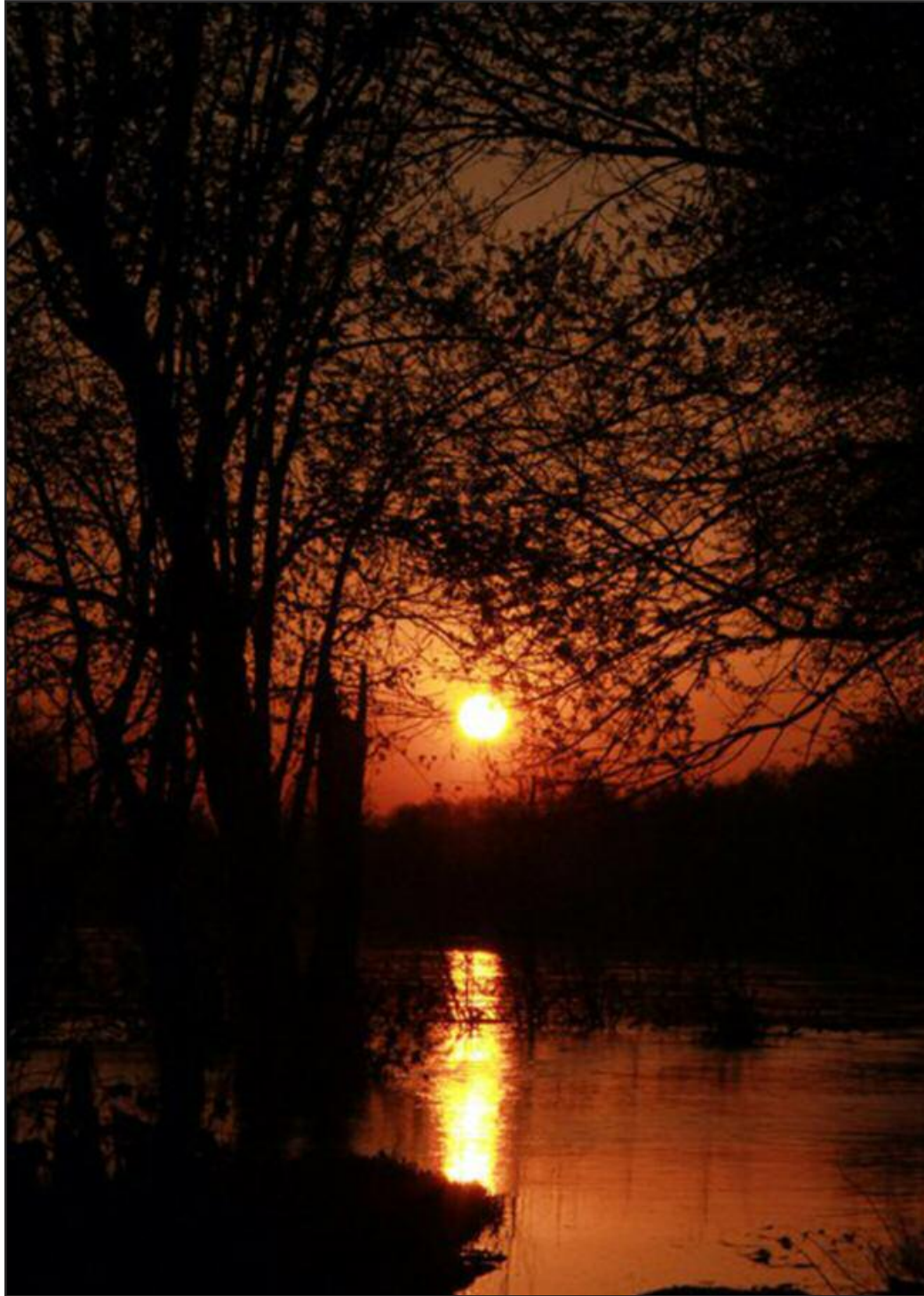


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The sunset above was captured at a residence on Hwy. 550 in Martin County. As spring continues to arrive and the days become longer, more and more beauty can be found in Martin County

Events set for SummerFest

The weather is changing from cold and icy to warm and sunny and before you know it June will be here with all the excitement of the Loogootee SummerFest. Mark your calendars for Thursday, June 16, Friday, June 17 (5-10 p.m.) and Saturday, June 18 (2-10 p.m.). Bring the whole family out to enjoy the 2011 Loogootee SummerFest!

Some of the activities include the Loogootee SummerFest Queen Pageant, Volleyball Tourney, 5k Run, Corporate Challenge, Golf Tournament, Beer Garden, a variety of vendors and live music!

Interested in renting a booth? Spaces are available. Pick up an application in the mayor's office, at the chamber of commerce or call Laura Downey at 295-4264.

Thursday night is packed with activities including the Talent Show, the exciting Corporate Challenge and the fundraising auction. Have a special donation for the auction? Contact Polly at 309-9336.

On Friday, at 7 p.m., enjoy The Jones Gang; a versatile five-piece band playing a (See 'SUMMERFEST' on page three)

100 jobs may be the result of a 'perfect fit'

BY COURTNEY HUGHETT
Martin County Journal Publisher

The former Perfect Fit building should soon have new owners and new manufacturing jobs as was announced at the Loogootee City Council meeting Monday night, April 11. Mike Carney, of Vincennes, was present at the meeting to explain more about the business he would be moving into the building along with other manufacturing businesses he owns throughout the region.

According to Loogootee Mayor Don Bowling and Alliance Executive Director Tim Kinder, talks have been going on with Carney since August of last year when the closing of Perfect Fit was announced. Carney explained that the work he would be doing in Loogootee would involve the manufacture of ECWCS extreme cool-weather gear for the military which he has been doing since 1988. He said that his production is to double in June and instead of working his employees at the current sewing factory six, 10-hour days per week, he learned of the closing of Perfect Fit on the news and immediately contacted Mayor Bowling.

He said that as of now, around 100 employees would be needed and he would like to hire employees who were let go after the closing of Perfect Fit. He said that after speaking to their former manager of the Perfect Fit plant, he realized that a majority of the workers were loyal because they had been employees for decades and these are the type of people he wants.

He also noted that the wages of his other sewing factory average \$13.31 per hour but that is not a guarantee of what the Loogootee plant would pay – merely an estimate.

Carney also spoke of issues surrounding

the size of the Perfect Fit building. He said that he is not in need of a building that large therefore he is in talks with a few other business owners who may want to lease space in the building.

After far as purchasing the building, Mr. Carney said he is confident that can be taken care of with one phone call to the owner as soon as a few other small items get worked out.

Carney said that he has visited Loogootee often to survey the surroundings and the residents to see if he felt he would be welcome. He said he even pretended to be lost and in need of directions to gauge the hospitality of Loogootee's people. He explained that he was very pleased with what he found. "When a company is looking to locate in a new facility or a new location, a new town, one of the things you want to do is you want to feel good about the people you will be working with; you want to get a flavor of the community," he said. "I just want to report to you that I think you have a nice community here." Carney also praised Mayor Bowling and Kinder on their help in getting things done.

Mayor Bowling said in a statement, "At this time I would like to say that I have been very impressed with Mike Carney and certainly do feel that whatever he is able to bring to our city will be very beneficial and rewarding to the city and our people."

Alliance Director Tim Kinder said that he has done extensive research on Carney and his businesses. He said Carney's companies are very community-oriented and want to be engaged and involved in the communities they reside in.

He said he has spoken to Carney's employees, without his knowledge, to gauge what kind of boss he is. He reported that

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Grand Opening

The Shoals Fire Department held a Grand Opening of their new building last Saturday, April 9. The celebration consisted of a hog roast and tours of the building. The fire station was built in part with grant monies.

-Photo by Joshua Hughett

Elections and apportionment committee present legislative maps

On Monday, Rep. Eric Koch (R-Bedford), Chairman of the Elections and Apportionment Committee and Co-Chair of the committee, Rep. Kathy Richardson (R-Noblesville) presented the boundaries of state House Legislative and Congressional Districts for the coming decade.

Every ten years, upon completion of a new federal decennial census, the General Assembly redraws district boundaries. This year, the House and Senate conducted nine meetings across the state of Indiana to hear from citizens about how to make the new districts more understandable for voters as well as foster a greater degree of connection between Hoosiers and their elected Representatives.

"The maps create districts which, better than ever before, will promote good government and effective representation, that will foster connection and accountability between citizens and their elected representatives," said Rep. Koch. In determining the boundaries of the maps, Rep. Koch and Rep. Richardson followed the constitutional goal of relative population equality between districts. The House district map contains districts that are better balanced in terms of population than the districts contained in the 2001 map. The committee also complied with the federal Voting Rights Act to avoid diluting minority voting strength. In addition they sought to create districts which respect the integrity of recognized communities and foster a sense of connection between citizens and their representatives.

"I am very pleased with the maps. By every relevant statistical measure we succeeded. In respect to the new House districts we have made great improvements.

These districts are more compact, more nearly equal in population and met our goal of drawing common sense districts. These maps make a great deal of sense in terms of good and effective representation than the House maps adopted ten years ago," said House Speaker Brian Bosma (R-Indianapolis).

During the unveiling of the maps, Rep. Koch also pointed out something that cannot be seen by simply looking at the district shapes which is how many municipal boundaries are crossed by House District boundaries.

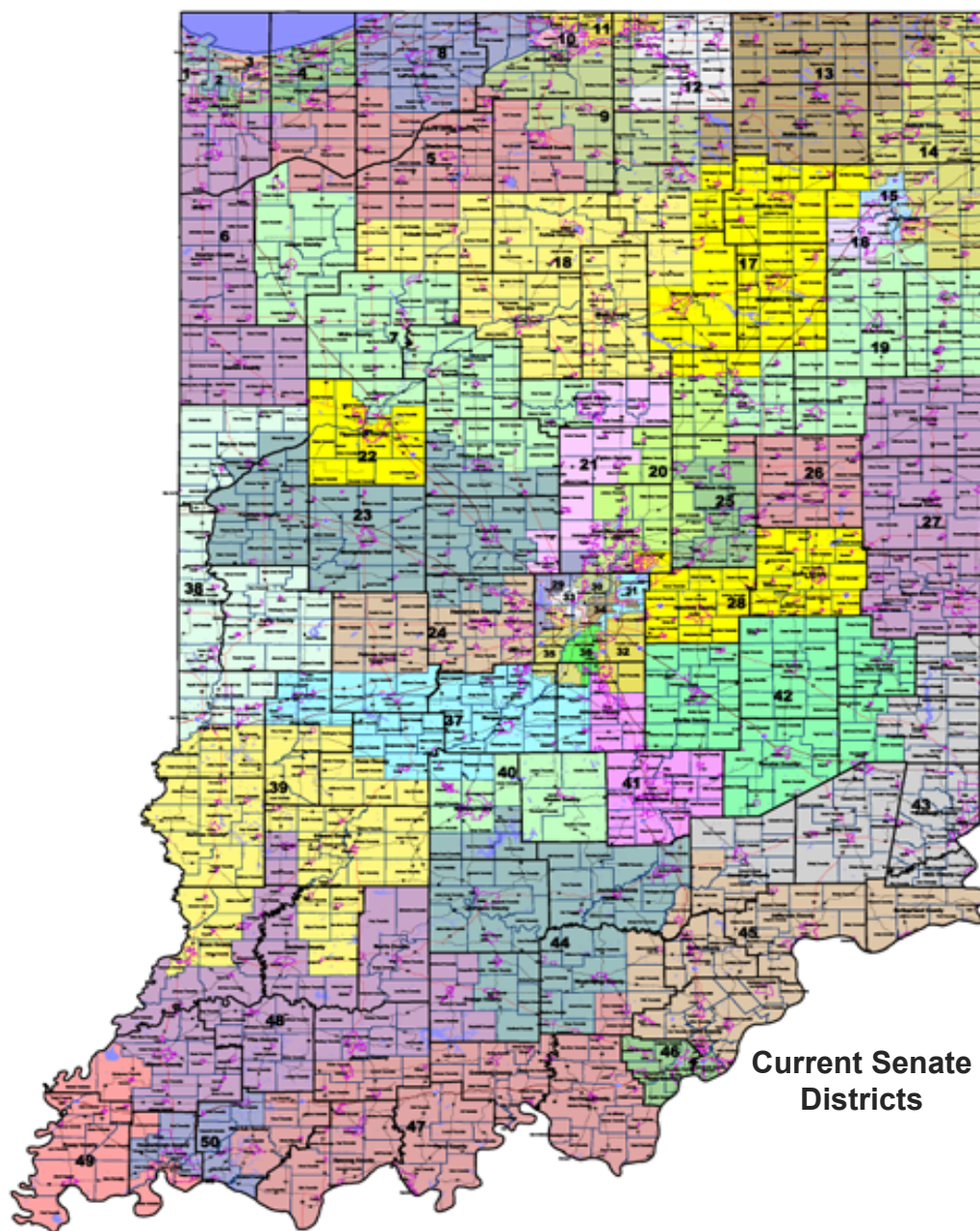
"As we traveled around the state listening to Hoosier tell us what they believe makes a good district, we heard time and again how important it is to voters that we not use House District boundaries to split communities unless necessary. We listened," said Rep. Richardson.

The proposed House District Maps also consist of the following:

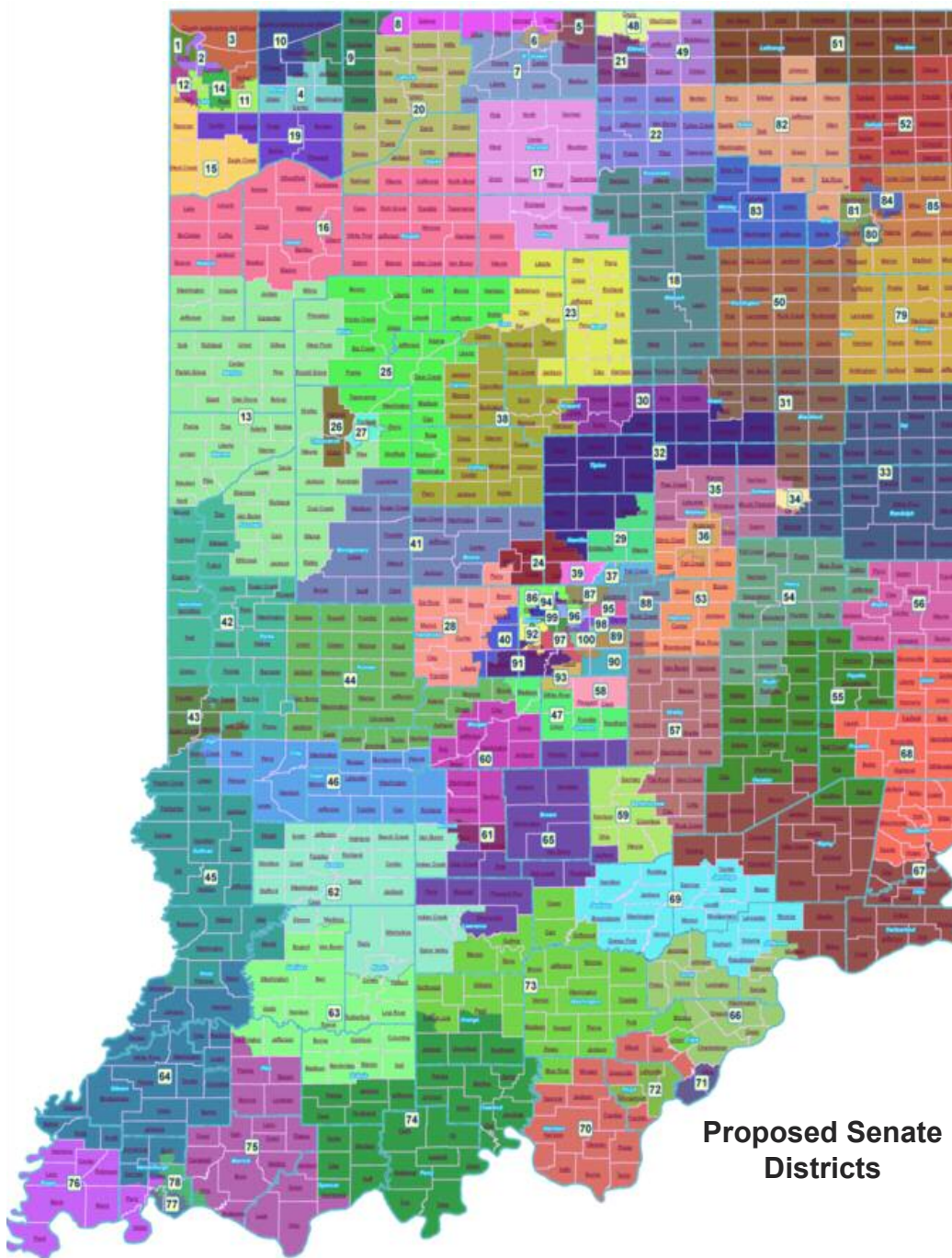
- Contains 8 districts in which no incumbent legislator resides
- 3 districts in which 2 Republican incumbents reside.
- 3 districts in which 2 Democrat incumbents reside.
- 4 districts in which a sitting Republican and a sitting Democrat legislator reside.

The committee hoped to draft these maps in late March or early April, however the time frame of the redistricting process was compressed due to the five-week walkout that House Democrats participated in.

"Despite that obstacle, we have sought and received unprecedented public input and have been able to draft a redistricting map that drastically improves upon the current legislative maps," said Rep. Koch



Current Senate Districts



Proposed Senate Districts

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he had positive feedback saying that the employees have a passion for what the company does and for who they serve and also a passion for what the company stands for. "They believe in the company and its mission," he said. Kinder also said that he was told by the employees that they feel the company cares about them – their feelings, their well-being, and their families. "This is the type of company we want here, bottom line," said Kinder.

After discussion moved from Carney and his company, Mayor Bowling stated that last year \$1,000 was given to the Martin County Alliance for Economic Growth as a token for the work to be done improving economic growth. "I thought that would be a very good way to help the Alliance and it certainly has worked out very well," he said reporting that Alliance Director Kinder is always available when needed.

In other business, after last month's debate over the purchase of a new police vehicle it had been decided to finance the additional \$5,000 needed to pay for an SUV instead of a standard police car. At Monday night's meeting however, Clerk-Treasurer Nancy Jones reported that she and Police Chief Kelly Rayhill had gone through the budget and found money to be used instead of having to take out a loan. \$1,400 was taken from the clothing and physical funds for new hires with the remaining money coming from the continuing education in the general fund. After some questioning from the Council member Phyllis Parker as to why the money wasn't found previously, the request was unanimously approved. Parker had questioned the need for an SUV for city-patrolling at the last two meetings and voted against the purchase of the SUV last month.

Mayor Bowling reported that no new communication has been made with CSX Railroad on the Kentucky Avenue crossing that is in need of repair.

Tim Kinder did report that he also sent a letter to CSX a month and a half ago and

said he was told the division engineer would be contacting him.

The mayor also reported that the recent humane society auction was very successful having netted approximately \$7,500. The society is now at the half-way point to having enough funds for an animal shelter.

Mayor Bowling briefly reported on the Great Center US Shakeout which is the largest simultaneous earthquake drill ever held in Indiana or the regional area. The Shakeout is being scheduled by the Department of Homeland Security for Tuesday, April 19 at 10:15 a.m. According to the mayor's handout, the committed registered participants have surpassed the one million mark.

Eleven states are taking part in a Shakeout however some states will be holding theirs on April 28. Mayor Bowling said he spoke with Madison Seib of District 10, which serves Martin County, who said that the concentration is more geared toward the schools as opposed to regular citizens for involvement.

You can register for the Shakeout at www.shakeout.org.

Mayor Bowling reported that an anonymous donor contributed \$899 to the Loogootee Police Department for the purchase of a new printer, scanner, and fax machine which will replace five separate machine units currently being used and will save on ink usage.

Also, a building permit was approved for Merle Simmerman at 112 Cherry Street in Loogootee for the construction of a residence and a pole barn.

Prior to the city council meeting the Loogootee Board of Public Works approved six utility adjustments with five being verified by Utilities Manager Bo Wilson.

The one that was not verifiable was for West Boggs. According to Mayor Bowling when West Boggs turned on their lines that were not used in the winter there was a leak and 156,000 gallon of water was lost. None of the water was released into the sewer system so the adjustment was approved.

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BERNARD JONES

Bernard Kem Jones, formerly of Boonville, passed away at 7:45 a.m. April 6, 2011 at his home. A resident of French Lick, he was 59.

He was born on February 7, 1952; the son of Bernard Charles Jones and Ruth Evelyn (Chestnut) Collins. He graduated from Boonville High School in 1971 and enjoyed gardening, canning, cooking and especially being outdoors.

He is survived by his mother, Ruth E. Collins of Boonville, stepsons, Terry Campbell and Joseph Campbell both of Loogootee, and sisters, Monica Jones of Trussville, of Alabama, Linda McCook of Baconton, Georgia, Pamela Schmidt of Red Bluff, California and Donna Berry of Boonville.

He was preceded in death by his father and his grandparents.

A graveside service was held Monday, April 11 at Ames Chapel Cemetery with Rev. Craig Chestnut officiating.

Family requests in lieu of flowers that donations be made to T.L. Pinnick Mortuary, 785 S. Bears Bend Rd., French Lick, IN 47432 to assist with expenses.

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

CLARENCE "BUCKEYE" EMMONS

Clarence "Buckeye" Emmons died at 3:12 p.m. Friday, April 8, 2011 at St. Mary's Medical Center. A resident of Washington, he was 76.

He was born February 18, 1935, in Martin County; the son of Delbert and Mamie (Collins) Emmons. He married Shirley Emmons on April 1, 1961 and she survives.

He worked in the trucking industry for 45 years and retired from Bedford Transport in September 2005. Clarence left so many young people who called him Pops or Papaw, just too many to mention, but you know who you are. He loved and took care of so many.

He is also survived by a daughter, Tammy "Moe" Emmons of Washington; a stepson, John Gabhart of Trinity Springs; a stepdaughter, Whitney Gabhart of Jasper; a son, Steven Emmons-Smith of Montana; 15 grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren; a sister, Mary Henry of Shoals; and two brothers, Clifford Emmons of Hillham and Rex Emmons of Patoka.

SUMMERFEST

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variety of music including classic rock and newer country. They specialize in vocal harmonies and have played various venues across Southern Indiana.

Saturday, at 7 p.m., the SummerFest Committee is proud to announce the return of The Duke Boys, the Midwest's premier 50s - 60s Rock & Roll Show Band. With their wonderful four- and five-part vocal harmonies, flawless instrumentals, smooth choreography, authentic costumes and hilarious comedic antics, the Duke Boys take you back to that wonderful Rock and Roll era of the 1950s and '60s like no one else can.

The following are contact names and phone numbers for SummerFest events:

Booth Rental (Laura Downey) - 295-

4264

Volleyball Tourney (Brad Wade) - 295-4229

Golf Scramble (Mike Arvin) - 295-3429
Corporate Challenge (Teresa Nolley) - 295-6135

SummerFest Auction (Polly Bledsoe) - 309-9336

Queen Pageant (Hannah Kidwell) - 296-7091

Advertising (Teresa Nolley) - 295-6135
Talent Show (Allan Williams) - 800-504-9587

5k Run (Karla Trout) - 295-2464

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He is preceded in death by two sons, Mark and Greg Emmons.

The funeral was held Tuesday, April 12 at Poindexter-Hall and McClure Funeral Home, Washington Chapel, with Rev. Mark Davis officiating. Burial followed in Sugarland Memory Gardens.

EARL "BUD" SLOAN

Earl "Bud" Sloan, formerly of Shoals, died April 4, 2011 after a heroic battle with Parkinson's Disease. A resident of Illinois, he was 82.

He was born October 4, 1928. He married Ida "Ollie" Lagenour on October 2, 1954 and she preceded him in death in 1989.

He is survived by his daughters, Debbie (Dan) Ettinger of Kansas, Carol (Richard) Fontecchio and Cathy (Brian) Rosen both of Illinois; six grandchildren, four great grandchildren, his brother, William Jonke of Ohio and numerous nieces and nephews. He was a great friend and neighbor to so many who will also miss him.

He was preceded in death by a grandson, Adam Ettinger and his mother, Louise Jonke.

A celebration of life will be held on Saturday, April 16 from 3 p.m. until 6 p.m. with a time of sharing at 6 p.m. at T.L. Pinnick Mortuary, 785 South Bears Bend Road, French Lick, Indiana.

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

ROSANNA KEMP

Rosanna Kemp died at 1 p.m. Friday, April 8, 2011 at Washington Nursing Center. A resident of Montgomery, she was 76.

She was born October 9, 1934, in Daviess County; the daughter of Levi and Lydia (Wagler) Graber. She married Alva Kemp on June 7, 1958 and he survives.

She was a member of Providence Mennonite Church in Montgomery. She had been a seamstress and retired from NASCO Industries. She loved to sew and crochet and was an avid gardener. She was well known for her delicious chocolate chip cookies. She was very proud of her grandbabies and enjoyed spending time with them.

She is also survived by one daughter and son-in-law, Sally and Jim Wade of Washington; one son and daughter-in-law, Wally and Kris Kemp of Montgomery; five brothers and sisters-in-law; Elmer and Annie Graber of Goshen, Lewis Graber of Goshen, Ezra Graber of Loogootee, Jacob

and Tillie Graber of Kokomo, and Arthur and Sarah Graber of Greentown; two sisters and brothers-in-law, Mary and Melvin Swartzentruber of Indianapolis, and Nancy and Ora Wittmer of Odon; four grandchildren, Kirsta Marie and husband Timothy Swartzentruber of Jasper, Victoria Nicole and husband Matthew Rust of Durham, North Carolina, James Jordan Wade of Orlando, Florida, and Neal Wallace Kemp of Montgomery; and three great-grandchildren, Sydney Rose and Addison Claire Swartzentruber and Elaina Elizabeth Rust.

She is preceded in death by her parents; one brother, Mahlon Graber; and three sisters, Adeline Richer, Corriene Wagler and Elizabeth Stoll.

The funeral was held Monday, April 11 at Providence Mennonite Church in Montgomery. Burial followed in the church cemetery.

Arrangements were made through Brocksmith-Blake and Wagler Funeral Home in Montgomery. Online condolences may be made at www.brocksmithblakefuneralhomes.com.

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Martin County Sheriff's Department log

Tuesday, April 5

The Martin County Sheriff's Department received a request from the Washington Police Department to contact a resident in Martin County to move their vehicle that was parked near a cemetery in Washington.

3:03 p.m. - A male caller reported a reckless driver southbound from Loogootee on U.S. 231.

3:07 p.m. - Received a request for assistance in retrieving personal property.

4:29 p.m. - Received a report of a possible impaired driver on U.S. 50, westbound, between Bedford and Shoals.

4:58 p.m. - A request was received for a vehicle check.

5:26 p.m. - Received a request for a vehicle check.

8:40 p.m. - Received a report of a stranded motorist on U.S. 150.

9:34 p.m. - Received a report of a possible impaired driver, northbound on U.S. 231 from Loogootee.

Wednesday, April 6

7:30 a.m. - Received a report of a possible impaired driver, southbound on U.S. 231, just entering Loogootee City limits.

8:45 a.m. - A male caller reported a suspicious vehicle on Brooks Bridge.

10:57 a.m. - Received a report of a truck traveling with a tire on the flat bed that is not properly secured.

11:43 a.m. - Received a report of stolen medication.

12:34 p.m. - A male caller reported that someone may have shot his dog.

12:38 p.m. - Received a report of possible drug activity.

5:30 p.m. - Received a report of a vehicle shooting other vehicles with a paintball gun.

8:31 p.m. - Received a report of trespassing on private property.

Thursday, April 7

7:24 a.m. - A female caller requested an ambulance but decided to transport in her personal vehicle to Bedford Regional Medical Center.

Unknown time - A call was received about a theft case, with further information on the items taken.

Unknown time - The Crane Naval Base called to advise that there would be a controlled burn on the base.

9:08 a.m. - Received a call advising of a controlled burn on Ivy Lane.

10:16 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance at the Martin County Healthcare Center. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

10:54 a.m. - A female came on station to report harassing text messages.

11:34 a.m. - Received a complaint of erratic driving in the Doe Run area.

11:47 a.m. - Received a report of threatening text messages.

12:14 p.m. - Received a report of a vehicle fire on Ziegler Road, near the hog barns. Kevin Stewart, 39, of Shoals reported that his vehicle had been parked at a shed while he was working at John Divine's farm on County Road 800S and had not been driven since the morning. He stated that the fire had been put out before the vehicle was totally destroyed, but there was still severe damage to the steering column and the dash of the vehicle. The investigating officer was Sergeant John Fischer.

12:44 p.m. - Received a report of a speeding vehicle, northbound on U.S. 231 from Loogootee.

2:12 p.m. - Received a request for a vehicle check on Arvin Lane.

2:48 p.m. - Received a report of vandalism at a residence on Mill Road.

3:12 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance at Dr. Kerr's office in Shoals. The patient was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

4:52 p.m. - Received a call from a concerned citizen about a subject parked alongside the roadway on U.S. 50, just west

of the state highway garage.

10:29 p.m. - Received a report of a domestic dispute in Crane Village.

Friday, April 8

12:49 a.m. - Received a report of a domestic dispute in Doane Trailer Court in Shoals.

2:34 a.m. - Received a report of several youths with a bb gun near the west side of the Loogootee Jr./Sr. High School.

8:43 a.m. - Received a report of illegal dumping on Cale Road.

10:32 a.m. - Received a request for the Martin County Ambulance to meet with a female in Loogootee. She was transporting a male to the hospital in her personal vehicle. After the ambulance met with the subject, it was determined that the subject would be transported in the personal vehicle and the ambulance did not transport.

12:48 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Odon. The call was transferred to Daviess County Sheriff's Department.

2:25 p.m. - Received a residential burglar alarm just outside of Loogootee.

2:38 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance on S.R. 550. No transport was necessary.

3:50 p.m. - Received a report of a stranded motorist on U.S. 231, near the Alfordsville turnoff.

4:01 p.m. - Received a residential burglar alarm on S.R. 450.

4:06 p.m. - Received a request for extra patrol in Loogootee for erratic drivers.

5:27 p.m. - Received a report of a lost or stolen license plate.

5:39 p.m. - A female caller in Crane Village called about problems with a neighbor.

6:40 p.m. - A male caller advised that someone had hit his dog and did not stop to advise him.

9:01 p.m. - Received a complaint from Pan Handle Road about neighbors shooting guns.

10:15 p.m. - Received a report of a fight in Shoals at the Main Street Apartments.

10:34 p.m. - Received a report of a dog bite in Crane Village.

11:14 p.m. - Received a report of a disturbance on Main Street in Shoals.

Saturday, April 9

1:25 a.m. - Received a report of a drive off and theft of gasoline from Chuckles Convenience Store in Loogootee.

3:47 a.m. - Received a report of a suspicious subject near the Methodist Church in Shoals.

8:00 a.m. - Received a report of a calf on the roadway on S.R. 550.

10:07 a.m. - Received a residential burglar alarm on S.R. 450.

11:13 a.m. - Received a report of a couple of trees on the roadway on Butler Bridge Road.

1:28 p.m. - Received a report of a vehicle stuck in the mud behind the Martin State Forest camping area.

2:43 p.m. - Received a report of a stranded motorist east of the National Gypsum.

3:27 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance on DH Gate Road. No transport was necessary.

4:25 p.m. - Received a report of vandalism to a truck.

9:58 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

Sunday, April 10

12:45 a.m. - Received a report of a domestic dispute.

1:06 a.m. - Received a report of a concrete block in the roadway on U.S. 231, just south of Bramble.

1:25 a.m. - Received a report of a truck flipped over on U.S. 231, in Whitfield.

6:40 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. No transport was necessary.

7:54 a.m. - Received a request for an am-

bulance in Loogootee. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

11:34 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. The subject was transported to Bedford Regional Medical Center.

3:17 p.m. - Received a report of a possible impaired driver southbound on U.S. 231, near the Odon turnoff.

4:24 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Shoals. No transport was necessary.

4:48 p.m. - Received a commercial burglar alarm in Loogootee.

5:05 p.m. - Received a report of a truck on fire on Windom Road.

6:19 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

7:14 p.m. - Received a call about two individuals riding a four-wheeler on Brooks Bridge Road.

7:21 p.m. - Received a report of a theft of a lawn mower frame, tiller, refrigerator and a few other small items.

8:21 p.m. - Received a report of a speeding vehicle in Loogootee.

8:58 p.m. - Received a report of a domestic disturbance in Loogootee.

10:00 p.m. - Received a report of a stranded motorist on U.S. 150, near Mill Road.

10:10 p.m. - Received a report of a pos-

sible prowler at a residence south of Loogootee.

Monday, April 11

8:05 a.m. - Received an anonymous call about possible drug activity.

11:44 a.m. - Received a report of trespassing in Shoals.

11:45 a.m. - Received a report of a scooter accident.

12:24 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

4:35 p.m. - Received a report of a large truck stranded on Williams Road.

5:19 p.m. - Received a commercial burglar alarm near Loogootee.

6:17 p.m. - Received a request for a vehicle check on Spencer Hollow Road.

10:29 p.m. - Received a report of a domestic disturbance at Hindostan Falls.

11:34 p.m. - A male caller in Shoals reported a trespasser.

Tuesday, April 12

3:32 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance at the Martin County Healthcare Center. The patient was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

8:07 a.m. - Received a report of a deer accident, on U.S. 231, north of Loogootee.

8:15 a.m. - Received a report of a deer accident on S.R. 550, near Gibson Lane.

8:56 a.m. - Received a report of vandalism at the Crane Post Office.

Martin County real estate transfers

Susan Elaine Miller to DMI Martin County Farms, LLC, a part of the Southwest Quarter of Section 22, Township 4 North, Range 3 West, Martin County, Indiana and containing 4.91 acres, more or less. Also, a part of the Southwest Quarter of Section 22, Township 4 North, Range 3 West, Martin County, Indiana and containing 3.76 acres, more or less. Also, a part of the Southwest Quarter of Section 22, Township 4 North, Range 3 West, Martin County, Indiana and containing 3.96 acres, more or less. More commonly known as 10248 N. SR 450 Shoals, IN 47581.

Gary D. Albright and Dorothy Albright, of Martin County, Indiana to **William Joseph Albright**, of Lawrenceville, Illinois and **Cary Dean Albright**, of Martin County, Indiana, Lot Numbered 23 in the original plat of Memphis now Shoals, Martin County, Indiana.

Betty J. Goodman and Alma M. Arthur and Alben E. Sasser, successor co-trustees of the Eva J. Sasser Revocable Living Trust, of Lawrence County, Indiana to **Alben E. Sasser and Jonna L. Sasser**, of Lawrence County, Indiana, a part of the north half of Section 4, Township 4 North, Range 3 West, Second Principal Meridian, Martin County, Indiana and containing 46.39 acres, more or less.

Betty J. Goodman and Alma M. Arthur and Alben E. Sasser, successor co-trustees of the Eva J. Sasser Revocable Living Trust, of Lawrence County, Indiana to **Alben E. Sasser and Jonna L. Sasser**, of Lawrence County, Indiana, the east half of the Northeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 33, Township 5 North, Range 3 West and containing 20 acres, more or less.

Linda L. Rutledge, of Martin County, Indiana to **Mark L. Taylor**, of Martin County, Indiana, a part of Lot Numbered 1 and a part of Lot Numbered 2 in Ackerman Addition to Loogootee, Martin County, Indiana and containing 10,140 square feet and/or 0.2328 of an acre, more or less.

Merle E. Simmerman II and Rebecca L. Simmerman, of Martin County, Indiana to **Sara A. Chandler**, of Martin County, Indiana, a plot of ground in the Southeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of Section 24, Township 3 North, Range 5 West and containing 1.06 acres, more or less.

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Loogootee Police log

Monday, April 4

7:25 p.m. - Martin County Sheriff's Department requested assistance for a domestic dispute.

9:10 a.m. - Female caller stated she was locked out of her residence and requested an officer. Chief Rayhill responded.

11:32 a.m. - Received a call about a civil complaint.

8:17 p.m. - Male caller stated another male was harassing him.

Tuesday, April 5

4:30 a.m. - First responders were requested on Mt. Calvary Road for a female with medical problems.

8:31 a.m. - Owner of Posh Pets called and advised of property damage outside of her business.

12:28 a.m. - Female called in reference to a scam, which involved wiring cash to Jamaica. Caller was advised not to wire the cash.

6:04 p.m. - Caller reported a violation of a protective order.

Wednesday, April 6

5:28 p.m. - ISP advised of several juveniles in a white vehicle shooting paint balls along US 231.

8:17 p.m. - Male caller advised a red station wagon had just about struck his trailer at Sunset Trailer Court. Vehicle left the scene. Captain Akles arrived and noted damage to a water meter.

9:37 p.m. - Female caller requested a transient voucher.

Thursday, April 7

6:24 p.m. - Received a report of loud music in Shaded Estates.

8:35 p.m. - Male requested a transient voucher.

Friday, April 8

2:34 a.m. - Martin County Sheriff's Department advised of a subject pointing a bb gun at the high school parking lot. Captain Akles responded.

10:20 a.m. - A male requested a VIN check.

2:35 p.m. - Sgt. Hennette assisted Martin County Sheriff's Department with a residential alarm.

2:45 p.m. - Female requested extra patrol on South Oak Street for speeding vehicles.

8:34 p.m. - A male requested a security check at a residence on Walker Street.

Saturday, April 9

12:05 a.m. - Male caller advised of loud music in Shaded Estates.

12:25 a.m. - Caller reported loud music at the swimming pool parking lot.

1:14 a.m. - An employee at Chuckles reported a drive off of fuel.

2:52 a.m. - A female caller reported identity theft.

12:09 p.m. - An employee at Greenwell's reported a vending machine turned over. Sgt. Hennette filed a case report.

5:33 p.m. - Caller advised of a two-vehicle accident near Dr. Sewell's office.

Sunday, April 10

1:30 a.m. - First responders were requested on US 231 for traffic control.

11:17 a.m. - Female caller reported a fight on SE 1st Street. Sgt. Hennette responded.

4:51 p.m. - Sgt. Hennette responded to an alarm at LHS.

6:00 p.m. - Female requested to speak with an officer in regards to drug activity.

6:30 p.m. - First responders were requested on Indiana Avenue for lifting assistance.

8:30 p.m. - Male caller reported a possible domestic dispute on Bloomfield Road. Sgt. Norris responded.

8:55 p.m. - Caller reported loud music and fighting on SE 1st Street. Officers responded.

9:54 p.m. - Caller reported a domestic dispute in Nobles Court. Sgt. Norris responded.

Martin County Court News

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

CRIMINAL COURT New Charges Filed March 28

Roy N. Norman, operating a vehicle with an ACE of .15 or more, a Class D Felony.

March 31

Maria L. Hill, domestic battery, a Class A Misdemeanor; criminal recklessness resulting in serious bodily injury, a Class D Felony.

April 4

Lafe A. Mason, non-support of a dependant child, a Class D Felony.

Daniel R. Allbright, operating a vehicle with an ACE of .15 or more, a Class D Felony.

CRIMINAL CONVICTIONS AND SENTENCING March 28

Jerry O. Armstrong, convicted of possession of methamphetamine, a Class D Felony amended from a Class B Felony. Sentenced to serve 1.5 years in the Indiana Department of Corrections all suspended with credit for 3 months actually served and day for day good time credit for each day of actual incarceration. Defendant received 1.5 years probation.

Richard P. Ervin, Jr., convicted of operating a vehicle while intoxicated, a Class C Misdemeanor. Sentenced to serve 60 days in the Martin County Security Center 0 days suspended including credit for 4 days previously served and day for day good time credit for each day of actual incarceration. Defendant received 12 months of probation.

Frank M. Higgins, convicted of operating a vehicle with a blood alcohol content of .15 or more, a Class A Misdemeanor. Sentenced to serve 365 days at the Martin County Security Center with 364 days suspended including credit for 1 actual day previously served and day for day good time credit for each day of actual incarceration. Defendant received 12 months of probation.

Steven R. Jacobs, convicted of operating a vehicle with a blood alcohol content of .08 or more, a Class C Misdemeanor. Sentenced to serve 365 days in the Martin County Security Center with 364 days suspended including credit for 1 actual day previously served and day for day good time credit for each day of actual incarceration. Defendant received 12 months of probation.

Brien F. Lagle, convicted of operating a vehicle while intoxicated, A Class C Misdemeanor.

Jail bookings

Friday, April 8

8:54 p.m. - Billy Craft, 29, of Shoals, was arrested for resisting law enforcement, as well as warrants in two other counties.

Tuesday, April 12

12:21 a.m. - Dustin Perry, 19, of Crane, was arrested and charged with sexual misconduct with a minor.

Accident reports

Wednesday, April 6

7:58 a.m. - Christina L. Frisz, of Loogootee, was operating a 2002 Dodge and attempting to turn left from Walker Street onto West Main Street when she turned into the path of a 2008 moped operated by Casey A. Burgess, of Loogootee. No injuries were reported. Chief Rayhill was the investigating officer.

Thursday, April 7

10:24 a.m. - Anita Hawkins, 70, of Shoals, advised that she was traveling up McCormick Hill in a white 2002 Chevrolet Cavalier when she observed a van coming down the hill in her lane. She swerved to the right to miss the oncoming vehicle and her front passenger side tire went off the road and struck some concrete, causing damage to her front tire and rim. There was no other damage to the vehicle other than the tire. The investigating officer was Sergeant John Fischer.

meanor amended from operating a vehicle with a blood alcohol content of .15 or more, a Class A Misdemeanor. Sentenced to serve 60 days in the Martin County Security Center with 59 days suspended including credit for 1 actual day previously served and day for day good time credit for each day of actual incarceration. Defendant received 12 months of probation.

Allayna M. O'Neal, convicted of operating a vehicle with a blood alcohol content of .15 or more, a Class A Misdemeanor. Sentenced to serve 365 days in the Martin County Security Center with 359 days suspended including credit for 3 days previously served and day for day good time credit for each day of actual incarceration. Defendant received 12 months of probation.

March 30

Justin K. Blake, convicted of operating a vehicle with a schedule I or II controlled substance or its metabolite in the body, a Class C Misdemeanor. Sentenced to serve 60 days in the Martin County Security Center with 53 days suspended including credit for 7 days previously served and day for day good time credit for each day of actual incarceration. Defendant received 11 months of probation.

March 31

Wade Arvin, convicted of theft, a Class D Felony. Sentenced to serve three years in the Martin County Security Center with 823 days suspended including credit for 136 actual days previously served and day for day good time credit for each day of actual incarceration. Defendant received 27 months of probation.

April 4

Brian E. Tow, convicted of resisting law enforcement, a Class A Misdemeanor amended from a Class D Felony. Sentenced to serve 365 days in the Martin County Security Center with 364 days suspended including credit for 1 day previously served and day for day good time credit for each day of actual incarceration. Defendant received one year of probation.

CRIMINAL CHARGES DISMISSED March 28

Danny L. Jones, residential entry, a Class D Felony, dismissed; theft, a Class D Felony, dismissed; invasion of privacy, a Class A Misdemeanor, dismissed.

Brandi J. Pottorff, theft, a Class D Felony, dismissed.

Jerry O. Armstrong, visiting a common nuisance, a Class B Misdemeanor, dismissed; dealing in methamphetamine, a Class A Felony, dismissed; possession of marijuana under 30 grams, a Class A Misdemeanor, dismissed.

Richard P. Ervin, Jr., operating a vehicle while intoxicated refusal to submit to test, a Class D Felony, dismissed.

March 31

Wade Arvin, burglary, a Class B Felony, dismissed; possession of a firearm on school property, a Class D Felony, dismissed; resisting law enforcement, a Class D Felony, dismissed; carrying a handgun without a license, a Class A Misdemeanor, dismissed; criminal mischief, a Class A Misdemeanor, dismissed; illegal consumption of an alcoholic beverage, a Class C Misdemeanor, dismissed; intimidation, a Class C Felony, dismissed.

Jeffery S. Steimel, dissemination of matter harmful to minors, a Class D Felony, dismissed.

CIVIL COURT New Suits Filed March 31

Melissa D. Williams vs. Rickie A. Jones, TF Polar Express, Troyer Foods Inc., and TF Inter Holdings, Inc., civil tort.

April 1

Equable Ascent Financial, LLC vs. Lori Holt, civil collection.

Wells Fargo Bank vs. Benjamin and Amanda Fuqua, mortgage foreclosure.

April 4

Diane Banks vs. Kenneth Banks II, petition for dissolution of marriage.

Karen Norman vs. James Norman, petition for dissolution of marriage.

April 5

Citibank vs. Mark A. Neukam, civil collection.

Capital One Bank vs. Jason Clifton, civil collection.

CIVIL COURT JUDGMENTS March 29

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Cavalry Portfolio and against the defendant Rocky J. Street in the amount of \$1,616.77.

SMALL CLAIMS COURT New Suit Filed April 1

Leland Wilcoxon vs. Lori Truelove, complaint.

April 5

Bernard Holt vs. Josh Jones and Jessica Howard, complaint.

SMALL CLAIMS JUDGMENTS March 30

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff John L. Milligan and against the defendant Clay E. Howard in the amount of \$797.09.

TRAFFIC TICKETS PAID March 30 - April 5

Wayne Basham, Irvington, Kentucky, speeding 60 in a 45; alteration by local authority; school, \$119.

Cary Cornett, Monticello, violation of 70-hour rule, \$119.

Candace Johnson, Shoals, speeding 65 in a 50; alteration by local authority; school, \$119.

John Staggs, Greencastle, speeding 64 in a 50; alteration by local authority; school, \$119.

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Week in review at the Indiana General Assembly

Business continues at a fast pace as lawmakers work through lengthy committee hearings and floor calendars.

This brief summary includes some of the legislative action recently taken by the State Senate and House of Representatives.

Statewide smoking ban defeated

Expressing concerns that there were too many exemptions included in legislation proposing a statewide smoking ban, and that the bill had morphed into only a partial ban, members of the Senate Public Policy Committee voted to defeat HB 1018. The measure was approved in the House by a vote of 68-31, but was amended to include exemptions for bars, fraternal clubs, casinos, and nursing homes.

Alcohol sales

Legislation which would amend an unpopular law approved last year requiring retail clerks to request photo identification including birth dates for all customers purchasing alcohol for carry out is under consideration in both chambers. The Senate Public Policy Committee approved HB 1325 after amending the language to require clerks to card only those customers who reasonably appear to be younger than the age of 50. A similar bill, Senate Bill (SB) 78, is currently under House consideration. However, that bill stipulates an age requirement of 40.

House action

The House approved several bills which are awaiting final consideration by the governor. Senate Enrolled Act (SEA) 47 would make several changes to Indiana's laws regarding riverboat casinos, including the elimination of a requirement that the boats have motors and crews, allowing the boats to remain permanently docked. The measure would also allow casinos to host large card tournaments at hotels and other meeting sites located on property owned or leased by the casinos. These changes would provide the riverboats more flexibility and allow them to be competitive with anticipated casino expansion in surrounding states.

SEA 549 would establish the Indiana Public Retirement System to administer and manage the state's 10 pension funds. Expected to be signed into law, the bill would create a nine-member Board of Trustees appointed by the governor to oversee and make investment decisions on state retirement funds for public employees, teachers, judges, prosecuting attorneys, excise police, conservation and gaming officers, police, firefighters and state legislators. Lawmakers expect SEA 549 will lower administrative and investment costs and generate higher investment returns.

The House Education Committee made substantial changes to SB 577, a bill pertaining to the state's 21st Century Scholars program and another scholarship program designed to help the children of disabled veterans attend college. The 21st Century Scholars program provides scholarships for children of low-income families. SB 577 included changes to the program

Information from county treasurer on homestead forms

The Martin County Treasurer, Diana M. Schutte, would like to inform taxpayers that if they filled out and turned in the pink homestead form that was included in their tax statements last year, they WILL NOT receive another pink form this year and the homestead is automatically applied as a deduction.

The only time there is a need to file a new homestead is when there is a change of residence. If you have further questions, please call the treasurer's office at 247-3701 or the auditor's office at 247-3731.

which would have tightened up financial and academic requirements. Under changes made by the House committee, all language pertaining to that program was removed from the bill. For the children of disabled veterans, the bill now provides that scholarships issued must be used before age 32, all federal tuition aid must be used first, and parents must reside in Indiana.

The House Roads and Transportation Committee advanced SB 473, a bill dealing with public-private partnerships. The measure would provide the governor, along with the Indiana Department of Transportation and the Indiana Financing Authority, total authority to create or convert existing highways to toll roads. The committee removed a provision that would have restored the need for legislative review as of July 1, 2015. Opponents of the bill expressed concerns about taking the legislature out of the decision-making process permanently. The bill now advances to the full House for its consideration.

New laws

Among the bills recently signed into law, House Enrolled Act (HEA) 1405 provides that a retail establishment that knowingly sells or distributes a dissolvable tobacco product to a person less than 18 years of age or a person who purchases a dissolvable tobacco product for delivery to a person less than 18 years of age commits a Class C infraction. To see a complete list of bills signed into law, visit <http://www.in.gov/gov/billwatch.htm>.

Upcoming deadlines

April 18 - Deadline for Senate committee hearings on House bills

April 21 - Deadline for Senate to consider House bills

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

To stay informed about bills moving through the General Assembly or to track legislation, log on to www.in.gov/legislative.

From this site, you can also watch House and Senate committee hearings and session floor debate.

For information on the redistricting process, go to the Senate Democrats' web site at http://www.in.gov/legislative/senate_democrats/redistricting.

The Messmer Report

By District 63 State Representative
Mark Messmer



Creating stronger charities, more jobs and standing up to Washington D.C.

We are rolling right along in the House and making progress on the Senate bills that were sent over for our consideration. Our goal to strengthen Indiana by creating jobs and standing up to the federal government concerning health care is being accomplished one step at a time. A bill that I authored, House Bill 1007, to promote job creation is being heard in the Senate Appropriations Committee.

HB 1007 will help attract new businesses to Indiana by:

- Allowing individual counties the option to exempt personal property from the property tax.

- Allowing individual counties the option to exempt new investment in personal property.

- Allowing municipalities to pay hiring incentives for new employment.

- Allowing municipalities to utilize a point system to enhance abatement schedules for both new and existing businesses.

- Reducing the age limit for the property tax deduction for rehabilitated property from 50 years to 25 years.

- Removing sunset date on the ability of municipalities to exempt enterprise information technology.

The bill will help put more Hoosiers back to work by giving local governments the tools they need to encourage economic development in their communities.

This week a charity gaming bill, Senate Bill 340, that will change certain regulations was passed through the House Public Policy Committee unanimously. SB 340 will:

- Authorize a qualified organization to use volunteer ticket agents under certain specifications.

- Establish a charity gaming study committee this summer.

- Authorize a qualified organization to accept credit cards for certain sales at allowable events.

- Excludes certain revenue from charity activities at an allowable event from the de-

termination of a qualified organization's license renewal fee.

- Increase the number of days that a qualified organization can conduct charity gaming under a festival license from four to five days.

- And will allow under certain circumstances a worker at a charity bingo event may participate as a player.

We want to ensure that charities are able to benefit those they are working for to the best of their ability, and feel that these changes in regulations will help them accomplish their goals.

Finally, an important amendment was made this week to SB 461 that will change the laws regarding Medicaid. The House Public Health Committee passed an amendment that will ban state agencies from enacting provisions of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, otherwise known as Obamacare.

Indiana previously signed onto a lawsuit created by a federal judge stating that the federal health care act is unconstitutional and that an individual cannot be required by the federal government to purchase insurance. This amendment falls into line with that lawsuit. The main provisions of the amendment are:

- A state agency may not implement or prepare to implement the federal health care act.

- A resident of Indiana may not be required to purchase a health plan.

- An insurer that is doing business in Indiana is not required to comply with the medical loss ratio requirements under Section 2718 of the federal public health care act.

SB 461 passed the House Public Health Committee by a vote of 8-4 and it will now go onto the full House for further amendments and discussion.

I am optimistic about the progress we made this week. We are working quickly and will continue to do so in order to avoid a costly special session this summer. I welcome your continued feedback and hope you have a wonderful week.

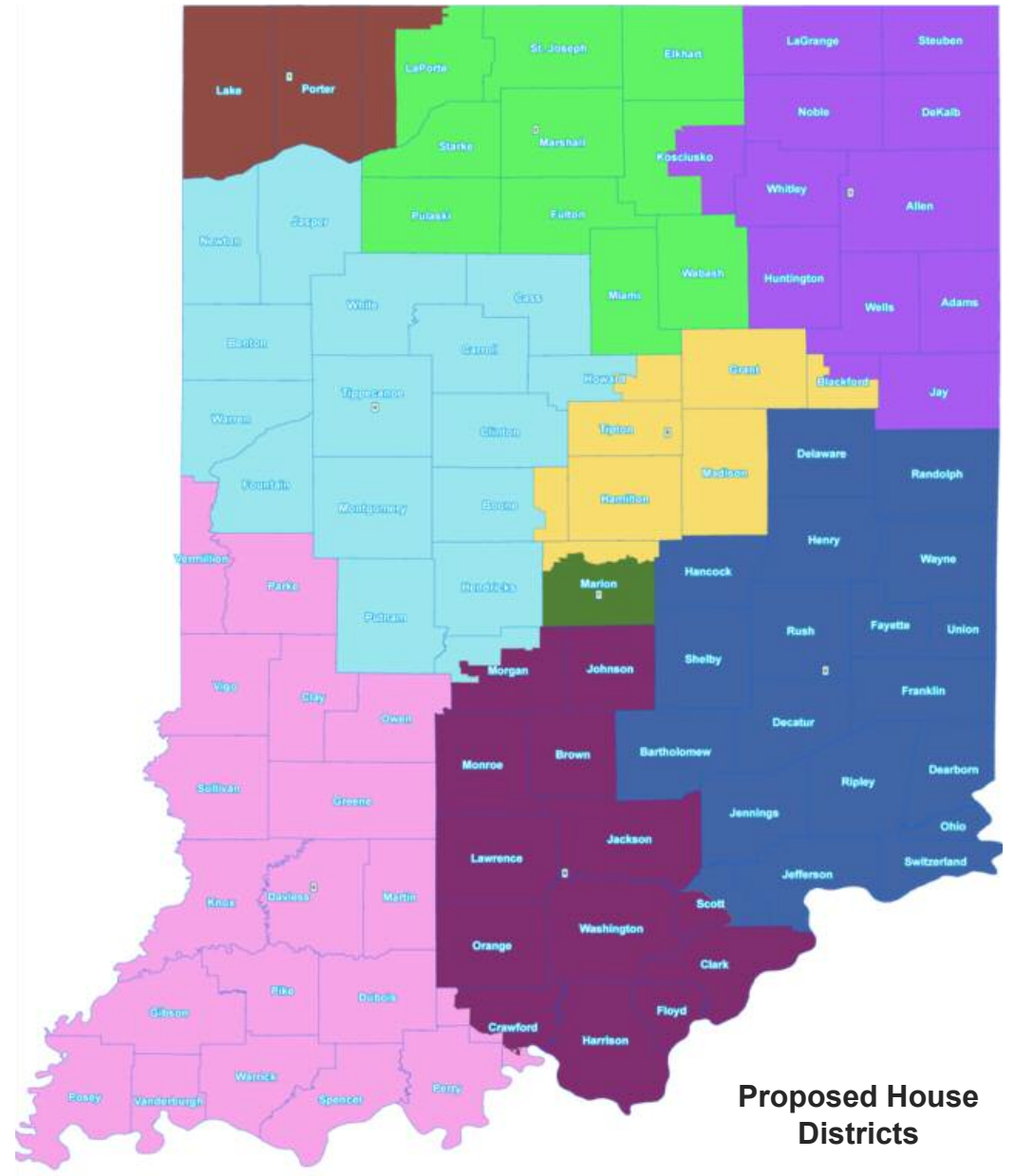
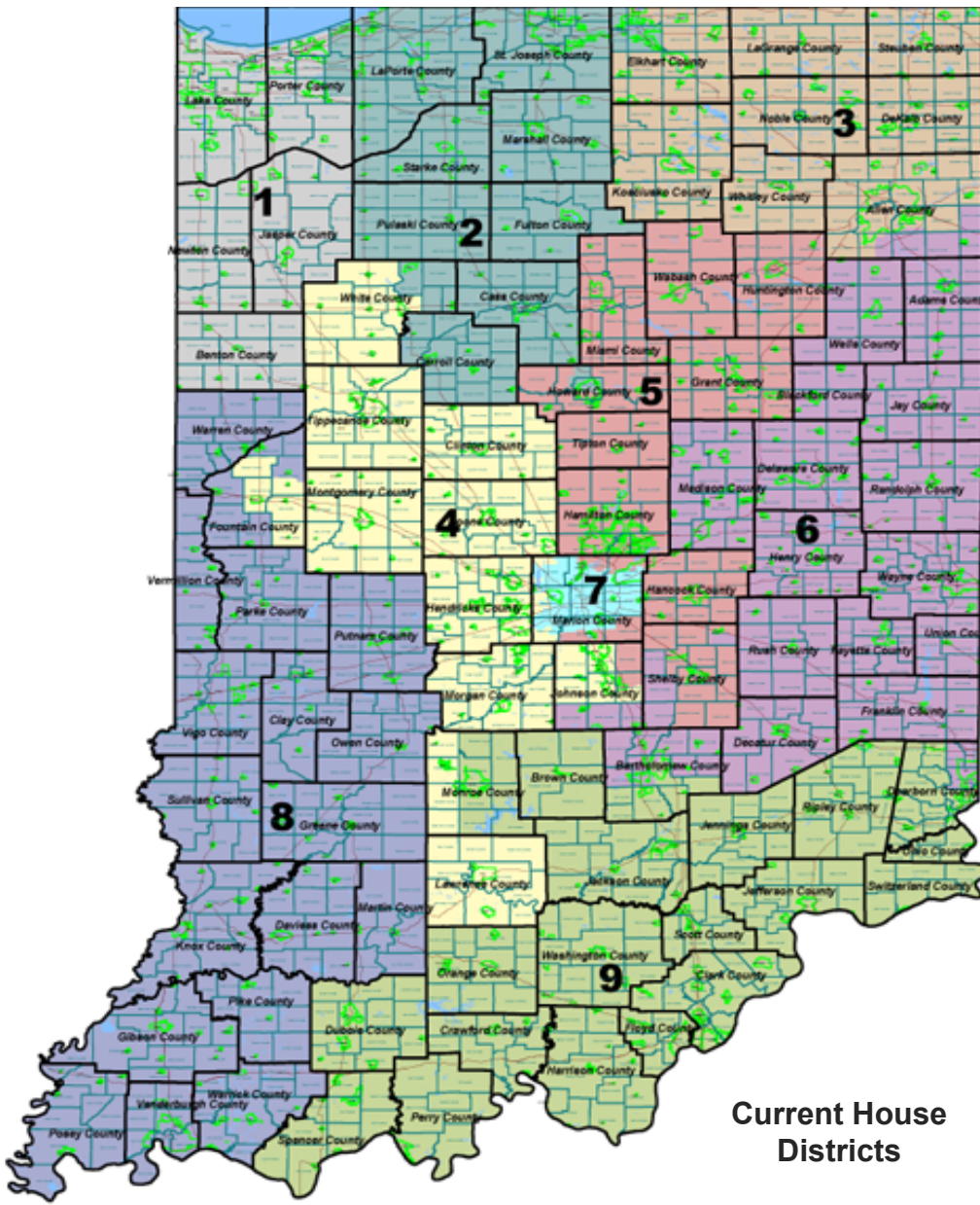
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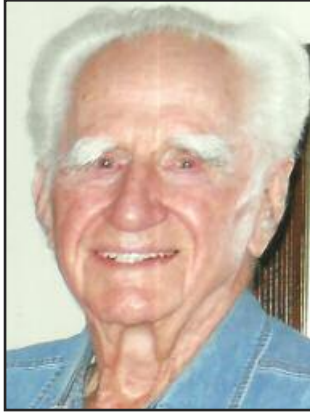
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Open House for Fred Woods

An Open House will be held for Fred Woods Saturday, April 23 from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. at the Martin County Community Building at the fairgrounds in honor of his 90th Birthday.

Fred is a devoted resident of Martin County. He moved to the county in 1946 following an honorable discharge from the United States Army.

He retired from the Soil Conservation Service of the USDA where he held the position of Soil Conservation



FRED WOODS

Technician for 38 years. During this time, he assisted the Martin County Soil and Water Conservation District. Since retirement, Fred has been a volunteer assisting landowners and land users in measures pertaining to soil and water conservation in Martin County.

Fred's children, Greg Woods, Diana Thomson, Sylvia Hobbs, and Ina Kyger are hosting the celebration and invite his friends to join him at the community building.

Senior centers to hold Baked Potato Days

Martin Council on Aging will be hosting a fundraiser at each of the counties senior centers. Loaded Baked Potato Days will be held at the Shoals Senior Center (next to the county museum) on Friday, April 15.

The event will be repeated again on Friday, April 22 at the Loogootee Senior Activity Center (located in the old Loogootee School on SW 1st Street).

Lunch will be served from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. on both occasions. The meal consists of a BIG baked potato with your choice of

10 different toppings, dessert, and a drink for only \$5. Side salads will be available for \$1. You may dine in or carry-out.

Delivery will be available for area businesses with advanced order. Orders may be placed by calling 247-2525 or 295-3130. Baked goods and craft items will be for sale.

An outdoor bicycle plant stand will also be given away. This is an annual fundraiser with all proceeds supporting activities at both centers.

Humane Society PET OF THE WEEK



The Martin County Humane Society has Moo Moo, a two-year-old Jack Russell. She is looking for a good home and she is spayed and up-to-date on her shots.

If interested in this dog, call Sandy at 812-295-3388.

The humane society will be delivering pizzas Saturday, April 16 at Pizza & More from 4:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. so help support the humane society and call in your order at 295-2222. The humane society thanks you for your support.

Perennial exchange comes to the county

At the invitation of the Tourism Committee of the Martin County Chamber of Commerce, the Perennial Exchange is meeting for its spring plant swap at the Martin County Community Building on May 21.

The exchange has been active for 20 years and this is the first time it has met in Martin County.

The organization holds two swaps a year, and no other meetings.

Membership consists of 200 people from all over Southern Indiana. About 130 are expected.

Activities will include a continental breakfast, the swap itself, a short business meeting, two speakers, and a panel on garden problems, lunch and three garden tours.

For further information, contact Karen Whorrall at 388-6639.



Calendar of Events

Relay happenings

Relay for Life Meeting: The April meetings have been changed from April 14 to April 21. The committee meeting will be at 6 p.m.; the captains' meeting will be at 7 p.m. Instead of meeting at the Martin County Community Building, the meetings will be held in the learning center. These meetings are open to the public.

Relay for Life Fundraiser: "St John's Lutheran Team" will be hosting their annual Hot Rod Relay on Saturday, April 30.

Hop on over to the Martin County Community Building on April 16 from 10 a.m. to noon and have breakfast with the Easter Bunny hosted by Relay for Life team "Country Cousins", captained by Jill Ziegler. You can enjoy a train ride, games to play, face painting, and Easter bags to decorate. You can also have your picture taken with the Easter Bunny! This event is for children age nine and under. All proceeds will go to Relay for Life.

Constitution presentation

Come join former six-term Congressman John Hostettler Tuesday evening, April 19 at 7 p.m. in the Shoals Public Library to learn about the Constitution Institute John Hostettler, President of the Constitution Institute, a nonpartisan, non-profit organization, will share the organization's commitment to educate Americans on the practical application of the United States Constitution. Hear the Introduction to the Constitution Institute! For more information email Susan at teapatriot76@gmail.com. The event will feature remarks from John Hostettler on the newly founded organization. Attendees may expect an extended question and answer session. The public is invited.

Farmer's Market meeting

There is a Farmer's Market organizational meeting scheduled for Tuesday, April 19 at 6:30 at the Martin County Learning Center in room 100. The meeting is open to the public and anyone interested should attend. The group will be deciding on the dates, location, and all specifics of this year's Farmer's Market.

Community corrections advisory board meeting

The Board of Directors of Martin County Community Corrections will meet, Friday,

April 15, 2011 at 8:30 a.m., at the Martin County Learning Center for an Executive Session. The purpose of this meeting is to discuss personnel. The Executive Session is authorized by I.C. 5-14-1.5-6.1.

The board will hold the Open Session of the meeting following the Executive Session at 9 a.m. This meeting is open to the public.

4-H Easter Egg Hunt

The Martin County 4-H Junior Leaders will host an Easter Egg Hunt at the fairgrounds on Sunday, April 17 at 1 p.m. The event is for children from toddlers to 10 years old.

4-H sign-ups

4-H sign-ups will be held at the Martin County Community Building at the fairgrounds on Monday, April 18 and Tuesday, April 19 from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Humane society meetings

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

Youth football meetings

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Recovery support group

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

Martin County ABATE meetings

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

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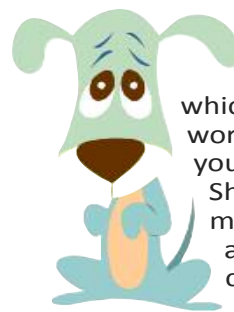
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~LETTERS TO THE EDITOR~

'Indiana needs to address the issue of tax fairness'

To the editor of the *Martin County Journal*,

Despite some modest improvements to Indiana's economy and a tenuous stabilization of the State's revenues, the next two-year budget will see very little revenue growth over the previous two-year budget cycle. Our public schools and state colleges should brace themselves for more education cuts. And yet, in these difficult economic times, Indiana is turning a blind eye to hundreds of millions of dollars in state sales tax revenue that under existing law should be paid to the State of Indiana. The sales tax dollars that are presently going uncollected are taxes that should be paid on purchases made over the internet.

While estimates vary, the non-partisan National Conference of State Legislatures estimates that by 2012 Indiana will lose an estimated \$400 million in sales tax revenue each year. Here is how this occurs: Under existing law, retailers with a physical presence in our communities such as Hill's True Value, Target, or Gates Chevrolet are required to collect and remit Indiana's 7 percent sales tax on every sale they make directly to the Indiana Department of Revenue. Online retailers, however, lacking a physical presence in the state, are not required to collect and remit the Indiana sales tax. Instead, it is up to individuals to keep track of all their online purchases throughout the year and then complete a Schedule 4 form on their Indiana individual tax return and remit the sales tax due from the online purchases. Last year, out of 3.1 million individual tax returns filed with the state, only 24,000 individuals filed a Schedule 4 form and the sales tax remitted totaled only \$1.4 million. This falls well short of the \$400 million annually that is estimated to be due the state.

Certainly, while the state loses sales tax revenues in this equation, the biggest losers are the thousands of Indiana retailers with storefronts and a physical presence throughout our communities. These brick and mortar retailers say that the biggest threat to their profitability is not the economy or rival competitors in the community, but rather it is online retailers.

These local retailers, who build stores, hire employees, and pay property taxes to fund our local schools and to pay for police

and fire service operate on the slimmest of profit margins often in the range of 5 percent. Online retailers who do not have any physical presence in the state are handed an immediate 7 percent price advantage on every sale because online retailers are not required to collect and remit sales taxes.

States throughout the country such as New York, North Carolina, Illinois, Colorado, Rhode Island, Vermont, Arkansas and Hawaii, have taken legislative action to close this sales tax loophole that currently allows online retailers such as Amazon.com and Overstock.com to gain an unfair price advantage over local retailers in our community.

There may have been a time in the 1990s when online retailers actually needed a boost to jump start their sales, but now 20 years later, when these online retailers sell goods totaling \$33 billion with growth in the range of 10 percent per year, they no longer need a government conferred hand-out at the expense of retailers with a physical presence in our communities.

If you are a local retailer or someone who cares about our state's ability to adequately fund public education and important programs such as corrections or health care for the aged and disabled, please contact your state legislator and ask them to support tax fairness and require online retailers to collect sales taxes on purchases just like the brick and mortar retailers are presently required to do.

State Senator John Broden, South Bend Ranking Democrat on the Senate Appropriations Committee and a member of the State Budget Committee

'This offer may be legal but it is still considered to be a scam'

To the editor of the *Martin County Journal*:

The Loogootee Mayor's Office has received telephone calls from several citizens about a letter offering "Water Line Insurance". To begin with, this letter has absolutely no connection with the City of Loogootee or the Loogootee City Water Department.

This offer may be legal but it is still considered to be a scam by those experienced in this area of water delivery. The Mayor's office recommends this notice be ignored and the paperwork discarded.

Donald F. Bowling, Mayor
City of Loogootee

Spring classes, programs at the Martin County Community Learning Center

Computer Applications II - The Fathers Forever Coalition will be hosting another free computer course on Monday nights April 25 through May 23 from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. The class will go through Microsoft Word, Excel, and PowerPoint as well as creating a resume and cover letter. This is a great class for those who have some computer skills but would like to advance their knowledge of Microsoft Office 2007. Contact the learning center to sign up.

USAJOBS Workshop (Resume Builder) - The USAJOBS workshop is provided by Bramble Consulting (Darlene Ridgway). USAJOBS is the Federal government's official website and provides access to more than 30,000 job listings world-wide. This is an online resume training session and will provide applicants with information and advice needed to apply for a government position. USAJOBS Resume Builder allows you to create one uniform resume that provides all the information required by most government agencies. The next workshop will be held on April 19 from 6 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. and cost is \$40. Call the learning center to sign up!

Résumé writing and career planning - Need help with your résumé? Darlene Ridgway with Bramble Consulting will offer Résumé Assistance-Level One on April 28. The class is from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. and cost is \$25. This is a basic course designed for an applicant needing help with the application process for government civilian and/or government contractor positions, specifically for NSWC Crane. Applicants need to pre-register no later than the Friday before the scheduled

class date. Contact Kathy at the learning center to pre-register.

24/7 Dads - Are you a father or soon to be father who would like to meet with other men and discuss what it takes to be a great dad? "24/7 Dads" is an innovative fatherhood mentoring program that focuses on identifying and developing the personal characteristics that every father needs. The program hones fathering skills as the individual learns about himself and the important roles he has with his children and what makes a positive home environment. The class will meet on Wednesdays, April 13 through June 1 from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Call the learning center for more information!

Overcomers' group - Indiana Drug Education and Awareness Solutions are conducting an ongoing Overcomers' Recovery Support Group at the center. Meetings are held every Tuesday evening from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m., and newcomers are invited. There is no cost for participation. For further information, contact Jason Underhill at 812-653-1908.

Adult literacy and education - Do you know someone who could use some help with his or her reading skills? Anyone interested is encouraged to contact SOAR! at 812-709-1618 for further information.

For GED-Adult Basic Education, call Vicki Conrad at 812-936-2881.

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Shoals Elementary sports honors



The Shoals 5th and 6th Grade Girls' Basketball teams shown above was honored at a recent awards banquet. In the front row, from left to right, are Calli Winger, Mental Attitude award for 5th grade; Kaitlin Cooper, Most Rebounds award for 5th grade; and Joanna Schnarr, Highest Free Throw Percentage for 5th grade. In the back row, from left to right, are Kenady Bratton, Highest Free Throw Percentage for 6th grade; Autumn Terry, Mental Attitude award for 6th grade; and Emilee Wager, Most Rebounds award for 6th grade.

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The Shoals 5th and 6th Grade Boys' Basketball teams shown above were honored at a recent sports award banquet. From left to right, are Justin Sanders, Highest Free Throw Percentage award for 5th grade; Cole Diamond, Most Rebounds award for 5th grade; Zane Sanders, Highest Free Throw Percentage award for 6th grade; and Cain Baker, Most Rebounds award for 6th grade. Not present were Sam Bruner, Mental Attitude award for 5th grade and Alex Tedrow, Mental Attitude award for 6th grade.

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Lady Lions Tennis still on a win streak

The Loogootee Lady Lions Varsity Tennis team edged Northeast Dubois last night, Tuesday, April 12, 3-2.

#1 Singles Jamine Riecker (NED) defeated Jill Taylor 6-2, 6-2

#2 Singles Lori Vonderheide (NED) defeated Brittany Eckerle 6-2, 6-2

#3 Singles Allison Kiser (L) defeated Jessica Knight 6-2, 6-0

#1 Doubles Hannah Lamar/Becca Zins (L) defeated Talia Terwiske/Mechaela Stemle 6-4, 6-3

#2 Doubles Kylie Sims/Erin Wittmer (L) defeated Andrea Smock/Jennifer/Schepters 7-6 (4), 6-3

"This was a good victory for us. Over the last 6-8 years we have had a lot of tough battles with Dubois. This was no exception. I was really proud of Kylie and Erin at #2 Doubles. They grinded out a tough first set that lasted nearly an hour and a half and carried that momentum to seal the victory for us," said Coach Mike Tippery on the win.

The varsity and JV teams both defeated South Knox last Thursday, April 7 at home.

Varsity - Loogootee 3, South Knox 2

#1 Singles Allison Hacker (SK) defeated Jill Taylor 6-1, 6-3

#2 Singles Haley Burch (SK) defeated Brittany Eckerle 6-4, 6-3

#3 Singles Allison Kiser (L) defeated Bailey Dillon 6-4, 6-1

#1 Doubles Hannah Lamar/Becca Zins (L) defeated Katie Gray/Alyssa Koby 6-4, 6-3

#2 Doubles Kylie Sims/Erin Wittmer (L) defeated Chelsea Rehwald/Kelsey Cummins 6-4, 6-1

JV - Loogootee 3, South Knox 1

#1 Singles Devan Arvin (L) defeated Libby Myers 8-2

#2 Singles Abby Ackerman (L) defeated Shelby Thomas 8-0

#3 Singles Jessie Flores (SK) defeated Dana Sibrel 8-6

#1 Doubles Emily Sutton/Emilee Lannan (L) defeated Cassie Rehwald/Allison Hermes 8-4

Both teams also finished with a win at North Daviess last Tuesday, April 6.

Varsity - Loogootee 4, North Daviess 1

#1 Singles Stacey Beard (ND) defeated Jill Taylor 6-2, 6-1

#2 Singles Brittany Eckerle (L) defeated Natasha Trinkle 6-1, 6-0

#3 Singles Erin Wittmer (L) defeated Alison Beasley 6-1, 6-0

#1 Doubles Hannah Lamar/Becca Zins (L) defeated Sarah Smith/Taylor Jeffers 6-0, 6-0

#2 Doubles Kylie Sims/Emilee Lannan (L) defeated Caitlin Chestnut/Brianna Long 6-0, 6-1

JV - Loogootee 5, North Daviess 0

#1 Singles Devan Arvin (L) defeated Michael Sprinkle 6-1

#2 Singles Allison Kiser (L) defeated Michael Sprinkle 6-3

#3 Singles Sabrina Stuffle (L) defeated Demi Archer 6-0

#1 Doubles Emily Sutton/Abby Ackerman (L) defeated Brytni Bray/Jaclyn Bechtel 6-4

#2 Doubles Hannah Walters/ Paige Schafer (L) defeated Brytni Bray/Jaclyn Bechtel 6-2



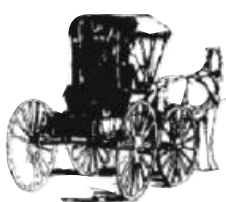
GUS SHERFICK

Augustus Garrison Sherfick is the son of Larry and Linda Sherfick. His favorite hobbies include hanging out with friends, listening to music, reading, meeting new people, getting in shape, trying to find soccer games on basic cable, and Team Wolfpack. During high school he has been involved in soccer, cross country, track, Beta Club, Student Council, Spanish Club, and SADD. He said one of his best memories was when he saw a bobcat. Gus plans to go to college and then medical school to become a doctor and help small communities. He then will run for President.



RACHEL PARSONS

Rachel Nicole Parsons is the daughter of James and Debra Parsons. Her favorite hobbies are hanging out and shopping with friends. Her best memory is when she got her CNA license. During high school, Rachel participated in Beta Club, Spanish Club, Student Council, SADD, track and field, and was a class officer. After graduation, she plans to attend Indiana State University and become a registered nurse.



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Breakfast
Thursday, April 14
 Cereal, sausage, muffin, juice
Friday, April 15
 Egg, ham, biscuit, juice
Monday, April 18
 French toast, sausage, fruit
Tuesday, April 19
 Breakfast pizza, egg, juice
Wednesday, April 20
 Biscuit and gravy, sausage, juice
Lunch
Thursday, April 14
 Chicken and noodles, peas and carrots, applesauce, bread
Friday, April 15
 Fish sticks, scalloped potatoes, green beans, bread
Monday, April 18
 Grilled chicken sandwich, peas, peaches
Tuesday, April 19
 Ravioli, green beans, mixed fruit, bread
Wednesday, April 20
 Salisbury steak, mashed potatoes, corn, bread
LOOGOOTEE INTERMEDIATE AND JR./SR. HIGH SCHOOL
Lunch
Thursday, April 14
 Subs or pizza, chips, fruit, baked beans, salad plate, milk
Friday, April 15
 Cheese quesadilla or pizza, rice, corn, fruit, salad plate, milk
Monday, April 18

Breaded tenderloin or pizza, scalloped potatoes, peas, fruit, salad plate, milk
Tuesday, April 19
 Popcorn chicken or pizza, tossed salad, corn, fruit, salad plate, milk
Wednesday, April 20
 Turkey Manhattan or pizza, mashed potatoes, green beans, fruit, salad plate, milk
SHOALS SCHOOLS
Breakfast
Thursday, April 14
 Egg with biscuit and jelly, juice, milk
Friday, April 15
 Cereal, sweet rolls, juice, milk
Monday, April 18
 Cereal, breakfast stick, juice, milk
Tuesday, April 19
 Waffles with syrup, sausage, juice, milk
Wednesday, April 20
 Colby omelet, biscuit and jelly, juice, milk
Lunch
Thursday, April 14
 Fish wrap with lettuce, corn, pudding, milk; choice 4-12: pepperoni pizza
Friday, April 15
 Quesadilla, potato wedges, apple crisp, milk
Monday, April 18
 Hamburger, French fries, fruit, cake, milk
Tuesday, April 19
 Chicken strips, mashed potatoes, glazed carrots, whole wheat roll, milk; choice 4-12: cheese pizza
Wednesday, April 20
 Taco salad served with corn, jello, milk; choice 4-12: sausage pizza

Blue Chip Conference Schools take up Recycling Challenge

This basketball season, several southwestern Indiana high schools entered into a friendly competition. Seven schools in the Blue Chip Conference challenged one another to see who could recycle the most material at a home basketball game. Schools were free to choose any game but only materials generated and collected for recycling at the game could be counted in the contest. The local Solid Waste Management Districts in Daviess, Dubois, Gibson, Knox, and Martin counties assisted the schools and sponsored the contest. Additional assistance was provided by the Indiana Department of Environmental Management's Office of Pollution Prevention and Technical Assistance.

The purpose of the competition was not just to divert material from the landfill but to expose more people to how easy it is to be a good steward of the Earth's resources by recycling. Anyone living in southwest Indiana knows that there is nothing bigger than high school basketball. Most do not realize the importance of recycling. In 2005, Americans generated 246 million tons of municipal solid waste while recycling only 58 million tons. This rate of use and disposal takes a heavy toll on natural resources, especially the finite resources from mines.

Recycling takes what could become waste and cycles it back into new, useful products. Conservation of natural resources is an obvious benefit of recycling. Energy savings are an additional important environmental benefit.

Most energy production involves the consumption of fossil fuels and usually produces emissions of air, land and water pollutants. The steps in supplying recycled materials to industry (including collection,

processing and transportation) typically use less energy than the steps in supplying virgin materials to industry and it requires less energy to manufacture products from recycled materials than from raw materials. In 2005, American's recycled enough municipal solid waste to reduce manufacturing energy use by more than 988,489,000 million BTUs, enough energy to power 10,721,139 homes.

Students at Loogootee, North Knox, Shoals, South Knox, Vincennes Rivet, Washington Catholic, and Wood Memorial High Schools recycled 326 pounds of plastic bottles, aluminum cans, cardboard and paper with the help of thousands of Hoosier basketball fans. Student volunteers had the messy job of pouring out partially full soda and water bottles and separating recyclable materials from trash inadvertently placed in recycling containers.

The Blue Chip Recycling Challenge was judged by how many pounds of recyclables were collected adjusted for school population in grades 9-12. This year's Blue Chip Recycling Challenge Champion is Wood Memorial High School. Students and fans at Wood Memorial collected and recycled 146.7 pounds of recyclable materials at their game February 18th, an average of over a half pound of materials for every student enrolled in the high school.

Runner up in the Recycling Challenge was Vincennes Rivet High School with an average of 0.34 pounds per student.

On April 13, Wood Memorial High School was presented with the Blue Chip Recycling Challenge Champion Banner by Mike Stillwell Director of the Gibson County Solid Waste Management District and Laura Albertson, Director of the Martin County Solid Waste Management District.



Shoals High School Track results

The Shoals Varsity Boys' Track team defeated Orleans Tuesday night 72-51. First place winners were led by Jondavide Hopkins in the 100m (11.7), 200m (24.1), 400m (52.8) and long jump (18' 8"); Brian Hert 110mHH (17.0) and 300mIH (46.3); Enoch Spaulding in discus (111' 9"); Tanner Abel in high jump (5' 4"); 400m relay team of Dylan Erwin, Eric McDonald, Tanner Abel, and Scotty Johnson (48.2) and the 1600m relay team of Nick Gerkin, Brian Hert, Enoch Spaulding, and Scotty Johnson (3:59). Second place finishers included Dylan Erwin 100m (11.8) and 200m (25.1); Clayton Tow 3200m (12:44); Eric McDonald 300mIH (49.01); Austin Myers 800m (2:28); and Scotty Johnson long jump (17'). Third place ribbons were captured by Nick Gerkin 400m (58.6); Eric McDonald 110mHH (19.3); Dylan Erwin long jump (16' 10"); and Jordan Sorrells 1600m (5:50).

as we continue to improve. Special thanks to our managers and all the people who helped make our home meet a success," said Sue Lanham, girls' coach. The Rox will travel to South Knox on Thursday.

The girls' track team also defeated Orleans last night by a score of 67-55.

First Place Ribbons: Briana Wagler (long jump and 800 meters), Jessica Courtright (shot put), Shaelin Adams (high jump), AmberLynn Bauer (1,600 meters and 400 meters), Sasha Mains (3,200 meters), and 3,200-meter relay team: Courtney Overfield, Sasha Mains, Supicha Charoenram, and Kandi Tichenor.

Second Place Ribbons: Kyra Ott (discus), AmberLynn Bauer (high jump), Michaela Brockman (discus), Courtney Overfield (100 meters and 200 meters), Sasha Mains (1,600 meters), Kandi Tichenor (800 meters), Kyla Tichenor (3,200 meters).

Third Place Ribbons: Jessica Courtright (discus), Katlyn Sanders (400 meters), and Kelsey Hardwick (300 hurdles).

"It was another good meet for us. We are working hard and learning about ourselves

Mayor Don Bowling CANDIDATE FOR RE-ELECTION

Tuesday, May 3, 2011 will be City Election Day. It seems like such a short time since the last municipal election. The last seven years have been an incredibly interesting and exciting time.

Many very good things have happened. At least five major projects have been completed in our city and several more are on the verge of being officially announced. The completed projects include the Surface Water Project, The Sidewalk Project, Larkin Apartment Building, Downtown Building Facade Project which involved 16 buildings, and The Ritz Building. In addition, quite a few smaller projects have come about during the last seven years. Many of the completed projects have been the result of dogged perseverance with mayoral follow up and attention to detail.

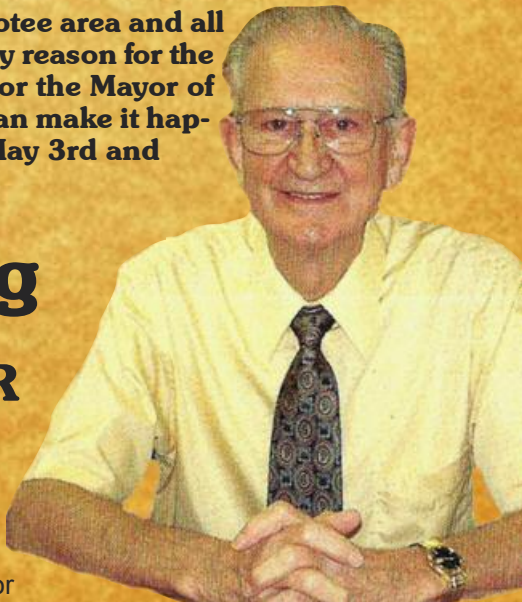
Other personal involvement have included the most recent Crane BRAC Hearings in St. Louis, West Gate @ Crane Tech Park (which is on the verge of a major expansion), I-69 committees and input, Loogootee Elementary East School, and negotiations for the Perfect Fit Building.

Much is happening in the Loogootee area and all of Southwestern Indiana. This is my reason for the decision to again be a candidate for the Mayor of Loogootee. Only you, the voters, can make it happen. Go to the polls on Tuesday, May 3rd and

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Farmers should expect stormy, cooler planting season

By Keith Robinson
Farmers should avoid rushing into their fields but rather wait for the right conditions as the planting season begins amid forecasts of a stormy and cooler-than-normal spring, a Purdue Extension agronomy specialist advises.

"The main two words for this spring are 'Be patient,'" Tony Vyn said.

Farmers who till and plant their fields only when soil conditions are optimal stand a better chance of being rewarded at harvest with higher yields, Vyn said. At a time when commodity prices are so high, he said some farmers might be too anxious to start planting their potentially highest gross-income corn crop ever.

"Although it is understandable that corn farmers want to plant the bulk of their intended acreage in a timely manner, minimizing their risk of yield-limiting planting delays should not be their top concern in April," he said.

At this point, limiting soil compaction in and below the seedbed is most important,

Vyn said. Running tillage equipment and planters on soaked fields can compact the soil, limit corn root growth when it dries, and reduce yields and, therefore, income.

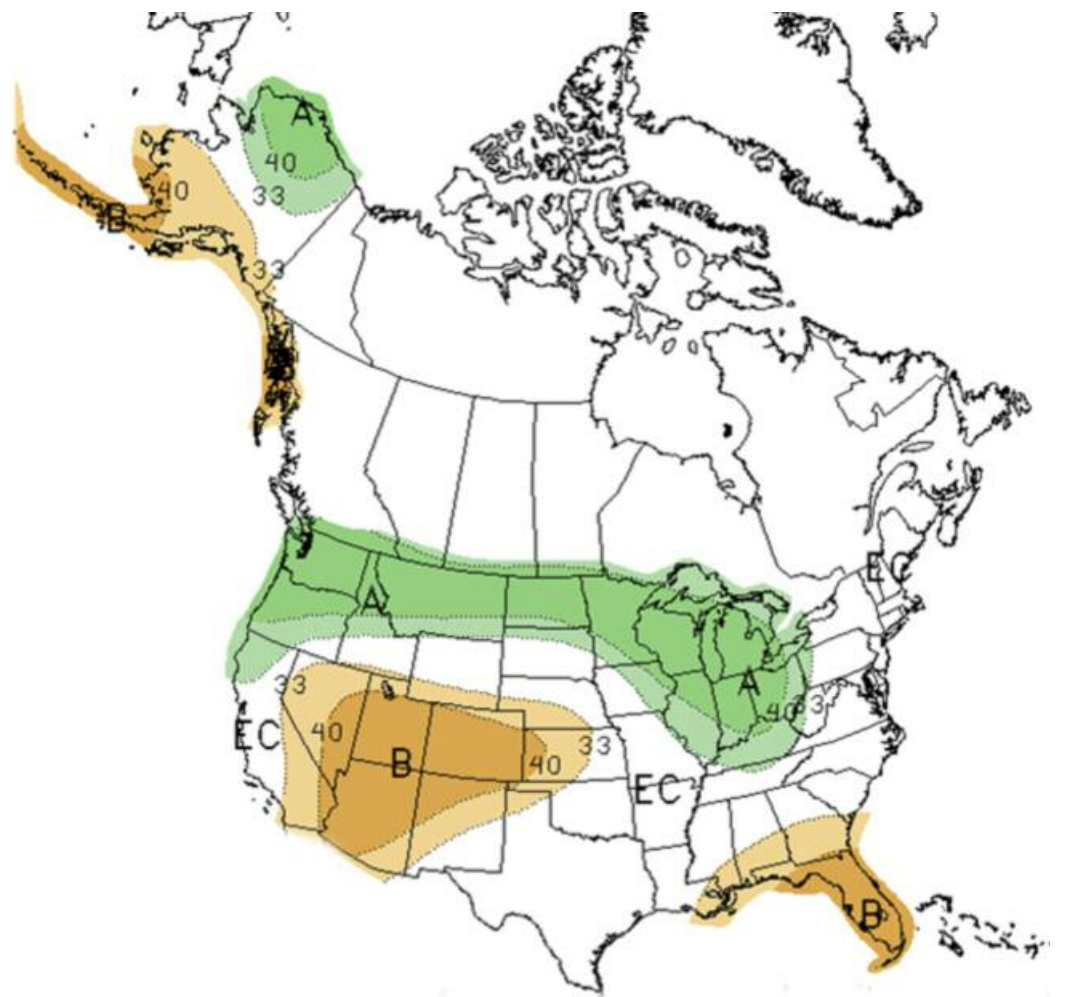
"Do not rush soil preparation and planting where rooting ability will be impaired," Vyn said. "Be kind to your soil this year. It is your livelihood."

Stormy weather that Indiana and other northern cornbelt states endured over the winter is expected to continue, according to the Indiana State Climatologist Dev Niyogi. The culprit is La Niña, whose cool Pacific Ocean air continues to stir up storms across the northern states.

Because many soils were saturated during the winter, continued storms from La Niña will increase the chances of flooding this spring.

Although La Niña is expected to weaken later in the spring, cool and wet conditions in northern states could extend into early summer because of lingering wet soils.

Drought that had gripped Indiana since last fall has ended because of the La Niña-driven



This map of the continental United States shows the precipitation probability for the month of April. "A" means above normal, "B" below normal and "EC" equal chances of normal, above- and below-normal precipitation. (National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration National Weather Service image)

snow and rain over the winter. Most of the northern half of the state, however, still was abnormally dry in early April.

Vyn said Indiana farmers should not determine their need for planting progress by what they achieved last year, when planting and harvest were unusually early; an early start does not necessarily result in a bigger crop. Last year, 71 percent of the corn crop was planted by the first week of May, with farmers ultimately harvesting an average of 157 bushels per acre. At the same point in 2009, however, farmers had planted only 5 percent of corn, but yields averaged 171 bushels per acre – a record.

"Just because you're delayed somewhat compared with 2010 or more normal years such as 2005 to 2008 doesn't automatically mean you're limiting yield potential," he said. Corn yields depend more on weather conditions during flowering and early grain fill.

Vyn said he would not be too concerned with planting progress until the first week of May, when half of the corn crop typically is

planted. He is even less concerned about soybeans at this time because planting for that crop usually lags two weeks behind corn.

Much of the pre-planting field preparation work, such as primary tillage and bulk nutrient or lime applications, has been done in Indiana, Vyn said. Some corn planting began the first weekend of April.

Vyn encouraged farmers to read publications that can help them better manage their field operations, such as how to use nitrogen fertilizer most effectively.

"While farmers are waiting for their soils to dry before planting, they should double-check whether they have planned for sufficient nitrogen fertilizer," he said. "In many farms, pre-plant nitrogen has already been applied, but more will soon be applied on other farms that apply pre-emerge or side-dress nitrogen."

Indiana farmers and crop consultants can read an update on nitrogen management guidelines for Indiana at <http://www.agry.purdue.edu/ext/corn/news/timelless/NitrogenMgmt.pdf>

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New Beginnings Church WEEKLY MESSAGE

BY SHIRLEY CANELL
Pastor's wife

Passover

Matthew 26:17-29, Luke 22:14

Jesus sent his disciples, Peter and John to prepare the Passover. Sunday we prepared for Easter coming by celebrating the Passover with all its symbolisms of God's sovereign plan for the Lord's Supper. We saw how the Passover represents Christ and how Jesus fulfilled the old with the new.

They had to have a lamb slain for the meal. (We did not slay a lamb or have lamb at our Passover celebration.) The perfect lamb had to be kept for three days and on the fourth day slain for the meal. They had to keep it with them and examine it for three days before the sacrifice. The sacrificed lamb reminded them of the price of sin. Historians tell us that over a quarter million lambs were slain at one Passover time and within a two-hour period. It was a dramatic time to come face to face with sin and the sacrifice that was demanded by sin.

Sin demands a payment, even though all of the lambs were slain we know they could not take away the sin and could not fully atone for sin. That is why Jesus had to be our sacrificed lamb. Jesus was the perfect lamb. Jesus was perfect without sin.

In Hebrews, the sacrifices were a reminder every year of sin. That is why Christ came. In Exodus, when God brought the ten plagues on Egypt, the last plague was the death of the firstborn. They would take the blood of the lamb and put it on the doorposts so the angel of death would pass over their house. They would escape the eternal punishment for sin. It was symbolic for the blood of Christ sacrificed for us so we could escape the eternal punishment for sin.

There were four cups that the Jews would take at the Passover.

First cup was the cup of thanksgiving. It was to thank God for bringing them out from under the burdens of the Egyptians. Luke 22:17, "Then He took a cup and after giving thanks He said, 'Take this and share it among yourselves.'"

The congregation took from the cup and gave thanks to the Lord our God and King.

After the first cup, there was the ceremonial washing of the hands symbolizing our need for spiritual and moral cleansing. A bowl of water and towel were passed as everyone dipped their hands for cleansing; asking God to cleanse and forgive us our sins, so we will come to Him with clean hearts and hands.

After the cleansing, there was the eating of the bitter herbs. The herbs represent the bitter bondage that God's people were in. We are in bitter bondage to sin in our old nature. The bondage of sin captivates us; we can not know God and the blessing of being his Children if we remain in our sin. We need to be set from sin.

The second cup is a reminder that God had come to rid the Jews of their bondage as slaves to the Egyptians. When we ask Jesus to set us free from bondage of our sins, He will forgive our sins and set us free to live for Him. The head of the household would explain the Passover, the time that God would Passover the judgment of death of the firstborn.

What can wash away our sins? Nothing but the blood of Jesus.

At the dinner they had the lamb, which had to be completely eaten, we have to take in all the Lamb, nothing left; Jesus has to consume us. Also at the dinner, they had Charoseth, which is a mixture of pomegranates, dates, nuts and apples. The Charoseth was to symbolize the mortar and mud that the Hebrew slaves used in their labor in ancient Egypt. Jesus took the bread and broke

it symbolizing the break of the old with the new. This would now symbolize Christ's body broken on the cross, that He is the bread of life.

Jesus came to fulfill the total meaning of the Passover. He was the sacrificial lamb slain for us. You must not only say I know Jesus but fully believe in Him. He died so that we who believe in Him will have eternal life.

The congregation took of the bread and charoset, remembering the bread has been broken for them.

The third cup was taken after the meal. This was the cup of blessing or redemption. Luke 22:20, Jesus said, "This cup that is poured out for you is the new covenant in my blood." Matthew 26:27-28, "Drink of it all of you for this is my blood of the covenant which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sin." The third cup sym-

bolized Jesus blood shed for the forgiveness of sin. This cup now became the new covenant; the new promise that if you confess Jesus as your Lord and savior, God promises that you will have eternal life.

The fourth cup is not mentioned in the Passover meal with the disciples. Jews drank the fourth cup to say that God will be their God and they will be His people. We drink to say we are His. As the congregation drank of the fourth cup they were asked to recommit their lives to Christ, the most important thing in their lives.

It is impossible for me to translate into this article the sermon Sunday. As we all took and participated in the Passover we got a new understanding. Saturday at 9 a.m., we will have our first distribution from the U.S. Ministry to local needy kids. Our Sunday service is at 10 a.m., beginning with praise and worship time. Are you washed in the blood?

New ministry distribution Saturday

The New U.S. (underwear and socks) Ministry distribution will be held Saturday, April 16 from 9 a.m. to noon at New Beginnings Community Church on Main Street in Loogootee.

The ministry will be giving away new, unopened packages of socks and underwear to school-age children. You must be present for your own children. Proof of income such as unemployment stub, food stamp card, tax return,

or another proof of income must be provided.

The following are the income guidelines: household of one: \$10,890; household of two: \$14,710; household of three: \$18,530; household of four: \$22,350; household of five: \$26,170; household of six: \$29,990; each additional person add \$3,820.

For more information, call 812-709-2525.



Prayer Shawl Ministry to meet next Monday

The newly formed non-denominational shawl ministry, Woven with Prayers Shawl Ministry, will meet Monday, April 18 from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. in the multi-purpose room of the Loogootee United Methodist Church.

Beginners and advanced crocheters and knitters of all ages, are welcome. Bring your yarn, crochet hook, knitting needles, and a

pattern.

If you are in need of these items, please contact Dianna Overall at 295-2639. A prayer shawl can be any size, shape or color, and with any type of yarn (preferred machine washable and dryable), you wish. The only requirement requested, is you say a prayer at the beginning, while making, and at the end.

TRUNK HOP

Saturday, April 16th. 11am-1pm

Bring your children to the 3rd Annual
"Trunk Hop"

Located in the LUMC Church parking lot.
(Inside Family Life Center if bad weather.)

Children will experience the Easter Story
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2011 Municipal Election voting, absentee information

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

Monday, April 4, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Monday, April 11, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Monday, April 18 through Friday, April 29, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Closed Friday, April 22 for Good Friday
Saturday, April 23 and Saturday, April 30, 9 a.m. to noon
Monday, May 2, 8 a.m. to noon

All registered voters in Indiana are eligible to vote absentee-in-person at the county election board office beginning 29 days before Election Day.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Municipal Election 2011 Calendar

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

May 3, 2011: Primary Election Day

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

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

November 8, 2011: Municipal Election Day

You have the right to vote in Indiana if:

- You are both a U.S. citizen and a resident of Indiana; and
- You will be at least 18 years of age on or before the next General or Municipal Election, and
- You are not currently in prison after being convicted of a crime; and
- You have lived in the precinct where you

vote for at least 30 days prior to the election; and

-You are registered to vote.

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

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

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

Primary Election Day is Tuesday May 3rd

You may vote by absentee ballot - for more information call the Martin County Clerk's Office at 247-3651. Polls will be open on May 3rd from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m.

2011 Municipal Election candidates

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

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

SHOALS

Lori Denise Butler, Democrat, Shoals Clerk Treasurer
Ernest "Earl" Boyd Jr., Republican, Shoals Town Council
Roger Lee Abel, Republican, Shoals Town Council

CRANE

Bernard Burl Butcher, Democrat, Crane Town Board
Linda Ann Willoughby, Republican, Crane Clerk-Treasurer

LOGOOTE

Donald Rick Norris, Democrat, Loogootee City Council District 4
James Rich Taylor, Democrat, Loogootee

City Council District 1

Harold Green, Democrat, Loogootee City Council District 2

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

Karen Hickman, Democrat, Loogootee City Council District 3

Pat Burcham, Democrat, Loogootee City Council District 3

Dwight Glenn Schultheis, Democrat, Loogootee City Council District 3

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

Phyllis Parker, Democrat, Loogootee City Council At-Large

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

Noel Dale Harty, Democrat, Mayor

Joe Mattox, Democrat, Mayor

Brian Thomas Ader, Democrat, Mayor

Donald F. Bowling, Democrat, Mayor

Nancy Jones, Democrat, Loogootee Clerk-Treasurer

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May 3, 2011
MARTIN COUNTY, INDIANA
PRECINCT: Perry 2**

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FOR CLERK - TREASURER Vote for One (1) only <input type="radio"/> NANCY (McATEE) JONES (50)	S A D 3 P L E
FOR CITY COUNCIL-AT-LARGE Vote for One (1) only <input type="radio"/> FRED A. DUPPS (60) <input type="radio"/> PHYLLIS A. PARKER (70)	
FOR CITY COUNCIL MEMBER DISTRICT 1 Vote for One (1) only <input type="radio"/> JAMES RICH TAYLOR (80)	
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Election photo identification laws

Public Law 109-205 requires Indiana residents to present a government-issued photo ID before casting a ballot at the polls on Election Day.

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

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

Photo identification laws

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

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

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



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