 6-8 p.m. at the church. This month they will be grilling hamburgers and hot dogs. All members of the community are invited to attend.

Right to Life can drive
The Daviess Right to Life will have their Aluminum Can Drive on Saturday, June 4 at the Tractor Supply in Washington from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Newsprint has been discontinued as a recyclable product. Martin County Right to Life will have their newspaper/aluminum can drive also on Saturday at the Martin County Recycling Center from 9 a.m.-noon.

Historical Society member picnic
The Martin County Historical Society will hold its annual member picnic and June meeting on Tuesday June 7 at the museum. All members are invited to the covered dish dinner and meeting to follow. Meat and table service will be provided. If you plan to attend, please call 812-309-9139 with your name and number of members attending.

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 9 a.m.-noon and 1-3:30 p.m.

LUMC Food Pantry
The Loogootee United Methodist Church Food Pantry is open every Thursday (except the fourth Thursday) from 11 a.m.-1 p.m.

Mental Health Task Force
The Martin County Mental Health Task Force meets via Zoom. If interested in being a part of the tax force, email echristmas@youthfirst.org or toddamy@iu.edu.

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

Solid waste board
The Martin County Solid Waste Board holds their monthly meetings on the second Wednesday of each month at noon 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.

More Neat Stuff
By Ann Ackerman

The following is part of an article I read the other day about a test in order to find out how you actually feel about someone. Ask yourself, "Would I have two beers with this person? And would I allow this person to look after my puppy over a weekend?"

Some people are no and no. These people are to be avoided at all costs.

Some people are yes and no. These people are to be cautiously trusted.

Some people are no and yes. These people are no fun, but they make a world a better place—for puppies, especially.

And some people are yes and yes. These people are wonderful people, and your life and work are better for having them in your life. Seek them out. Collaborate with them. Enjoy their company.

THOUGHTS

*I don't have ducks. Or a row. I have squirrels, and they are everywhere.

*I'm that person who tells everyone to be careful and trips over her own feet.

*I finally found a diet plan that really works. It's called "The Price of Food."

*Remember the good ole days when snap, crackle and pop were sounds from my cereal, not my body.

*Ah, nothing says "spring" like bird poop all over your car.

*I would like to think I will die a heroic

death, but it's more likely I'll trip over my dog and choke on a spoonful of frosting.

*"You're still a rockstar" I whisper to myself as I take my multivitamin and climb in bed at 9:45.

*You can call me old all you want, but my generation made music that will never be matched again.

*If I waited until I had all my ducks in a row, I'd never get across the street.

*Sometimes you just have to gather up what you've got and make a run for it.

RIDDLES

1. What do you call a rabbit with fleas?

2. What happens when you eat too much vegetable soup?

3. What do you call an abnormally strong desire to lie on one's sofa and do nothing?

ADVICE FROM A TREE

*Stand tall and proud.

*Go out on a limb.

*Remember your roots.

*Drink plenty of water.

*Be content with your natural beauty.

*Enjoy the view.

ANSWERS

1. Bugs Bunny

2. You have vowel movements

3. Sofitis

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CLASSIFIED ADS

YARD SALES

BURNS CITY TOWNWIDE YARD SALES Saturday, June 11, 8 a.m.-? Rain or shine.

HELP WANTED

The Martin County Sheriff's Office is currently accepting applications to fill open Part-Time Jail Officer & Dispatcher positions

Part-Time Jail Officers - \$15.00 per hour
Part-Time Dispatchers - \$15.00 per hour
Advancement opportunities are available.

Minimum Requirements:

- Be at least 18 years of age
- Citizen of the United States
- High School Diploma or GED
- Must not have any Felony or Misdemeanor Battery or Domestic Violence Convictions
- Be willing to submit to pre-employment drug screening
- Ability and willingness to work a variety of shifts, including evenings, weekends and some holidays

To be considered for an open position, interested candidates are encouraged to pick-up an application at the Martin County Sheriff's Office: 318 Capital Avenue, Shoals, IN 47581 (812) 247-3726.

HELP WANTED

PUBLIC WORKS POSITION

The City of Loogootee is accepting applications for the Public Works Department for a full-time position.

Applications may be picked up at the Utility or Mayors' offices 8am-4pm, Monday-Friday.

Deadline for applications is June 17, 2022.

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It is time for the Chelsea Chop. That is not a fancy cut of meat for the grill. It is a simple procedure that will make your ornamental garden more beautiful in late summer. Named after the annual June flower show in Chelsea, England, the Chelsea Chop is a pruning technique that will make many perennials stronger and result in more flowers.

Many perennials grow so tall when we have favorable weather that by late summer, they become top-heavy and flop on the ground. Instead of beautiful blooms flying high in the garden, one ends up with flowers that are lying on the ground. The Chelsea Chop is an easy remedy.

Asters, mums, sedums, tall phlox, blanket flowers, coneflowers and black-eyed Susans are all prime candidates for chopping. There is nothing elaborate about the technique. Simply use a sharp pair of pruners to cut the tall stems back to within six inches of the ground. Plants pruned during the active growing season will respond by putting out new growth. Usually, the plants develop thicker stems that will help prevent that late-summer flopping. Where a single stem was cut, the plants will put out multiple new stems. More stems equal more flowers.

The flowering time will be delayed by the Chelsea Chop. However, if you want flowers over a longer period of time, repeating the chop in early July will create even more flower stems. To lengthen bloom time, leave a few of the stems uncut now. Those stems will begin flowering at the plant's normal bloom time but may require staking to prevent the flop. The stems that receive the Chelsea Chop will take a while to recover, so the blooms on those stems will begin about a month after the first blooms. The stems that are trimmed back in early July will be blooming another month or so later. What would have been a bloom period of three to four weeks now is a bloom window of three months.

Many wildflowers and prairie plants

This year's 4-H Open Class changes, rules

It's springtime and time to start thinking about this year's open class at the Martin County 4-H Fair, which will run from Friday, July 15 through Tuesday, July 19.

There has been one major change to this year's open class check in, that being that all open class projects will be checked in on a different day than the 4-H projects; open class will only be checked in on Wednesday July 13, from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.; please note the change.

The departments in the open class are baking, caning, gardening, flowers, fine arts, handicraft, needlework, quilts and photography. Future articles will include further detail on each department.

The general rules are each exhibitor may only enter one article per section. An entry fee of 50 cents will be charged for each section in each department which an entry is made. If there is only one exhibit in a section and it is not worthy of a first-place award, it can be awarded second, third or none.

First place will be awarded a blue ribbon and \$1.00, second place red ribbon and 75 cents and third place white and 50 cents will be awarded in each section. The premium from these ribbons is sponsored by Martin County Farm Bureau, Inc. From the blue ribbons in each section a grand champion will be awarded with a gift certificate. An over-

will also perform similarly when cut back. If you have an area to grow such plants as ironweed, evening primrose and goldenrod, consider cutting that area back to a foot tall this week. Like your garden plants, these wildflowers will respond with sturdier stems and more flowers for the pollinators. It will also make the plots a little neater.

The chop may also result in more plants for your garden or to share with others. Many of the stems you cut will root if placed into moist potting soil. Remove the bottom leaves and poke the stems into the soil. New roots will soon form where the leaves once were. You may want to pinch off the growing tip also, which will make these new plants a little sturdier and more branched. If you do not want more plants, you may simply put the cut stems into the compost pile.

In addition to the Chelsea Chop, there is some other pruning to do at this time of the year. Shrubs that have already bloomed for the year may be cut back now if you need to shape them or control the size. Always cut branches back to a bud to avoid unsightly stick-ups on the shrub. The cut will stimulate that bud to produce new growth. If you wait until later, that growth may not have time to develop enough to harden off before winter weather arrives. Also, many of the spring-blooming plants actually are now producing the buds for next year's blooms. The new growth will have time now to produce buds, but growth made later in the year may not produce blooms next year.

The roses at Sandhill Gardens are beautiful this year. The old-fashioned roses bloom only once a year and may be pruned after the bloom period. Come out this Saturday, June 4, for the annual garden exchange at Sandhill Gardens. Bring your extra plants, garden tools and decorative items to trade with other gardeners. The fun begins at 10 a.m.

all award for outstanding exhibitor will be awarded to the person with the most exhibits, in case of a tie, the exhibitor with the most grand champions will be awarded top exhibitor and will receive a gift certificate. Any previous exhibit cannot be exhibited again. This open class is open to any person any age and any county. The exhibit must be the work of the exhibitor.

The open class booklets can be picked up in Shoals at Jug Rox Café, Chastain's Flowers and Velma's Diner and in Loogootee at Hometown Flowers & Gifts, Hometown IGA and Williams Bros. Health Care Pharmacy. The Martin County Extension office will also have copies of the booklets. On Face book, under Martin County Home Economics Open Class Exhibits, you can also get information on the different departments that you can exhibit in.

Next Free Fishing Weekend is June 4-5

Indiana offers four Free Fishing Days each year to provide Indiana residents the chance to fish without the need for a fishing license. The weekend of June 4 and 5 marks two of those days.

Not sure where to go? Visit www.in.gov/dnr/fish-and-wildlife/fishing/where-to-fish-interactive-map/.

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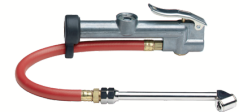
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Councilman's Corner

By Shoals Town
Council President
Cary D. Albright

"Give me six hours to chop down a tree and I will spend the first four sharpening the axe." -Abraham Lincoln

We have a lot going on at Shoals right now! In town you've seen a lot of construction and a lot of demolition and a lot of building of our infrastructure (streets, sidewalks and curbing). I am happy to say this is only the beginning of your town's summer long projects.

Yes, this will be inconvenient! Yes, you will see more efficient roads and actual concrete curbing in places you've never seen it. Most people take concrete curbing for granted. Until you run into one! Concrete curbing provides a pathway for water to run away from the road. The major reason why our roads fall apart is because they retain water (freezing and thawing); not because we drive on them. When we get our drainage correct, we increase your investment in our roads tenfold.

First of all, we need to get it right the first time - not continually do overlays (coat of blacktop over another coat of blacktop) after overlay after overlay. That means measure three times and cut once. Anyone can lay blacktop incorrectly. With proper planning and changing the width and height of your black top you can maximize the drain-

age away from your blacktop to give it maximum life. This is why it looks like we're putting down two coats of blacktop. The first coat is called a wedge coat. That gives the pitch to the final coat of blacktop that promotes drainage. Curbs direct the water away from unwanted areas to correct drainage areas. Now does this always work right every time? The quick answer is no. So, we try to plan and review and plan and review before we spend your tax money on our roads. Curbing is very expensive! We could do as past town councils have done, and the town could lay a lot more blacktop down and not spend money on curbing. The key is to do a little bit of curbing each time you do blacktop to protect your investment.

The end result is now we have a lot of blacktop around town in poor condition due to poor planning before the money was spent on blacktop. I want to also add the current paving company does not do patching work. We have to guarantee them so many hundred feet to do the current job. Small patch work from where we've done repairs on our aging system is our responsibility to repair with cold mix (term for type of mixed blacktop used for patching small sections).

Shop Shoals: Velma's Diner

LHS Dual-Credit Junior English Class
presents . . .

Small Businesses, BIG Stories

BY KAGE LYON, BRENNNA WADE
& EUAN GRAVES
LHS Dual-Credit Junior English Class

The dual-credit junior English class at Loogootee High School is working with the City of Loogootee Recast Team to promote locally-owned small businesses. The class is interviewing business owners in Loogootee and Shoals. Below is their next interview.

Joe McAtee, Re/Max First Choice -
McAtee Sales Corp.

"I am a residential real estate appraiser. I took the classes about 22 years ago on the advice of a buddy I knew that was in the appraisal business and that's kind of what got me started. I had an issue with the test. The test was very hard, and I flunked the test four times. Once I got my license, I had to do what they call a three-year internship, there's a three- and five-year internship under another appraiser. And it took me right around three years to get my full license to start my business.

The guy that kept my license, Dwayne Pearson out of Jasper, was a certified residential appraiser and he was probably my biggest influence in the creation of my business. The inspiration I got for this business is that I was previously a realtor, and I still am a realtor for 35 years now. And it was kind of along the same field as what I do now, except it was more of a constant paycheck. You get paid more frequently than you do in the realtor business.

A struggle I have with the business is scheduling and time, the number of appraisals that you could do in a week, and then also the amount of time it took to type in researching each house. Not too many customers are generally glad to see the appraiser. They're not always glad if it doesn't appraise to where they think it should be, but generally, customers are usually glad to see at least the first part. Timing can also be a constraint in figuring out times that work the best for them. It can get hectic when there's minimal time people hand me, and I have to work with it.

The reason why I chose to go into this field is because I grew up here and I've always lived in a small town and

Daviess/Martin Retired Teachers Association meet

The Daviess/Martin Indiana Retired Teachers Association met at the Gasthof Restaurant on Friday, May 20. David Lennen led the members in the pledge to the flag and conducted the meeting. The minutes from the March meeting, submitted by Nancy Adams, and the treasurer's report, submitted by David Lennen, were read and approved. Lawana Hand gave the community service report and asked members to continue volunteering and to keep track of their service hours.

David Lennen announced that Lawana Hand, Donna Keller and Ramona Lennen will be the delegates for the IRTA Representative Assembly that will be held June 8, 2022, in Indianapolis. The fall area workshop will be September 21, 2022, at the Gasthof in Montgomery.

Officers were installed for the coming year, and they are as follows: Ramona Lennen, president; Donna Keller, vice president; Nancy Adams, secretary; David Lennen, treasurer; Lawana Hand, community service (volunteer hours) and Arlene Owens and Alana Thompson, programs.

David introduced AMBA representatives Sandra McLin and Jason Williams. Sandra talked about a new AMBA pro-



currently there's not very many appraisers around. I'm the only one in Martin County. I think there are two in Daviess County and three in Dubois County. So, you know, there's not much competition. Also, my dad passed this business on to me and I would like to pass it on to my daughters if they want to come in and take my place when they are older. I would like for one or both of my children to take it over and you know look at that as an opportunity for them. If they're interested. That would be probably the best thing that I could think of happening would be one of my children taking it over, because I honestly get the real estate business from my dad's job. And then I went into the appraisal business. He passed it on, and I want to pass it on to my kids. If they needed help to get started, I would be willing to help them anytime they needed.

This job is just very interesting. You know, you talk to different people every day. You see different homes every day. And overall, it's just a very interesting business. Nothing's the same every day. I don't do the same. I do the same thing on a general level, but you're always looking at something different every day. I actually like my job. Sometimes it's super-duper busy, and it gets a little hectic, but I think that's every person's job. Getting through the struggles and ending up with achievements is a great thing I've encountered with this business and well as relationships I've made along the way with many different people. I actually do like my job, and I probably would not change it. You know, for anything."

gram to help protect investments. Money for Pennies from Heaven was collected and will be donated to the Loogootee and Shoals libraries for their summer reading programs.

The meeting program was presented by Misty English, the director of the Daviess County CASA. They learned about the training involved to become a CASA volunteer and the importance of advocating for children.

Door prizes were provided by Lawana Hand and Nancy Adams and were won by Pat Brochin, Ramona Lennen and Donna Keller. David Lennen introduced and welcomed Vince Sellers, (recent new member) and Lisa Ader-Miller. Those attending were: Lawana Hand, Vince Sellers, Marilyn S. Read, Janice Riley, Patricia Brochin, Donna Keller, Alana Thompson, Linda Strosnider, Lisa Ader-Miller, Aggie Cooper, Ramona Lennen, David Lennen, Nancy Adams, Misty English (CASA), Sandra McLin and Jason Williams (AMBA).

The next meeting will be at 11:30 a.m. on August 12 at the Gasthof in Montgomery. All Daviess and Martin County retired teachers are invited to attend.

After the blessing was sung the meeting was adjourned for lunch.



Daviess County Right to Life Inc.
P.O. Box 41
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During the last few weeks you have heard many false statements after the leak from the Supreme Court concerning the decision on the abortion issue. **Statements from the pro-abortion media, the pro-abortion politicians and the abortion industry, stating that if Roe v Wade is overturned, all abortion will be outlawed.**

This is not true. If this decision holds up from what the rough draft is stating, it will go back to each individual state and that state will decide whether they will be pro-life or pro-abortion. About half of the states will limit abortion with exceptions to the life of the mother, rape/incest and other states like California and New York will have the killing of the unborn up to the time of birth. We just don't know for sure what will happen.

Pro-abortion media/politicians are saying it will go back to the way it was with "thousands dying from back alley abortions".

This also is not true. Dr. Bernard Nathanson who helped to push legal abortion in American coined that phrase and when he later converted to pro-life he tried to tell the media he made up that figure and set the record straight but the liberal media would hear nothing of it. Dr. Nathanson said they pulled that figure out of the air and the media ran with it. But what the media had written was going to stand and they would not change it because it fit their agenda to push abortion on America.

Pro-Life People don't care about the mother, only the child:

Not True: We care for both and that is why Pro-lifers across the country have used their own money to start around 3,000 Pregnancy Care Centers across the country to help mothers with unplanned pregnancies. They did so with their own funding and none coming from the Government. This is so unlike Planned Parenthood who receives millions of dollars from the Government each year to take the lives of the unborn. (Thanks to pro-abortion minded individuals in our government.)

The Abortion Industry has made millions of Dollars from their abortion business and when we talk of cutting their funding they get very upset! As you can see we are battling individuals/organizations who care nothing of the unborn child and little for mother. Individuals who push for the killing of the unborn, how can they be trusted with other lifesaving issues when they push to kill the most vulnerable of our society.

In the coming weeks you will hear more untruths from the pro-abortions forces but just remember why they are saying this. They make money off abortion and want it to continue.

Louis Kavanaugh Jr.,
President of Daviess County Right to Life.
-Paid for by Daviess County Right to Life



Making A Difference



By Curt Johnson
MCCF Director

The scholarships offered by the MCCF are one of the five types of funds we manage: (1) Unrestricted, (2) Designated, (3) Field of Interest, (4) Donor Advised, and (5) Scholarships. The MCCF had the privilege of presenting twenty scholarships to Martin County students who are pursuing higher education.

-- LOOGOOTE SCHOLARSHIPS --

On May 22, Paula Ringwald (MCCF Board President) and Angie Risacher (MCCF Board Secretary) presented fourteen scholarships to the following Loogootee graduating seniors.

-- ANDREW POWELL --



ANDREW POWELL

Andrew Powell was awarded the Loogootee Alumni Scholarship that is reserved for a senior who has been an excellent role model for their peers and embodies the characteristics of good citizenship, gentleness, belief in others, and the strength of self-discovery and individual growth.

-- MADISON MCATEE --



MADISON MCATEE

Madison McAtee was awarded the Ben Trout Memorial Scholarship which is given to a student athlete who has performed well in school, show outstanding mental attitude, and displays extraordinary team spirit and sportsmanship.

-- TIERLAN NORRIS --



TIERLAN NORRIS

Tierlan Norris was awarded the Saint Vincent De Paul Scholarship, which is given to a worthy senior with a good all-around work ethic, knows the value of hard work, and how commitment and determination can help a person succeed.

-- GRACE LINGENFELTER --

The Rita and Jack Butcher Loogootee Basketball Family Scholarship was presented by Marina (Butcher) Bouvy. It is given to a senior who has participated in sports and/or other extracurricular activities, has demonstrated a good attitude and work ethic, and has performed well academically. Grace Lingenfelter received this scholarship, and she exemplifies what being a good student and a good citizen means.



GRACE LINGENFELTER

Grace Lingenfelter received this scholarship, and she exemplifies what being a good student and a good citizen means.

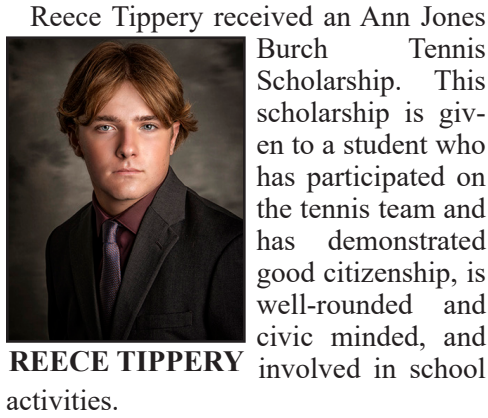
-- RACHEL LENTS --



RACHEL LENTS

Amy Todd presented Rachel Lents the Terri Sullivan Callaway Scholarship. This scholarship is given to a student who is a member of a Christian faith church and is pursuing the field of nursing.

--REECE TIPPERY --



REECE TIPPERY

Reece Tippery received an Ann Jones Burch Tennis Scholarship. This scholarship is given to a student who has participated on the tennis team and has demonstrated good citizenship, is well-rounded and civic minded, and involved in school activities.

--KAITLIN CALLISON --



KAITLIN CALLISON

Kaitlin Callison also received an Ann Jones Burch Tennis Scholarship. This scholarship is given to a student who has participated on the tennis team and has demonstrated good citizenship, is well-rounded and civic minded, and involved in school activities.

--WADE GRABER --



WADE GRABER

Wade Graber was awarded one of the two Robert Scott Waggner Memorial Scholarships. This scholarship is given to a student who has a good attitude and work ethic, performed well academically, participated in sports and extracurricular activities, and supports others and their school.

--TESSA BRADLEY --



TESSA BRADLEY

Tessa Bradley also received a Robert Scott Waggner Memorial Scholarship. Again, this scholarship is given to a student who has a good attitude and work ethic, performed well academically, participated in sports and extracurricular activities, and supports others and their school.

-- GRACE GINGERICH --



GRACE GINGERICH

Grace Gingerich was awarded one of the three George M and Barbara Cropp Scholarships. This scholarship is given to a student who has performed well academically and plans to attend a two- or four-year public or private institution. This scholarship may be renewed subsequent years if criteria are met.

-- JALYNN STOLL --



JALYNN STOLL

Jalynn Stoll is also a recipient a George M and Barbara Cropp Scholarships. This scholarship is given to a student who has performed well academically and plans to attend a two- or four-year public or private institution. This scholarship may be renewed subsequent years if criteria are met.

-- BRAYTON TAYLOR --



BRAYTON TAYLOR

Brayton Taylor is another of the three recipients of the George M and Barbara Cropp Scholarship. This scholarship is given to a student who has performed well academically and plans to attend a two- or four-year public or private institution. This scholarship may be renewed subsequent years if criteria are met.

-- KYLIE VANHOY --



KYLIE VANHOY

Kylie VanHoy was awarded two scholarships this year. One is the Gerdon Jones Scholarship that scholarship focuses on the value of sports in our students' lives. It is presented to a student athlete who displays extraordinary positive mental attitude and has shown improved skills through their high school career.

Kylie also received the Wilma L. Bateman Memorial Scholarship. Emily Bateman represented the Bateman family to award this scholarship. It is for a female senior who has participated in sports for at least 2 years, has performed well academically, has shown leadership skills, and has participated in community activities.

-- SHOALS SCHOLARSHIPS --

On May 23, the MCCF had the privilege of presenting six scholarships to Shoals graduating seniors. Presenting for the MCCF were Jenell Hoffman (MCCF Scholarship Committee Chairperson) and Annette Taylor (MCCF Board member). The scholarships were awarded to the following students.

-- HALEY FISCHER --



HALEY FISCHER

Haley Fischer, daughter of Michael and Amanda Fischer, received the Lilly Endowment Community Scholarship to an Indiana public or private college or university and provides full tuition, required fees, and a special allocation of up to \$900 per year for required books. It is awarded to a senior exhibiting commitment to the community, dedication to their education and pursuit of excellence in all they do.

-- AVA SMITH --



AVA SMITH

Ava Smith was awarded three scholarships this year. The first is the Saint Vincent De Paul Scholarship which is given to a worthy senior with a good all-around work ethic, knows the value of hard work, and how commitment and determination can help a person succeed. Ava was also awarded the Faye Shobe Memorial Scholarship which is given to a senior that values our youth, knows the importance of life skills, and is seeking a degree in the field of Elementary Education.

And lastly, Ava received one of the three George M and Barbara Cropp Scholarships which is given to a student who has performed well academically and plans to attend a two- or four-year public or private institution. This scholarship may be renewed subsequent years if criteria are met.

-- KADEN BERGER --



KADEN BERGER

Kaden Berger was awarded a George M and Barbara Cropp Scholarship which is given to a student who has performed well academically and plans to attend a two- or four-year public or private institution. This scholarship may be renewed subsequent years if criteria are met.

-- ASHTEN TEDROW --



ASHTEN TEDROW

Ashten Tedrow was also awarded a George M and Barbara Cropp Scholarship which is given to a student who has performed well academically and plans to attend a two- or four-year public or private institution. This scholarship may be renewed subsequent years if criteria are met.

-- MORE INFORMATION --

For more information about MCCF scholarships or other endowments, please contact the MCCF Director, Curt Johnson, at 812-295-1022 or mccf@cf-partner.org.

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

Loogootee falls in Jasper Regional

The Loogootee High School Girls' Tennis Team were defeated at the Jasper Regional last Tuesday, May 24. They fell to Washington 1-4.

The team finished the season with a record of 19-3.

Head Coach Mike Tippery said after the matches, "It is always tough to end the season with a loss, but we competed hard today and left everything on the court."

"Washington played better than us and deserved the victory. I can't say enough about this group of seniors. They missed their entire sophomore year due to Covid but worked hard and made the most of their junior and senior years winning back-to-back sectionals and setting a school record for wins (19) in the process. They have set the bar high for future generations of players."

Results

#1 Singles Lacy Hancock (W) defeated Kieragen Napier 6-3, 6-2

#2 Singles Alaina Thorne (W) defeated Annalise Powell 6-0, 6-2

#3 Singles Grace Gingerich (L) defeated Kenli Barber 7-6 (1), 6-4

#1 Doubles Sydney Melton/Kencia Levasseur (W) defeated Katie Callison/Caitlin Carrico 2-6, 6-3, 6-2

#2 Doubles Annabelle Blake/Kenna Garland (W) defeated Madison McAtee/Tessa Bradley 6-1, 6-0