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Danielle Murphy hired as new county community corrections director

BY COURTNEY HUGHETT

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The Martin County Commissioners approved hiring Danielle Murphy as the new director of Martin County Community Corrections, at their meeting Tuesday night, April 20. Commissioner Aaron Summers voted against hiring Murphy noting that it was nothing against her personally.

Community Corrections Advisory Board President Noel Harty said that they received 12 applications for the position. The advisory board narrowed that down to five candidates to offer interviews to and then two candidates for a second interview. Harty said Murphy was the best choice, as was the consensus of the advisory board. Murphy currently works as matron at the Martin County Sheriff's Department. She will give her notice and start the director job in mid-May.

Clerk Gerald Montgomery requested permission to get bids for remodeling the clerk's office. He said he would like to replace the carpet and trim and tear down the wallpaper and paint. The commissioners approved.

Council Members Barb McFeaters, Adam Greene and Sherri Bowling talked to the commissioners about hiring a financial advisor for the county. The three council members were part of a committee to interview firms. Bowling said three companies were contacted for interviews and after doing research, they recommend hiring FSG Corporation. The financial advisors will help go through each budget in the county to maximize savings. Greene said the company also showed interest in helping the county lower taxes which was a big plus for him. The cost for the different areas FSG will be working on is not to exceed \$30,000.

Greg Guerrettaz, with FSG, said he is looking forward to working with the county. He said they try to recoup the county's cost for hiring them, in savings. He said the goal now is to work on getting the county sustainable for the next three

Racquel Hanks, the manager of USG, approached the commissioners about a phone call she received from the sheriff (See 'COMMISSIONERS' on page 2)



Shown above are the students nominated as prom candidates at Shoals High School. In the front row, from left to right are queen candidates Brooke Dobson, Olivia Alcorn and Emma Hert and princess candidates Jayleigh Harger, Darcy Soke and Madison Jones. In the back row, from left to right are king candidates Ashton Knepp, Levi Pendley, and Mason Fisher. Not pictured are prince candidates Reece Sherrill, Carter Roush and Juan Arroyo-Asbury.

Shoals Prom is this Saturday

The Shoals Junior Class presents "A tickets are required to attend. Each prom Night in Hollywood" Prom on Saturday, April 24 at 6 p.m. Prom-goers will enjoy a catered meal from Carla's Catering and dance the night away with DJ Charlie.

Prom will conclude at 10 p.m. with post prom to begin at 11 p.m. Post prom's theme is "Small Town Throw Down".

There will be a grand march, however, No tickets will be sold at the door.

attendee is able to purchase up to four tickets each for their immediate family. The cost of the tickets are \$1 and the profits will be donated by the Class of 2022 to the Class of 2023 for their prom next year. Tickets will be sold during lunch at school for prom attendees to purchase.

Martin County unemployment rate at 3.3 percent for March

BY COURTNEY HUGHETT

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Martin County's jobless rate edged down to 3.3 percent for March, from 3.5 percent in February. The county had the seventh lowest jobless rate in the state for March.

In March, the county had 5,385 residents in the workforce and 180 of them were without jobs. In February, there were 5,443 residents able to work and 189 of them unemployed. In March of last year, Martin County's jobless rate was 2.9 percent with 5,276 residents in the workforce and 154 of them without work.

Daviess County's unemployment rate also dropped slightly from 3.2 percent in February to 3 percent in March. The county had the lowest jobless rate in the state for March, tied with Adams and La-Grange counties.

In March, the county had 16,440 residents in the workforce and 496 of them without jobs. In February, there were 16,561 residents able to work and 524 of them were unemployed. In March of last year, Daviess County's jobless rate was 3 percent with 16,382 residents in the workforce and 486 of them unemployed.

Dubois County's unemployment rate moved from 3.6 percent in February to 3.4 percent in March. The county had the eighth lowest jobless rate in the state, tied with four other counties. In March, the county had 22,151 residents in the workforce and 758 of them were without work. In February, there were 22,329

residents able to work and 798 of them were unemployed. In March of 2020, Dubois County's unemployment rate was 2.6 percent with 22,462 residents in the workforce and 583 of them without

Greene County's unemployment remained unchanged from February to March, standing at 4.9 percent. The county ranked 21 of the 92 Indiana counties for highest jobless rate, tied with Blackford and Scott counties. In March, the county had 13,157 residents in the workforce and 641 of them were unemployed. In February, there were 13,296 residents able to work and 657 of them without jobs. In March of last year, Greene County's unemployment rate was also 4.9 percent with 13,385 residents in the workforce and 657 of them unemployed.

The top ten spots in the state for lowest jobless rate for March were LaGrange, Daviess and Adams counties at 3 percent; Hamilton and Boone counties at 3.1 percent, Tipton County at 3.2 percent, Martin County at 3.3 percent, and White, Wells, Union, Gibson and Dubois counties at 3.4 percent.

The top ten spots in the state for highest jobless rate for March were Lake County at 7.6 percent, LaPorte County at 6.7 percent, Howard County at 6 percent, Fayette County at 5.9 percent, Orange and Vermillion counties at 5.7 percent, Marion and Vigo counties at 5.6 percent, Starke County at 5.5 percent, and Madison County at 5.4 percent.

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County receives \$250,000 to help businesses affected by COVID

Lt. Gov. Suzanne Crouch and the Indiana Office of Community and Rural Affairs on Monday announced that an additional 80 Hoosier communities will receive more than \$18.6 million in federal grant funding through OCRA's COVID-19 Response Grant Program. Martin County was awarded \$250,000 to assist local businesses throughout the county by providing financial assistance to businesses that have been negatively affected by the COVID-19 pandemic.

"This grant program has already provided support to more than 600,000 Hoosiers across our state," Crouch said. "This round we expanded the COVID-19 Response Grant Program so we can continue helping Hoosiers, their families and their

businesses recover from the pandemic."

In April of 2020, OCRA began addressing COVID-19 impact on Indiana communities. Last year, 112 grants were awarded to 96 communities, totaling more than \$20.9 million.

"Based on additional research and community feedback, OCRA was able to open this round to municipalities of all sizes and expanded eligible activities," said Denny Spinner, Executive Director of OCRA. "With a focus on assisting small businesses, expanding food bank and pantry services, and providing essential mental health services, these grants will impact Hoosiers and communities that are on the road to recovery."

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LHS Royalty

-Photo provided

Loogootee High School held their prom last Saturday evening. Shown above are the students crowned prom royalty. From left to right are Princess Annalise Powell, Prince Billy Boyd, King Aaron Dant and Queen Brooklyn Jones.



Shown above are the Jug Rox Robotix team. In the first row, from left to right, are Hunter Sipes, Shyla Taylor, Mallory Waggoner, Lydia Cook, Alexis Rush, and Austin Rasico. In the second row, from left to right, are Luke Troutman, Justin Petterson, Alan Cook, Zane Lake, and Colton Mullins. Not available for photo was Noah Stoll. Jug Rox Robotix is coached by Dean Troutman and Jennifer Mauntel.

Jug Rox Robotix qualify for state championship

Jug Rox Robotix qualified for the Indiana State Championship on April 17 at the Indy South League Championship. The team was undefeated in the first six rounds of match play. In the final rounds, the Jug Rox teamed up with I.C.E. Robotics from Bloomington and continued to be undefeated making them the winning alliance at the championship.

The Jug Rox also won the second place Inspire Award based on their interview with judges which takes into account the robot design, outreach and the teams business plan.

This was the team's first in-person competition of the 2020-21 robotics season; all others have been remote. From the remote game play, the Jug Rox were

ranked 2nd in their league and 4th in the state. The team moves on to the Indiana State Championship on May 15 at Crawfordsville Sr High School.

Jug Rox Robotix would like to thank their sponsors: Martin County Community Foundation, Kimball Electronics, Shoals Community Schools, DOD STEM, Duke Energy, Toyota, Loughmiller Machine Tool & Design, Bo-Mac's, RJ's, Rick Bauer OD, Jug Rock Café, Jasper Engines, Crane Credit Union, German American Bank, Hawkins Health Center, Blake Funeral Home, Thorne-George Funeral Homes, Walter E. Waggoner, Jim and Helen Acton, Mary E Holt, Jason and Cassie Rush, Travis and Candace Roush, and William and Martha Strange.



In the photo above, Alan Cook coaches as Luke Troutman drives and Mallory Mallory Waggoner takes the shot for the high goal at the Indy South League Championship.

COMMISSIONERS

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telling them to halt all trucks on county roads due to complaints. She said they are working on removing tons of water coming into their facility before they have to stop operations. In the next week or two, they will have very large pieces of equipment being brought in for drilling along with dozens of gravel trucks. She said they have been working with the highway department and trying to stay within the roads' weight limits.

Commissioner Paul George asked if USG will pay for repairs for damage done on Mill Road. Hanks asked to see photos of the damage. She said they are willing to pay for repairs if they are actually the ones who caused it. She said USG trucks are not the only heavy vehicles travelling the roadway and noted she has seen log trucks as well.

Discussion ensued on how to help USG get their water situation under control and also avoiding damage to the county roadways. It was suggested that when the drilling equipment is scheduled to come in that the sheriff's department be notified so they can stop traffic. Commissioner George said they would always prefer trucks to use the gravel roads over the paved ones. Hanks said they can try the gravel routes, but they are trying to avoid bridges as the trucks far exceed the bridge weight limits. She said again they have

no issue with repairing the roads if their trucks are causing the damage.

Commissioner Cody Roush said he understands their dilemma and they don't want to hold up the progress however they have to protect the county roads.

Hanks said she understands and will stay in touch with the highway superintendent to coordinate the incoming equipment.

County Attorney Dave Lett told the commissioners that in order to approve an ordinance to fine property owners who don't clean up their property, they need to hire a part-time building inspector. He said the person would be required to inspect, take photos and document each complaint. Once that person is in place, the commissioners can start issuing letters to property owners in violation. If the property owner fails to clean up the property within the timeframe given, the county will hire someone to clean it up and bill the property owner. If unpaid, a lien will be filed on the property. Commissioner Roush asked if the person could be a volunteer. Attorney Lett said he thinks the person needs to be compensated in some way as a part-time county employee. Roush asked if they could ask a current full-time county worker and just pay them a little more. Lett said he didn't see an issue with that. Attorney Lett said they can work on finding someone for the position. Roush replied that he has someone in mind.

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For this round, eligible applicants include non-entitlement and entitlement local units of government could apply for up to \$250,000. Eligible activities include mental health services, childcare services, public WiFi locations, food pantry or bank services, subsidence payment programs, or grants or loans to businesses to retain low-to-moderate income (LMI) jobs.

Funding for the COVID-19 Response

Phase 3 funding is derived from Indiana's CARES Act allocation.

The Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act was passed by Congress and signed into law on March 27, 2020.

To see a summary of the communities receiving funds, visit https://content.govdelivery.com/attachments/INSTATE/2021/04/15/file_attachments/1756248/ocra%2004.15.2021%20 phase%203%20PDF.pdf

CLASSIFIED ADS

YARD SALES

HUGE 6 FAMILY GARAGE SALE rain or shine, 4/23 and 4/24 Friday 8-4, Saturday 8-12. 576 South Kentucky Avenue (550) Loogootee. Mens clothing, L-XL, women's clothing S-XL and some plus size. Boys 7/8-10. Few boys 3T and 4T. Few junior girl clothing. Jacuzzi tub, 2 dressers, furniture, christmas decor, stroller, step 2 wagon, lots of new quilting material, lots of toys books, bags/purses, lonenburger baskets with liners, nice camera...tons of misc. Come see us!

BIG GARAGE SALE, 4/23 and 4/24. Friday 8-3 Saturday 8-12. 111 Terrace Drive, Loogootee. A big variety of items. Puzzles, nice area rug, closed down booth, Lord of marked down items, glassware, lots of midc.and plus size women clothing

BIDS WANTED

PUBLIC NOTICE

Mitcheltree Township will be accepting quotes for mowing the Trinity Springs Cemeteries for 2021. The includes the old and new cemeteries. The contractor shall have liability insurance and must provide a copy of the policy. Please mail quote to Mitcheltree Township Trustee 20472 Sipes Rd, Shoals IN 47581. All quotes must be submitted by April 24, 2021.

HELP WANTED

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The City of Loogootee is accepting applications for part-time help. This is a part-time position and applications may be picked up at the Mayor's office Monday-Friday, 8 am-4 pm.

Deadline for applications is April 30th, 2021.

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT SUMMER HELP

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

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DELBERT BULLOCK

Delbert Francis Bullock passed away at 11:50 a.m. Monday, April 19, 2021 at his home. A resident of Loogootee, he

He was born May 4, 1929 in Washington; son of the late Roy and Julia (Lentz) Bullock.

Delbert married Vera Summers on October 10, 1953 and she preceded in him in death on January 23, 2006.

He was baptized May 12, 1929 in St. John Catholic Church in Loogootee.

Delbert was a United States Army veteran and served in the Korean War from 1951 to 1953. He was a former city clerk and police officer for the City of Loogootee. He managed the Elks Club in Washington and retired from Perfect Fit in 2010.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Vera Bullock; parents, Roy and Julia Bullock; siblings, Donald (Margaret) Bullock, Robert (Bernice) Bullock, Helen Louise (Bob) McAtee and Mag (John) Beasley; and great-grandson, Lyncoln James Michael Strange.

Delbert is survived by his children, Debra Bullock, Pam Bullock (Bob Jones) and Carole Strange (Jay Blanton), all of Loogootee; Jeff (Julie) Bullock of Montgomery and Craig (Peggy) Bullock of Loogootee; grandchildren, Josh and Jerica Bullock, Travis (Meliescha) Bullock, Matt Bullock, Kyanna (Wade) Arvin, Trista Strange (Kandice Coleman) and Andrea Jones; great-grandchildren, Skylyr Raney, Kori, Kaia and Kross Arvin, Laykn and Emery Bullock and Kaidence Coleman and Parker Jones; and sister-inlaw, Norberta Bullock of Jasper.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated by Very Rev. J. Kenneth Walker at 10 a.m. Thursday, April 22 at St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church. Burial will follow in St. John Catholic Cemetery.

Visitation will be held today, Wednesday, April 21 from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. at Blake Funeral Home in Loogootee and Thursday, April 22 from 9 a.m. until the time of service at the church.

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

LESTER WAGLER

Lester K. "Murphy" Wagler passed away at 11:59 p.m. Saturday, April 17, 2021 at St. Vincent Hospital in Evansville. A resident of Loogootee, he was 78.

He was born October 7, 1942 in Washington; son of the late John Henry Jr. and Susanna (Knepp) Wagler.

Lester was a member of First Mennonite Church. Lester was 20 years old when he started Wagler Construction.

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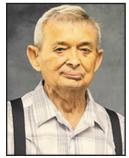


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LESTER WAGLER

later owned He and operated LKW Construction Sarasota, Florida. He retired from the construction business in 2017.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Ida Mae (Knepp) Wagler; one stillborn son; parents,

John Henry, Jr. and Susanna Wagler; two grandchildren, Jayden and Javon Wagler; and son-in-law, Levi Dean Graber.

Lester is survived by his children, Karen Graber, Gary (Barb) Wagler, Dale Wagler, Janet (Steve) Wagler, Diana (Owen) Wagler, Merle (Angela) Wagler, Edwin (April) Wagler, Treva (Kevin) Knepp and Lester Dean (Shirley) Wagler; 35 grandchildren and 20 great-grandchildren; siblings, Wilmer (Clara) Wagler, Pauline (Harold) Wittmer, Simon (Ruth) Wagler, Ada (Willard) Wagler, Naomi (Larry) Graber, Abe (Dorothy) Wagler, Norman (Mary) Wagler, Ida (Amos) Wagler and Elmer (Marlene) Wagler.

Funeral services were conducted at 9:30 a.m. this morning, Wednesday, April 21 at First Mennonite Church. Burial followed in Stoll Cemetery.

Condolences may be made online at www.blakefuneralhomes.com. Blake & Wagler Funeral Home is honored to service the family of Lester K. Wagler.

MELVIN SPEARS

Melvin Leroy Spears Sr. passed away at 12:40 p.m. Thursday, April 15, 2021 at



Loogootee Nursing Center surrounded by his family. A resident of Loogootee, he was 82. He was born July

20, 1938; son of the late George F. and Thursa M. (Hoke) Spears.

MELVIN SPEARS Melvin married Carol Boyd on October 6, 1956 and she survives.

He was a devoted husband and father. Melvin loved Loogootee Lions basketball, Purdue University basketball and the St. Louis Cardinals. He enjoyed mushroom hunting and fishing. He also took pride in caring for his farm and animals. He also liked transporting Amish to various appointments.

Melvin was preceded in death by his three children, Kenneth Leroy Spears, Lisa Mae Spears and Diane Spears; parents, George F. and Thursa M. Spears; and several brothers and sisters.

He is survived by his wife, Carol Spears of Loogootee; children, Teri (Jerry) Maddox of Washington, Brenda Hoover of Loogootee, Debbie (Leo) Searl of Washington, Melvin Leroy (Carrie) Spears Jr. of Loogootee and Cathy (Edward) Searl of Loogootee; several grandchildren and great-grandchildren; and siblings, Harriette Seals and Joe Spears, both of Loo-

Funeral services were held Monday, April 19 at Blake Funeral Home in Loogootee. Burial followed in Goodwill Cemetery.

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

LARRY BENNETT

Larry Stanton Bennett passed away Monday, April 19, 2021 at his home. A resident of Shoals, he was 82. He was born August 2, 1938; the son of Sophronia and James Bennett of Mount Vernon.

He was a 1956 graduate of Mount Vernon High School and served in the Indi-

ana National Guard. He married Linda Sue Cook on February 12, 1972 and she survives. Larry was employed by Buehler's Foods in Loogootee, The Shoals News and the Jay C Store.

Larry was a great sports fan. He was a follower of all things track and field. The Saint Louis Cardinals were his favorite team, he coached Little League Baseball and Junior High Track and Field at Shoals Jr and Sr High School. He was a member of the Loogootee United Methodist Church and participated in many ministries. His years as the assistant at the church preschool was the highlight of his life.

He is survived by his wife Linda; and one brother, Ron (Pam) Bennett of Mount Vernon.

He was preceded in death by his parents; one sister, Wanda Bennett; and one brother, John Bennett.

No services are planned at this time.

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

NORMA LANNAN

Norma Lee Lannan passed away peacefully at 5:36 p.m. Monday, April 19, 2021



at her home. A resident of Loogootee, she was 94. She was born

September 4, 1926 in Loogootee; daughter of the late William and Gertrude (Norris) Baker.

NORMA LANNAN

Norma loved playing cards and was an avid square dancer and bingo player. She and her husband, Donald, owned and operated the former Don's Cleaners in Shoals.

She was a former member of Veteran of Foreign War Ladies Auxiliary and Delta Theta Tau. She was a lifetime member of St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church.

Norma was preceded in death by her husband, Don; parents, William and Gertrude Baker; son-in-law, John Laakso; and daughter-in-law, Mary Lannan.

She is survived by her children, Ronald Lannan of Franklin, Rhonda Laakso of Bluffton, South Carolina and Michael (Mary) Lannan of Gurnee, Illinois; grandchildren, Ryan (Susy) Lannan, Jarrod Lannan, Romy (Scott) Kissel, Tyler (Cassandra) Lannan, Nicholas Lannan, Jaymes Lannan, Arianna Lannan and eight great-grandchildren.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated by Very Rev. J. Kenneth Walker at 1 p.m. Friday, April 23 at St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church. Burial will follow in St. John Catholic Cemetery.

Visitation will be held Friday, April 23 from 11 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. at Blake Funeral Home in Loogootee.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions can be made to the American Cancer Society.

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

Wednesday, April 21, 2021

Home in Loogootee.

JAMES KIDWELL James R. Kidwell passed away at 1 p.m. Tuesday, April 20, 2021 at Gentle-Care of Vincennes. A resident of Vincennes, he was 82.

ments were provided by Blake Funeral

He was born September 15, 1938 in Loogootee; son of Thomas and Pauline (Rhinhart) Kidwell.

Jim ran Carnahan Manufacturing in Loogootee, following that he worked for the USDA, and retired from Crane. Jim served his country in the Army and held memberships in the Lyons Christian Church, American Legion, VFW, and lifetime member of the Knights of Columbus Loogootee #732. Jim loved fishing and hunting ginseng. He proudly served on the American Legion – VFW – 40 et 8 All Weather Firing Squad. Those who knew Jim knew his great sense of humor and enjoyed giving a hard time to his friends.

Surviving are his children, Carolyn Downen and her husband, Tony, of Vincennes and Ed Kidwell of Loogootee; his grandchildren, Amanda Campbell and her husband, Gary, of Loogootee; Katie Kidwell of Loogootee, Nicholas Kidwell and his wife, Amber, of Richmond, Kentucky; and Jennifer Daily of Vincennes; along with his great grandchildren, Landon Campbell, Lincoln Campbell, Carter Daily, and Kylee Arvin A.K.A Red Headed Watermelon Queen.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his wife, Linda (Bullock) Kidwell, whom he married on January 3, 1959 and preceded him on August 6, 2018; and his brother and sisters, Jeanette Farley, Judy Rasico, and Edward Thomas Kidwell.

Per his wishes he will be cremated and there will be no public services. Goodwin-Sievers Funeral Home is honored to serve the family of James R. Kidwell.

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Indiana's unemployment rate stands at 3.9 percent for March, and the national rate is 6.0 percent. The monthly unemployment rate is a U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) indicator that reflects the number of unemployed people seeking employment within the prior four weeks as a percentage of the labor force.

Indiana's labor force had a net decrease of 5,895 over the previous month. This was a result of a decrease of 3,644 unemployed residents and a decrease of 2,251 employed residents.

Indiana's total labor force, which includes both Hoosiers employed and those seeking employment, stands at 3.34 million, and the state's 63.1 percent labor force participation rate remains above the national rate of 61.5 percent.

Learn more about how unemployment rates are calculated here: http://www. hoosierdata.in.gov/infographics/employment-status.asp.



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Martin County Sheriff's Department log

7:38 a.m. - Major Keller assisted a motorist in Loogootee with a vehicle unlock.

9:06 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded.

10:29 a.m. - Major Keller assisted a motorist in Crane with a vehicle identifica-

11:48 a.m. - Major Keller assisted a motorist in Crane with a vehicle identification check.

3:28 p.m. - Received a dog complaint near Shoals. Animal Control Officer Hughett was notified.

5:06 p.m. - Received a report of illegal burning north of Shoals. Shoals Fire responded.

11:40 p.m. - Received a report of a disabled vehicle on US 50, east of Shoals. Sergeant Gibson and Deputy Wells responded.

TUESDAY, APRIL 13

3:30 a.m. - Received a report of a disabled vehicle on SR 450 North of Shoals. Sergeant Gibson responded.

4:20 a.m. - Received a report of a disturbance in Crane. Sergeant Gibson re-

7:16 a.m. - Received a report of theft and vandalism north of Shoals. Major Keller responded.

8:25 a.m. - Major Keller assisted a motorist in Shoals with a vehicle identifica-

8:57 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Shoals. Martin County Ambulance responded but did not transport.

9:50 a.m. - Received a medical alarm call north of Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded but did not trans-

10:44 a.m. - Deputy Seymour assisted a motorist in Shoals with a vehicle identification check.

11:29 a.m. - Received a report of a suspicious person east of Shoals. Major Keller, ICO Doane, and Deputy Lents re-

11:43 a.m. - Major Keller assisted a motorist near Shoals with a vehicle identification check.

3:45 p.m. - Received a dog complaint near Loogootee. Animal Control Officer Hughett was notified.

5:35 p.m. - Received a report of reckless driving in Shoals. Town Marshal Eckert responded.

6:07 p.m. - Received a report of a reck- Ambulance responded and transported the less driver on SR 550, near Loogootee. Deputy Wells responded.

9:04 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance near Shoals. Shoals Fire and Martin County Ambulance responded. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

10:08 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded but did not trans-

11:25 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded and transported the subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 14

12:56 a.m. - Sergeant Gibson assisted a disabled motorist near Shoals.

1:46 a.m. - Received a report of a suspicious person walking on US 50, west of Shoals. Deputy Wells responded

2:30 a.m. - Received a report of a suspicious person in Shoals. Captain Reed responded.

2:35 a.m. - Received a report of suspicious activity in Shoals. Captain Reed responded.

4:09 a.m. - Received a report of a suspicious person walking on US 50, just west of Shoals. Captain Reed responded.

7:23 a.m. - Received a report of an accident on US 231, north of Loogootee. Chief Deputy Greene, Loogootee Captain Hennette, Martin County Civil Defense, and Martin County Ambulance responded. No one was transported.

11:54 a.m. - Received a report of a suspicious person east of Shoals. Deputy Seymour responded.

12:04 p.m. - Chief Deputy Greene assisted a motorist with a vehicle identification check near Shoals.

1:20 p.m. - Chief Deputy Greene assisted a motorist with a vehicle identification check east of Shoals.

2:05 p.m. - Received a dog complaint in Loogootee. Animal Control Officer Hughett was notified.

2:48 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded but did not trans-

3:41 p.m. - Received an alarm call west of Shoals. Chief Deputy Greene responded, and all was secure.

3:58 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County subject to Daviess Community Hospital.

5:10 p.m. - Received a dog complaint in Loogootee. Animal Control Officer Hughett was notified.

6:42 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded and transported the subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

8:22 p.m. - Major Keller and Loogootee Chief Floyd assisted a motorist south of Loogootee on US 231.

10:04 p.m. - Deputy Wells assisted the department of child services with a welfare check in Shoals.

THURSDAY, APRIL 15

1:12 a.m. - Received a report of a reckless driver on US 50, west of Shoals. Deputy Wells responded.

3:50 a.m. - Received a report of cows out on US 231, north of Loogootee. Loogootee Chief Floyd, Captain Reed, and Martin County Civil Defense responded.

9:01 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance transported the subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

10:20 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance and Loogootee Captain Hennette responded.

11:20 a.m. - Received a dog complaint near Loogootee. Animal Control Officer Hughett was notified.

2:05 p.m. - Received a dog complaint in Loogootee. Animal Control Officer Hughett was notified.

4:10 p.m. - Received a dog complaint near Loogootee. Animal Control Officer Hughett was notified.

8:20 p.m. - Received a report of reckless driving north of Shoals. Reserve Deputy Dorsey responded.

8:24 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance east of Shoals. Shoals Fire and Martin County Ambulance responded. The subject was transported to IU Health in Bedford.

8:35 p.m. - Received a dog complaint in Shoals. Animal Control Officer Hughett was notified.

9:36 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance transported the subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital with assistance from Dubois County Ambulance.

11:30 p.m. - Received a report of a prowler southeast of Shoals. Deputy Lents and Reserve Deputy Dorsey responded.

FRIDAY, APRIL 16

6:59 a.m. - Received a report of an accident on SR 150, east of Shoals. Corporal Barnett responded.

9:15 a.m. - Received a dog complaint north of Shoals. Corporal Barnett and Animal Control Officer Hughett responded.

10:19 a.m. - Corporal Barnett assisted a motorist with a vehicle identification check near Shoals.

11:55 a.m. - Received a report of an accident in Loogootee. Loogootee Chief Floyd and Martin County Ambulance responded. No one was transported.

12:30 p.m. - Received a medical alarm call in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance and Loogootee Chief Floyd responded. No one was transported.

12:41 p.m. - Received a dog complaint near Loogootee. Animal Control Officer Hughett was notified.

3:09 p.m. - Received a medical alarm call in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance transported the subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

3:09 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance near Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance transported the subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

4:52 p.m. - Received a report of a theft near Loogootee. Chief Deputy Greene responded.

6:46 p.m. - Received a report of a tree down north of Shoals. Chief Deputy Greene and Indian Creek Fire responded.

11:15 p.m. - Received a report of a theft in Loogootee. Loogootee Police respond-

SATURDAY, APRIL 17

4:53 a.m. - Deputy Flanagan assisted a motorist north of Loogootee.

12:00 p.m. - Corporal Barnett assisted a motorist near Shoals with a vehicle identification check.

1:10 p.m.- Received a report of vandalism in Shoals. Corporal Barnett respond-

3:51 p.m. - Received a report of a reckless driver in Loogootee. Loogootee Assistant Chief Rayhill responded.

4:36 p.m. - Deputy Lents assisted a motorist east of Shoals with a vehicle identification check.

5:24 p.m. - Received a dog complaint north of Shoals. Animal Control Officer Hughett was notified.

9:01 p.m. - Received a report of a cardeer accident east of Shoals. Deputy Flanagan responded.

SUNDAY, APRIL 18

1:08 a.m. - Received a report of a domestic in Loogootee. Loogootee Sergeant McBeth responded.

4:34 a.m. - Received a report of an accident north of Shoals. Deputy Flanagan

7:20 a.m. - Received a report of a reckless driver south of Loogootee on US 21. Corporal Barnett responded.

9:29 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance north of Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance transported the subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

1:12 p.m. - Corporal Barnett assisted a motorist near Shoals with a vehicle identification check.

2:26 p.m. - Received a report of property damage west of Shoals. Deputy Wells responded.

7:06 p.m. - Received a dog complaint near Loogootee. Animal Control Officer Hughett was notified.

ARRESTS

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 14

2:02 a.m. - Shannon Blankenship, 45, of Cannelton, was arrested by Captain Reed and charged with possession of methamphetamine and possession of paraphernalia. Her bond has been set at \$15,000 10%. Assisting with the arrest were Deputy Wells, Sergeant Gibson and K9 Officer Virka.

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COURT NEWS

CRIMINAL CONVICTIONS AND SENTENCING April 7

Dylan V. Bruner, convicted of possession of methamphetamine, a Level 6 Felony and two counts of theft, Class A Misdemeanors. Sentenced on the first count to serve 910 days with 462 days suspended and credit for 224 actual days previously served plus 224 Class A credit days. Sentenced on each of the theft counts to serve 365 days with 365 days suspended. Defendant received 36 months of probation.

April 9

Johnathan L. Graham, convicted of theft, a Level 6 Felony. Sentenced to serve 600 days with 576 days suspended and credit for 11 actual days previously served plus 11 Class A credit days and 2 actual days previously served on Martin County Community Corrections Home Detention Program. Defendant received 24 months of probation.

April 13

Sean J. Peterson, convicted of intimidation, a Level 6 Felony. Sentenced to serve 695 days with 547 days suspended and credit for 74 actual days previously served plus 74 Class A credit days. Defendant received 18 months of probation.

Jeffrey K. Lake, convicted of possession of methamphetamine, a Level 6 Felony. Sentenced to serve 365 days with 361 days suspended and credit for 2 actual days previously served plus 2 Class A credit days. Defendant received 12 months of probation.

CRIMINAL CHARGES DISMISSED April 7

Dylan V. Bruner, possession of a controlled substance, a Class A Misdemeanor, dismissed; possession of marijuana, a Class B Misdemeanor, dismissed.

April 13

Sean J. Peterson, resisting law enforcement, a Class A Misdemeanor, dismissed.

Jeffrey K. Lake, possession of para-

phernalia, a Class C Misdemeanor, dismissed.

CIVIL COURT

New Suits Filed
April 8

Kevin M. Haviland vs. Nian Yang, pe-

tition for dissolution of marriage.

Newrez, LLC d/b/a Shellpoint Mortgage Servicing vs. Dewey N. Hawkins and Collegiate Student Loan Trust, mortgage foreclosure.

April 9

Carl Wayne Walton vs. Lane Enterprises, Inc.; Lane Investment Company, Herbert W. Lane, et al, civil plenary.

SMALL CLAIMS COURT April 7

Hoosier Accounts Service vs. Deborah

A. Haviland, complaint.
Hoosier Accounts Service vs. Megan

D. Davis, complaint.
Hoosier Accounts Service vs. Jeremy

L. Chestnut, complaint.

Hoosier Accounts Service vs. Tessa I.

Brown, complaint. Hoosier Accounts Service vs. Teresa L.

Allbright, complaint.

Hoosier Accounts Service vs. Dirk M.
Fahey, complaint.

Emily A. Johnson, of Martin Coun-

ty, Indiana to Curtis Stoll and Hannah

Stoll, of Martin County, Indiana, Lot

Number 14 in Belair Village in the City

David LaBarge, of Martin County,

Indiana to Veronica Baker and Robert

Hucks, of Marion County, Indiana, the

west half of Lots Numbered 69 and 70,

as shown on the plat of Harrisonville,

Indiana. Also, a part of land in Harrison-

ville, beginning at the southwest corner

of said Lot Number 69 in Harrisonville

and running thence west 14 feet; thence

north 132 feet, thence east 14 feet, thence

south 132 feet to the point of beginning.

of Martin County, Indiana to Randall

Wagler, of Daviess County, Indiana, part

of the northwest quarter of the north-

west quarter of Section 18, Township 2

North, Range 4 West, Rutherford Civil

Township, and also a part of the south-

west quarter of the southwest quarter of

Section 7, Township 2 North, Range 4

West, Perry Civil Township, all in Martin

County, Indiana, containing 31.004 acres.

Francis L. Bowling, of Daviess Coun-

Brogan Parker and Bryson Parker,

of Loogootee, Indiana.

Loogootee Police log

MONDAY, APRIL 12
12:30 p.m. – Assistant Chief Rayhill responded to a property damage accident in the Marathon parking lot.

4:50 p.m. – Caller advised of a found wallet and requested contact be made with the owner.

TUESDAY, APRIL 13

7:56 a.m. – Chief Floyd completed a welfare check.

9:49 a.m. – First responders were dispatched to a medical alert on Love Cemetery Road.

4:41 p.m. – Chief Floyd completed a welfare check.

3:42 p.m. – Caller reported a traffic issue on Wood Street.

8:21 p.m. – Caller advised of a possible impaired driver.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 14

12:02 p.m. – Caller reported a dog that got off his chain.

ty, Indiana; Christine E. Marley, of

Greene County, Indiana; Stacey A. Bowl-

ing, of Martin County, Indiana; Ron-

ald Joe Wininger, of Marshall County,

Kentucky; and Deborah E. Harmon,

of Daviess County, Indiana to Donald

F. Bowling, of Martin County, Indiana,

a portion of the northwest quarter of

Section 24, Township 3 North, Range 5

West, in the City of Loogootee, Indiana.

er, of Martin County, Indiana to Jason

Graber and Rosetta Wagler, of Da-

viess County, Indiana, part of the north-

west quarter of the northwest quarter of

Section 18, Township 2 North, Range 4

West, Rutherford Civil Township, Martin

Andrew David Jones, of Martin

County, Indiana to Veronica Baker and

Robert Hucks, of Marion County, In-

diana. Tract I: Lots Numbered 1, 2, 22,

23, 24 and 25 in the Town of West Har-

risonville, Mitcheltree Township, Martin

County, Indiana. Tract II: A part of the

southeast quarter of the northeast quarter

of Section 29, Township 4 North, Range

3 West.

County, Indiana, containing 10 acres.

Brogan Parker and Bryson Park-

12:06 p.m. - Caller reported an indi-

vidual throwing debris on the roadway on US 50 West.

4:50 p.m. – Caller reported an attempted break in at his residence

ed break in at his residence. 6:38 p.m. – First responders were dispatched to a medical call on Byron Street.

THURSDAY, APRIL 15
9:46 a.m. – Captain Hennette completed a vehicle check.

10:22 a.m. – First responders were dispatched to a medical call on Bloomfield Road.

11:16 a.m. – Sgt. McBeth completed a vehicle check.

12:33 p.m. – Captain Hennette assisted with a dog that was found with a broken chain.

FRIDAY, APRIL 16

11:55 a.m. – Chief Floyd responded to a property damage accident on Dogwood Lane

12:30 p.m. – Chief Floyd assisted the Martin County EMS with a medical call on William Daily Drive.

4:48 p.m. – First responders were dispatched to a medical call on William Daily Drive.

5:20 p.m. – A caller reported an erratic driver.

9:53 p.m. – A caller reported possible illegal drug activity.

11:15 p.m. – Caller reported a possible theft.

SATURDAY, APRIL 17

3:43 a.m. – Sgt. McBeth completed a welfare check.

9:28 a.m. – Caller reported a possible impaired driver on JFK Avenue.

2:15 p.m. – Assistant Chief Rayhill responded to a civil dispute on JFK Avenue.

SUNDAY, APRIL 18

1:06 a.m. – Sgt. McBeth responded to a domestic dispute on SW Second Street.

9:31 a.m. – First responders were dispatched to a medical call on Bramble Road.

2:54 p.m. – First responders were dispatched to a medical call on Church Street.

11:04 p.m. – Sgt. McBeth responded to a domestic disturbance on East Broadway Street.

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SIX LITTLE STORIES WITH LOTS OF MEANING

- 1. Once all villagers decided to pray for rain. On the day of prayer, all the people gathered, but only one boy came with an umbrella. That is faith.
- 2. When you throw babies in the air, they laugh because they know you will catch them. That is trust.
- 3. Every night we go to bed without any assurance of being alive the next morning, but still we set alarms to wake up. That is hope.
- 4. We plan big things for tomorrow in spite of zero knowledge of the future. That is confidence.
- 5. We see the world suffering, but still, we get married and have children. That is love.
- 6. On an old man's shirt was written a sentence, "I am not 80 years old; I am sweet 16 with 64 years of experience." That is attitude.

Have a happy day and live your life like these six stories. Remember – good friends are the rare jewels of life, difficult to find and impossible to replace!

THOUGHTS

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*I started a new diet yesterday. Thank God it's over.

*I do five sit-ups each morning. It may not sound like much, but there's only so many times you can hit the snooze button.

*Does it bother you that 2021 is pronounced 2020 won?

*I used to be a people person, but people ruined that for me.

*I thought the dryer made my clothes shrink. Turns out it was the refrigerator.

*My emotional support animal is a



CHAD ALAN YARRISON and DAMARIS FAITH MOORE

Yarrison wedding

It is with great joy that Mr. and Mrs. Craig Yarrison, of Mill Hall, Pennsylvania, and Mr. and Mrs. Tracy Moore of Loogootee, announce the upcoming wedding of their children, Chad Alan and Damaris Faith. Chad and Damaris will become Mr. and Mrs. Yarrison on April 30, 2021 before family and friends at Dover Hill. A reception will follow at the Ebenezer Youth Camp in Loogootee. Chad is completing his pastoral studies. The couple plan to serve in foreign missions.

chicken: four-piece, with a biscuit.

*I swear my fridge just said, "What the heck do you want now?"

*Some days I amaze myself. Other days I put the laundry in the oven.

*Dear Winter, I'm breaking up with you. I think it's time I start seeing other seasons. Summer is hotter than you.

Some artists of the 50s are revising their hits with new lyrics to accommodate baby boomers. Here's a few:

- 1. Herman's Hermits Mrs. Brown, you've got a lovely walker.
- 2. The Bee Gees How can you mend a broken hip?
- 3. Bobby Darin Splish, Splash, I was having a flash.
- 4. Ringo Starr I'll get by with the help from Depends.
- 5. The Commodores Once, twice, three times to the bathroom.
- 6. Marvin Gaye Heard it from the Grape Nuts.
- 7. Leo Sayer You make me feel like
- napping.
 8. Willie Nelson On the commode
- again.
 9. Procol Harem A whiter shade of
- 10. Johnny Nash I can't see clearly
- 11. Helen Reddy I am woman, hear me snore.

12. Abba – Denture Queen.

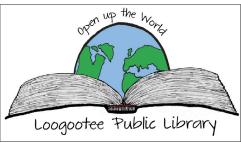
SERIOUSISMS

*The same boiling water that softens the potato hardens the egg. It's all about what you make of it, not the circumstances.

*Be kind to everyone today without needing a reason.

*If you desire to make a difference in the world, you must be different from the world. -Elaine S. Dalton

Make someone smile today!



BY DARLA WAGLER

Librarian, Loogootee Public Library

The 2021 summer reading program theme is Tails and Tales. Staff is busy planning fun programs which will be led by Makenzie Wagoner. Registration will begin in May. On June 1, at 6:30 p.m., Silly Safari will kick off the summer reading program. The location will be at the Loogootee Methodist Church Family Life room. Stayed tuned for more details. New Books

Fiction: "Finding Ashley" by Danielle

Steel and "Sooley" by John Grisham. Western Fiction: "The Too-Late Trail" by Matthew P. Mayo.

Inspirational Fiction: "A Distant Shore" by Karen Kingsbury.

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

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

St. Vincent Food Pantry

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

Mental Health Task Force

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

Celebrate Recovery meetings

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

Local recovery meetings

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

Free lunch for kids

New Beginnings Community Church

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

SOAR Tutoring

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

Solid waste board

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

Soil and Water meetings

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

Loogootee Girls' Tennis results

On Monday, April 19, the Loogootee Lady Lions Tennis Teams took on Bedford North Lawrence. The varsity took the win 3-2 and the junior varsity was also victorious 5-4. The varsity record stands at 6-3.

"I was really pleased with our singles play today. Annalise and Grace were solid throughout their matches. Kieragen gutted out a tough first set and then rolled against a quality opponent," said Head Coach Mike Tippery

Varsity results

#1 Singles Annalise Powell (L) defeated Rachel Kidd 6-0, 6-0

#2 Singles Kieragen Napier (L) defeated Emily Duncan 6-4, 6-1

#3 Singles Grace Gingerich (L) defeated Becca Epping 6-1, 6-2

#1 Doubles Isabella Stigall/Mallory Pride (BNL) defeated Katie Callison/Caitlin Carrico 6-2, 6-2

#2 Doubles Kenley Craig/Izzy Aldredge (BNL) defeated Madison McAtee/Grace Foddrill 6-4, 6-3

Junior varsity results

#1 Singles Italy Lewis (BNL) defeated Tessa Bradley 8-5

#2 Singles Ana Toy (L) defeated Emily Zhang 8-6

#3 Singles Jesse Fabion (BNL) defeated Abbey Fischer 8-1

#4 Singles Abbey Fisher (L) defeated Victoria 6-1

#1 Doubles Olivia Dant/Morgen Wolfe (L) defeated Ashlyn Wever/Cora Brown 8-6

#2 Doubles Emma Salzman/Crystal Webb (BNL) defeated Maddie Fischer/ Lauren Holt 8-7

#3 Doubles Olivia Dant/Ana Toy (L) defeated Ava Sanchez/Layla Gomez 6-2

#4 Doubles Nadia Anderson/Reagan Corey (BNL) defeated Maddie Fischer/ Lauren Holt 6-5

#5 Doubles Morgen Wolfe/Tessa Bradley (L) defeated Sarah Prado/Katie Dominique 6-0

Last Thursday, the varsity Lady Lions were defeated by Washington 0-5. The junior varsity pulled off a win however, 6-2.

Coach Tippery said, "Washington has a solid team from top to bottom. They are not overpowering but they scratch and claw and make you earn every point. Our doubles teams played well at times. We just need to be a little more consistent to pull out these close matches."

Varsity results

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

Kieragen Napier 6-2, 6-0

#3 Singles Kenli Barber (W) defeated Grace Gingerich 6-2, 6-2

#1 Doubles Sophia Davis/Sydney Melton (W) defeated Katie Callison/Caitlin Carrico 3-6, 6-1, 6-4

#2 Doubles Kenzie Knepp/Addy Mc-Murray (W) defeated Grace Foddrill/Madison McAtee 4-6, 6-4, 2-6

Junior varsity results

#1 Singles Ana Toy (L) defeated Cassie Davis 6-1

#2 Singles Cassie Davis (W) defeated Abbey Fisher 6-2

#1 Doubles Ana Toy/Olivia Dant (L) defeated Chloe Browning/Ally Gross 6-3

#2 Doubles Tessa Bradley/Lauren Holt (L) defeated Libby Humerickhouse/Elle Stowers 6-5 #3 Doubles Abbey Fischer/Maddie

Fischer (L) defeated Molly Jones/Kaylee McCandless 6-2
#4 Doubles Channey Clark/Molly McClure (W) defeated Zoey Brassine/Linsey

England 6-5
#5 Doubles Zoey Brassine/Linsey England (L) defeated Nayali Barco/Canaj

Ajradinoska 7-5 #6 Doubles Tessa Bradley/Olivia Dant (L) defeated Abigail Brown/Gwenn Goodwin 6-2

Last Tuesday, April 13, the LHS varsity team defeated Northeast Dubois 4-1. No junior varsity matches were played.

Coach Tippery said, "I was pleased with the way the team responded after the tough loss to Gibson Southern Saturday. I was really pleased with the play of Annalise and Kieragen at #1 and #2 singles. From start to finish they played great matches."

Varsity results

#1 Singles Annalise Powell (L) defeated Olivia Rasche 6-0, 6-0

#2 Singles Kieragen Napier (L) defeated Gracie Sunderman 6-0, 6-0

#3 Singles Courtney Vittitow (NED) defeated Madison McAtee 6-4, 6-4

#1 Doubles Katie Callison/Caitlin Carrico (L) defeated Elizabeth Schepers/Sydney Roach 6-3, 6-0

#2 Doubles Grace Foddrill/Grace Gingerich (L) defeated Breanna Holden/Jessa Braunecker 6-0, 6-2

FARMING & OUTDOORS

Garden Ralph Purkhiser,

I am now in holiday preparation mode. Before every holiday, there is a time of planning the celebration and assembling all of the things needed to ensure the celebration is a success. This up-coming holiday is one of my personal favorites. It does not carry the sacred bearing of Christmas and Easter, but this holiday is important to me and should be celebrated by everyone. It is a good reason for people to gather together. It is a holiday to promote civic responsibility.

Friday, April 30 is Arbor Day. It is far more than just a celebration of trees. The Druids worshipped trees, but one does not have to be a Druid to celebrate Arbor Day. You do not have to be a tree-hugger to celebrate Arbor Day.

Arbor Day is, more than anything, a day to remember the importance of trees in our world. Trees are essential to for many reasons. Trees provide food in the form of fruits and nuts. Trees provide building materials, paper and fuel. Trees are responsible for cleaning the air and producing oxygen for us to breath. Trees provide shade that can save us a lot of money in cooling bills. Trees help hold the soil and prevent erosion. Trees provide homes for a wide variety of wildlife and trees are one of the greatest sources of beauty in this world. We certainly need trees.

In recent years, it seems that trees have had a tough time. Irresponsible harvesting practices, especially in the tropical rain forests, have resulted in many ecological problems. Wildfires, especially in some of the western states, have charred thousands of acres of forest land. Diseases have attacked several species of trees and invasive insects, such as the emerald ash borer, have destroyed trees in much of the eastern United States.

To counter all of the devastation, it is important to plant trees. That is the reason we need to prepare for the up-coming holiday. In light of the cicada swarm expected next month, I plan to purchase and plant a new evergreen tree in my landscape. The cicadas will damage young trees, but they usually leave evergreens alone. I used to purchase small trees. There are good reason to plant seedlings and young specimens. They cost less, so it allows one to plant more trees for the money. Also, smaller trees adapt to transplanting better than more mature trees. However, at my age, I try to purchase the largest tree I can afford. It may take thirty years for a tree to mature and that would put me over 90. Starting with a larger tree will give me better odds of seeing it ma-

I also will be selecting and preparing a site. It is very important to know the mature size of a tree and to plant it in an area where it will have room to grow. The site also needs to meet the needs of the particular tree chosen. That will take some research and may require a soil test. Soil type, pH and moisture are important factors in ensuring the success of a transplant.

Digging the hole for the new tree is also an important part of the plan. The hole should be at least twice as wide as the root ball. Do not make the hole too deep. The flare of the tree should be slightly above the soil level. Often, potted nursery stock is planted with the flare below the soil level, but this should be corrected at planting time. I also like to use a root stimulating transplant fertilizer to help the tree adapt to its new environment. Place the tree in the hole and carefully work the soil in around the roots. Water it in thoroughly to help the soil settle into place. Finally, use an organic mulch to hold down the weeds and help control the moisture level. Do not mound the mulch up on the tree trunk. In fact, it is best to keep a two-inch wide band around the base of the tree unmulched. Extending the mulch to the trunk may give rodents cover and result in their damaging the tree.

Join me in planting a tree on Arbor Day. If you do not have a place to plant a tree, consider donating a tree to a park or to a reforestation program in the wildfire areas. We need trees. Happy Arbor Day!

Planting season is here; stay alert on rural roads this spring

Spring weather is here and farmers are so. beginning to plant their crops across the state's 15 million acres of farmland. The Indiana State Department of Agriculture and several state agencies are reminding Hoosier motorists to be alert, be courteous and be patient when they encounter farm equipment on Indiana's rural roads.

"Planting season is a crucial time for our Hoosier farmers, they have a lot of ground to cover in a short amount of time," said Lt. Gov. Suzanne Crouch, Secretary of Agriculture. "I want to encourage all motorists to stay alert and be cautious while driving on rural roads this spring and to make room for large farm equipment, so our roads remain safe for everyone."

According to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, in 2018 farm equipment vehicles were involved in 98 crashes across the U.S., with two farm equipment vehicles being involved in fatal crashes in Indiana.

Bruce Kettler, director of the Indiana State Department of Agriculture, encourages motorists to share the road with farmers.

"Each year, fatal accidents unfortunately occur on Indiana's roads as large farm equipment moves from field to field," Kettler said. "I want to remind all Hoosiers that farm equipment typically travels around 25 miles per hour or less, so please remain alert, slow down and share the road when approaching farm machinery."

While the term "farm equipment" encompasses a wide range of vehicles, the most common types motorists will encounter during planting season include sprayers, tractors pulling planters or tillage equipment, and large trucks hauling agricultural products. These vehicles are road, and often travel at speeds no greater for Full Moon 5K than 25 mph.

The following list includes several safety tips for motorists approaching large farm equipment:

-Farmers will pull over when they are able to let motorists pass, but it may take time for them to get to a safe place to do

Glendale to host weed wrangle May 15

Join the Daviess-Martin Cooperative Invasive Species Management Area (CIS-MA) and the DNR for a weed wrangle on Saturday, May 15 at Glendale Fish & Wildlife Area (FWA).

Invasive plants such as amur honeysuckle bush threaten FWAs by choking out Indiana's native vegetation and degrading wildlife habitat. During this event, volunteers will learn how to identify and remove amur honeysuckle and other invasive plants while helping to improve habitat

The weed wrangle will take place from 10 a.m. to noon ET. Volunteers will meet at the Maintenance Shop just north of the Glendale FWA office on 600 South. Please bring sturdy shoes, work gloves, water, and a face mask. Masks will be needed when volunteers are gathered together and may be removed while working. Hand tools will be provided for pulling and cutting shrubs, but volunteers may also bring their own loppers or hand saws.

Advance registration is encouraged for this event. To register, see bit.ly/3dJSfdo, or contact Glendale FWA at 812-674-0168 or GlendaleFWA@dnr.IN.gov.

For more information on invasive species in Daviess and Martin counties, follow the Daviess-Martin CISMA on Facebook, or email daviessmartin.cisma@gmail.com.

For more information about Glendale FWA, see on.IN.gov/glendalefwa.

-Be patient. Farm equipment is wide, sometimes taking up most of the road.

-Be careful when passing. Do not pass in a designated "No Passing Zone" or within 100 feet of any intersection, railroad grade crossing, bridge, elevation structure or tunnel.

-Do not try to pass slow-moving farm equipment on the left without ensuring that the farmer driving is not planning a left turn. It may appear that the driver is pulling over to allow a pass when the farmer is actually preparing to turn. You will drive right into its path, endangering yourself and the farmer.

-Avoid tailgating, as some farm equipment might have to make sudden stops along the road.

-Allow plenty of time to get to a destination, be aware of alternate routes and avoid distractions.

"Springtime in Indiana means crisp cool mornings and farm machinery of all sizes operating on and crossing county and state roads as they move from field to field," said Indiana State Police Superintendent Doug Carter. "For the safety of both motorists and farmers, we ask for everyone to be attentive, patient and cautious when driving in rural Indiana during the active planting season."

For a list of safety tips, click here or visit isda.in.gov. The following organizations will be working together to share this important safety message during planting season: Hoosier Ag Today, Indiana Department of Homeland Security, Indiana Department of Transportation and Indiana

Registration opens at Patoka Lake

Registration is open for Patoka Lake's Full Moon 5K, which will start on the beach on Friday, July 23 at 9:30 p.m. Participants will race 3.1 miles through the woods on roadways, a well-maintained gravel path, and a paved bike trail lit by the moon and tiki torches.

All proceeds from the race will go to support Patoka's educational ambassador birds of prey, which include a red-tailed hawk, an Eastern screech owl, and a bald eagle. Early registration is \$25 and includes a race T-shirt. To register, go to fullmoon5K.itsyourrace.com.

For more information about this race, or if you are interested in sponsoring the event, please contact race director and park interpretive naturalist Dana Reckelhoff at 812-685-2447 or dreckelhoff@dnr.IN.gov.

Celebrate National Volunteer Week with DNR

Every year more than 10,000 volunteers across the state contribute countless hours on Indiana Department of Natural Resources properties.

During National Volunteer Week, April 18-24, the DNR will thank and recognize those volunteers for caring for Indiana's natural and cultural resources and salute their accomplishments on the Facebook pages of the divisions of State Parks, Fish & Wildlife, Forestry, and Nature Preserves. Hoosiers can connect with Indiana's natural and cultural heritage and the DNR volunteer community by donating their time and talents at their favorite DNR property.

To find out how you can help DNR properties, see on.IN.gov/dnrvolunteer. You can become part of DNR's volunteer community by downloading a volunteer application and contacting your local DNR property to learn more.



2021 SHOALS HIGH Seniors SCHOOL

CALEB BAKER

Caleb Ray Baker is the son of Lea Michol Jones and Carl Dale Baker. He has three siblings, Shannon, Brannon, and Cole. While in high school, Caleb participated in FFA and the Shoals Volunteer Fire Department. His favorite memory is all of the late nights spent behind the school smoking pigs with Mr. Kent and John Gore. After graduation, Caleb plans to complete his medical training with the Shoals Volunteer Fire Department and attend college in the



ANDREW NEWLAND

Andrew Michael Newland is the son of Michael Newland and Kimberly Dahlen. He has nine siblings, Bella Newland, Alyssa Howell, Lucas Howell, Zachary Newland, Easton Newland, Mikenna Newland, John Dahlen, Sam Dahlen, and Oliver Dahlen. While in high school, Andrew participated in soccer, track, Robotics, Media, Film Club, and band. Two of his favorite memories are throwing a paper airplane at Abby Sorrells before a pep band game and sitting in the hallway with the best people he met during his freshman year. After graduation, Andrew plans to attend the University of Southern Indiana and major in computer science and eventually he might run for President of the United States.

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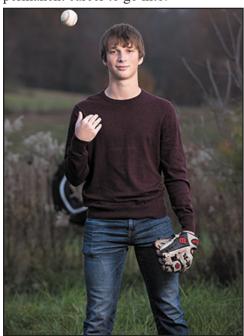
DAKOTA HOLT

Dakota James Holt is the son of Mindy and Nicholas Holt. He has 6 siblings, Alexis, Ellie, Beaux, Russell, Lucas, and Alyssa. While in high school, Dakota participated in Culinary Arts. His favorite memory is hanging out with friends and going ahead. After graduation, Dakota plans to enter the workforce and work at USG.



MADISON WILSON

Madison Wilson is the daughter of Missy and Chad Dorsey. Her favorite high school memory was Mrs.Sherfick's art class. Mrs. Sherfick was always so kind and caring and taught her a great deal of things that she will remember forever. Sitting in her class always brightened my mood. After graduation, Madison plans to get her general education at Ivy Tech and working a steady job until I find a permanent career to go into.



DALLAS BRETT

Dallas Levi Brett is the son of Joni and John Brett. His siblings include Daisy, Willow, and Heidi. While in high school, Dallas participated in basketball and baseball. His favorite school memory is playing baseball before COVID and college trips. After graduation, Dallas plans to attend VU for physical therapy.

LOOGOOTEE HIGH SCHOOL





AUSTIN EDWARDS

Austin Lee Edwards is the son of Weldan and Angela Edwards. After graduation, Austin plans to enter the U.S. Navy. While in high school, Austin participated in Musical (10-12), Beta Club (12), Chorus (9-12), Show Choir (9-12), and GSA (11-12).



SETH GILLICK

Seth M. Gillick is the son of Stacy and Kevin Gillick. After graduation, Seth plans to enter the workforce. While in high school, Seth participated in Golf (9).



TYLER GLOVER

Tyler James Glover is the son of Mr. Jason Glover & Mrs. Aletha Boyd. After graduation, Tyler plans to enter the workplace. While in high school, Tyler participated in FFA (9&10).





JAELYN WALKER

Jaelyn Elizabeth Walker is the daughter of Will and Jill Walker. After graduation, Jaelyn plans to attend Bellarmine University to study chemistry. While in high school, Jaelyn participated in FCA (9-12), Spanish Club (9-12), Beta Club President (12), Beta Club Secretary (11), Beta Club 9-12), Pep Club (9-12), SADD (11-12), Cadet Teach (10), Stu Council (9-12), Basketball (9-12), Softball (9-12), Volleyball (9-12), Class Secretary (9), and Beta (9-12).



BRITTANY WALKER

Brittany Iris Walker is the daughter of Brian and Mindy Walker. After graduation, Brittany plans to attend Vincennes University to study business. While in high school, Brittany participated in Beta Club (9) and Cadet Teaching (10,11).



DEVAN STOLL

Devan W Stoll is the son of Brad and Tracy Stoll. After graduation Devan plans on entering the workforce. While in highschool, Devan participated in Inten (10-11), and Job Shadow (11-12)



Gym celebrates 21st Anniversary -Photo by Courtney Hughett

The Bodyshop Gym celebrated 21 years in business this past Saturday. The gym was started on Main Street in 2000 by Bonnie Hupp and the late Kent Hupp. Its current location is at 202 NE 1st Street in Loogootee. Shown above are Bonnie Hupp (center) with her two daughters, Katelyn and Kierstyn Hupp. For information on how to obtain membership to the gym, contact 812-295-8379 or you can find The Bodyshop Gym on facebook.

Indiana State Police Partners with DEA for 20th Drug Take Back Day

On Saturday, April 24, 2021 the Drug tion drugs are obtained from family and Enforcement Administration (DEA) is sponsoring the 20th nationwide "Prescription Drug Take Back" initiative. The "Take Back" initiative seeks to prevent prescription drug abuse and theft through proper disposal of prescription drugs.

Collection sites will be set up nationwide for expired, unused, and unwanted prescription drugs which will be properly disposed of without threat to the environment. This program is for liquid and pill medications. Vaping pens without batteries and vaping cartridges will also be taken. Needles, new or used, WILL NOT be accepted for disposal. This service is free and anonymous with no questions asked.

This initiative addresses a vital public safety and public health issue. Medicines that languish in home cabinets are highly susceptible to diversion, misuse, and abuse. Rates of prescription drug abuse in the U.S. are alarmingly high, as are the number of accidental poisonings and overdoses due to these drugs. Studies show that a majority of abused prescripfriends, including from the home medicine cabinet.

In addition, Americans are now advised that their usual methods for disposing of unused medicines—flushing them down the toilet or throwing them in the trash—pose both potential safety and health hazards.

Once again, the Indiana State Police is pleased to partner with the DEA, and as in the past, unwanted medications may be dropped off at any Indiana State Police Post, except the Toll Road Post. The event will be on Saturday, April 24, 2021 between the hours of 10 a.m. and 2 p.m.

To locate the state police post closest to your home or business, visit www.in.gov/ isp/2382.htm. To find other locations in Indiana or across the U.S. that are participating in the Drug Take Back initiative, visit www.deadiversion.usdoj.gov/ drug disposal/takeback/index.html.

The Drug Take Back events are the safe, popular and responsible way for the public to legally dispose of prescription drugs with no questions asked.



By Curt Johnson **MCCF Director**



-- TYPES OF FOUNDATIONS --

You've probably heard about foundations of one sort or another on the news or in the newspapers. Some seem to be owned or ran by a person or family, some by a company, some are called a community foundation (like the MCCF), and some are called charities. So, what's the difference? Now it's time to step back and see what makes a community foundation different from other foundations.

-- COMMUNITY FOUNDATIONS --To start with, a community foundation

has four roles: - it serves as a builder and caretaker of

- permanent endowment funds; - it is a service provider to donors;
- it is a grantmaker; and
- it serves as a convener, catalyst, and collaborator within the community.

Characteristics of a community foundation like ours are that it is a tax-exempt, nonprofit, philanthropic institution with a long-term goal of building permanent endowments for the benefit of its county. And a distinguishing factor is that our support comes from the general public, unlike our "cousins", the private foundations, whose financial base most likely comes from a single source.

-- PRIVATE FOUNDATIONS --

Like our community foundation, a private foundation also has a charitable purpose. However, a single family, business, political or other limited group is its financial source and also controls it. The private foundations have board members who typically serve for long terms, sometimes for life, and usually receive some pay or compensation for their services.

Conversely, the MCCF Board members serve three-year terms with a maximum of two consecutive terms. This protects the community from an undue influence from a particular person and ensures a broad county representation. Also, our board members are all volunteers and receive no compensation, except for the satisfaction of knowing they are making a difference in our county.

-- PUBLIC CHARITIES --

So how is the MCCF different from other public charities? Most of them provide direct and specific services to the community, such as feeding the hungry, providing shelter, or developing ed-

ucational programs or growth opportunities. They are what people tend to think of when they use the term "nonprofits." When donors make gifts to these organizations, they are usually making a gift to help the organization perform a specific service.

-- BACK TO US --

On the other hand, a community foundation is primarily a grantmaker and not a direct service provider. So rather than focus on servicing a particular community need, a community foundation serves donors and the broad needs of the community. Even if the MCCF does provide some direct services (such as nonprofit capacity building or other public interest), it is usually not the primary focus of our mission.

A public charity, as does our community foundation, must have at least onethird of its income from contributions from a diverse group of donors. However, our community foundation generally seeks support through individual gifts in the form of substantial lifetime gifts or bequests (discussed in previous columns) or continuing gifts from committed donors, rather than the small annual gifts that most other public charities target.

-- OUR PHILOSOPHIES --

So, to expand on the four community roles identified at the beginning of this column, four common community foundation philosophies are:

- building and managing permanent endowments funds to meet broad community needs;
- providing a central philanthropic vehicle for donors to meet their interests;
- making broad-based grants to other nonprofit organizations; and
- providing community leadership including leveraging resources and convening organizations to solve problems.

We are here to serve you and together we can serve our community.

-- MORE INFORMATION --

If you would like to find out how we can help you help our community, please contact the MCCF Director, Curt Johnson, at 812-295-1022 or mccf@cfpartner.org.

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



Lupe visits Parkview -Photo provided

Residents of Parkview Village Christian Care in Odon gathered at the gazabo, on a beautiful spring day in March, to visit with Lupe, a baby goat. The residents enjoyed holding, petting, and feeding two-week old Lupe. Lupe enjoyed the residents as much as the residents enjoyed him. Lupe is owned by Generation Six Farm in Bloomfield. Shown above is Bob Rhoades holding Lupe.



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